

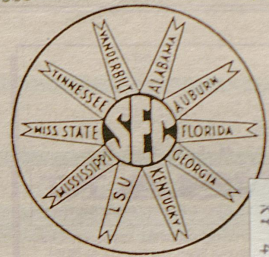


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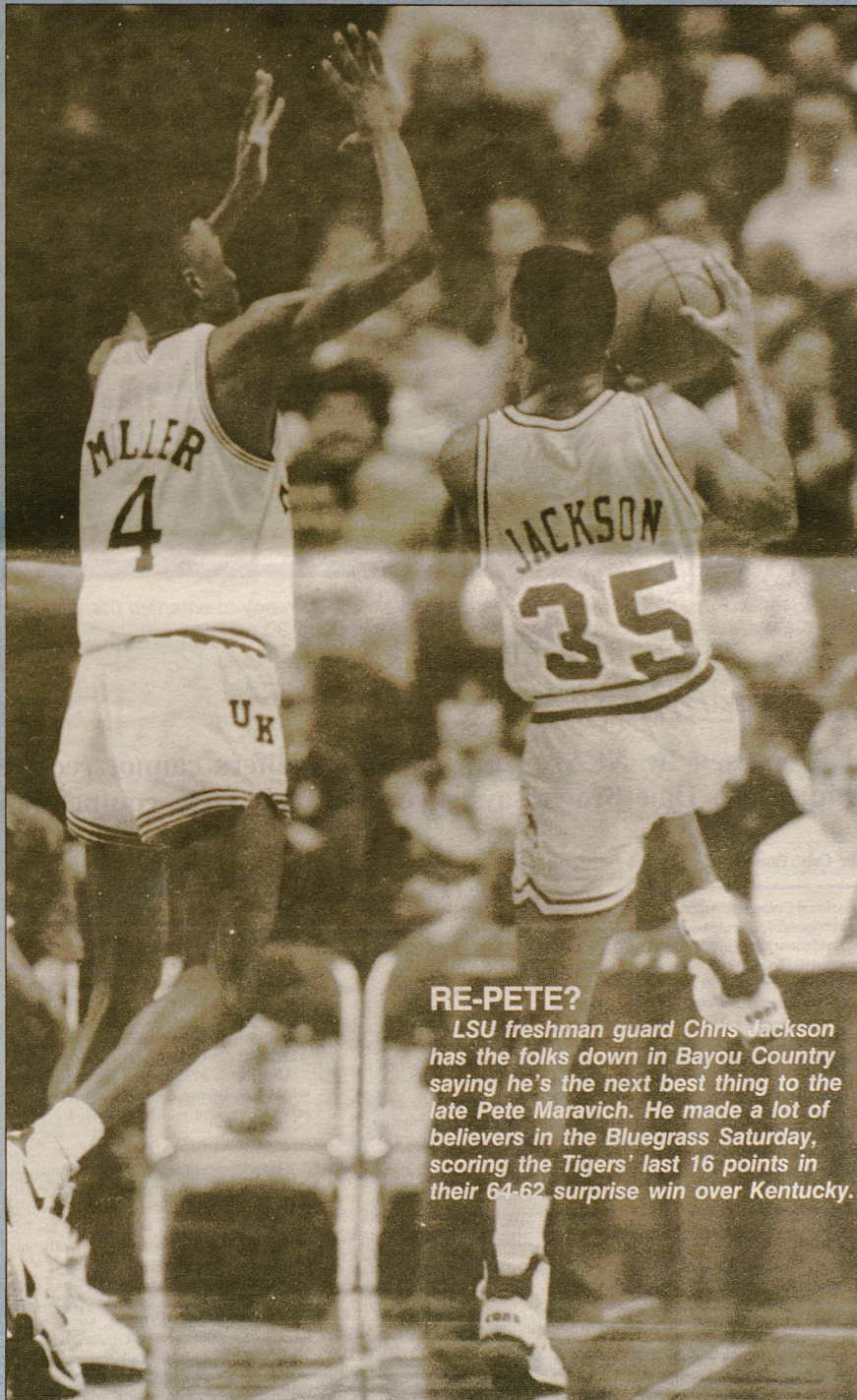


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### RE-PETE?

LSU freshman guard Chris Jackson has the folks down in Bayou Country saying he's the next best thing to the late Pete Maravich. He made a lot of believers in the Bluegrass Saturday, scoring the Tigers' last 16 points in their 64-62 surprise win over Kentucky.

Derrick Miller's 30-point night leads hot 'Cats past frigid Gator in Gainesville

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LSU freshman Chris Jackson went wild in 2nd half, shot Bayou Bengals to upset

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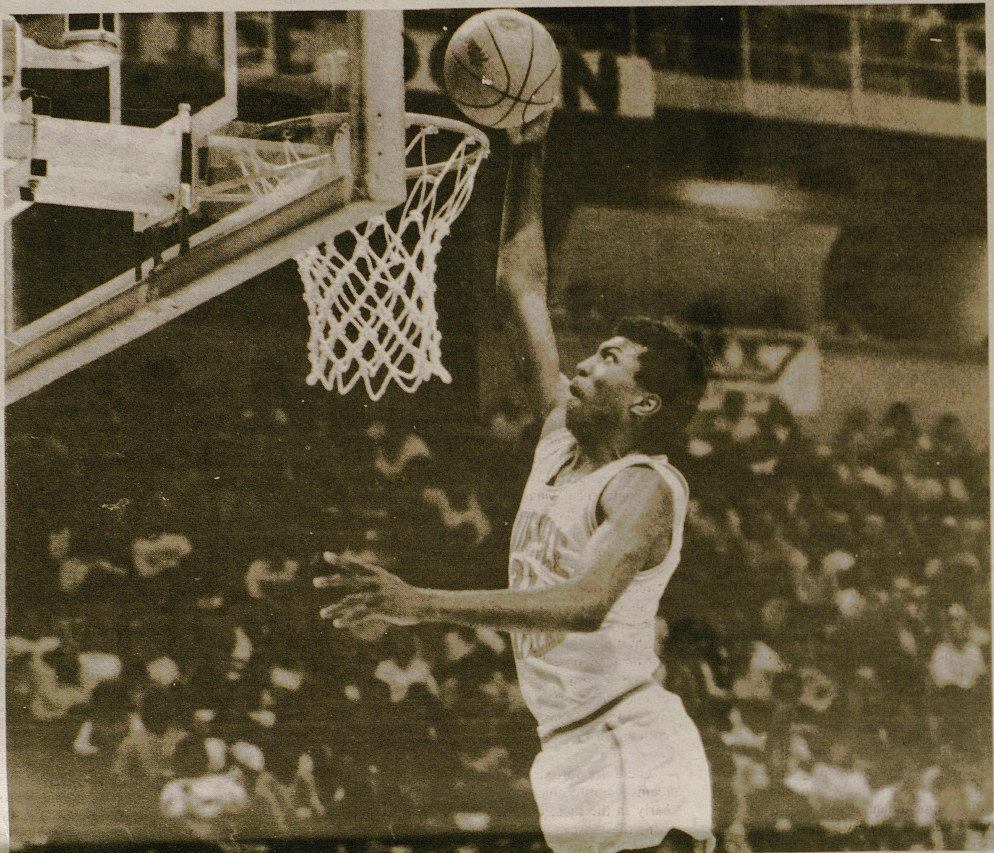
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All-Everything Dyrone Nix and the SEC leading Tennessee Vols will be ready to entertain the Wildcats this Saturday in K-town. For more info on this game, please see page 20.

## Worth repeating!

**Proposal 42 passed by NCAA, says partial qualifiers cannot receive scholarship; LSU's Dale Brown says governing body lacks compassion**

Compiled by The Cats' Pause staff

Last week the National Collegiate Athletic Association passed Proposal 42, a rule which toughens current student-athlete academic standard Proposition 48. Defined, the rule, which is supposed to go in effect in 1990, says that scholarships will no longer be offered to partial qualifiers.

(A partial qualifier is one who may have the necessary GPA but not the minimum in ACT or SAT, or vice versa).

Under Proposition 48, incoming freshman athletes must have the following: at least a 2.0 grade point average in the core curriculum (11 classes outlined) and either a minimum of 700 on the SAT or a minimum of 15 on the ACT.

By a vote of 163-154 Proposal 42 passed. The Southeastern Conference sponsored the new academic guidelines.

Already, many have complained that the ACT and SAT are culturally biased.

In Georgetown's game against Boston College, Hoya coach John Thompson left the floor prior to tipoff in protest of the rule. As of last Monday (Jan. 16), Thompson said he didn't know how many more game he would miss.

Others, too, have voiced their feelings against Proposal 42.

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In a press release, Louisiana State coach Dale Brown blasted the NCAA, in regard to Proposal 42. Here is the release:

"Once again, the NCAA has demonstrated that it is without compassion in dealing with human beings.

"This country, which was founded by and for all people, and not a privileged few, must be vigilant that it does not turn into a society where those who do not meet elite standards are officially declared second-class citizens.

"I am shocked and saddened by this incessant desire to label kids from the poorest stratas as losers in the game of life. The most important rule for all of us to follow is that of respecting human dignity and the NCAA certainly has not followed that rule.

"The penalty given to those who just didn't have a high enough score on a test is far more severe than to an athlete who illegally secures a \$25,000 automobile and other fringe benefits.

"He can be granted immunity by the NCAA if he turns in the guilty parties, when he is the most guilty. Whereas, a youngster that did nothing illegally, but failed to meet a standard test score, is saved from the guillotine, but is embarrassed in front of the whole world.

"That is not the justice that this great

country stands for."

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By as early as next season Division I football teams may settle ties by using an overtime period. The concept will be exactly like the one Division I-AA follows. That is, each team will get the ball at the 25-yard line with four downs to score either a touchdown or a field goal.

A decision will be made in the near future whether the overtime rule will be adopted.

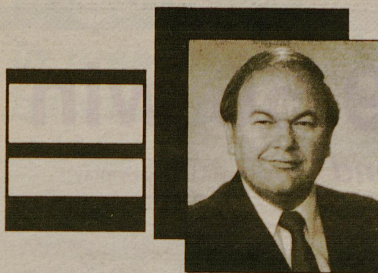
Also, there's a chance that last season's rule where the defense could score on an extra point conversion will be dissolved.

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Kentucky guard-forward John Pelphrey is back practicing with the team. You'll recall that the Paintsville native suffered a stress fracture of the second metatarsal of his left foot just before Christmas. Currently, his schedule involves light workouts.

While Pelphrey's on the mend, Lee County's Jeff Ginnan has been diagnosed as having a fracture of his left tibia, according to team doctor Michael Ray. Ginnan, who was given a scholarship for this semester along with Russell's Chris Jones, will not have his leg placed in a cast.

However, his activity on the hardwood has been reduced.



## OSCAR L. COMBS

CATS' PAUSE EDITOR/PUBLISHER

## 'Cats heading to Knoxville as (gulp) underdogs

Just when things began looking up for Kentucky, up popped a homecourt upset loss in the face of perhaps the season's toughest back-to-back road contests.

Coach Eddie Sutton and his charges barely had time to bask in the glory of their sparkling victory over Florida before Dale Brown and his LSU Tigers shocked a record crowd of more than 24,000 at Rupp Arena Saturday.

It was to be a glorious evening of basketball entertainment, perhaps the once-proud Wildcat tradition was back, alive and well. Midway through the first half, all was on schedule.

Bolstered by a gigantic statewide pep rally calling for fans to drive vehicles with their lights on, both the university and the Committee of 101 (the local basketball boosters club) had the arena in a frenzy.

The effort to rally behind the 'Cats got the kind of boost it needed two nights earlier when UK destroyed a Florida team which barely did more than make a cameo appearance at the hostile O'Connell Center, a place which has been especially tough on Florida foes over the years.

Saturday, Kentucky raced out to an early 12-point advantage, gathering up loose balls, getting breaks and making them. But a bad omen appeared on the horizon as UK's double-digit lead dwindled into a single digit before intermission.

Coupled with the fact that hotshot freshman guard Chris Jackson had a totally miserable first half and the national-television audience watching by ESPN had to be wondering if the 'Cats could withstand a late LSU rally.

They couldn't and they didn't.

LSU rallied in the final minutes and then took command of the contest, thanks to a seven-point trip highlighted by a technical foul on coach Sutton.

A five-point UK lead quickly vanished into a one-point LSU lead. Kentucky never quite recovered. And throughout the comeback it was Jackson who took over the throttle.

It was a heartbreaking setback for the team which had made such great strides over the past couple weeks. But with trips to Alabama and Tennessee this week, all the earlier success could be wiped out just as quickly.

UK is at the .500 mark at 8-8 overall and still 3-1 in the SEC. However, the league mark directly reflects the ratio of games played at home and on the road.

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Just as SEC schools have performed the past couple years on the road, they are once again enjoying a great deal of success in the league this year. Already, no fewer than six teams have won road games. Kentucky shocked Florida in Gainesville, Florida whipped up on Georgia in Athens, Mississippi State ambushed LSU in Baton Rouge, Tennessee has won three times on the road (Auburn,

Ole Miss and Mississippi State). And, of course, UK lost to LSU.

In fact, only Tennessee, Alabama and Vanderbilt have avoided getting beat at home this season and the SEC race is only four games old with 14 remaining.

Tennessee, which looks to be the class of the league at this point, is unbeaten in the conference. Vanderbilt probably should be included with the other eight schools having lost at home, but the Commodores were on the receiving end of good fortune and a huge case of a striped bird swallowing a whistle as Vanderbilt shocked Georgia 76-75 on Barry Goheen's three-pointer at the buzzer in Nashville.

Alabama, now 11-4 on the season, is rebounding with a strong club after an uncharacteristic off-season last year and is 3-2 in the conference, with both losses coming on the road to Georgia and Vanderbilt.

There are various reasons why SEC teams seem to enjoy more road victories early in the race, but the one which contains the most common sense is that teams begin to learn more about one another as the season wears on and therefore the homecourt becomes even more of an advantage.

The other part of that theory has it that as teams begin to wear down physically and mentally from the rigors of a long season, the home team's advantage increases even more, therefore fewer victories for visiting teams late in the season.

With that in mind perhaps this is the right time for UK to be taking on the likes of an Alabama (which is young like Kentucky) and Tennessee (a team UK might sneak up on).

Did I actually say that?

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How long has it been since the Kentucky Wildcats have traveled to Knoxville as an underdog?

Oh, I know. The way Kentucky has performed in K-town over the years, you'd think the 'Cats were underdogs each year. Well, for this one time, Vol coach Don DeVoe will have to use a motivational force other than the upset special when Kentucky rolls into town on Saturday.

During Joe B. Hall's 13-year era, only one Wildcat team, his 1978 national championship outfit, managed to beat the Vols in Knoxville. Sutton silenced the Big Orange during his first try, but the Vols have restored faith to the Big Blue haters in Tennessee the last two seasons.

So it'll be a different twist this week. The favorite's role will sit squarely with the Vols and a Kentucky upset could be the needed ingredient to lead the 'Cats to another winning campaign.

But first there will be Alabama on Wednesday night. Over the years, Kentucky has enjoyed bittersweet success in Tuscaloosa. There was a time when UK won as regularly in 'Bama Country as the

'Cats did anywhere, but that generally was before C.M. Newton took over almost two decades ago.

Newton built Bama into a national powerhouse and Wimp Sanderson has more than continued that success. While Kentucky hasn't won as often in Tuscaloosa the past 20 years as they did before, some of the league's most memorable games have been staged there and some of UK's most dramatic victories have been recorded at Memorial Coliseum.

A pair of victories on the road is a mighty tall order for anyone and probably won't happen this week, but what the 'Cats really need is just to avoid a complete sweep.

A split and UK will head home with a 4-2 SEC mark for a date with lowly Auburn before going back on the road to Ole Miss. By then, UK could be on the road to a quick recovery and a couple notches above the .500 mark overall.

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Proposition 48 has once again grabbed the nation's sports spotlight with the NCAA voting to outlaw scholarship aid to any athlete who is only a partial qualifier.

A student/athlete is considered a partial qualifier if he/she does not satisfy three criteria. They are: (1) a high school diploma, (2) a passing mark of 700 or better on the SAT test, or a 15 or higher on the ACT test and (3) a 2.0 grade point average in a student's high school core curriculum of 12 basic courses.

Prior to the new NCAA legislation, a student/athlete had to meet only two of the three requirements to receive scholarship aid. However, unless the student met all three requirements the student was forced to sit out the freshman year and then meet new academic standings before being allowed to compete the last three years.

The year a student sits out cannot be used as a redshirt year and the student therefore loses that one year of eligibility.

The proposal was proposed by the Southeastern Conference after the league imposed similar restrictions on members schools last spring.

Opponents of the legislation claim the plan is discriminatory against student-athletes with poor social-economic backgrounds.

There are others who say the legislation really will not accomplish what most proponents want, and that is to make sure only those able to realistically pursue a collegiate academic workload will be admitted to a college.

Some opponents say those athletically-gifted student-athletes will still qualify for admission and federal grants intended for non-athletes on the college campuses and will therefore hurt others who otherwise would be able to attend college.

This controversy will continue and for years to come. What's really strange about this controversy is that a few years

ago everyone agreed there were many athletes in college playing sports who really didn't belong in a college academic environment.

They agreed there was a need to weed out those not prepared for the college workload. So the NCAA member schools established a policy to be more selective and here's the result.

The best suggestion I have heard is the one where there is an admission and scholarship awarding policy for all high school seniors—not just athletes—whether it be sports, music, art, farming, etc.

They would all be required to meet the same criteria and they would be treated equally from square one.

At the same time, there would need to be a couple of adjustments to the way student-athletes are treated on the campus.

Furman Bisher, the nationally acclaimed sports columnist of the *Atlanta Constitution*, wrote recently there seem to be a lot of double standards involving the crooked triangle of NCAA schools, athletes and coaches.

He pointed out that it's all right for schools to rake in all those millions of dollars from fans who attend the games and give generously to the college's athletic coffers while the NCAA gladly accepts its huge paycheck from CBS Sports. And, he noted, not too many coaches are running away from those \$200,000 shoe contracts or those profitable Sunday afternoon television shows.

And, he asked, what do those wealthy benefactors say to the players who really are responsible for the monetary success of the school? Why, they're allowed to attend class free.

I've often wondered what the difference is between big-time college sports and big-time pro sports. Personally, it's just a different and often misguided distribution of funds.

On the pro circuit, it's the players who make the big bucks, not the general managers, coaches or NBA executives. On the college level, it's just the reverse. And who's pulling the plow?

This is not to advocate an overthrow, but it's high time the players are given something more than slave wages. The hours most athletes put in don't even average out to minimum wage. Perhaps they really are in need of a sound education because after four years of slavery, I'm sure they'll realize how they're being shortchanged.

A few years ago, the system wasn't out-of-whack so badly. Schools were generating just enough revenue to financially support their athletics programs.

Now, schools are more interested in seeing how much money they can earn and then find new ways to spend it, except the one small factor of sharing their good fortune with the ones who make it possible.

We all cry about how college sports have become big business. And they have. We can put a big dent in this growing

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# Miller's 30 give UK 69-56 win

## Like they always say: When you're hot, you're hot; and when you're not, you get beat by 13 on your home floor

By TCP editor/publisher Oscar Combs

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — When you're hot you're hot, when you're not, you're not.

Such was the story of Derrick Miller and his Kentucky Wildcats as they destroyed a Florida team, which definitely was anything but hot, last Thursday at the O'Connell Center by a score of 69-56.

In fact, the beating was far worse than the score indicated as Miller went on one of his patented scoring sprees late in the first half and early in the second period to bury the home-standing Gators in front of Florida's largest home crowd (11,751) of the season.

The 40 minutes of action before the live cameras of ESPN clearly illustrated the various ways of playing fundamental basketball and how not to play it.

It was a case of exploitation by the Wildcats as they often appeared to be running routine drills against a Florida defense which appeared to be going through the motions all night.

The victory accomplished several positive objectives for Eddie Sutton's 'Cats.

Such as:

It snapped a three-game losing streak against the Gators, including a stunning homecourt loss to Florida at Rupp Arena last season.

It gave the Wildcats their first true road victory of the season, a victory over a team on its home floor. And the 'Cats did it with convincing authority.

It enabled UK to race off to a perfect 3-0 league record, once again establishing the Big Blue as a team to be reckoned with in what appears to be a wide-open race, at least for second place behind Tennessee.

It gave the Wildcats a new-found boost of confidence in facing hostile crowds. O'Connell ranks with the very toughest student crowds in the nation, but the Gator students were in no mood to slur the 'Cats, what with all the rumor mills boiling to the top around Gainesville concerning possible drug involvement among former Florida players.

**FLORIDA, MUCH LIKE UK,** has been a mystery team all season. There has, however, been a difference in that Kentucky is much younger and is not stabilized in the middle with a veteran All-American like Dwayne Schintzius.

This particular night, Schintzius took the night off. Oh, he scored 20 points and yes, he had 13 rebounds, but most of those statistics were posted long after the game had been decided.

The contest was billed as a matchup between two outstanding front lines in the Southeastern Conference. It didn't quite live up to the marquee preview.

It was more a standoff inside, but did Kentucky's guards come to play. UK's guards outscored Florida's backcourt aces 41 to 20 and therein was the game.

Miller was the big reason why UK raced away from the Gators late in the first half to take a 34-26 halftime lead. Kentucky's stingy defense coupled with Florida's less-than-enthusiastic approach to the game prevented the Gators from scoring a single point the last 3:51 of the first half.

That's when Kelly McKinnon gave the Gators their last lead of the game at 26-25.

Backup center Mike Scott gave UK the lead back at 27-26 with a short jumper and Miller followed with five straight points to give UK a 32-26 lead. LeRon Ellis, who enjoyed a very productive evening against the more experienced Schintzius, canned a shot from the lane and UK was off and running at 34-26.

Kentucky quickly opened the flood gates in the second half, almost as if the Gators just wanted to punch out the time clock and head home.

**OF COURSE, UK'S GAME** had more than a little to do with Florida's frustration. The score quickly went to 42-31, then 49-33 and then 53-35 before Kentucky became a little reckless and unglued.

A game plan to play patient and get the ball in the hands of the hot scorer worked to perfection for the 'Cats. Nifty passing and easy buckets were major reasons why the 'Cats hit a blazing 61 percent from the field and scored almost at will.

During the Kentucky blitz, it was Miller once again who provided the offense spark, scoring the first 10 points of the second half on his way to a 30-point outburst.

Sutton was happy, to say the least.

"Our team executed the game plan," said Sutton, with a smile and an arm around his star Derrick Miller at the postgame press conference. "This was a good victory. After we won the last two, I wasn't sure how we would play in a hostile environment. In my opinion, this is as tough a place to play as there is in the league."

Sutton said he had lectured his team about playing in such a hostile arena, but it was a hostile crowd which really never arrived, at least vocally.

"We tried to take the crowd out of the game," said Sutton. "We decided to do that with a patient offense. It's important to play with patience when you play like we do. I think it makes the other team nervous like, if they miss a shot, they think: 'Oh no, here we go again. We have to play defense for another 20 or 30 seconds.'"

For Miller, it was a game of redemption. "It was especially sweet for me because I had never scored a point against Florida before," said Miller. "It's easy to keep track of your points if you never scored one."

In fact, Miller didn't even see action against Florida last season in the two UK losses.

And did he know a great individual performance was in the offing?

"My first shot was a good one, my second shot was a bad one," confessed Miller. "After the second one, I got in a rhythm."

Sutton, standing nearby, interjected: "Tell them what I did to you after that second one."

**"YOU SNATCHED AT ME,"** Miller responded. "After that, I did what you said to me." Which was jack it up even more.

And that he did.

As encouraging as the victory was for Kentucky, the Gators were equally disappointed, especially their star center.

"I don't think it was Kentucky shutting us out," he said. (Continued on page 26)

UK-Florida play-by-play

Time	Kentucky	Score	Florida
17:54		0-3	Schintzius 8 ft., FT
17:16	Mills 8 ft. bank	2-3	
16:46	Sutton 21 ft.	5-3	
16:32		5-5	Chatman 9 ft.
14:55	Hanson layup	7-5	
14:42		7-7	Schintzius 10 ft.
14:09		7-9	Davis dunk
12:54		7-10	Chatman FT, FTA
12:36	Ellis 16 ft.	9-10	
12:19	Sutton layup	11-10	
11:59		11-13	Hogan 23 ft.
11:22		11-15	Kerr layup
11:01		11-16	Kerr FT, FTA
10:27	Feldhaus 6 ft.	13-16	
9:39	Mills FT, FT	15-16	
8:40		15-18	Schintzius 6 ft.
7:55		15-20	Chatman 16 ft.
7:25	Mills 23 ft.	18-20	
7:02		18-23	Garcia 24 ft.
6:42	Miller 12 ft.	20-23	
6:04	Miller 23 ft.	23-23	
4:30		23-24	Chatman FTA, FT
4:05	Miller 11 ft.	25-24	
3:51		25-26	McKinnon 18 ft.
3:37	Scott 6 ft.	27-26	
2:55	Miller FT, FTA	28-26	
1:51	Miller layup	30-26	
1:11	Miller FT, FT	32-26	
:33	Ellis 9 ft.	34-26	

HALF	34-26		
18:59	Miller 23 ft.	32-26	
18:37	Miller 17 ft.	39-26	
17:48		39-29	Leit 23 ft.
17:04	Miller 22 ft.	42-29	
15:23		42-31	Leit layup, FTA, FTA
14:36	Miller 19 ft.	44-31	
13:33	Hanson FTA, FT	45-31	
13:08	Miller layup	47-31	
12:58		47-33	Schintzius dunk
11:42	Miller 8 ft.	49-33	
11:09		49-35	Schintzius follow
10:51	Hanson follow	51-35	
10:04	Mills 11 ft.	53-35	
9:47		53-38	Hogan 22 ft.
9:03	Ellis FT, FT	55-38	
8:54		55-40	Schintzius FT, FT
8:07		55-43	Garcia 24 ft.
7:50	Sutton layup	57-43	
7:35	Miller layup	59-43	
7:20		59-44	Davis FT, FTA
7:06	Hanson layup	61-44	
4:29	Ellis 9 ft.	63-44	
4:14		63-45	Schintzius FTA, FT
3:36		63-47	Schintzius 6 ft. hook
2:55		63-49	Schintzius 7 ft. hook
2:24		63-51	Davis FT, FT
2:12	Sutton FT, FTA	64-51	
1:57		64-53	Schintzius tip in
1:55	Sutton FT, FTA	65-53	
1:35	Ellis layup	67-53	
1:22		67-56	Hogan 16 ft., FT
1:13	Miller FT, FT	69-56	
<b>FINAL</b>	<b>69-56</b>		

—Cats' Pause chart

BOY SCORE: * UNOFFICIAL FINAL #		Date: 01-12-89	Site: Gainesville, Fla.
Team: Kentucky			
NO.	NAME	TOTAL FG	3-POINT
04	P. Miller	11 / 14	3 / 4
20	D. Sutton	4 / 7	1 / 2
25	L. Ellis	4 / 8	0 / 0
35	P. Hanson	3 / 5	0 / 0
42	C. Mills	3 / 7	1 / 1
12	D. Feldhaus	0 / 0	0 / 0
50	M. Scott	1 / 2	0 / 0
<b>TEAM</b>		<b>26 / 43</b>	<b>5 / 7</b>
Percentages:		Game---- FG	26 / 43 60.51 3-PT. 5 / 7 71.41 FT 12 / 23 52.21
Period 1		13 / 27	48.12 3 / 4 75.01 5 / 8 62.51
Period 2		13 / 16	81.31 2 / 3 66.71 7 / 15 46.71
Team: Florida			
NO.	NAME	TOTAL FG	3-POINT
20	Garcia	2 / 9	2 / 8
23	Leit	2 / 2	1 / 1
33	Schintzius	8 / 20	0 / 0
32	Chatman	2 / 7	0 / 0
50	Davis	1 / 1	0 / 0
25	Hogan	3 / 4	2 / 3
41	Kerr	1 / 1	0 / 0
44	McKinnon	1 / 1	0 / 0
<b>TEAM</b>		<b>20 / 52</b>	<b>5 / 18</b>
Percentages:		Game---- FG	20 / 52 38.51 3-PT. 5 / 18 27.81 FT 11 / 19 57.91
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Period 2		10 / 28	35.71 3 / 11 27.31 7 / 11 63.61
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## Bat 'Cats 23rd in preseason baseball poll

Baseball America has announced it will rank the University of Kentucky Bat 'Cats 23rd in its preseason college baseball poll to be released in the Feb. 24 issue.

Last year, coach Keith Madison's Bat 'Cats posted a 38-25 record and finished second in the NCAA Northeast Regional. Kentucky was one win away from a trip to the College World Series, but dropped back-to-back games to eventual national champion Stanford.

Even though UK returns five starters and 12 lettermen from last year's team that finished 19th in BA's final poll and 14th in the *Collegiate Baseball/ESPN* final poll, Madison said this year's ranking caught him by surprise.

"I feel good about being ranked in the *Baseball America* Top 25, because historically, that has been a poll that hasn't been as kind to us as the *Collegiate Baseball/ESPN* poll," he said. "I was surprised after having not been ranked in the *Collegiate Baseball/ESPN* poll that we were ranked by *Baseball America*."

"Based on last year's finish and the number of players we have returning, we are deserving of a national ranking. But it's tough to replace the players we don't have returning like Jon Hudson, Dave Voit, John Marshall, Chris Estep and Robbie Buchanan."

Madison said he hopes fill some of those holes with new recruits.

"We felt like we had a good recruiting year," Madison said. "We're hoping the people we have returning will improve and we'll be a contender for the SEC title once again, and hopefully make another trip to the NCAA regionals and maybe even beyond."

The Bat 'Cats open the season Feb. 24 at Louisville to kick off a 13-game road trip, then head to Florida for eight games with Penn State, Arkansas and Florida. After sandwiching a pair of road games with Indiana and Western Kentucky around the Texas A&M Tournament in College Station, Texas, UK returns to Lexington for the home opener with LSU on Mar. 18.

### Baseball America Top 25

Team ('88 record)	'88 final ranking
1. Mississippi State (44-20)	12
2. Arizona (33-26)	NR
3. Fresno State (56-12)	5
4. Oklahoma State (61-8)	4
5. Arizona State (60-13)	2
6. Miami, Fla. (52-14-1)	8
7. Wichita State (56-16-1)	3
8. Loyola-Marymount (48-18)	13
9. Texas (58-11-1)	10
10. Cal. State-Fullerton (43-18)	6
11. Texas A&M (52-15)	11
12. Stanford (45-23)	1
13. Clemson (54-14)	15
14. Florida (48-19-1)	7
15. San Diego State (47-18-1)	NR
16. Florida State (50-18-1)	NR
17. Georgia Tech (45-24)	23
18. Southern Cal (36-26)	18
19. Washington State (52-14)	14
20. Oklahoma (45-21)	NR
21. North Carolina (34-27)	NR
22. South Carolina (43-21)	20
23. Kentucky (38-25)	19
24. Michigan (48-19)	24
25. Virginia Commonwealth (45-16-1)	NR

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UK junior shortstop Billy White was named to the preseason third-team All-America squad by *Baseball America*. White, from Louisville, was first-team all-SEC as a sophomore last year after scoring a school record 74 runs and hitting .337 with four homers and 31 RBIs. White was also named second-team all-South Region a year ago.

BA also projected White as the 16th-most draftable college player. College players in their junior and senior seasons are eligible for the major league draft.

"I think Billy is very deserving of the selection," Madison said. "Anytime you make first-team all-SEC as a sophomore, you're a pro-

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Feb. 24 (Fri.)	Louisville	Louisville	2 p.m.
Feb. 26 (Sun.)	Penn State [DH]	Lakeland, Fla.	11 a.m.
Feb. 27 (Mon.)	Penn State	Lakeland, Fla.	1 p.m.
Feb. 28 (Tue.)	Arkansas	Lakeland, Fla.	1 p.m.
Mar. 1 (Wed.)	Arkansas	Lakeland, Fla.	2 p.m.
Mar. 3 (Fri.)	Florida* [Sports Channel]	Gainesville, Fla.	7:30 p.m.
Mar. 4 (Sat.)	Florida [DH]*	Gainesville, Fla.	4 p.m.
Mar. 9 (Thur.)	Indiana	Bloomington, Ind.	3 p.m.
Mar. 11-14 (Sat.-Tue.)	Texas A&M Tournament (Iowa, Maine, Texas A&M, UK)	College Station, Texas	TBA
Mar. 16 (Thur.)	Western Kentucky	Bowling Green	3 p.m.
Mar. 18 (Sat.)	LSU [DH]* [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	1 p.m.
Mar. 19 (Sun.)	LSU* [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	2 p.m.
Mar. 21 (Tue.)	EASTERN MICHIGAN [DH]	LEXINGTON	1 p.m.
Mar. 22 (Wed.)	INDIANA STATE	LEXINGTON	4 p.m.
Mar. 23 (Thur.)	MIDDLE TENNESSEE	LEXINGTON	4 p.m.
Mar. 25 (Sat.)	Alabama [DH]*	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	7 p.m.
Mar. 26 (Sun.)	Alabama*	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	3 p.m.
Mar. 28 (Tue.)	Eastern Kentucky	Richmond	3 p.m.
Mar. 29 (Wed.)	Morehead	Morehead	3 p.m.
Mar. 30 (Thur.)	Marshall	Huntington, W.Va.	3 p.m.
April 1 (Sat.)	TENNESSEE [DH]* [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	1 p.m.
April 2 (Sun.)	TENNESSEE* [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	2 p.m.
April 5 (Wed.)	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio	3 p.m.
April 6 (Thur.)	MIAMI (OHIO)	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
April 8 (Sat.)	Vanderbilt [DH]*	Nashville, Tenn.	2 p.m.
April 9 (Sun.)	Vanderbilt*	Nashville, Tenn.	2:30 p.m.
April 12 (Wed.)	XAVIER (OHIO)	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
April 13 (Thur.)	WESTERN KENTUCKY	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
April 15 (Sat.)	AUBURN [DH]* [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	5 p.m.
April 16 (Sun.)	AUBURN* [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	1:30 p.m.
April 18 (Tue.)	WRIGHT STATE	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
April 19 (Wed.)	MOREHEAD	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
April 20 (Thur.)	MARSHALL	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
April 22 (Sat.)	Ole Miss [DH]* [ESPN]	Oxford, Miss.	7 p.m.
April 23 (Sun.)	Ole Miss*	Oxford, Miss.	2:30 p.m.
April 25 (Tue.)	CINCINNATI	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
April 26 (Wed.)	Middle Tennessee	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	8:30 p.m.
April 27 (Thur.)	Middle Tennessee	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	3 p.m.
April 29 (Sat.)	MISSISSIPPI ST. [DH]* [WDKY-TV] [Sports Channel]	LEXINGTON	2 p.m.
April 30 (Sun.)	MISSISSIPPI ST.* [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	2 p.m.
May 2 (Tue.)	LOUISVILLE [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
May 4 (Thur.)	EASTERN KENTUCKY [WDKY-TV]	LEXINGTON	7 p.m.
May 6 (Sat.)	Georgia [DH]*	Athens, Ga.	6 p.m.
May 7 (Sun.)	Georgia*	Athens, Ga.	1:30 p.m.
May 11-14 (Thur.-Sun.)	SEC Tournament	Gainesville, Fla.	TBA

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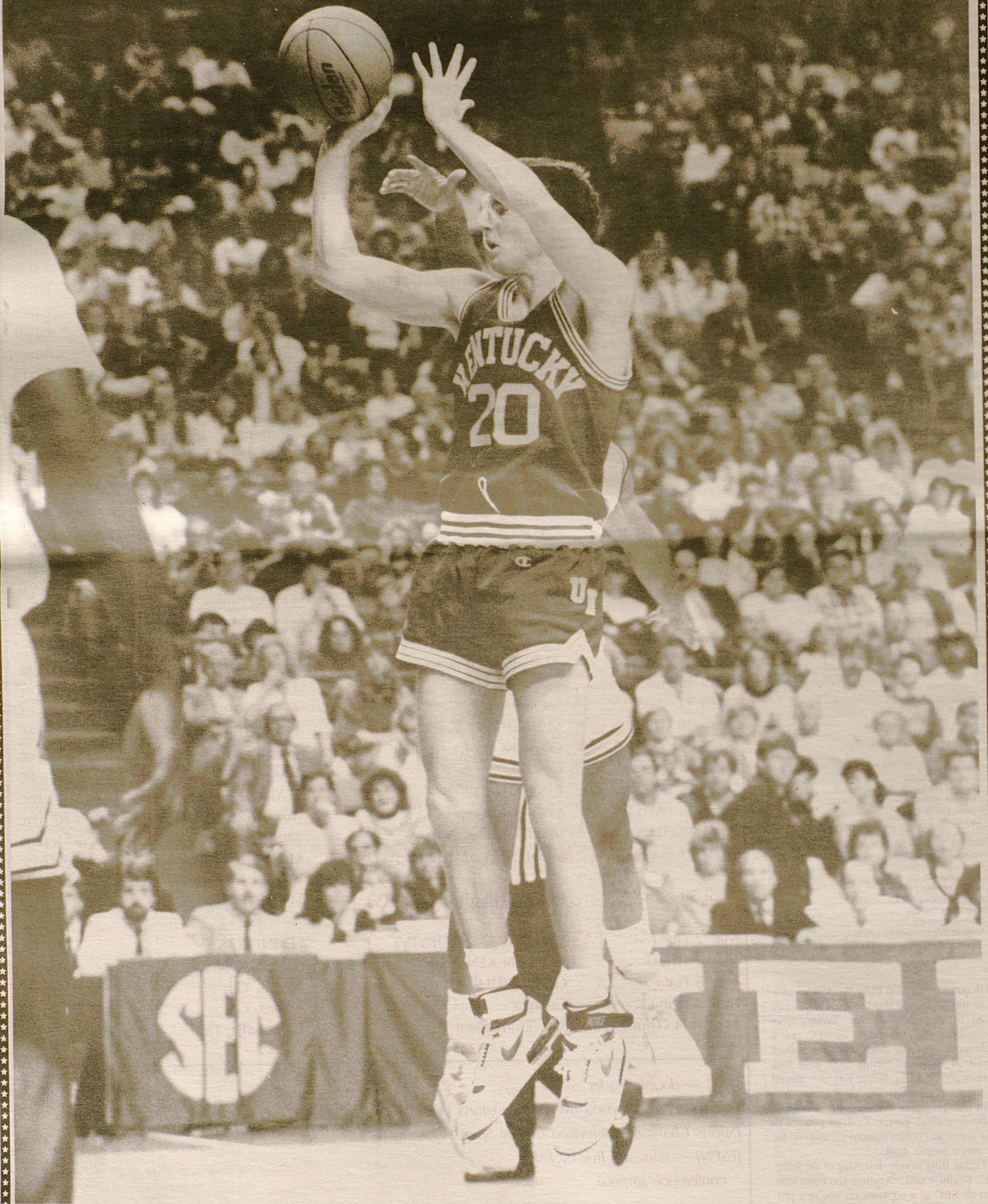
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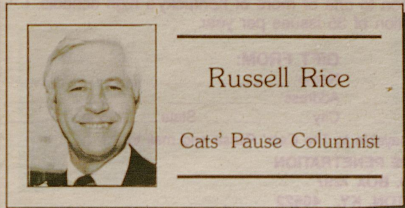
*Sean Sutton*



# Ex-Cat Muff Davis to be honored in Indiana

Will join others in Indiana H.S. Hall of Fame

Mulford "Muff" Davis, former Elwood High School star who started at forward for the University of Kentucky in 1943 and then earned two letters as a reserve after World War II, will be among 12 other Hoosier high



Russell Rice  
Cats' Pause Columnist

school legends who will be inducted next March into the new Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame now under construction at New Castle.

The honor is a highlight of a career that began on the gravel-covered courts at Orestes, Ind., where as a grade-schooler, Davis once scored 52 points against Harrison TWP. He then entered Elwood High in 1937 and played under the tutelage of Hunk Francis.

In those days when 40 to 50 points were a lot for a team to score, Davis scored 31 points against Tipton in one game. He also was named to the CIC team four years in a row, was a four-time team captain, and a two-year All-State member of the Indiana All-Stars, the first of four Elwood players to be named to receive that honor.

Following in his footsteps have been Dick Mitchell in 1957, Darrell McQuitty in 1958 and John Mengelt in 1967. That 1941 All-Star team whipped the Kentucky All-Stars 52-41 in the second year of the annual series.

Other members of that Hoosier team were: Mr. Basketball John Bass of Greenwood, Martinsville's Bob Rowland, Kokomo's Carl Campbell, Washington's Leroy Mangin, Indianapolis Shortridge's Dave Strack, Rushville's Max Pearsey, New Castle's Don Server and Decatur Central's Bill Butler.

Davis played in all but one of UK's 23 games in 1943, averaging 7.1 points to tie senior guard Marvin Akers for third-place scoring honors. Senior forward Milt Ticco led all scorers with a 10.1 average. Senior center Mel Brewer, later killed in action when his plane was shot down over Germany, averaged 8.3 ppg, while sophomore guard Kenny Rollins, future captain of the Fabulous Five, scored at a 5.3 clip.

Those Wildcats finished the regular season 17-5 and then lost a postseason game to powerful Great Lakes, 53-39, in Louisville.

"I served two and one half years in the Army during the war," Davis said. "When I went back to Kentucky, they had the Fabulous Five and I was a sub my last two years."

When Davis returned to the basketball camp in 1946, the Wildcat complement of forwards had been "narrowed" to 10, plus two guards and two centers who also played forward. The "true" list included captain and all-conference performer Jack Tingle, Wilbur Schu, Joe Holland, Darrell Loranec, Zeb Blankenship, Sam Zeaman, Bob Hehl, Barkley Sturgill and John Crockett.

Wallace "Wah Wah" Jones, starting center until Alex Groza returned from military service, later would make All-American as a forward. Malcolm McMullen, C-F, played that year and the following season before transferring to Xavier, where he starred before entering the pro ranks.

A dream to play in Madison Square Garden came true for Davis in the 1945-46 season, when the Wildcats (28-2) defeated Rhode Island in the NIT. The Wildcats finished 34-3 the following year, returning to New York to lose to Utah in the NIT championship game.

Davis scored 156 points in 1943, 40 in 1946 and 54 in 1947. After receiving his M.A. at UK in 1948, he return-



Former Wildcat Muff Davis (kneeling, left), posing with Adolph Rupp's 1946 NIT championship squad, will be inducted into the Indiana High School Hall of Fame next March.

ed to Indiana as head basketball coach at Frankton High where he remained until 1963. During those years, he served as track, baseball and cross country coach and then athletics director.

He went to Anderson Highlands as principal in 1964, a position he held until 1979. After retiring from school administrative work, he sold school supplies before hanging it all up five years ago to play golf, garden and live a life of leisure.

And how does he feel about being among the first persons to be inducted into the new Hall of Fame?

"It's definitely an honor," Davis said as he relaxed at his home in Frankton, "especially since basketball has been my whole life."

ENTERING THE HALL OF FAME with Davis next spring will be:

■Terre Haute Gertsmeier's Andrews brothers, twins Harley and Arley, who led coach Howard Sharpe's team to the Final Four twice, though they never won the state title. Harley was a 1953 Indiana All-Star and Trester Mental Attitude Award winner who played at Louisville.

■Willie Merriweather, who averaged 20 points and 20 rebounds for Indianapolis Crispus Attucks' 1955 state champions. He was an All-American at Purdue.

■Terry Dischinger, a 1958 All-Star from Terre Haute Garfield. He was a three-time All-American at Purdue, made the 1960 Olympic Team as a sophomore and played in the NBA with four teams.

■Kokomo's "Splendid Splinter," Jimmy Rayl, Indiana's 1959 Mr. Basketball and Trester Award winner who scored a then-record 114 points in the final four games of the '59 state tournament. He was an All-American at Indiana University, and his single-game record of 56 points still stands. He was an original Indiana Pacer in the

ABA.

■Cleon Reynolds, a 1927 Terre Haute Riley star who was a member of Butler's 1928 NCAA championship team. He coached high school basketball 28 years at Earl Park, Colfax, Rockville, Rushville, Lawrence Central, Cathedral and Shortridge. He also coached the Indiana All-Stars and won 99 games at Marian College before retiring.

■Bob Dille, a Chesterton High School product who was a 1943 All-American at Valparaiso University. He coached more than 300 winners at Valparaiso, Berne-French, Fort Wayne Central and finally Fort Wayne Northrop, which he led to the 1974 state title in only its third year of existence.

■Jerome "Dimp" Stenfenagel, captain and leading scorer of Jasper's 1949 state champions. He was captain of the Ole Miss team in 1953, then coached 13 years at Ireland and Lapel high schools.

■Howard Williams, a New Ross High School star who was a four-year star at Purdue. He was the Boilermakers' leading scorer his junior and senior seasons and all-Big Ten both years. He was a member of the 1952 Olympic team.

■Charles Harmon and the late Robert "Art" Grove, members of Washington's state championship teams both in 1941 and '42. They also teamed at Toledo, and as freshmen helped the Rockets to the final game of the NIT.

■Charles "Chuck" Taylor, a 1918 graduate of Columbus High School, who is best known for his contributions off the court. He organized many of the earliest basketball clinics, produced the first *Converse Basketball Yearbook*, and, in 1923, designed the prototype of the best-selling athletic shoe in history, the Converse "Chuck Taylor" All Star.

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## Yes sir, stuck in a 'pickle' and nowhere to go

### Picking top 10 'Cats almost impossible task

Oscar Combs is an editor and publisher who dreams up impossible tasks for writers. Last fall, for instance, he asked me to select the 10 all-time best University of Kentucky basketball players.



Earl Cox

Cats' Pause Columnist

I told him that wasn't possible. He begged. I refused. He threatened. I refused. Then he agreed to pay. That did it.

But I held out for just the Wildcats I have seen, starting with the 1940s. It would not have been fair for me to rate the great players of the 20s and 30s without having seen them, All-Americans such as Paul McBrayer, Aggie Sale and LeRoy Edwards.

So, after much thought, I selected my all-time greats and my list appears in this season's Cats' Pause Kentucky Basketball Yearbook. My selections: Ralph Beard, Alex Groza, Cliff Hagan, Dan Issel, Kyle Macy, Frank Ramsey, Bill Spivey, Kenny Walker, Rex Chapman and Jack Givens.

As soon as the yearbook hit news stands, the clamor started. My friend and fellow writer Tom Wallace asked how I could pick a team without Cotton Nash. Others were less kind.

So, I asked my readers to show me theirs.

"David" of Jackson told me right off that he cheated on his selections: "I couldn't just stop at 10. A team is allowed 15 scholarships, so I listed 15 plus one walk-on."

David's selections: Hagan, Givens, Nash, Groza, Walker, Issel, Spivey, Sam Bowie, Rick Robey, Kevin Grevey, Chapman, Pat Riley, Macy, Ramsey, Dampier and Beard. He even picked the coaches: Adolph Rupp, head coach; assistants Joe Hall, Eddie Sutton and Harry Lancaster.

And the young man from Breathitt County selected his choices for a possible new UK basketball coach (Mike Krzyzewski, Gary Williams and Lute Olson) and director of athletics (C.M. Newton and Larry Conley).

H. Cook of Borden, Ind., picked Beard, Issel, Macy, Walker, Chapman, Hagan, Givens, Nash, Dampier and Riley.

Carl E. Friend of Hodgenville cheated, too, going with 11: Hagan, Issel, Beard, Groza, Givens, Nash, Macy, Ramsey, Dampier, Riley and Conley. "There are several more I could place in there without hurting the lineup any. I believe Ralph Beard is the best guard I have ever seen at UK."

Richard Hundley of Louisville goes with Groza, Beard, Grevey, Issel, Chapman, Riley, Hagan, Macy, Nash and Walker, and then added, "This was really hard to do."

Hah, tell me about it.

Noel Hardwick of Chariton, Iowa, said he likes Issel, Nash, Groza, Dampier, Vernon Hatton, Beard, Grevey, Mike Casey, Sam Bowie and Jack Givens.

It all just goes to show how many great players UK fans have been privileged to watch over the years.

**HOW 'BOUT THEM CATS!** - Give Eddie Sutton credit for a superb coaching job under the worst of

conditions. Tell the truth now: None of us thought the Cats would have the SEC record they now have, did we?

When conference play started, the Cats started helping out on defense, getting the ball to LeRon Ellis instead of griping about him, and cutting down on turnovers. All that plus an obviously weakened conference have combined to put the Cats in contention for another title.

**MCBRAYER HONORED** - Paul McBrayer, one of the all-time great UK players, was honored Saturday night when Eastern Kentucky University named its arena for him.

A Louisville native, Fred Rice, who played for McBrayer, led the drive to get the arena named for his old coach. Rice, an insurance executive, favored changing the name of Alumni Coliseum to McBrayer Coliseum.

McBrayer is Eastern's winningest coach (219-144), but he is most proud that all but one of his lettermen earned a degree. He lives with his wife Katie in Lexington.

McBrayer's players hold an annual reunion with him, something that happens with very few coaches. But he is unique in this: The UK players he coached while an assistant to Rupp also think so much of him that they, too, come back to Lexington for reunions.

**PREPS ARE BACK!** - There's good news on the high school front: Crowds are filling gyms all over Kentucky and interest is approaching pre-television times. Why? I don't know. Some people think that the poor start UK got may have boosted prep interest out in the state. But attendance is up in Louisville, too. Maybe the biggest reason for the jump in fan interest is the fact that the state championship race is wide open.

The Louisville area is loaded with talent, and the best team will be decided this week in the Louisville Invitational Tournament. Marshall County, Central City, Apollo and Hart County are the state powers that will challenge Louisville's best.

Friday's quarterfinals and Saturday's semifinals and final will be played at Broadbent Arena at the Fairgrounds. Here are the pairings for the last two days:

Friday-Eastern-Moore-Ballard survivor vs. Marshall County, 3:30 p.m. Jefferson-town-Southern-Fairdale survivor vs. Apollo, 5:15 p.m. Western-Male-Pleasure Ridge Park survivor vs. Hart County, 7 p.m., Central-Atherton-Valley survivor vs. Central City, 8:45 p.m.

Saturday-Semifinals at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., third-place game at 7 p.m. and championship at 8:45 p.m.



Eddie Sutton has a reason to be smiling these days. His club, 3-1 in SEC play, is back on track.

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# Ellis' shoulders aren't broad enough for everyone

Still, if UK is to play well he must show up

Most sophomores would be congratulated for having accomplished what LeRon Ellis has at Kentucky this season.

He is the team's top scorer, field goal shooter and



Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist

shot blocker. When teams prepare to play Kentucky, opposing coaches rave about his offensive abilities.

But the talented 6-11 sophomore has also drawn criticism from teammates, fans and his own coaches for his lack of rebounding (5.3 per game) and uninspired play in recent losses to Indiana, Louisville and Bowling Green.

"LeRon is just a sophomore and will have his ups and downs like any sophomore," said UK Coach Eddie Sutton. "No way should he have to shoulder all the responsibility for this team or any game we lose. But I do hope he understands we must depend on him to beat most teams we play."

Ellis knows that. He just doesn't like it.

Some players thrive on pressure. Kenny Walker did. Jack Givens did. Not Ellis, though. He doesn't enjoy being the "main man" UK looks for when it needs a key hoop, crucial rebound or big defensive play. He would prefer to be part of a well-balanced team, a luxury UK doesn't have this season.

"I'm not sure many sophomores would want to be in the position LeRon is this year," said Sutton. "I'm sure he is uncomfortable in that role. We have to help him."

Ellis said he felt like a "whipping post" after scoring just seven points and grabbing five rebounds in a 22-point loss at Louisville.

UK's other four starters played well. He didn't. UK's other four starters played their hearts out. He didn't. Even his teammates criticized his lack of intensity after the loss just as they did after his nine-point outing when UK lost to Bowling Green.

"We are trying to impress on LeRon that he must be a complete player at both ends of the floor," said Sutton. "Maybe we are asking too much. He's just a sophomore."

True but this is no ordinary year at Kentucky. UK doesn't have another inside warrior. Freshman Chris Mills has gone to war on the boards but the Cats need for Ellis to become a consistent force inside to stay competitive.

That's why Sutton has handled his talented sophomore with kid gloves. He hasn't benched him for extended periods when he hasn't played well. The UK coach has criticized him publicly but has not really scorched him.

Sutton knows Ellis is a sensitive young player. Some athletes would run through a wall to prove a coach wrong. Others, like Ellis, take the criticism to heart and their play suffers even more.

"Nobody on our staff is down on LeRon," said Sutton. "He's not my whipping boy and won't be."

"We're not on him. We are just trying to help him realize how important he is to the team."

"For a sophomore he has played well offensively. He needs to be a more consistent defensive player and better rebounder."

What Sutton would love to see is more games like Ellis had against Georgia. He scored 18 points, grabbed six rebounds, blocked two shots, handed out two assists and made three steals in his finest all-around performance.

Maybe that game taught Ellis he must play as hard against the tough competition as he does against teams like Marshall and Austin Peay. He can't back down when the opponent is from Indiana, Louisville or the SEC.

Unfortunately, Ellis doesn't like that role or the pressure that goes with it and may never accept it this season. He prefers to be part of a balanced team effort.

"It would be better for us if I'm not the whole focus of the offense," said Ellis. "If I just play good, we won't win."

He's right. But if he doesn't play well, Kentucky can't win. That's the pressure he must accept.

"LeRon Ellis is a quality player," said Sutton.

"Everybody is expecting a lot from him this year. He's played well but he feels like no matter what he does, it isn't enough."

That's probably true, too. UK fans are never easy to please and this year the Big Blue supporters are frustrated.

However, the fans, Sutton and UK's other players understand Kentucky won't avoid its first losing season in 60 years unless Ellis does consistently take charge inside.

"LeRon is our main guy," said junior guard Derrick Miller. "If he's not on, it's hard for us to win against anybody. He's the whole key for us. When he plays well, we play well."

"LeRon didn't get to play as much as he wanted last year but he's having a great season now. He just has to start rebounding a little better and making sure he plays as hard as he can every time out. If he does that no one has a right to complain because anybody can have a bad game no matter how hard they play."

Ellis has been playing harder in recent games as have all the Cats. The effort has been reflected on the scoreboard, too. And that's the statistic that means more than anything to Ellis.

"I want to win as much as anybody on this team," said Ellis. "If that means me doing all the coaches are asking, I'll try because I want to win."

"I won't say that I won't ever have an off night because every player does. But no player tries to go out and play bad. I don't and no one I know does. I try to give my best effort every game. Some games that hasn't been enough to satisfy everyone but I honestly try as hard as I can every game."

**DESPITE THE** fact seven member schools — Texas A&M, Kansas, Houston, Cincinnati, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and West Texas State — have been placed on probation since October and the controversy over Kentucky's basketball program, Dick Schultz is optimistic about the condition of collegiate sports.

"The state of college athletics is probably as good as it's been for a long, long time," said Schultz, executive director of the NCAA, in a recent interview with the New York Times. "What you're seeing now, with most of these cases that are coming up, is not indicative of what's happening today in college sports. We're cleaning up a backlog of cases. Our enforcement people really feel that we've turned the corner. They feel like violations are way down, that the message is getting out."

"I want our coaches and our athletes to be real role models again. I want the public to know that 99 percent of everything that goes on in intercollegiate athletics today is positive and exciting. One percent of what we do is negative, but that one percent dominates everything that we do."

Schultz has been outspoken in his belief that it is the individual institution's responsibility to monitor its own programs. It is only when that responsibility breaks down that the NCAA steps in.

And he insists the institution has no one to blame but itself when penalties are levied even if guilty coaches and/or athletes have left.

"One of the biggest criticisms people have is that we give these penalties and that we're penalizing innocent people, and the people who caused it aren't there anymore," Schultz said. "That's true. Maybe the coach or the athlete isn't there, and maybe they've gotten a milder penalty because of that. But the responsibility is with the institution. The number one problem comes when an institution loses control. The institution is ultimately responsible for everything that goes on in the athletic department."

It's a tough stance to take but the only choice the NCAA has. If it didn't punish the school because the coach or players were gone, it would basically have no authority. That's why institutions have to monitor their own coaches, players and boosters to make sure rules are not broken.

**LAST WEEKEND** was a big one for the UK football staff as it showed off its program to some of its top recruits.

With players able to sign national letters-of-intent on Feb. 8, UK and other staffs are making their final push to land the nation's best players.

Here are some of the players at key positions that UK seems to be recruiting the hardest:

- Quarterback: Paul Hladon, 6-3, 195, Covington, Ky.; Jeff Brohm, 6-1, 180, Louisville; Jody Dickerson, 5-11, 170, Sto-Rox, Pa.; Steve Matthews, 6-4, 200, Tullahoma, Tenn.; Corey Fleming, 6-2, 180, Nashville, Tenn.; Lance Harp, 6-4, 180, Franklin, Ohio; and Travis Wilemon, 6-3, 185, Anthony, Fla.

- Running back: Aaron Payne, 5-10, 190, Louisville; Richard Fields, 6-1, 180, Cynthiana; Eric Carter, 5-10, 195, Louisville; Brian O'Neal, 6-1, 204, Cincinnati; and Monte Cozzins, 5-11, 204, Westerville, Ohio.

- Offensive linemen: Bill Rosenberg, 6-3, 248, Morehead; Mike Jarrett, 6-4, 230, Western Hills, Ohio; Mark Wright, 6-7, 255, Struthers, Ohio; David Rogers, 6-4, 220, Indiana Hills, Ohio; Mike Ivory, 6-4, 250, Jeffersontown; and Brad Seiber, 6-3, 250, Hendersonville, Tenn.

- Wide receivers — Brian Evans, 6-0, 175, Louisville; Derrick Hollins, 5-11, 180, Colerain, Ohio; Kurt Johnson, 5-7, 170, Paducah; Eddie Thompson, 5-9, 160, Ft. Knox; Salim Shahid, 6-2, 170, Louisville; and Scott Gilley, 6-0, 170, Tampa, Fla.

- Defensive linemen — Barry Rich, 6-2, 235, Monroe County; Jason Dombroski, 6-3, 245, Louisville; John Collins, 5-11, 253, Madisonville; Walter Tate, 6-2, 300, Clarkstown, Ga.; Roger Ivy, 6-2, 255, Goshen, Ohio; and David Parks, 6-2, 245, Villa Rice, Ga.

**REMAINING GAMES**  
DURING THE decade of the 1980's the SEC has had more teams appear in post-season bowl games than any other league. SEC teams have been involved in 50 bowl games, eight more than the Big Ten and 17 more than the Southwest Conference.

Every SEC member participated in a bowl game during the 1980's. No other conference can make that claim.

The SEC also topped also conferences this year with three bowl wins. The ACC, Big Ten and Pac-10 all had two winners.

Those tidbits of information were provided in a recent release by the SEC. Brad Davis and his staff at the SEC put out a thorough release recapping the 1988 season that every media member certainly should have found useful.

It was just another example of how the SEC has tried to promote itself better by making more information available to the media. And Davis and his staff have done it in a professional manner that makes media members at ease.

# KENTUCKY BASKETBALL STATISTICS

(16-game totals, through games of Jan. 14)

player	Overall: 8-8				Home: 5-4				Away: 1-1				Neutral: 2-3				SEC: 3-1			
	g-gs	fg-a	pct.	3fg-a	pct.	ft-a	pct.	tp-avg.	reb-avg.	pf-d	a	to	blk.	stl.	min.					
LeRon Ellis.....	16-15	118-217	54.4	0-1	00.0	60-87	69.0	296-18.5	91-5.7	53-2	22	41	20	25	527					
Chris Mills.....	16-16	88-181	49.2	8-26	30.8	34-53	64.2	220-13.8	134-8.4	49-1	48	57	13	21	547					
Derrick Miller.....	16-13	76-156	48.7	29-69	42.0	26-36	72.2	207-12.9	42-2.6	33-2	31	29	1	11	409					
Reggie Hanson.....	16-16	70-137	51.1	0-0	00.0	40-52	76.9	180-11.3	81-5.1	53-2	29	27	15	22	542					
Richie Farmer.....	14-0	15-50	30.0	9-31	29.0	15-18	83.3	54-3.9	14-1.0	13-0	7	4	0	2	150					
Sean Sutton.....	15-15	21-58	36.2	3-9	33.3	12-26	46.2	57-3.8	26-1.7	35-1	79	35	0	17	480					
Mike Scott.....	16-4	17-43	39.5	0-0	00.0	9-12	75.0	43-2.7	43-2.7	24-0	12	11	9	3	205					
Deron Feldhaus.....	16-0	14-36	38.9	1-1	100.0	6-11	54.5	35-2.2	36-2.3	13-0	8	19	3	4	189					
John Pelphrey.....	10-1	9-15	60.0	2-3	66.7	4-6	66.7	24-2.4	14-1.4	17-0	15	12	0	2	139					
Jeff Ginnan.....	2-0	0-0	00.0	0-0	00.0	1-2	50.0	1-0.5	2-1.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2					
Chris Jones.....	2-0	0-0	00.0	0-0	00.0	2-2	100.0	2-1.0	1-0.5	0-0	0	0	0	0	2					
Johnathan Davis.....	5-0	0-1	00.0	0-0	00.0	0-0	00.0	0-0.0	3-0.8	1-0	0	4	0	1	8					
Anthony Mathis*.....	2-0	0-0	00.0	0-0	00.0	0-0	00.0	0-0	0-0.0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0					
Team.....	14								33-2.4											
<b>KENTUCKY.....</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>429-894</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>52-140</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>209-305</b>	<b>68.5</b>	<b>1119-69.9</b>	<b>523-32.7</b>	<b>291-8</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>3200</b>					
<b>OPPONENTS.....</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>417-907</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>77-256</b>	<b>30.1</b>	<b>212-304</b>	<b>69.7</b>	<b>1123-70.2</b>	<b>532-33.3</b>	<b>300-10</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>3200</b>					

\*Walk-on Anthony Mathis is academically ineligible

## KENTUCKY SCHEDULE, RESULTS

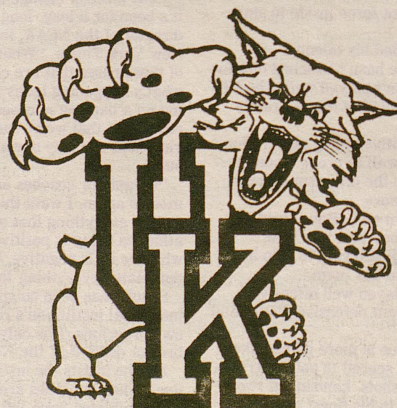
Date	Record	UK	Opp.	Opponent	Margin	Top Scorer	Top Rebounder	Att. (Site)
Nov. 19	0-1	55	80	Duke	-25	LeRon Ellis, 17	Chris Mills, 11	8,908 (N)
Nov. 25	1-1	56	54	Iona	+2	LeRon Ellis, 22	Mike Scott, 7	3,765 (N)
Nov. 26	1-2	60	63	Seton Hall	-3	Chris Mills, 21	Reggie Hanson, 6	3,250 (N)
Nov. 28	2-2	89	71	California	+18	Derrick Miller, 36	LeRon Ellis, 8	3,652 (N)
Dec. 3	2-3	65	81	Notre Dame	-16	LeRon Ellis, 22	Reggie Hanson, 7	45,214 (N)
Dec. 7	2-4	82	85	NORTHWESTERN (LA.) ST.	-3	LeRon Ellis, 37	Reggie Hanson, 8	18,932 (H)
Dec. 10	3-4	78	60	WESTERN CAROLINA	+18	LeRon Ellis, 19	Mike Scott, 5	18,253 (H)
Dec. 16	3-5	54	56	BOWLING GREEN	-2	Reggie Hanson, 14	Chris Mills, 15	20,875 (H)
Dec. 17	4-5	91	78	MARSHALL	+13	LeRon Ellis, 33	Chris Mills, 20	18,945 (H)
Dec. 20	4-6	52	75	INDIANA	-23	Chris Mills, 22	Chris Mills, 11	23,212 (H)
Dec. 27	5-6	85	77	AUSTIN PEAY	+8	LeRon Ellis, 23	Chris Mills, 10	18,178 (*H)
Dec. 31	5-7	75	97	Louisville	-22	Derrick Miller, 34	Chris Mills, 10	19,502 (A)
Jan. 4	6-7	76	65	GEORGIA	+11	Reggie Hanson, 20	Chris Mills, 12	21,209 (H)
Jan. 7	7-7	70	61	VANDERBILT	+9	Derrick Miller, 27	LeRon Ellis, 10	23,338 (H)
Jan. 12	8-7	69	56	Florida	+13	Derrick Miller, 30	Derrick Miller, 8	11,751 (A)
Jan. 14	8-8	62	64	LSU	-2	LeRon Ellis, 20	Chris Mills, 11	24,288 (H)

\*Dec. 27 game vs. Austin Peay was played in Louisville's Freedom Hall but is counted as a home game

\*New Rupp Arena attendance record

## REMAINING GAMES

Jan. 18	Alabama (A)
Jan. 21	Tennessee (A)
Jan. 25	AUBURN (H)
Jan. 28	Ole Miss (A)
Feb. 1	MISSISSIPPI STATE (H)
Feb. 5	Georgia (A)
Feb. 8	Vanderbilt (A)
Feb. 11	FLORIDA (H)
Feb. 15	LSU (A)
Feb. 18	ALABAMA (H)
Feb. 20	Auburn (A)
Feb. 22	TENNESSEE (H)
Feb. 26	Syracuse (A)
Mar. 1	OLE MISS (H)
Mar. 4	Mississippi State (A)
Mar. 9-12	SEC tournament (Knoxville)



# Investigation? See what happens when you win!

Time to delve into my mailbag

## ARE YOU SATISFIED NOW?

Does anyone else need to be convinced that Kentucky can legitimately contend for the Southeastern Conference title this season?



Dan Brandenburg  
Cats' Pause Columnist

Anytime a team as young as Kentucky can win in a place as rowdy as Florida's McConnell Center, it means one of two things: either UK has taken a big step toward maturity as a team or there's big trouble in Florida.

Actually, it's probably a little of both this season after the Cats' 69-56 win there last Thursday.

Norm Sloan's Gators have not quite been the team everyone expected to challenge Georgia for SEC supremacy. But then, Hugh Durham's Dawgs have left a lot to be desired this year, as well.

And now, Eddie Sutton's Wildcats have beaten both of the teams picked to finish 1-2 in the league plus Vanderbilt, which owns a victory over Louisville.

Nobody seems to be talking about the investigation anymore and the Cats are playing more like a team every game. Derrick Miller has made a 100 percent turnaround from last season and is becoming a real leader. Chris Mills, along with LSU's Chris Jackson, is the premier freshman in the country.

Stay tuned. This could get very interesting.

## AND NOW TO the mailbag...

—H.D. Ford of Paducah, Ky., has a bone to pick with Kentucky football coach Jerry Claiborne. More specifically, with Claiborne's favorite defense.

"All those returning players, to me, are no good if coach continues to play the antiquated wide-tackle six defense," Ford wrote.

"I know of only three teams using it: Murray State 4-6, UK 5-6 and Virginia Tech 3-8. Is coach too hard-headed to change? This is a passing game this day and time and you need defense for it."

Mr. Ford, Coach Claiborne is an old dog at this game and I don't foresee him learning any new tricks. My best guess is that the Wildcats are stuck with the wide-tackle six as long as Claiborne is at the controls, which will be at least four more seasons.

I AGREE THAT the wide-tackle six is somewhat old-fashioned, but it can be a great defense if played correctly. That's where my biggest complaint lies. The defense is so complicated that it takes at least a couple of years for players to really become familiar with all of its variations.

Very few teams, as you said, play the wide tackle, especially in the high school ranks. Therefore, the vast majority of UK defensive recruits will have to learn a new game. In the SEC, it's difficult for a team to wait that long.

The defense is designed more to stop the run than the pass, but it can be effective against the pass, as well. The keys are the ends, who usually start on the line of scrimmage but also have assignments against the pass.

Kentucky needs versatile, talented people at

defensive end and I think they had them last season in Tony Massey and Jay Dortch. Massey returns, but a big key next season could be Dortch's replacement.

You also have to consider the flip side of the coin. Because so few teams play it, it can wreak havoc with opposing offenses as far as blocking assignments are concerned.

—WILLIAM I. GOODWIN of Lexington, Ky., also has a bone to pick, but this time with the Scholastic Aptitude Test and the charge that the test is culturally and racially biased against minorities.

College entrance exam scores have invaded the world of sports since the introduction of Proposition 48 several years ago. Under Prop 48, student-athletes must maintain decent grades in high school and then make an acceptable score on the SAT or ACT test to play college sports as a freshman.

Goodwin enclosed a copy of an article from an unidentified newspaper as background for his question.



Claiborne—old dog learning new tricks?

"How can any poor or minority student or athlete pass SAT tests based on these environmental questions?" he asks.

In the article, the National Center for Fair and Open Testing charges that the competition for National Merit Scholarships is "biased on the basis of sex, race and family income."

Last year, FairTest said the SAT was biased against females, who scored lower as a group on the test even though they made better grades than males on the average.

FAIRTEST SAID THE Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test expected students "to be familiar with upper-middle-class sports like sailing, tennis and polo and dance terms like minuets and pirouettes."

Let me say up front that this is not my field of expertise and I am not really qualified to support any comments I make. But let me give you my gut reaction.

I do think the tests are biased to some degree, but they are not as bad as many would have you believe. I would not want the job of making up a test that would be as fair to men as women, to

blacks as whites, to poor as rich.

Most of these tests are long, multiple-choice exams that cover a huge array of topics and take several hours to complete. I find it hard to believe that such a test would be dramatically easier for white, middle-class males than any other group, or vice-versa.

I base my feelings on the fact that income should not have a drastic effect on getting a good, well-rounded education. It's true that an expensive private school perhaps offers more individual attention, but public schools should be able to give a comparable experience.

AT MOST SCHOOLS, all classes have a mix of male-female, black-white, rich-poor students and they are all taught the same subject by the same teacher. Some students are more gifted and some have more initiative, but it should roughly equal out in the end.

While the tests may have some shortcomings, the corrections need to be made long before these kids start thinking about college entrance exams.

By the way, the NCAA has just passed legislation that would eliminate "partial qualifiers" beginning in 1990. The proposal, sponsored by the Southeastern Conference, was a big step toward strengthening Prop 48 requirements.

Currently, partial qualifiers — those who make the required grades in high school, but fail to achieve sufficient test scores — could still get their scholarship but would lose a year of eligibility. In 1990, they won't even have that to fall back on.

## SHORT TAKES

—Former University of Kentucky guard Dirk Minniefield is back in the news after being released from a substance abuse program recently.

The Albany Patroons of the Continental Basketball Association recently traded their rights to Jeff Cook (whoever he is) to Cedar Rapids for the rights to Minniefield.

Maybe Dirk can work his way back into the NBA and start making headlines on the court once again.

—It was a class move that needs to be applauded when UK coach Eddie Sutton placed walk-ons Chris Jones and Jeff Ginnan on full scholarship for this semester. It's too bad that the Cats' third walk-on, Anthony Mathis, was lost because of academics.

—If anyone had any doubts, it's true that there still is a legion of die-hard UK basketball fans and Eddie Sutton fans.

As I was leaving Rupp Arena a half-hour or so after the Cats' win over Vandy, I saw a large group of people gathered around a maroon Mercedes that had pulled off to the side of the building.

The passengers turned out to be Sutton and wife Patsy. He was signing autographs through the car window.

—IN ANOTHER CLASS act by Sutton, Lexington Henry Clay basketball coach Al Prewitt sat beside Patsy behind the UK bench for the Vandy game. Prewitt was the Suttons' guest after having just recorded his 600th career coaching victory.

Sean Sutton played for Prewitt at Henry Clay and younger brother Scott is currently one of the Blue Devils' leading scorers.

—I've said before that the SEC is the best football conference in the nation — and now I have more numbers to back it up.

The SEC was the only conference to have three bowl winners this season. Only the SEC and the Big Ten had five representatives go bowling.

Also, the SEC leads the country in bowl appearances in the 1980s. SEC teams have been to 50 bowls, compared to 42 by the Big Ten. The SEC is also the only conference in which all of its mem-

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# Jackson's 'off night' power

## Freshman sensation had poor shooting effort, but his 27 points pushed Tigers past T'ed off Wildcats

By TCP associate editor Nick Nicholas

LEXINGTON — Impressive numbers seem to follow rookie sensation Chris Jackson wherever he goes. Yes, even when he has an "off night." Case in point, last Saturday in Lexington when LSU and Kentucky got together: a Rupp Arena-record crowd of 24,288; a game-high 27-point effort by Jackson, including his team's last 16 points, and 64 total points by the freshman and his mates, which were two points more than the Wildcats on this night.

Louisiana State's 64-62 victory snapped a three-game winning string by Eddie Sutton's improved Wildcats. The Tigers benefited immensely from a technical on the UK coach. With 4:19 left LSU had pulled within three (55-52). Seven seconds later UK lost possession when Sutton, mystified at Charles Watkins' call, was whistled for a T, his second technical of the season. Two free tosses and a three-pointer by Jackson had given LSU the lead, 57-55. More on that later.

None of Jackson's points were more important than his two free throws with six seconds left to break a 62-all score.

After a timeout with 28 seconds left, Jackson controlled the ball for most of the time. When the clock slipped under the 10-second mark he penetrated and was eventually fouled by Derrick Miller.

Jackson, stepping to the line as if the situation had developed on the playgrounds, coolly sank both charity tosses. Kentucky had a chance to tie or win the game but Chris Mills was stripped at midcourt before he could get off an attempt.

"We knew they were going to have a hard time stopping Chris," said Dale Brown of his offensive gameplan. "I think I might have made a mistake in retrospect; sometimes you can outcoach instead of undercoach yourself. We ran our offense but we put all four guys on the baseline.

"WE KNEW THEY COULDN'T STOP CHRIS if they put a big guy on him...so we told Chris to put it up. It put too much pressure on him, we didn't get into our offense and I think I had a lot to do with that at the beginning.

"I told them if they hang in there at the end, we'll have a good chance. Chris eventually gets warmed up."

Jackson, held to six points in the first 20 minutes, played superbly down the stretch in helping his team up its record to 3-2 in the SEC, 10-5 overall. "I finally had my rhythm," Jackson told reporters afterwards, "so I kept on going."

"I thought he had an off-night," said Sean Sutton, "after watching him play against Florida and some other teams. He was nine for 23 (from the field) and I thought he forced some things he probably shouldn't have.

"In the clutch he was there, he was the man. So that shows a lot of guts on his part."

Kentucky, which heads for Tuscaloosa Wednesday night with a 3-1 conference record, 8-8 overall, at one time had LSU's Tigers in the bag. Jackson and the Bayou Bengals, meanwhile, sharpened their play in the final stanza to bust loose and shock UK.

With 1:29 remaining in the first half LeRon Ellis made one of two free throws to give the Wildcats a 33-21 lead.

That's when the once-snared Tigers started to clack back into the game.

Ricky Blanton started LSU on its comeback trail with a free throw followed by a steal and a dunk, making the count 33-24. Kentucky's Reggie Hanson then picked up his third foul with less than a minute left when he charged into Vernel Singleton. The two players moments later traded verbal jabs followed by innocent but intentional shoves. Triggered by the charging call and the Hanson-Singleton confrontation, the Rupp Arena faithful were furious.

AND WHILE KENTUCKY and its fans were starting to lose their cool, LSU was gaining momentum.

Jackson then made Singleton's defensive play even more significant when he drove the baseline for a layup. Instead of leading by double figures heading into the intermission break, UK found itself in front by only seven, 33-26.

"I thought in the first half we really had a chance to jump on 'em," Eddie Sutton believed. "About the last six minutes of the first half we didn't play very well. And in the second half we played in spurts. But you've got to give them a lot of credit; they certainly competed very hard and they wanted that ballgame very much."

What is it they say, like father like son?

"We blew this game in the first half," said Sean Sutton.

### SEC Standings\*

Team	Conference		Overall	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Tennessee.....	4-0	1.000	11-1	.917
Vanderbilt.....	4-1	.800	9-7	.563
Kentucky.....	3-1	.750	8-8	.500
Alabama.....	3-2	.600	11-4	.733
LSU.....	3-2	.600	10-5	.667
Mississippi State.....	2-2	.500	8-5	.615
Florida.....	2-3	.400	7-8	.467
Ole Miss.....	1-3	.250	7-6	.538
Georgia.....	1-4	.200	9-6	.600
Auburn.....	0-5	.000	7-6	.538

\*thru games of Jan. 14

Lending a helping hand in its win was LSU's Blanton, the always-dependable veteran leader. Playing the full tilt he finished with 21 points and tied Wayne Sims for team-high honors in rebounds, grabbing seven. "You can't evaluate a Ricky Blanton," said Brown. "He just kept us in it in the entire game."

Kentucky was led by three players in double figures—Ellis, 20; Hanson, 19; and Mills 14.

Immediately after the tipoff it was Hanson's first-half heroics that propelled Kentucky ahead. He scored 11 of the 'Cats first 24 points, capped off by a crowd-pleasing alley-oop slam initiated by Mills. With UK leading 24-14, Hanson had missed only once in seven attempts from the field.

While Hanson was doing the job offensively, Miller, far much of the first half, was doing a job on Jackson. The LSU freshman misfired on his first four attempts and didn't score until nearly 10 minutes had expired. But the grinding detail of guarding such an explosive talent frazzled Miller's offensive production. "I stopped and told the coaches one time, 'I can't look to score, guarding this guy.'"

Coming off a 30-point performance against Florida, Miller found the basket only three times in 14 tries, including a one-of-eight showing from three-point territory.

Jackson began to find his points easier to come by in the second half. Not for UK. The 'Cats were troubled by the Tigers 2-3 matchup, half-court man and full-court man defenses. In no way did these Wildcats in the second stanza resemble Loyola-Marymount, scoring 1.45 points a minute. "Still, I thought we were going to be able to hold on," said Eddie Sutton.

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A TALENT ABOVE THE REST—Louisiana State's freshman talent on the court during the Tigers' 64-62 win in the first half, picked up the pace in the second stanza to

VISITORS (Last Name, First)		PTS	REB	AST	BLK	STL	FT	FTA	FT PCT	PF	TP	A	T	M	S	MIN
33	Blanton, Ricky	21	7	2	0	0	2	5	7	2	21	2	2	2	2	36
16	Jackson, Chris	27	1	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	27	3	4	0	0	34
10	Sutton, Wayne	8	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	1	0	0	33
11	Blanton, Mike	8	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	8	2	2	2	2	24
21	Singleton, V	9	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	2	2	2	2	34
13	Tracy, Dennis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
24	Mills, Derrick	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
11	Hanson, Reggie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
11	Kraftwelder, B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
TEAM RECORDS (Included in Totals)																
TOTALS		75	21	4	2	1	10	11	16	32	16	24	10	13	6	200
TOTAL FG % 1st Half		35.5	2nd Half		50.0	Game		45.9	Rebounds		1					
3PT FG % 1st Half		31	2nd Half		20.0	Game		25.0	Fouls		1					
FT % 1st Half		75.0	2nd Half		100.0	Game		94.9								
HOME (Last Name, First)		PTS	REB	AST	BLK	STL	FT	FTA	FT PCT	PF	TP	A	T	M	S	MIN
11	Kraftwelder, B	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	21
10	Hanson, Reggie	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	2	2	2	24
10	Hanson, Reggie	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	2	2	2	24
10	Ellis, LeRon	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	3	3	6	2	29
10	Miller, Derrick	8	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	31
10	Singleton, V	8	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	31
10	Smith, Mike	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
10	Feldman, Dennis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
10	Frazier, Richie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TEAM RECORDS (Included in Totals)																
TOTALS		26	17	2	1	1	8	14	15	25	15	12	11	17	7	200
TOTAL FG % 1st Half		44.1	2nd Half		47.8	Game		45.6	Rebounds		4					
3PT FG % 1st Half		24.5	2nd Half		25.0	Game		24.1	Fouls		4					
FT % 1st Half		80.0	2nd Half		66.7	Game		73.1								
OFFICIALS: David Jones, Don Rutledge, 1																
Chorus: Williams																
Technical Fouls: Kentucky: Dennis																
Attendance: 24,288																
SCORE BY PERIODS: 1st 21-14, 2nd 24-18, 3rd 19-19, 4th 10-11																
LSU: 64, Kentucky: 62																
Blanton: 21, Jackson: 27																

# owers LSU to 64-62 win



Louisiana State's freshman sensation Chris Jackson soared above the rest of the Tigers' 64-62 win over Kentucky. Jackson, who was slowed down in the first stanza to lead his team to a victory. Jackson finished with 27 points.

## UK wins battle but loses SEC war to Tigers

By TCP associate editor Nick Nicholas

LEXINGTON—Following are game notes from Louisiana State's 64-62 win over Kentucky at Rupp Arena last Saturday:

□Louisiana State entered the game averaging 98.4 points. In 14 contests the South's quickest guns had scored 100 or more points on six different occasions. Before being held to 64 points by Kentucky, the Tigers' previous low was 79 in a two-point win against Maryland.

□Before the usual game analysis in his postgame chat with the media, Dale Brown turned to Eddie Sutton and put his arm around him. "Stay here for one second," Brown told the UK coach following his remarks to the media. "I've not publicly said this but I want to say it about this guy.

"I've known him since he's been in junior college in Twin Falls, Idaho. I've known him when he went on to be a Division I coach, and he's a class guy. He's gone through an awful lot. I know, we went through the same thing. He's never changed once. Even when he became a head coach and I was still running around getting \$7,000 for being an assistant, he's the same kind of guy.

"I just want you all to know that I admire this guy a lot. I would have felt the same way if we would have lost. It wouldn't have made any difference."

□From the Let's Talk This One Over Department: Overall, 14 timeouts were called. Credit television with seven, Kentucky used four and LSU three. "There was plenty of rest," said Brown, whose team checked into Lexington on Thursday, the same day UK knocked off Florida in Gainesville.

□In the late stages of the ballgame Brown rejected his own idea to foul UK's Sean Sutton, who entered the game with a 45.8 mark from the charity stripe (11 of 24). At one point Brown, who was wearing a microphone for ESPN, told his players, "If you foul Sutton it's no big deal." In the final six seconds, according to Brown, assistant coach Ron Abernathy talked him out of the possible move.

□In regard to the technical his coach received, LeRon Ellis said: "The coaches were mad because they didn't make the call on my shot. The coaches were upset. But he (Sutton) didn't even really say anything. That's what surprised me. He was standing behind his little hash mark and said: 'Watch the hacking' It was nothing; no profanity. His voice wasn't even raised, really, to the ref. He (Charles Watkins) didn't even see him. I was surprised, really. I don't think it (technical) was called for."

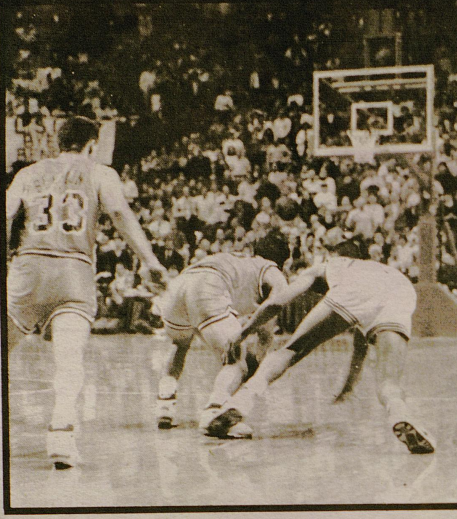
□Speaking of Ellis, Brown said the UK center was difficult to defend. "I thought LeRon Ellis was brilliant. We did everything—we fronted him, we backed him and we collapsed in on him. He's really an outstanding player. He hurt us whenever he had the ball." Overall, Brown said he was pleased with his team's defensive effort.

□UK led LSU 33-26 at halftime. That was the same score that favored the 'Cats in their recent win over Georgia. And... Kentucky was ahead 34-26 at halftime in Gainesville.

### UK-LSU play-by-play

Time	Kentucky	Score	LSU
19:35	Hanson tip	2-0	
19:09	Hanson layup	4-0	
18:53		4-2	Sims 16 ft.
18:01	Ellis alley-oop dunk	6-2	
17:44		6-4	Sims 15 ft.
17:12	Mills layup	8-4	
15:56		8-6	Mouton 17 ft.
15:18	Mills 6 ft.	10-6	
14:27	Hanson layup, FT	13-6	
13:48	Ellis 7 ft.	15-6	
13:17		15-8	Blanton FT, FT
12:36	Mills 20 ft.	18-8	
12:22		18-10	Singleton follow layup
11:36		18-12	Blanton follow layup
10:38	Hanson tip	20-12	
10:13		20-14	Jackson 16 ft.
9:47	Hanson 9 ft.	22-14	
9:24	Hanson dunk	24-14	
8:42		24-16	Jackson reverse layup
8:16	Hanson layup	26-16	
7:18	Ellis alley-oop dunk	28-16	
5:59		28-19	Blanton 20 ft.
4:50	Ellis layup	30-19	
4:15	Hanson layup, FTA	32-19	
3:21		32-21	Singleton layup
1:29	Ellis FTA, FT	33-21	
1:05		33-22	Blanton FTA, FT
0:52		33-24	Blanton dunk
0:31		33-26	Jackson layup
<b>HALF</b>		<b>33-26</b>	
18:52	Ellis layup	35-26	
18:44		35-28	Blanton 10 ft.
18:01	Miller 12 ft.	37-28	
17:25		37-30	Mouton layup
16:43	Miller 12 ft.	39-30	
16:30		39-32	Sims layup
15:59		39-34	Blanton layup
15:24	Ellis FT, FTA	40-34	
15:02	Miller FTA, FT	41-34	
14:36	Hanson follow dunk	43-34	
14:22		43-36	Blanton layup
12:32	Ellis 13 ft.	45-36	
12:18		45-38	Blanton 18 ft.
11:41	Mills 15 ft.	47-38	
11:21		47-40	Jackson layup
10:47		47-43	Jackson 20 ft.
10:18	Miller 20 ft.	50-43	
8:39	Hanson follow layup	52-43	
8:25		52-45	Sims 16 ft.
7:22	Sutton FT, FTA	53-45	
7:13		53-48	Blanton 21 ft.
6:43	Ellis layup	55-48	
5:13		55-50	Jackson finger roll
4:19		55-52	Jackson 17 ft.
4:12	Technical: UK bench	55-54	Jackson FT, FT
4:06		55-57	Jackson 20 ft.
3:28	Mills layup, FT	58-57	
2:39		58-60	Jackson 9 ft., FT
1:08	Ellis 6 jump hook	60-60	
0:56		60-62	Jackson FT, FT
0:40	Ellis FT, FT	62-62	
0:06		62-64	Jackson FT, FT
<b>FINAL</b>		<b>62-64</b>	

—Cats' Pause chart



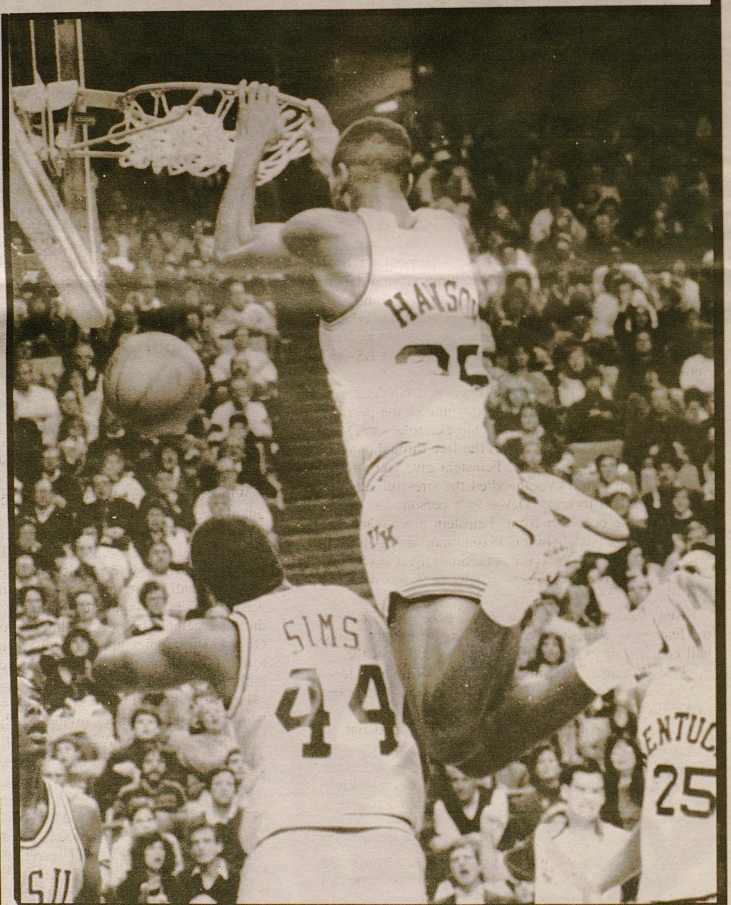
**CATFIGHT IN RUPP ARENA**

Top left: UK coach Eddie Sutton reacts to the action. Sutton was assessed a crucial technical foul—undeservingly, he said—with just over four minutes to go that allowed LSU to capture the lead for the first time all night with a seven-point possession.

Top right: As LSU's Ricky Blanton (33) looks on, Dennis Tracey picks Chris Mills' pocket to seal the win in the final seconds.

Bottom left: Going up—UK's LeRon Ellis and LSU's Vernel Singleton get the action started with a jump ball.

Bottom right: Wildcat Reggie Hanson gets two the easy way. Hanson, who had 19 points and nine boards on the night, leaps over LSU's Wayne Sims to follow an Ellis misfire.



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# Feinstein gives readers 'inside' word in latest book

Covering coaches to players to even officials

First it was *A Season on the Brink* and now it's *A Season Inside*. Yes, I just got through reading John Feinstein's new book and I must admit that Feinstein has written another hot-selling book. I don't know if it will



Todd Hallum  
Cats' Pause Columnist

reach the magnitude of his first one detailing a season with Bobby Knight and the Indiana basketball team, but his new one gives a rare perspective looking directly inside college basketball.

For openers, the book chronicles day by day all the happenings of both players, coaches and even basketball officials of an entire basketball season. The principles include the likes of players Danny Manning, Steve Kerr, Billy King, Everitt Stephens and Troy Lewis; former players David Robinson and Kevin Houston; coaches Rollie Massimino, Paul Evans, Don DeVoe, Rich Barnes, Jim Valvano and Gary Williams, and officials Nolan Pine and Joe Forte.

**WHAT FEINSTEIN PRESENTS** is a book structured on getting "inside" of a situation in a particular basketball season. In fact, the book does jump around detailing the lives of the players who were earlier mentioned. In addition, Feinstein throws in opinions on topics related to college basketball and criticizes such people as Maryland coach Bob Wade, John Thompson, CBS Sports and the NCAA in various ways.

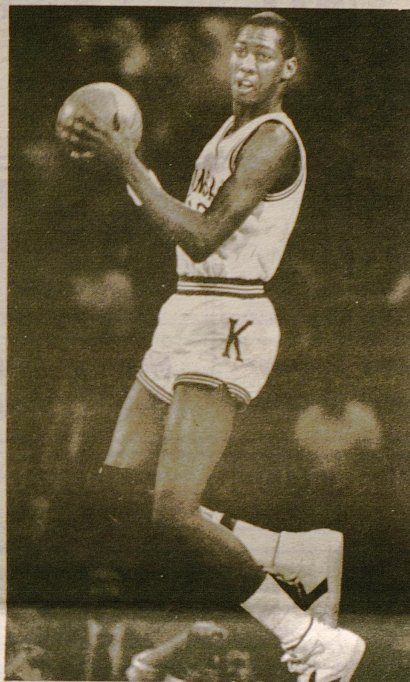
What the reader receives, however, is a fabulous description of what's happening to some of the personal lives of both coaches and fans. One example was DeVoe, whose job at Tennessee was on the line throughout the 1987-88 season. With DeVoe, Feinstein give you a unique perspective at how DeVoe handled the stressful situation and lets you get to know DeVoe as a person.

Also on the coaching front, Feinstein gives reactions on a year-long feud between Massimino, of Villanova, and Evans, of Pitt. With this situation, equal coverage was given to both coaches as to why each was made at the other.

Elsewhere on the coaching scene, Feinstein provides the feature of what it's like to be a major college basketball coach. For example, he devotes a section of the book to Williams, of Ohio State, and how he runs his program. At times it seems you can't put the book down as Williams relentlessly recruits and coaches a very competitive Big Ten program. What the reader finds out is just how a coach plans his recruiting and how he prepares his team for a demanding conference schedule.

From the players perspective is where Feinstein finds his niche. As far as I'm concerned, no other basketball writer does a better job of observing, focusing and concentrating on people than the *Washington Post* columnist. Feinstein has a unique way of getting players to open up and reveal what it's like to be a major college basketball player.

**TWO EXAMPLES WERE** Manning, the Kansas All-American who became the first pick in last year's NBA draft, and Kerr, a guard at Arizona last year. When the subject darts to Manning the writer tells of Manning's relationship with his coach, Larry Brown, and his father, Ed Manning. Ironically, Feinstein gives descriptive details of the highs and lows of the Jayhawks' national championship season, starting in November. By traveling with the team, Feinstein is able to allow the reader to enjoy the glory as well as the sorrow when he talks about how Manning coped with the pressure Brown placed on him during the 1987-88 campaign. In fact, there were some



Danny Manning

very interesting locker room dialogue for any college hoop fan to devour. Best of all, Feinstein reveals the true feelings of Manning, who is somewhat of a shy individual.

With Kerr, the book takes a journey through the star guard's entire senior year. It narrates Kerr's feelings of coping with his father's tragic assassination and how the Wildcat guard was revered by all in Tucson, Ariz. With Kerr, you learn how he dealt with life in school and on the basketball court. Of course, one of the worst scenes was when Kerr was taunted by unruly Arizona State fans during a game who heckled him about his father's death. On a much happier note, it deals with Arizona's journey to the Final Four, and the reader develops a love affair with the Cinderella-type team.

For UK fans, Feinstein doesn't have too many kind words for Eddie Sutton's program. The veteran writer believes there is too much cheating in the college game and feels Kentucky will be dealt with harshly with the NCAA.

However, UK is not the only target of Feinstein's wrath. Neither Wade, nor Thompson of Georgetown receive high praise. According to Feinstein, Wade is criticized for the way he handles his Maryland program, and how former coach Left Driesell was left as the scapegoat. As for Thompson, Feinstein becomes perturbed with big John's "mightier-than-thou attitude" and for the way he shields his players from the media.

Finally, Feinstein digs into the interesting world of recruiting and gets the perspective from the recruits themselves.

**IN THIS SECTION** Feinstein reveals how Jerod Mustaf's father made up his decision for his son and how former N.C. State player Walker Lambiotte made his decision to transfer to Northwestern. In addition, you receive the input from one of the nation's premier prep recruiters with Lamar's Tom Abatemarco, who coached at both Maryland and N.C. State. Also, there's a follow up on Indiana prep star Damon Bailey, whom Feinstein

talked about in his previous book.

But most of all, the book revolves around those who play the college game. It reveals the senior years of Kerr and Duke's Billy King, both who ironically played in the 1988 Final Four. It's main focus is on the players last season as a college basketball player and why it's just a mere interlude to a long life ahead. Basically, you get the reaction of players in the Final Four and their devotion of trying not to come up short in the biggest games of their lives.

But most of all, Feinstein impresses upon the fact most of these players will never be heard from after they graduate from college. He wants to express the fact that a player only receives four years (sometimes five) as a collegiate athlete and furthermore, there will always be players graduating and leaving each year and coaches switching to more lucrative coaching jobs. He lets you receive the reality of different situations and that players will never have two college careers and should enjoy all of the accomplishments.

*A Season Inside* is a well-written account of a full college basketball season. It depicts all different areas of the college game. And with the writer utilizing the unique concept of watching more than 100 games and two dozen practices the reader can get extremely close to the subjects at hand.

**JOHN FEINSTEIN HAS** a few peers when it comes to writing accounts on players and coaches in the world of college basketball. Feinstein has a unique way of presenting his opinion and research by not letting the book get bogged down with needless factual matter.

For any college basketball fan who wants a trashy piece about the evils of college basketball then this book is not what you're looking for. But if you want a detailed and creative account of what it's like to be behind the scenes then *A Season Inside* is a must. From this columnist's perspective, if you read Feinstein's newest accomplishment there's no better way to get the "inside" word.

## UK Notebook

Kentucky guard **Richie Farmer** has been nursing a sore knee ever since the Georgia game. Farmer, who is averaging 4.2 points per game (before the LSU game) injured his knee during warmups before the Wildcats' impressive 76-65 victory over Georgia in Rupp Arena. Since the injury, Farmer has complained that the knee has been giving out on him and has hampered his performance on the court. In fact, against Georgia and Vanderbilt, the former Mr. Basketball didn't score a point during 11 minutes of action. He didn't even play when the 'Cats traveled to Gainesville last week. The UK staff is hoping Farmer's knee will get better with treatment and rest as the season progresses. . . How difficult was UK's football schedule last season? Well, it was impressive enough that the *Associated Press* ranked five Wildcat opponents in its final Top 20. Those teams include: Auburn (No. 8), Georgia (No. 15), Alabama (No. 17), LSU (No. 19) and Indiana (No. 20). Incidentally, UK will play all five of those teams in the 1989 season. . . Former Kentucky football assistant **Ron Blackledge** didn't feel the sting of the Pittsburgh Steelers decision to dismiss four assistant coaches from its staff. Instead of firing veteran head coach **Chuck Noll**, the club's top brass elected to make some changes in the assistant ranks, firing four coaches. Fortunately for Blackledge, he was not one of the coaches given the pink slip. . . Paudits go out to UK linebacker **Randy Holleran** who recently was elected to the *Football News* Sophomore All-America team. Holleran had a team-high 162 tackles last season, including a school-record 102 solos. Holleran also was named to the *AP* first-team All-SEC team and the *Birmingham News* all-conference team. . . **Keith Madison's** UK baseball team received a nice distinction by being ranked No. 23 in *Baseball America's* preseason college baseball poll. UK returns five starters and 12 lettermen from last year's squad that was ranked No. 19 by the same publication last season.

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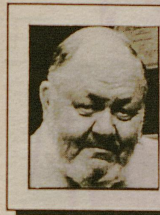
Last week		18-7 (.720)	18-7 (.720)	17-8 (.680)	19-6 (.760)	18-7 (.720)	18-7 (.720)
Total		131-44 (.749)	132-43 (.754)	131-44 (.749)	135-40 (.771)	132-43 (.754)	130-45 (.743)

KENTUCKY AT ALABAMA	ALABAMA 3	ALABAMA 6	ALABAMA 9	ALABAMA 3	ALABAMA 2	KENTUCKY 4
OLE MISS AT AUBURN	OLE MISS 3	OLE MISS 3	AUBURN 2	OLE MISS 2	OLE MISS 5	OLE MISS 3
FLORIDA AT TENNESSEE	TENNESSEE 2	TENNESSEE 6	TENNESSEE 12	TENNESSEE 8	TENNESSEE 8	TENNESSEE 12
GEORGIA AT MISSISSIPPI STATE	MISS. STATE 1	MISS. STATE 3	GEORGIA 1	GEORGIA 3	MISS. STATE 5	MISS. STATE 3
VANDERBILT AT LSU	LSU 8	LSU 6	LSU 8	LSU 4	LSU 5	LSU 6
NORTH CAROLINA AT DUKE	DUKE 7	DUKE 2	N. CAROLINA 2	DUKE 5	DUKE 6	DUKE
INDIANA AT WISCONSIN	INDIANA 1	INDIANA 9	INDIANA 8	INDIANA 6	INDIANA 4	INDIANA 2
SMU AT NOTRE DAME	NOTRE DAME 8	NOTRE DAME 7	NOTRE DAME 3	NOTRE DAME 5	NOTRE DAME 7	NOTRE DAME 6
SYRACUSE AT CONNECTICUT	SYRACUSE 7	SYRACUSE 6	SYRACUSE 1	SYRACUSE 2	SYRACUSE 5	SYRACUSE 8
IOWA AT OHIO STATE	OHIO STATE 1	OHIO STATE 2	IOWA 4	IOWA 4	IOWA 6	OHIO STATE 4
NORTH CAROLINA AT NORTH CAROLINA STATE	N.C. STATE 1	N. CAROLINA 3	N. CAROLINA 8	N. CAROLINA 4	N.C. STATE 5	N.C. STATE 2
KANSAS AT OKLAHOMA	OKLAHOMA 8	OKLAHOMA 12	OKLAHOMA 3	OKLAHOMA 7	OKLAHOMA 10	OKLAHOMA 10
IOWA AT PURDUE	IOWA 1	IOWA 6	IOWA 13	IOWA 7	IOWA 11	IOWA 7
DEPAUL AT MARQUETTE	DEPAUL 8	DEPAUL 12	DEPAUL 15	DEPAUL 4	DEPAUL 9	DEPAUL 3
TEXAS AT VANDERBILT	VANDERBILT 8	VANDERBILT 9	VANDERBILT 2	VANDERBILT 10	VANDERBILT 3	VANDERBILT 4
KENTUCKY AT TENNESSEE	TENNESSEE 5	TENNESSEE 8	TENNESSEE 14	TENNESSEE 8	TENNESSEE 13	TENNESSEE 15
ALABAMA AT LSU	LSU 11	LSU 9	LSU 10	LSU 11	LSU 4	LSU 10
AUBURN AT ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM	UAB 12	UAB 3	UAB 9	UAB 15	UAB 1	UAB 4
MISSISSIPPI STATE AT FLORIDA	FLORIDA 9	MISS. STATE 2	FLORIDA 4	FLORIDA 12	FLORIDA 6	FLORIDA 6
OLE MISS AT GEORGIA	GEORGIA 8	GEORGIA 5	GEORGIA 13	GEORGIA 6	GEORGIA 2	GEORGIA 6
DUKE AT WAKE FOREST	DUKE 10	DUKE 6	DUKE 19	W. FOREST 4	DUKE 16	DUKE 10
MICHIGAN STATE AT INDIANA	INDIANA 12	INDIANA 10	INDIANA 11	INDIANA 9	INDIANA 9	INDIANA 2
SYRACUSE AT NOTRE DAME	NOTRE DAME 1	SYRACUSE 2	SYRACUSE 6	SYRACUSE 4	SYRACUSE 4	NOTRE DAME 1
KANSAS AT COLORADO	COLORADO 8	KANSAS 2	KANSAS 5	COLORADO 2	KANSAS 12	KANSAS 4
UNLV AT LOUISVILLE	LOUISVILLE 10	LOUISVILLE 1	LOUISVILLE 2	LOUISVILLE 6	LOUISVILLE 5	LOUISVILLE 6

# SEC-Sugar Bowl agreement's broke, needs fixing

Otherwise, don't look for any national titles

Among the jobs I don't want is running the Sugar Bowl. It ranks right up there with solving the problem of the national debt or bringing peace to the Middle East. The Sugar Bowl's troubles came into sharp focus this



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Cats' Pause Columnist

year. First and foremost is the agreement with the Southeastern Conference. It just isn't working. It hasn't worked for some time and it isn't going to work in the future.

This is the day of the independent. Four of the last six national championships were won by independents. Notre Dame went to the Fiesta Bowl for one reason and one reason alone: By beating West Virginia the Irish knew they were a lock to win the national crown.

They wouldn't have gotten that against Auburn. A convincing win by Miami over Nebraska in the Orange Bowl might very well have resulted in the Hurricanes being voted No. 1. Auburn wasn't ranked high enough to guarantee the championship for Notre Dame.

By going to its killer seven-game conference schedule, the SEC has virtually guaranteed that somewhere along the way its champion will lose one or two games and will not be considered for the national title.

It has also virtually guaranteed that the best and most important New Year's Day bowl game will not be played in New Orleans.

Look at this year's affair: There was not—repeat, there was not—a sellout for the Auburn-Florida State matchup. One member of the league's hierarchy said they couldn't give tickets away.

Officially, the attendance was in the 60 thousands in a stadium that will seat 70,000. Unofficially, those who know how to count crowds have told me that there may have been 55 or 56 thousand there, but not much more.

While it probably isn't a factor, the Superdome is America's most overrated stadium. It's fine if you're 5-foot-8 and weigh 160 pounds, but it was never built for big people. In order to jam in 70,000, the architect installed narrow seats and moved rows too close together to allow even normal people leg room. It couldn't be more uncomfortable. Further, there are not enough bathrooms, particularly for the ladies. It is not uncommon to see lines 30- and 40-feet long stretching from the restroom door down the hall with some mighty figdity women waiting their turn.

As for this year's TV ratings, they were a disaster. The Orange Bowl audience was some 50-percent larger than that for the Sugar Bowl and, in the world of TV ratings, that's like being blown away.

One of the pre-game TV reviews dismissed the Sugar Bowl as strictly of regional interest. In other words, if you didn't live in the South you wouldn't care to watch.

Unfortunately, regional interest is true. How many of you cared about Oklahoma State and Wyoming or even Michigan and USC?

With seven games on New Year's Day, the competition for a very fractionalized audience is fierce.

In the past, the Sugar Bowl has tried everything to increase interest. They've played the game at night, in the daytime, even on Dec. 31. Nothing works unless the matchup works and this year it didn't work.

The argument that the Sugar Bowl agreement benefits the conference by guaranteeing an SEC team a major bowl assignment is phonyer than a three-dollar bill.

Do you really think the SEC champion wouldn't be

## Sugar Bowl gone sour?

Year	SEC representative	opponent	national champion (bowl)
1984	No. 3 Auburn	No. 8 Michigan	Miami (Orange Bowl)
1985	No. 15 LSU	No. 4 Nebraska	BYU (Holiday Bowl)
1986	No. 4 Tennessee	No. 9 Miami	Oklahoma (Orange Bowl)
1987	No. 10 LSU	No. 5 Nebraska	Penn State (Fiesta Bowl)
1988	No. 7 Auburn	No. 4 Syracuse	Miami (Orange Bowl)
1989	No. 8 Auburn	No. 3 Florida State	Notre Dame (Fiesta Bowl)

As the chart above indicates, neither the Sugar Bowl nor the SEC champion has had a hand in deciding the national championship during the last six years. Teams with no conference affiliation have

won the title four of those six years. Now that the SEC—generally recognized as the nation's toughest top-to-bottom league—has gone to a 7-game schedule, look for more of the same.

invited to the Orange or the Cotton or the Fiesta or, of course, the Sugar? What the present tie-up does is eliminate the league winner from playing for the big marbles because the only place it can go is New Orleans. Once in a while a Notre Dame may come down to face an Alabama, but too many times the SEC champion finds itself playing some other league's second-place team.

Further complicating the current Sugar Bowl agreement is the lack of a hard and fast policy to determine which team plays in the event of a regular-season tie.

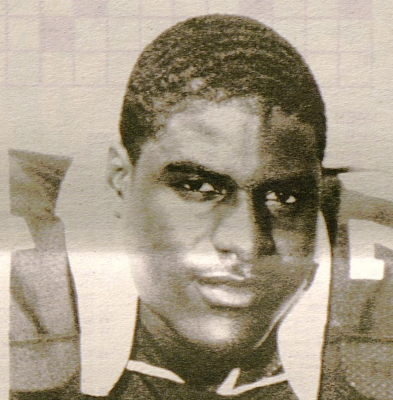
The Big Ten, for example, says that in the event of a tie for the Rose Bowl berth, the team that went most recently must step aside.

It has also been suggested that head-to-head competition during the regular season be the determining factor.

As it stands now, the bowl committee makes its choice should two or more teams tie, and that leads to hard feelings: Witness the Auburn-LSU controversy this year.

This one's broke. It needs fixing.

□NOT FOR BROADCAST: Chris Jackson may be the bright new star of LSU basketball, but the old reliable Ricky Blanton is getting more playing time. Through the first 11 games of the year, Blanton averaged 38.6 minutes per game while Jackson had 35.3. Despite the excitement generated by Jackson, LSU is only averaging about 10,000 fans to its 14,000-seat coliseum. This comes under the heading of trying too hard: A Nashville sportscaster has nicknamed Vanderbilt's Barry Booker "The Long Ranger," because of his three-point shooting. It will never stick...You might call the Vanderbilt basketball team "Kentucky South." Five Commodore players are from Kentucky. One of those players is Frank Kornet, and his father is a chemistry professor at Kentucky. In addition, head coach C.M. Newton is a 1952 graduate of Kentucky...If you can understand the Florida basketball team, please tell me. They play like a bunch of bow-wows at Ole Miss and then turn around and beat a Georgia team in Athens that was favored by 12½ points. You might also explain this: Tennessee is leading the league in three-point success, shooting 44.4 percent from long range; but the same Tennessee team is last in free throw shooting, hitting only 56.2 percent from the line...Don't misunderstand, Ole Miss' Gerald Glass is a great player under any circumstance, but after watching him play against Alabama, it's obvious Glass is a much better player when Tim Jumper is in the Rebel lineup to take some of the pressure off him. Glass can't do it alone, although he certainly tries...Is it true former Alabama quarterback Walter Lewis got his new assistants coaching job with the Tide because head coach Bill Curry wants to recruit a certain quarterback who is a relative of Lewis?...Florida had three walk-ons earn starting positions last season: free safety Louis Oliver, inside linebacker Pat Moorer and outside linebacker Owen Bartruff. In addition, six other walk-ons played enough to probably letter...When Tracy Rocker won both the Outland and the Lombardi trophies



Rocker put Auburn in elite company

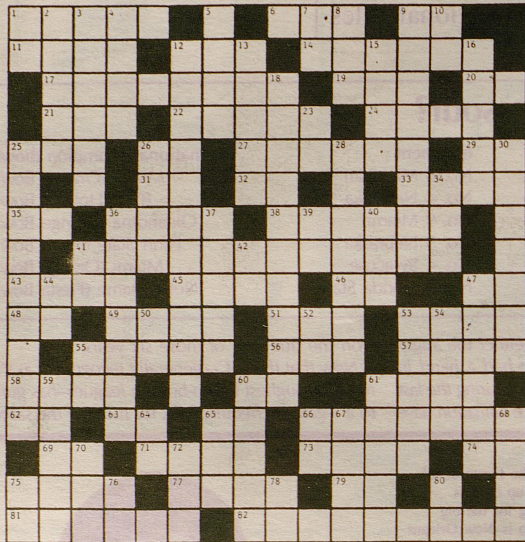
this year, he placed Auburn in an elite group of only nine schools which have produced a Heisman winner, an Outland winner and a Lombardi winner...Pat Dye then became one of only six coaches to have coached one of each...Dwayne Schintzius, Florida's troubled 7-2 center, roomed with David Robinson and Danny Manning during the Olympic Trials...Mississippi State sold more basketball season tickets this year than ever before. It appears the final count will be in the neighborhood of 2,500, which represents better than 25 percent of the Humphrey Coliseum seating capacity...Ole Miss has now lost 14 consecutive SEC road games. How tough is it away from home? The Rebels are not alone. Last year Alabama did not win a single road game, either...The survey companies reported that TV audiences for this year's seven Jan. 2 bowl games were about the same as for last year's six. In other words, there was no increase in number of viewers. They were just spread around more...Alabama is the most attractive football television team in the SEC. Since the deregulation of college football broadcasts in 1984, the Tide has appeared on network TV a total of 17 times. And the Tide's average rating has been 7.66, which was fourth best in America and best among schools in the SEC. No other conference school was ranked in the top 10. Miami has been the most viewed team with an average rating of 7.94. Nebraska is second at 7.83 and Penn State is third with 7.76.

□THE LAST WORD: Jackson, Miss., sportswriter Butch John, after covering the Ole Miss-Florida basketball game won by the Rebels 80-71:

"(The Gators) are like Dorothy's pals on the road to Oz. They're fine, but something's missing—a heart, a brain, courage. Or perhaps all of the above."

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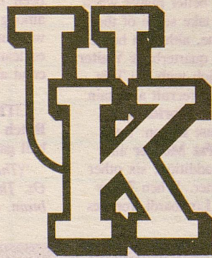
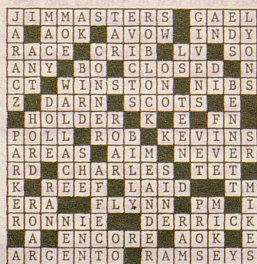
By Dan Krueckeberg



WHEN THEY WERE FRESHMEN

- ACROSS**
- Starting freshman center for Joe B. Hall
  - Freshman Jimmy Conner of Rupp's last year
  - ... had 18 blocked shots as '87-'88 freshman
  - World Series MVP Hershiser
  - Swamp
  - Scored 9.4 ppg as freshman in '74-'75
  - 2nd leading scorer as freshman for Joe's '79-'80 Cats
  - First name of '53 Down
  - Initials of '53 Down
  - Common conjunctions
  - Freshman starter on squad which lost less games than "Fab Five" team
  - Treaty among countries
  - "Sun" gun
  - ... had 8.1 rpg as a freshman
  - Wall recesses
  - Initials of 1 Across
  - Comparative suffix
  - Initials of '75-'76 freshman Truman
  - Biblical pronoun
  - ... earned Freshman Leadership honors last year
  - Due to injuries, started more games as freshman than as soph. or jr.
  - '88 freshman record 85.75 of Pts
  - ... 227 pts. as freshman began the climb to 2000-point club
  - Graduation
  - Midday
  - Freshman ... of Sutton's first Cats
  - "I the ball in the hoop"
  - Initials of Freshman Leadership honoree Reggie of '72-'73
  - Part of speech
  - Vase
  - Family
  - Squads
  - Namesakes of 82 Across
  - Hall's freshman Derrick of '79-'80
  - Gusto
  - Initials of '83-'84 freshman big man
  - "Good"
  - Gangster Capone
  - Initials of freshman Troy of '81-'82
  - Abbr. for "each"
  - Badger Alan ... sport was football
  - Abbr. for an NY Island
  - Freshman Charles of '79-'80
  - Had record 126 assists among freshman
  - See 29 Across
  - Freshman in year before "Fab Five"
  - R. Farmer played ... ball at Clay Co.
  - Boxing outcome
  - ... 20.8 ppg came for '66-'67 Kittens
  - ... 8.5 ppg was 2nd highest on Joe's last team
- DOWN**
- Initials of Cincy Reds Oester
  - Comedian Bean
  - Cats were '46 NIT champs in ...
  - Freshman season
  - Tree types
  - Hockey great Gordie
  - Initials of 25 Down
  - 32 Across was freshman when Cats were champs
  - 1st Freshman Leadership honoree Jim
  - Verb suffix
  - Freshman ... 25.4 ppg led
  - Rupp's "43" All Cats
  - SF baseball player
  - Wrigley Field feature
  - Rex Chapman was first UK freshman to ... 464 points
  - Scored 7.1 ppg as freshman for Sutton
  - Initials of '75-'76 Freshman Leadership award winner Deane
  - Freshman starter for '44-'45 Cats
  - Observed
  - '73-'74 Freshman Leadership honoree
  - One of fr. record 276 for Sam Bowie
  - Baseball's 4-baggers
  - Freshman on Joe's last Final Four Cats
  - Fine freshman of '70-'71 Ronnie
  - 3/4 of the major leagues
  - Asian festival
  - ... had fr. record 18 boards on 2/19/83
  - Abbr. for "without"
  - Pain expression
  - Standout scorer of '68-'69 Kittens
  - Abbr. for "on or about"
  - St. mate
  - Fr. in year after Joe's nat'l. champs
  - Bess Monster
  - Initials of top '76-'77 fr. Stephens
  - Started 8 games in '87-'88
  - From a scoring standpoint, Rex must be ... as UK's best freshman ever
  - Scored 14 vs. Irish on 1/31/88
  - Initials of 28 Down
  - Make mistake
  - Commercial
  - Big ... scored 242 pts. as '74-'75 fr.
  - Attendance abbreviations at Rupp
  - "The" and "outs"
  - "... and down"
  - Abbr. for an NY Island
  - Double vowel
  - ... scored 30.7 ppg for '65-'66 Kittens
  - Initials of 59 Down

Last Week's Answers



# 'Cats to see what they're made of—visit 'Bama, UT

Compiled by The Cats' Pause staff

Kentucky, 3-1 in the Southeastern Conference, 8-8 overall, has its work cut out for it this week, with road games awaiting at Alabama and conference leader Tennessee.

The upcoming trips to Tuscaloosa and Knoxville would have been more pleasant for UK had it held on against LSU.

"I told our squad they had an opportunity to leave the arena tonight with a 4-0 lead, said Sutton. "It's a long ways till the league race is over. We're a little over a sixth of the way through.

"We could have been tied with Tennessee. The two games coming up this week are certainly going to be very tough ones. Going to Tuscaloosa and going to Knoxville, those are not going to be picnics.

"I think it hurts because it hurts your confidence. The players realize that we didn't play well (in 64-62 loss to LSU), and had we played well we could have won."

Alabama entertains UK after posting 11 wins in 14 tries. The Tide is led by forward Michael Ansley, who in five of the last six games has led his team in scoring.

'Bama is a perfect 8-0 in Tuscaloosa.

Alabama is outscoring its opponents by 8.3 points per game (78.4 to 70.1) while UK is being outscored by a mere .3 point total (69.9 to 70.2)

No. 17 Tennessee went out of conference play last Saturday and ran into a buzz saw in No. 14 Florida State. The Seminoles defeated UT 101-90 in Tallahassee.

In that game, former Kentucky player Irving Thomas scored 16 points on an eight-of-12 performance from the field.

Said UT coach Don DeVoe: "Irving Thomas is a different person than when he was wearing the blue-and-white. I'm glad he's playing for the Seminoles.

Volunteer Dyron Nix was limited to a 16-point performance. The All-SEC forward made only five field goals on 12 attempts.

Prior to its game with UK, Tennessee will host Florida in its 25,000-plus-seat arena.



Alabama's (11-3, 3-2 in SEC play) probable starting lineup:

GUARDS—Alvin Lee (6-foot-1, 185 pounds, senior, 12.0 ppg., 0.7 rpg.)

Gary Waites (6-2, 170, sophomore, 5.6 ppg., 2.2 rpg.)

CENTER—David Benoit (6-8, junior, 220, 12.1 ppg., 7.9 rpg.)

FORWARDS—Melvin Cheatum (6-8 sophomore, 195, 9.3 ppg., 5.1 rpg.)

Michael Ansley (6-7, senior, 225, 21.4 ppg., 8.9 rpg.)

Tennessee's (11-2, 4-0 in SEC play) probable starting lineup:

GUARDS—Travis Henry (6-2, 165, senior, \*7.5 ppg., \*2.1 rpg.)

Clarence Swearingen (6-3, 180, senior, \*12.0 ppg., \*2.6 rpg.)

CENTER—Doug Roth (6-11, 255, senior, \*9.5 ppg., \*9.2 rpg.)

FORWARDS—Mark Griffin (6-8, 210, senior, \*8.5 ppg., \*2.8 rpg.)

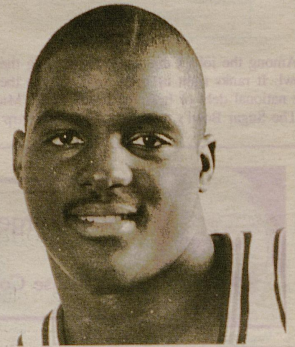
Dyron Nix (6-7, 210, senior, \*23.2 ppg., \*9.5 rpg.)

\*ppg., and rpg., after 13 games.

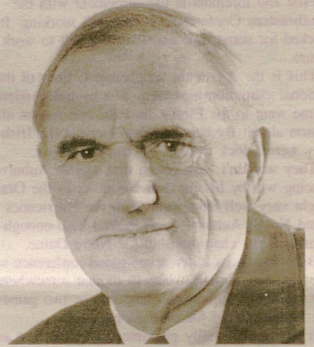


Here's Louisiana State coach Dale Brown's comments when asked if Tennessee could coast to the '88-'89 SEC title:

"No one is capable of running away. It'll go to the last ballgame of the year in my opinion."



Michael Ansley



Wimp Sanderson



Dyron Nix



Don DeVoe

# Author of book on Valvano needs to be investigated

Book business? More like monkey business

There were a couple of disturbing news items coming from the state of North Carolina recently. First, were the selectively leaked passages from a new book on North Carolina State coach **Jim Valvano** and then came



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the controversial ending to the North Carolina-Iowa game. It was quite a weekend.

I'm not inclined to send any sort of impassioned defense of Valvano your way because, frankly, I've not had an intimate enough relationship with his basketball program over the years to speculate on what does or does not go on in Raleigh. But I do think my years in the publishing business qualify me to sniff out a cheap journalistic shot when I see one.

And this **Peter Golenbock** special strikes me as one which could be an all timer.

I mean, think about it.

In any investigative piece, short or book length, an attempt is always made to contact the subject matter to at least offer the opportunity for rebuttal. Apparently this never happened. And what, in light of denials by Valvano's players that they'd been interviewed, was the source of Golenbock's information that all the day-to-day writers had missed? What's hard, provable evidence and what's idle speculation?

It troubles me to think the book publishing business has reached a point where any story, false and undocumentable though it may be, can be put before the American public without repercussion.

And whether or not you like Valvano and his style, if you've any interest in journalistic fairness, there's just no way to be anything but outraged at the way he's been treated.

Maybe I'll be proven wrong, but early on I want it on record that I think this book, its marketing process and its publishing house are a sad, sad commentary on what the book business has become.

Now, let's look at the North Carolina-Iowa game, as intense and interesting a contest as I've seen in some time. But how could they let it be marred at the end when **Roy Marble** and not **Ed Horton** took the free throws? I do not, for so much as a New York minute, think there was anything accidental about Marble standing at the free throw line. I don't believe he was confused, I think he was trying to gain an edge. Yep, cheating.

Sending the wrong shooter to the free throw line is a trick nearly as old as basketball. Former Tennessee star **Ernie Grunfeld** was a master. And over the years there have been other noted practitioners of the substituted free throw. However, that doesn't make it right.

By now, I'm certain those Big Ten officials have been duly chastised for their error. But what about Marble? In some parts of Iowa he's a hero. Got away with one there, he did. Gave the Hawkeyes a big win. Indeed, he did.

Were I in some position of authority in the Big Ten, though, I'd have no problem handing the young man a one-game suspension.

And were I an Iowa fan I don't think I would have been that thrilled with the win. It was a terrible way to end what had been a showcase game. Too bad...

Arizona State, trying to get its basketball program off the mat, suffered a horrible stroke when 6-foot-2 guard **Tarence Wheeler** sustained a serious knee injury against Cal. Wheeler was the team's top scorer and its leader. Earlier the Sun Devils lost the services of 6-10 center **Emory Lewis** who, in tandem with Wheeler,



Apparently, N.C. State's Jim Valvano never was given an opportunity for rebuttal in the book, *Personal Fouls—The Broken Promises and Shattered Dreams of Big Money Basketball at Jim Valvano's North Carolina State*.

would have put this team in the hunt for a postseason berth. Now it's back to square one for coach **Steve Patterson**...

Georgia Tech is quietly putting together an impressive season. This Yellow Jacket team seems to have more depth than past squads and more big bodies. The problem is that **Tom Hammonds** and **Dennis Scott** don't always play like the All-Americans they could be. Especially Scott. But keep an eye on coach **Bobby Cremins'** team...

Likewise Indiana suddenly bears watching. After being blown out three times in the early going, coach **Bob Knight's** team has put together a nice run. I doubt the Hoosiers have enough size and strength to make a deep tournament run, but they now seem on target to make NCAA play, not an insignificant feat considering how the season began...

**Dick Vitale's** probably right when he speculates that **Derrick Coleman** will depart Syracuse after this year. Coleman has the look of a guy eager to try the next level...

Game in and game out who would you rather have in your backcourt, Ohio State's **Jay Burson** or Syracuse's **Sherman Douglas**? You know the right answer. Just admit it...

A coach who has done a tremendous job rebuilding a program given up for dead by most is **Rich Herrin** at Southern Illinois. He has the Salukies in the hunt for a Missouri Valley Conference title and is giving the school some of its biggest thrills (SIU whipped Villanova earlier) since the days of **Walt Frazier's** NIT team. Herrin came to SIU without college experience, but he did win more than 600 games as a high school coach which suggests he knew something about the game. Herrin, incidentally, was **Doug Collins'** high school coach...

The farewell tour continues for **Ralph Miller** and appropriately his Oregon State is a good one, probably a serious candidate for NCAA play. Miller is now the winningest active coach in college basketball and he's done it without a lot of fanfare. Frankly, the public view would be that he's a tough, gruff character. But his

record suggests he can coach and it is nice to see him honored at nearly every visiting stop along the way. Just by surviving in this business at age 69, Miller deserves a round of applause...

I find it interesting that a lot of pro scouts fear drafting Michigan players because they are concerned about their citizenship. As the **Roy Tarpley** case continues to unfold, that perception probably won't change...

Don't be surprised if Oklahoma's scores are considerably lower against Big Eight opponents. It is always more difficult to do your favorite things against those who are most familiar with you...

Is it just my imagination or has DePaul managed to become the most televised team with the lowest profile in the history of college basketball? It seems strange the Demons are always on the magic lantern, but I wonder how many people could name more than one or two of their players?...

It has been an unusual season for West Virginia. The Mountaineers lost early to Robert Morris and Bradley at home, but have rebounded with wins at Pitt and Maryland. The big guys still don't shoot free throws very well (and that's being kind), but head coach **Gale Catlett** seems to have his team on track for a tournament bid...

According to a popular theory in the National Football League a coach can only last about 10 years and then he flames out. I find that interesting because football coaches have, what, 16 games a year? An NBA coach has that many games in a month and some of those guys last longer than 10 years. What it means, I guess, is that stress is all in the eye of the beholder...

It's been a very difficult year at Virginia Commonwealth. The team has struggled putting considerable heat on coach **Mike Pollio** and then, worst of all, one of its players, **Michael Brown**, collapsed at practice and died. Pollio, who had tremendous success as Division II Kentucky Wesleyan, is hoping to hold things together but the VCU faithful have been spoiled with all the success in the **Dana Kirk** and **J.D. Barnett** eras. I'm told it will be close at the wire in terms of saving his job...

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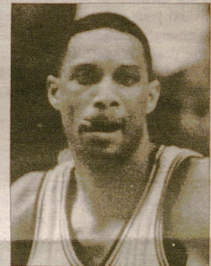
SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
1	2	Women's Basketball: Morehead (A) 7:30 p.m.	Basketball: Georgia (H) 8 p.m. SECTV	3	4	5
6	7	Women's Basketball: Middle Tennessee (A) 2 p.m.	8	9	10	11
15	16	Women's Basketball: Kentucky State (H) 7:30	17	18	19	20
22	23	Women's Basketball: Western (H) 7:30 p.m.	24	25	26	27
29	30	Women's Basketball: Mississippi State (A) 7 p.m.	31			

### PREVIOUS GAMES

- Dec. 3: Basketball—Notre Dame def. UK 81-65
- Dec. 3: Volleyball—UK def. New Mexico 16-14, 15-1, 9-15, 9-15, 15-9
- Dec. 3: Women's Basketball—Ohio University def. UK 80-77
- Dec. 6: Women's Basketball—UK def. Dayton 72-59
- Dec. 7: Basketball—Northwestern (La.) State def. UK 85-82
- Dec. 9: Volleyball—Texas-Arlington def. UK 15-7, 13-15, 15-13, 15-4
- Dec. 10: Basketball—UK def. Western Carolina 78-60
- Dec. 10: Women's Basketball—Indiana def. UK 83-71
- Dec. 16: Basketball—Bowling Green def. UK 56-54
- Dec. 17: Basketball—UK def. Marshall 91-78
- Dec. 18: Women's Basketball—Illinois def. UK 84-71
- Dec. 20: Basketball—Indiana def. UK 75-52
- Dec. 20: Women's Basketball—Cincinnati def. UK
- Dec. 27: Basketball—UK def. Austin Peay 85-77
- Dec. 30: Women's Basketball—UK def. Austin Peay 95-57
- Dec. 31: Basketball—Louisville def. UK 97-75
- Jan. 3: Women's Basketball—Morehead def. UK 74-70
- Jan. 4: Basketball—UK def. Georgia 76-65
- Jan. 6: Women's Basketball—UK def. Vanderbilt 74-68
- Jan. 7: Basketball—UK def. Vanderbilt 70-61
- Jan. 8: Women's Basketball—UK def. Middle Tennessee 68-66
- Jan. 11: Women's Basketball—UK def. Eastern 83-77 (OT)
- Jan. 12: Basketball—UK def. Florida 69-56
- Jan. 13: Women's Basketball—UK def. Marshall 72-61
- Jan. 14: Basketball—LSU def. UK 64-62



Eddie Sutton



Chris Mills

## LSU 64, Kentucky 62

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LSU, with the help of a technical (we're about to come to it), grabbed the lead. A three-point play by Mills gave UK its last lead—58-57—with 3:28 left.

Despite the technical in the final five minutes, Mills and Ellis came to the rescue. Twice, Ellis tied the game (60-60, 62-62), as for a while it looked like this contest might be settled in an extra period or two.

Jackson, though, quickly disposed that theory.

While Brown was praising his club, Sutton spent a portion of his press conference berating one of the officials, Watkins, because of the technical foul.

What happened, coach?

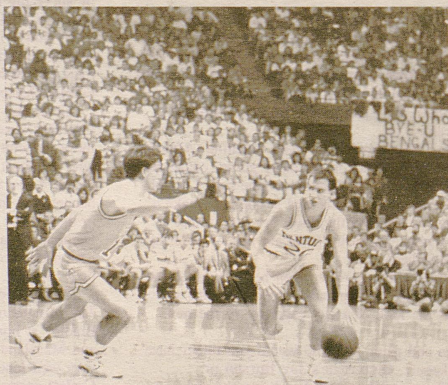
"I just jumped up," coach Sutton said. "I didn't say one word to him. He just called a technical foul on me."

Sutton noted he didn't get out of the box or didn't hear anyone on his bench say something which would have triggered a T.

"The technical foul was certainly costly," he said. "I'm smart enough and I've coached the game long enough to never get a technical when we have the basketball. I didn't say one word to Watkins. It's uncalled for and I told the commissioner (Harvey Schiller) about it. I'm not saying that it lost the ballgame but that certainly didn't help our chances.

"Anybody who coaches the game very long, you certainly don't want a technical foul in that situation. You're ahead and then all of a sudden you get the ball back and you're behind."

That's a tough assignment, coach, especially when the other team has a percolating Chris Jackson on their side just waiting to burn the opposition.



### DECISIONS, DECISIONS, DECISIONS

As the game got closer to the end, Dale Brown (right) thought about instructing his team to foul Kentucky's Sean Sutton (top), a 46 percent shooter. But LSU assistant Ron Abernathy thought differently, talking the head coach out of such a move. Earlier in the week, LSU chose to foul Tennessee in the late stages of the game. UT, not known as one of the league's best shooting teams from the foul line, cashed in on 14 of 16. And the two the Vols missed were tipped in to help them record a 100-96 win.



# SEC proves it's still nation's best football conference

Now must set sights on derailing independents

The SEC runner-up teams—Georgia, Alabama and Florida—saved the league's reputation as the nation's strongest in football by winning their bowl games while the champions, Auburn and LSU, lost.



Scoop Hudgins  
Cats' Pause Columnist

Georgia and Florida beat Big Ten teams Michigan State (34-27) and Illinois (14-10) and Alabama edged Army (29-28) prior to LSU and Auburn losing to independents Syracuse (23-10) and Florida State (13-7) on Jan. 2.

**THESE RESULTS SIMPLY RESTATE** the fact that in SEC football the space between the winning team and the loser is scant; often covered by a bounce, a break, a sun ray or a shadow.

The winning team is sometimes simply the luckiest team and often recognizes that on another day, against this same team, it could be a loser.

In SEC competition, if the winner is strong, the loser is next to him.

It is the league as a whole that is strong, and again for 1988, the *Associated Press* writers participating in their poll, express that belief.

The final AP Top Twenty lists more SEC teams than for any other conference, *four*. The Pac-10 and the Big Eight have three, the Big Ten and the Southwest two and the Atlantic Coast one. Five of the 24 Division I-A independents are listed.

The four SEC teams are No. 8 Auburn, No. 15 Georgia, No. 17 Alabama and No. 19 LSU.

### Final Associated Press Top Twenty

Team	Conference affiliation
1. Notre Dame	Independent
2. Miami	Independent
3. Florida State	Independent
4. Michigan	Big Ten
5. West Virginia	Independent
6. UCLA	Pac-10
7. USC	Pac-10
8. Auburn	SEC
9. Clemson	ACC
10. Nebraska	Big Eight
11. Oklahoma State	Big Eight
12. Arkansas	SWC
13. Syracuse	Independent
14. Oklahoma	Big Eight
15. Georgia	SEC
16. Washington State	Pac-10
17. Alabama	SEC
18. Houston	SWC
19. LSU	SEC
20. Indiana	Big Ten

The Pac-10 has UCLA at No. 6 and Southern Cal at No. 7, then Washington State at No. 16.

The Big Eight has Nebraska at No. 10, No. 11 Oklahoma State and No. 14 Oklahoma.

The SWC has No. 12 Arkansas and No. 18 Houston. The Big Ten has No. 4 Michigan and No. 20 Indiana. The ACC has only Clemson, at No. 9.

The five independent teams recognized by AP's Top Twenty are the highest-rated set of independents ever. Notre Dame, Miami and Florida State are listed 1-2-3, then West Virginia at No. 5 and Syracuse at No. 13.

This reflects a steady rise in strength by these teams and by several other schools choosing the independent system for intercollegiate football. Penn State, Pitt, Boston College, South Carolina, Rutgers, Virginia Tech, Louisville, Southern Mississippi and Memphis State are others.

**THEY OPERATE WITH** less restriction than schools in conferences. They have fewer rules with which to adhere and less surveyors and enforcers of rules of administration. Policy for eligibility, for instance, is set by the schools, within the broad parameters of the NCAA.

This does not imply that all independents have softer rules and easier compliance on eligibility of athletes, just that they are more fitting for the school and less costly. Universities such as Notre Dame, Penn State, Boston College, Rutgers and others have high academic standards and great pride in achievement of humanitarian goals.

Many have policies in athletics which exceed all NCAA requirements.

The rising strength comes more from recognition of the TV dollar. If earned by one school, it need not be split with other competitors, as in a family-type conference.

This concept will certainly continued to flourish. The independents with solid academics and strong athletics are a threat to SEC dominance in NCAA football.

This is a new challenge for the SEC. After conquering the other conferences, you just don't sit down to observe the battlefield. You challenge whatever else is out there. Sic 'em, SEC.

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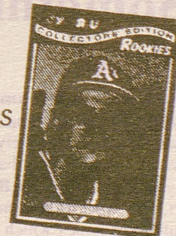
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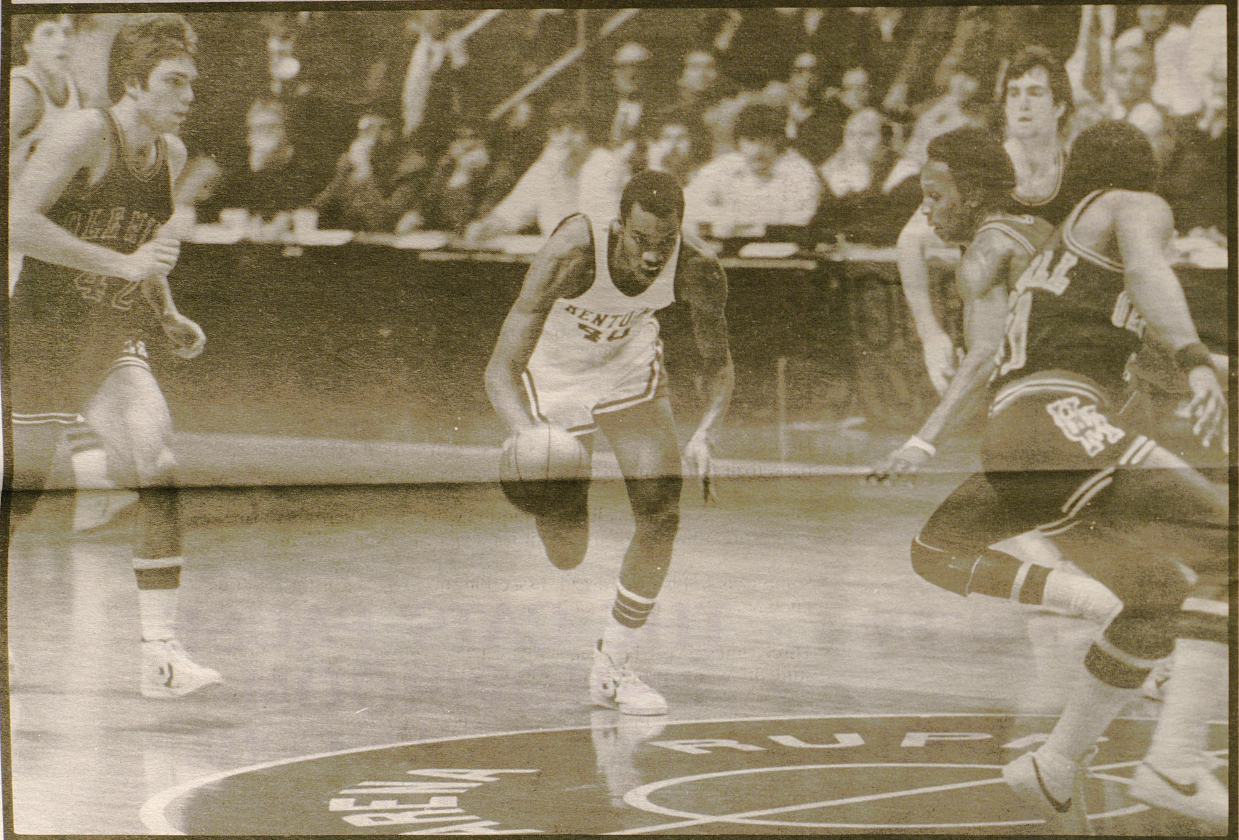
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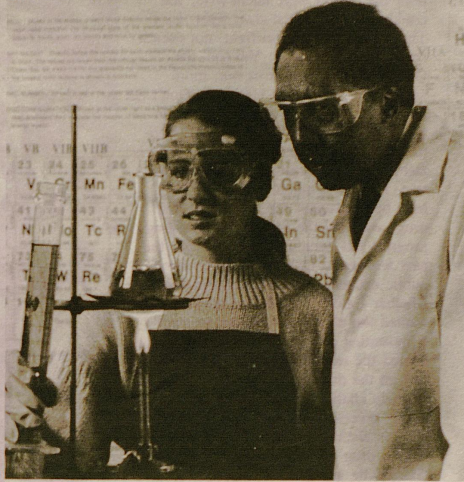
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Periodic Chart of the Elements



He's the man with a roomful of bugs, rocks and newts.

On the walls of his room are charts of chemical formulas, the life cycle of plants and weather regions of the world.

Unlike the other teachers, he wears a white lab coat with his name over the breast pocket.

He once had his class lay out the solar system in the parking lot with a basketball as the sun and each of the planets scaled to size and distance.

On his desk is the neatly lettered motto he lives by: "There are too many interesting things to learn about for school to ever be boring."

Some girls in his class dread dissecting the frog. And if the truth were known, a few of the boys do, too.

Three times a year he assigns major projects. And each year, he has students whose projects win top awards in state competitions.

If you ask anyone in the school who's the toughest teacher, you'll hear his name.

If you ask whose class they enjoy the most, you'll hear his name again.

He's the science teacher.

But if you ask him what he does, he won't answer it that way. He'll give you a smile and say that he fans the spark of the imagination.

Science teacher, newt raiser or spark fanner — to us, he has one of the most important jobs in Ashland's America.



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# Oscar Combs

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monster with one quick resolution by the NCAA:

Put all television revenue—local, conference and national—into one banking account. When the tournaments arrive, the NCAA provides and dictates all travel arrangements and pays for them directly without allowing schools to take dozens of free-loaders along on an all-expenses paid vacation.

Then divide all the money equally among all Division I schools. The real problem is greed. And the root of all greed is money.

And while we're at it, wouldn't it be nice for the NCAA to adopt a salary schedule for all coaches? Each coach would be paid according to years of service on the college level. Perhaps the coaches could be paid directly by the NCAA from the television funds before they are passed on to each school.

Coaches would all be paid equally. In a sense, coaches could then attain that tenure so many have advocated so long. A coach could be fired only if he violates a university employee policy or if he should be judged guilty of an NCAA violation.

Any other perks, such as speaking engagements, summer camps, etc., would have to be negotiated with his particular school with a coach not being permitted to make more than 50 percent of his

regular coaching salary from other sources.

With such a plan, coaches would be able to keep their minds on what they're hired to do—coach and teach athletes as student-athletes—and not to run a big-time business.

End of soapbox, and no I'm not crazy, none of the above will ever come to pass. It's just a simple thought I thought you might be interested in reading.



**HITS AND MISSES . . .** More and more scandals are oozing out of the woodwork. Now, the charges are against **Jimmy Valvano** at North Carolina State. A new book on Jimmy Vee's program is supposed to be off the presses in a few weeks and it will contain charges of many NCAA violations according to one press report. It isn't the first revealing story of wrongdoing and it won't be the last. This is becoming a tell-all world in the 1980s and sports are apparently keeping pace with the rest of society . . . More troubles in the SEC. Count in **Florida** once again. For almost 20 years I've followed the annual Kentucky-Florida clash in Gainesville with a little extra interest. The game always intrigued me because Florida has never been confused with one of the great hoop programs in

the world. Yet, the Gators have always given the 'Cats fits. I can remember **Adolph Rupp's** day. He dreaded the game in the Sunshine State. No matter how poor the Gators were talent-wise, you could count on a first-class fight. Last Thursday, there was no fight, not even a rowdy student section. You see, the Gators have, believe it or not, more serious problems than UK does. Don't get me wrong, UK is in a heap of trouble with the NCAA, but the problems Kentucky has can be dealt with in an orderly fashion if the charges are judged to be true. Florida is much different. There have been rampant reports concerning drugs and how the school's drug-testing program has been administered over the past few years. Last week, there were public debates in the newspapers over whether Gator coach **Norm Sloan** really wanted the players tested. An attorney representing a former university employee quoted the ex-employee that Sloan was soft on the drug issue, a statement Sloan strongly challenged. The next day the attorney reversed his statement and said he and his client had a misunderstanding. A federal drug investigation is ongoing in Gainesville and several current and former players have been testifying. And you thought Kentucky had big problems! As the song says: "Don't worry, be happy."



Florida's Norm Sloan

# UK 69, Florida 56

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down, we shut ourselves down," said Schintzius. "This was just a bad outing for us. I think Livingston (Chatman) and Double-D (Dwayne Davis) shut themselves down. We are too good to eliminate ourselves like that. I did it, too."

Losing coach **Norm Sloan** partly agreed. "We were just flat out there tonight," said Sloan. "We were in a lull the entire game and there wasn't one point when we were really into the game mentally. It is not a matter of having one or two players who were not playing well, it just seemed like everyone was a little off. We were very flat, flat as a pancake."

But he offered a hand of praise to UK. "Kentucky did play a fine game," continued Sloan. "I don't want to take anything away from them. They are a very talented team. I think Miller is one of the best three-point shooters we have seen this year and we have seen some pretty good ones. Mills is a quality player. He is going to be a solid player for them."

Sloan agreed with Sutton's conclusion that slowing down the game and UK spreading the offense was a big key.

"They did a real good job coming out in the second half of spreading the floor out and cutting to the basket," said Sloan. "They moved real well without the ball. It was something that we did expect them to do. They did it earlier in the year in the Duke game and it kind of surprised a lot of people, but we knew they would do that. They just did an outstanding job of executing and we didn't. That is the bottom line."

Miller, who also led his club in rebounds with eight, was joined in double figure scoring by sophomore guard Sean Sutton who tallied 11 points, dished out a game-high five assists and hit four of seven from the field.

UK's only other double-digit scorer was Ellis, who scored 10 points while hauling down five rebounds.

Florida was paced in scoring by Schintzius with 20 followed by reserve Brian Hogan with only nine points.

For the game, UK hit a torrid 60.5 percent from the field, thanks mostly to Miller's 11 of 14 shooting. Only Chris Mills shot below 50 percent for the 'Cats.

Florida struggled all over the court and managed only a 38.5 shooting percentage, still better than its 27.8 percent from the three-point range.

Neither club did very well from the charity stripe where UK hit 12 of 23 for 52.2 percent while the Gators hit 11 of 19 for 57.9 percent.

Kentucky feared most Florida's highly touted inside game built around Schintzius, but the seven-footer was missing out of action most of the evening.

"We just knew their outside attack wasn't very good—as least not as good as last year," said Ellis. "We knew they were going to try and throw it inside all night."

The Gators did that, but turned the ball over 19 times in the process with 13 of the mistakes coming from the guards. It was only one part of Florida's game plan which failed miserably.

**FLORIDA SUNSHINE NOTES . . .**  
The crowd of 11,751 was the most for a

Florida home game this season and ranks as the 11th largest crowd in O'Connell Center history . . . Kentucky now leads the series between the two schools 55-17 . . . Kentucky and Florida are now an even 6-6 over the past 12 meetings between the two schools . . . Florida's loss to UK was only the Gators' seventh loss over the last four seasons at O'Connell Center where Florida has won 42 games during the same period . . . The victory gave UK a perfect 3-0 league record heading into their matchup with LSU.

# UK baseball ranked 23rd

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ven shortstop. Billy is the kind of player who will continue to improve. He has yet to reach his potential. The fact that he started practically every game his freshman year really had a lot to do with the progress he has made. He is stronger and plays with much more confidence than he did two years ago as a freshman. We're looking for an outstanding year for Billy."

### Baseball America preseason All-America teams

- First team**  
C—Alan Zinter, Jr., Arizona  
1B—John Clerud, Jr., Washington State  
2B—Bret Boone, So., USC  
3B—Rodney Peete, Sr., USC  
SS—Eddie Zosky, Jr., Fresno State  
OF—Tom Goodwin, Jr., Fresno State  
OF—Steve Hosey, Jr., Fresno State  
OF—Paul Carey, Jr., Stanford  
P—Ben McDonald, Jr., LSU  
P—Russ Springer, Jr., LSU  
P—Kirk Dressendorfer, So., Texas  
P—Cal Eldred, Jr., Iowa  
P—Mark Beck, Jr., Cal. State-Fullerton

- Second team**  
C—Darron Cox, Jr., Oklahoma  
1B—Frank Thomas, Jr., Auburn  
2B—Terry Taylor, Jr., Texas A&M  
3B—Jeff Bagwell, Jr., Hartford  
SS—Chuck Knoblauch, Jr., Texas  
OF—Tim Salmon, Jr., Grand Canyon  
OF—Jody Hurst, Jr., Mississippi State  
OF—Chris Ebright, Jr., Oklahoma  
P—Mark Mussina, So., Stanford  
P—Joe Grahe, Sr., Miami, Fla.  
P—Jamie McAndrew, Jr., Florida  
P—Steve Chitren, Sr., Texas  
P—Mike Grimes, Jr., Michigan

- Third team**  
C—Brent Mayne, Jr., Cal. State-Fullerton  
1B—Maurice Vaughn, Jr., Seton Hall  
2B—Frank Carey, Sr., Stanford  
3B—John Blyington, Jr., Texas A&M  
SS—Billy White, Jr., Kentucky

- OF—Rey Noriega, So., Miami, Fla.  
OF—Brian Williams, So., South Carolina  
OF—David Keating, Jr., UCLA  
P—Eric Schullstrom, Fresno State  
P—Shane Reynolds, Jr., Texas  
P—Rich Crane, Jr., Fresno State  
P—Sam Drake, Jr., Georgia Tech  
P—Brian Dour, Sr., Bradley

### Top 20 Draftable Players\*

1. Ben McDonald, RHP, LSU
2. John Olerud, 1B-LHP, Washington State
3. Tom Goodwin, OF, Fresno State
4. Mark Beck, RHP, Cal. State-Fullerton
5. Frank Thomas, 1B, Auburn
6. Cal Eldred, RHP, Iowa
7. Steve Hosey, OF, Fresno State
8. Russ Springer, RHP, LSU
9. Eddie Zosky, SS, Fresno State
10. Paul Carey, OF, Stanford
11. Chuck Knoblauch, SS, Texas A&M
12. Jamie McAndrew, RHP, Arizona
13. Alan Zinter, C, Arizona
14. Maurice Vaughn, 1B, Seton Hall
15. Shane Reynolds, RHP, Texas
16. Billy White, SS, Kentucky
17. Joe Grahe, RHP, Miami, Fla.
18. Mike Michin, LHP-1B, Clemson
19. Tim Salmon, OF, Grand Canyon
20. Miah Bradbury, C, Loyola-Marymount

\*selected in consultation with major-league scouting directors.



# Dan Brandenburg

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bers have been to at least one bowl in the '80s.

—Although Ivy Joe Hunter sort of got lost in the shuffle during his senior season at UK, the running back did get to make a couple of all-star game appearances to round out his collegiate career.

Hunter and one of his teammates at UK, cornerback David Johnson, both played in the Blue-Gray Classic Dec. 25 in Alabama and Hunter was slated to take part in the Japan Bowl last Saturday in Yokohama.

Madison was also named Region III chairman of the Coaches Committee at the American Baseball Coaches Association meeting Jan. 6-7, at Nashville, Tenn. As chairman of the committee, Madison will be responsible for making and submitting recommendations from other coaches in the region to the executive committee for improving college baseball. Region III, which includes the entire Southeast, is the largest region in the country.

# Back Thru The Wildcat Years

## Eight Years Ago

Kentucky set a Rupp Arena record in blasting Florida by 54 points—102-48. The margin of victory was the most ever in the Wildcats' 23,000-seat structure.

While Kentucky hit 60 percent and crossing the century mark for the victory, the Gators were forced into 21 turnovers. Kentucky came out with fire in its eyes and romped to a 52-26 halftime margin.

The victory was impressive because the 'Cats were coming off back-to-back defeats at Alabama and Louisiana State.

Sam Bowie led Kentucky, equalling his career high of 29 points. The 7-foot center-forward connected on 12 of 17 shots while also grabbing nine rebounds. Melvin Turpin, a.k.a. "The Big Dipper," and guard Dirk Minniefield added 17 points each while Bret Bearup scored 10. Minniefield dished out

eight assists, too.

✓Kentucky showed another sign that it was out of its 'traditional' January slump by handing Vanderbilt a 78-64 loss on the Commodores' home court. Three rookies—Jim Master, Melvin Turpin and Bret Bearup—along with sophomores Dirk Minniefield and Sam Bowie led Kentucky to its road win.

Master, Bearup and Turpin combined for 31 points, 16 rebounds and six blocked shots. Master scored 16 of those points while Turpin came in and relieved Sam Bowie when he suffered a leg injury. The Lexington Bryan Station product finished the night with 10 points and 12 rebounds.

Minniefield led Kentucky with 18 points while Bowie added 17 before bruising his hip late in the game.

Overall, there were nine ties and six lead changes in the first half as the game was close

until UK pulled away in the late stages.

Charles Davis led Vandy with 23 points and 15 rebounds while Louisvillians Al Miller and Jimmy Gray scored 17 and 16 points, respectively.

## Twelve Years Ago

✓Led by center Mike Phillips, Kentucky finally took over late in the game and downed visiting LSU by an 87-72 score. Phillips finished with 24 points and 19 rebounds, hitting seven of 10 field goal attempts. The game was close all the way and despite 53 turnovers—26 by the Wildcats—it was a highly competitive contest.

Kentucky held LSU to 23 of 65 shooting and outrebounded the Tigers 51-39. Phillips got plenty of help. Guard Jay Shidler scored 16 points while fellow guard Larry Johnson turned in his usual fine defensive effort and also scored 12 points.

James Lee came off the bench to contribute 12 points, eight at the line. Kentuckians Kenny Higgs (Owensboro) and Rudy Macklin (Louisville) led LSU with 22 and 13 points, respectively.

✓Six players scored in double figures as homesteading Kentucky ripped Mississippi by a 100-73 score. It was one of the Wildcats most impressive victories of the year as they sizzled the Rupp Arena nets for a near record 63.1 shooting percent on 41 of 65 from the field.

Freshman LaVon Williams' field goal put his team ahead to stay—24-22.

Kentucky committed 26 miscues but forced Mississippi into 33 turnovers.

Jack Givens led a well-balanced scoring attack with 29 points. Larry Johnson scored 18, James Lee 14, Williams 12 along with fellow frosh Jay Shidler, and Mike Phillips added 11.

Ole Miss' John Stroud led his club with 22 points.

✓George Catavolos, 31, who has spent the past six years working with the staff at Purdue, has joined the Wildcat coaching crew. He replaces John Cooper, who recently left to become head coach at Tulsa.

## Fourteen Years Ago

✓Kentucky nipped Ole Miss 85-82 at Oxford before a crowd of 5,000. Kevin Grevey led UK with 27 points and Mike Flynn added 22.

✓The count was 71-69 when Grevey hit three pressure-packed foul shots in the final 22 seconds to lift Kentucky to a 74-69 win over Alabama before a full house at Memorial Coliseum.

The win enabled the 'Cats to tie Alabama for first place in the Southeastern Conference standings with a 5-1 record. Kentucky is 12-2 on the campaign while Alabama falls to 11-2. Grevey finished with 20 points, Jimmy Dan Conner had 18 and fellow senior Mike Flynn 12. Jack Givens came off the bench to contribute 10 points.

Center Leon Douglas led Alabama with 27 points and 25 rebounds.

## Nineteen Years Ago

✓Adolph Rupp reinstated guard Bob McCowan from his suspension for breaking curfew. Also, guard Mike Casey began working out, saying he is ready to help the 'Cats if needed. Casey was injured in a summer automobile accident.

✓The University of Kentucky swimmers raised their won-loss record to 7-1 by defeating Western Kentucky 59-30 and Union 69-37.

✓Hitting 54 percent from the floor, Kentucky won its 13th straight game, defeating Tennessee and its patient offensive attack,



68-52.

Dan Issel led UK with 28 points while Jimmy England scored 29 for the Volunteers.

✓Jim Andrews scored 19 consecutive points, 35 overall, as the UK freshman squad defeated the Baby Vols. 95-70. Daryl Bishop added 20.

## Thirty Two Years Ago

✓For the first time in several games, Kentucky didn't face a slowdown and the result was a 92-72 win over a Tennessee club which is supposed to be the school's best in five years. The surprisingly easy road victory was Kentucky's 14th straight over the Tennessee Volunteers.

The Wildcats pulled away midway through the first half and never looked back. Gerry Calvert paced the 'Cats with 20 points. Ed Beck scored 17 while Johnny Cox added 16. Off the bench Adrian Smith tallied 16.

Leon Ammerman scored 31 for Tennessee. ✓Kentucky is No. 3 and No. 5 in the *United Press International* and *Associated Press* polls, respectively. North Carolina is No. 1 in both polls while Kansas holds down the No. 2 spot in *UPI* and *AP*.

✓The Wildcats held on to score a 91-83 victory over Vanderbilt, thus erasing a tie for first place in the Southeastern Conference.

Kentucky led throughout its game in Nashville and at one time held a 22-point first half lead. Meanwhile, the Commodores didn't quit and put a scare into the 'Cats in the late going.

Gerry Calvert and Johnny Cox shared scoring honors with 23 points each. Calvert tallied 21 in the first stanza before later fouling out. John Crigler added 13 points.

Al Rouchelle of Guthrie, Ky., paced Vanderbilt with 21.

The loss snapped the Commodores 26-game home-court win streak.

## Thirty Three Years Ago

✓Kentucky overcame a 12-point deficit to spoil Tulane's upset hopes and down the Green Wave 58-44 in New Orleans. Tennessee trailed 17-5 but took a four-point lead by the half. Jerry Bird and Billy Evans each scored 16 for the Wildcats.

✓Kentucky football player Harry (Pete) Kirk of Mt. Sterling was selected on the All-America academic second team.

✓The Wildcats narrowly escaped an upset before 5,000 fans at Louisiana State University, edging the Tigers 64-62. A final-second miss by the Tigers sealed the win for the 'Cats.

Phil "Cookie" Grawemeyer scored 18 points and Bob Burrow 16 for UK.

## WILDCAT QUIZ

### Big Blue & Big Orange

1. Complete the following song associated with the University of Tennessee: "Rocky Top you'll always be

- a) "pretty and blue to me."
- b) "home sweet home to me."
- c) "high and mighty to me."
- d) "oil that is, Black Gold, Texas Tea."

2. True or False? Tennessee's Thompson-Boiling Arena holds less fans than does Rupp Arena

- 3. When Kentucky and Tennessee met in the finals of the 1979 SEC tournament, in which the Vols won in overtime, where was the game played?
  - a) Lexington
  - b) Nashville
  - c) Atlanta
  - d) Birmingham

4. Complete the UK fight song—"On, on U of K, we're right for the \_\_\_\_\_"

- a) "night today"
- b) "fight tonight"
- c) "night tonight"
- d) "fight today"

5. True or False? The 1989 Southeastern Conference Tournament will be played in Knoxville.

6. Which Tennessee player is now playing for the NBA's Washington Bullets?

- a) Bernard King
- b) Tony White
- c) Dale Ellis
- d) Ernie Grunfeld

7. Which Wildcat in 1981 hit his only basket of the game in the final seconds to defeat Tennessee 48-47 at Rupp Arena?

- a) Fred Cowan
- b) Kyle Macy
- c) Sam Bowie
- d) Chuck Verderber

8. True or False? Kentucky attempted only one free throw in a 1980 UK-UT contest at Stokely Center.

9. In the 1981-82 season, Don DeVoe's only SEC regular season championship thus far came when his team tied which team for the title?

- a) Auburn
- b) Kentucky
- c) Alabama
- d) LSU

10. True or False? In Eddie Sutton's first season at Kentucky he was able to pull out a win over the Vols in Knoxville.

## Answers

- 1) "home sweet home to me"
- 2) False (Thompson-Boiling Arena holds 25,000 compared to Rupp Arena's 23,000-plus seats)
- 3) True (Kentucky won 62-60)
- 4) "fight today"
- 5) True
- 6) Bernard King
- 7) Fred Cowan
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