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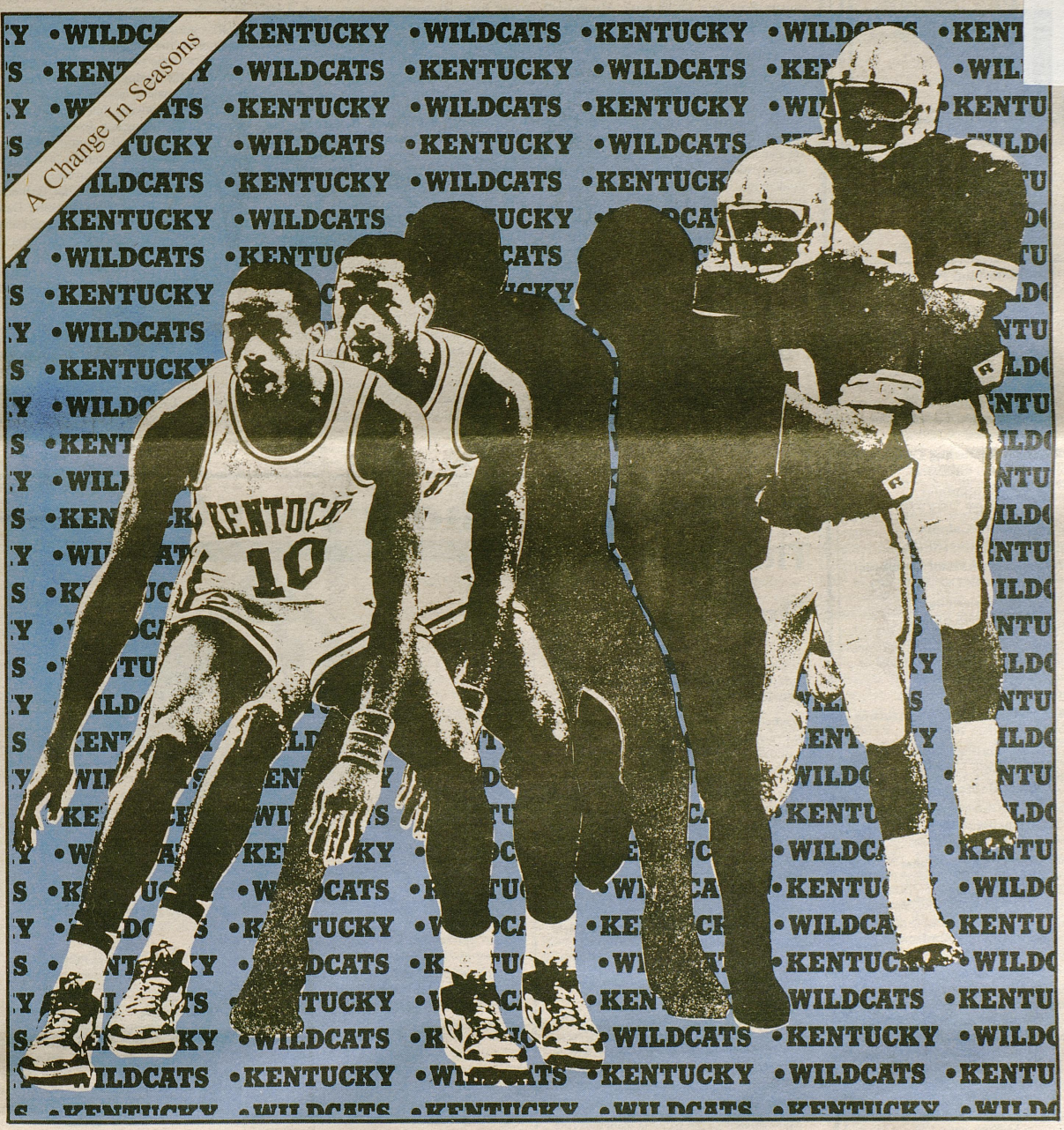
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Kentucky-Austin Peay Scouting Report

The Game: Austin Peay at Kentucky

The Coaches: Lake Kelly begins his eighth year as the Governors' head coach with a record of 124-66. The former Kentucky assistant coach to Joe B. Hall served as the head coach of the Gobs from 1971-72 through 1976-77, guiding Austin Peay to a 110-52 record and two NCAA tournament appearances. He then spent two seasons at Oral Roberts University before returning to the high school ranks in Kentucky (Clark County). He joined the UK staff in 1983, before leaving for Austin Peay prior to the 1985-86 season. Last season, he guided Austin Peay to a 14-14 mark. His overall nine-year coaching record now stands at 155-90.

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Eddie Sutton: enters his second season at Kentucky after completing the most successful first-year in NCAA history. Last season, Sutton guided the Wildcats to a 32-4 record and a spot in the NCAA Final Eight. He also led UK to its 36th Southeastern Conference title with a 17-1 league mark and guided the 'Cats to the SEC Tournament championship. For his efforts Sutton was named National "Coach of the Year" by Associated Press and the National Association of Basketball Coaches. Sutton's overall 17-year college coaching record now stands at 374-129, which places him seventh on the list of winningest active coaches with a percentage of .744.

Probable Starting Lineups

Kentucky—Guards: Ed Davender (6-3) and James Blackmon (6-3); Center: Rob Lock (6-11); and Forwards Richard Madison (6-7) and/or Irving Thomas (6-7), F/G Rex Chapman (6-5) or F/G Derrick Miller (6-6).

Austin Peay—Guards: Richie Armstrong (6-1) and Mike Hicks (6-2); Center: Bob Thomas (6-7); and Forwards: Darryl Bedford (6-8) and Lawrence Mitchell (6-3).

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The History Between The Gobs And 'Cats: The Wildcats have met Austin Peay only once—in the NCAA tournament in 1973. UK pulled out a 106-100 overtime victory over the Governors in Nashville.

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UK At Rupp: Kentucky enters its 11th season in the largest built-for-basketball arena in the country with a phenomenal 140-14 record, good for a 90.9 winning percentage. Last year, the Wildcats compiled a perfect 18-0 mark at Rupp, marking the fourth time in 10 years UK has gone unbeaten in the 23,000-plus-seat arena.

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Cat Scans: In the 83 seasons the University of Kentucky has played basketball, the Wildcats have compiled a 69-14 record in season-openers. Seven of those 14 losses came in the first 11 years the school played basketball (1903-1913). The last time Kentucky lost a season-opener was Nov. 17, 1979, when Duke downed the 'Cats in the Hall of Fame game in Springfield, Mass., 82-76 in overtime. The Wildcats have never lost a home-opener at Rupp Arena. In losing three starters from last year's squad (Kenny Walker and Roger Harden to graduation and Winston Bennett to injury), Kentucky has lost 54 percent of its scoring, 51 percent of its rebounding and 76 percent of its assist production. Kentucky enters the 1986-87 season with the longest string of non-losing seasons in NCAA college basketball. The Wildcats have not had a losing season in 58 years. The last time Kentucky finished on the losing side of the ledger was in 1927, when UK was 3-13. Kentucky

will be defending the Southeastern Conference title for the 36th time this season. The Wildcats have won three of the last four league crowns but will be hard-pressed to repeat this season. During the SEC Media Days in Atlanta on Nov. 12-13, Kentucky was picked by the media to finish fifth in the 10-team league this season, behind Alabama, Florida, Auburn and LSU.

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Academics At UK: The recently-released NCAA Men's College Basketball Press Kit includes a listing of student/athletes who have performed well both on the court AND in the classroom. Kentucky ranked tied for sixth among all teams in total academic/achievement awards won by its players over the years. In order to be mentioned in the listing, a player must earn BOTH All-America honors AND at least one major academic award. Interestingly, the top schools in this listing are also considered the top overall basketball programs by most observers. Here is the complete listing of the top schools in awards received:

1. UCLA (11 players, 20 awards); 2. Indiana (eight players, 15 awards); 3. Notre Dame (seven players, 13 awards); 4. Kansas (seven players, 12 awards); 5. North Carolina (10 players, 11 awards); 6. Kentucky (eight players, 10 awards); 7. Purdue (six players, 10 awards); and 8. Duke (six players, 10 awards).

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Next Up: Kentucky returns to Rupp Arena Tuesday night, Dec. 2 to meet Texas Tech of the Southwest Conference. Tipoff is set for 8:05 p.m., with live television coverage on the UK TV Network.

Austin Peay travels to Huntington, W.Va., next weekend to compete in the Marshall Tournament Dec. 5-6.

Hillbrook Tickets Now On Sale

Tickets are now on sale for the 1986 Begley's Hillbrook Classic, set for the weekend of Dec. 3.

Ticket books, good for all five sessions of the event, are \$25 each and are available at all Begley Drug Store outlets. Tickets to individual sessions are also available at \$6 each.

Twelve Kentucky boys' high school teams will participate in the event. Included will be four local high schools, four regional schools and four statewide schools.

Preliminary games will be held simultaneously Dec. 3-5 at Henry Clay and Lafayette high schools. Semifinals and finals will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6 at UK's Memorial Coliseum.

All teams will play two games each in the preliminaries. If one team wins both games, it will advance to semi-finals.

Teams participating include: Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Lafayette, Bates Creek, Jessamine County, Madison Central, Paintsville, Washington County, Clark County, Hopkinsville, Owensboro and Woodford County.

Ten members of the winning team plus five at-large participants will be selected to participate in an international tour for the purposes participating in athletic competition and to reap the educational benefits of international travel.

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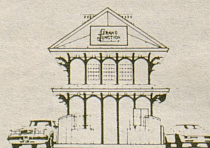
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Hoops Take Over As Football Fades In K-town

The changing seasons.

It was a bitter end to a bittersweet football season last Saturday in Knoxville, but Jerry Claiborne's Wildcats can take pride in the fact they fought to the very end and did not quit as they did a year ago at Commonwealth Stadium.

That's small consolation for the Wildcats who had so much riding on the game, but the 1986 season could have been a total disaster. A disappointment, yes, but no disaster.

Kentucky gave a superb effort in knocking off Florida 10-3 the week before and prevented the Gators from a post season bowl. For the past two seasons, the NCAA kept the Gators on the sidelines. This time, the 'Cats were responsible.

An upset win over the Vols would have given Jerry Claiborne three bowl games in five years, but it just didn't work out. An ineffective offense was the culprit once again.

Four times in the first half, UK had starting field position at the UK 35 or better (three times at the UK 40) and failed to score a touchdown. But the killer came in the fourth period when the 'Cats were down 14-6 and driving deep in Tennessee territory, in fact the 'Cats were inside the UT 10.

When the Vols slammed the door shut and forced UK to settle for a field goal, you could feel the momentum swing. UT then marched down the field, went up 21-9 and that, for all intents and purposes was the contest.

Kentucky now must hit the recruiting trails, hot and heavy. The state is expected to produce a banner crop of gridders this year and the 'Cats must come up with a monumental haul.

It would have been easier had the 'Cats made post season action, but the mission is far from impossible.

Kentucky got a big asset from the University of Louisville in the anticipated head-to-head recruiting wars. When Howard Schnellenberger took over the Cardinals reigns, many argued UL would begin snatching players away from the Big Blue.

A couple recruits joined UL last season when they subscribed to the theory that UL would be vastly improved in 1986 over the 2-9 mark in 1985. It didn't work out that way. The Cardinals did win one more game to go 3-8, but UL beat only two Division IA schools (lowly Memphis State and Tulane) all season. The Cardinals were far from being competitive in the big-time arena once again.

It's obvious there is still only one legitimate Division I football team in Kentucky.

A great recruiting catch for UK won't be that essential right now unless the 'Cats should land a top-notch quarterback somewhere to take over for fifth-year senior Bill Ransdell. The heir-to-be appears to be Chuck Broughton of Ashland. Claiborne could call on Bill Allen or even Tim Jones. Or he could land a top-notch junior college transfer.

A big recruiting harvest now will be vital for the 'Cats two or three years from now. That's when a typical football signee surfaces, two to three years after he steps on campus. Just how successful will UK be in recruiting this year?

That question won't be answered for some

time. Right now, Claiborne needs to bring in some big, talented linemen who can prevent quarterback sacks like Ransdell had to endure last Saturday.

Still, UK fans have nothing to be ashamed of. A 5-5-1 record certainly is a vast improvement over that 0-10-1 season back in 1982.

When Eddie Sutton and his Wildcats tip off the 1986-87 season Saturday night at Rupp Arena, it'll be homecoming of sorts for ex-Kentucky assistant Lake Kelly who will be setting on the opposite bench for the 7:30 p.m. cage event.

Kelly will be bringing his Austin Peay Governors to Rupp after opening their campaign less than 24 hours earlier with Centre College in Clarksville, Tennessee.

"It's not a dream date," said Kelly from his home Sunday evening, "but I'm very appreciative to Cliff Hagan and Kentucky for giving us the opportunity to play UK."

Kelly said Austin Peay was originally scheduled to play Centre on Saturday night, but the Colonels agreed to move the game a day earlier to allow the Gobs an open date to play UK.

"We would have preferred playing Centre a couple days earlier, but they're just starting a long road trip and felt that would be too much for their team," said Kelly.

So the Gobs will open the season at home on Friday night, get up early the next morning, bus to Lexington and suit up against the Wildcats that evening.

Kelly, who joined the coaching staff of former UK boss Joe B. Hall in 1983, had an immediate impact on the team. He was an excellent teacher of the game and had a steady influence with the players as Hall gave him a great deal of authority in handling the players. Kelly's presence helped jell the team which defeated Louisville twice enroute to earning a Four Four berth.

"They're a great bunch of kids, you know, I coached most of them at one time," said Kelly. "Kentucky is such a great program. Many people think they know what Kentucky basketball is all about. I know I thought I did, but I really didn't until I joined Coach Hall's staff."

Kelly, who says he looks forward to seeing many of his old friends, will come to Lexington to play and to win.

"We're really a year away and we're not very deep," explained Kelly. "We've had the usual bruises and pains during early practice sessions but we should be in pretty good health. All our starters will be okay."

This will be Kelly's second shot at the Wildcats. He is 0-1 as a coach against Kentucky.

His first contest was way back in 1973 when he was in the midst of his first coaching stint at Austin Peay. His Gobs pushed the 'Cats to overtime before finally losing 106-100.

That game proved to have several future impacts on the Kentucky program. The Wildcat coach then was Joe B. Hall who was just completing his first season as the successor of the legendary Adolph Rupp.

And one of Kelly's assistants at the time was a fellow by the name of Leonard Hamilton. Kelly's top gun was a young man

by the name of Fly Williams who had been recruited by Hamilton from New York. The "Fly" was one of the nation's most prolific scorers in the nation.

After the season, Hamilton temporarily got out of the coaching business and went back to his native North Carolina and entered private business.

He stayed out of the coaching business less than two months and suddenly resurfaced as an assistant and recruiter for Joe B. at Kentucky, replacing Boyd Grant who later enjoyed a very successful coaching career at Fresno State.

Ten years later, Kelly rejoined Hamilton at Kentucky on Joe B. Hall's staff. Between the two jobs, Kelly was head coach at Oral Roberts and then decided to return to the roots of his career on the high school level at Clark County.

When Kelly accepted the position at UK he said he really missed the college game and wanted another crack at the big-time. Starting over as an assistant at a program like Kentucky, he figured, would be the best direction.

Two years later, Hall surprised most everyone (especially his staff) by retiring.

Call it fate or whatever, but his first big-time job had just become vacant again. When Kelly left Austin Peay for Oral Roberts, he left Clarksville, Tenn., with a lot of friends wishing he'd change his mind. A year and half ago, he seemed to be the right person, at the right place, at the right time.

He immediately restored respectability to the Gobs' program, producing a break-even 14-14 record last winter. Although APSU isn't expected to capture Ohio Valley Conference honors this winter, look for the Gobs to finish above the .500 mark.

Then watch out next season.

That's when former Louisville star Barry Sumpter and ex-Indiana Hoosier Andre Harris, a 6-7 forward become eligible. When those two hit the hardwoods, the Gobs could be headed for top twenty status.

"I believe we can be very good next season," agreed Kelly. "We knew how good Sumpter was but Harris has shown us in practice sessions that he's not just a good player, he's a great one."

In the meantime, Kelly must play with less than a full deck but he's not ducking the competition.

"We'll be a scrappy bunch and we'll give it all we got. I'm proud of our kids. They play hard. You couldn't ask for anything more," said Kelly.

FOURTH AND ONES . . . Some 14,000 or so Kentucky fans made their way to Neyland Stadium for the UK-UT battle last Saturday. One worker in the Hyatt Hotel said no visiting team has as much support at Neyland as the Wildcats. There may be the Alabamas and the Auburns and the Georgias, but to most of the Big Orange fans, Kentucky is still the number one rival . . . Over 90,000 showed up for the game in the 92,000-seat stadium. UT earlier announced that work would begin by Monday on a \$9 million expansion project which will include a new pressbox and 42 skyboxes which will cost big

money donors \$150,000 for 12 seats over a five-year period. After the five years, the donors will have an option to renew the agreements . . . It's difficult to understand how a group of so-called experts like *United States Basketball Writers of America* can justify such a poll, but that group's preseason college basketball poll released over the weekend had the **Kentucky Wildcats** ranked No. 3 in the nation behind No. 1 North Carolina and No. 2 Louisville. Kansas was ranked No. 4 followed by Indiana, Syracuse, Purdue, Georgetown, UNLV and Navy. Another disgrace to the ranking was the omission of **Western Kentucky** from the top twenty . . . Congratulations are in line to a couple writers with Kentucky connections. The USBWA annual sportswriting contest has honored **John Clay** of the *Lexington Herald-Leader* and **Mark Bradley** of the *Atlanta Journal & Constitution*. Clay's article on the Metro title game between Louisville and Memphis State was judged second best in game coverage and Bradley's game coverage of the Southeast Regional final between LSU and Kentucky won third place honors. Bradley once worked at *The Cats' Pause* and the *Herald-Leader*. Twenty-two writers entered the contest . . . The USBWA presents awards in five different categories. A total of 87 entries were received for all five categories. Ironically, one category received no entries and therefore no awards. The category? *Investigative and series*. Apparently sportswriters at most newspapers don't have to pull the dirty work or they aren't members of the USBWA . . . The **Liberty Bowl** has a 12-member committee and it was no secret that most members were hoping for a Tennessee win last Saturday. But the Wildcats had one staunch supporter on the committee. He was **Herbie Hunt** who was a great player for the Wildcats back in the early fifties during the **Beard Bryant** era. It was the second disappointment for Herbie, however. Herbie was in Knoxville 12 years ago rooting for the Wildcats to win so UK would be invited to Memphis' Liberty Bowl. The 'Cats lost that game by a 28-7 score . . .

Rumors are running rampant that there will be some major changes within the sports department at the *Louisville Courier-Journal & Louisville Times*, the state's largest newspaper operation, within the next couple months. Industry sources say lay-offs will be made and there could be some changes concerning the top names on the sports staff. Just recently, columnist **Rick Bozich** left the newspaper for a similar position in Minneapolis. That vacancy was thought have solved a problem existing when there were two major columnists but only one position. But Bozich had second thoughts and returned to the *CJ & Times* in less than a week. When the two newspapers merged their writers last year, there was speculation on what effect the merger would have on the two lead columnists—Bozich and longtime *CJ* sports editor **Billy Reed** who has been considered the kingpin for several years. The Barry Bingham family sold the newspapers earlier this year to the Gannett Corporation. At the time many speculated Gannett would make several major overhaul decisions within the next year.

Grid Notes

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE				
	Conference		All Games	
	W	L	T	Pts
LSU	5	1	0	156
Alabama	4	1	0	167
Georgia	4	2	0	136
Mississippi	4	2	0	126
Auburn	3	2	0	133
Tennessee	2	3	0	203
Kentucky	2	4	0	91
Florida	2	4	0	86
Miss. St.	2	4	0	55
Vanderbilt	0	5	0	69

OHIO VALLEY				
	W	L	T	Pts
Eastern Ky.	6	1	0	200
Murray St.	5	1	0	160
Akron	4	3	0	198
Mid. Tenn.	4	3	0	132
Morehead	3	4	0	113
Austin Peay	3	4	0	100
Youngtown	2	5	0	149
Tenn Tech	0	7	0	88

ATLANTIC COAST				
	W	L	T	Pts
Clemson	5	1	1	179
N Carolina	5	2	0	206
N Caro St.	5	2	0	198
Ga Tech	3	3	0	165
Virginia	2	4	0	121
Wk Forest	2	5	0	203
Duke	2	5	0	136
Maryland	1	3	1	111

BIG EIGHT				
	W	L	T	Pts
Oklahoma	7	0	0	302
Colorado	6	1	0	165
Nebraska	5	2	0	249
Oklahoma St.	3	3	0	92
Iowa St.	3	4	0	129
Missouri	2	4	0	108
Kansas St.	1	6	0	63
Kansas	0	7	0	41

BIG TEN				
	W	L	T	Pts
Michigan	7	1	0	262
Ohio St.	7	1	0	225
Minnesota	5	3	0	196
Iowa	5	3	0	186
Mich. St.	4	4	0	203
Indiana	3	5	0	146
Illinois	3	5	0	136
Nrthwstrn	2	6	0	149
Wisconsin	2	6	0	130
Purdue	2	6	0	105

BIG SKY				
	W	L	T	Pts
Nev.-Reno	7	0	0	259
N Arizona	5	2	0	187
Idaho	4	2	0	154
Montana	4	4	0	285
Borise St.	3	4	0	135
Weber St.	2	4	0	177
Montana St.	2	5	0	149
Idaho St.	1	7	0	186

PACIFIC-10				
	W	L	T	Pts
Ariz. St.	5	1	1	203
UCLA	5	2	1	265
Washngtn	5	2	1	232
Arizona	5	2	0	200
South Cal	5	3	0	172
Stanford	4	3	0	153
Oregon	3	5	0	168
Wash. St.	2	6	1	114
California	2	7	0	116
Oregon St.	1	6	0	87

PCAA				
	W	L	T	Pts
San Jos St.	7	0	0	281
Fresno St.	6	1	0	173
Lg Bch St.	3	3	0	116
UNLV	3	4	0	177
Utah	3	4	0	101
Pacific U.	2	4	0	134
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NMex. St.	1	6	0	117

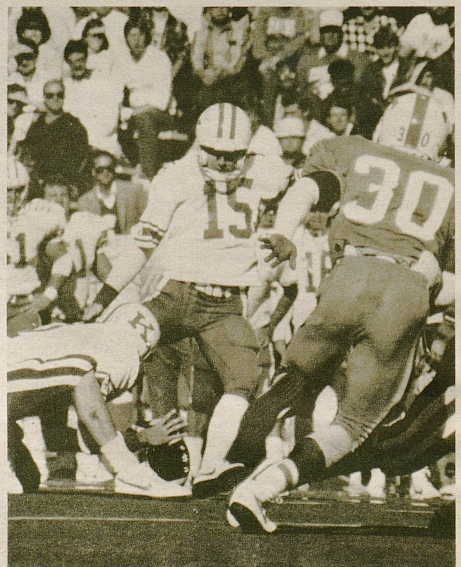
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Texas A&M	6	1	0	263
Baylor	6	2	0	221
Arkansas	6	2	0	206
Texas Tech	5	3	0	188
SMU	5	3	0	185
Texas	4	3	0	167

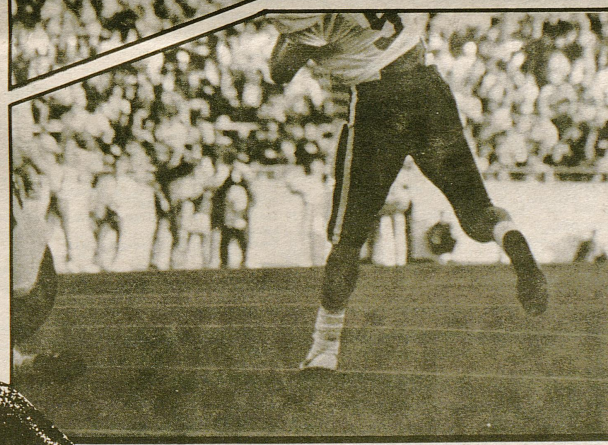
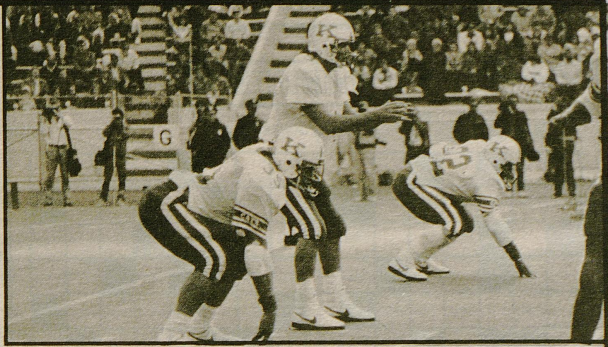
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Brig. Yng	5	1	0	167
Air Force	5	1	0	155
Wyoming	4	3	0	198
Colo. St.	4	4	0	187
Hawaii	3	4	0	123
New Mex	2	5	0	197
Utah	1	6	0	194
Tx-El Paso	1	6	0	120

MAJOR INDEPENDENTS				
	W	L	T	Pts
Penn. St.	11	0	0	326
Miami Fla.	10	0	0	354
Vir. Tech	8	2	1	261
Boston Col.	8	3	0	311
Florida St.	6	3	1	353
Tulsa	7	4	0	233
Temple	6	5	0	308
SW La.	6	5	0	245
S Miss	6	5	0	198
Pittsburgh	5	5	1	253
Rutgers	5	5	0	221
Army	5	5	0	249
Cincinnati	5	6	0	270
Syracuse	5	6	0	241
Notre Dame	4	6	0	261
Tulane	4	6	0	248
W Virginia	4	7	0	210
S Carolina	3	6	2	313
Navy	3	7	0	231
Wichita St.	3	8	0	209
Louisville	3	8	0	179
E Carolina	2	8	0	177
N Illinois	2	9	0	144
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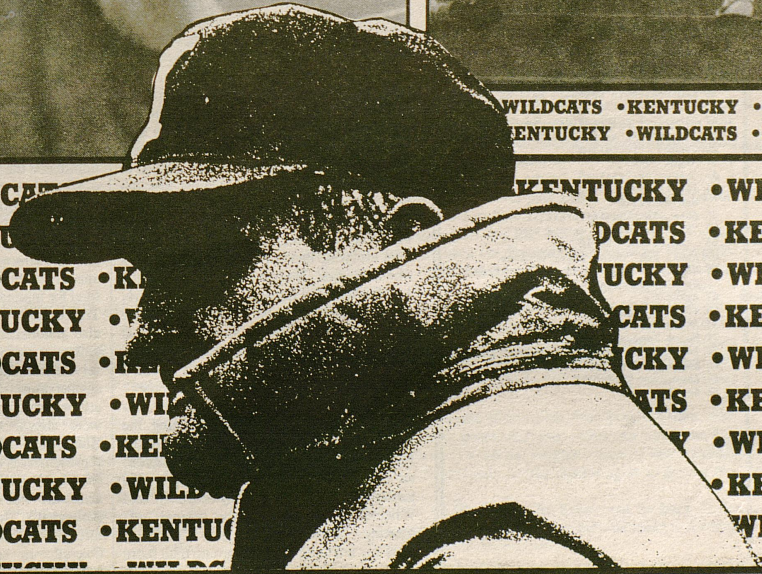
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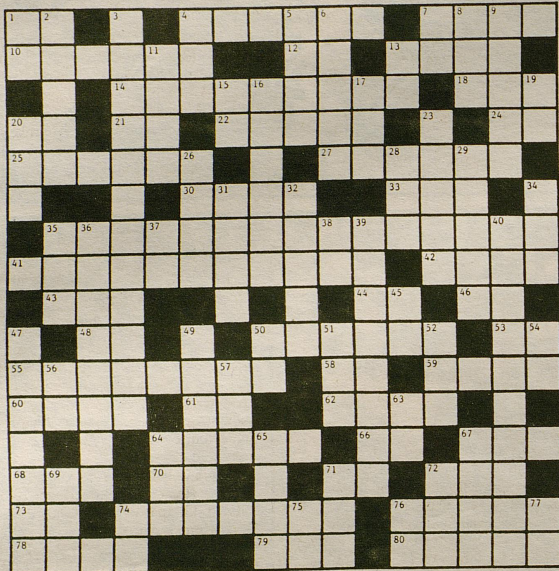
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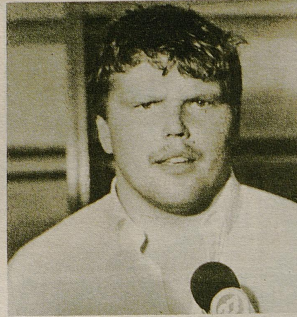
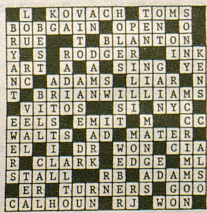
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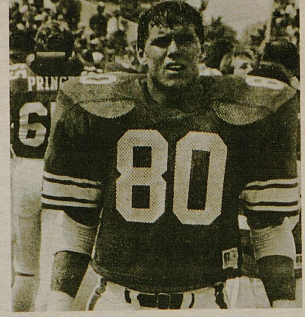


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Joe Prince



Mark Wheeler

Claiborne's Weekly Press Conference

By Nick Nicholas

It's time to place a few leftover tidbits in the ole TCP microwave. Let's warm up some noteworthy items which transpired prior to the Kentucky-Tennessee Beer Barrel matchup last Saturday.



Off the cuff with UK football seniors **Mark Wheeler** and **Joe Prince**: TCP asked both players if they were surprised that Kentucky had an opportunity for a postseason berth. Here's their response. "Yeah, it was a surprise," **Joe Prince** said Tuesday following Kentucky's 10-3 win over Florida. "To tell you the truth we weren't really thinking about bowls; we were just trying to take 'em one at a time. We had a big losing streak (four games) and things were looking kinda bad. You can't think about bowls when things like that have happened. It was a pleasant surprise that we've got a chance." . . . Said **Mark Wheeler**, "During the middle of the season we didn't think we were going anywhere. It's a nice surprise." . . . Before the Tennessee contest, Prince mentioned UK's lack of execution was the squad's biggest problem during its past four losses. "We could have had a great year," said Prince. "We didn't live up to our expectations." . . . Wheeler, whose hometown is **Anandale, Va.**, talked about the **Battle For The Beer Barrel** and what it stands for. "Since I came to Kentucky they've always talked about the Tennessee game being **THE** game of the year, pitting the Orange against the Blue. When I first got here I didn't understand the rivalry. Now, I do. It's the state of Kentucky versus the state of Tennessee." . . . What's it been like playing alongside a battling signal caller, UK's **Bill Ransdell**? "When he first came in he was heralded as probably the best quarterback in a long time from the state of Kentucky," said Wheeler. "He had a lot to prove. He got red-shirted with me during our freshman year and he matured a lot that year. He's come a long way and has been asked to do a lot, this year especially. The pressure has been on Bill to come through. Last week (against Florida) he really showed his true form and the kind of potential he has to be a great quarterback. I knew it was there, it just took a little longer than everyone had hoped. Bill Ransdell is a fine individual. No one worked harder in the summer than Bill Ransdell. All summer early in the morning he'd be out on the practice field by himself throwing at tires hanging at spots on the goal posts. He was just tireless in his efforts to be better, to be a leader. I gained a lot of respect for Bill this summer." What one word best describes Ransdell? "**Intense**," said Wheeler. . . Concerning the senior meeting Friday night prior to the Florida game, Wheeler said **Tony Mayes**, an easy-going individual according to his teammate, took charge. "Tony called it," said Wheeler in reference to the seniors only meeting. "That's the first time I've heard Tony say anything to us as a group than more

than a couple of sentences in five years. What a time to do it. Tony got us together and said, 'I don't want to leave without a win. It's time we beat somebody. We haven't beaten anybody who's predominately one of the top teams in the conference. I'm tired of losing. Aren't you guys?' It made a lot of sense and it really hit home. It's not like no one had said it before, but it was coming from Tony. He played that way on Saturday, too." Against Florida, Mayes turned in his best performance of his collegiate career. The senior cornerback from **Paintsville** was credited with breaking up four **Kerwin Bell** attempts. Afterwards he was honored by the UK coaches as the Wildcats' defensive player of the game.

From the Coach's Corner: Jerry Claiborne was asked about his thoughts on a Miami-Penn State matchup in the Fiesta Bowl. Could there be a damaging effect *per se* of one bowl outbidding another? "Well, things are kinda getting away from what the bowls stand for," Claiborne said. "I think it could create a real problem. What about if they didn't get those two, what are they going to pay that other person (team)? Are they going to give them the same amount? But I'm not in the business. They (Fiesta Bowl) are fighting the Rose Bowl, they're fighting the Cotton Bowl. They've got to do their thing and that's what they are trying to do. It could create a problem." . . . Claiborne said, however, that he would never be in favor of a playoff. "I don't think Villanova was the best basketball team the year they won the NCAA championship," said the UK coach. "They got beat four times in their own league." . . . Claiborne's off-the-field program continues to receive an "A" in the classroom. Nine football Wildcats, the most of any SEC team, are up for the Southeastern Conference's all-academic squad. Those players are: junior **Kevin Dooley**, senior **John Groves**, junior **Scott Haire**, junior **Tim Jones**, senior **Ken Lange**, senior **Matt Lucas**, senior **Larry Smith**, junior **Joe David Turner** and senior **Tom Wilkins**. To even be nominated the players must maintain at least a 3.0 GPA average. **Johnny Majors'** team was next with eight candidates for all-academic league honors.

Last but not least, a word from UK athletics director: Last Tuesday **Cliff Hagan** announced that the UKAA was setting up a fund for injured cheerleader **Dale Baldwin**. The complete story is in this issue. . . Hagan also announced that the University of Kentucky has recently finished some of its public service announcements concerning the "fight against drugs." Seven segments with Wildcat athletes voicing their opinion against drugs were shown to the media on hand at Claiborne's press conference. The UK representatives on film were **Steve Culker** (baseball), **Bill Ransdell** (football) and academic All-American **Jill Ackerman** (volleyball). These short spots will be shown throughout the state according to Hagan. Overall, 18 segments are hoped to be produced.

Baker Taking Time Out From Limelight

A Month Or Two Before Full Recovery

For the past couple of months Al Baker has been out of the limelight. A broken right ankle against Cincinnati delivered a season-ending blow to UK's prize freshman back. While the final regular season touches were taking place in Knoxville, Baker was at his sister's house in Louisville studying for a Biology 110 exam.

This is not to say he wasn't listening to the UK-UT showdown. As sure as "the ankle bone is connected to the shin bone" Baker probably was paying more attention to the voices of Cawood and Ralph than the script in his Bio text. That's only natural.

What's not natural, though, is Baker out of his football uniform



Nick Nicholas

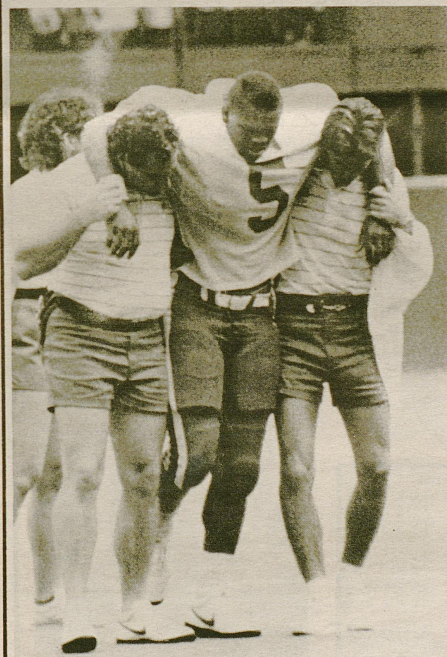
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as well as part of center stage at Commonwealth Stadium.

No Al Baker headlines. No feature stories on Al Baker. No taped interviews on Al Baker. Nothing.

Oh, that'll change once the Trigg County product gets ready to suit up for next season's action. For the time being, however, his star status these days has faded into a "one of the guys" role.

During his junior and senior prep years, everyone wanted to know



Injured Freshman Al Baker

what college the All-State back was going to sign with. Throughout last summer up till the third quarter in Cincinnati, people were comparing Baker with *this* former Wildcat or *that* former collegiate standout.

Then came the injury which forced him to redshirt. Crunch! To the 6-foot-1, 223-pound running back life in the slow lane has been a new and somewhat enjoyable experience, however.

"It's been OK," said Baker, whose only other serious injury was when he suffered a bruised shoulder during his senior year in high school. "You don't have everybody watching you. You're always wondering 'what are the people of Kentucky thinking about' or 'how the people of Kentucky will feel if you do something bad.'

"Since I'm not playing, everything has kinda faded out. You just do what you want to do. . . It's different. I like this kind of role better than the one I had the previous year."

Last year you'll remember he was faced with a paramount decision of choosing the best school for his needs. Kentucky, Tennessee, Florida and Ohio State were the four finalists involved in the "Baker Lottery."

It was an inquiring issue in western Kentucky which wasn't answered until February during the national signing period. Till then for almost a year's time everyone was asking, "Al, where ya going?"

"That was a pain," Baker said, smiling from ear to ear.

Al get ready, the limelight is not too far away.

Limelight Is Not Too Far Away For Baker

Baker now hopes to be ready for his initial taste of spring practice. The doctors, though, told him full recovery from his injury might not be until after spring practice, thus, wait and see. "I think I'll be ready," hinted Baker. "It's going to take a lot of hard work to get back for spring ball.

"My ankle is doing pretty good and I feel like I'll be back in the spring."

Currently, he's been working "around the ankle" for the last three weeks while keeping himself in tip-top condition. It's a six-day-a-week affair between the tailback-turned-fullback and the machines in the Shively Center weight room. Included also on his comeback trail are many hours devoted to rehabilitating his ankle.

He hopes to be fully recovered in a couple of months.

"Right now I'm just trying to get the motion back in my ankle," Baker mentioned. "Next week I hope to start running on it."

Although enjoying his newfound freedom, there were plenty of times when he wanted to be in the huddle instead of the Commonwealth Stadium stands.

Interviewed at the Shively Sports Center prior to the Tennessee game, Baker was interrupted as a familiar tune began to fill the air. Continuous recordings of *Rocky Top* were played to remind his teammates the task at hand—to beat Tennessee. Adding him to their attack, the UK coaches would have given anything for Baker to be in the lineup last Saturday. The feeling was mutual.

Though an easy-going person, Baker doesn't hide his feelings of missing out this season.

"That's another reason why I'm not going to Knoxville," Baker said two days prior to the big game. "If they (UK coaches) were going to get me a sidelines pass. . . I know I couldn't stay on that sideline watching everybody. Watching them come off the field, happy or sad, I would want to suit up.

"Sometimes it's pretty frustrating because you can do the same things the other guys are doing. Then again," he laughed, "sometimes it's best to be in the stands.

"I feel it when they go out on the field; everybody's clapping and stuff."

During the second quarter of the Kent State-UK clash Kentucky fans stood and cheered when No. 5 sprinted from the sidelines on to the field for his first collegiate play. Against the Golden Flashes he had more rushing attempts than any Wildcat on the afternoon—12—while netting 44 yards.

'I Felt I Would Never Play Again,' Said Baker

The following week at Riverfront Stadium he compiled 20 yards on three carries. Meanwhile, on a play in the third stanza he took a pair of jolts, front and back, from Bearcat defenders that put him in the stands for the rest of the season.

"I felt like I would never play again," he said. "I looked at it (ankle) and thought I would never play again. I really didn't dwell on that because I wanted to hear the doctor's opinion.

"Football's a rough sport. It's like falling off a horse, if you fall off then you get right back on. Football's not made for little girls.

"Sometimes I'm glad that I got hurt while other times it's like, 'Gosh, I want to play.' Especially in the LSU and Georgia games—I wanted to play in the big games so I could really see how they hit."

He's almost back in the saddle. It hasn't been easy, but a lot of running backs would give anything to be in his shoes. Everyone's speculating whether or not Baker will live up to his *Parade* All-American billing before 1990, the season he'll be a senior member of the Wildcats.

Let's not get too far ahead of ourselves. One thing at a time. 1987. "I'm always thinking about next year—what can I do to be better. One thing I can do is to hit the weights a little harder. I already know the plays. I'm just ready for the chance again to get my No. 5 back."

Next season, in all likelihood, Al Baker will be back in the limelight. Meanwhile, he's quietly getting himself ready to do what he knows best—run with the football.

Baker Doesn't Mind Change To Fullback

Kentucky football coaches may have one of their toughest decisions next season also solved, thanks to red-shirt freshman Al Baker.

Baker, the sensational running back from Trigg County who suffered a broken ankle in UK's win over Cincinnati back in September and received a medical red-shirt, told *The Cats' Pause* last week that he will probably be switched to fullback next season.

"That's okay," Baker told TCP's Nick Nicholas last week. "I thought fullback was basically going to be the blocking back but here, the fullback runs with the ball as well as blocks. It's just like two running backs in the backfield."

Contacted Monday, the Kentucky coaching staff was mum on the decision to make Baker a fullback, saying that such decisions would not be considered before spring practice.

When fall practice began almost four months ago, Kentucky faced a big problem when four outstanding runners crowded the backfield situation.

Veterans Marc Logan, Mark Higgs and Ivy Joe Hunter all returned and Baker exhibited skills early that made the difficult an almost impossible one.

Logan, who was moved to fullback last spring, had the same concerns as Baker and was openly concerned that he would be used strictly as a blocker.

Returning next season with Baker, Higgs and Logan will be veterans Greg Baker, Andy Murray and Darren Bilberry among others.

National Clay Tournery Next Up For Lady Kats

The University of Kentucky women's tennis team completed a successful trip (Nov. 14-16) to the Rolex-ITCA Championships hosted by Wake Forest University. The Wildcats next tournery is scheduled at the National Clay Court Tournament in Bradenton, Fla., Dec. 5-8.

Caroline Knudten and Sonia Hahn both reached the quarterfinals of singles. The second seeded Hahn was ousted by No. 13 seed Alice Reen of Georgia by the score 0-6, 6-2, 7-6. The bright spot in singles came from Knudten as she upset the highly-touted Nicole Stafford of Clemson in the second round by the score 6-3, 6-3.

Chris Karges and Tamaka Takagi, the only other Wildcats in the tournery, were both eliminated in the second round. Takagi was also downed by Reen. "I think we were definitely tired from last week's action," noted Wildcat head coach Mike Patrick. "The girls got a little mad after losing out in singles and came back fired up for doubles."

The Wildcats doubles team of Takagi and Hahn took the doubles championship by defeating Stafford and Ingelise Dreihaus by defeating the second seeded team of Jackie Holden and Claire Pollard of Mississippi State 6-4, 7-5, before being ousted by Stafford and Dreihaus by the score 6-1, 6-1.

By winning the tournery the Wildcat team will automatically be invited to the ITCA National Indoor Championships to be held in Richmond, Va., in mid-February. It will feature the top 16 teams in the country. Assistant coach Sue Rudd added, "I'm really excited for them. It just goes to show you what they can do if they put their minds to it."

Chapman Paces UK Attack

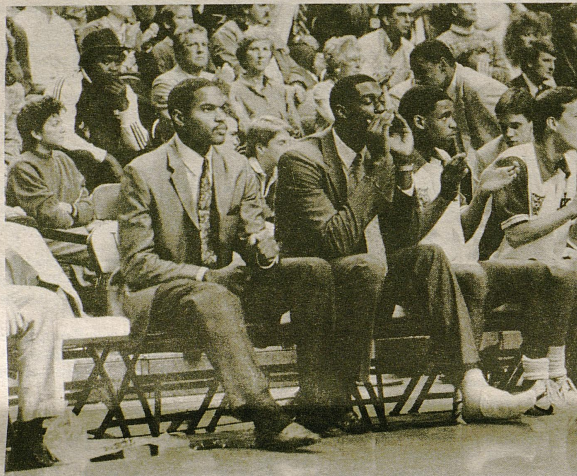
Yugoslavs Hang On, Defeat 'Cats 76-74

Alright, Kentucky basketball fans. Jump in the ol' armchair and strap yourselves in, it looks like this season might be a wild one. Eddie Sutton and his depleted squad tipped off the season, unofficially anyway, last Tuesday night, when the touring Yugoslavian National team came into Rupp Arena for an exhibition game.

And although Kentucky didn't win, instead dropping a thrilling 76-74 decision, it was for a number of reasons, a telling way to get the season underway.

First of all, it marked the first time that the 'Cats have been able to get all eight scholarship players on the same side, playing together, instead of against each other as they had in previous intrasquad scrimmage games.

"We learned a lot about our basketball team tonight," Sutton said. "We had a lot of adversity with the loss of some of our players. It's hard to go out there (in practice) and play three-on-three and four-on-four. We finally got all of our scholarship players



Bennett (Left) And Jenkins Give Vocal Support

together. Now we've got 10 days to go back and try to get the ballclub put together before we play Austin Peay."

Secondly, it afforded everyone a chance to see how Kentucky's banged up inside people would measure up against an opponent with a huge frontcourt.

The Kentucky triumvirate of Rob Lock, Irv Thomas and Richard Madison combined for 27 points and 16 rebounds, and at times played well on the defensive end against the huge Yugoslavian frontcourt.

"Our inside attack wasn't as good (as the perimeter game), we know that," Sutton said. "Our perimeter game's probably better than our inside game. But I thought that Rob, Richard and Irv played at times. I feel it's just a matter of time. I think when we get Cedric back we'll be OK."

And lastly, and perhaps more importantly, the UK-Yugoslavian game gave everyone their first real look at the NCAA's new three-point rule.

The three-pointer was supposed to be an ally of the Yugoslavs in this game, after all, they had been the ones that had hit on 13 of 18 attempts from outside the 19-foot, 9-inch stripe in defeating Tennessee 102-84. But surprisingly, the shot worked to Kentucky's advantage. In the three previous intrasquad games, the 'Cats had rarely looked to put up the long one. But against the Nationals, UK fired in 10 of 16 three-point shots, most of them coming down the stretch run. With just 1:12 remaining to be played and Yugoslavia holding a 75-64 lead, many of the 20,229 thought the contest was over and started filing for the exits. Think again. Nearly a minute and two three pointers later, one by Ed Davender and the other by Rex Chapman, Kentucky trailed by just two, 75-73.

"I think we all saw what the three-point shot will do to college basketball," Sutton said. "It allowed us to come back. I think it may be good for the roundball sport."

"Let me see the stat sheet. . . we hit 10 of 16 from there, so we may start a perimeter offense next week. Have five guards in the starting lineup for Austin Peay," Sutton continued, his tongue planted firmly in his cheek. But after taking a few moments to reconsider the UK coach said, "I didn't say I liked it, I said it's changed the game. It may be (good) but I want to play a few more games before I make a decision on that."

Yugoslavians Took Lead Early In The Game

Behind 17 first-half points by Drazen Petrovic, Yugoslavia jumped out to a 37-30 lead at the half.

Kentucky's starters, perhaps because they had little time to practice as a unit because of all the injuries in the preseason, played a ragged floor game in the early going. The first three trips down the court, the Wildcats turned the ball over without getting a shot off. And the 'Cats committed 10 errors in the first 20 minutes of the game alone.

"We were just careless," Sutton said. "I think the first time out the players are going

to be a little nervous."

With Kentucky trailing 11-8 with 12:25 to go in the first half, Sutton went to his bench and inserted freshmen Chapman and Derrick Miller. Chapman immediately responded by canning a 21-foot jump shot to tie the game at 11. And after Zarko Paspaj hit a short jumper, Chapman fed Miller, whose three-pointer gave Kentucky the lead at 14-13.

The taller Yugoslavs were able to regain the lead on the strength of a sparkling transition game, but because of Kentucky's freshman duo, the Nationals couldn't seem to pull away.

At the break Chapman had 11 points on a perfect four of four from the field, including three of three from three-point range. And Miller had six points, both buckets coming on long-range bombs.

'Cats Make Second-Half Comeback, But Come Up Just Short

After intermission, Petrovic picked up right where he left off, hitting five of nine attempts in the second half to lead all scorers with 32. It was his 20-footer that gave the Nationals their biggest lead of the night at 62-50 with 7:16 remaining in the game.

The teams traded buckets for several minutes, before Davender and Chapman led Kentucky on its late, three-point spree to cut the lead to 76-73 with only seconds remaining. Chapman came down and fired up a three-point prayer that missed the mark with :05 left in the game, but was fouled on the play. The Owensboro native converted the first attempt at the line, but missed the second intentionally. Yugoslavia got the rebound and the game was over.

"I liked our basketball team at times tonight," Sutton said. "I thought they showed a lot of character the way they fought back and had a chance to win the ballgame."

"You have to give Yugoslavia a lot of credit. They're a good basketball team. They shot the ball very well and handled the ball very well. They would certainly be ranked in the Top 20 if you were to rank them with college basketball teams around the country."

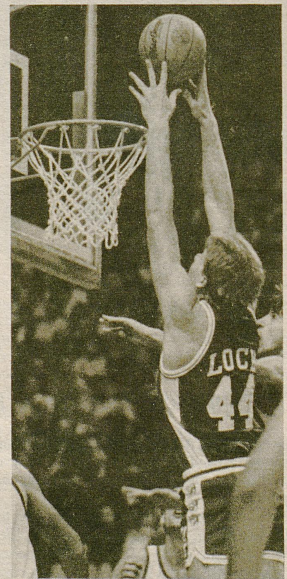
Yugoslavia-Kentucky Tidbits

Rex Chapman led Kentucky in scoring with 18 points. The freshman connected on six of seven from the field, including four of five from beyond the three-point stripe. Chapman also led the 'Cats with five assists. . . Ed Davender, who found his three-point stroke after not scoring until midway through the second half, finished with 16 points. . . Rob Lock chipped in with 13 points and a team-leading five rebounds. . . James Blackmon suffered through an 0-4 shooting night and scored just one point in 23 minutes of action. Blackmon grabbed a pair of steals but also committed four turnovers. . . For the game, Kentucky converted 27 of 52 attempts from the floor for 51.9 percent, going 10 of 16 from beyond the three-point line for an outstanding 62.5 percent. . . Despite being outsize and outnumbered by the Yugoslavians, the 'Cats kept it close on the boards, being outrebounded by just one, 24-23. . . Before the game it was announced that Richard Madison would get the starting nod, but in what Sutton called "just a good feeling," the UK coaching staff decided to insert Irv Thomas instead. . . Chapman and Derrick Miller weren't the only ones making their debut in Rupp Arena. Announcer Milo Hamilton, who along with Rob Bromley and Bob Domine will be handling the play-by-play chores for WKYT-TV this season, called his first game in his new setting.



YUGOSLAVIA (75)							
Name	min	fg-a	ft-a	rb	pf	tp	
Drazen Petrovic	40	11-20	4-4	2	4	2	32
Aleksandar Dordovic	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Zoran Cutura	27	7-9	0-0	2	0	1	15
Valade Divac	26	5-7	0-0	5	1	1	10
Zoran Radovic	32	1-3	0-1	5	3	2	2
Stojan Vrankovic	17	2-3	0-0	2	0	4	4
Danko Cvjeticanin	38	4-7	1-2	5	2	0	9
Zarko Paspaj	12	2-3	0-0	1	1	4	4
Toni Kukoc	7	1-1	0-1	0	0	0	0
Team				3			1
Totals	200	32-53	5-8	24	13	12	76
KENTUCKY (74)							
Name	min	fg-a	ft-a	rb	pf	tp	
Richard Madison	30	3-6	0-0	5	1	0	6
Irv Thomas	22	3-6	2-2	2	1	0	8
Rob Lock	28	5-8	3-6	9	1	3	13
James Blackmon	23	0-4	1-1	2	0	2	1
Ed Davender	32	6-10	0-0	0	4	1	16
Paul Andrews	25	2-7	2-2	2	3	1	6
Rex Chapman	23	6-7	2-4	2	5	4	18
Derrick Miller	17	2-4	0-0	0	1	0	6
Team				3			1
Totals	200	27-52	10-15	23	16	11	74
Yugoslavia							37-39-76
Kentucky							30-44-74

Three-point shooting Yugoslavia (7-12) Cvjeticanin 0-2, Paspaj 0-1, Petrovic 6-8, Cutura 1-1, Kentucky (10-18) Andrews 0-1, Blackmon 0-1, Davender 4-6, Chapman 4-5, Miller 2-3 Field-goal shooting Yugoslavia, 60.4; Kentucky, 51.9. Free-throw shooting Yugoslavia, 62.5; Kentucky, 66.7. Technicals none. Turnovers Yugoslavia 13; Kentucky 16. Officials: Dave Dodge, Ron Spittler. Attendance 20,229.



Lock Reaches For Two

Rardin's Streak Reaches 537 Straight

Even Heart Attack Didn't Stop 'Super Fan'

You're about to read about the hundredth story ever written on University of Kentucky "Super Fan" Steve Rardin Sr.

Why? Because Rardin has attended more consecutive home and away Wildcats' basketball contests, 537 before this season began, than any other spectator in history.

Why? Because Rardin loves basketball more than anything. His loyalty to the roundball sport dates back to his birth in Newport, Ky., over 71 years ago. And it's continued ever since.

The last Kentucky game Rardin missed was Dec. 31, 1968, when



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head coach Adolph Rupp took the 'Cats to Chicago to play Wisconsin. Rardin stayed home.

Why? "Because my wife, Tiny, insisted," said Rardin with a smile, remembering the New Year's Eve party he and Lodema attended



Rardin, A Dead Ringer For Col. Sanders

instead. "Well, Kentucky lost. And when Adolph got back he told me, 'Steve, you didn't miss a damn thing. We played as cold as the weather.'"

The 17-year streak started again on Jan. 4, 1969, at Oxford, Miss., and has taken Rardin to such out of the way locations as Alaska, Hong Kong, China and Japan, as well as 36 states. He didn't miss a one of former coach Joe B. Hall's 397 contests.

Before that streak began, Rardin missed only one home game in Memorial Coliseum, where UK played from 1950-76.

And, before that, Rardin would travel from Newport to Lexington in the 1930s and 1940s every year to watch the state high school basketball tournament. He would even take in a few Kentucky games at the old Alumni Gym when he could find a ticket.

Rardin's marathon attendance career began in 1945, when he borrowed an employee's UK student identification card to get into a basketball game at Alumni.

"Tickets were a problem to get before Memorial Coliseum was built," Rardin said. "So I tried to sneak in when the Fabulous Five were there."

The person at the door asked Rardin if he was a student, and Rardin said he could not lie about it. But someone inside the gym recognized him and said it was okay to let him in.

During one of the Sweet 16 tournament games in 1932, Rardin got his first glance of Rupp.

"We were sitting up in the stands in the Alumni Gym," Rardin explained. "Rupp came out of his office and walked in front of us,

and this fellow I was with said, 'That's Kentucky's new coach. I hear he's pretty good.'"

Rardin Saw Wizard's First, Last Games

Rardin also has the distinction of being one of the few individuals who saw former UCLA coach John Wooden's first and last games during his career, which ended with 10 NCAA Championships.

"I saw Wooden when he first coached at Dayton (Ky.) High," said Rardin. "He was just out of Purdue then, of course. I also saw his last game, when Kentucky lost to UCLA, 92-85, in the title game at San Diego in 1975."

A semi-retired Lexington newspaper and magazine distributor, Rardin now finds more time than usual to travel around, by either plane, bus or car, to Wildcats' games. Sometimes he rides on the chartered plane the team takes. If you look for Rardin, he wouldn't be hard to find. He looks a lot like the Col. Sanders of Kentucky Fried Chicken fame.

"I'll get there any way I can," he says of his trips. "There's always a way if you look hard enough."

Even a heart attack in the fall of 1982 didn't keep Rardin away from attending the games. He missed the football season but was back in time for the first basketball contest.

"I had the good sense to have my heart attack in September," said Rardin.

Rardin has been in Lexington since 1946 and began his Central Kentucky News distribution business two years later. The success of his business, now run by his son, Steve Jr., has allowed him to become a millionaire and thus remain in bluegrass country. Rardin has two other children, Jerry and Tammy, and is a five-time grandfather.

"This is a basketball area," Rardin said. "I love it here."

Runts Remain His Favorite Team

Rardin's favorite all-time team is the Rupp's Runts squad that lost to Texas Western in the finals of the 1966 NCAA Tournament.

"They were the best basketball team I've ever seen for their size," said Rardin of the Larry Conley, Pat Riley, Tommy Kron, Thad Jaracz, Louie Dampier bunch. No starter was taller than 6-5. "Rupp got everything he could out of those boys. That was one of my greatest hurts when they lost. It was just an unusual basketball team. There were no big people, but they were so well drilled."

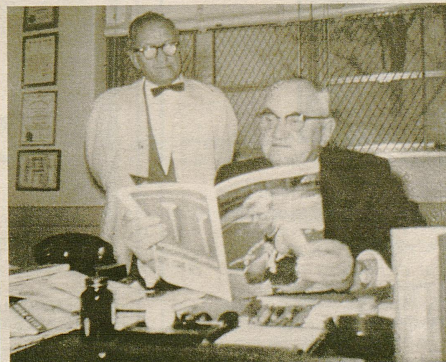
Another one of Rardin's memorable moments came when coach Joe B. Hall presented him with the game ball after Kentucky defeated the University of Nevada-Las Vegas 64-61 at Salt Lake City in the 1985 NCAA Tournament.

With it being Hall's last victory at Kentucky, Rardin says "I sometimes feel I ought to talk to coach Hall and see if he wants it back. It was my 500th game, and he gave me the ball on the flight home. As it turned out, we lost our next game and coach Hall resigned. I feel a little guilty holding that ball."

Rardin could sit and talk for hours about Rupp and his long-time assistant, Harry Lancaster. He used to spend many hours on the road with the famous duo. He also has many tales of the Hall days.

"They were always a lot of fun," he said. "They could make the time pass for hours and hours. There was another side to Rupp, another side to Lancaster, another side to Hall, that people didn't even know about. They weren't always serious all the time."

Reporters and sportscasters from around the nation all know about



Rardin Peeks Over Coach Rupp's Shoulder

Rardin and his streak. That's why he's had so many lines or so many words written and said about him. That's why, because there's nobody like him anywhere.



Dr. Otis Singletary

UT Loss Spells Final Defeat For Singletary

If UK president Otis Singletary had a solemn face on last Saturday as the final seconds ticked off the scoreboard clock at Tennessee's Neyland Stadium, you could hardly blame the man who has tried to upright a sinking ship for the past 18 years.

Saturday marked the official end of Singletary's presidential era at UK and it ended much the same way it began—with a loss. Dr. Singletary retired as president of UK next spring.

When Singletary arrived on the UK campus back in 1969, he launched a quest of academic excellence, but not far behind was a strong desire to restore Kentucky football to a winning tradition and one which would be attained with honesty.

Eighteen years and 197 games later, Kentucky is still searching for the elusive combination.

Dr. Singletary employed the talents of three coaches—John Ray, Fran Curci and Jerry Claiborne—to help revive the program.

During his tenure, the Wildcats have enjoyed only five winning seasons and three bowl games. Two of the winning seasons and one bowl game came under the cloud of controversy as UK was either under NCAA investigation or on probation.

Kentucky's most successful season during the era came back in 1977 when UK compiled a gleaming 10-1 and a Top Ten national finish in the Associated Press poll. It was unranked by UPI because the team was on NCAA probation.

The first game under the Singletary presidency was a 58-30 loss to Indiana and John Ray's team went on to compile a 2-8 won-loss record that year.

Claiborne has enjoyed the most success, going to bowl games in both 1983 and 1984 and his Cats bounced back to go 5-5-1 this season after falling to 5-6 a year ago.

Jerry Claiborne's Post-Game Comments

Following are coach Jerry Claiborne's postgame comments after Tennessee defeated Kentucky 28-9 Saturday in Knoxville.

Question: Your thoughts on the game?

Claiborne: Early in the ballgame we had a breakdown in our punt protection and got two punts blocked, which put us in the hole. We also had a problem with our field goal kicking game. We could have got some momentum going our way. But then we fought back and were only down 7-3. I thought we were playing a pretty good football game. In the second half they got to 14 points, we came back and got a couple of field goals and I thought we were back in the ballgame. But Tennessee came back and they just did an excellent job. They controlled the ball, they controlled the line of scrimmage and put the ball in the end zone. I thought we were coming back pretty good, at least we had a shot, and then we had an automatic that we didn't pick up and had a mess up on third-and-one. And then they stopped us on fourth down and pretty much the game was over. I thought (Tennessee fullback) William Howard ran awfully strong today, awfully strong. He broke that one for the touchdown there at the last, that was just icing on the cake. But he ran very well.

They whupped us at the line of scrimmage. They put a great pass rush on (quarterback Bill) Ransdell (sacking him eight times). I thought Billy did a good job of scrambling, he really made some clutch runs there that kept us in the ballgame. They whupped us at the line of scrimmage, they controlled the line of scrimmage most of the day. When we were in the ballgame were doing pretty good, but they rushed our passer, they boxed us on

defense. They did a good job. I wish 'em well.

Question: When it was 14-6, on fourth-and-two, at about the Tennessee 10-yard line, did you think about going for it?

Claiborne: No. Because it was 14-6 and (even if we score the touchdown) we were

do is get a tie, if we scored. And we felt the thing we needed to win right there was points. And that's the reason we went for the field goal that made it 14-9. That's when I thought they did a great job. They took the ball and scored right then. If we could have held them right then. . . We felt the thing to do was put points on the board, which we did, and we

moved it very good and scored and made it 21-9. That's when they really took the game over.

Question: That automatic you were talking about, could you explain that in more detail?

Claiborne: We just missed it. It was third-and-one, we had a play called and Bill (Ransdell) didn't think the play we had called was a good one and he automaticed. And our fullback didn't catch the automatic. He knew it was an automatic, but he didn't know if it was a sweep or an off tackle play. He went off tackle and it was a sweep. He just didn't hear it. He knew it was an automatic but he just didn't hear it. He just didn't hear it.

Question: Tennessee hadn't had much success with a pass rush all year, and today. . .

Claiborne: They did today, they got after us pretty good.

Question: You said earlier in the week that breaks early might be the key, were they?

Claiborne: I think that's what happened. I think it got real good momentum going for them when they blocked those two punts. We must not have had very good protection because we kicked the ball fast enough. Maybe we were a little slow on the first one, but on the second one the timing was good. We just had a breakdown on protection.

Question: Coach, when was the last time one of your teams had a punt blocked?

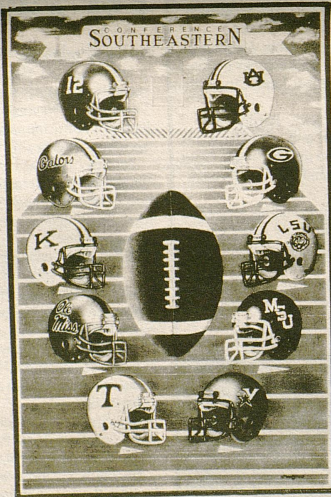
Claiborne: It's been a long time ago. I don't know if we've had two in one day. We've been doing an excellent job in punt protection. An excellent job. We just had a breakdown. We broke down twice.



gonna have to go for two to tie. And we felt like if we get three, it would be 14-9 and a touchdown would win it. The best we could

were back in the ballgame. But we didn't come up with a big play on defense a single time that (drive), and they took the ball and

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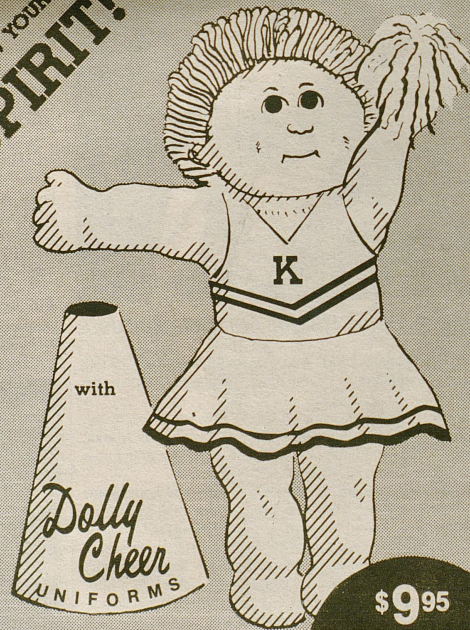
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'Easy Ed' Ready To Take Over For Harden

Nord Gives Logan A 'Winner's Ride'

For two years Ed Davender has been one of the quiet guys on the University of Kentucky basketball team.

Now he's ready to assert himself and take over as the club's floor leader.

"Freshmen and sophomores aren't supposed to say a lot," said Davender, a two-year starter being counted on to replace playmaker Roger Harden. "This year I have to assert myself more. That's not a hard job because it just requires some talk and I can do that."



Larry Vaught

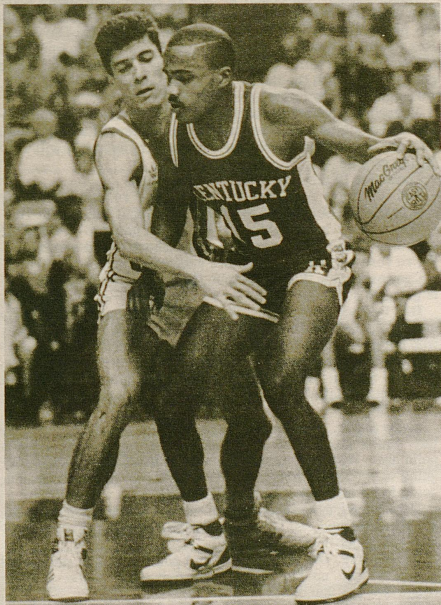
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But Harden, who had a record 232 assists last year, did more than talk. He hit game-winning shots, directed Kentucky's offense and always figured in key plays.

"I do have to back up my talk the way Roger did," said the 6-2 New York native. "I've been ready for this role since we went to Japan. And I had to do about the same thing in high school."

"I was on a great high school team and for two years didn't assert myself. My junior and senior years I had to take the big shots or make the key pass. That's why I know what it takes to lead a team and why I'm anxious to prove I can do the job."

Davender was the third leading scorer on last year's 32-4 team with an average of 11.5 points per game. He also had 121 assists, second to Harden, and was second on the team in



Davender Leads Wildcat Attack

minutes played. He scored in double figures 24 times and started every game but one.

Still, now Davender has to run the show at point guard, a spot he played only occasionally last season.

"Playing point guard is a big responsibility," said Davender. "In high school a point guard can just come down and shoot if nobody is open. Here, though, I have to get players in the right position and get the ball to the right man. "When the game is on the line, the point guard has to know

who the money players are so he can get the ball in their hands."

Davender believes the new three-point shot from 19 feet will help his game.

"I'm sure we are going to see more man-to-man defenses this season," said Davender. "The three-point shot gives guards a chance to boost their averages since the shot isn't that hard. But it could hurt your game if you just start looking for the three-point goal."

"I don't think I would ever pass up a two-point shot to back it out and go for three points. You still have to take the open shot whenever you get it. But it is nice to know that the long shot will be rewarded with three points. That certainly doesn't bother me."

And the hype surrounding freshman guard Rex Chapman hasn't upset Davender, either. Instead, he wants to help Chapman improve so he can help the Wildcats overcome the loss of Winston Bennett for the season.

"Rex can play, no question about that," said Davender. "I'm not in practice to compete against him. I just want to help him so he can come through with some big plays for our team."

"We need everybody playing well for us to be a good team. I don't care who produces as long as we keep winning."

That attitude is one reason Davender won't put any extra pressure on himself this season.

"I'm no superstar," said Davender, who is the team's best defensive player. "I'm just one guy on the team. My job is to try and make us the best team possible but that doesn't mean I have to score 30 points or give out 20 assists. I just want to fill my role and let our other talented players also do their jobs."

KENTUCKY expected its perimeter game to be stronger than its inside game this year, especially after injuries to Winston Bennett and Cedric Jenkins. But Kresimir Cosic, coach of the Yugoslavian National Team that beat UK 76-74, said UK's inside game must improve if Kentucky is to be a successful team.

Cosic said, "It's hard to say how good Kentucky will be later. If they had one player under the basket who could move and score it would really help."

"They don't have anyone so dominating under the boards that they can get their fast break going. If we didn't lose the ball, they couldn't fast break. No one can get the ball off the board and the guards all have to rebound."

Junior forward Richard Madison, however, doesn't think UK fans should write off the 1986-87 season. He expects Rob Lock, Irv Thomas and himself to play well inside.

"We are still going to prove we have a good team," said Madison. "We still have goals and we can't let down because of some injuries. We are going to play together and surprise people. I still think we can have a great season."

"People may not think we have a lot of talent but we do. Our guards are awesome and me, Rob and Irv will be better than people think. We can hold our own inside. We can score and rebound. People who have given up on us are making a mistake."

ONE OF the more touching moments I have seen in 12 years of covering UK football came after the upset victory over Florida.

Assistant coach Greg Nord hoisted senior running back Marc Logan on his shoulders after the game and carried him off the field. Logan, one of the most popular Wildcats, smiled and waved to the cheering fans as his position coach took him to the dressing room.

"He picked me up and said I was leaving Commonwealth Stadium a winner," said Logan. "I loved it. We have come through a lot together in four years and I really respect that man. He means a lot to me and I will never forget what he did."

MARK HIGGS probably ran harder against Florida than

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'Cat Linksters In Groove; Eye Spring Schedule

Earlier last month, the Wildcat linksters completed their most successful fall campaign ever. Tom Simpson's troops captured three out of five tournaments and now look to February when the Wildcats open their schedule.

"I am completely satisfied with our play this season," said Simpson. "We have the best golf team Kentucky has ever had this season. No other UK team has won three tournaments in one season."

While other teams located in warmer climates play year round, Kentucky has to take a different approach. That is, Kentucky's winters aren't exactly made for teeing it up.

"Right now we're going to keep their heads in the books. After Thanksgiving we're going to begin our weight program and hit inside."

He also noted that the team will be involved in an extensive running program.

UK, however, will be making an appearance in the Sunshine State during its first tournament next February.

Junior Bill Lundeen finished with the lowest average among the Wildcats with a 73.50 average (13 rounds). "Bill Lundeen has shown more improvement than anybody," said the UK coach. "He's improved six shots from last year."

Simpson noted Lundeen's confidence improved greatly this season, helping him have an outstanding campaign on the course.

Close behind Lundeen was the 1986 Kentucky State Amateur champion, sophomore Steve Flesch. The lefty compiled a 73.70 average. Rounding out Kentucky's top four participants in the fall were senior Jeff Quammen, 75.15 and sophomore Olen Grant 76.30.

The Kentucky coach also is very high on freshmen Greg Lehman (Louisville) and Gunnell Rupert (Ashland). Lehman and Rupert ended the year No. 5 and No. 6 respectively on the team.

Simpson is a firm believer that when Kentucky opens the season on Feb. 13, his team will have the talent to compete against the Ohio States, LSUs and other nationally ranked teams.

During an 18-team tournament in Memphis this fall UK finished second only to nationally ranked Florida State. The Cats were "neck-and-neck" to the Seminoles before losing the 54-hole tourney by 10 shots.

Kentucky captured first place honors at the Murray State Invitational (18 teams), Kentucky Intercollegiate (six teams) and the Charleston College Invitational (16 teams). Besides the second-place finish in Memphis, the Wildcats placed fourth in their opening match of the season at the Augusta College Invitational (18 teams).

"We played really well this fall," Flesch said. "However, I thought we could have played a little better in the Augusta tournament."

In Charleston, S.C., UK's last event of the campaign, Grant carded a two-day total of 146, one stroke off the winning score.

To Grant and UK the win in Charleston should provide momentum heading into the spring session. During the season he was having problems adjusting to a new swing. According to his coach, Grant is in full groove and should be better than ever when February rolls around.

"I think we're going to do really well," said Grant. "We'll have a good attitude going into the spring. Everybody has played well and has improved."

With a productive fall season under their belts, come spring Simpson has high hopes of his Wildcats doing well against some of the nation's best.

"We can play with a lot of them," said Simpson, "but seeing is believing, I guess."

"If we can peak at the right time we're going to give them a run for their money."

Assistant's Sister Killed In Auto Accident

Tragedy struck UK football assistant Chip Garber's family following the Kentucky-Tennessee football game last Saturday when Garber's younger sister, Beth, was killed in an automobile wreck.

Beth had traveled to Knoxville from her Virginia home to watch Kentucky take on the Volunteers.

She was returning home after the game when the one-car accident occurred near Bradford, Virginia. Her car reportedly overturned several times and she was thrown from the car.

She was traveling alone according to a UK spokesman.

Miss Garber, 25, was a school teacher in Winchester, Va.

Our prayers and sympathy go out to the Garber family.



Dermontti Dawson

(About Tennessee's defensive line dominating fourth quarter play)

Dawson: I guess they just tasted the blood. We just made too many mistakes.

(About the team's feelings at halftime)

Dawson: Their first touchdown I thought was just our mistake. We gave it to them. We made some key mistakes that kept us from sustaining a drive. That hurt us.

(About the blocked punt which was turned into a UT score)

Dawson: It hurts anytime you have a turnover. They weren't doing anything to kill us. We killed ourselves with mistakes.

(About before the game)

Dawson: We had come off a big win and we thought we had it together to come in here and beat 'em. We just made too many mistakes—the turnovers just killed us.

Mark Wheeler

(About what Coach Claiborne said afterwards)

Wheeler: He said it was a good effort but Tennessee played better. He said it was a good year but we just have to improve the program.

(About his disappointment)

Wheeler: It was a Catch-22 (situation). If we win this game we go on, if we don't then it's the end of my career. Being the optimist I am, I was hoping for the best. It's disappointing to lose to Tennessee down here with our loyal Blue fans (watching). This is disappointing, but there's life ahead after college football.

Tom Wilkins

(About Tennessee's offensive line in the fourth quarter)

Wilkins: They really didn't change anything. They did start changing their rhythm, their snap counts, and we couldn't get a read on when they were going so we could switch our defense around. That hurt because it kinda kept us off-balance.

(About the team's feeling at halftime, trailing only 7-3)

Wilkins: We felt like if we could eliminate our mistakes that we could come back and win the ballgame. That would mean going out and playing well defensively in the second half and not letting them control the ball which they did do.

Much To Be Thankful For, Right?

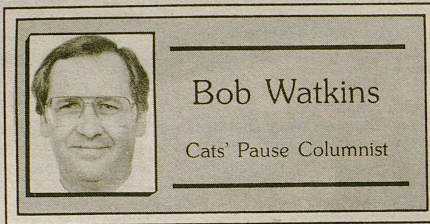
Kentucky Preps To Get 'Mr. Football'

Thanksgiving and things.

Writing about people and the games they play and about the folks who watch them play, and getting paid to do it are reason enough to be thankful. After all, a fellow could have to work for a living, right?

There are lots of special people in sports who make this job, well, different ... sometimes fun, infinitely entertaining and forever unpredictable. And so, I am thankful for people like you ... and sports figures who say things like...

■ Larry Bird of the Boston Celtics and winner of three consecutive NBA MVP awards: "When I go down the road,



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist

people are going to forget how good I was. The main thing is to keep it all in perspective. I don't care if I'm the best in the league, as long as I'm on the best team. I love to win the world championship. I've never had a greater feeling than that."

■ Ohio State linebacker Chris Spielman who says: "As long as we win the game, that's all that matters to me. You play for several reasons — for your teammates, for your coaches, for yourself — but you play to be the best. I don't care so much about honors; a lot of that is talk."

■ Larry Donald, editor of *Basketball Times* who says things like: "Dean Smith, Denny Crum and Dale Brown can go on for hours talking about basketball, but when it comes to newspapering they probably don't know the difference between a deadline and a dateline."

■ Penn State Coach Joe Paterno who says about his team's drab looking uniforms: "I don't think they look that bad. But I've always been for simple things. There are no stars on the helmets and no names on the jerseys. I guess that says something to kids about team-oriented play and an austere approach to life."

■ Penn State quarterback John Shaffer who says things like: "People are always me if the academic stuff is true or it's all hype? It's all true. You're better off missing a tackle than missing class. Coach'll kill you if you miss class."

■ LSU basketball coach Dale Brown: "I'm not too sure that basketball in the SEC hasn't been better the last few years than football. Is that a mortal sin to say or a venial one?"

■ Alabama coach Wimp Sanderson: "I've always believed this is a basketball league with football publicity. The SEC has been the most improved league in the country the last three or four years. We've come so far."

■ Tennessee's Don DeVoe: "Sometimes our (SEC) coaches get paranoid and think football overshadows basketball ... and it does."

■ Tennessee basketball coach Don DeVoe on his school's still-to-be-completed arena: "We wouldn't be building a 25,000 seat area if Kentucky didn't have one with 23,000. They (UK) want a 90,000 football stadium too. And we may see it if we live long enough."

■ Kentucky's Eddie Sutton on last year's NCAA Tournament: "If we'd gotten to Dallas (beaten LSU) I think we could have won the National title, because I think we could have beaten Louisville."

■ Auburn basketball coach Sonny Smith, noting that Alabama's Wimp Sanderson was actually smiling on the cover of the *Crimson Tide* press guide: "It takes 15 muscles to smile and 65 to frown and Wimp is suffering from muscular fatigue."

■ Sonny Smith on sophomore guard Michael Jones: "Last year he would come off the bench and you could fake a pass to him and he'd shoot it."

■ LSU's Brown after failing to recruit Russian basketball star Arvidas Sabonis: "He'll evaporate into the woodwork. You'll never hear from him again. It's the poltuburo in this thing (that kept Sabonis from leaving the USSR for LSU). They control everything. I say God bless America."

■ America...land of opportunity? Ole Miss (rookie) coach Ed Murphy is 45. He coached at Delta State last season. "I'd given up thinking it would ever happen (a Division I job). I'm old in this business. I had just resigned myself to the idea of never making it to Division I. Hey, do you think if Lee Hunt hand't left at the time of year he did, I'd have gotten this job?"

■ Florida basketball coach Norm Sloan on 7-1 freshman Dwayne Schintzuis: "I've prepared him for the worst. He's not going to play well enough to satisfy you (the media), or to satisfy me, or to satisfy himself. But I think he's going to be a great player."

■ Wimp Sanderson on Kentucky: "They won't lose a game at home. I guarantee the next time I see you (reporters) Kentucky will be nine-and-oh. They won't lose at home, it's against the rules and I don't care if they're (roster is) down to Eddie Sutton and a manager."

■ Kentucky junior guard Ed Davender's reaction to UK's signing six prep prospects in light of the current 8-man (scholarship) roster: "It's gonna be kind of crowded at practice next year. We're going to have enough players for a second and third team."

■ Chuck Douglas, public relations man for the Washington Bullets on 7-7, 230-pound Manute Bol: "He doesn't understand how a stranger can just walk up to him and ask how tall he is. One time, a chubby lady asked his height and he wanted to know how much she weighed."

■ Nicknames for prima donna athletes that just fit. Oklahoma linebacker Brian Bosworth ... the Mouth that Roared.

■ Billy Packer, CBS college basketball analyst on Proposition 48: "I feel there will be an immediate reaction down to the high schools and junior high schools," he said. "It will be imperative for the schools and kids to work harder. Colleges won't take any chances on signing kids who may not qualify — unless they're superstars."

■ Wimp Sanderson on Prop 48: "In for it. It woke up some mommas and daddies so that's good."

■ Vanderbilt basketball coach C.M. Newton: "I've been in this league a long time and I've found that I can coach good players. I just damned well can't coach bad ones."

■ Newton on the 3-point shot: "Coaches have always been greatly second guessed. Well, we haven't seen the half of it yet. You guys (media-types) are going to have more fun with this ... you really are."

■ Mike Schmidt, National League MVP on retiring after one more season: "I went to school and talked with my little boy's teacher. He's having a problem right now with my career. He's in the first grade. That's a concern of mine, his growing up and being able to be normal, one of the kids. And the longer I continue to play as he gets older and older the tougher it's going to be for him ... to be Jonathan Schmidt as opposed to Mike Schmidt's little boy."

3-point shot

Eddie Sutton "No coach in college basketball knows right now what this shot's going to do to the game. I do believe with the perimeter shooters we have on our club — Ed Davender, Rex Chapman and Derrick Miller (the 3-Team?), we may have to incorporate some perimeter offense. Defensively, we're going to stay with the things we've been doing, but offensively, we might have to change some things."

Yugoslavia National coach Kresimir Cosic says of the 3-point shot: "You will see much more beautiful basketball because it will be so much more difficult to defend. It will open up the middle."

Comment 19 feet, nine inches is *too cheap*.

But it's here. And that brings to mind remarks made by coaches in the Southeastern Conference about the 3-point rule.

Wimp Sanderson, Alabama: "We're not going to live and die with it. I think some guys are gonna shoot it and some ain't. We're sure not going to go down and jack it up."

Comment: One thing's certain, Bama the SEC title favorite, is going to see lots of them go up.

Don DeVoe, Tennessee: "We beat the hell out of Yugoslavia inside, but because they shot so well out there (13 of 18), they won the game. I think it's just a matter of time till the big guys can shoot out there too."

Eddie Sutton: "If I had been on the rules committee I'd have voted against it. The fans will love it, but it's going to be frustrating for coaches."

Sonny Smith, Auburn: "If you shoot 36 percent from the three line, you're going to be better off than 57 percent from the 2-point area. It's going to hurt teams with less depth, because it's going to extend the defenses, tire people out. And the center is going to be more of a factor offensively."

Dale Brown, LSU "I like it now. Why should a guy 7-1 who ate his Wheaties and can dunk a ball get an advantage over a guy who can shoot it from outside?"

Ed Murphy, Ole Miss likes the 3-point shot and adds "it's going to open up the middle and make the center a more important ball handler."

What's going to be a safe lead, say with a minute and a half left in the game?

"I would say a 12 point lead might be safe," Murphy said.

Norm Sloan, Florida "In our one scrimmage so far we made something like seven out of eight from 3-point range."

Comment: With any kind of discipline, the 3-point hoop could affect Florida more than any other team in the SEC because of the Gators' firepower from the perimeter. Vernon Maxwell, Andrew Moten and Joe Lawrence are all proven outside shooters.

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Last Week		19-5-1	18-6-1	16-8-1	19-5-1	17-7-1	16-8-1
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ALABAMA AT NORTHEAST LOUISIANA		ALABAMA 4	ALABAMA 7	ALABAMA 6	ALABAMA 8	ALABAMA 9	ALABAMA 5
FLORIDA AT FLORIDA STATE		FLORIDA 4	FLORIDA 1	FLORIDA 1	FLORIDA 12	FLORIDA 3	FLORIDA 4
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FURMAN AT ALABAMA		ALABAMA 10	ALABAMA 9	ALABAMA 18	ALABAMA 15	ALABAMA 12	ALABAMA 11
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TEXAS A&M AT OKLAHOMA		OKLAHOMA 8	OKLAHOMA 7	OKLAHOMA 5	OKLAHOMA 8	OKLAHOMA 3	OKLAHOMA 6
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WISCONSIN AT MARQUETTE		MARQUETTE 8	MARQUETTE 6	MARQUETTE 9	MARQUETTE 4	MARQUETTE 6	MARQUETTE 5
ORAL ROBERTS AT TULSA		TULSA 4	TULSA 11	TULSA 1	TULSA 14	TULSA 3	TULSA 7
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TEXAS TECH AT KENTUCKY		KENTUCKY 6	KENTUCKY 10	KENTUCKY 3	KENTUCKY 9	KENTUCKY 7	KENTUCKY 12
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Vols Liberty Bound

Big Orange Crushes UK

By Mike Estep

It's happened before.

It's been a few years since colonial statesman Patrick Henry, who was embroiled in a little disagreement with the Redcoats, supposedly coined the famous phrase, "Give me liberty, or give me death."

Instead of death, Henry got liberty.

Saturday Kentucky was in a similar predicament. A win against Tennessee in Knoxville would have put the 'Cats in the Liberty Bowl in Memphis. A loss meant the end of the season.

Instead of Liberty, Kentucky got death.

But don't call the boys in the homicide department. This one was a suicide.

Sure, the 'Cats clawed and scratched, and even battled Tennessee pretty evenly for three and a half quarters. But just as surely as the Jerry Claiborne's crew will be spending the holidays at home, they died by their own hands Saturday in Knoxville.

When it came right down to it, Kentucky was its own worst enemy.

As has been the case nearly all season, Kentucky's offense was able to move the ball all day against Tennessee, but the 'Cats had trouble punching the ball into the end zone once they got down inside the 20.

Even the kicking game, one of the most solid phases of Kentucky's game this year, allowed Tennessee to block a pair of punts in the first nine minutes of the contest, the second one leading to the Vols first touchdown of the day.

"Early in the ballgame we had a breakdown in our punt protection and got two punts blocked, which put us in the hole," Claiborne said. "We also had a problem with our field goal kicking game. We could have got some momentum going our way.

"But Tennessee came back and did an excellent job. They whupped us at the line of scrimmage, they controlled line of scrimmage most of the day. They did a good job. I wish them well."

Early Mistakes Hurt Kentucky

Four times in the first half, the 'Cats started a possession outside their own 35-yard line, but came away empty each time.

Kentucky received the opening kickoff and Marc Logan returned the ball 22 yards to the 40. But after three running plays netted nine yards setting up a fourth-and-one from the 49, disaster struck.

Just as punter Jay Tesar was ready to kick the ball, he was greeted in the backfield by a host of Orange jerseys. Sophomore linebacker Bryan Kimbro led the charge up the middle and got there first to block the kick.

"I came up the middle and saw their fullback in front of me," Kimbro said. "Just as I got to him, he moved away to block someone else and this left me free to block the punt."

Inside linebacker Kelly Ziegler then scooped up the ball and lumbered 14 yards to the Kentucky 35.

The 'Cats momentarily dodged the bullet, however, as UT kicker Carlos Reveiz pushed his field goal attempt to the right.

Two drives later, Kentucky wasn't as lucky.

UK again took over on its own 40. Logan carried for three yards and then Bill Ransdell and Eric Pitts failed to hook up on a pair of passing attempts, and again Tesar was forced to punt.

The Vols didn't take any chances this time. Tennessee's rush came up the middle once again and this time it was Charles Kimbrough that made the block.

"The first one was my fault, I took a little bit more time on my punt," said Tesar, who had never had a punt blocked prior to the Tennessee game. "On the second one, I speeded things up and they still got it. They were just coming hard through the middle, and I guess they just had it on their mind to get it."

"We were just as surprised (about the blocks) as Kentucky," said UT secondary coach Ron Zook, who also works with the special teams. "We didn't see anything on film that we thought we could take advantage of."

After a mad scramble, UT wingback Terence Cleveland, who wasn't even supposed to be in the game on the play, recovered the ball at the Kentucky eight and scampered in for the first score of the game.

"Our offensive guys didn't want Terence in the situation where he had to block (on a punt return)," Zook said. "But we didn't have time to make a change."

That's the way things went all day for the Vols.

Close, But Not Close Enough

Following a Tony Mayes interception in the end zone, Kentucky started its first scoring drive early in the second quarter. After taking over on their own 20, Ransdell and Marc Higgs marched the 'Cats to a first-and-10 at the Tennessee 35.

But that's where the offensive shorted out again.

Ransdell pitched to Ivy Joe Hunter, who picked up five yards to the 30. But a clipping penalty wiped out the gain, and pushed Kentucky all the way back to the Tennessee 47. On the next three plays Kentucky managed to move to the UT 32, but Claiborne was forced to send in Worley, who responded with a 49-yard field goal to put the 'Cats on the scoreboard and cut the lead to 7-3.



(Clockwise From Top Left) Clinkscales Gets Past Mayes; Followed By End Zo

The Kentucky defense held Tennessee once again on the next series, and Kentucky was presented with another golden scoring opportunity just before the half. The 'Cats took over on their own 27, and marched inside the Tennessee 20 in nine plays. Higgs picked up seven yards to the 13 on two carries, but couldn't hang on to Ransdell's pass on third-and-two. Worley came in to attempt a 38-yarder, but the snap was low and his line-drive kick never had a chance.

Kentucky had the edge in statistics at intermission, outgaining 144-35 on the ground and 181-100 on total offense. But instead of going into the locker room at the half with a substantial lead, Kentucky trailed 7-3.

Things didn't get much better in the second half.

The Wildcats crossed into Tennessee territory four times in the second half, twice they had to settle for Worley field goals, twice they came up empty.

It's always easy to second-guess, but perhaps the biggest decision of the day for Kentucky came at the 14-minute mark in the final period. The 'Cats, trailing 14-6, faced a fourth-and-one at the Tennessee 10-yard line. Instead of going for the first down and a chance to possibly tie the game with a touchdown and the two-point conversion, Claiborne sent in Worley, who booted a 27-yarder to close the gap to 14-9.

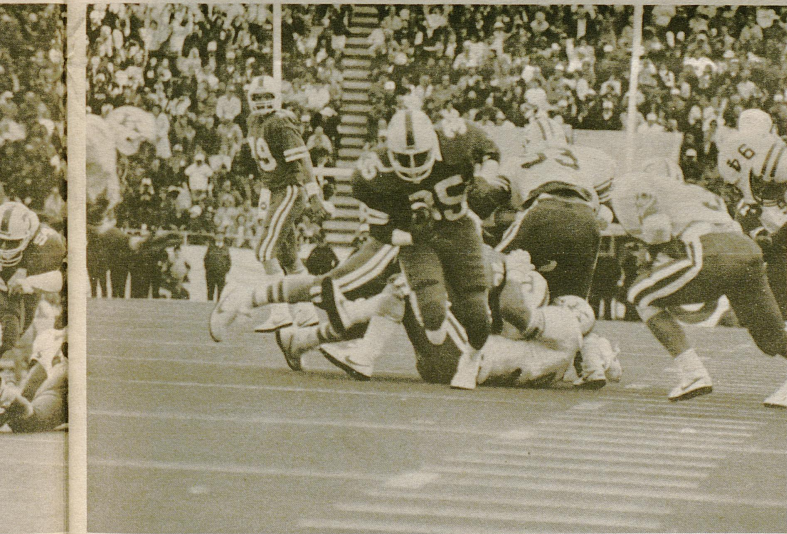
"We felt like if we get three, it would be 14-9 and a touchdown would win it," Claiborne said. "The best we could do is get a tie, if we scored. And we felt like the thing we

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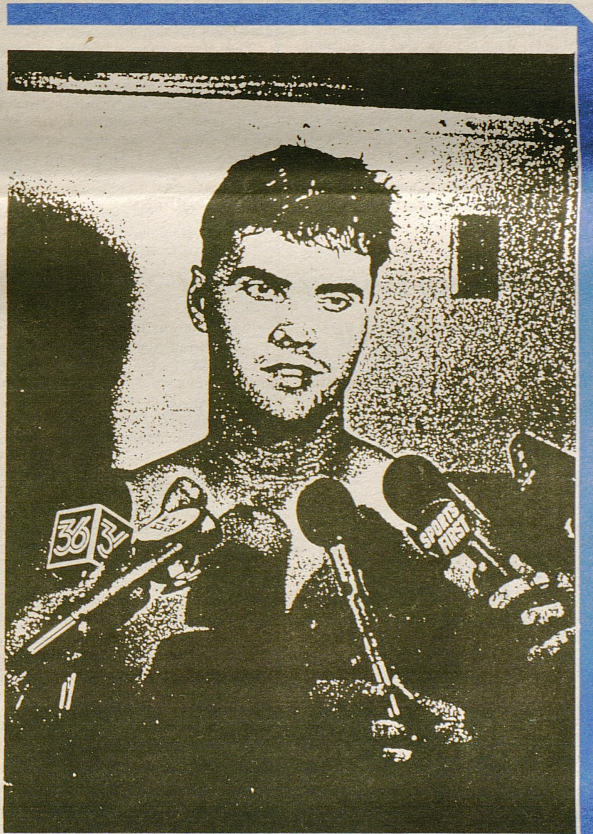
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UK's Bowl Hopes, 28-9



eight times . . . After Ransdell was intercepted on the last play of the game, UT offensive coordinator **Walt Harris** rushed onto the field and was the first person to speak to Ransdell. What did he say? "That he's a hell of a competitor and I'm glad he's graduating," Harris said. "I told (UT quarterback) Jeff Francis to make sure and watch Kentucky's offense today. I wanted him to watch Ransdell, because he shows great natural quarterbacking ability." . . . **Mark Higgs** led Kentucky on the ground with 66 yards in 17 attempts . . . Senior **Marc Logan** picked up 43 yards in his collegiate debut. Logan suffered an ankle injury in the first half and didn't play in the second half . . . Tennessee's **William Howard**, who is a close friend of UK receiver **Eric Pitts**, churned out 88 yards in 16 carries to claim game honors. UT's **Vando Davis** picked up 69 yards on the ground . . . Kentucky senior **Cornell Burbage** led the 'Cats in receiving with three receptions for 54 yards. **Tim Jones** had two catches for 32 yards and Pitts caught three passes for 31 yards . . . UT's **Joey Clinkscales** had four receptions for 63 yards to lead all receivers . . . Tennessee, now 5-5 on the season with a game at Vanderbilt remaining on the schedule, accepted a bid to play in the Liberty Bowl following the game. Kentucky ended its season at 5-5-1.



led By End Zone Dance; Ransdell Hands To Murray; Howard Finds Opening needed to win right there was points."

Tennessee Gets Offense Untracked In Fourth To Seal Win

That's when Tennessee's slumbering offense came to life. Vol quarterback Jeff Francis hooked up with split end Joey Clinkscales for their second touchdown play of the day to up the lead to 21-9, and fullback William Howard, held to just 16 yards on the ground at the half, got untracked and rambled through the Kentucky defense to finish with 88 yards, went on a 32-yard run with 1:41 to play to guarantee the win and reserve a place on Beale Street for the Vols.

"I was concerned about our turnovers early in the game," Vol coach Johnny Majors said. "They gave Kentucky some scoring opportunities. We sputtered some offensively, but it was the defense playing like the defense of new (that kept us in the game). "If we do not get the two blocked punts, we could be fighting for our lives at the end."

Wildcat-Volunteer Tidbits

With the loss, Kentucky fell to **23-50-9** against Tennessee in the annual battle for the Beer Barrel . . . In his final game for Kentucky, **Bill Ransdell** was 15-29 through the air to wrap up his 15th all-time school record, eclipsing **Babe Parilli's** old mark for career passing percentage . . . Ransdell, however, was intercepted twice and sacked



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Majors' Elated With Vols' Play

Following are Johnny Majors' postgame comments after Tennessee upended Kentucky 28-9 and earned a spot in this year's Liberty Bowl:

Question: Your thoughts on the game?

Majors: I am proud of our football team at this stage of the season. I am proud of our staff and our players for what they have accomplished in fighting back from adversity we had earlier in the year. We have gotten more people back on the practice field each week lately, and I told our squad that if we played like we have been practicing we would be okay against Kentucky.

I was concerned about our turnovers early in the game. They gave Kentucky some scoring opportunities. We sputtered some offensively, and we felt we had to throw deep early, but it was the defense playing like the defense of new. They kept us in there early.

If we do not get the two blocked punts, we could be fighting for our lives at the end. I thought (Bill) Ransdell made two or three outstanding plays in being able to get rid of the ball under pressure. He performed very well considering the pressure our defense was able to put on him.

Joe Clinkscales is a classy receiver, and he was able to get us some good plays today.

Question: What about Tennessee's invitation to the Liberty Bowl?

Majors: We were extended an invitation to play in the Liberty Bowl by Trow Gillespie and Reggie Barnes. It would have suited me just fine if they had wanted to wait until the end of the season, but I am always optimistic rather than pessimistic. So if we had to make a decision today, which we did, I am going to make the optimistic-based decision. The bowl wanted to extend the bid, so we accepted. But if they want to take it back after the next game (Vanderbilt), then they can.

Kentucky Loses To Georgia In SEC Volleyball

Kentucky's Lady Kats were defeated by Georgia 15-10, 9-15, 15-8, 15-13 in last weekend Southeastern Conference women's volleyball tournament.

The loss in Gainesville, Fla., dropped Kathy DeBoer's squad to 20-11 on the season.

UK Women Finish 2nd In Alabama Meet

Kentucky's Lady Katfish scored a second place finish in last Saturday's Tri-Meet at the University of Alabama.

UK placed ahead of the University of New Orleans (81-47) but was second to the Crimson Tide (79-61). The men's squad lost to Alabama in a Dual-Meet, 75-37.

Overall for the Lady Katfish, three UK varsity records were broken. Bartley Pratt is now the owner of record times in the 1,000-yard freestyle—5:08.60—and the 500-yard freestyle—5:08.60. UK's Ginger McNeil broke the UK record in the 400-yard individual medley with a time of 4:47.41.

Dual meet record holders for the Lady Katfish were: Nancy MacMillan, 200-yard butterfly, 2:09.52; Peggy Sheets in the 200-yard breaststroke, 2:29.56; and McNeil, Sheets, MacMillan and Margaret Sumrall in the 400-yard medley relay, with a time of 4:07.92.

Foreigners Learning To Play Our Game

But I'd Take NBA Players Every Time

Playing against foreign teams can really be deceptive. The first thing that comes to mind? A rough, tough ballgame.

Foreign teams like the Russians, Italians, Spanish or Yugoslavs are pretty familiar with the American style of basketball. Because the United States has such great talent across the country, the foreign teams are coming over to the States to prepare themselves for the Olympics. True, the Olympics won't take place until 1988, but everyone is in training for those Games.

As the years go by, winning the Olympic basketball title will get



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increasingly tougher for the Americans. You have to take into account that the foreign teams have an edge in maturity. Most of their players are in the mid-to-late 20s, and some are even playing beyond their 30th birthdays.

They also have the advantage of being able to play together as a team for five or 10 years. If you don't think that makes a difference, then you must have flunked out of chemistry class in school.

That's what makes America's domination of the Olympics that much more impressive. Our guys are usually together less than six months. Although the American Olympic team is a combination of the best amateur players in the country, the coach has the difficult job of molding the team together in a very short time.

It is truly an honor to play for your country. Maybe for that reason, the United States has been able to dominate the international scene in the past. It's our game, so we should be the best. But it's getting more and more difficult to do.

International Teams Win With Fundamentals

People who watch foreign teams think that Americans can and should dominate these teams. They may not be stylish, but the foreigners are usually fundamentally sound. You won't see any of their players soar through the air like a Kenny Walker. But then that might not be a fair comparison. You don't see many American players soar through the air like Walker, either.

The point I'm trying to make is that the foreign teams win by going with the basics. They aren't going to throw flashy passes or do spectacular dunks. They are gonna do what every defensive player hates, though. They are gonna run their offense, which usually consists of a lot of picks. Not only (as a defender) do you hate to get picked, but the punishment you take running into screens is a bit annoying. You get picked so much that you become very frustrated.

Foreign players can shoot if they have time to set up. If a foreign player gets open, he usually buries the jump shot. On defense, most foreign teams don't have the quickness to play man-to-man. They usually drop back in a zone. And in most cases, their inside players are anywhere from 6-7, all the way up to 7-1, 7-3 or even 7-5. Not only are they tall, but they are usually wide. Their style is to lean on you. Pushing and shoving are things that inside players have to be prepared for. That's why Americans rely on outside shooting and pressure defense.

Contrasting Rules Make A Difference, Too

Being slow of foot really hurts the foreign teams. But sometimes they can surprise you. On a turnover, the foreign teams are masters at getting the ball up the court. They will take the ball and run the break up the sideline. If you're not ready, they may go in for the easy layup. The international rules can sometimes catch Americans off guard. After a turnover the Americans usually give the ball to the referee. But under international rules, you don't have to give the ball to the ref. You just take the ball out on the side and go.

Another interesting rule in the international game is if the ball is on the rim, you can take it off without being whistled for basket interference. That's right, you can go up and take the ball right off the rim. Americans don't do it because we really aren't taught to go for the rim. But foreign teams are pretty good at that sort of thing. It's their rule, so they ought to be good at it.

These are only a couple of international rules, but there are many more that foreign teams are able to use to their advantage.

I've been watching the Russians' games on television. They beat the college teams because of fundamentals. When they run a fast

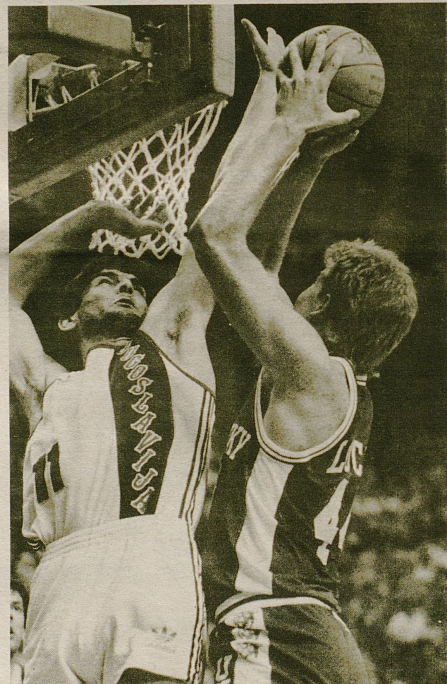
break they run it to perfection. They've just about gotten it down to a science. A rebound, an outlet pass, the lanes are filled. . . easy layup.

The Key To The Soviet Success—Power

Against Georgia Tech, the Soviets' inside play was dominant. Every time Tommy Hammonds (at 6-8) and Duane Ferrell (at 6-7) posted up inside they had the big Russian "trees" in their way. The Soviets seemed like trees because when you have a front line that stands 6-9, 7-0 and 7-2, and is wide, there is no room for the smaller Americans to turn.

As a result, Tech was shooting the ball from the outside. And if you're not hitting, don't count on getting the rebound. The Russians are usually pretty good rebounders. When Bobby Cremins' team was able to pressure the boys from Moscow, they were usually able to disrupt their game. The only problem with that is, if the Russians get the ball inside, forget it. They're either gonna get fouled or they're gonna score.

That's what happened against Tech. Good pressure on the ball, but it's very difficult on the inside game. You have to sacrifice one for the other.



Foreign Teams Catching Up To Americans

Against Iowa, the Russians were baffled. Iowa had a great game plan defensively. They picked the Soviets up full-court the whole game. If it wasn't for a few mistakes, and poor shot selection, the Hawkeyes would have won the game.

The Russians beat both Tech and Iowa, on their way to winning eight of 12 games against American competition on their tour.

I would love to see the Russians play against the pros. Although the Russians would probably give the NBA teams a good game, I think Magic Johnson and Larry Bird would show them how the game is played.

Defense would be a problem for both sides. In the pros, zones are not allowed. The Soviets wouldn't want to play man-to-man for very long.

How could we make the game fair? You probably couldn't.

Maybe it really doesn't matter what defense you play. It's who has the better athletes. Well, no doubt the American pros have the best athletes in the world. I would have to give the edge to the NBA players.

If the Soviets could see Michael Jordan do what he does best, do you think they would get excited? They'd probably go back to Mother Russia, shaking their heads all the way.

UKAA Accepting Funds For Injured UK Cheerleader

The University of Kentucky Athletics Association has set up a special fund to receive donations for cheerleader Dale Baldwin, who was injured in a tumbling accident prior to UK's Blue-White basketball scrimmage in Louisville Nov. 4. Wildcat athletics director Cliff Hagan announced last Tuesday.

The Dale Baldwin Fund will be a Restricted Account within the UK Athletics Association with the funds received being used to offset on-going expenses and costs not covered by insurance. Hagan said Baldwin is covered under "UK's Practice and Play" policy, which covers all Wildcat players and cheerleaders.

Baldwin remains hospitalized in Louisville's Jewish Hospital. He suffered a spinal injury with damage to the fourth and fifth vertebrae and is currently quadriplegic. Doctors say he will most likely remain quadriplegic, with little or no use of his hands, arms and legs.

"Since Dale's accident, we have received numerous calls from people wanting to make a donation," Hagan said. "This fund is a way we can receive and administer the donations."

Hagan said the fund will be administered by a committee which will include himself, assistant athletics director of finance Larry Ivy, UK cheerleader advisor T. Lynn Williamson and acting vice-chancellor for student affairs Joe Burch.

"One thing we hope to purchase is a motorized wheelchair, which will cost about \$10,000," Hagan said. "It's that type of thing, along with other certain on-going expenses, that the insurance will not cover."

People wishing to donate to the Dale Baldwin Fund may do so by sending a check to the University of Kentucky and earmarked for the Dale Baldwin Fund to: Dale Baldwin Fund, UK Athletics Association, Memorial Coliseum, Lexington, Ky., 40506-0019.

Hagan said the UKAA also will receive donations at the Kentucky-Austin Peay basketball game Nov. 29 at Rupp Arena.

"We have never done this type of thing at our athletic events, but this is a special situation and Dale is a very special person to all of us at UK," Hagan said. "Since the Austin Peay game falls on Thanksgiving weekend, we felt it would be very appropriate to receive donations then."

Stations will be set up inside the Rupp Arena doors and manned by cheerleaders before, during and after the game, Hagan said.

For more information on the Dale Baldwin Fund, contact the UK Athletics Association at (606) 257-2881.



Dale Baldwin, Tracy Neal

Dooley Discusses His 23 Years At UGA

Johnny Majors' New Book Hits The Stands

As you are fully aware, Vince Dooley is on his way to becoming a legend.

Now in his 23rd season leading the Georgia Bulldogs, Dooley has become one of the most successful and respected head football coaches in the nation. He also serves as the school's athletic director. His record speaks for itself.

Going into the 1986 campaign, Dooley ranked third nationally among active coaches in total victories (175-67-10), sixth in winning percentage (.714), had won a national championship (1980), six



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SEC titles and had taken 17 of his teams to postseason bowl games.

Only the late Bear Bryant of Alabama has won more SEC titles, and only one major college coach in America has been at his present school longer than Dooley (Bill Yeoman has been at Houston for 24 years).

During his younger days, Dooley, a native of Mobile, Ala., played for Auburn where he quarterbacked the 1953 Tigers to their first winning season in 17 years and a Gator Bowl bid. He also played varsity basketball for Auburn.

On a recent Saturday night in Lexington, after his Bulldogs whipped Kentucky 31-9, the 54-year-old Dooley took a timeout to give an exclusive interview to this columnist in Georgia's jubilant locker room.

In a brief interview, Dooley—who is chairman of the CFA Football Coaches Committee and immediate past president of the American Football Coaches Association—had some observations about college football in general. He also spoke of his strong interest in politics.

The Cats' Pause: Since 1964 when you became the head coach at Georgia, what is the most significant change you have seen in college football over the years?

Dooley: The most significant was the (rise of) black athlete. . . in the South which brought us Herschel Walker (he laughed). So, that was the most significant change in college football and it certainly was one that was well needed.

Of course, the second thing was the continued specialization, particularly in the way of the passing game. Everybody is throwing the ball and throwing it very well. The college football, of course, is more exciting than it has ever been. The fact is that we're not the stereotype as we have a lot of teams with a lot of different (offensive) formations. You've got the run-and-shoot; you've got the wishbone; you've got the I-formation; you've got the veer. You've got all those different formations that a defense has to get ready for week to week. That's not so in pro football. That's why we have so much excitement.

TCP: Are you in favor of a playoff system for college football?

Dooley: Well, the only one that I really think has any chance and I do favor it, is a one-game, two-team playoff after the bowl games are over. I don't think we can at all mess with the bowl games. They have been too good to college football. If you play two games, I think that's too long. So, to answer the criticism of too much football, that means only two teams would play an additional game and only two teams would have any kind of academic problems. I don't think there's going to be any. But I think the one-game playoff would answer those concerns. I think it would be a great game. It would be the colleges' Super Bowl, and all the attention in this whole country would be on it. I think the fans want it. I think the media want it. I think that many of us in college football want it. It would be a great thing for the game.

TCP: What are some of the changes you would like to see take place in college football as far as playing rules and NCAA regulations are concerned?

Dooley: I think with the NCAA the biggest concern that I have is we don't have any appointed committee that would give what I think you could call discretionary waivers on rules, based on common sense. I think we have to have the rules, but the interpretations of those rules in come cases is just unreal and unbelievable. When it becomes obvious that a rule was never meant to mean a particular thing, then you ought to have some committee that would make a discretionary ruling and say, 'Look, this rule was never put

in for this kind of situation and therefore we grant a waiver in this case, based on just common sense.'

TCP: You have been in the SEC longer than any other head coach from the conference. How do you feel about that?

Dooley: I don't really feel like I'm an old coach. When I came into this conference, I was a young coach. There were coaches like coach Bryant at Alabama, coach (Shug) Jordan at Auburn, coach Johnny Vaught at Ole Miss, coach Ray Graves at Florida. There were many others—Bobby Dodd at Georgia Tech. I always thought those fellows were the experienced coaches, but I never thought I would see myself in a position of being in that class. So, I'm very humble about it.

TCP: Are you still planning to get into politics?

Dooley: Oh, I don't know. I have a great interest in public service and came very close to running for U.S. Senate. But I felt like I couldn't abruptly leave a situation that I've been a part of this long. But I was convinced that I could be of service. I think there is a continued need to find leadership in government and I have a great interest. But my interest right now is to coach the Georgia Bulldogs.

UT Coach's Book A Major(s) Success

There have been many books written about the head coaches in the college football ranks and most of them have not received good reviews. Most of them were big disappointments.

Well, one of the recently-published books—this one on Tennessee head coach Johnny Majors—is the exception.

I have not read the book, "You Can Go Home Again" by Majors and veteran sportswriter Ben Byrd, but from all indications, it is quite good and well worth reading. Priced at \$14.95, the book follows the career of Majors from a small boy to the Sugar Bowl championship last year and has become a regional bestseller.

According to an article in the *Bristol Herald-Courier*, Ron Pitkin, vice-president of a Nashville publishing company that is printing



Vince Dooley—Dean Of SEC Coaches

Majors' book, said it is already in its second printing of 15,000. The first printing was 25,000.

"Those are particularly strong numbers for a regional book," said Pitkin. "A number of 20,000 is a best-seller in most houses."

Byrd, who is the sports editor of the *Knoxville Journal*, said the book was put together on a catch-as-catch-can basis.

"We worked whenever we could, but we must have done hundreds of hours of interviews," Byrd said. "We worked fast. Majors was in practice so we met in his office on Sundays, or I'd go over to his house at night."

Where's Little Joe?

Remember the late Dan Blocker, the big guy who played Hoss on the old Bonanza TV show?

That is how one of the starters on Alabama's nationally-ranked football team got his name. But Hoss Johnson, a 6-4, 269-pound offensive lineman, is proud of his name, which was given to him at birth, for obvious reasons.

"When I was born I weighed 12 pounds, 6 ounces, and I got the name because of how big I was and because at that time Bonanza was popular, with Dan Blocker who played Hoss on the show. So, I got the name instantly," Johnson said. "When I was born they just stuck me in a private room because I was too big for the incubator. The name has stuck with me for life but I'm glad I got it."

Meanwhile, Johnson, a senior from Huntsville, Ala., is the spiritual leader on the team as he and senior Ricky Thomas are co-captains of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes chapter.

"My background is coming from a Christian family and I'm just glad I was brought up in a Christian home."

It's Tradition

Last Saturday's Rival Contest Brings Out The Best In College Football; Kentucky Versus Tennessee Means Paganry And Battle For Coveted Barrel

By Nick Nicholas

A weekend of tradition. It's the excitement and paganry that surrounds a Michigan-Ohio State matchup or an Oklahoma-Nebraska encounter.

Last weekend the big games, meetings which sometimes spark more tempers than a shootout between the Hatfields and McCoys, were the center of attention across the nation.

Commentary

Feuds involving material objects even took place in the collegiate ranks. For instance an

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Such silly things to be given to the victors. Or are they silly? In this day of the all-mighty dollar, it's nice to see traditional things valued so highly, even if these particular buckets or barrels aren't worth a plugged nickel on today's market.

In the eyes of the beholder, on the other hand, their traditional values are priceless. That's why I enjoy this day of football far more than the over-hyped attractions that appear on New Year's Day and now the day after New Year's. You know, the many postseason games which are dictated by big bucks.

Give me 11 Wildcat-Volunteer battles every season. It's a tradition that began in 1893. Rambling down I-75 last Saturday with a morning sunshine soaking the path to Knoxville, literally hundreds of Kentucky marked cars donned with waving blue "K" flags crossed the Tennessee border. Cries of *Charge, Onward To Knoxville!* probably were shouted more than once by UK fans heading toward a K-town destination. A berth in the Liberty Bowl was at stake for the winner. Granted, that was important. Though, for UK followers the thought of seeing one of the Wildcats hoist a priceless beer barrel above his shoulder would have been

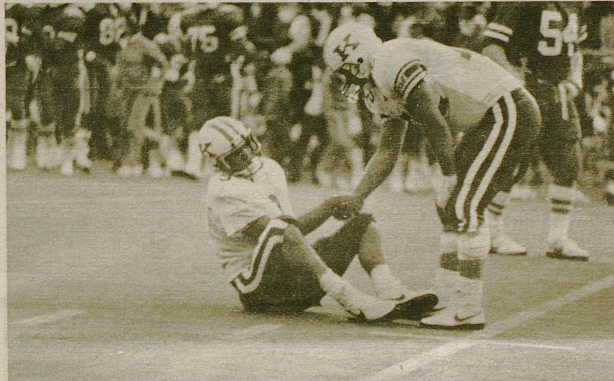
clinkscales danced across the goal line making the score 20-9. UT fans began to whoop it up. And on the Wildcats' next series, when Bill Ransdell was twice tossed upon the astroturf surface, the 90,747 on hand knew the Vols were Liberty-bound. Tradition tells us (23-50-9) Kentucky always has a tough time with Tennessee. Still, the week prior to every UK-UT game is intense. The 'Cats' players, coaches and fans are always thinking THIS is the year to beat Tennessee. Big Orange people are the same way, the theme "Beat Kentucky" lies heavily on the minds of Vol patriots. More than 8,000 UK fans gathered to watch

Two days prior the battle for the Beer Barrel, somebody took a recording of *Rocky Top* and continuously played it at Shively Sports Center. Even though "Good ole Rocky Top, Rocky Top Tennessee" might not spur Wildcat players to hum along, just knowing the tune had any connections to Tennessee had to be an inspiration. For more than three quarters, Kentucky gave Tennessee all it could handle. Its bugaboo all season long—not being able to punch across the goal line—haunted the Big Blue till the bitter end. On his very last collegiate play for UK, Ransdell, while being chased out of the

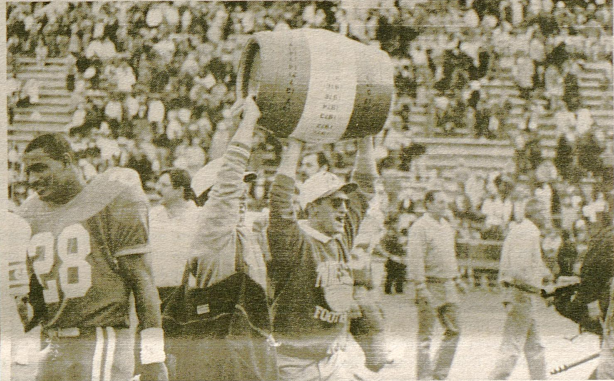
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Ransdell Gets Helping Hand



Beer Barrel Stays In K-town

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Lexington To Play Host To No. 1 Preps, Marion (Ind.)

Marion High of Indiana, the showcase team of the 1986 Coca Cola Thoroughbred Classic, has been ranked as the nation's No. 1 high school team by Street & Smith Basketball.

Marion will face Lexington Lafayette in the Coca Cola Thoroughbred Classic's third game on December 20 at Rupp Arena in Lexington.

Tickets for the event are now on sale at the Rupp Arena ticket office and any local Ticketron in the United States. Rupp Arena officials said ticket sales were brisk last week.

Marion, which sports Indiana University bound Jay Edwards and Lyndon Jones, won the Indiana state title last season and is the early odds-on favorite to turn the trick again.

The biggest name in the Coca Cola Thoroughbred Classic is prep All-American Eric Manuel of Macon (Ga.) Southwest. Manuel, rated as a consensus top five player nationally, signed earlier this month to play for the Kentucky Wildcats next season.

Macon, under highly successful coach Don Richardson, will take on UK-bound Sean Sutton and Lexington Henry Clay in the final game of the four-game event. The first contest at 9 a. m. will pit Lexington Tates Creek against Baylor Institute of Chattanooga, Tenn.

The second game at 10:45 a. m. will have UK-bound Deron Feldhaus and Mason County against Lexington Bryan Station.

Tickets are \$10, \$8 and \$6 each and one ticket is good for admission to all four games. The games will be sandwiched between the opening session of the annual UKIT and the final round which will be staged later Saturday evening.

Some tickets are still available to the UKIT. They can be purchased at either the UK basketball ticket office or by mail. Tickets are \$12 per book and good for one person to both nights. An additional \$2 per total order should be added for postage and handling.

Other information can be obtained by calling the UK ticket office at (606) 257-1818.

Two Kats Chosen To All-SEC Squad

University of Kentucky volleyball players Lisa Bokovoy and Irene Smyth were chosen to the 1986 All-SEC team.

Bokovoy, a 6-1 sophomore middle blocker from Livonia, Mich., was 89 for 174 total attacks, with 21 errors, for a .391 hitting percentage. She had nine solo blocks and 15 block assists for a per game average of 1.04.

Smyth, a senior from Long Beach, Calif., has been the "quarterback" of the "Cats all season. She has 285 total set assists, 13 service aces and 10 block assists.

Kentucky coach Kathy DeBoer was very pleased at the selections of two of her players to the squad.

"I am very proud of them," said DeBoer. "Both players have been critical to our success this season. Irene has become one of the best setters in the SEC this season. She has matured into an excellent all-around player."

"Lisa has emerged into one of the leading middle hitters in the South. She dominates play at the net and is a much more complete player than she was a year ago."

Mayes Saved His Best For Last

Turned In Star Performance Against UF

For any senior it had to be a great way to end the last college football game in front of the home folks. For Tony Mayes, the moment may go down in Commonwealth Stadium history. The special moment occurred during the UK seniors' farewell game in Commonwealth against the hated Florida Gators.

With UK protecting a slim 10-3 lead with less than a minute to play in the game, Florida quarterback Kerwin Bell was driving the Gator offense toward the Wildcat end zone. But little did Bell and Florida know that Mayes was anticipating the moment of glory. Bell, a Heisman Trophy candidate before the season began, had



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist

already moved Florida 32 yards on two pass completions to the Kentucky 49-yard line. However, on what was to be their last offensive play of the game, Bell fired a 17-yard strike to wide receiver Ricky Nattiel. Nattiel caught the football running across the middle of the field, but then lost it when Mayes stripped him, and then fell on it with just :29 remaining to play in the ballgame.

"We were in man coverage," Mayes explained. "(Nattiel) ran a dig pattern on me and ran across the middle. He had me beat by a step. I was a few steps behind him and just stripped it from him. I knew we had to have it."

After the dramatic recovery, pandemonium erupted along Kentucky's sideline. Players were jumping up and down with sheer jubilation. Then, as the final seconds ticked off the clock, Mayes was given an eventful victory ride on his teammates' shoulders.

"I couldn't believe it," the UK defensive back said. "I was tickled to death. Everybody seemed to tackle me and go crazy. It was a play that I will never forget."

The victory over Florida was especially sweet for Mayes and the rest of the Kentucky seniors. After all, it was the Wildcats' first



UK Football Coach Jerry Claiborne

win over the Gators in the decade of the '80s, and it came after tough losses to Florida (25-17 in '84, 17-15 in '85) the last two seasons.

Win One For The Gipper

In fact, the group of seniors had made it a point that they wanted to win their last home game in Commonwealth Stadium.

"The seniors had a meeting the night before the game," Mayes said. "We just talked among ourselves and said that we've just put in too much hard work—winter workouts, spring ball and all this stuff—to throw it all away."

"Everyone played together. We finally put it all together." Not only did Mayes probably play his best game of his Wildcat career, but the entire defense put together an exceptional performance against the explosive Gator offense. Just one week prior to the Kentucky game, Bell had drilled Georgia on 20-31 attempts for 272 yards.

"We really put a lot of pressure on them," Mayes said. "We had a lot of people in his face with a good pass rush. That was the big key."

It seems that the five years Mayes has spent at Kentucky has simply flown by. Following a redshirt freshman season during Jerry



UK Cornerback Tony Mayes

Claiborne's first year on the job (1982), Mayes was originally a running back who switched over to defense in his sophomore year. However, the Paintsville native had no qualms about the change in positions.

"I could see it coming," Mayes said of his move to the secondary. "We had some great backs coming in like Marc Logan and Mark Higgs. So it didn't bother me because I always wanted to play defense."

Since the transition to the defensive backfield, Mayes has been a starter ever since. In each of the last two years he was second on the team in interceptions. Going into this season's Tennessee game, Mayes led the squad with three thefts. Though he's regarded as one of the team's hardest hitters, he's still had some missed opportunities to add to his collection of pickoffs.

"It's not concentration," Mayes said. "A couple have been tough to catch. It seems one little thing, like having my feet slip from under me, prevents me from making more interceptions."

Learned Valuable Lesson In '84

The lowest point of Mayes' career at UK occurred two years ago before the "Cats were to play Wisconsin in the Hall of Fame Bowl. Because Mayes, along with roommate Brian Williams and safety Russell Hairston broke some team rules, the three defensive players were disciplined by Claiborne and had to miss the Wildcats' fabled 21-19 upset of the Badgers.

Looking back at the bowl game suspension, Mayes believes he learned his lesson.

"It made me a better person," Mayes said. "It taught me that if you do something wrong you have to pay the price for it. It straightened me out a lot—not that I was doing a lot of stuff wrong. Both Brian and I learned a lot from it."

Since that time, and under the watchful eye of Claiborne, Mayes feels he's benefitted greatly from UK's football program. He says the strict head coach is an outstanding teacher both on and off the field.

"He has taught me a lot," Mayes said. "His program prepares you for later on in life. You're not just here to play football. That's not what he wants out of you. He gets you ready for life after football. Coach Claiborne has taught me to get to know myself better and be a better person."

As far as the future goes for Mayes, his direction has yet to be determined. But if an offer from the NFL ever comes along, he would like to give it a try.

"I really don't know what I am going to do," said Mayes, who may accept an offer to work with his dad in the mining business in either Paintsville or Tennessee. "I will give the pro's a shot if it comes along. But I really haven't put much thought into it."

Although he may not know which direction his life will lead him after his senior year, the soft-spoken mountain boy will cherish some fond memories from his Wildcat career.

"I will remember starting my last three years at defensive back," he said. "I will never forget the Florida game. But most of all, I will remember my senior year."

And there's no better way to cap off your final season than to be the hero in the last home game of your college career.

"There's no better way I could have gone out."



VIEWPOINT

Letters To The Editor

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Abolish The Red Ink

Dear Sir:

Enough is enough. Please!!!
If Bob Watkins wishes to write about Louisville basketball and football, good or bad, tell him to write the folks at *ScoreCard* in Louisville. Their subscribers would enjoy reading about **their** program.

As a paid subscriber to a UK sports publication, I want to read about the University of Kentucky. I also want to hear the good and *bad* about UK, but not Louisville.

I hope you will at least consider one reader's comments.

Sincerely,

Winfrey Morton
Cincinnati, Ohio

Gotta Be Kiddin'

Dear Sir:

I have been taking your *Cats' Pause* for a number of years and really enjoy it as well as your weekly *Cats' Pause Sports Hotline* radio show on Monday nights.

My two daughters are graduates of UK and really follow them. In my opinion the best sports writer you have is Bob Watkins. I think he tells it the way it is and that's the way I like it.

His article on North Carolina in this week's issue was really interesting. I am not a North Carolina fan but they probably are the premier basketball program in the country. I don't think the NCAA has ever had them in trouble.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Frank Hoagland
Louisville, Kentucky

Watkins For Griesch?

Dear Sir:

In your Nov. 1 and Nov. 8 issues, Bob Watkins had an article about Louisville then North Carolina respectively.

If I wanted information and propaganda on Louisville, I could tune in to WHAS and listen to self-proclaimed "expert" Jocko Southmouth.

You need to dump Watkins and bring back Jim Griesch. He was the only one that told it like it is.

Sincerely,

Tom Raiser
Bardstown, Kentucky

Goldcoasters Grow

Dear Sir:

Well, I see it's time once again to renew my subscription to the best little newspaper in the world for UK up-to-date sports news.

I now reside in South Florida and they just don't print much about our Cats down here. I read with anticipation every line in the little bugger!!

I am now a member and official of "the Kentucky Wildcat Goldcoast Club" which boasts of over 100 members who are devout Wildcat fans. We attend all the games held in Gainesville and root our Wildcats on.

A little plug in *The Cats' Pause* would let fans in the South Florida area know there is a club here for them to come and join. Have a great time and join with us.

All inquiries should be directed to: Marvin Thompson, 2733 N. E. Second Avenue, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.

Thanks for your unerring devotion to our Kentucky Wildcats in *The Cats' Pause*. We here in South Florida read it religiously and can't wait for the next edition.

Thanks bunches,

Marvin Thompson
Boca Raton, Florida

UK Second To None

Dear Sir:

In Bob Watkins' column last week, he asked which was more rabid, a Kentucky or North Carolina fan. After receiving an opportunity to enter law enforcement, I moved to ACC country from the Bluegrass State about three years ago. Therefore, I feel somewhat qualified to answer.

As far as devotion to their respective conferences, the UNC fans, N.C. State, Duke, etc... have no equals. Of course, with all their teams in close proximity to the others, this is understandable.

As far as devotion to its own basketball program, there is no one close to UK. Period! I had great pride when between 5,000-6,000 Big Blue fans came to ACC country last year for the NCAA tournament in Charlotte. No other school in the country comes close to the fan support Kentucky receives 12 months a year.

I am also highly encouraged by the number of fans that travel to away football games. Even though we are known as a basketball school, we have excellent support for a football team which usually struggles to a .500 record. We just happen to be in the strongest football conference in the nation, while most of the best athletes in Kentucky play basketball.

In conclusion, I am extremely proud to be a University of Kentucky alumni and will continue to go to basketball and football games whenever possible. Please continue the fine coverage, but I do have one suggestion.

If possible, it would be nice if you could print the top twenty polls in high school basketball and football and also carry the playoff scores for each sport. I'd like to keep up with my alma mater (Ballard '77) better than has been possible in recent years.

Last, but not least, I would like to say hello to all my friends in Kentucky that take *The Cats' Pause*. To all the Big Blue fans in North Carolina, never let those ACC fans forget where we are from and which program real-

ly is No. 1 in the country.

Go Cats,

Bill Roland
Reidsville, North Carolina

Big Blue In Florida

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed my check for the renewal to *The Cats' Pause*. Living in Florida, I don't get much news from Wildcat land and I enjoy every issue of *The Cats' Pause*. When it comes in the mail, I stop whatever I'm doing and read it, cover to cover, before I put it down.

Thanks to *The Cats' Pause* I have found a Wildcat club in the Jacksonville area and I am looking forward to future meetings and outings with them.

Sincerely yours,

Curtis Strader
Jacksonville, Florida

Remembers IU In '75

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my check to renew my old *Cats' Pause* subscription. As you probably know, the only way we in the Detroit area can be up to date on UK basketball is through the radio, nationally televised games and your paper.

I am proud to say that I have been a Wildcat basketball fan for many years. I vividly recall the first time I heard Cawood's (Ledford) voice blasting over our family radio in Barbourville, Ky. I've been a fan ever since.

Like many fans, I've not had the opportunity to see my favorite team play *live* that often (but listening to Cawood on the radio sure makes up for a lot!), so I treasure any opportunity I might get to watch them play.

Over the past years I've had that chance only a couple times. The first time was shortly after we moved to Detroit. UK came to Ann Arbor to play Michigan when they opened Criesler Arena in 1968. The second time was in the Midwest Regional in 1975 when they beat IU. What a great game!!

I especially remember that time because I had worked all night, then drove three and half hours to Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, to purchase my tickets at Central Michigan then turned around and drove home again, then worked that afternoon on no sleep.

As you recall, UK beat Dan Roundfield and company before knocking off IU.

My wife, not being a big basketball fan, constantly gets on my back when I'm trying to tune in the game on a crackling radio. I guess she doesn't understand my loyalty. I hope the students and fans alike who get the opportunity to see UK play realize how lucky they really are because UK basketball is and will continue to be the mirror of what college basketball is all about.

I hope that Kentucky has a great 1986-87 season and from the looks of the recruiting, 1987-88 sounds fantastic. We, the fans in

Detroit, will be with them in heart every step of the season.

Sincerely,

Kevin Sparks Janeway
Troy, Michigan

Big Ten 'Cat

Dear Sir:

I have just renewed my subscription to *The Cats' Pause*. I live up in Big Ten country and I can't tell you how grateful I am for your publication. There are a lot of Kentucky fans here who feel the same way I do. We get a good chuckle when people try to brag on Michigan or Indiana. When you're talking about tradition, their is only one team you can even seriously consider—UK!! Also, I would like to add that UK did us an enormous favor by dropping WHAS. We could pick it up at night, but not during the day. Now that they're on WLW, the games will come in clear, day or night. Come to think of it, the only time anyone up here would listen to WHAS is when Eddie Sutton's Big Blue Line is on. If they don't carry that, they are totally useless. Well, here's to another great season, and keep *The Cats' Pause* coming.

Good Luck,

Dale Wright,
St. Joseph, Michigan

(Editor's note: WHAS will air Eddie Sutton's Big Blue Line this season.)

Clean Dean?

Dear Sir:

I have been a subscriber to *The Cats' Pause* for several years and I did not subscribe so that I could read what Dean "Mr. Clean" Smith said, did or thinks (Mr. Bob Watkins column, Sept. 8, '86).

If Mr. Watkins cannot find anything to write about UK, but instead chooses to enlighten us on Mr. Smith's views, then I suggest you hire another columnist that is interested in the purpose of your publication—"Spotlighting UK and the SEC" and not spotlighting U of L and the NCCC (North Carolina Coast Conference).

Dean Smith, the wonderful, top-five-in-the-nation coach has had enough of the "Best Players" over his career to supply three NBA franchises. With all those players and his coaching expertise, he managed *one* NCAA title that ended so strangely that it's not difficult to understand why he admires John Thompson.

Perhaps the *Cats' Pause* editors have forgotten the Rick Robey incident at College Park in 1977, but I never will.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Gibbs, Jr.
Stanton, Kentucky

(Editor's note: In a 1977 game between UK and UNC, Smith confronted Robey, who said Smith called him an S.O.B.)



OLD AND THE NEW? Ralph Hacker, perhaps the new kid on the block in CBS-TV broadcasting circles, chatted with Lindsey Nelson, one of the true broadcasting legends prior to the Kentucky-Tennessee football game last Saturday. Nelson (left) is considered the father of college football broadcasting by most and probably gave Hacker a pointer or two as Hacker pursues his career with CBS.

On The Move

UK's Hacker

A Big Hit With CBS Football

If you've heard less and less of UK radio analyst Ralph Hacker later, it's because CBS-TV network viewers are seeing and hearing a whole lot more of the popular Kentucky broadcaster.

Hacker, who appears to be on the verge of making the big-time in both network football and basketball, has already worked two National Football League games—St. Louis at Tampa Bay and New Orleans at St. Louis—this season.

And his work hasn't gone unnoticed by the CBS brass.

CBS Sports public relations director Mark Carlson said his network has been extremely pleased with Hacker's work and said he wouldn't be surprised to see Hacker command more and more work from the network.

Hacker has already been hired to do play-by-play on six Southeastern Conference basketball games this winter for the Jefferson-Pilot network which carries games every Thursday and Saturday around the South.

He'll also be working the Southeastern Conference Tournament in Atlanta next March.

His biggest game of all will be December 13 when he'll work the NCAA Division IAA football championship for ESPN.

Hacker, who has been the color analyst on UK basketball and football broadcasts for the past 12 years, has joined with the legendary Cawood Ledford to give UK fans the top broadcasting team in the nation.

Bolus, Bones Rate Top Kentucky Preps

UK Signees Feldhaus, Sutton Make List

Recently I had a chance to sit down and talk with Dave Bones who runs *Cage Scope*, the nation's first and oldest scouting service on high school basketball players throughout the country. In an exclusive interview, Bones, who is recognized as the top prep scout in the nation, rated the Top 20 Kentuckians for the 1986-87 season.

Ratings Key

A+—Big Time Blue Chipper
 B—Lowmajor Prospect
 A—Midmajor Prospect
 C—Division II Prospect
 D—Division III Prospect



Rick Bolus

Cats' Pause Columnist

Kentucky's Top 20 Prep Stars
(listed alphabetically)

Player	Ht	Wt	Pos	Class	Town-School	Rank
James Brewer	6-3	190	F-G	Jr.	Bardstown	A
Tommy Cassity	6-8	205	C	Sr.	Trigg Co.	B
Matt Eitutus	6-7	195	F	Sr.	North Hardin	A
Kevin Ellery	6-5	230	F	Sr.	Wash. Co.	A-
Richie Farmer	5-11	174	G	Sr.	Clay Co.	A
Deron Feldhaus	6-7	200	F	Sr.	Mason Co.	A
Shannon Fraley	6-0	165	PG	Sr.	Pulaski Co.	A
Junior Graves	6-4	180	F-G	Jr.	Lou. Senaca	A
Mike Gray	6-4	170	F	Jr.	Caldwell Co.	A
Mike Hall	6-3	170	G	Sr.	Jeffersontown	A
David Hogg	6-3	195	G	Sr.	Owensboro	B
Allan Houston	6-3	150	G	So.	Lou. Ballard	A+
John Pelphrey	6-7	180	F	Sr.	Paintsville	A+
Desmond Porter	6-3	187	G	Sr.	Lou. PRP	A+
Steve Schureman	6-3	170	G	Sr.	Clark Co.	A
Stanley Shelby	6-3	165	G	Sr.	North Hardin	B
Sean Sutton	6-1	183	PG	Sr.	Henry Clay	A+
Enrique Tuluna	6-8	187	C-F	Sr.	Univ. Heights	B
LaMonte Ware	6-3	187	F-G	Sr.	Hopkinsville	A
Sammy Liberatore	6-4	185	G	So.	Bardstown	A

Here's a closer look at each player:

James Brewer: A great talent? Maybe not. A great competitor? Unquestionably . . . This no nonsense swingman simply comes to play, and does . . . Is more a forward than a guard, though he's a respectable shooter up to 17 feet from the hoop . . . Has to refine his offensive moves . . . Willing rebounder, getting the big one . . . Will work defensively . . . **ATHLETIC SWINGMAN IS A VICTOR TO MIDMAJOR.**

Tommy Cassity: Impressive when intense, he must have that spark consistently . . . A tremendous threat posting inside when in gear but has dull moments . . . Rebounds below what strength indicates he should . . . Mobile if not quick . . . **SERVICEABLE LOWMAJOR PIVOT.**

Matt Eitutus: A no nonsense power forward whose rebounding makes him a keeper no matter what he delivers as a scorer . . . A solid shooter up to 15 feet who leans on the muscle game in close . . . Has not used his strength and mobility fully at the defensive end . . . **HARD HAT 4-MAN WITH SOLID MAJOR CREDENTIALS.**

Kevin Ellery: Fleshy cornerman has versatility proven by his perimeter stroke . . . Neither turly fast nor springy, he is extremely effective . . . At his best employing either hand inside . . . Wears a size 17 shoe . . . Biggest disappointment is his tepid rebounding in an area that he could dominate . . . **MIDMAJOR IN THE RIGHT CIRCUMSTANCE—LOWMAJOR STAR.**

Richie Farmer: Stubby little guard is a premier shooter from the outside . . . Knows when to take it to the hoop, hard rather than flashy . . . A fine ballhandler though style clearly leans to the off guard role now . . . Has ordinary speed and quickness . . . Now it's no problem . . . **A SUPERIOR PRESSURE PLAYER WHO YOU WANT TO HAVE THE BALL AT THE CRITICAL MOMENTS.**

Deron Feldhaus: In a down year in Kentucky, this heady

frontliner is among the few beacons . . . He is at his best facing the basket, displaying consistency, if not strength and stamina . . . Though mobile, he may lack big-time quickness . . . Must bring free throw percentage up to level of first two years . . . **RELIABLE MIDMAJOR FORWARD COMFORTABLE IN A STRUCTURED STYLE.**

Shannon Fraley: Compact point guard with an educated southpaw stroke to 18-20 feet . . . A clutch player who can pass it, bounce it and shoot it . . . Lacks outstanding quickness but is so tempo conscious . . . **QUALITY INITIAL GUARD FOR A TEAM WITH AN ORGANIZED OFFENSE.**

Junior Graves: Approaches the game with offense the dominating feature . . . He's a premier scorer off great moves or a solid jump shot . . . A natural point producer . . . The talent is clear but he has to become more serious on the floor and begin to defend with intensity . . . **HAS THE EQUIPMENT FOR BIG-TIME, HOPE HE DOES NOT STOP HIMSELF.**

Mike Gray: This long-armed, big guard has spring and quickness to become somewhat stronger . . . A natural scorer who is not a pure shooter . . . Like his ballhandling awareness and general court savvy . . . Must go hard for 32 minutes and become a bit more mature mentally . . . **FIRST CLASS OFF-GUARD WITH SOLID MAJOR CREDENTIALS.**

David Hogg: Will not reach the super stardom predicted as a frosh, but his athletic ability and savvy assure at least lowmajor acceptance . . . Here is a physical guard who can take smaller foes to the hoop . . . Average shot to 20 feet . . . Weak left hand dribbler . . . Defense iffy . . . **JUCO MAY GRAB.**

Allan Houston: It's unbelievable how good some of the youngest players are with this slender sensation the prime example . . . Truly has it all as far as talent is concerned . . . No weaknesses



Point Guard Shannon Fraley

but obviously must progress and work at it . . . A splendid shooter displaying unusual savvy . . . **BIG-TIME AS STRENGTH ARRIVES.**

John Pelphrey: Unimpressive looking until the whistle blows . . . Then shows inordinate passing ability and true basketball sense so often missing . . . He's got an educated stroke to 18 feet and could become an off-guard in high major ball . . . Lacks the strength and quickness to stay in the frontcourt for some . . . **PERFECT COMPLIMENT TO TEAM WITH TOP ATHLETES.**

Desmond Porter: Acrobatic off-guard is a sensational leaper . . . Simply flies past people on his ultraquick moves to the hoop . . . Unproven beyond the free throw stripe extended with his jump shot . . . Has the equipment to develop into a superior defensive player with extra effort . . . **NATURAL SCORER GOES TO HIGH MAJOR IF RANGE INCREASES TO 18-20 FEET.**

Steve Schureman: Team exudes balance so his scoring totals may be unimpressive but he's a fine backcourt man . . . Displays basketball instinct and savvy, passing with sense and accuracy . . . A quality shooter who led club in rebounds and was second in

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VIEWPOINT

Letters To The Editor

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A Watkins Fan?

Dear Sir:

This is the third time I've written or called you about one of your columnists, Bob Watkins.

You have put up a wonderful defense of Mr. Watkins each time, explaining that his column is supposed to be a statewide column on all schools in the state. Surely, you still don't call his weekly dose of UL and UK's shortcomings an overall view on the state schools. I thought Kentucky had some 22 colleges.

I've had it up to here (I'm touching my throat as I write this) with Mr. Watkins' anti-Kentucky feelings. Over the past year his columns have included Louisville in 31 of the last 35 columns. Yet, he has mentioned Eastern, Morehead and Murray less than five times in the same period and he is yet to write a single word about the Morehead football team which got off to a 6-0 start this fall.

It's very obvious that Mr. Watkins only wants to write controversy. That's why he loves to take the Kentucky-Louisville approach on things. Now, he goes all the way to North Carolina to get a comment from Dean Smith on UK's problems. Seems to me that a wonderful story could be written on the nice job Bill Baldrige has done at Morehead, but we'll never see that it a Watkins column, unless he can compare it with a UK losing streak.

For a man who is also sports editor of Robbie Valentine's hometown newspaper and for a man who professes to "tell it like it is," I am yet to read a critical opinion on how Valentine was mistreated by UL when they "took" away Robbie's scholarship so Denny Crum could sign another player.

Looks like Kentucky faces a similar problem and if Eddie lets someone go, I bet Watkins will be leading the bandwagon for Sutton's scalp.

If you are going to continue to allow Watkins to write a state column, he should at least write a state column, not a personal column on just Louisville and Kentucky with an occasional jab from someone like Dean Smith.

(A note to Mr. Watkins, Bob, how about comments each week on state schools like Murray, Kentucky State, Georgetown, Cumberland, Northern Kentucky? If you can't cover these other schools, then quit pretending to be a state columnist when you're not.)

Mr. Watkins seems to always carry a chip on his shoulder.

You did a great service when you canned Jim Griesch because he only attacked Louisville. You should do the same with Mr. Watkins if all he wants to do is attack Kentucky.

Thanks for listening,

Timothy Cotton
Louisville, Kentucky

TCP A Must In Denver

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my check for my renewal of TCP. This \$25 is absolutely the best invest-

ment I make each year. I've been subscribing to this great publication practically since its birth. I don't know what I would have done over the years to keep up with Kentucky basketball had I not received *The Cats' Pause*.

Now that I've moved from Chicago to Denver, I'll need *The Cats' Pause* even more. Although I love living in Denver, I am now out of the broadcast range for Kentucky's radio coverage. Since all the Denver papers ever write about are the Boncos, I'll really need *The Cats' Pause* just to get a UK box-score (not to mention the fact that I'll need your paper to quench my insatiable thirst for all the details on UK's basketball program and its recruiting progress!)

Thanks so much for putting out this wonderful publication! Just keep on doing what your doing, because it's working really, really well.

Sincerely,

Ted S. Campbell
Denver, Colorado

P.S. If you know of any way for me to get the basketball games on radio out here this year, please let me know. Thanks again!

(Editor's note: Beginning with basketball the UK radio network will include the powerful 50,000-watt clear-channel WLW Radio in Cincinnati, Ohio. The station is located at 700 on your radio dial and can be picked up in almost forty states. Kentucky's two biggest cities have strong stations in WVLC at 590 on the dial in Lexington and WAVG at 970 on the dial in Louisville. At times, fans in far away places have had luck in picking up the Cats. Out-of-state listeners shouldn't have any trouble in picking up WLW. An official of the Basketball Hall-Of-Fame said he picked up the UK exhibition game over WLW last week in Boston like the station was next door.)

Love Those Field Trips

Dear Sir:

First I would like to say I enjoy *The Cats' Pause* and look forward to its arrival with great anticipation each and every week.

The Cats have some very loyal fans here in Memphis, Tenn., and the alumni association is becoming more and more active all the time.

Our chapter president is Robert Hyde. We normally make a field trip to both the Mississippi games and the Vanderbilt game. The one thing that we really enjoy about these outings is meeting the great people who are loyal "Big Blue" fans but are not able to live in the Bluegrass.

For whatever reason, we run in to these people that have driven for hundreds of miles just to get a glimpse of our beloved Cats and they all have one thing in common, "we love the Cats."

Sincerely,

J.N. House
Ellendale, Tennessee

Never Had A Chance

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a check for my renewal plus one for my G.I. son who is in Germany. I was sending my *Cats' Pause* to him, but without a doubt, this subscription to your fine publication will be the best Christmas present he will receive.

He's been an avid, die-hard Big Blue fan since he was very small. He may have learned to talk Kentucky basketball before he could crawl.

I grew up in Morganfield (home of Larry Johnson, Dwane Casey and Fred Cowan). Without telling my age, though, I was more in the Cliff Hagan era. (I saw him play in Owensboro).

So, the poor kid (my son) never really had a chance. He only knew of one basketball team in the entire nation. If they were not wearing Blue and White, and didn't have the initials UK somewhere on their jerseys, he thought he was watching a group of pretenders.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Joy Warren
Mt. Vernon, Illinois

Get Off Jerry's Back

Dear Sir:

Now, come on folks, get off Jerry Clairborne's back. It is one step at a time in rebuilding a football program.

At least now Jerry's boys can beat the regional opponents and make a game of it with the traditional Southeastern Conference powers. How quickly we forget about the scandals and lopsided losses of the previous UK football boss.

One more thought before closing.

Why was Joe Hall such a bad coach for winning the SEC basketball title and advancing to the final rounds of the NCAA tournament and Eddie Sutton such a good coach for doing the same thing?

There are ten banners hanging from atop Rupp Arena. Joe Hall helped bring five of them, one as an assistant coach and four as the head coach. I hope when Eddie Sutton hangs up his whistle, he will have accomplished as much.

Thank you,

Michael Dennis
Ft. Mitchell, Kentucky

Back In Cotton's Days

Dear Sir:

I grew up less than 20 miles from the UK campus and have always followed the Wildcats. As a young child, I would sit with my dad in front of a ghost covered TV screen (from poor UHF reception) and watch him root for Cotton Nash to win. Being a Wildcat fan was a natural as breathing the air.

Now I am on the staff of a church in Nor-

thwest Georgia (near Chattanooga, Tenn.). I previously was in Little Rock, Arkansas, where I came to appreciate "Eddie-ball" for the first time.

My parents now live in Louisville, and I usually know more about the Cats than my Dad because of receiving *The Cats' Pause*. Thank you for your good work in covering the Cats and their opponents.

Since everyone else is sending in their all-time roundball team, I may as well give my two-cents worth.

I am picking a starting five and the top two reserves: Sam Bowie at center (best defensive center), Dan Issel at power forward (like Larry Bird, can play anywhere), Kenny Walker at quick forward (true team player), Larry Steele at off guard (best defensive player in NBA for several years and a great outside shot), at point guard Frank Ramsey (a great 6th man should be a great starter), and in reserve Kevin Grevey and Cotton Nash (both can play numerous positions and Issel or Walker could switch to center if needed).

As you can see, I like players who can play both ends of the floor, who are versatile, team-oriented and heady.

This is the first time I've written, so please excuse my wordiness. Here's hoping you, your staff and the Cats have a Merry Christmas and a happier New Year.

Keep up the good work,

Jim Love
Rossville, Georgia

Hang With Cats

Dear Sir:

I am listening to the UK-Florida football game, it's the fourth quarter and UK still holds the lead—I sure hope they go on to pull the upset.

I am really looking forward to the "official" basketball season to begin. I practically "live" for it during the off season. I'll always be a faithful follower—through the goods years and bad. My love for the Cats will never die.

This year may be particularly rough, especially at first, but I will be behind the Cats even that much more and I challenge all UK fans to give that extra support and understanding to our team this year.

I know, being the individuals they are, they (players) will be giving it their all and I think the fans should return the effort. I hope Winston (Bennett) and Cedric (Jenkins) are on their way to recovery and even though Winston will miss the entire season, he is still in my heart and prayers. I guess because I live in Louisville, Winston has always been one of my favorites.

I would like to welcome our freshmen, Rex (Chapman) and Derrick (Miller). I will be looking forward to four years of watching both of these guys play. They both can be really outstanding players.

Good luck Cats. There are thousands of fans here in Louisville that love you as much as myself and we'll be behind you all the way.

Sincerely,

Kathy Hartlage
Louisville, Kentucky

Lady Kats Win Exhibition Over Mexico, 69-54

Terry Hall's Lady Kats scored the first eight points of the second half and coasted to a 69-54 victory against the Mexican National Team last Friday (Nov. 21) at Memorial Coliseum.

Bebe Croley and Debbie Miller paced the Lady Kat scoring attack with 19 and 18 points, respectively. Kentucky led by only two at intermission (31-29) but eventually pulled away to an easy victory. UK led by as man as 18 late in the second half.

Croley and Miller were the only two Lady Kats in double digits.

Larry Vaught

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he has in any other game at Kentucky. But the junior was running for more than personal glory.

"I dedicated this game to my old high school coach at Owensboro who lost his wife this week," said Higgs after the game. "I also dedicated it to (UK president) Dr. Otis Singletary because he has always been there to carry me when I was down."

And Higgs was not about to let down the UK seniors, especially after an injury kept running back Ivy Joe Hunter from even putting on his uniform.

"A lot of guys I really like were depending on me," said Higgs. "No way was I going to let them down."

Bob Watkins

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Richard Williams, Miss. State "When I first read it I was opposed to it. But I was also opposed to the (45 second) clock. I'm a traditionalist and I don't like fooling around with the game."

C.M. Newton, Vanderbilt "I don't think anybody realizes the impact the 3-point shot is going to have on the game. I'm opposed to it for two reasons. First, because of the distance. And second, there ought to be a companion rule to stop the fouling we're going to see. If I get a lead I'm not going to let my opponent catch up (shooting 3-pointers). We're going to foul and make them hit free throws (possibly two points instead of three)."

Kentucky 'Mr Football'

Good news for high school football in Kentucky. At the end of the 1987 season prep football in our state will have its first Mr. Football.

Plans are underway for sports writers and sportscasters affiliated with The Associated Press throughout the state to nominate and select Mr. Football.

"I think it's a super idea," Wilson Sears, president of the Kentucky Coaches Association said last week. "I don't think there's any question the coaches will support the idea. I think it's exciting."

Mr. Football will automatically become captain of the Kentucky all-star team that will play Tennessee in Lexington and will wear jersey No. 1.

John Radjunas is executive secretary of the coaches association. "Great idea. Even though there hasn't been a chance to talk to everyone yet, I'm sure we'll be 100 percent behind the idea. Anything that promotes football in the state, we're for it. You can bank on that."

Formal adoption and approval of the Mr. Football idea will come when state sports editors meet in Louisville in December.

Rick Bolus

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assists last season . . . Type who makes perfect decisions much of the time . . . **LOW KEY BIG GUARD WITH MUCH IN HIS FAVOR FOR MIDMAJOR.**

Stanley Shelby: Always a threat for triple doubles (had 25 points, 17 rebounds and 11 assists in one game) . . . Makes things occur . . . A better scorer than shooter, the outside stroke needs better choosing . . . Physically weak with defense suffering . . . **LOW MAJOR AFTER JUCO EXPERIENCE.**

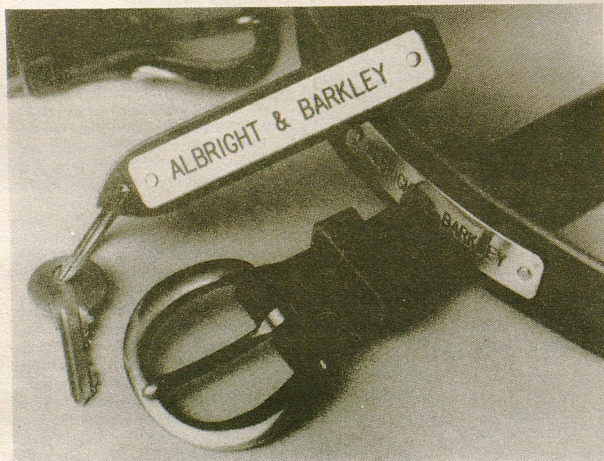
Sean Sutton: A tremendous competitor whose intensity makes the difference . . . Plays an astute brand of ball, willing to make the big effort at either end . . . A free-wheeling driver, selecting his opportunities well . . . Hits from the perimeter but can be more consistent from three-point range . . . **CATALYST GUARD MAKES OTHERS PLAY BETTER, HARDER—HIGH MAJOR.**

Enrique Tuluna: Uruguayan import is a pretty good insider aided by a knowledgeable coach . . . Has a nice touch with scoring expected to rise . . . Important he bring aggression to the level of this country . . . **STYLISH FRONTLINER COULD BE LOWMAJOR WITH POLISH AND INTENSITY.**

LaMonte Ware: Superb natural athlete with the best pair of legs outside of Hollywood . . . His quickness and spring permit inside success in high school . . . Must extend his decent shot to backcourt range . . . Not a bad ballhandler but will be an off-guard in college . . . Capable of being a stopper defensively at any level . . . **MAY NOT BE A TEXTBOOK OFF-GUARD, BUT HE CAN PLAY.**

Sammy Liberatore: Mature sophomore is a quality shooter loaded with true backcourt qualities . . . He's the type who lulls you then opens up with an array of offensive maneuvers . . . Has good speed and quickness but you have to wonder if those areas will improve with age . . . Confidence is a big factor in his success . . . **COMPARED, PERHAPS UNFAIRLY, TO REX CHAPMAN AS A FRESHMAN BUT IS A SOLID MAJOR COLLEGE PROSPECT EVEN IF HE MISSES THE BIG-TIME. HAS THREE YEARS TO PROVE IT.**

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Hey, Everyone Is Entitled To An Opinion

Super Bowl Of College Football?

I once knew a newspaper editor who wrote a column called "One Man's Opinion."

With apologies to him . . .

One man's opinion: In any survey the public would answer "yes" to a question asking whether more emphasis should be placed on college academics and less on athletics. The public would also be telling you what they think you want to hear and not what they actually feel. There has never been more pressure to win. There also has never been a time when the fan was more willing to look the



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

other way at recruiting violations, particularly if it's his school violating the rules—so long as they win. "Everyone's doing it and if we don't we can't compete!" That seems to be the rational. We don't shock much anymore.

One man's opinion: Where are the collegiate leaders who decry athletic over-emphasis? Did you hear from any of them when the Fiesta Bowl came up with 4.6 million dollars to pay Penn State and Miami and then moved the game to Jan. 2 for the one purpose of drawing bigger TV ratings! The Super Bowl of Collegiate Football! If putting that label on this game isn't over-emphasis, what is?

One man's opinion: How must Ole Miss fans have felt when they saw four of their assistant football coaches employing legal counsel to advise them during their appearance before the NCAA Committee on Infractions a week ago? What could Rebel fans have thought when they saw that sophomore quarterback Chris Osgood, had not one, but two Jackson, Miss., lawyers at his side when he spent more than two hours in front of that same committee? Does anyone wonder how an unemployed 19-year old college football player can pay the legal and traveling expenses for such counsel? And how does the sight of the university chancellor, the athletic director, the head coach, five members of the university's in-house investigating committee, plus the four coaches, the young quarterback, and all those lawyers traveling to Kansas City to testify or observe, square up with the school's refusal to admit anything about the magnitude of the charges against it?

Economically, WTBS Is Hurting SEC Schools

One man's opinion: When will the various SEC schools acknowledge that they lose more money than they make every time they allow their games to be telecast on WTBS? The school gets \$140,000 for a TV appearance and splits it 13 ways with its fellow conference members, retaining two shares for themselves. Ole Miss athletic director Warner Alford estimated recently that putting the game on TV costs the Rebels 3,000 to 5,000 ticket sales. At \$15 per ticket, that's a loss of \$45,000 to \$75,000, considerably more than the TV money. Recruiting is always the reason given for welcoming a TV appearance. Ego is a reason never given, but it's there all the same.

One man's opinion: The bowl game lineup may set a new Ho-Hum record this year. Look it over and tell me which game you'd spend several hundred dollars to travel and see?

One man's opinion: There has been absolutely no rhyme nor reason to this football season. Florida beats Auburn and Georgia, then travels to Kentucky and loses to a Wildcat team that, in the middle of the season, couldn't beat anyone. Tennessee loses three games at home and beats Ole Miss on the road. LSU drops one to Miami of Ohio, then ties for the Southeastern Conference Championship. Most of all, every team in the league loses at least two games. Coaching football is a hard way to make a living. At least that's one man's opinion.

Not For Broadcast

Perhaps the pressure to win and sell tickets can be explained this way. In 1961, Alabama expanded its Tuscaloosa stadium by 12,000 seats, rebuilt the pressbox and added a few other improvements. The cost was \$48,400. This year the Tide is doing virtually the exact same thing. The 1986 cost is \$15 million. As evidence of interest in the Alabama team, the present pressbox seats 106 writers. The new one will handle 158. The 12,000 additional seats and im-

proved press facilities will be ready for the 1987 season . . . Apparently a large number of LSU fans took our advice about having dinner in Tuscaloosa at Dreamland, the finest barbecue rib restaurant in this part of the country. Employees at this little out-of-the-way place report wall-to-wall people the weekend LSU played Alabama. If you go there once, you'll go again . . . Speaking of LSU, coach **Bill Arnsparger** has an almost unbelievable won-loss record on the road. His victory over Mississippi State gave him a 12-1-1 mark when his was the visiting team. In fact, LSU hasn't lost a road game since 1983 when these same Bulldogs beat Arnsparger's crew 16-14 at Starkville . . . It's tough sometimes for the press to find an angle. Since 1964 Georgia has always played Auburn the week after the Bulldogs tangled with Florida. In years when Florida defeated Georgia, the Dogs are 3-3 against Auburn the following week. In years Georgia defeated Florida, the Dogs are 7-7 against Auburn the following week. Try to make something out of that! Georgia's win over Auburn, after losing to Florida this year, breaks the statistical tie . . . Georgia reports seven players down with knee injuries this season. Make that eight. Even their mascot bulldog, **UGA IV** suffered torn knee ligaments that required surgery at mid-season . . . We'd never seen a running back carry the ball 16 times in a row before the **Tennessee-Ole Miss** game. Tennessee's **William Howard** did it in the fourth quarter. His number was called eight consecutive times and he scored on the eighth play. On the next series he killed the clock for the Vols with another eight carries in a row . . . Florida players, trying to explain their loss to Kentucky. Quarterback **Kerwin Bell**: "The wins over



Wimp Sanderson



Sonny Smith

Auburn and Georgia really took a lot out of us. We were really into those games mentally and physically. But you don't know how hard it is to stay fired up after those big games." Gator Offensive Tackle **Jeff Zimmerman** agreed. "Because of the rivalry we look at Auburn and Georgia up here," he said raising his hand to eye level. Then he dropped his hand to waist level. "When you talk about Kentucky, maybe you talk about them down here. Kentucky doesn't have as much talent as Auburn and Georgia, but they can still beat you if you aren't ready." And they did! . . . One of the most bizarre plays of the 1986 football season involved **Greg Switzer**, son of Oklahoma coach **Barry Switzer**. Young Switzer's Little Rock Central High School team in Arkansas was trailing Springdale 7-6 when young Switzer lined up to try a 34-yard field goal with 60 seconds left to play. After the boy's kick was partially blocked, a Springdale player picked up the football near the 10-yard line and, thinking the game was over, flipped the ball into the air. An alert Central player caught the ball and ran it in for the winning touchdown. "You kicked yourself a touchdown," Switzer told his son. . . The **Pac 10 Conference** had 177 players on NFL opening day rosters. The **Southeastern Conference** had 137, the **Southwest Conference** had 111, and the **Big Ten** had 110. Colleges with the most pro players are Southern California, 38; Washington, 28; and Penn State, 27 . . . LSU has scored in every quarter this season with the exception of four—two against Miami of Ohio and one each against Kentucky and Florida. . . When LSU beat Alabama on Nov. 8, it marked the first time that 'Bama coach **Ray Perkins** had ever lost a football game the week of his birthday. Perkins turned 45 on Nov. 6. Auburn coach **Pat Dye's** birthday is the same day. Dye is 47 . . . We were sitting with a pro scout last week at the **Tennessee-Ole Miss** game. Besides obvious pro prospect **Cornelius Bennett**, he was very high on wide receiver **Ricky Nattiel** of Florida and offensive tackle **Bruce Wilkerson** of the Vols. Neither can miss, he says . . . This year's **Mississippi State-Alabama** game marked the first time Tide coach Ray Perkins had a team to play against one of his former assistants. Bulldog coach **Rocky Felker** coached at Alabama for two years . . . **The Last Word:** Auburn basketball coach **Sonny Smith**, at the recent SEC Media Days. Admitting he loves country music, Sonny said he recently had one of his favorite groups dedicate a song to Alabama Coach Wimp Sanderson. The song? "Born To Lose!"

'Cats May Need Atlas To Get To Games In '87

Kentucky's early pre-conference basketball schedule could be a great one next season and Coach Eddie Sutton's remarkable recruiting success earlier this month did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm.

Sources have told TCP there is an excellent chance that the Wildcats will make a couple long road trips, one to the Great Alaska Shootout and perhaps to the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame Tip-Off Classic in Springfield, Mass.

Officials at the University of Alaska have said that UK will appear in the 1987 event the first weekend of December.

Kentucky is one of several schools being considered for the Tip-Off Classic which showcases two of the nation's finest teams a week prior to the regular season tip-off.

A decision on the Tip-Off Classic could be made within the next three or four weeks.

Kentucky and Duke played in the inaugural Tip-Off Classic back in 1979 when Sam Bowie was a freshman.

Kentucky normally would also be playing both Indiana and Louisville at home next season but Sutton has said he wants to break up playing both IU and Louisville the same season on the road.

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With the basketball season getting under way Saturday night, several readers have requested information about picking up Wildcat games out-of-state.

Tom Stevens of the Kentucky Network said fans in as many as 40 states can pick up the UK games by turning the dial to 700 and listening to WLW Radio in Cincinnati, the powerful 50,000-watt, clear-channel station.

UK's big two stations in Kentucky are WVLK Radio, located at 590 on the dial in Lexington and WAVG Radio in Louisville which is located at 970 on the dial.

Several games are being televised live in December over the UK Television Network. Those games are beamed by satellite and viewers interested in picking them up on home satellites should contact Ed Shadburne at Louisville Productions on how to pick up the games.

The games are not always shown on the same transponder each time so there is no set position to pick the games up.

Viewers in Central Kentucky will tune to WKYT-TV, Channel 27 for most of their Wildcat games this winter.

In addition to the regular UK network, Channel 27 will also carry the entire SEC television schedule from Jefferson-Pilot according to Channel 27 vice-president Ralph Gabbard.

A few none-UK Southeastern Conference games may be taped-delayed or carried live by WDKY-TV according to Gabbard.

For the first time in history, all three major network stations in Lexington will get some piece of the UK action.

CBS' Channel 27 has the bulk of the action, but NBC affiliate WLEX-TV (Channel 18) will carry the February 7 Kentucky at Alabama game and the February 21 Kentucky at LSU contest.

Meanwhile, ABC-TV gets into the collegiate basketball action for the first time this winter and will televise two UK games, the January 18 LSU at Kentucky battle and the January 25 Navy at Kentucky war.

ABC-TV gets the biggest game of all when it will show the championship contest of the SEC Tournament from Atlanta on March 8.

One of ABC's color analysts this winter will be former UK coach Joe B. Hall.

Q&A

Sutton Discusses UK's 76-74 Loss To Yugoslavian Nationals

Following are coach Eddie Sutton's comments after the Yugoslavian National team defeated Kentucky 76-74.

Question: What are your thoughts on the game?

Sutton: I liked our basketball team at times tonight. I thought they showed a lot of character the way they fought back and had a chance to win the ballgame. I think we also saw what the three-point shot will do to college basketball. It allowed us to come back. I think it may be good for the roundball sport. I also told the squad it's hard to work from behind, and it seemed like we playing from behind all night long. Hopefully we learned a lesson from that. I'm glad the game doesn't count on our record, but (Yugoslavia) is a Top 20 ballclub. They would certainly be ranked in the Top 20 if you were to rank them with college basketball teams from around the country. We got down, buried ourselves and then had a hard time finding our way out. I was proud of the way the guys fought back. The crowd got into it, and that helped us. We learned a lot about our basketball team tonight. We had a lot of adversity with the loss of some of our players. It's hard to go out there (in practice) and play three-on-three and four-on-four. We finally put all of our scholarship players together. Now we've got 10 days to go back and try to get the ballclub put together before we play Austin Peay.

You have to give Yugoslavia a lot of credit. They're a good basketball team. They shot the ball very well and they handled the ball very well. I think early in the game we turned the ball over too many times. In the first half we turned it over 10 times. If you're playing a good squad it's hard to recover from that. Our inside attack wasn't as good, we know that. Our perimeter game's probably better than our inside game. But I thought that Rob (Lock), Richard (Madison) and Irv (Thomas) certainly played well at times. I feel, it's just a matter of time. I think when we get Cedric (Jenkins) back we'll be OK.

Question: What about the three-pointer?

Sutton: Well, I said that all along, I don't think any college coach right now knows for sure what the three-point shot will do to the college game. I think all of us saw tonight, for the first time, that it is a lot different.

Question: What did you think about the situation at the end of the game where it was smart to foul Rex Chapman to keep him from shooting a three-pointer?

Sutton: It was a smart play on their part. I thought it was a very wise play on their part to foul Rex. If he would have hit the shot it would have been a horrible shot. But he didn't hit the shot.

Question: You said before you thought the three-point shot was good for the roundball sport. Based on tonight, have you changed your thinking, do you like the shot now?

Sutton: I didn't say I liked it, I said it's changed the game. And I think all of us got a real taste of it tonight. It may be (good) but I want to play a few more games before I make a decision on that. I don't know. But it does change the game.

Question: Would you concede though that the rule could help your team, because you have good outside shooting and not much inside strength right now?

Sutton: We hit some shots there late, Davender hit some shots and Rex hit some. Let me see the stat sheet . . . we hit 10 of 16 from there, so we may start a perimeter offense next week. Have five guards in the starting lineup against Austin Peay.

Question: About the tempo of the game. You played a lot of halfcourt offense. Given the 10 for 16 (shooting from three-point range), will you go back and take a look at maybe going for a little more early offense, try to play more up-tempo?

Sutton: No we haven't changed our offense any. We want to run if by the opportunity's there. If it's not, we've got to have the high percentage shot, so if it's not there we're gonna play the halfcourt game. We haven't change our offensive philosophy one bit. You've got to have the ball before you can run. As small as we are everybody has to be a defensive rebounder. I do believe with the perimeter shooters we have, we're gonna have to incorporate some special scoring plays, which we did (tonight). I didn't think we'd have to use them, but we did. We might have to put some more in.



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Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Three Years Ago

*Kentucky football coach Jerry Claiborne gave his Wildcats a few days off before getting down to business in preparation for the Dec. 22 clash with West Virginia in the Hall of Fame Bowl in Birmingham. Claiborne and his 'Cats said they were excited about making UK's first trip to postseason action since 1976.

*Kentucky flexed its muscles in rolling to a convincing win over Louisville in the season opener for both schools at Rupp Arena. Built up as a dream game of sorts, the Wildcats roared out to a big lead in the first half and never looked back as Sam Bowie returned to the lineup with an awesome shot-blocking performance.

*Following UK's win over U of L, *Sports Illustrated* spotlighted the game with Sam Bowie rejecting a Jeff Hall shot on the cover. The story went on to talk about the Cardinals' plea for years to play the game and how the

'Cats finally agreed under political pressure.

Seven Years Ago

*Guard Kyle Macy of Kentucky was the only unanimous choice on the All-Southeastern Conference basketball team chosen by the league's coaches. Joining Macy on the first team were guard Tommy Springer of Vandy, forwards John Stroud of Ole Miss and Rudy Macklin of LSU and center Reggie Johnson of Tennessee.

*One-hundred and sixty-six persons attended the annual Southeastern Conference basketball press day in Birmingham, Ala. The writers tabbed LSU as the SEC favorite, winning out over Kentucky by a narrow margin. LSU had 624 votes to 608 for Kentucky. Tennessee was picked third, Alabama fourth and Georgia fifth.

*The Kentucky football team lost a Hall of Fame Bowl bid and finished the season with a losing record (5-6) as Alan Duncan of Tennessee kicked a 25-yard field goal with five

seconds remaining in the game to give Tennessee a 20-17 win. The Vols took an early 10-0 lead but UK went ahead with two second-quarter touchdowns, one a 57-yard pass by Chris Jones and the other a nine-yard run from Terry Henry to Felix Wilson. James Berry scored for the Vols in the third quarter and then UK evened the score at 17-all on Rick Strein's 25-yard field goal. The 'Cats were marching for what they hoped would be the winning score when fullback Shawn Donigan fumbled at the Tennessee 44 late in the final period. The Vols then kept the ball on the ground to set up the Duncan's game-winning field goal.

Eleven Years Ago

*Displeased with his guard play, Kentucky basketball coach Joe B. Hall is holding two-a-day practice sessions during the Thanksgiving break and is moving Jack Givens to guard. Givens will now be a swingman and battle Truman Claytor and Larry Johnson for the guard spots. James Lee is being counted on as the 'Cats' sixth man.

Sixteen Years Ago

*Kentucky will open its roundball season against Northwestern and Adolph Rupp says his talented team will be without seven-footer Tom Payne and veteran Mike Casey in the starting lineup. Rupp will instead start Mark Soderberg at center, Larry Steele and Tom Parker at forward and Terry Mills and Kent Hollenbeck at guard.

*Preseason ranked No. 3 in the nation, Kentucky opened its season with a hard-fought 115-100 win at Northwestern. The host team kept it close until the final seven minutes, when UK switched to a zone

defense. Tom Parker paced UK with 23 points and Larry Steele added 20. Mark Soderberg scored 15, Tom Payne 14, Terry Mills 13 and Kent Hollenbeck 11. Ron Snoger of Northwestern led all scorers with 35.

*Michigan rallied to within six points but Kentucky came back to win their basketball home opener 104-93. Mike Casey scored 25 points and Larry Steele had 24, hitting on nine of 13 shots from the field. Tom Payne connected on eight of 11 field goal attempts and sparked the 'Cats down the stretch with 17 points. Kent Hollenbeck added 16 and Mark Soderberg 10. Henry Wilmore was outstanding for the Wolverines, hitting 17 of 21 shots for 40 points.

Thirty-One Years Ago

*The UK football team finished sixth in the 12-team SEC race with a 3-3-1 conference slate. UK was 6-3-1 overall. Ole Miss won the title at 5-1 while Auburn was second at 5-1-1.

*UK end Howard Schnellenberger was the only Wildcat named to the AP All-SEC team. Vandy halfback Charley Horton was the top vote-getter. UK quarterback Bob Hardy made the second team. There was no quarterback selected on the first team.

*Dick Dunkel's prediction rates the Kentucky basketball team fifth in the nation behind San Francisco, North Carolina State, Iowa and Dayton. UP has UK ranked second in the nation behind San Francisco.

*UK football players Bob Hardy and Howard Schnellenberger will play in the annual Blue-Gray football game, playing under present LSU athletic director and former UK assistant Paul Dietzel.

Wildcat Quiz

- Who is the head basketball coach at Austin Peay State University?
 - Leonard Hamilton
 - Joe Dean
 - Lake Kelly
 - Bob Chambers
- When was the last time Kentucky and Austin Peay met on the hardwood?
 - 1979
 - 1975
 - 1973
 - 1971

- Fill in the blank. Eddie Sutton was offered a professional contract in the sport of _____ but turned it down because he wanted to coach basketball.
 - baseball
 - football
 - tennis
 - hockey

- UK guard James Blackmon is from what Indiana city?
 - Gary
 - Peru
 - Fort Wayne
 - Marion

- True or False? UK's Ed Davender averaged over five assists per game last season.

- UK freshman Rex Chapman's father Wayne coaches at what Kentucky school?
 - Centre
 - Kentucky Wesleyan
 - Western
 - Murray

- What player led the SEC in rebounding last year?
 - Kenny Walker
 - John Williams
 - Derrick McKey
 - Jeff Moore

- True or False? UK defeated LSU to win the SEC tournament last season.
- What former UK guard holds the school record for the most assists in a season?
 - Dicky Beal
 - Kyle Macy
 - Roger Harden
 - Dirk Minniefield
- True or False? Former UK guard Gayle Rose has not yet had his jersey dedicated by the UK Athletics Association.



Susan Rudd Named UK Women's Tennis Coach

Susan Rudd has been named acting head women's tennis coach at the University of Kentucky, according to Wildcat athletics director Cliff Hagan. She replaces Mike Patrick, who left the university to accept the position as head men's tennis coach at the University of Arkansas.

The 24-year-old Rudd is a 1984 graduate of Rice University, where she earned AIAW All-America honors and was an AIAW doubles champion in 1982. She has served as an assistant tennis coach at UK since September.

"We're delighted to have Susan move up to this position," Hagan said. "We certainly

wish Mike Patrick well in his new position. He really did a fine job with our women's program. It is currently ranked 13th in the nation, so Susan definitely has some big shoes to fill."

Rudd says she is looking forward to the challenge.

"I'm looking forward to working with our women," Rudd said. "I feel confident I can continue the good leadership that (tennis director) Dennis Emery and Mike Patrick have provided the women's program."

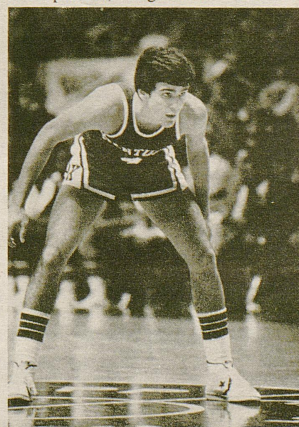
Rudd, a Dayton, Ohio, native serves as a Tour Director for the USTA (United States Tennis Association) Women's Satellite Circuit.

"Susan brings tremendous credentials to our program," Emery said. "We are currently the only Southeastern Conference school with both our men and women's programs ranked in the Top 20. (The men are ranked 18th, the women 13th) I know Coach Rudd will meet the challenge very well."

Rudd will lead UK's Tamaka Takagi and Sonia Hahn to the U.S. Collegiate Clay Court Championship in Bradenton, Fla., Dec. 3. Next spring, the women's team will try to improve last year's No. 2 finish in the SEC.

The University of Kentucky men's doubles team of Richard Benson and Craig VanEmburgh is currently ranked No. 3 nationally by the NCAA.

"That is quite an accomplishment for Craig and Richard," said UK head tennis coach Dennis Emery. "The tough part, though, is keeping that ranking. I'm sure they will do it."



All-American Kyle Macy

Answers

- Lake Kelly
- 1973
- baseball. (Sutton was drafted by the Kansas City A's.)
- Marion, Ind.
- False. (Davender averaged 3.4 assists)
- Kentucky Wesleyan
- John Williams
- False. (UK defeated Alabama in the finals)
- Roger Harden. (232 assists, 1985-86)
- False
- False

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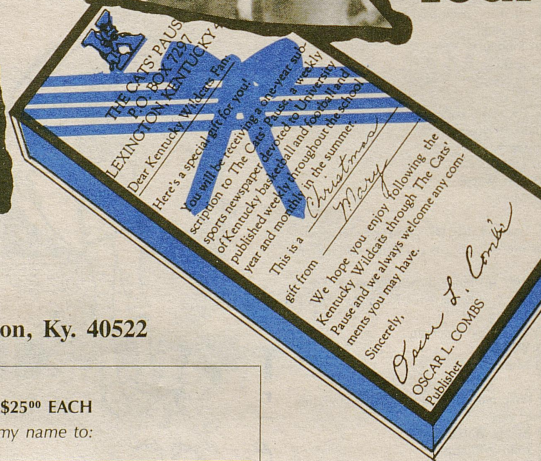
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