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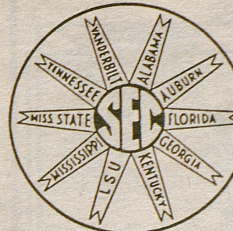
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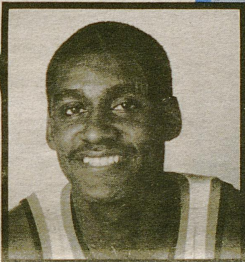
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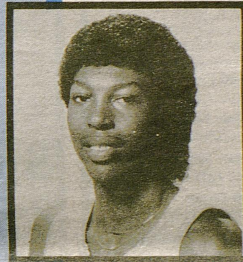
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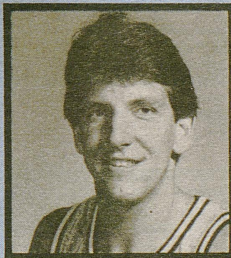


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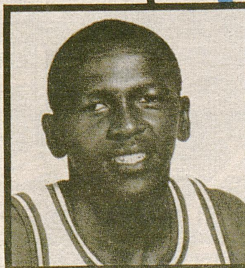


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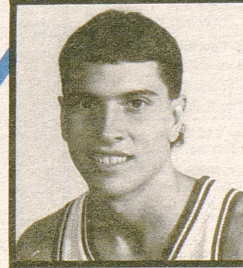


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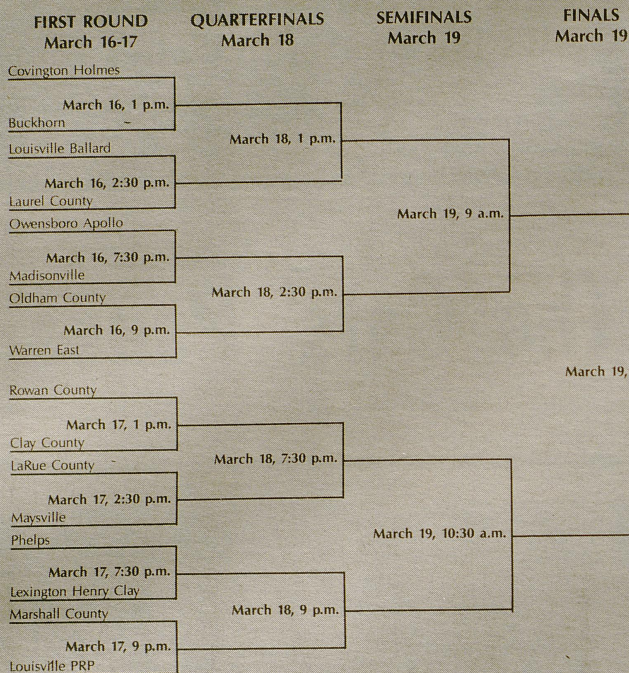
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Cats' Pause chart

Sweet 16 Returns To Freedom Hall; Clay County Hopes To Make It Two In A Row

Defending champ Clay County, along with six other high school teams, are back in this year's Sweet 16. A new twist to the tournament this season is the return of Kentucky's 'Greatest Show on Earth' to Freedom Hall. Not since 1980 has the event been held in Louisville, as for the past seven seasons it's been in Lexington's Rupp Arena.

The move marks the first time the tournament will be held in Freedom Hall since it was given a face lift.

Clay County, losers only once this season in 33 tries, is led by senior Richie Farmer, the leading candidate for the state's Mr. Basketball honors in the

Bluegrass. Other teams which should make a strong bid for the championship are Louisville Ballard, Madisonville, Marshall County, Louisville PRP and Lexington Henry Clay.

Ballard is led by all-stater Allan Houston, a 6-foot-6 junior guard. The Bruins aren't a one-man show, meanwhile, as guard Mark Bell (5-8, 154) and Kenneth Martin (6-3, 178) proved last season their tourney-tested.

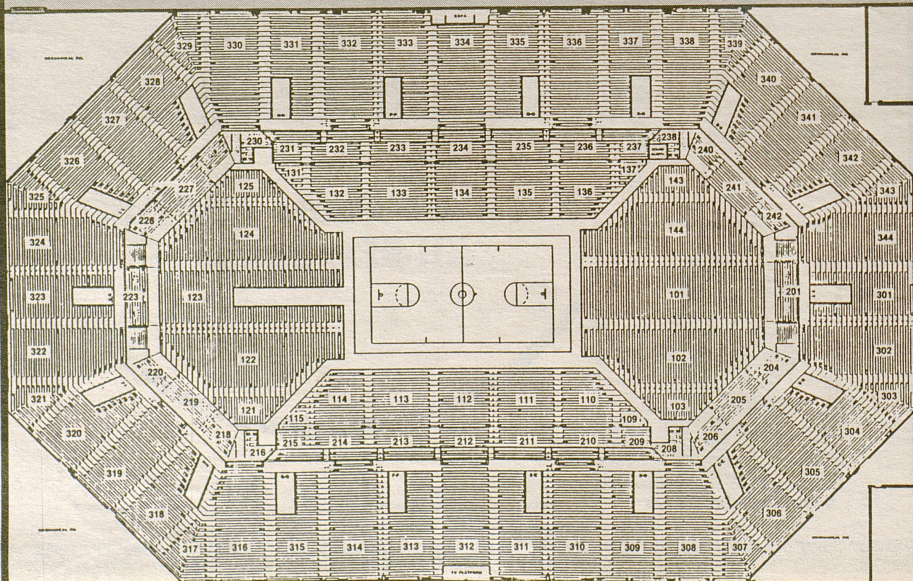
Last year Ballard made it all the way to the championship game before being edged by Clay County 76-73. The two are in opposite brackets, thus a championship rematch is possible.

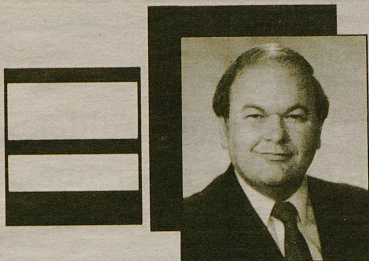
Other teams which were in last year's

Sweet 16 are as follows: LaRue County, Madisonville, Oldham County, Rowan County and Marshall County.

Owensboro Apollo knocked off traditional Sweet 16 participant Owensboro in the regional finals. The last time the Eagles were in the final 16 was when a fellow by the name Rex Chapman played for them (1985).

Not only will Farmer and Houston's talents be on display, but Russ Chadwell (Clay County), Chris Bowles and Travis Ford of Madisonville, Scott Boley of LaRue County, Mitch Cothran (Marshall County), Greg Johnson (Warren East), and John Hartlage (Oldham County) are worth the price of admission.





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Cincy's Not Home, But It's The Next Best Thing

Notre Dame may be in Chapel Hill, N.C.; Xavier may be in Lincoln, Neb.; North Carolina may be in Salt Lake City, Utah; Utah State may be in Lincoln, Neb.; and Georgia Tech may be in Hartford, Conn., but the Kentucky Wildcats are in Cincinnati and Purdue is in South Bend.

Sure, the 'Cats won't be playing in their home state as the NCAA tournament gets underway this week, but you'd better believe they will enjoy the next best thing to a homecourt advantage.

Cincinnati's Riverfront Coliseum will become Rupp Arena-North, and you can count on that.

☐ For a complete look at the bracket for the 1988 NCAA tournament, please turn to pages 14 and 15.

And just how were the Wildcats afforded such luck, especially in light of some doomsayers who predicted the NCAA would send Kentucky somewhere near China after the Wildcat program was declared not guilty of allegations brought forth during a two-year probe a few weeks ago?

When you consider the NCAA's decision to ship so many other teams away from home, even the most ardent UK fan has to ponder the selection committee's decision.

Perhaps it was to reward Kentucky for its play down the stretch, winning its last seven games in a row, including four during the regular season and three in the Southeastern Conference tourney.

Perhaps it was to show the nation that the NCAA committee would make its own decision and not the media or other critics around the country.

The committee's decision probably can be attributed more to UK's win streak and sudden charge up the poll standings than any finger-pointing or "getting back" at anyone.

Most likely, several other schools would have been afforded the opportunity to stay near home had they performed well down the stretch and played a decent schedule.

A couple points:

Let's take North Carolina. The Tar Heels fell from grace near the end of the season and took a nosedive. The committee chairman even said the group decided early Sunday morning that the winner of the ACC Tournament title game would be allowed to stay home at Chapel Hill and the loser would go west. Duke downed Carolina and the Tar Heels hit the road.

Notre Dame sports a pretty decent record, but the wins came against a bunch of bunnies, save the early season victory over Louisville. In all fairness, there were some teams left on the sidelines which were more deserving than the Irish, so Digger Phelps cannot complain too much.

Utah State and Georgia Tech would have preferred to stay near home at Salt Lake City and Atlanta respectively, but neither deserve the reward, based on their

play late in the season.

Kentucky, however, wasn't the only team rewarded for outstanding play. Purdue and Gene Keady were finally given a little justice and allowed to stay in South Bend.

Purdue, if you recall, is the team which has been shafted more than any other school in the country over the past few years. Not this time. The Boilermakers have earned their No. 2 national ranking and there would have been a public outcry if the committee had sent Purdue anywhere but South Bend.

In fact, Purdue has a better shot at making the trip to the Final Four than any other team in America. Part of that, I believe, is because Keady's team is the best team in the country right now. But there is yet another factor—the Midwest field.

The NCAA not only put Purdue in the Midwest, but the remainder of the Midwest field is extremely weak compared to the other regionals. Only Pittsburgh, seeded No. 2 in the Midwest, stands in Purdue's path to the Final Four.

In the Southeast where Kentucky is the No. 2 seed behind Oklahoma, there figure to be some outstanding matchups along the way to the Final Four.

Kentucky should handle Southern at 9:37 p.m. Friday and then meet the winner of the Maryland-UCSB (Santa Barbara) on Sunday afternoon.

The four other teams at the Cincinnati sub-regional are Villanova taking on Arkansas and Illinois meeting Texas-San Antonio. So if Kentucky survives its first two games, the 'Cats are most likely to meet either Villanova or Illinois. The most interesting matchup, though, could be Eddie Sutton facing his old Arkansas team, which has three seniors recruited by Sutton before he left Razorback Country for Lexington three years ago. But that would only happen in Birmingham.

Should the Wildcats make it to the finals of the Southeast Regional, there are all kinds of neat possibilities. How about Kentucky running and gunning with Oklahoma, or the 'Cats meeting Sonny Smith and his Auburn Tigers? There could be a rematch with Jeff Mullins and UNCC (remember the controversial ending of the UKIT championship?).

But the *real* one would be Kentucky and Louisville hooking up for a spot in the Final Four. Louisville opens against Oregon State at Atlanta and then would meet the winner of the BYU-UNCC game. The Cards, on a roll after winning the Metro Conference tournament in Memphis, look to be a good choice to meet Oklahoma in a semifinal match at Birmingham next week.

And to the West Regional. This is the one with a lot of darkhorses. Arizona is the early favorite, but don't overlook the likes of UTEP, UNLV, Michigan, Wyoming and North Carolina. Florida, if Norm Sloan can treat a few egos, could make some waves, and Iowa will not be a pushover.

The strongest region has to be the East. First you have Temple. Then add in

Duke, Syracuse, Rhode Island, Indiana, Georgia Tech, Missouri and SMU. And no one is safe around the likes of Georgetown, LSU and Iowa State. Notre Dame looks good in name, but the Irish will head home about halftime of their opening game.

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Our Final Four picks?

How about Purdue from the Midwest? There's no match for the Boilermakers, save one run from the Pitt Panthers.

Duke will survive in the East where the Blue Devils will defeat Temple in one of the tourney's finest games.

It'll be Michigan from the West. The Wolverines will take care of North Carolina in Seattle (if Wyoming doesn't pull off the upset earlier) and then Michigan will beat UTEP for the Final Four spot after UTEP upsets Arizona in the second round.

So you've been waiting for the Southeast, have you?

This will be a dandy.

Coach Eddie Sutton's 'Cats have been playing well lately and they should be primed by the time they get to Birmingham next week after solid, but closer-than-expected wins over Southern and UC-Santa Barbara this weekend.

Also emerging from the Cincinnati sub-regional with Kentucky will be Illinois which will defeat Villanova on Sunday after Villanova eliminates Arkansas on Friday.

Meeting with Kentucky and Illinois in Birmingham will be Oklahoma or Auburn (I'm not real sure about the Tigers holding off Bradley as this could be the finest of the first-round games in the country. They'll run and gun all night), and Louisville or BYU.

I like Oklahoma and Louisville. Auburn cannot keep pace with two run-and-gun clubs back-to-back, and there's no way BYU can stay on the same floor with Louisville.

That gives us Oklahoma versus Louisville in one game and Kentucky going against Illinois in the other. Prime-time, as Dick Vitale says.

It says here it'll be Oklahoma and Kentucky for the big ticket and Eddie Sutton will make his first trip to the Final Four since his old Arkansas team met Kentucky back in 1978.

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NCAA TOURNEY TIDBITS. . . Kentucky had better make the most of this run at the NCAA title. First of all, the 'Cats will be without stars **Ed Davender**, **Winston Bennett**, **Rob Lock** and **Cedric Jenkins** next season and you just don't replace that kind of experience. Oh, I know **LeRon Ellis** and **Eric Manuel** will be better, but just think about that early non-conference schedule next season which includes the likes of **Louisville**, **Syracuse**, **The Hall of Fame Classic**, **The Great Alaska Shootout** and the **Big Four Classic**—all away from Lexington.

There will be some losses to say the least and when you have eight or nine losses over the season you won't get a very good seed in the tourney (ask North Carolina). Plus, **Rupp Arena** is hosting the NCAA Southeast Regional next March and you know that means **Kentucky** will be shipped half-way around the world . . . The **Georgia Bulldogs** had to be disappointed with being left out of the NCAA field after playing so well in the Southeastern Conference tourney. Had the Dogs held on against Kentucky, it would have been interesting to see if the NCAA would have taken six SEC teams, or said no to **LSU** . . . Five schools will be playing in the NCAA for the first time. They are Santa Barbara, Eastern Michigan, North Texas State, Seton Hall and Texas-San Antonio . . . **Arizona** enters the big event with most wins—31. On the other end, **LSU** has most losses—13. The Tigers are 16-13 while Arizona is 31-2.

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When Kentucky won the Southeastern Conference Tourney in Baton Rouge Sunday, it marked the third straight year a team won both the regular-season championship and the postseason tourney.

Kentucky turned the trick two years ago during Eddie Sutton's first campaign in Big Blue Country. Last season, Alabama won both titles and the Wildcats duplicated their feat of two years ago last week.

Kentucky's sudden dominance caused syndicated sports columnist **Stan Torger** to speculate that the SEC will return to the days of old when the Wildcats thoroughly dominated league play.

"It's going to be Kentucky and the nine dwarfs again," said the newspaper columnist. "Kentucky is on the verge of dominating just like it used to 30 years ago. Eddie Sutton is the best coach in the land, they have the greatest players in the country and Kentucky has the greatest facilities. They have it all."

Hummmmm!

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Kentucky's first-round game against Southern University will tip off at 9:37 p.m. Friday at Cincinnati's Riverfront Coliseum.

The game is expected to be televised live in Kentucky, but the station list had not been announced by NCAA Productions by press time Monday.

ESPN is carrying several first-round games on Thursday and Friday, but will not carry any beyond the first round. All other games will be carried by CBS-TV on either a regional or national basis according to officials of the NCAA.

CBS-TV will carry live two first-round games, the first being on Thursday night at 11:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) from Salt Lake City and the second on Friday night at 11:30 p.m. (Eastern Time) from Los Angeles.

Fans should check their local TV [Continued On Page 22]

Mirror Image?

'Cats, Rebs Play Similar Style, But Kentucky Just Had Too Many Athletes In 82-64 Win In Second Round Of Southeastern Conference Tournament

By TCP Columnist Mike Estep

BATON ROUGE, La. — When you look at Ole Miss and Kentucky as they take the hardwood, you see a pair similar teams, but in different stages of development. Kentucky of course, a contender for this season's Final Four and the NCAA's all-time leader in victories, has been in the business of winning games and championships forever it seems. Ole Miss, on the other hand, under the direction of Ed Murphy, is just getting its feet wet.

At least that's how the Ole Miss coach sees it. "We've gained a lot of ground in our program the last two years," Murphy said following Kentucky's 82-64 win over his Rebels, the third this season and the second in a six-day period. "Rod Barnes is the only player that played one minute for the previous coach (Lee Hunt). So we've changed out every player in our program and avoided a disastrous season. I was afraid that we would lose all of the momentum that we built up last year.

"But it is obvious that even though we've made up some ground and made those changes, we have not caught up to Kentucky. The difference simply is athletic: They run a motion offense and we run one. I think we played pretty tough when we got after them. But we can't shoot the ball with 'em because we don't have the athletes they have. The difference in the shooting percentage? When they get an offensive rebound, they stick it back in. When we get an offensive rebound, we're not strong enough to score with it."

It's almost as simple as that. Kentucky just had two many horses for the undermanned Rebels to handle in the second round of the SEC tournament.

'Cats Have Too Much Firepower For Rebels...

With Winston Bennett and Rex Chapman leading the way, scoring 15 and 10 points respectively in the first half, the Wildcats, who shot 69.6 percent from the field for the first 20 minutes, raced out to a 42-29 halftime edge. Barnes, the Rebels' all-conference performer, scored the first two buckets after intermission to bring Ole Miss to within nine at 42-33 with 18:12 left to be played. But Kentucky went on a 12-point run, holding Ole Miss scoreless for the next six minutes, to take a 54-33 advantage at the 12:08 mark. For all intents and purposes, the game was over.

It was the defense that forced the long Ole Miss dry spell—and held Barnes, who erupted for 31 points in UK's 78-71 victory over Ole Miss in Oxford in the SEC regular-season finale, to 18, 13 of those coming after the game had been decided—that UK coach Eddie Sutton was most proud of.

"I thought defensively we played pretty well," Sutton said. "There in the second half, when we broke the ballgame and got up 20 points, I thought it was the defense more than anything else."



UK's Sticky Defense Was Too Much For Rebs

But even though the Wildcats shot 55 percent from the floor for the contest and placed four players in double figures—Chapman and Bennett had 19, Rob Lock 13 and LeRon Ellis 11—Sutton said he still sees room for improvement.



"Any time you shoot the basketball as well as we did tonight, shoot over 50 percent, then that covers up a lot of other mistakes," he said. "One of the mistakes we've been having a lot of trouble with lately, and we did again tonight, is board play. We're giving up way too many offensive rebounds (17), especially to a team that is considerable shorter than we are. We turned the ball over too many times tonight (17) and our free throw shooting (six of 15 for 56 percent) is not what it has been."

UK-Ole Miss Notes & Quotes

Ole Miss coach Ed Murphy had this to say about Kentucky's chances of winning the tournament title: "I think that the key with them is shooting the ball. When they hit those jumpshots, I don't think there's anybody in the league that can beat 'em, they're the best team. They play great defense, they're beautifully coached and they're great athletes. And they have excellent depth. By changing the lineup around a couple of times this year, what he's done is developed two players that come off the bench that are as good as the starters, just about." . . . On of those reserves is LeRon Ellis. And the Friday night contest was a coming-out party of sorts for the 6-11 freshman. Ellis lost his starting position to fellow freshman Eric Manuel late in the season and had been having trouble producing away from the friendly confines of Rupp Arena. But against the Rebels, Ellis hit five of 10 attempts from the field and added a free throw for 11 points, and also pulled down six rebounds in 20 minutes of action. . . . Ed Davender took just six shots for the game, hitting three of them for six points, but handed out a game-high seven assists. . . . Eddie Sutton was able to play 12 players during the game, giving his starters needed rest for a run at the tourney title. In addition to Ellis, Cedric Jenkins, Richard Madison, Mike Scott, Sean Sutton, Derrick Miller and Reggie Hanson came off the bench for the 'Cats. "One thing, we were happy to play everyone," Sutton said. "We have to get our squad right back to the hotel, get 'em something to eat, get 'em back to bed and be right back here in less than 24 hours. I thought it was important for us to be able to win the game and not play our starters for 35 or 40 minutes. So we were able to rest 'em a little bit."

UK-Ole Miss Play-By-Play

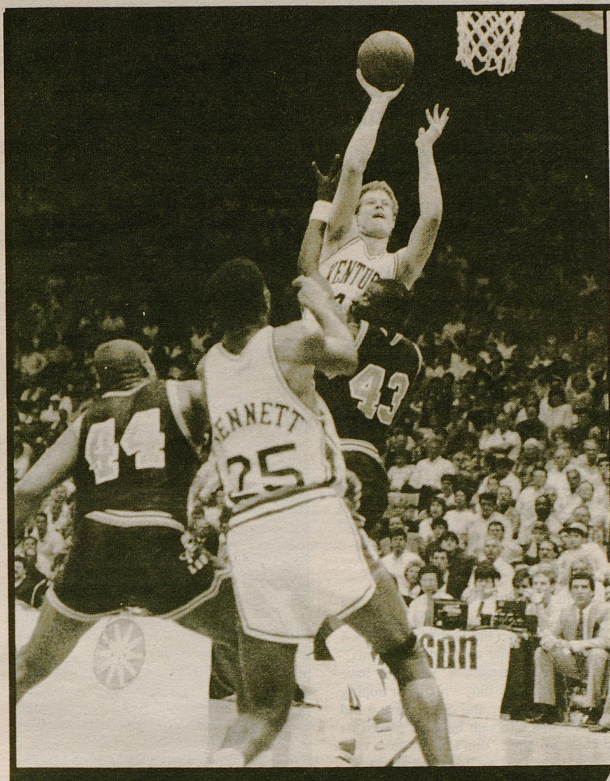
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18:38		2-2	Jumper layup
17:42	Lock FT, FT	4-2	
17:25	Lock dunk	6-2	
16:36	Bennett layup	8-2	
15:15	Bennett 8 ft.	10-2	
15:02		10-4	Jumper 12 ft.
14:30		10-6	Paul 7 ft. hook
13:38		10-8	Jumper FT, FT
13:27	Ellis layup	12-8	
13:11		12-10	Murphy FT, FT
12:31	Ellis 10 ft.	14-10	
11:37	Ellis 6 ft.	16-10	
11:11	Chapman 20 ft.	19-10	
10:23		19-12	Ward 10 ft.
8:57	Lock FT, FT	21-12	
8:34		20-14	Barnes 14 ft.
7:57	Bennett FT, FTA	21-14	
7:25		21-16	Barnes 10 ft.
6:54	Bennett layup	23-16	
6:22	Chapman 8 ft.	25-16	
6:03		25-18	Jumper layup
5:43	Chapman 20 ft.	28-18	
5:20		28-21	Prater 20 ft.
5:01	Bennett 18 ft.	30-21	
4:34	Chapman dunk	32-21	
4:08	Bennett layup	34-21	
4:03		34-24	Prater 22 ft.
3:08		34-26	Jumper 10 ft.
2:07	Bennett FT, FT	36-26	
1:43	Ellis 6 ft.	38-26	
1:28		38-27	Barnes FTA, FT
1:00	Bennett FT, FT	40-27	
0:39		40-29	Prater 12 ft.
0:01	Lock layup	42-29	

HALF 42-29

19:08		42-31	Barnes 16 ft.
18:50		42-33	Barnes 14 ft.
18:12	Chapman 16 ft.	44-33	
17:21	Davender 12 ft.	46-33	
16:59	Chapman layup	48-33	
15:11	Ellis 6 ft.	50-33	
13:14	Bennett 16 ft.	52-33	
12:20	Bennett 17 ft.	54-33	
12:08		54-35	Barnes FT, FT
11:39		54-37	Barnes 12 ft.
11:25	Chapman 18 ft.	56-37	
10:58	Jenkins layup	58-37	
10:44		58-40	Jumper 22 ft.
10:14		58-42	Jumper 12 ft.
9:07	Jenkins layup	60-42	
8:33	Lock layup	62-42	
8:08	Chapman FTA, FT	63-42	
7:57		64-45	Barnes 20 ft.
7:33	Chapman FT, FT	66-45	
7:00	Lock follow dunk	67-45	
6:52		67-47	Prater FT, FT
6:40	Ellis FTA, FT	68-47	
6:16		68-49	Murphy layup
5:46	Hanson FT, FT	70-49	
5:35		70-51	Jumper 18 ft.
5:24	Lock dunk	72-51	
5:06		72-53	Murphy 8 ft. hook
4:33	Davender layup	74-53	
3:30		74-55	Murphy tip in
3:03	Hanson 6 ft.	76-55	
2:44	Sutton layup	78-55	
2:02	Scott tip in	80-55	
1:48		80-57	Jumper 6 ft.
1:23		80-59	Barnes layup
1:04	Hanson 18 ft.	82-59	
0:38		82-62	Allen 21 ft.
0:10		82-64	Jones, 12 ft.

—Cats' Pause chart

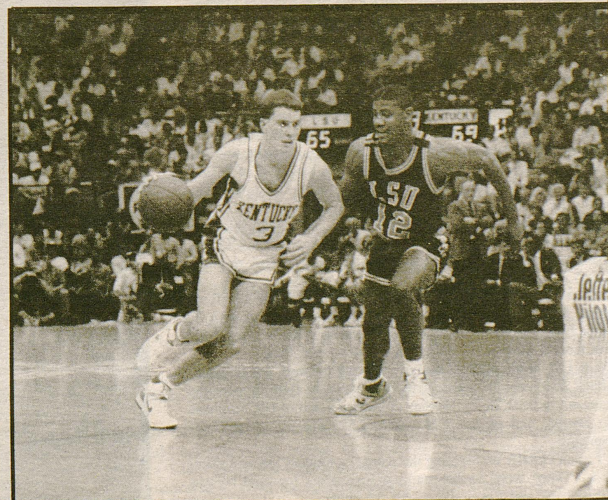
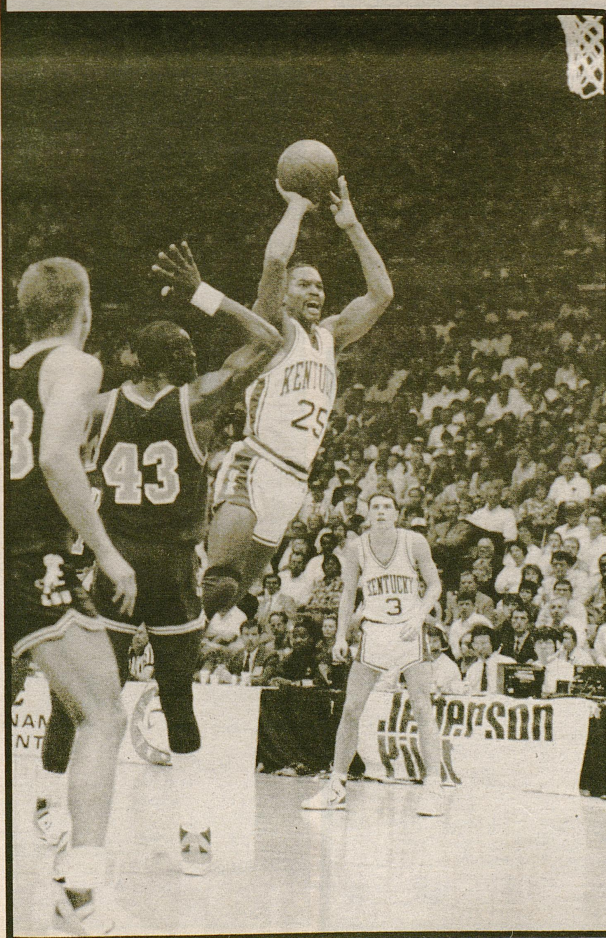
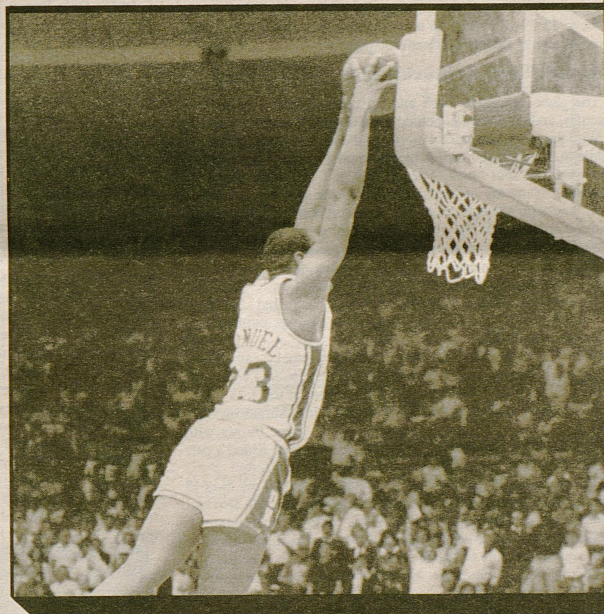
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221	TIM JUMPER	8-15	1-2	2	2	1	2	1	19
231	RODOLPH BARNES	8-15	1-2	2	2	1	2	1	19
311	CECILE JENKINS	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	1	0
321	CECILE JENKINS	1-2	0-0	1	0	1	1	1	2
341	CHARLES PRATER	3-11	2-5	2	2	4	2	6	10
351	RODOLPH BARNES	1-3	0-0	0	1	4	2	6	3
401	MIKE PAUL	1-3	0-0	0	1	0	1	1	0
411	BO JONES	1-1	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	3
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15	ED DAVENDER	3-5	1-0	0	0	1	2	3	6
21	SEAN SUTTON	1-2	0-0	0	4	0	1	1	1
23	EDIE HANSEN	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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31	RODOLPH BARNES	2-3	0-0	2	2	1	3	0	6
35	REGGIE HANSON	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	1	0	0
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44	BO JONES	5-6	0-0	3	6	4	1	5	13
45	MIKE SCOTT	1-2	0-0	0	3	1	4	1	2
55	CECILE JENKINS	2-2	0-0	0	0	5	5	2	4
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)									
TOTALS 33 0 2 14 14 25 12 22 40 12 82									
TOTAL FG % 1st Half 46.4 (23-50) 2nd Half 49.1 (23-47) Game 47.8 (46-97)									
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OFFICIALS: DON PERDUE, CAROL WATKINS									
Technical Fouls: BEN DUNN									
Attendance: 14,052									
SCORE BY PERIODS									
Kentucky 29 35 14 64									
Ole Miss 12 40 12 82									



'CATS KING OF SEC

UK's thrilling 86-80 win over LSU was a picture-perfect contest between two well-prepared clubs. (Top left, clockwise): Here, Rob Lock drills a short jumper late in the game to give the 'Cats the lead for keeps; With authority Eric Manuel scores two of his career-high 24 points; Rex Chapman tries to make his move past Darryl Joe; and Winston says 'Out of my way.'

Photos By David Sterling



Tiger By The Tail

Eric Manuel, Rebounding From A Poor Performance Against Ole Miss, Put Together A Strong Second Half To Help Key Kentucky Past LSU 86-80

By TCP Columnist Mike Este

BATON ROUGE, La. — Eric Manuel saw Kentucky's game with LSU in the semifinals of the SEC tournament as a way to atone for his earlier performance against Ole Miss. In 16 minutes in the Wildcats' 82-64 win over the Rebels, the only positive mark next to Manuel's name was for his one steal. He was held scoreless, missing his only field goal attempt, and had no rebounds or assists.

So, the super freshman from Macon, Ga., who had saved Kentucky's hide on numerous occasions down the stretch run of the regular season, went back to his hotel room Friday night and did some thinking.

"I went back and thought about it, I thought a lot about last night's game because I played real bad," Manuel said. "So today, it was a big game and I knew I had to come out and play well."

He did.

After getting off to a relatively slow start once again in UK's 86-80 win over the Tigers—he had seven points and five rebounds in the first half—Manuel took charge in the second half. With Kentucky coming out of the locker room on the short end of a 40-35 score at the break, Manuel almost single-handedly put the 'Cats back in the game. He hit two medium-range jumpers to pull UK to within three at 42-39 with 19:16 to play, and then got back-to-back two-hand dunks to cut the LSU advantage to 44-43.

Manuel Keys Kentucky Into Final Game. . .

The game see-sawed back and forth for much of the next 17 minutes, and then Manuel helped drive the nail in the Tiger coffin.

With the game tied at 77 with two and a half minutes remaining, Eddie Sutton signaled for his troops to take the air out of the ball and work the shot clock. Manuel took the ball from guard Ed Davender at the top of the key, and with the shot clock winding down under 10 seconds, fired in a three-pointer, only his second in three attempts for the year, to give UK some breathing room at 80-77 at the 1:59 mark.

"After Ed had penetrated, he looked to me and there was like seven seconds left (on the shot clock)," Manuel said. "I knew I had to put up the shot. It felt good, it went through and I was happy I hit it. I didn't even really know it was a three-pointer until I saw the ref put his arms up in the air."

Following Manuel's clutch three-pointer, Kentucky came down and set up in a zone. LSU's Bernard Woodside answered with three of his own on a 21-footer from the right corner at the 1:23 mark.

Rob Lock hit a turnaround five-footer over Jose Vargas on UK's next possession, and then Manuel hit a pair of free throws with :33 left to widen the lead to four at 84-80. Davender added a pair of free throws with :11 left to account for the final score.

For the game, Manuel had a game-high 24 points on 10-of-15 shooting from the field, three-for-three from the line. He also had seven rebounds, five assists and only one turnover in 36 minutes.

"Last night I was kinda in a slump," Manuel said, "so I had to come out tonight and establish myself. I got off to a great start in the second half. It came down to where they were sagging off on Rex (Chapman) and Ed, so I knew I had to put up the shot, and the shots were falling for me."

"He turned 'em around," LSU coach Dale Brown said of Manuel. "When Eric started to come on weeks ago, that made them the team they are. He's probably been their key to success. I think they were on the brink of maybe crumbling had Eric not come along."

. . . But The Freshman Had Plenty Of Help

It wasn't a one-man show, however. Against a variety of Tiger zones, Kentucky stationed senior forward Winston Bennett on the high post and Manuel and Chapman on the wings. Bennett was able to penetrate the teeth of the zone for 23 points, hitting 10 of 17 field goal attempts. Chapman threw in 20 points from the outside, including five three pointers.

"Winston was really doing the job inside," Chapman said, "so we were definitely trying to look to him. And then Coach told Eric at halftime that he needed to shoot the ball, and Eric really responded well."

Kentucky's explosion in the second half overshadowed a brilliant display from LSU guard Darryl Joe. Joe, who finished with 23 points, had 18 at halftime, 10 of them coming in a row when LSU went from a three-point deficit to a seven-point lead.

With LSU trailing 25-22 midway through the half, Joe hit back-to-back 20 footers on consecutive trips down the floor to move the Tigers out in front 28-25. He then converted a pair of UK turnovers into layups, and at the 7:24 mark, LSU opened up a 32-25 advantage.

"I wasn't totally dominating the game," a modest Joe said afterwards. "They were double-teaming Jose down low and he was feeding back and I was able to hit the shots."

Neither team was able to gain much of an edge for the rest of half, and LSU went into the locker room at intermission with a 40-35 lead.

Sutton's 'Do-Better' Talk Works Wonders Again

That's when Sutton, who's been known to work an oratory miracle or two—he likes to call them "do-better" talks—went to work. "At halftime, I got after our players pretty good," Sutton said. "Our guards were 5-18 in the first half, and we played very much like we had played at times during the middle of the year. We did not allow the offense to come to us. We didn't attack the zone. We didn't get the ball inside nearly enough."

So he let the team know that, in no uncertain terms, and it worked to perfection.

"In the past, Coach might have gotten on us pretty hard and we'd draw up in our shell," Chapman said. "And we wanted to win this game so bad, we knew that we were gonna have to go out and listen to what he said, go out there and put it to use. We just want to win, and we're willing to do what ever it takes to win."

UK-LSU Note & Quotes

LSU's Dale Brown said in his postgame press conference that he believes Kentucky what in takes to win the national title. . . on one condition: That the Wildcats don't meet the Tigers in the NCAA tournament. "I think Kentucky can be the national champions," Brown said, "unless they play us in a tournament. We might have a chance to knock 'em off if we do get a bid, which I'm hoping we do." . . . LSU did sneak by, of course, and did receive a bid to the NAAs. And Brown says that although his club played its best against the 'Cats and came up short, don't count them out. "We played as well as we could today, but we haven't peaked yet," Brown said with a hearty laugh, although he quickly added that he wasn't kidding. "I'm serious. I think they're getting more confidence. These last two games (against Vandy and UK) we've played really great ball." . . . If you can stand it, just one more word from Brown, this time on Eddie Sutton's club: "He's not only got by far the best talent in the league, and no one's even close, his second team is as good as any team in the league. And that's a compliment to their recruiting and also a compliment to him." . . . For the second consecutive night, Kentucky shot better than 50 percent from the field. The hot-shooting 'Cats converted 33 of 61 attempts for 54.1 percent. . . In contrast to the Ole Miss game, when Eddie Sutton was able to use 12 players, the UK coach was only able to get seven players into action. Guards Rex Chapman and Ed Davender each played the full 40 minutes, while Winston Bennett and Eric Manuel played 38 and 36 minutes, respectively. . . Kentucky didn't exactly set the world on fire in three-point shooting in the first half, hitting just three of 11 bonus babies for 27.3 percent, but in the second half, when it counted, UK made all four of its attempts. Manuel's was perhaps the biggest, and Chapman also made three from long range in the second half.

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE									
Cat. 3-12-88 - 5:45 PM - Assembly Center									
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UK-LSU Play-By-Play			
Time	Kentucky	Score	LSU
18:31		0-3	Joe, 21 ft.
18:15	Bennett 3 ft.	2-3	
17:49	Chapman 23 ft.	5-3	
17:18		5-5	Vargas 5 ft hook
16:57	Lock layup	7-5	
16:23		7-7	Joe 14 ft.
15:22	Manuel layup, FT	10-7	
15:11		10-9	Vargas dunk
14:48	Bennett 10 ft.	12-9	
14:33		12-11	Blanton 16 ft
14:15	Chapman 14 ft.	14-11	
13:33		14-13	Sims tip
13:15	Davender 21 ft.	17-13	
12:54		17-15	Vargas 8 ft.
12:38	Chapman 21 ft.	20-15	
12:04		20-16	Joe FTA, FT
11:45		20-18	Blanton 8 ft
10:47		20-20	Sims 10 ft
10:10	Ellis tip in	22-20	
10:02		22-22	Woodside 12 ft.
9:46	Chapman FT, FTA	23-22	
9:01	Bennett layup	25-22	
8:44		25-25	Joe 20 ft.
8:21		25-28	20 ft. Joe
7:56		25-30	Joe layup
7:24		25-32	Joe layup
7:09	Davender 16 ft.	27-32	
6:17	Manuel layup	29-32	
6:04		29-34	Vargas dunk
5:32	Bennett layup	31-34	
5:16		31-36	Joe 16 ft.
3:01		31-38	Blanton FT, FT
2:51	Manuel 14 ft	33-38	
2:33	Bennett 10 ft	35-38	
4:2		35-40	Irving FT, FT
HALF		35-40	
19:52	Manuel 14 ft.	37-40	
19:36		37-42	Sims 14 ft.
19:16	Manuel 12 ft	39-42	
18:54	Manuel dunk	41-42	
18:37		41-44	Blanton layup
18:06	Manuel dunk	43-44	
17:36		43-46	Vargas 6 ft.
17:11	Bennett layup, FT	46-46	
16:45		46-48	Blanton layup
16:15	Bennett 4 ft., FT	49-48	
16:00		49-50	Blanton 14 ft
15:43	Chapman 10 ft	51-50	
14:48		51-52	Joe layup
14:15		51-54	Vargas 6 ft.
13:55	Bennett 8 ft	53-54	
13:37		53-56	Woodside 6 ft
13:15	Chapman 20 ft.	56-56	
13:04		56-58	Mouton FT, FT
12:39	Bennett 6 ft, FT	59-58	
12:10	Chapman 21 ft	62-58	
11:23	Chapman 21 ft	65-58	
10:57		65-60	Vargas 4 ft.
10:53		65-62	Sims 8 ft
10:14		65-65	Joe 20 ft
9:56	Manuel 15 ft	67-65	
8:32	Bennett 12 ft.	69-65	
7:39		69-67	Vargas layup
7:13	Davender 17 ft	71-67	
6:56		71-69	Sims 16 ft.
6:32		71-71	Blanton 18 ft.
5:59	Davender 19 ft.	73-71	
5:44		73-73	Sims 12 ft.
5:03	Manuel 16 ft.	75-73	
4:36		75-75	Woodside 19 ft.
2:56	Davender 18 ft	77-75	
2:39		77-77	Sims FT, FT
1:59	Manuel 20 ft	80-77	
1:23		80-80	Woodside 20 ft.
:56	Lock 6 ft.	82-80	
:32	Manuel FT, FT	84-80	
:11	Davender FT, FT	86-80	
FINAL		86-80	
—Cats' Pause chart			

Once Upon A Time. . .NCAA Snubbed Rupp

In '51 Selection Committee Overlooked 'Cats

Now that the NCAA Tournament Selection Committee has completed the agonizing process of selecting the 64 teams for the 1988 national championship, we harken back to 1951, when the two-time defending national champion Kentucky Wildcats finished 25-4, including a victory over No. 1-ranked Bradley in the Sugar Bowl and a Southeastern Conference



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Cats' Pause Columnist



tournament championship, and were not extended a bid to the NCAA tournament.

The Wildcats, NCAA champions in 1948 and 1949, had put on hold a bid to the 1951 National Invitational Tournament because they wanted to become the first team to win three consecutive NCAA titles. At the time, the NCAA selected as tournament participants a team from each of eight regions throughout the nation. Wildcat coach Adolph Rupp had suggested a playoff system to decide a national champion, but Harold Olsen is credited with the original idea of choosing a champion by establishing eight different regions, with each region having a team in the tournament.

Howard Hobson, who coached the University of Oregon to the first NCAA championship by defeating Olsen's Ohio State team, 46-33, in 1939, later said, "A committee selected the teams, but everyone knew that each region would have a representative. You always had a chance to play for that spot. You didn't have to hope for an invitation. If you were successful in your conference, you knew there would be at least a playoff for the spot."

That observation is important as we delve into the circumstances that kept the 1951 Wildcats out of the NCAA. Kentucky at the time was a member of District 3, which included teams in the Southeastern and Southern conferences. Members of the district's NCAA tournament selection committee at the time were chairman Gus Tebell of the University of Virginia, Eddie Cameron of Duke and Rupp, who was replaced temporarily by Roy Mundorff of Georgia Tech after Rupp resigned in order that the committee might consider Kentucky.

DURING THE FINAL WEEKEND OF THE SEASON, the Wildcats defeated Tennessee, 95-58, for the SEC crown while North Carolina State defeated Duke, 67-47, for

the championship of the Southern Conference. The Wildcats were 25-4, the Wolfpack 24-5.

Then came an announcement from Chicago that the District 3 selection committee had chosen N.C. State because Kentucky had declined to meet the Wolfpack in a playoff game to decide the district representative.

Rupp replied that his team had received no invitation to meet State in a playoff and that no one on the committee or from the NCAA had consulted him about a playoff. He pointed out that Tebell was a guest of the Southern Conference Tournament, and that the committee chairman also should have looked at UK if he planned to cast a ballot. Mundorff was solidly behind UK while Cameron remained loyal to the Southern Conference.

"What does a team have to do to receive a bid?" Rupp asked. "The sportswriters of America picked us as the superior team of the district. It is regrettable that some members of the committee apparently haven't been reading the papers. We defeated Bradley, the No. 1 team in the nation. We defeated Villanova on a neutral floor and Villanova defeated North Carolina State on State's home floor. We've lost one less game than State and we have played a much superior schedule."

"I would like very much to know on what basis the committee chose North Carolina State," he concluded, pointing out that the Wildcats should have merited more consideration from the viewpoint they also were defending champions of the NCAA.

The Reaction: 'I would like very much to know on what basis the committee chose North Carolina State.'

—Kentucky coach Adolph Rupp

The Reply: 'Let's just that we learned that Kentucky wasn't interested in a playoff and as far as I was concerned, that ended the matter. . .the best thing for me to do now is keep my mouth shut.'

—Gus Tebell, chairman of selection committee

Tebell replied, "Let's just say that we learned that Kentucky wasn't interested in a playoff and as far as I was concerned, that ended the matter. . .the best thing for me to do now is keep my mouth shut." Meanwhile, N.C. State coach Everett Case had told the committee his team was "most willing" to meet Kentucky in a playoff.

Although the die was cast, many Southern writers, who as a rule usually blasted Rupp,

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Yeah Boy, (I Mean Girl) The SEC Is Tough!

Auburn, Tennessee Could Wind Up In Finals

Auburn and Tennessee, two Southeastern Conference teams, are atop the exciting and attractive world of women's basketball.

The Lady Tigers of coach Joe Ciampi and Lady Vols of coach Pat Head Summitt are rated one-two in the NCAA top 25 by USA Today's poll of coaches and women basketball



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writers from Connecticut to California.

Two other SEC teams, Ole Miss and Georgia, are highly rated also. The Lady Rebels of coach Van Chancellor are 11th and the Lady Bulldogs of Andy Landers are 16th. That's four SEC teams in the first 16.

The ACC has four beautifully skilled teams rated also, but hardly so high: Virginia (7th), Maryland (10th), Wake Forest (22nd) and Clemson (23rd).

THE PAC-10 HAS THREE TEAMS RANKED: Southern Cal 12th, Washington 13th and Stanford 14th. The Big Ten rates two teams: Iowa, No. 3, and Ohio State, No. 6. The Atlantic 10 has Rutgers No. 10, then St. Joseph's 25th and the PCAA has Long Beach State No. 8 and UNLV No. 20. The SWC places just one, powerful Texas, at No. 4.

Five comparatively new conferences rate one team each in the current Top 25. The CAC (Colonial Athletic Conference) sends an appropriate member, James Madison at No. 15. The MWAC (Mountain Western Athletic Conference) places Montana at No. 17 and the HCAC (High Country Athletic Conference) offers New Mexico State as No. 18. From the galaxy, I assume, comes the Gulf Star team, Stephen Austin, No. 19, and the North Star's DePaul for No. 24.

In women's basketball conferences are being formed so swiftly that independents rate only two teams at, at this writing, Louisiana Tech, No. 5, and New Orleans, No. 21.

TENNESSEE IS THE DEFENDING NATIONAL CHAMPION. The Volunteers did not win the SEC tournament in 1987, but they ripped right through the NCAA. They beat Long Beach State 74-64 in the semifinals, and then Louisiana Tech, which had turned back Texas 79-74, in the final game 67-44.

For that Final Four session, played at the University of Texas, 25,444 attended and millions watched on national television.

Auburn won the 1987 SEC tournament, defeating Tennessee in the process. Then the Vols beat the Tigers in the final eight of the NCAA, dropping them to No. 6 in the final USA Today poll.

For 1988, Auburn beat Tennessee during the regular season schedule. Then Tennessee returned the defeat in winning the SEC tourney. Which will prevail in the NCAA tournament?

As the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in the NCAA, Auburn and Tennessee will be so seeded in the tournament. They will be placed in different regions and, with luck, will meet in the final game.

A double challenge for the SEC is on the horizon. If the Auburn and Tennessee lady basketballers are truly one-two in the nation, they will play in the Tacoma Dome in Washington on April 3 for the NCAA Championship.

This will be an historic SEC event for intercollegiate athletics. Don't miss it!

Double Play

Kentucky 'Rebounds' To Edge Georgia 62-57 In Finals To Give 'Cats Both The Regular-Season Championship And The SEC Tournament Title

By TCP Columnist Mike Estep

BATON ROUGE, La. — For the second time in as many days, Kentucky came out and played considerably below its capabilities in the first half. On both occasions, UK coach Eddie Sutton felt compelled to give his team one of his patented "do-better" talks. And, as it had the day before in UK's 86-80 win over LSU in the semifinals, it spurred the weary Wildcats to a 62-57 victory over Georgia.

Although Kentucky held several three-point leads in the first 20 minutes, the last coming at 23-20 on a 15-foot jumper from Rex Chapman with 5:31 left, the Wildcats, also for the second consecutive day, trailed by five at halftime.

As the tournament's seventh-seeded team, Georgia was playing its fourth game of the event. As a result, Hugh Durham's Bulldogs wanted to slow down the pace of the game, and were able to do just that. Behind 11 first-half points from Willie Anderson, who after scoring 22 points in the Dogs' first-round win over Mississippi State had been limited to just two field goals in his next two games, and a deliberate attack, Georgia lulled the 'Cats to sleep in route to a 32-27 lead at the break.

"We came out that first half and were pretty flat, I think our players thought we'd won the conference tourney yesterday, beating LSU, because that was such an emotional game," Sutton said in his postgame press conference. "But the tempo of the game was in Georgia's favor. Once they got the lead, they were milking the clock, making us play defense. And we did not use good judgement in that first 20 minute period, we shot the ball at times when they weren't good shots. And it just seemed to me we were flat."

Continuing Saga Of 'The Do-Better Talk'

So if you thought Sutton's halftime speech against LSU was inspirational, you should have heard the beauty he dusted off for Sunday's championship game. By all reports, it was not for the faint-hearted.

"I gave 'em Chapter Two of what I said yesterday," Sutton said with a grin. "I guess I picked out individuals more than I did yesterday, but I was still talking to the squad that we just had come to play, and did not have ourselves what we call the 'magic level.' And often times, they have to be reminded that it's not just the team and the coaching staff that we're out there playing for, we're playing for a great many people. There are people that save their money to come to this tournament, and that's their vacation for the year. There are thousands and thousands of people that follow Wildcat basketball, and it's almost like a life-and-death affair."

"That's what I always tell our players: If we play hard and get beat, if we go out there and do everything possible and we lose, then everyone accepts that. But to go out and play basketball like we did in the first 20 minutes... I was not happy with that and I don't think they were happy with themselves."

'Cats Rebound' For Come-From-Behind Win

So Kentucky, whose 15 first-half rebounds equalled the Georgia total but was being outboarded 7-4 on the offensive glass, pulled itself up by the bootstraps and went out to change things. In the second half, the Wildcats more than doubled the Bulldogs' rebounding effort (19-8) and held an impressive 9-1 edge on the offensive end. As a result, the Wildcats—after failing to get a single putback basket in the first half—got 12 second-chance points in the final 20 minutes, what Georgia coach Hugh Durham called "the critical difference."

"The big difference in the second half was rebounding," Durham said. "The first half it was 15-11, but they outrebounded us 11 rebounds in the second half. And I would say that that was the critical difference in the basketball game, that board play in the second half."

So Kentucky rebounded, so to speak, from a deficit late in the game for the second time in as many days to capture its third SEC tournament championship in five years. But it was anything but easy.

Georgia took the aforementioned five-point lead at intermission, and although Kentucky made several runs early in the second period, the Wildcats couldn't seem to get over the hump.

Chapman buried a pair of jumpers from the right corner—the first a 17-footer, the second a 22-foot bomb for three—to inch Kentucky in front 38-36 with 16 minutes remaining, but Georgia came storming back. Anderson hit Toney Mack with a lob for vicious alley-oop stuff to tie things at 38, and then Georgia went on a 10-4 run to take its biggest lead of the afternoon.

The 'Cats stayed close for the next 10 minutes, but the combination of Patrick Hamilton from the outside and Anderson and Mack inside kept the Dogs on top.

Until crunch time.

Guard Ed Davender hit back-to-back buckets at the six-minute mark to put the 'Cats on top briefly at 54-53, and then canned a

17-footer at the 4:19 mark to make it 56-55, UK.

At that point, both teams went dead cold from the field. The Wildcats eventually heated up. Georgia did not.

After a three-minute drought by both clubs, Hamilton hit a pair of free throws to move Georgia back in front 57-56. It would be the last time the scoreboard operator would adjust the point total for the Bulldogs. Kentucky ran a cleared out the left side of the lane—Sutton likes to call it one of his "special scoring plays"—for Winston Bennett, who dropped a six-foot turnaround to give Kentucky the lead for good at 58-57, with 1:04 remaining.

SEC All-Tournament Team

Player	Team
Rex Chapman*	Kentucky
Winston Bennett	Kentucky
Patrick Hamilton	Georgia
Vernon Maxwell	Florida
Ricky Blanton	LSU
*Most Valuable Player	

Mack missed a running eight-footer with :31 seconds to go. Manuel cleared the rebound, and as Durham said, from that point on it was Kentucky's game to lose.

"From then it was their game to lose," Durham said. "They had already won it, it was their game to lose. By that I mean they had to go to the free throw line and miss because we were in position where we had to foul 'em. They won it with a minute and however long it was to go, and then they kept on playing really good and hitting critical free throws."

Chapman, who was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, hit four straight free throws after Bennett's bucket to ice the win.

UK-Georgia Notes & Quotes

With the win, Kentucky becomes the third team in a row to win both the regular-season title and the tournament championship in the same season. The 'Cats won both two years ago and Alabama pulled the trick last season. . . Kentucky has now won the tournament three times since the renewal of the event: 1984 in Nashville, 1986 in Lexington and this season. And senior forward Winston Bennett has played on all three clubs. . . Like Dale Brown, Georgia coach Hugh Durham agrees that Kentucky has a good chance to be in Kansas City. "You gotta really think that Kentucky's in position that they can challenge for the national championship," Durham said. And, also like Brown, Durham says part of the reason is because of Eric Manuel. "When Manuel is in the lineup, I think that makes Kentucky a much, much better basketball team," he said, "and I think they get better in two positions. I think Bennett going

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UK-Georgia Play-By-Play

Time	Kentucky	Score	Georgia
19:48		0-2	Kessler 10 ft.
18:39	Bennett 10 ft.	2-2	
17:16	Manuel layup	4-2	
16:56		4-4	Kessler 6 ft.
16:34	Manuel 14 ft.	6-4	
14:36		6-6	Mack layup
14:16	Bennett 7 ft.	8-6	
12:16		8-8	Hamilton 16 ft.
11:56	Chapman 20 ft.	11-8	
11:02		11-9	Anderson FT, FTA
10:43		11-11	Hamilton layup
10:19		11-13	Mack 4 ft.
9:00	Davender 8 ft., FT	14-13	
8:43		14-15	Anderson FT, FT
8:00		14-16	Patton FTA, FT
7:37	Davender layup	16-16	
7:03		16-18	Anderson layup
6:46	Chapman 8 ft., FT	19-18	
5:57	Davender FT, FT	21-18	
5:42		21-20	Patton 16 ft.
5:31	Chapman 12 ft.	23-20	
5:17		23-22	Anderson 8 ft.
4:01		23-24	Anderson 4 ft.
3:36		23-27	Blakely 20 ft.
2:28	Bennett FT, FT	25-27	
1:48		25-29	Anderson 19 ft.
:40	Bennett layup	27-29	
:01		27-32	Mack 21 ft.
HALF		27-32	
19:42	Chapman 12 ft.	29-32	
19:18	Manuel layup	31-32	
18:57		31-34	Anderson FT, FT
18:36	Lock tip in	33-34	
18:11		33-36	Kessler FT, FT
17:44	Chapman 16 ft.	35-36	
16:06	Chapman 21 ft.	38-36	
15:31		38-38	Mack layup
15:15	Chapman FT, FT	40-38	
14:56		40-41	Kessler layup, FT
14:19		40-43	Anderson 10 ft.
14:01	Lock tip in	42-43	
13:40		42-45	Hamilton 17 ft.
13:16		42-46	Kessler FTA, FT
12:34		42-48	Mack 8 ft.
12:08	Lock layup	44-48	
11:00	Bennett 8 ft.	46-48	
10:41		46-50	Anderson dunk
9:50	Chapman 12 ft.	48-50	
9:07		48-51	Anderson FT, FTA
8:35	Bennett tip in	50-51	
8:19		50-53	Hamilton 15 ft.
6:43	Davender 12 ft.	52-53	
6:18	Davender layup	54-53	
5:57		54-55	Hamilton 18 ft.
4:19	Davender 16 ft.	56-55	
4:23		56-57	Hamilton FT, FT
3:04	Bennett 6 ft.	58-57	
1:16	Chapman FT, FT	60-57	
1:12	Chapman FT, FT	62-57	
FINAL		86-80	

—Cats' Pause chart

OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE													SEC TOURNAMENT, Baton Rouge																				
VISITOR: Georgia Bulldogs (19-15) W L T Pct. FG FTA FT FTA Pts. Reb. St. Bl. Tot. Pts. Reb. St. Bl. Tot.													HOME: Kentucky Wildcats (22-12) W L T Pct. FG FTA FT FTA Pts. Reb. St. Bl. Tot. Pts. Reb. St. Bl. Tot.																				
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22. Ed Cole # F	1	3	7	0	0	4	5	2	3	5	10	1	0	0	0	25	1	0	0	0	0	25											
32. Alex Threlkett # C	1	5	9	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	4	12	1	0	0	1	6	1	0	0	0	26											
14. Patrick Hamilton W # S	1	5	9	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	4	12	3	5	1	3	28	1	0	0	0	14											
49. Willie Anderson # G S	1	6	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	14	1	0	0	0	0	20											
10. Mike Blakely	1	2	1	2	0	4	0	1	1	1	3	11	0	0	0	20	1	0	0	0	0	20											
12. Josh Patton	1	4	0	1	1	4	0	1	1	1	3	11	0	0	0	20	1	0	0	0	0	20											
23. Mike Barnett	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	2	1	0	2	18	1	0	0	0	0	18											
18. Neville Austin	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	2	1	0	2	18	1	0	0	0	0	18											
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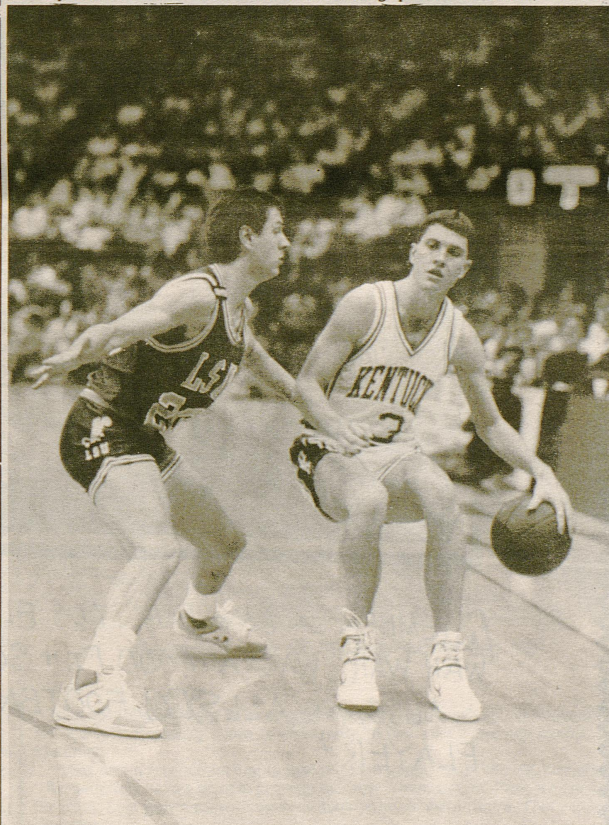
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By TCP Columnist Mike Estep

BATON ROUGE, La. — For the second time in as many days, Kentucky came out and played considerably below its capabilities in the first half. On both occasions, UK coach Eddie Sutton felt compelled to give his team one of his patented "do-better" talks. And, as it had the day before in UK's 86-80 win over LSU in the semifinals, it spurred the weary Wildcats to a 62-57 victory over Georgia.

Although Kentucky held several three-point leads in the first 20 minutes, the last coming at 23-20 on a 15-foot jumper from Rex Chapman with 5:31 left, the Wildcats, also for the second consecutive day, trailed by five at halftime.

As the tournament's seventh-seeded team, Georgia was playing its fourth game of the event. As a result, Hugh Durham's Bulldogs wanted to slow down the pace of the game, and were able to do just that. Behind 11 first-half points from Willie Anderson, who after scoring 22 points in the Dogs' first-round win over Mississippi State had been limited to just two field goals in his next two games, and a deliberate attack, Georgia lulled the 'Cats to sleep in route to a 32-27 lead at the break.

"We came out that first half and were pretty flat, I think our players thought we'd won the conference tourney yesterday, beating LSU, because that was such an emotional game," Sutton said in his postgame press conference. "But the tempo of the game was in Georgia's favor. Once they got the lead, they were milking the clock, making us play defense. And we did not use good judgement in that first 20 minute period, we shot the ball at times when they weren't good shots. And it just seemed to me we were flat."

Continuing Saga Of 'The Do-Better Talk'

So if you thought Sutton's halftime speech against LSU was inspirational, you should have heard the beauty he dusted off for Sunday's championship game. By all reports, it was not for the faint-hearted.

"I gave 'em Chapter Two of what I said yesterday," Sutton said with a grin. "I guess I picked out individuals more than I did yesterday, but I was still talking to the squad that we just had come to play, and did not have ourselves what we call the 'magic level.' And often times, they have to be reminded that it's not just the team and the coaching staff that we're out there playing for, we're playing for a great many people. There are people that save their money to come to this tournament, and that's their vacation for the year. There are thousands and thousands of people that follow Wildcat basketball, and it's almost like a life-and-death affair."

"That's what I always tell our players: If we play hard and get beat, if we go out there and do everything possible and we lose, then everyone accepts that. But to go out and play basketball like we did in the first 20 minutes... I was not happy with that and I don't think they were happy with themselves."

'Cats 'Rebound' For Come-From-Behind Win

So Kentucky, whose 15 first-half rebounds equalled the Georgia total but was being outboarded 7-4 on the offensive glass, pulled itself up by the bootstraps and went out to change things. In the second half, the Wildcats more than doubled the Bulldogs' rebounding effort (19-8) and held an impressive 9-1 edge on the offensive end. As a result, the Wildcats—after failing to get a single putback basket in the first half—got 12 second-chance points in the final 20 minutes, what Georgia coach Hugh Durham called "the critical difference."

"The big difference in the second half was rebounding," Durham said. "The first half it was 15-11, but they outboarded us 11 rebounds in the second half. And I would say that that was the critical difference in the basketball game, that board play in the second half."

So Kentucky rebounded, so to speak, from a deficit late in the game for the second time in as many days to capture its third SEC tournament championship in five years. But it was anything but easy.

Georgia took the aforementioned five-point lead at intermission, and although Kentucky made several runs early in the second period, the Wildcats couldn't seem to get over the hump.

Chapman buried a pair of jumpers from the right corner—the first a 17-footer, the second a 22-foot bomb for three—to inch Kentucky in front 38-36 with 16 minutes remaining, but Georgia came storming back. Anderson hit Toney Mack with a lob for vicious alley-oop stuff to tie things at 38, and then Georgia went on a 10-4 run to take its biggest lead of the afternoon.

The 'Cats stayed close for the next 10 minutes, but the combination of Patrick Hamilton from the outside and Anderson and Mack inside kept the Dogs on top.

Until crunch time.

Guard Ed Davender hit back-to-back buckets at the six-minute mark to put the 'Cats on top briefly at 54-53, and then canned a

17-footer at the 4:19 mark to make it 56-55, UK.

At that point, both teams went dead cold from the field. The Wildcats eventually heated up. Georgia did not.

After a three-minute drought by both clubs, Hamilton hit a pair of free throws to move Georgia back in front 57-56. It would be the last time the scoreboard operator would adjust the point total for the Bulldogs. Kentucky ran a cleared out the left side of the lane—Sutton likes to call it one of his "special scoring plays"—for Winston Bennett, who dropped a six-foot turnaround to give Kentucky the lead for good at 58-57, with 1:04 remaining.

SEC All-Tournament Team

Player	Team
Rex Chapman*	Kentucky
Winston Bennett	Kentucky
Patrick Hamilton	Georgia
Vernon Maxwell	Florida
Ricky Blanton	LSU

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Mack missed a running eight-footer with :31 seconds to go. Manuel cleared the rebound, and as Durham said, from that point on it was Kentucky's game to lose.

"From then it was their game to lose," Durham said. "They had already won it, it was their game to lose. By that I mean they had to go to the free throw line and miss because we were in position where we had to foul 'em. They won it with a minute and however long it was to go, and then they kept on playing really good and hitting critical free throws."

Chapman, who was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, hit four straight free throws after Bennett's bucket to ice the win.

UK-Georgia Notes & Quotes

With the win, Kentucky becomes the third team in a row to win both the regular-season title and the tournament championship in the same season. The 'Cats won both two years ago and Alabama pulled the trick last season. Kentucky has now won the tournament three times since the renewal of the event: 1984 in Nashville, 1986 in Lexington and this season. And senior forward Winston Bennett has played on all three clubs. Like Dale Brown, Georgia coach Hugh Durham agrees that Kentucky has a good chance to be in Kansas City. "You gotta really think that Kentucky's in position that they can challenge for the national championship," Durham said. And, also like Brown, Durham says part of the reason is because of Eric Manuel. "When Manuel is in the lineup, I think that makes Kentucky a much, much better basketball team," he said, "and I think they get better in two positions. I think Bennett going

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Team	Georgia Bulldogs (9-15)	Team	Kentucky Wildcats (19-15)	Score	57	62	Time	40:00	Referee	W. H. Smith	Scorekeepers	J. L. Smith, J. L. Smith	Timekeeper	J. L. Smith
Starters	W. Anderson, P. Hamilton, V. Maxwell, R. Blanton, E. Davender	Starters	R. Chapman, W. Bennett, P. Hamilton, V. Maxwell, R. Blanton	Points	22	57	Rebounds	11	19	Assists	10	15	Steals	10
Reserves	W. Anderson, P. Hamilton, V. Maxwell, R. Blanton, E. Davender	Reserves	R. Chapman, W. Bennett, P. Hamilton, V. Maxwell, R. Blanton	Points	35	57	Rebounds	11	19	Assists	10	15	Steals	10
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19:48		0-2	Kessler 10 ft.
18:39	Bennett 10 ft.	2-2	
17:16	Manuel layup	4-2	
16:56		4-4	Kessler 6 ft.
16:34	Manuel 14 ft.	6-4	
14:36		6-6	Mack layup
14:16	Bennett 7 ft.	8-6	
12:16		8-8	Hamilton 16 ft.
11:56	Chapman 20 ft.	11-8	
11:02		11-9	Anderson FT, FTA
10:43		11-11	Hamilton layup
10:19		11-13	Mack 4 ft.
9:00	Davender 8 ft., FT	14-13	
8:43		14-15	Anderson FT, FT
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7:37	Davender layup	16-16	
7:03		16-18	Anderson layup
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5:57	Davender FT, FT	21-18	
5:42		21-20	Patton 16 ft.
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10:41		46-50	Anderson dunk
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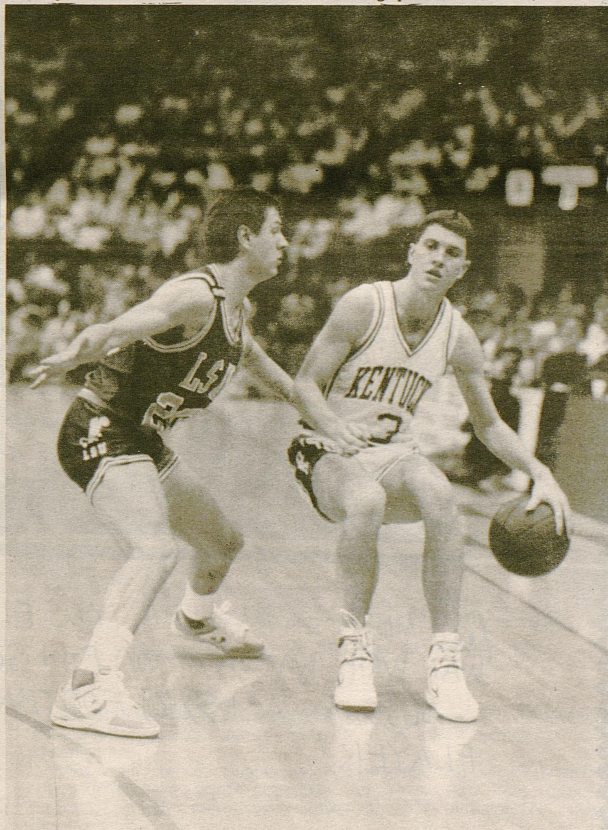
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"I always feel I can give the team a lift," said Manuel. "It doesn't bother me at all whether it is the start of the game or the end. I just go out and play the same either way."

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Manuel can do plenty. He can play point guard and handle the ball against a full-court press. He can move to the wing and bury 15-foot jump shots. He can use his quickness and leaping ability to go inside to rebound and score.

The 6-6 freshman committed only 18 turnovers in 485 minutes of regular season play. He shot 81.1 percent from the foul line and 52.4 percent from the floor.

None of that really surprised the UK coaches. "Eric has really grown up and matured since he got here," said UK assistant coach Dwane Casey. "He's going to be an excellent player. He can do so many things on both ends of the floor. But he still needs time to fully develop."

Manuel, though, has already shown he can be a productive player. He came into his own as UK's sixth man but gained a starting role when freshman LeRon Ellis faltered. It's a spot he may never lose during the rest of his career.

Manuel's performances off the bench reminded Casey of what reserve James Lee did for UK's 1978 NCAA championship team. But Manuel became too valuable not to start.

"You just knew when James came into the game that he was going to lift our level of play," said Casey. "I got the same feeling about Eric. He was just the perfect sixth man for this team because of his versatility. But he earned a starting spot and has continued to give the team the same lift. He is taking us to a higher level and now others are coming off the bench and playing well."

Manuel was Georgia's Player of the Year following a standout prep career at Southwest High School in Macon, Ga. He averaged 18.4 points, 9.8 rebounds, 5.7 steals and 4.2 assists during his three-year career and shot 55 percent from the field.

His school produced 17 former All-State players, including such standouts as Norm Nixon, Jeff Malone and Terry Fair. Still, Manuel was reluctant to shoot or show off his offensive skills when UK opened the season.

"I think Eric was a little sensitive about being a freshman and didn't want to take anything away from our seniors," said UK Coach Eddie Sutton. "We have finally convinced him that we need him to take that shot from the wing. He's a good shooter and we need him to hit that shot to take pressure off our other players."

"I know now that the coaches want me to shoot and I feel comfortable doing that," said Manuel, who is averaging 6.3 points and 2.8 rebounds per game. "It took time to adjust to playing against bigger, quicker guys. I couldn't just penetrate and score. But now if I have the outside shot, I'll take it."

"In high school I played a lot under the basket. I didn't always have to go out the floor to score. It has been a big challenge here for me to adjust my game but I think I have done that."

He's also learned to handle the daily radio, television and newspaper interviews every Kentucky player must face. He was the center of attention after his performance Sunday but enjoyed the attention.

"I enjoy dealing with the media now," said Manuel. "I didn't really like that when I first got here. But as I have got a chance to play more and gain confidence, it has made it easier for me to talk with the media. I'm just a more confident person on and off the floor."

Manuel, who admires NBA star Michael Jordan more than any other sports figure, thinks Kentucky fans are just beginning to see what he can do on the court.

"The last few games the real Eric Manuel has been showing up," said Manuel. "I don't know everything I need to know to become a great player but I'm working to learn. I want to become the best player I can."

"If I can keep improving, it will help our chances in the NCAA Tournament. I think we can beat anybody we play because we have really improved lately."

The credit for that goes to everyone but Manuel may deserve more thanks than any other player.

"He just doesn't play like a freshman," said UK senior center Rob Lock. "He's

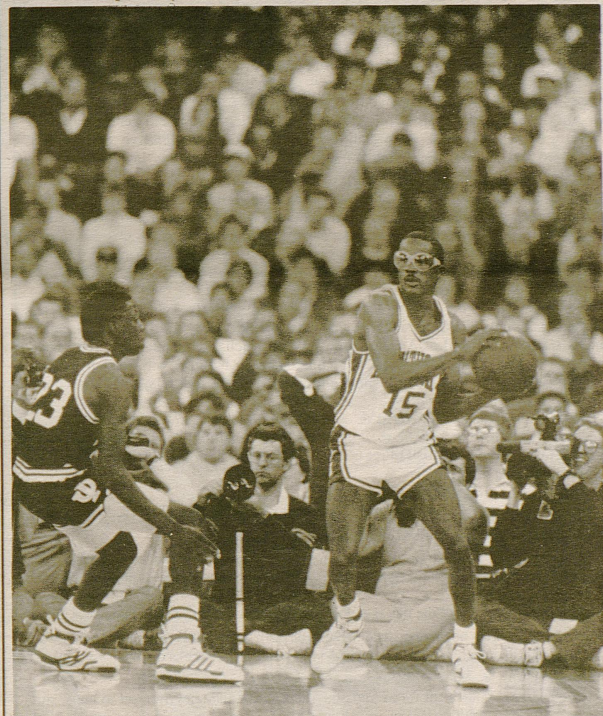
doing things and taking shots I would not have dreamed of doing as a freshman. He's like Rex Chapman. He has ice water in his veins and he is making us a much better team."

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HOW ED Davender rated only third team All-SEC honors is a puzzle to me? The UK senior has had an outstanding season but once again didn't get the recognition he deserved.

He started all 27 regular season games at point guard and averaged 15.8 points, 1.8 rebounds and 3.9 assists per game for the team that won the league championship. He scored in double figures 22 of 27 games and was among the SEC leaders in free throw percentage (.856) and steals per game (1.74). He led Kentucky in seven different statistical categories.

"I just don't let things like that bother me," said Davender. "If I get the publicity, okay. If I don't, that's okay. It never bothers me. I'm not going to stop playing over a lack of publicity."



Davender: Lack Of Publicity Won't Stop Me

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REX CHAPMAN feels UK has a point to prove in this year's NCAA Tournament. No one took Kentucky's loss to Ohio State in last year's tourney harder than Chapman.

"That was a terrible feeling to lose the first game," said the UK sophomore. "We definitely have a point to prove in this year's tournament. Plus, we are a better team. Last year we may have even doubted ourselves at times. That's not true this year."

"We haven't really talked a lot about the NCAA but all year we have been shooting to get to Kansas City (for the Final Four). We will be disappointed with anything less than that. We have the talent, experience and intelligence to go a long way."

Last year Chapman took a break from basketball when UK's season ended. He was physically and mentally exhausted after a year in the spotlight. This season, though, Chapman is still eager to play and won't put his sneakers away when the Cats do finish playing.

"I feel a lot better this year," said Chapman, who has a chance to become the first UK sophomore to score 1,000 points. "There are some things I need to do after the season to improve my game. I'm not going to take a break. I am going to get right to work trying to make myself a better player."

Reserve The Couch Because It's Showtime

Several Cinderellas Received Invitations

Are your eyes in shape? Is your television?
The NCAA tournament is here.
Have you gone as far as to give your wife or girlfriend the credit cards, telling them to relocate their lives at the nearest mall for the next two weeks or so?



Nick Nicholas

Cats' Pause Columnist



The NCAA tournament is here.
Have you got that surefire call-in-sick plan worked out so you can watch NCAA matchups this Thursday and Friday? Next Thursday and Friday?
Yes, the NCAA tournament is here and with just a flip of the switch and a tune of the dial you'll be able to catch the action from all 12 sites. Like I noted before, I hope your eyes are well-rested. No need for you to be... just your pupils.

Go ahead, cancel that short-lived New Year's resolution of yours to get in shape. It's time for a new (and perhaps more traditional) physical exercise. Reserve a spot on the living room sofa because it's Couch Potato time, thanks to a certain invention.

CABLE TELEVISION! THIS UNIQUE glued-to-the-tube concept promotes the NCAA like no one else. It's even spotlighted some of the little guys like Fairleigh Dickinson, Drexel, North Carolina A&T and given them national exposure. No mirrors, no tricks up the sleeve—for one evening these guys are prime time, baby.

Hey, remember, cable television is what turned an ex-NBA coach, a rather silly but knowledgeable fellow, into one of the nation's top basketball analyst, the one and only (I'm pretty sure) Dick Vitale.

So much for the history lesson. Let's turn our attention to basketball, NCAA style. Through hundreds of ESPN and CBS cameras, the next two weeks basketball games from Hartford, Conn., to Los Angeles, from Lincoln, Neb., to Atlanta, Ga., from Seattle, Wash., to East Rutherford, N.J., as well as many in between will be shuffled into our living rooms. And from noon to midnight, our televisions will relay to us basketball, basketball and more basketball.

I don't know whether to be elated or shocked. Hoop junkies love it, I know. But can the average fan handle the pressure... the pressure and ability of not going crazy from following many a bouncing ball? Fret no more. Here's my how-to-get-prepared-for-this-boob-tube extravaganza.

Yes, the advice even is free!

Let's map out a pre-NCAA strategy? Coaches do it in their line of work. Why not us?

WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, HERE WE GO.

✓First, can you tell the difference between a basketball and a basket case? The former is something that bounces on the hardwood while the latter bounds about in Bloomington, Ind. (Just kiddin')

Now that the *bad* joke of the day is out of the way, let's get on to the business at hand.

✓Like we said in the beginning, send the wife or girlfriend (unless they're hoop followers like yourself) to the nearest mall. Even suggesting a couple of weeks out of town wouldn't be a bad idea.

✓Have Emmitt—your local fix-it-kinda-guy—check out the television set to make sure it can go overtime. You don't want your lone source of entertainment to go on the blink just before the Southern-Kentucky tipoff in Cincinnati, do you?

✓Is your excuse now acceptable to present to your employer? If not here are a couple of mine, eh oops. I mean some of my friends underhanded examples. Tell 'em you've come down with the 286-hour bug and will have to spend the rest of the next two weeks in the sack. "Boss, I'll see ya the Monday before the Final Four." Or, if your occupation lies in Bluegrass Country just tell your boss, "The NCAA tournament is on the tube." They will understand and you'll probably get time off with pay!

✓Have a phone book and telephone at your side. That is, when your tum-tum starts growling in the second half of the day's fourth contest you'll want the number of a pizza joint. Especially, one which delivers. Heaven forbid you having to pick it up and taking a chance of missing a game-winning bucket. Heaven forbid.

✓Make sure your television is remote control equipped. This necessity is two-fold. First, you won't be wasting energy to get off the couch to mercifully lower the volume when Vitale's 'Hey babies' jolt the nervous system. Second, and again saving energy is the general theme, when CBS and ESPN telecast different games a remote control would be nice to have to switch back and forth.

✓Have plenty of salicylic acid (aspirin to you and me). Remember, too much television and too many turnovers by the home team cause headaches as well as grief. Take two aspirins and call the doctor when the regional finals are complete.

✓Make a note to yourself to check in at the office from time to time, letting them know you care. Plus, you also can check to see which employee has what team in the office's traditional NCAA pool.

✓Here's a must. Have an NCAA bracket and pencil at your side at all times. When watching so many hours of basketball, there's a tendency to forget who's playing where, who will the winner play and such. The more you watch the more confused you become.

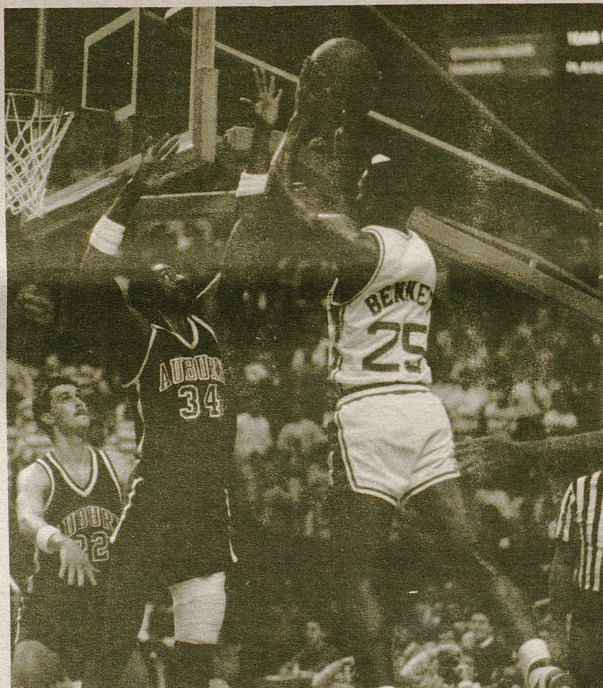
And in the end if you still can tell the difference between a basket case and a baseball, uh football... yeah basketball, that's the ticket, then I guess you're a better person than I am.

Anyhow, by following this check list my friends, you still should have control of your sanity once Final Four week is upon us.

Follow the checklist and good luck. The rest is up to you.

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Along with the announcement of last Sunday's NCAA pairings, a few interesting thoughts popped across this columnist's computer. Here goes: Well, **Eddie Sutton** got his wish—UK is Cincy-bound. I was surprised the selection committee moved **Xavier**, led by **Byron Larkin**, out of the Southeast. Xavier-UK would have provided an interesting matchup at Riverfront. Besides the closeness of the two schools, the Musketeers are one of the country's most underrated and exciting teams. There's a slim, slim chance the two could



Chris Morris And Auburn Could Be Wearing Magical Slipper

meet anyway. If so, I wonder can the 'Cats keep up with X's speed? Look for **Kansas** to have its hands full with the 26-3 Xavier club. Perhaps the two best games of the first round feature SEC teams. **Auburn** will square off against **Hersey Hawkins** and **Bradley**. The Tigers, with **Chris Morris** and **Jeff Moore**, presumably would have a big, big homecourt advantage by playing in the Omni. In the East, **Dale Brown's** LSU Tigers will tangle with Big East representative **Georgetown**. The Tiger-Hoya's matchup will be played in Hartford, Conn. On paper both of these games are tossups. Just flip a coin. Five SEC teams earned NCAA bids—**Kentucky**, **LSU**, **Auburn**, **Vanderbilt** and **Florida**. I wonder if **Georgia** would have taken LSU's spot opposite the Hoyas if the Bulldogs had defeated Kentucky in the SEC championship contest. The probably would have because I can't imagine six SEC clubs in this season's tournament. Oh, speaking of LSU, did you notice that Dale's good friend **Bobby Knight** also will be in Hartford. I wonder if they will have dinner together? I sort of doubt it. Don't you? Don't look now Eddie Sutton, but if Kentucky wins its first two games and **Arkansas** does the same, you could be reunited with your former club. Memmmories. The selection committee deserves a round of applause for not letting **North Carolina** play in the Dean Dome or **Notre Dame** in South Bend. By not allowing a club to have a 'true' homecourt advantage, the selection committee made things fair for all 64 clubs. What's good for the goose is good for the gander. It's ironic that **Southern Methodist** and **Notre Dame** will face each other on St. Patrick's Day. The Cinderella of the tournament? Well, a lot of people say **North Carolina State** fits, ahem, into that category. I tend to agree. Don't overlook **Loyola Marymount**. I haven't seen them play, but a couple of basketball 'experts' say that squad can be lethal to opponents' NCAA aspirations. Other clubs who you should keep tabs on are: **Illinois**, **Seton Hall**, **Auburn**, **Rhode Island**, **Xavier** and **Louisville**.

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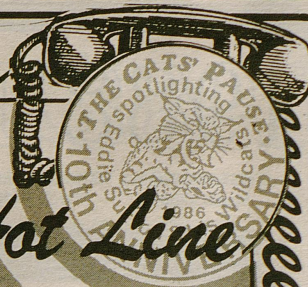
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SECOND ROUND
March 19-20

REGIONALS
March 24-27

FINAL FOUR
April 2 & 4

MIDWEST REGIONAL

(1) Purdue 27-3

South Bend, Mar. 17, 12:07
(16) Fairleigh Dickinson 23-6

(8) Baylor 23-10

South Bend, Mar. 17, 2:37
(9) Memphis State 19-11

(5) DePaul 21-7

South Bend, Mar. 17, 9:37
(12) Wichita State 20-9

(4) Kansas State 22-8

South Bend, Mar. 17, 7:07
(13) La Salle 24-9

(6) Kansas 21-11

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 10:37
(11) Xavier

(3) N.C. State 24-7

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 8:07
(14) Murray 21-8

(7) Vanderbilt 18-10

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 3:37
(10) Utah State 21-9

(2) Pitt 23-6

Lincoln, Mar. 18, 1:07
(15) Eastern Michigan 22-7

South Bend, Saturday Mar. 19

South Bend, Saturday Mar. 19

Lincoln, Sunday March 20

Lincoln, Sunday March 20

Pontiac, Mich., March 25 & 27

Kemper Arena—Kansas City, Mo.
April 2

EAST REGIONAL

(1) Temple 29-1

Hartford, Mar. 18, 7:07
(16) Lehigh 21-9

(8) Georgetown 19-9

Hartford, Mar. 18, 9:37
(9) LSU 16-13

(5) Georgia Tech 21-9

Hartford, Mar. 18, 12:07
(12) Iowa State 20-11

(4) Indiana 19-9

Hartford, Mar. 18, 2:37
(13) Richmond 24-6

(6) Missouri 19-10

Chapel Hill, Mar. 17, 12:07
(11) Rhode Island 26-6

(3) Syracuse 25-8

Chapel Hill, Mar. 17, 2:37
(14) N.C. A&T 26-2

(7) SMU 27-6

Chapel Hill, Mar. 17, 7:07
(10) Notre Dame 20-8

(2) Duke 24-6

Chapel Hill, Mar. 17, 9:37
(15) Boston University 23-7

Hartford, Sunday March 20

Hartford, Sunday March 20

Chapel Hill, Saturday Mar. 19

Chapel Hill, Saturday Mar. 19

East Rutherford, N.J., March 24 & 26

Kemper Arena—Kansas City,
April 4, 9:12 p.m.



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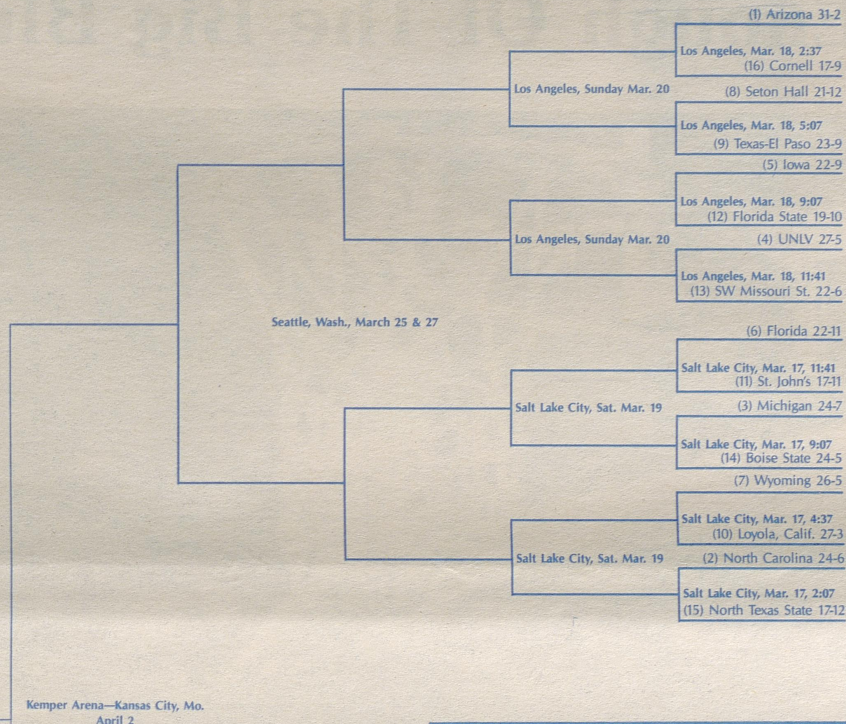
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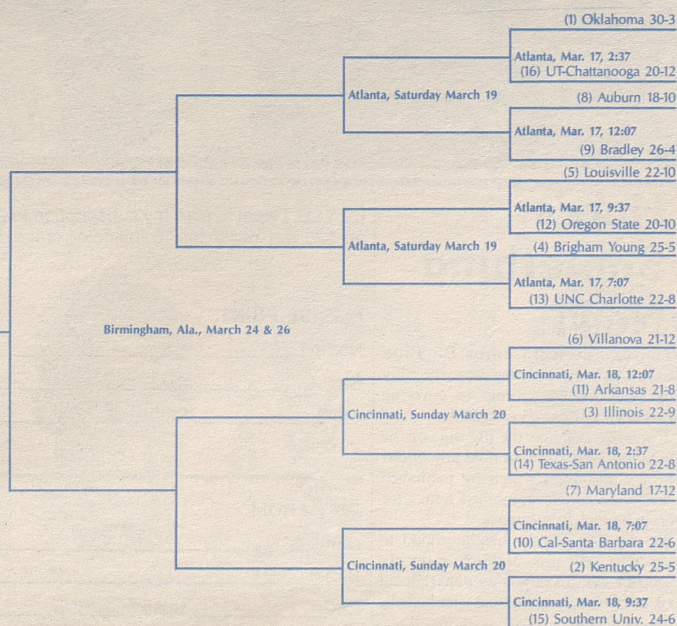
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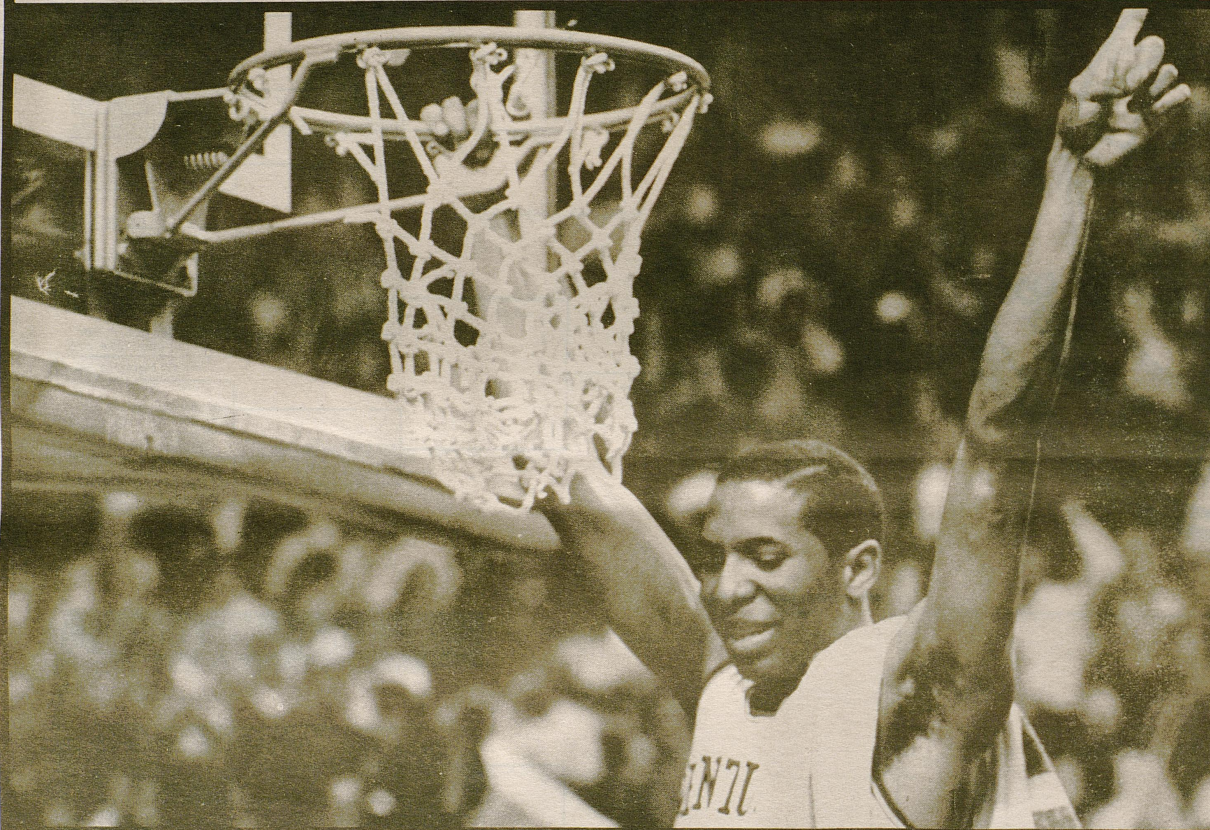
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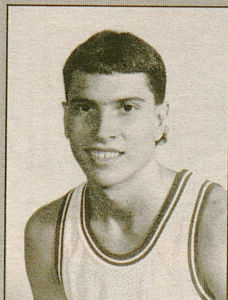
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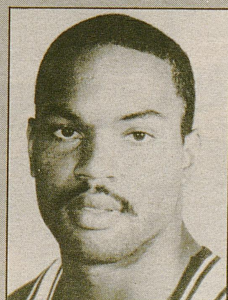
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BENNETT, WINSTON	30	30	1006	33.5	177	357	49.6	1	2	50.0	104	144	72.2	232	7.7	86	3	49	48	4	39	459	15.3
DAVENDER, ED	30	30	1029	34.3	154	334	46.1	20	66	30.3	130	151	86.1	57	1.9	62	1	122	69	3	50	458	15.3
LOCK, ROB	30	30	794	26.5	111	198	56.1	-	-	-	106	139	76.3	203	6.8	100	5	29	60	30	26	328	10.9
MANUEL, ERIC	29	7	572	19.7	79	151	52.3	2	3	66.7	33	40	82.5	81	2.8	24	-	58	20	2	31	193	6.7
ELLIS, LERON	25	8	331	13.2	45	96	46.9	-	-	-	20	38	52.6	69	2.8	39	1	12	18	14	12	110	4.4
JENKINS, CEDRIC	29	12	479	16.5	34	78	43.6	-	-	-	34	43	79.1	108	3.7	57	1	21	25	20	8	102	3.5
MADISON, RICHARD	27	5	432	16.0	35	82	42.7	-	1	-	16	29	55.2	91	3.4	27	-	19	23	1	6	86	3.2
SCOTT, MIKE	14	-	72	5.1	11	23	47.8	-	-	-	3	4	75.0	26	1.9	9	-	3	7	5	5	25	1.8
HANSON, REGGIE	15	-	82	5.5	6	17	35.3	-	-	-	9	10	90.0	18	1.2	11	-	1	5	1	2	21	1.4
MILLER, DERRICK	16	-	84	5.3	8	38	21.1	3	24	12.5	2	3	66.7	11	.7	8	-	3	8	-	1	21	1.3
SUTTON, SEAN	22	-	153	7.0	5	14	35.7	-	1	-	19	35	54.3	9	.4	7	-	36	10	1	5	29	1.3
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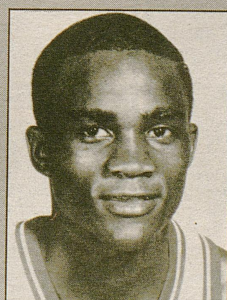
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Dec. 01	2-0	101	77	Cincinnati	24	22 CHAPMAN, REX	13 LOCK, ROB	22,865 (H)
Dec. 05	3-0	82	76	Indiana	6	22 DAVENDER, ED	10 JENKINS, CEDRIC	43,601 (N-Indy)
Dec. 12	4-0	76	75	Louisville	1	21 CHAPMAN, REX	11 JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,489 (H)
Dec. 18	5-0	85	71	Miami (Ohio)	14	28 BENNETT, W.	10 BENNETT, W.	23,995 (H)
Dec. 19	6-0	84	81	North Carolina-Charl	3	24 CHAPMAN, REX	16 MADISON, RICHARD	23,995 (H)
Dec. 28	7-0	100	58	Alaska	42	24 BENNETT, W.	11 JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,169 (H)
Dec. 31	8-0	81	74	Vanderbilt	7	24 DAVENDER, ED	17 BENNETT, W.	23,104 (H)
Jan. 02	9-0	84	77	Georgia	7	26 CHAPMAN, REX	10 BENNETT, W.	13,666 (A)
Jan. 06	10-0	93	52	Mississippi State	41	17 BENNETT, W.	8 JENKINS, CEDRIC	23,047 (H)
Jan. 09	10-1	52	53	Auburn	-1	20 BENNETT, W.	10 BENNETT, W.	23,379 (H)
Jan. 13	11-1	63	55	Alabama	8	17 DAVENDER, ED	5 LOCK, ROB	12,391 (A)
Jan. 16	12-1	83	65	Tennessee	18	23 CHAPMAN, REX	9 BENNETT, W.	23,819 (H)
Jan. 20	12-2	56	58	Florida	-2	20 BENNETT, W.	11 BENNETT, W.	23,433 (H)
Jan. 23	13-2	76	61	LSU	15	21 DAVENDER, ED	10 BENNETT, W.	13,853 (A)
Jan. 27	13-3	66	83	Vanderbilt	-17	18 CHAPMAN, REX	8 BENNETT, W.	15,646 (A)
Jan. 31	14-3	78	69	Notre Dame	9	23 DAVENDER, ED	7 LOCK, ROB	19,502 (H-L'ville)
Feb. 03	15-3	94	65	Ole Miss	29	16 BENNETT, W.	11 BENNETT, W.	23,133 (H)
Feb. 06	16-3	83	59	Mississippi State	24	21 DAVENDER, ED	11 BENNETT, W.	6,863 (A)
Feb. 10	17-3	69	62	Auburn	7	25 CHAPMAN, REX	9 BENNETT, W.	12,599 (A)
Feb. 13	18-3	82	68	Alabama	14	25 BENNETT, W.	9 BENNETT, W.	23,288 (H)
Feb. 17	18-4	70	72	Tennessee	-2	27 DAVENDER, ED	14 LOCK, ROB	24,378 (A)
Feb. 20	18-5	76	83	Florida	-7	24 CHAPMAN, REX	12 BENNETT, W.	11,921 (A)
Feb. 24	19-5	95	69	Louisiana State	26	24 BENNETT, W.	7 MANUEL, ERIC	23,164 (H)
Feb. 28	20-5	62	58	Syracuse	4	15 BENNETT, W.	5 JENKINS, CEDRIC	24,025 (H)
Mar. 02	21-5	80	72	Georgia	8	20 DAVENDER, ED	5 BENNETT, W.	23,269 (H)
Mar. 05	22-5	78	71	Ole Miss	7	29 CHAPMAN, REX	6 BENNETT, W.	8,386 (A)
Mar. 11	23-5	82	64	Ole Miss	18	19 BENNETT, W.	7 BENNETT, W.	14,052 (SEC)
Mar. 12	24-5	86	80	Louisiana State	6	24 MANUEL, ERIC	7 MANUEL, ERIC	14,219 (SEC)
Mar. 13	25-5	62	57	Georgia	5	23 CHAPMAN, REX	7 LOCK, ROB	14,057 (SEC)



Leading Scorer:
Rex Chapman—18.4



Leading Rebounder:
Winston Bennett—7.7

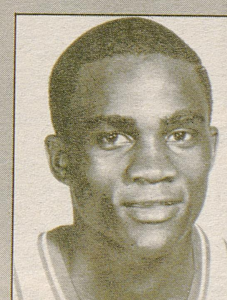


Assist Leader:
Ed Davender—122



***Best FG Percentage:**
Rob Lock—56.1

*minimum of 2 FG attempts per game.



***Best FT Percentage:**
Ed Davender—86.1

*minimum of 2 FT attempts per game.

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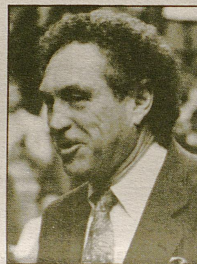


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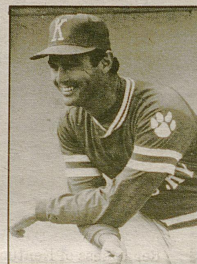
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Previous Games

- March 1: Baseball—UK def. Louisville 15-5
 March 2: Basketball—UK def. Georgia 70-62
 March 3: Women's Basketball—UK def. Vandy 75-67
 March 4: Women's Basketball—Tennessee def. UK 100-66
 March 5: Basketball—UK def. Ole Miss 78-71
 March 5: Baseball—Florida def. UK 3-1
 March 6: Baseball—UK def. Fla 7-1, 11-10
 March 9: Baseball—UK def. Middle Tennessee 5-1
 March 11: Basketball—UK def. Ole Miss 82-64
 March 12: Basketball—UK def. LSU 86-80
 March 13: Basketball—UK def. Georgia 62-57
 March 13: Baseball—Oral Roberts def. UK 7-5
 March 14: Baseball—Oklahoma St. def. UK



Eddie Sutton



Keith Madison

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KENTUCKY WILDCATS

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Hey, Who's The New Wildcat?



Rex Being Cornered From All Ends In Baton Rouge

UK Through With SEC Wars; Eyes NCAAs

Kentucky's Schedule 53rd, U of L's No.1?

THE SECOND SEASON is upon us.

The Southeastern Conference Tournament will be history by the time this column hits the street with the road to the Final Four getting underway Thursday in Atlanta, Ga., and Cincinnati, Ohio (Southeast); Chapel Hill, N.C., and



Dan Brandenburg

Cats' Pause Columnist



Hartford, Conn. (East); Salt Lake City, Utah, and Los Angeles, Calif. (West); and Lincoln, Neb., and Notre Dame, Ind. (Midwest).

Coach Eddie Sutton and his Kentucky Wildcats were favored going into the SEC tourney, but the odds were against them as the Cats had won only twice since the tourney was revived in 1979 after a 26-year absence. UK had, however, made it to the finals three other times to pull away with runnerup honors.

Some have said that the Cats haven't put together the consistency needed to win the NCAA, or even the SEC, tournament. I would be hard-pressed to argue with the NCAA theory, but I disagree when it comes down to the SEC.

SURE, THE WILDCATS have had their ups and downs this year, but hasn't every other SEC squad? In an 18-game schedule, all ten SEC schools won at least six games (the first time that has ever happened) and lost at least five.

If it wasn't for Dick Vitale, I'd call that parity.

Regardless of Kentucky's success, or lack thereof, in the SEC tourney, the Wildcats are a lock for the NCAA field. But then, with 64 teams, that isn't a fantastic accomplishment.

Because of their No. 6 national ranking and 22-5 record (going into the conference tournament), my guess is a No. 2 seed for UK in the Southeast Regional. My second guess is that Kentucky will get to open their tourney in the same place they just left — Atlanta (last year).

Cincinnati is the other choice, but that may be wishing for too much.

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BARRING ANY MAJOR surprises in the various conference tournaments, Ohio State's upset win over No. 2 Purdue may have been the worst thing to happen to Kentucky all season.

According to my advanced calculations (read that as "best guess"), the Boilermakers may have just earned themselves the No. 1 seed in the Southeast.

I had them pegged as the top seed in the Midwest, but the loss to the Buckeyes will probably leave the Sooners of Oklahoma holding that position.

And since I don't expect the NCAA selection committee to put Oklahoma and Purdue in the same region, my guess is that Purdue will travel Southeast.

Unfortunately for Kentucky, that means UK would probably have to beat the Boilermakers to get into the Final Four, a task I wouldn't wish on just anyone. Well, maybe Oklahoma.

THE NO. 2 SEED in the Midwest will probably go to either No. 8 Duke or No. 9 North Carolina, depending on the ACC tourney. If they fare about even in the tourney, look for Duke to get the edge.

Top-ranked Temple and No. 3 Arizona should be locks for the top seeds in the East and West, respectively. I also look for Pitt to fill the No. 2 spot in the East and UNLV to get the second nod in the West.

According to last week's Associated Press Top 20 poll, that would match the Nos. 1 and 5 teams, Nos. 2 and 6, Nos. 3 and 7 and Nos. 4 and 8 in the four regions.

But things could, and probably will, change drastically with the conference tournaments. And with any luck, that would give Kentucky a better opponent than Purdue in whatever region the Cats end up in.

Three teams I wouldn't want to play if I were in Eddie Sutton's shoes: Pittsburgh, Purdue and Arizona.

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JUST IN CASE anyone missed it along the way:

The Midwest Regional will be played March 25 and 27 in Pontiac, Mich.; the East Regional is slated for March 24 and 26 in East Rutherford, N.J.; the West will play March 25 and 27 in Seattle; and the Southeast plays March 24 and 26 and goes on to Birmingham, Ala.

The Midwest and East champs play in one semifinal and the West and Southeast in the other. Final Four dates are April 2 and 4 in Kansas City, Mo.

The championship game is slated to begin at 9 p.m. EST and will be televised

by CBS.

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MINI-TRIVIA

The easy part: What was Eddie Sutton's career record at Kentucky going into the SEC tournament? 72-20 (.783).

The hard part: How many of the losses have been to non-SEC schools? 4 (none this season and two each in 85-86 and 86-87).

The hardest part: Name the four schools. Kansas, North Carolina State, Indiana and Ohio State.

OTHER STUFF

—According to the NCAA News, Kentucky had the 53rd toughest schedule in the country through games of Feb. 14. That figure is derived by comparing the success of a team's opponents against other Division I opponents.

This ranking compared only the teams each school had played through Feb. 14 and did not include games remaining on the schedule. For Kentucky, those remaining games included Florida and Syracuse.

The toughest schedule? Believe it or not — Louisville. Auburn was 7th, LSU 13th, Mississippi 15th, Florida 19th, Georgia 21st, Alabama 29th, Vanderbilt 43rd and Tennessee 65th. Mississippi State was the only SEC school not listed among the top 150.

—**SINCE THE NCAA** adopted the Final Four format for its basketball tournament in 1952, Kentucky and North Carolina have reached the coveted **placau nine times each. UCLA is tops with 14.**



Hey Eddie, Look Out For Purdue, Pitt, Arizona

But what team has just missed the Final Four the most times, **losing in one of** the regional championship games? The answer: Kentucky (12 times).

—The national stats show Kentucky, either individually or as a team, listed in only one category: free throw percentage. As a team, the Cats are hitting 75.6 percent, good for seventh in the country.

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ON THE SAME day this column is slated to hit the street, the Associated Press will announce its boys' All-State team. My guesses: Richie Farmer, Clay County; Keith Adkins, Paintsville; Allen Houston, Louisville Ballard; Travis Ford, Madisonville; and James Brewer, Bardstown.

Next Tuesday, the girls' team will be announced. My prediction: Jennifer Berryman, Clark County; Stephanie Gossum, Marshall County; Joretta Carney, Laurel County; Lisa Harrison, Louisville Southern; and Kristie Jordan, Louisville Ballard.

The winners of Mr. and Miss Basketball will be announced April 16 in Lexington during the Kentucky Associated Press Sports Editors Association's spring meeting. On the boys' side, Farmer should be a runaway winner; for the girls, I favor Berryman, but my better instincts says Carney will win a close race over Gossum.

SI's Article On Richardson—A Touch Of Class

Deford's Story Will Make You Rejoice, Weep

Sportswriters, like coaches and players, come in assorted talents. The Larry Bird, John Elway or Roger Clemens of sportswriting is, undoubtedly, Frank Deford.

Deford has an article in the March 7 *Sports Illustrated* which is the finest magazine piece



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist



we have read in years.

Called "Got to Do Some Coachin,'" Deford has written the life story of Arkansas basketball coach Nolan Richardson, Jr.

It is not to be missed!

Richardson is the first black head coach in the Southwest Conference. Richardson has always been the first black to do whatever he has done from his high school days on.

Deford tells the story of Richardson's life, its trials, its tribulations, its great sorrows and occasional triumphs in a manner that sets new standards for the profession of journalism.

You'll rejoice. You'll weep. And when you have finished reading the piece, you'll know Nolan Richardson.

We've never met coach Richardson, but until we read the story we thought we knew him.

A few weeks ago Bob Weltlich, former Ole Miss coach now head man at the University of Texas, invited my wife and myself down to see the Longhorns' game with the Razorbacks.

We're pretty close to Weltlich. In fact, my wife and I are Godparents to his daughter.

We flew down to Austin and that Saturday went to the game.

IN LESS THAN TWO MINUTES OF PLAY THE OFFICIALS stuck an Arkansas kid with an intentional foul.

Richardson went berserk. He ripped off his sport coat, threw it on the floor and stomped it. The zebras stuck him with a "T."

At halftime the Hogs trailed by seven, and when the second half began a Texas kid went to the line and shot two free throws.

"Oh, oh," I told my wife, "Richardson said something between the halves and got stuck with another 'T'."

He had, indeed.

"That man's got the R.A.," I told her.

Late in the game Nolan raised hell one more time and the officials handed him his third technical and a ticket out of the gym.

He departed slowly and with dignity. He walked to the Texas bench, shook hands with Weltlich, patted a couple of Texas players on the shoulder and walked out.

His team went on to lose by nine, a loss considered to be a major upset.

I was not very sympathetic. Not only had Texas made five of the six technical foul free throws, but the Longhorns had scored twice off the possessions they were awarded following the "Ts'.

When a team loses by nine and the coach draws three technicals, which, in effect, give the opponent nine points, it's hard to feel much compassion.

THAT WAS UNTIL I READ DEFORD'S ARTICLE.

Those technicals were just a blip on the screen showing Richardson's life story.

His childhood of poverty, his struggles for acceptance in a white world that was not prepared to give him either playing or coaching opportunity and, most of all, the dramatic personal tragedy of watching his teenage daughter slowly die of Leukemia, has obviously created the man Nolan Richardson is today.

Deford has written this story in the form of a play. His approach is novel, creative and brilliant.

A few years ago, Deford told of Bull "Cyclone" Sullivan, the fabled football coach at East Mississippi Junior College. Also published in *Sports Illustrated*, that article is now regarded as a classic.

The story of Nolan Richardson is, at the very least, its equal.

Frank Deford was named, in January, by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association as National Sportswriter of the Year for the fourth consecutive time.

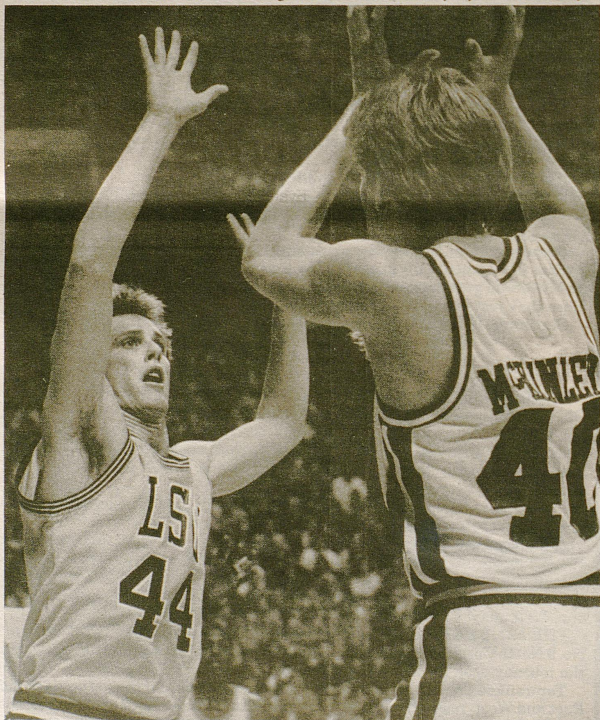
It could eventually be 10 times. There's nobody any better. He is the undisputed champion of today's press. In the Super Bowl of sportswriters, Frank Deford is unbeatable.

Not For Broadcast

The shocking death of **Don Redden**, LSU's star of only two years ago must give us all pause. For him to die of an apparent heart attack at the age of 24 is almost inconceivable to those of us who watched him play. Big, strong, vital Don Redden, gone at his life's beginning! What a shooter he was from the outside. What strength he had. Looking back at the SEC tournament box scores, Redden's playing time looked like this: in the three tournaments in which he participated—40 minutes, 31 minutes, 15 minutes and 30 minutes. Hardly the record of someone with heart trouble. But then, who really knows? . . . When **Alabama**, **Ole Miss** and **Mississippi State** all tied for last place this year, their identical conference records of six and 12 were the best ever posted by last place teams. Never before

had an SEC school won six conference games and still finished in last place. . . There are a lot of people, ourselves included, who believe Birmingham is the best place to hold the tournament. There are two reasons. One is geographical. It's in the middle of the league. The other is neutral floor. No school has a true advantage in **Birmingham**. When you hold the event in one of the league's corners—Baton Rouge or Lexington or next year in Knoxville—you create horrendous travel problems for fans of teams at the other end of the league. For example, it's more than 600 miles from Knoxville to Baton Rouge. Knoxville to Birmingham is only 250 miles. It's also more than 600 miles from Gainesville to this year's host city. To Birmingham from the University of Florida is about 450 miles. As for the advantage of playing on your home floor, that goes without saying. We believe there will be a strong move to put the 1990 event in Birmingham and leave it there. Schools with small gyms such as **Ole Miss** and **Mississippi State** will never have the home floor advantage and that's got to be a factor. . . ABC's college basketball ratings were up this year. CBS and NBC saw their ratings go down. As for the oft discussed subject of college basketball overkill, try this. In a nine-day stretch as the tournaments began, ESPN televised 30 tournament games in 21 conferences. They also cut into as many as 70 other games. On Saturday the network has scheduled nine games from 11:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. EST, including the second halves of five of them. Overkill? You bet your sweet ankle wrap. .

Jim Lampley, who started out as ABC's youthful sideline football reporters not too many years ago, has just signed to do boxing and tennis on **HBO** in addition to his work for CBS. The HBO contract shoves his earnings more than one million per year. . . **Kentucky's**



Don Redden (44)—Tragedy Again Strikes Louisiana State

all-time record basketball crowd was 24,203 for the **Indiana-UK** game Dec. 7, 1986. We find that figure interesting in view of the fact that the SEC press guide shows Rupp Arena's capacity as only 23,000. . . I'm glad Kentucky announcer **Cawood Ledford** received an engraved clock from the University of Kentucky on the occasion of his 1,000th game. I once showed him the SEC tournament championship ring I received along with the players when Ole Miss won it in 1981. Said Ledford, "I've been with the 'Cats through conference and national championships and have never been included on the list for a ring." Well, Cawood, you can't wear a clock on your finger, but it's better than nothing at all. I always wanted to be an honorary member of the "M" Club but never made that, either. It be's that way sometimes. . . There are some undergraduate loaded teams this year. Late in the season, **Tennessee** was not starting a single senior and **Georgia** was starting only one, **Willie Anderson**. . . The **Heisman Trophy** hype has started at LSU for quarterback **Tom Hodson**. Their press releases already refer to him as "Heisman Trophy candidate Tom Hodson." We shall see. . .

The Last Word: *USA Today's* headline over their story that legendary Notre Dame football coach **Knute Rockne** will be honored with a commemorative stamp marking the 100th anniversary of his birth: "Rockne to finally get licked."

Groan.

We feel that news about the sports programs at the University of Kentucky should be required reading for all of the state's high school students. So, the staff of *The Cats' Pause* is starting a program we call "Big Blue Penetration."

Below, we have listed all the high schools in the state of Kentucky, and it is our aim to give every high school student in the commonwealth the opportunity to read *The Cats' Pause* by making the paper available to every high school library in the state. In order to accomplish this, it will be up to our subscribers to carry out "Big Blue Penetration" during the coming months.

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Bob Watkins

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Another Kentucky 'sleeper'?

With all the attention heaped on Richie Farmer (Clay County), Allan Houston (Ballard) and others, Mike Gray, a 6-4, 185-pound swing man from Caldwell County High School might have gotten overlooked this season. Maybe.

The school's all-time leading scorer had 2,304 points in of counting district and region tournament action this month. Gray, averaging 27 ppg this season, was on course to breaking the single season scoring mark held by Tim Riley. Gray also had a school record high 42 points against Lyon County earlier this year.

"I've seen Mike and he's a nice player," said UK's Dwane Casey who added Kentucky was not recruiting Gray. "I think Murray State is really interested in him."

Readers (right) write

John Luckett of Elizabethtown, Ky. is a UK Wildcats fan. Referring to remarks I wrote about the Louisville Cardinals before the DePaul game, Luckett writes: "The recent destruction of the Cardinals by a less-than-great team such as DePaul puts a serious dent in your contention that Louisville will challenge for the national title. If watching them perform in recent games against Austin Peay, Memphis State, South Carolina and Virginia Tech (as well as North Carolina State) has you convinced that Louisville is playing as well as anyone in the country, then I feel your ability to assess a team's talents and probable performance is questionable at best. This especially rings true when your definite statement of a few weeks ago that "Florida will win the SEC regular season" comes to mind.

"I know you admire and respect Coach (Denny) Crum, as do I, believe it or not. But to lump Louisville in with this year's obvious elite: Purdue (my choice to take it all), Temple, Arizona, Oklahoma, Duke and yes, even Kentucky, can best be described as wishful thinking on your part.

While saying this, I'm also mindful that Louisville could get hot and surprise some quality teams in the tournament. They have that potential (don't forget they start three high school All-Americans and highly touted Herb Crook and Keith Williams).

"But to predict that they will do this based upon this years performance is far-fetched to say the least.

Comment Two reasons I enjoy Luckett's views are. He signs his name. And his ideas come without sugar coating.

Parting shot

North Carolina State junior forward Chucky Brown celebrated his birthday last month by scoring a career best 25 points against UNC-Ashville, reports Doug Herakovich of the Wolfpack's sports information department.

Brown is five years old. He was born Feb. 29, 1968. And so it goes. ■

'Cats Take Title 62-57

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to the strong forward is a factor, that gives them a plus there. And I think Manuel coming in on the perimeter in the 3 position makes them stronger there. I just think Manuel puts more pressure on the defense from the 3 spot than, say, Winston Bennett, and that's to take nothing away from him because he's an excellent, excellent player. And the difference in Kentucky's team this year is the fact that Winston Bennett and Eric Manuel are there." . . . Durham, however, differed with Brown when it came to one thing: which team—LSU or Georgia—should be included in the NCAA field. "Each coach in our league is gonna politic for his club. I said coming in that our league deserves five spots, I think we're that tough. I believe that. Kentucky's earned it twice (regular-season title,

tourney title), they're already in. Auburn's in, Florida's in and Vanderbilt's probably in. That leaves Tennessee, Georgia and LSU are playing for that other spot. . . . If we get five, then I'm gonna say Georgia ought to go. And I'm sure if Dale was sitting here, in a very eloquent way, he could convince you that LSU won this championship, when we all know that they didn't, but when he got through you would certainly believe that they did. If not that, the NCAA would be apologizing to him for not giving 'em a bid before six. But he isn't here, so I'm gonna say we ought to go. I just hope we get five, if our league doesn't get five, we've been shunned." Approximately 45 minutes after he jokingly made those comments in his postgame press conference, Durham got some good news and some bad news: The SEC did indeed get five teams, but LSU, not Georgia, was the other club invited.

Russell Rice

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took up the UK cause. Here are some comments from area sports editors:

□ John Bradberry, *Atlanta Constitution*—"The NCAA always has been unpredictable in its actions and done things in a haphazard manner. This (selection of North Carolina State) is in keeping with its past record of decisions on important matters.

"A look at the record shows Kentucky certainly deserves to represent the district because of an apparently tougher schedule and her victory in the Sugar Bowl tournament this year."

□ Joe Livingston, *Jacksonville Journal*—"They (NCAA committee) should have stayed with the pride of Dixie, meaning UK."

□ Bill Keefe, *New Orleans Times-Picayune*—"Most of the basketball world...will sympathize with the stand taken by Coach Adolph Rupp, who refuses to play North Carolina State one game to decide which one of these would represent the district in the NCAA tournament. If the NCAA goes without Kentucky, it will be the NCAA's loss—not the Wildcats'."

□ George Bugbee, *Memphis Press-Scimitar*—"I feel they have a right to reject whoever they wish, but I feel they made a mistake if they were after the better team."

□ Whitey McMillan, *Gainesville Sun*—"They (NCAA committee) will live to regret their action. Baron Adolph Rupp is a bad man to cross, and he's hollering on this one."

It is doubtful that the NCAA felt any loss after the Wildcats bowed to CCNY, 89-50, in the opening game of the NIT, the worst defeat in Rupp's career and UK's worst since falling to Centre, 87-17, in 1910. The Wolfpack finished third in the NCAA, which was won by CCNY in the first "clean sweep" of the two major national tournaments, an ambition that Rupp had secretly nurtured.

"You make me Coach of the Year," he told his Wildcats, "and then you come up here and embarrass the hell out of me."



Oscar Combs

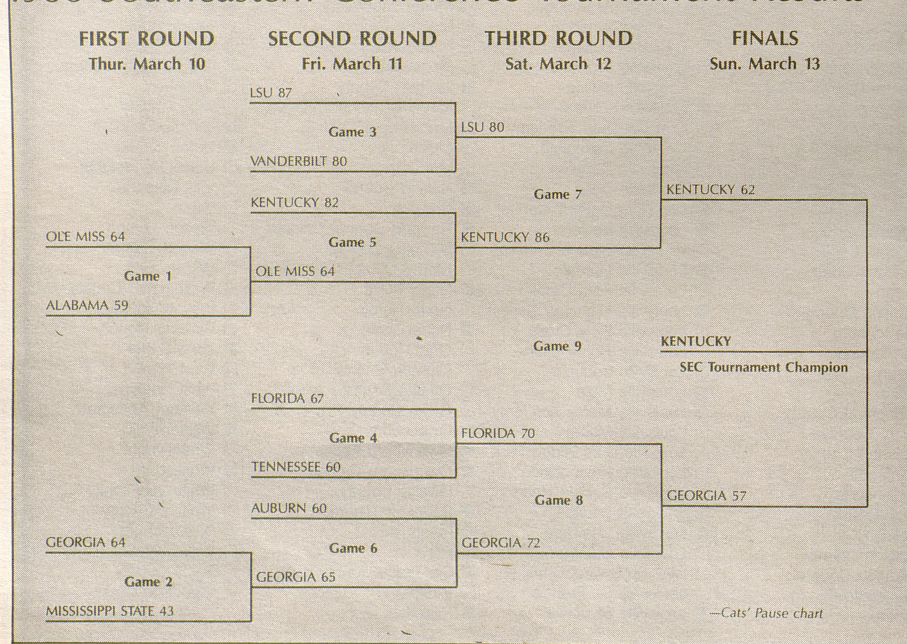
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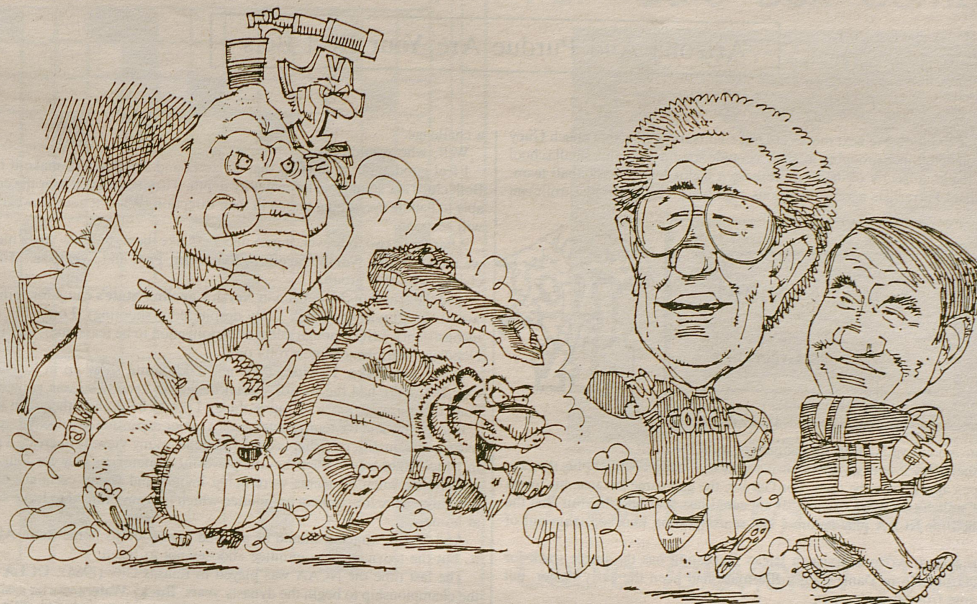
HITS AND MISSES . . . Look for more SEC basketball tournaments to be played on the college campuses. Col. Harvey Schiller, commissioner of the Southeastern Conference, said he likes the excitement created on the college campuses and a prefers such a setting. LSU officials can take a bow for a job well-done in Baton Rouge. There now have been 10 postseason SEC tourneys since the tournament was reinstated back in 1979, and it goes without saying the best ones have been on college campuses. Vanderbilt and Nashville put on a great show in 1984 as LSU did this season. When the first such tourney was held in Lexington in 1982, everyone feared Kentucky would walk away with the title with the event being staged on the Wildcats' home floor. Alabama won that one. In fact, the tourney has been played on league campuses four times now and the home team has won only one—Kentucky in 1986. Ironically, of the four campus tourneys, Kentucky has won the last three: In Nashville (1984), Lexington (1986) and now Baton Rouge (1988). Next March, the tourney will be staged at Tennessee's new 25,000-seat facility. Don't look for the Wildcats' win streak to continue in that one.

1988 Southeastern Conference Tournament Results



—Cats' Pause chart

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Arizona And Purdue Are Your Best Bets

It will be interesting to follow the next moves at Drake University now that coach **Gary Garner** has been broomed. Since dropping football a couple seasons ago, this small school in Des Moines has made no secret of its desire to have a major league basketball team. The president, Michael Ferrari, is a very ambitious man who has improved enrollment



Larry Donald

Cats' Pause Columnist



figures thanks to an innovative advertising campaign on MTV.

My suspicion is they'll try to lure an established coach with a big contract plus the promise of an on-campus arena down the road. For Garner, the end came because his teams collapsed down the stretch two years running. It appeared last year and this that the Bulldogs were headed for NCAA play before a late-season swoon knocked them out of the box.

It appears now as though Arizona assistant **Ricky Byrdson** has the inside track for the vacant job at Detroit. Notre Dame's **John Shumate** had been the early leader, but he withdrew his name from consideration.

I have no idea whether or not the University of Kentucky was guilty of any or all violations as alleged by the *Lexington Herald-Leader* two years ago. But I do know this: I've got a lot more faith in the credibility of the Pulitzer Prize committee and the *Herald-Leader* than I do in the NCAA or its chief enforcement officer, **David Berst**. How that man stays on the payroll is one of those enduring mysteries.

Although we haven't even settled the issue this year, it will be difficult for preseason lookers to go beyond **Michigan**, **Syracuse** or **Kentucky** as the No. 1 pick next fall. I say that based on **Derrick Coleman's** return to Syracuse and **Glen Rice** coming back to Michigan. Coleman needs, and I predict will have, one monster season before going pro.

Curry Kirkpatrick, long time college basketball writer for *Sports Illustrated*, debuts for CBS during the NCAA tournament as a color analyst. Let's see, **Frank Deford**, **Will McDonough** and now Kirkpatrick. Is this a trend? Is television at last confessing to the obvious? Should more of us in the business invest in a new suit and a haircut? As they say, stay tuned.

Mentioning the other medium, I don't know about you, but it seems to me that **Bob Ley** is certainly a model host for all the basketball games being beamed into our living rooms. He has that comfortable way of being with personality.

I will remain strong and show no degree of sympathy to those outstanding teams from less powerful conferences not invited to the NCAA because, despite winning the regular season, they were beaten in the postseason tournament sponsored by their own league. It's what their schools get for being greedy. And yet, I ask, is it fair to those coaches or their players to be excluded just because their administrators want to milk a few more dollars out of the program? Those are the people who ought to be made to sit in a corner wearing the traditional dunce cap for three straight weeks while the NCAA tournament is being played.

Watching teams like **Loyola Marymount** and **Bradley** with their uptempo, free-for-all style convinces me this is a smart way for smaller programs to go. First the team's entertaining which sells more tickets. Second, it is attractive to more talented schoolboy athletes than a program which plays conservatively. And, third, neither program is likely to win more than a game or two in NCAA tournament play regardless of their approach to the game.

If **Mark Macon** declared for hardship today he would have to be taken in the first five choices and perhaps even the first three. . . . Mentioning the hardship rule, I still think there will be a record number of undergraduate applicants this spring.

My suspicion is that **Gary Williams** won't last five years at Ohio State. This is a football school with an administration which operates in strange ways (ask **Earle Bruce**, **Eldon Miller**, et al.). So while I don't think Williams will be fired, I think he'll quietly move to another school, probably back East.

There's apparently a lot of inter-office arguing about **Walt Hazzard's** future at UCLA. A number of ranking administrators want to release him now, but the school's president is reportedly a close personal friend of Hazzard and wants the coaching contract to be honored.

Another guy who may be headed toward trouble is Cincinnati's **Tony Yates**. I'm told he'll survive this year, but if there's no major upswing in the Bearcat fortunes next year he'll be gone.

With four starters and a talented redshirt center returning next year **Stanford** will be among the preseason favorites in the Pac-10. Coach **Mike Montgomery**'s done an outstanding job in Palo Alto, but history strongly suggests that he'd be wise to move on after next year. There'll be a sharp dropoff the following season. . . . **Arizona** has a couple of redshirt big men to go with **Sean Elliott** and **Anthony Cook** which means the Wildcats will also be a solid team. But they'll desperately miss **Steve Kerr's** leadership in the backcourt.

When **Ed Murphy** took over at Mississippi and watched now star guard **Rod Barnes** play, he said: "Hey, we gotta get better players than this." Said Barnes, "I took that as

a challenge."

Well, who wouldn't? . . .

I feel good about predicting that **Arizona** and **Purdue** will make it to the Final Four. Both clubs are sound and have quality depth. They've proven, over the course of a season, able to handle everything tossed in their direction. When it gets to sweaty palm time, both will respond.

After those two, however, it gets into a, "I like them, but they scare me" situation. Here we have **Temple**, **North Carolina**, **Kentucky**, **Pitt.** and **Syracuse**. Much more is left to chance with this group.

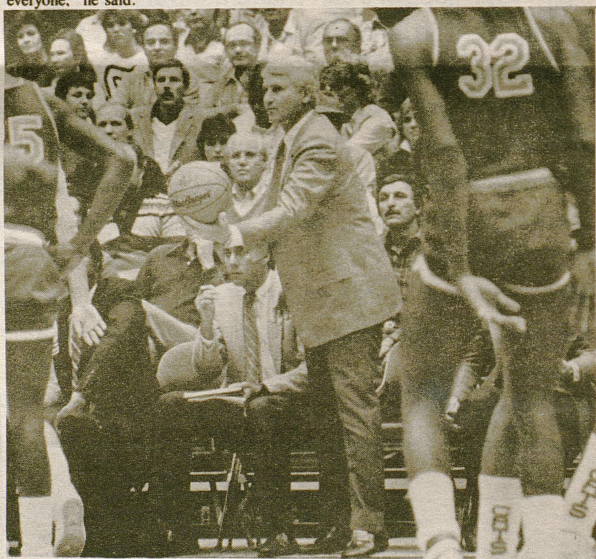
And the longshots? I've been in **North Carolina State's** camp for some time, but others would be: **Illinois** (on a roll lately despite poor shooting), **Louisville** (capable, but still inconsistent), **LSU** (enough talent and motivation to be fearsome), and **Georgia Tech** (the Noodles Neal phenomenon rolls on).

Now when **Duke**, **Florida**, **BYU** and **Oklahoma** show up in Kansas City remember this: If I really had the sort of special insight to know who was going to make the Final Four there are far more lucrative things I could be doing other than sports writing. . . .

It seems evident the tournament needs a minor expansion to solve the squeeze of automatic tournament qualifiers. What needs to be done, in my view, is to create a preliminary round in which eight teams from the less powerful conferences play for four spots. This is the same thing when 52 teams were being invited and would certainly lessen some of the pressure on the tournament committee which is always forced to leave some worthy teams at home.

And, again, no team should be allowed to play on its home floor. All of America says it, but the tournament committee chooses not to listen.

The last time the NCAA was played in Kansas City (1964), **UCLA** defeated **Duke** in the championship to begin the dynasty years. **Bucky Waters** was an assistant coach at Duke in those days and recalls when the team's plane landed it skidded off the runway and into a grassy area. "The propellers kept spinning, throwing mud all over the plane which scared everyone," he said.



Lute Olson—Basketball Times' Selection For Coach Of The Year

The locker rooms were being painted so the Duke team dressed in the hotel and walked to the Municipal Auditorium where the games were played. Media crush? **Jeff Mullins** went to the arena on the morning of the championship and shot for a half hour without ever being disturbed. And for its efforts Duke University received a check in the amount of \$50,000.

Times certainly have changed. . . .

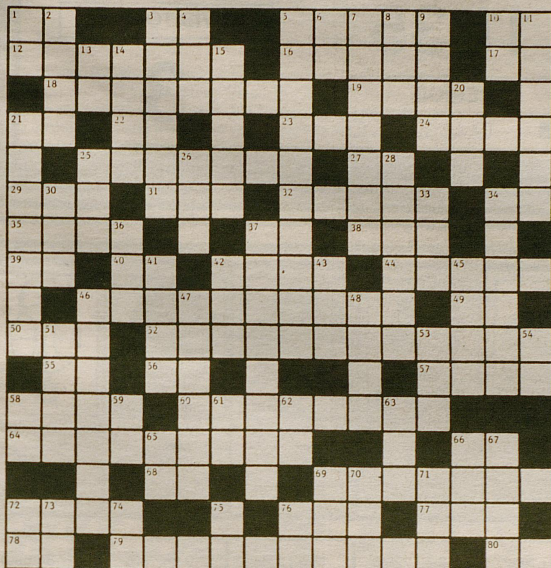
Never in the 32-year history of the United States Basketball Writer's Association has a man been honored as Coach of the Year in two consecutive seasons. Until now, **John Chaney** was tapped to receive the award again this season.

Basketball Times honored **Bradley's Hersey Hawkins** as its Player of the Year and tapped **Arizona's Lute Olson** as Coach of the Year. The All-Americans were **Hawkins**, **Danny Manning**, **J.R. Reid**, **Danny Ferry** and **Mark Macon**. It was the first time a freshman has been selected to the first team since **Ralph Sampson** was at Virginia.

Jim Haney, commissioner of the Missouri Valley Conference for the past three years, is on the move again. This time he'll handle a similar job for the PCAA, a conference which hopes to make itself more recognizable with a name change. The finalists are "Big West" and "Wild West." Personally, I think they should go with Big West because most years Las Vegas wins this league by seven or eight games and, television notwithstanding, there's nothing very "wild" about that.

TCP CROSSWORD PUZZLE

By Dan Krueckeberg



40 YEARS AGO: THE CHAMPS

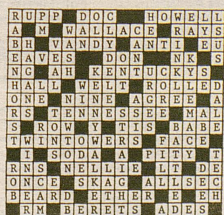
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- 1 Initials of one of 52 Across
 3 Abbr. for "total points"
 5 Yielded
 10 Initials of tallest on '48 Champs
 12 Cats beat Baylor by _____ for NCAA title
 16 Former Clev. Indian 2Bman Bobby
 17 6-3 freshman per Day
 18 Cats went on to win the _____
 19 Long river
 21 '48 Final Four was _____ New York
 22 Initials of Pulley of foe Baylor
 23 Held 42 Down to 3 pts. in semis
 24 Oklahoma city
 25 Had 9.3 ppg in '47-'48
 27 Initials of former Seattle star Elgin
 29 Yoko
 31 Female suffix
 32 Losses for '47-'48 Cats
 34 SEC state abbr.
 35 Nuisance fuzz
 37 Initials of the 6-1 Junior
 38 Hirsch, Jordan, Townes, Smether, Henne and Stough _____ on the bench
 39 Symbol for "platinum"
 40 Initials of 23 Across
 42 Floater
 44 Some say the '48 squad _____ as Rupp's best
 46 6-4 Junior of National Champs
 49 5-10 soph. guard Cummins
 50 See 69 Down
 52 Was named so by Larry Boeck
 55 I am
 56 Abbr. for a collegiate class
 57 '47-'48 Cats leading scorer
 58 Pac-10 school
 60 Jackie of title foes Baylor
 64 Wins for '48 Champs
 66 Initials of '48 Holy Cross star
 68 Initials of top scorer Shannon of '48 Final Four Kansas State
 69 1 Across, Jack Parkinson and Albert Campbell in '48
 72 Leading scorer in NCAA title game
 76 Common verb
 77 Hoop loop
 78 Initials of Kaftan of '48 Final Four Holy Cross
 79 Cats beat them in Olympic Trials
 80 Initials of the 6-4 Junior Cat

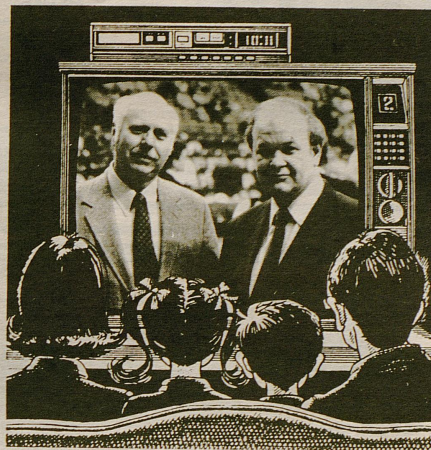
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- 1 Big 8 state abbr.
 2 Public disturbance
 3 Beat '47-'48 Cats by one on 12/20
 4 Energy
 5 Cliff Barker taught it to British while in POW camp in W.W.II
 6 Murray State of the _____
 7 Clearly describes '47-'48 Cats
 8 Yale
 9 6-2 soph. Barnstable
 10 Initials of Baron of the Bluegrass
 11 Describes medals of 18 Across
 13 Abbr. for "extra large"
 14 Former U of I star hoopster
 15 The _____ "captain" was Columbus
 20 The _____
 21 _____ brown suit was in place in '48
 25 Cats _____ semifinal game by 8
 26 Lost to Cats in SEC Tourney
 28 _____ play earned him All-American honors
 30 '47-'48 Cats had come off an _____ trip in March of '47
 33 Airport abbr.
 34 28 & 72 Down each averaged _____ and one-half per game
 36 Bowling abbr.
 37 Cats beat them to reach Final Four
 41 Haarlow & MacDonald in NCAA title game
 42 First name of 66 Across
 43 ism: Buddhist religion
 45 Cat feature
 46 Had 7.0 ppg in '47-'48 season
 47 _____ role was as assistant coach
 48 Cashew and pecan
 51 The _____ Cat hoop tradition began over forty years ago
 53 Cat follower
 54 Former marriage mate
 58 MAC state abbr.
 59 Initials of coach with 2nd Final Four trip in '48
 61 Symbol for "osmium"
 62 Roman num. for points for "Wah Wah" in NCAA title game
 63 Possess
 65 Initials of Michigan footballer Harmon
 66 Cats lost to _____ Kurland & Phillips Oilers
 67 _____ fish
 69 Lanka
 70 Fish
 71 L _____ was a 6-2 sophomore
 72 Initials of '48 Cats PG Sage leader
 73 Initials of Krone of Final Four K State
 74 See 13 Down
 75 Roman num. for Barker's uniform #
 76 Abbr. for "audio-visual"

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Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Five Years Ago

*The Kentucky Wildcats captured a first round NCAA game 57-40 against Ohio University in the Sun Dome in Tampa, Fla. Kentucky entered the game with a two-year drought without a NCAA victory, with its last defeat coming at the hands of Middle Tennessee in Nashville. The 'Cats tested their fans in the first half as they struggled with Ohio's slow-down offense, leading by only four at the half 21-17. Kentucky pressured Ohio in the second half, using traps to create confusion and turnovers to help increase the lead to 10 with under eight minutes to go. Wildcat fans were then able to relax as the Big Blue reeled off the final eight points of the game to clinch the victory. Guard Dirk Minniefield led the Wildcats with 16 points and five assists. Melvin Turpin scored 14 points and pulled down nine rebounds. Kentucky now moves to Knoxville, Tenn., to play

the winner of the Oklahoma-Indiana game, which will be played tomorrow at Roberts Stadium in Evansville, Ind.

*The Kentucky baseball team swept through the first Kentucky Classic with a perfect 6-0 record to win the championship. Kentucky defeated Eastern Connecticut 10-1 in the first round, with junior Paul Kilgus pitching a three-hitter in the win. Kentucky then defeated Seton Hall in the second round 15-6. The Bat Cats swept a doubleheader from Maryland in their next outing and defeated Dayton in the final game 6-4 on a Brandt Ely triple with the bases loaded.

*The Kentucky Lady Kats lost their opening round NCAA game to the Indiana Lady Hoosiers 87-76 in Memorial Coliseum. The Indiana frontline of Rachelle Bostic, Missy Leekie and Denise Jackson combined to give Indiana 67 of its 87 points. Valerie Still scored 28 points and grabbed 13 rebounds for Kentucky. The Lady Kats finished their season at

23-4.

*It took three overtimes but... the Blue Devils of Henry Clay High School defeated Carlisle County 35-33 on a last-second tip in by Greg Bates. Carlisle was able to slow down the tempo throughout the contest, but was unable to hit that key basket to give them the victory. Junior Steve Miller was leading scorer with 14 points for Henry Clay.

Eight Years Ago

*A Kyle Macy jump shot from 17 feet out was off-target and Kentucky couldn't get away another attempt in the final seconds as the 'Cats' NCAA hopes went down the drain in a 55-54 Midwest Regional loss to Duke at Rupp Arena. Kentucky dug itself in an early hole and trailed the Blue Devils by 14 points at intermission (37-23). Behind junior Freddie Cowan, who scored a game-high 26 points, Kentucky rallied to tie the score at 54-all on a Cowan bucket. Duke's Gene Banks appeared to lose the ball out of bounds but a foul was called on UK's Derrick Hord. Banks hit one of two free throws to give the ACC team a surprising victory. Kentucky hit only 40 percent from the field and committed 17 turnovers on its home court. Cowan was the only Wildcat in double figures. Center Sam Bowie was limited to only nine minutes of action because of foul problems. The Wildcats finished the season at 29-6.

*Joe Barry Carroll's 26 points led Purdue to the Midwest Regional crown, sending the Boilermakers to the NCAA Final Four in Indianapolis. This regional, which was held in Rupp Arena, was loaded with upsets. In the first round, Purdue upset Indiana while Duke knocked off the favored Kentucky Wildcats.

*In a week in which Kentucky was eliminated from NCAA play, the Wildcats received some good news as Indiana All-America prepster Jim Master announced he will attend Kentucky next year. Master mentioned he picked the Wildcats over Notre Dame in a decision which went down to the wire. The top candidate for Mr. Basketball honors in the Hoosier state, the 6-4 Master averaged 27.8 points a game for Harding High School.

*The Kentucky baseball team swept the Tennessee Volunteers behind the strong performance of pitcher Jeff Keener. Kentucky won by 4-3, 4-2 scores as Keener pitched in relief in the first game and started the nightcap. Tennessee came back the next day with 11-4 victory.

Nine Years Ago

*Sam Bowie, voted the prep Player of the Year by the National High School Coaches Association, announced last week that he will attend the University of Kentucky next year. The 7-foot-1 Bowie, who prepped in LeBonon, Pa., averaged 28 points a game, 18 rebounds and blocked 160 shots as a senior. Bowie became the fifth prepster to either sign a conference letter-of-intent with UK or announce that he will attend the Big Blue.

*Jim Kovach, football defensive captain and medical school student, was selected as the University of Kentucky's 1978-79 "Athlete of the Year."

*The Kentucky baseball team was able to win only one of three games from the University of Georgia over the past weekend. Kentucky won the second game of a doubleheader by a score of 8-0 behind the one-hit pitching of Joe Georger and the hitting of Jeff Shartzter, Steve Roberts and Randy Gipson. Kentucky lost the first game of the twinbill 9-1 and also lost 20-9 to the Bulldogs on the previous day. Mark Hredzak had five RBIs in that loss.

Twelve Years Ago

*Kentucky's Jack Givens was one of five sophomores named to the All-SEC basketball team, conducted by the Associated Press. Alabama's Leon Douglas and Vandy's Jeff Fosness were the only seniors named to the team. Other members were Auburn's Eddie Johnson, Tennessee's Ernie Grunfeld with sophomore Bernard King, Georgia's Jacky Dorsey, Auburn's Mike Mitchell and LSU's Kenny Higgs. Mississippi State guard Ray White is the only freshman named to the team. Alabama coach C.M. Newton was selected by his colleagues as conference Coach of the Year.

*The Kentucky football team closed out its first five days of spring practice with a one-hour and 20 minute scrimmage at Commonwealth Stadium. After the team returns from spring break, they will have 14 practice dates before the annual Blue-White game. The scrimmage pitted the No. 1 and No. 2 units against each other, with quarterbacks Derrick Ramsey, Bill Tolston, Billy Williams, Mike Shutt and Vin Bruner taking turns directing the offense.

*Kentucky trailed Kansas State 63-51 in the second half but rallied back to win 81-78 in the first round of the National Invitation Tournament in New York. Mike Phillips scored all of his 17 points in the second stanza and hauled in 13 rebounds. James Lee scored 20 points and had 20 rebounds while Jack Givens and Larry Johnson scored 15 apiece. Truman Claytor hit all five of his shots to score 10 points.

Seventeen Years Ago

*Tom Bannon hurled a no-hitter as the UK baseball team swept Georgia State. Kentucky won the opener 3-1 while rolling to a 22-4 conquest in the second game.

*Three University of Kentucky football players received All-America honors from the International Churchman's Sports Hall of Fame. The recipients are David Hunter, Al Goodwin and Wilbur Hackett.

*Kentucky basketball coach Adolph Rupp said if he is forced to retire at the university that he might coach somewhere else.

*In the NCAA Midwest Regional tournament, Western Kentucky blasted the Wildcats 107-83 as UK lacked poise, calmness and precision in its attack against an inspired Hilltopper squad. The contest was held on the campus of the University of Georgia. All-America seven-footer Jim McDaniels paced WKU with 35 points while guard Jim Rose had 25. Forward Clarence Glover added a 17-rebound performance as the Hilltoppers came out running and never looked back. The Wildcats were led by Tom Parker's 23.

*Marquette whipped Kentucky for third place in the Midwest Regional. A poor first half found the Wildcats behind 13 points. Dean Meminger led Marquette with 30 points with Jim Chones scoring 27 points. Larry Steele led UK with 20 points while Jim Andrews and Kent Hollenbeck each contributed 14. Kentucky finished the season at 22-6.

Thirty-Two Years Ago

Three-time NCAA winner Kentucky will represent the SEC in the NCAA Tournament. The 'Cats failed to win the Southeastern Conference for the first time since 1943, but champion Alabama has all starters ineligible for tourney play because they are fourth-year players. Coach Johnny Dee and his players decided to let UK go to the NAAs. It will be UK's eighth straight trip.

*Bob Burrow won an armload of awards as the University of Kentucky Alumni Association honored the basketball team at the Student Union Building.

WILDCAT QUIZ

1. Last season in the first round of the NCAA tournament, Kentucky was ousted by Ohio State 91-77. Where was the game played?

- a) Toledo
- b) Cincinnati
- c) Birmingham
- d) Atlanta

2. Kentucky's last win in postseason (NCAA) play came against what school?

- a) LSU
- b) Nevada Las Vegas
- c) Alabama
- d) Duke

3. Who was the last team Kentucky defeated in postseason play when the tournament was held in Rupp Arena?

- a) Illinois
- b) Duke
- c) Florida State
- d) Ohio

4. True or False? Kentucky will host the first round of the Southeast Regionals next season.

5. In the 1984, Kentucky, Georgetown, Houston were in Seattle for the Final Four. What team are we leaving out?

- a) Nevada Las Vegas
- b) Virginia
- c) North Carolina
- d) Purdue

6. Since he's been at UK, how many times has Eddie Sutton been on the winning side in NCAA play?

- a) one
- b) two

- c) three
- d) four

7. With the NCAA tournament kicking off this weekend, what is the most important thing for all 64 teams to remember when wanting to get to Kansas City?

- a) Win four games
- b) Win three games
- c) Have plane reservations
- d) Know a ticket broker or Bob Uecker so they can get seats on the front row

8. True or False. Kyle Macy did not make the 1978's Final Four All-Tournament team.

9. Which of the following SEC schools did not participate in the NCAA tournament last season?

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

10. Which of the following does not belong?

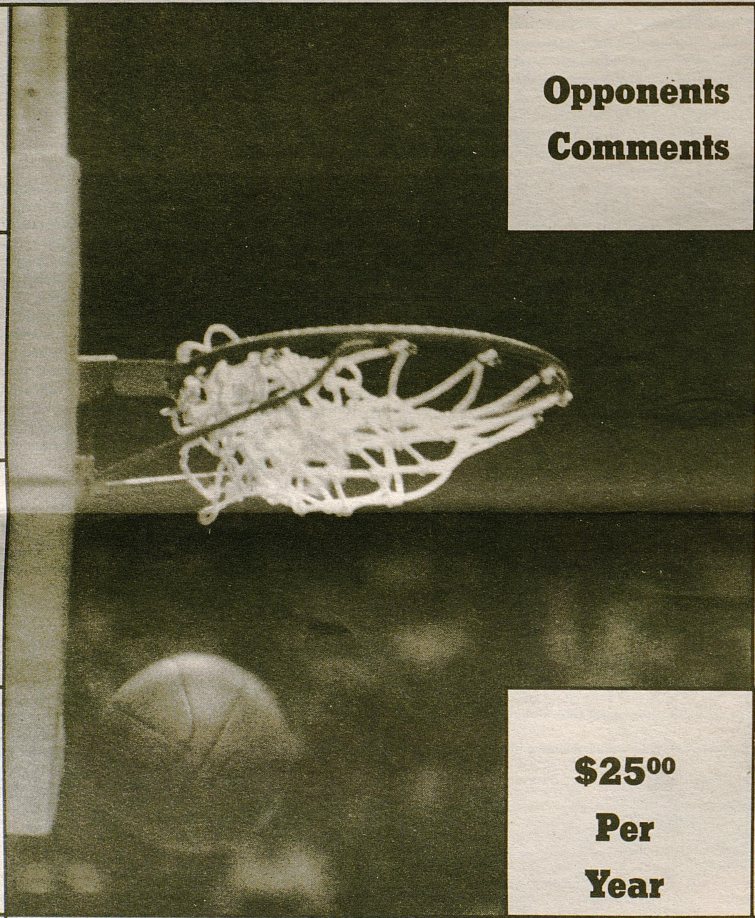
- a) Jerry Tarkanian
- b) Earl Cox
- c) Telly Savalas
- d) Eddie Sutton

Answers

1. a. Cincinnati
2. b. Nevada Las Vegas
3. c. Florida State
4. b. True
5. c. North Carolina
6. b. two

7. d. Know a ticket broker or Bob Uecker so they can get seats on the front row
8. d. False
9. a. Tennessee
10. c. Telly Savalas

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