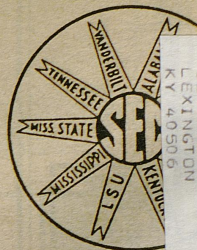


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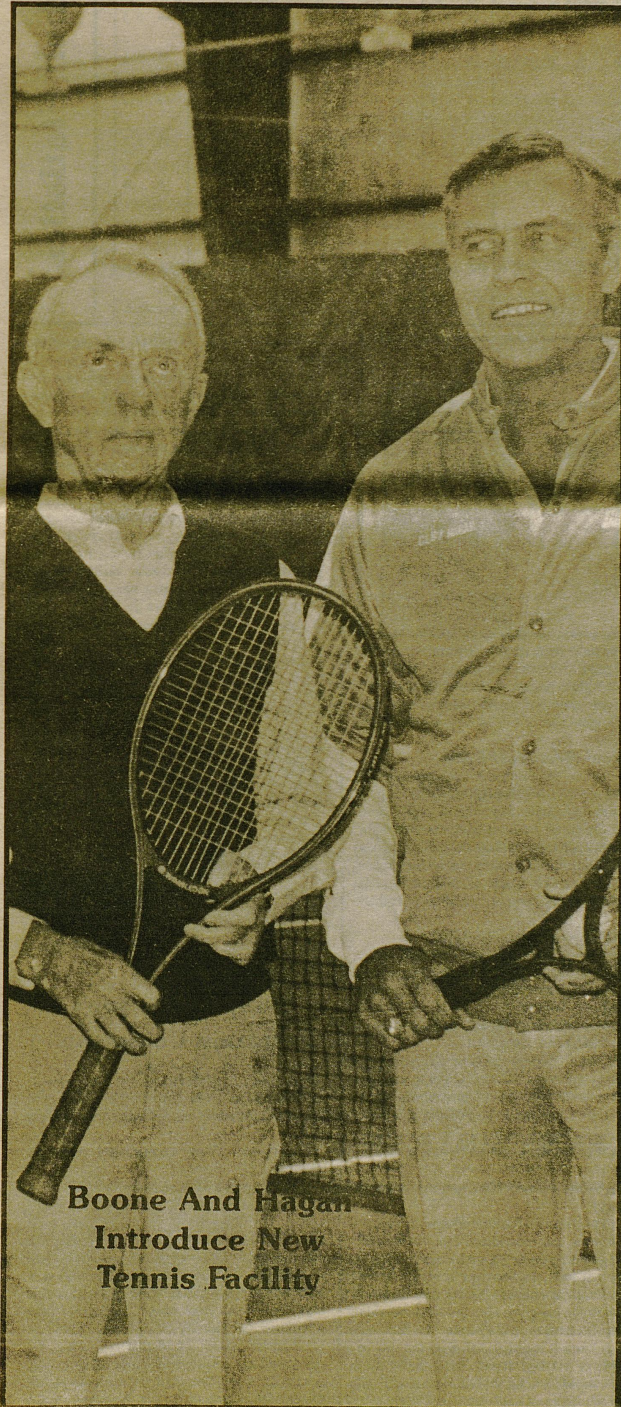


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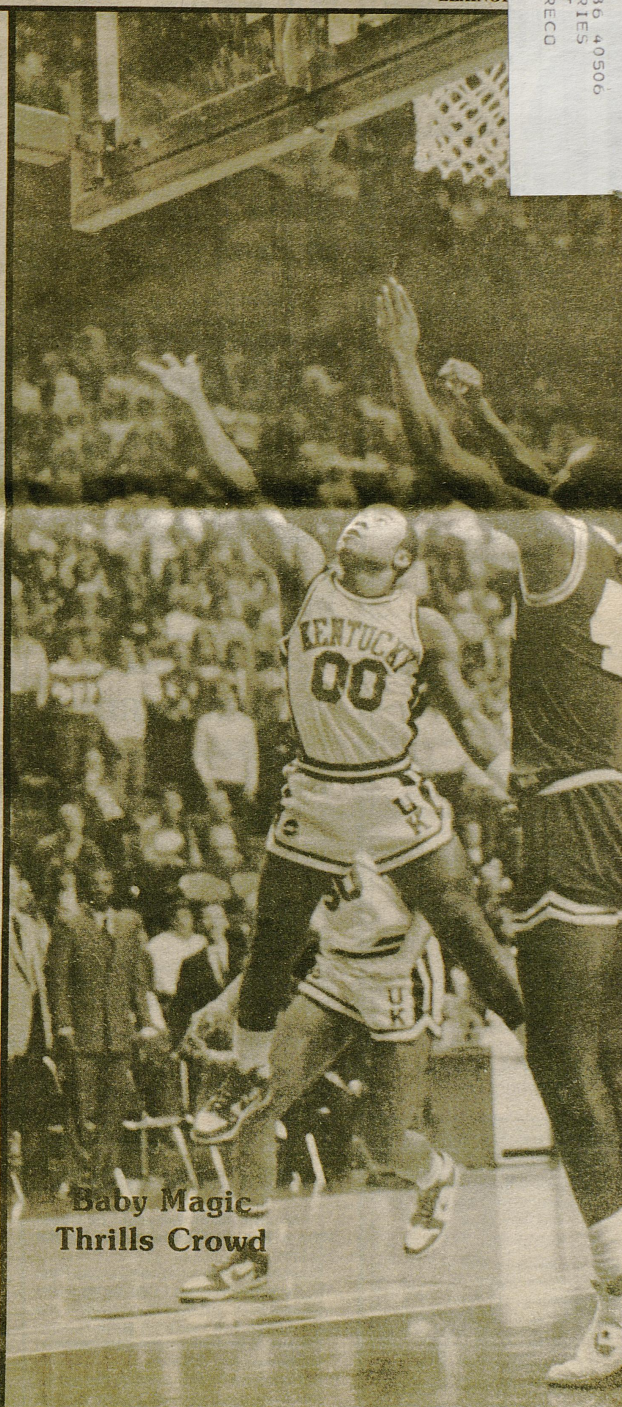
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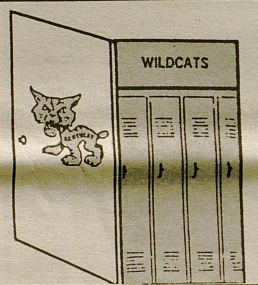
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| UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY WILDCATS |    |      |      |     |     |      |     |     |       |     |      |     |   |      |                                   |     |     |      |      |
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| WALKER, KENNY                   | 14 | 439  | 31.4 | 107 | 179 | 59.8 | 79  | 102 | 77.5  | 96  | 6.9  | 31  | - | 12   | 17                                | 12  | 19  | 293  | 20.9 |
| DAVENDER, ED                    | 14 | 427  | 30.5 | 69  | 146 | 47.3 | 39  | 50  | 78.0  | 39  | 2.8  | 29  | 1 | 48   | 30                                | -   | 30  | 177  | 12.6 |
| BENNETT, WINSTON                | 14 | 421  | 30.1 | 60  | 113 | 53.1 | 39  | 48  | 81.3  | 94  | 6.7  | 41  | 1 | 19   | 17                                | 7   | 14  | 159  | 11.4 |
| BLACKMON, JAMES                 | 14 | 340  | 24.3 | 57  | 124 | 46.0 | 22  | 36  | 61.1  | 60  | 4.3  | 31  | - | 29   | 17                                | 1   | 20  | 136  | 9.7  |
| MADISON, RICHARD                | 14 | 240  | 17.1 | 36  | 60  | 60.0 | 16  | 20  | 80.0  | 46  | 3.3  | 21  | - | 13   | 16                                | 1   | 4   | 88   | 6.3  |
| HARDEN, ROGER                   | 14 | 383  | 27.4 | 32  | 65  | 49.2 | 7   | 8   | 87.5  | 29  | 2.1  | 22  | - | 90   | 30                                | -   | 16  | 71   | 5.1  |
| LOCK, ROBERT                    | 12 | 105  | 8.8  | 17  | 31  | 54.8 | 12  | 27  | 44.4  | 26  | 2.2  | 19  | - | 2    | 15                                | 6   | 3   | 46   | 3.8  |
| JENKINS, CEDRIC                 | 14 | 167  | 11.9 | 17  | 41  | 41.5 | 12  | 15  | 80.0  | 31  | 2.2  | 24  | - | 2    | 6                                 | 1   | 2   | 46   | 3.3  |
| ZIEGLER, TODD                   | 10 | 57   | 5.7  | 12  | 22  | 54.5 | 6   | 10  | 60.0  | 16  | 1.6  | 11  | - | 3    | 5                                 | 1   | 2   | 30   | 3.0  |
| BYRD, LEROY                     | 10 | 79   | 7.9  | 7   | 12  | 58.3 | 8   | 11  | 72.7  | 9   | .9   | 9   | - | 11   | 5                                 | -   | 12  | 22   | 2.2  |
| ANDREWS, PAUL                   | 11 | 85   | 7.7  | 9   | 24  | 37.5 | 6   | 6   | 100.0 | 10  | .9   | 8   | - | 8    | 1                                 | -   | 3   | 24   | 2.2  |
| THOMAS, IRVING                  | 10 | 57   | 5.7  | 2   | 9   | 22.2 | 4   | 6   | 66.7  | 12  | 1.2  | 9   | - | 3    | 13                                | 1   | 1   | 8    | .8   |
| Team                            | 14 | -    | -    | -   | -   | -    | -   | -   | -     | 20  | 1.4  | -   | - | -    | -                                 | -   | -   | -    | -    |
| WILDCATS                        | 14 | 2800 | 200. | 425 | 826 | 51.5 | 250 | 339 | 73.7  | 488 | 34.9 | 255 | 2 | 240  | 172                               | 30  | 126 | 1100 | 78.6 |
| Opponents                       | 14 | 2800 | 200. | 340 | 764 | 44.5 | 161 | 230 | 70.0  | 413 | 29.5 | 292 | 7 | 177  | 244                               | 35  | 60  | 841  | 60.1 |

## Kentucky Basketball Statistics

## Inside The Locker Room



UK 76, Bama 52

### ROGER HARDEN

(About beating Alabama by 24 points)

Harden: We watched the game against Alabama-LSU. We knew that because they played so well we had to have a great game (to win). I didn't expect us to beat them that bad.

(About facing the zone defenses)

Harden: Personally, you've got to recognize what type of zone they're in. We don't want to take the first perimeter shot they give us. We want to be patient and get it to our strengths. But we won't turn that shot down after six or seven passes into our offense. After we've gone through all our options. All of the guards have done a good job of hitting the jump shots. Just look at our percentages.

(About when he looks for Walker)

Harden: We never stop. You always want to look for him. On our zone, most of the time, I'm on the wing, but when I get on the point that's where the opportunity arises to get the ball into Kenny. That's something that the point guard has got to be very conscious of doing.

### JAMES BLACKMON

(About if he ever thought he would have a fine performance like he did tonight)

Blackmon: I'm just continuing to play hard. The shot's going to come. I think the key on our team is defense, and if I just continue to play great defense then the shot is going to come.

(About if he feels more comfortable)

Blackmon: Yes, definitely.

(About how he felt prior to the game)

Blackmon: Oh, I felt good. I was pretty fired up about playing Alabama because I knew they

were going to be an aggressive team. I knew they were going to come and play. So, when you know a team is going to come to play you're going to get yourself mentally ready to play. That is the biggest part of it — getting yourself ready to play.

(About Mississippi State)

Blackmon: We watched Mississippi State and Auburn today. Mississippi State is a good ballclub; they execute their offense pretty good. We've just got to go down there and play hard.

(About hitting his first couple of shots)

Blackmon: That's important to all the players. If you hit your first couple of shots then you get confident. If you hit your first shots then that's good.

(About having fun tonight)

Blackmon: I just go out and play hard. When we (play a) good team like that and have a lot of spectacular plays, that kind of gets you really fired up.

(About winning by 24 points over a good Alabama team)

Blackmon: Playing at home you never can tell. Alabama beat LSU; you've got to win your games at home. It's kind of hard to win on the road. You've just got to go out and play hard.

### KENNY WALKER

(About James Blackmon's athletic ability)

Walker: Besides Richard Madison, James is probably the next most-talented guy on the team. For a guy his size he's a great leaper, runs the court real well, and has got a great shooting touch from the outside. He can also take it inside with the big guys. He's got a lot individual moves. It's hard to stop a person like that, once he gets himself together and plays the way he's capable of playing. James had a super, super game tonight. I hope that this game will give him a whole lot of confidence and that he will play that way for the rest of the season.

(About what a 24-point win against Alabama means)

Walker: The SEC is still young right now — everybody is still capable of winning it. It feels better to be more on the winning side this year as opposed to losing. Anybody that plays on a basketball team will feel that way. I just think that our team has been playing much better. We're more of a team right now. Everybody's playing hard and everybody's got a good attitude. Losing is not very fun. When you win you get more confidence, you play better, and you play harder. That's what we're doing now.

(About Roger Harden's behind-the-head pass to him in the second half)

Walker: Playing with Roger for four years I've got a good feeling about what I think he's going to do. I just try to anticipate about when he's going to pass it and where he's going to pass it. Tonight on the dunk he told me on his own "if Winston gets the rebound you go." I took off down the side and I thought he was going to lay it up. I don't know where the pass came from, it just got in my hands. That shows you that he knows what he's doing.

(About comparing this team with the other three UK teams he's played on)

Walker: This team has a good attitude. We had some teams that had some great players like Sam Bowie and Melvin Turpin, and we went to the Final Four. But, if we keep working hard and keep improving there's no reason that we can't go to the NCAA, play well, and possibly be in Dallas. We've got the kind of personnel to do it. But the main thing is for us to play together and play hard.

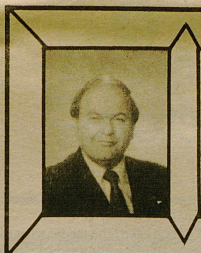
### Wimp Sanderson's Postgame Comments

Following are Alabama coach Wimp Sanderson's postgame comments after his team was defeated by Kentucky last Saturday night at Rupp Arena:

Question: Your comments on the game?

Sanderson: We lost the basketball game to a team that played better than we did. They out-executed us. They did all the things that a good basketball team has to do in order to win. We did not play well; Kentucky probably had something to do with it. They shot the ball very well early in the game. Kentucky has a fine basketball team and they should be congratulated for the way they played. They got great performances out of all their people. We got ourselves in foul problems and had to play a little bit more zone than we normally play. I thought they outmaneuvered us on the boards, it was no contest. They're to be congratulated.





Oscar L. Combs

Cats' Pause Publisher



## Road Trip Provides Big Test For Cats

It's back to the road again for the Kentucky Wildcats and this two-game swing to Mississippi State and Florida will be anything but fun in the sun.

After a sterling 76-52 thrashing of a very good Alabama team, fans could be expecting a couple blow-outs over the Bulldogs and Gators. Better think again.

Of all the two-game road trips in the SEC, this is perhaps the best chance of a sweep. It also has the makings of a twin collar, as in two losses.

A double-victory at this time of year would be a great shot of confidence, not to mention the possibility of burying that age-old January slump theory. Two wins this week and UK would be sitting very nicely atop the SEC standings with a 5-1 record and a 12-2 overall record. UK would then host Georgia and Tennessee in its next two games at Rupp Arena.

That's being positive. The flip side of that coin could be a disaster if the Cats are not up to playing on the road. Remember Auburn?

Sure, Kentucky defeated Vanderbilt in Nashville, but Vandy has neither the athletes nor numbers of either State or Florida. State played a couple tough games recently and the lopsided loss to Auburn last week on its home court might lead one to believe State is easy prey. Think again.

This will be State's game of the year. It will be the last time retiring head coach Bob Boyd will have the opportunity of luring the big, bad Wildcats to his woods. If possible, State will take no prisoners. State isn't blessed with great talent, but the "Dogs do have a way of pulling together and playing as a team. The fact that State led the SEC race going into the final two weeks of last season is enough evidence to convince anyone State is not a token opponent.

Florida needs no description. Coach Norm Sloan needs no defense of his ability to coach. The man has proven his skills time and time again.

Perhaps the surprise of the SEC, Florida zipped off by upsetting Tennessee in Knoxville then defeated Auburn in Gainesville a few days later. But the Gators also proved they can take things for granted too.

Like last Saturday when the Gators (undefeated in SEC and primed for an upset) had their shins kicked by little ole Mississippi in Oxford. It really wasn't that big a shocker. After all, Ole Miss stood toe-to-toe with Kentucky in Rupp Arena for some twenty-five minutes. And then there's that little thing about playing at home versus on the road.

So what can we expect from the Wildcats this week? Our crystal ball sees another 1-1 road trip, a narrow victory over State and a narrow loss to Florida.

Kentucky needs to be patient against a team which, at times, exhibits patience-supreme. UK will need another brilliant performance from Kenny Walker. A strong inside game is needed from both Winston Bennett and Richard Madison. Outside scoring must improve. Kentucky by three with the score in the sixties.

Gainesville's O'Connell Center isn't the best place to play, especially when you're trying to get away from the frigid weather of the north. This is a must game for the Gators if they want to have a shot at the league title. Florida is not as low on talent as some would have you to believe.

Andrew Moten is a talented guard and he's complimented very nicely by Vernon Maxwell

and Joe Lawrence. Ronald Montgomery has been a pleasant surprise.

This one will be close and with the CBS-TV cameras looking on, it should be an exciting one. Color it blue . . . and orange. Florida by three in the low seventies.

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It's tough playing on the road in this league. Officials seem to get caught up in the home crowd atmosphere. And yes, it happens right here at Rupp Arena.

Make no mistake about it, rarely does a home team get a raw deal overall. During the Cats' first four games of the SEC season, I dare say the calls have gone with the home team. Kentucky had every right to complain about the overall officiating at Vanderbilt and Auburn. Likewise, Lee Hunt and Wimp Sanderson cannot be faulted for their frustration in Lexington.

Officials aren't crooks. Overall, officials do a good job, but it's almost impossible to keep from letting the home court crowd influence your calls, at least subconsciously.

Take for example a certain player who may have a tendency to shuffle his feet just a tad as he gets the ball. At home, his fans aren't going to point that out to the officials. But when this same kid goes on the road, the crowd will bellow out the infraction every time the kid touches the ball. You can bet the second time he touches the ball, the infraction will be called.

That's why you normally see more turnovers on the road than you do at home. It's also why a defensive player will rarely get a charge call against his opponent while playing on the road. That's just the way it is.

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One of Kentucky's top football recruiting prospects has been named the nation's top offensive lineman by the prestigious *Parade Magazine*.

The nationally-acclaimed publication announced its selection of Dave Scott of Passaic in Clifton, New Jersey, as its "Lineman of the Year" Sunday in the annual selection of prep All-Americans.

Scott, who has 4.9 speed in the forty, has been wooed by all the big schools and apparently Kentucky, Penn State and Rutgers are the three finalists.

Reportedly, Scott is interested in the thoroughbred industry and UK's new equine program.

Kentucky could be on the verge of landing a real 1-2 punch if the Wildcats could get both Scott and Kentucky's premier running back, Al Baker of Trigg County.

Baker visited the University of Tennessee last weekend, but there are some who believe his decision will come down to either Kentucky or Ohio State with both Florida and Tennessee having an outside chance. Al is scheduled to visit Ohio State this weekend. Baker also was named a *Parade* AA last week.

If UK succeeds in getting both, it might be the first time UK has signed two *Parade* All-Americans in the same year.

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A big tip of the hat to Hilary Boone, a former UK tennis star who believes in helping those who helped him.

Boone was honored last Saturday at the new

Wildcat indoor tennis facility which was built largely because of his contribution of a quarter-million dollars to the project.

Boone was captain of the 1939 UK tennis team during its glory years and later went on to become an extremely successful businessman in the insurance business and horse industry.

When UK began its drive to raise money for a new tennis facility, Boone stepped forward with a check for \$250,000. And Saturday, UK athletics director Cliff Hagan was all smiles as the two opened the new facility off Cooper Drive.

It wasn't the first time Mr. Boone has contributed to the University of Kentucky. Not long ago, he gave \$1 million toward the construction of the new UK Faculty Club building.

It's generous people like Mr. Boone which enable the University of Kentucky to continue its growth and expand its athletics facilities.

And as Hagan noted during the ceremonies, UK now has some \$13 million in construction projects underway by the athletics association, including a new swimming facility and a new football training complex.

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**HITS AND MISSES** . . . If Louisville *Courier-Journal* sports editor Billy Reed is all smiles when he visits Rupp Arena these days, perhaps it's because of his new-found love with the head basketball coach of the Kentucky Wildcats. When Eddie Sutton was introduced to the 14,000 Wildcat fans recently at the public workout in Louisville prior to the VMI game, the new UK boss told the audience "as I was telling my good friend Billy Reed . . ."

After the public workout, Reed proudly noted Sutton's favorable comments about their friendship. Better watch out Billy, Sir Bobby is not going to like your cuddling up to a man in blue . . .

Speaking of *The Courier-Journal*, for those of you outside the state of Kentucky, publisher and owner Barry Bingham, Sr. announced last week that he is selling his entire empire, including the two Louisville newspapers, WHAS Radio and WHAS-TV. Because of Federal Communication Commission regulations, whoever purchases the newspapers will not be able to own the broadcast outlets. Some media sources have suggested that the two newspapers are worth \$220 to \$300 million . . .

One of the early jokes making the rounds is that **University of Louisville** fans are already trying to raise enough money to purchase the newspaper because they are afraid that *Knight-Ridder* (which also owns *The Lexington Herald-Leader*) is interested in buying the newspapers from the Bingham family . . .

Kentucky football coach Jerry Claiborne apparently will not sign any junior college players this spring. The Wildcats had brought in defensive back Dwight Sistrunk of Illinois Valley Junior College for a visit but Sistrunk has decided to go with Hayden Fry and the **Iowa Hawkeyes** . . . UK coach Eddie Sutton's thirty-minute weekly television show will be expanded to one hour starting this Sunday to include a thirty-minute segment with assistants **James Dickey** and **Leonard Hamilton**. The two will provide scouting reports on opponents. Sutton believes it's important to involve his assistants in such shows to better prepare them for the time when they will become a head coach . . . Former Indiana guard **Delray Brooks** reportedly will enroll this week at **Providence** and will be

eligible to play the middle of next season. He left IU after being dissatisfied with his playing time. He started over ten games last season, but had been relegated to a reserve role this season . . .

How will the next chapter of the "**Tito Horford Story**" begin now that the NCAA has turned down his bid for eligibility at **Houston**? Houston officials said after the NCAA hearing that they hope Tito can enroll at another school and become eligible to play . . . Is Kentucky still interested in Tito? According to our sources, **Kentucky** has had no contact with Tito and UK officials have said they know only what they have read in the paper about the Horford case. It's our opinion that it's very unlikely Horford will play for any NCAA school, let alone UK . . .

Speaking of UK, recruiting on the basketball front is gearing up again as the staff is trying to construct a list of potential recruits, and reevaluate them. It's no secret UK is looking for big men, the 6-8 range or bigger. The

## J. R. Reid Did Not Attend UK - U of L Game

Wildcats would love to lure **J. R. Reid** to Big Blue Country but that is a long, long longshot. Several rumors have been circulating that Reid attended the **Kentucky-Louisville** game at Rupp Arena. No, that isn't true, according to the UK coaching staff. Reid has not visited UK, but Sutton's staff certainly would welcome a request to make a visit. Reports out of ACC Country say Reid will stay near home, either at **North Carolina, Virginia or Maryland**. He has already visited North Carolina, **Iowa**, and Maryland. He is supposed to visit **UCLA** and **Virginia**. Those are the five finalists he has listed . . .

Don't expect Sutton to sign preppers just to fill out the roster. Kentucky is already scouting juniors for next season. The Cats should have a head start on guard **Sean Sutton** (son of coach Eddie) who has been tearing up Central Kentucky and has made a believer out of most. In fact, one national recruiting expert has already indicated he will list Sutton among the nation's top ten seniors next season.

With **Rex Chapman** coming on board, the emphasis next season will also be placed on the big man. It's a shame the Wildcats weren't able to keep Greenup County's **Mike Scott** at home. And the Cats also missed out on a dandy when Knoxville's **Doug Roth** opted for Tennessee. Those two failed to show up at UK for different reasons. UK turned its back on Scott and made only a token effort for Roth because the staff thought it could land **Tito Horford**. Of course, the Vols did a great job of luring Roth to stay home with its new 25,000-seat arena which may or may not be completed by the time Roth finishes his career . . . There were some bad news and good news for former UK All-American **Sam Bowie** last week. Bowie went down in an NBA game last Friday with what appeared to be a broken left leg, the same one he injured while at UK. Less than 24 hours later, the news turned to good when a second set of x-rays revealed that there was no broken bone and Sam is expected back in action within a week. Whew!!



## After 76-52 Win Over Alabama

## Sutton Praises Cats But "It's Just One Victory"

Following are Coach Eddie Sutton's postgame comments after Kentucky raised its SEC record to 3-1 by defeating Alabama, 76-52:

**Question: Your comments on the game?**

Sutton: We probably played as well as we have in quite some time. By quite some time I mean the Louisville game. The only thing I can criticize is that we didn't shoot free throws very well. We maybe didn't do as good as job on the defensive boards as we need to. Alabama is a good basketball team. Our defense was outstanding. Of course they got hurt when (Buck) Johnson got in foul trouble; that hurt their ballclub. Overall, I thought our team played very well tonight.

**What was the key to stopping Buck Johnson?**

Sutton: The best way to stop someone like Buck Johnson, just like teams try to do to us when they try to stop Kenny, is deny the basketball. Don't let him catch the basketball. Once you let a player of his ability catch it then you're asking for problems. Winston (Bennett) did a good job on him. When Winston got in foul trouble then we put Cedric (Jenkins) on him. I thought he did a nice job.

**Question: Did you think going into the game that you could hold Johnson to 10 points?**

Sutton: I don't know. That's the first time I've seen him play except on film. He's an outstanding player.

**Question: You gave your team a quiz following the LSU-Alabama game the other night on television. Did you think the quiz paid off?**

Sutton: I don't know (Sutton smiles). The other night I had our ballclub watch the LSU-Alabama ballgame, then the next day I gave them a quiz. All of 'em past in flying colors.

**What was the toughest question on the quiz?**

Sutton: We had two: 1) Who was the color and play-by-play announcers?; and 2) (Kenny Walker said the other hard question was *Where was Tito Horford?*). We were talking about Tito Horford and they (the players) said he was somewhere between Baton Rouge and Houston. Some of the guys answered it that way. The toughest question was probably to sing the words to *My Old Kentucky Home*. Some of them didn't know that. That's our next project — is to make sure everybody does know *My Old Kentucky Home*.

**Question: Do you think the Wildcats were 'extra' ready for the Crimson Tide of their easy win over No. 8 LSU?**

Sutton: Our ballclub has great respect for Alabama. Against LSU they played as well as anybody I've seen in our league this year. I think they're a fine basketball team.

**Question: How big a role was the outside shooting tonight against Alabama's zone?**

Sutton: Everybody has been playing a zone against us, and just packin' it in there. If you can't hit that perimeter shot then everybody is going to continue to pack it in against us. So it was very important; we did a nice job. I thought our shot selection was better tonight.

**Question: Could you comment on James Blackmon's play?**

Sutton: I thought Blackmon played a super ballgame. He's been playing better in practice; Richard (Madison) has been playing better in practice.

**Question: What were Blackmon and Madison doing better in practice?**

Sutton: In Richard's case he's become a much better defensive player. James's shot selection is a lot better. How much a player plays in a ballgame is by the way he plays in practice.

**Question: Was there anything you were displeased with?**

Sutton: We really dug a hole for ourselves by missing free throws in the first half — we missed three bonus situations. We went into halftime with a seven point lead, I felt we should have been in (leading) double figures.

**Question: In relation to the SEC race, what does this win do for your squad?**

Sutton: It's just one victory. The only team that I haven't seen on film is Florida. But everyone else is capable of beating anyone else on a given night, especially where they're playing them.

**Question: Could you comment on the improvement this season of Blackmon?**

Sutton: He's become a complete player. I agree with what Kenny (Walker) said: he's a great athlete. He's become a much more intelligent basketball player. Early in the season I don't think his shot selections were very good.

I felt like he was a little careless — he missed some easy shots that he probably should have hit. But since the (winter) vacation I think he really has matured as a player, and maybe he better understands what we're trying to do as a basketball team.

**Question: Was there one thing that pointed to a 24-point win?**

Sutton: The final margin of victory is a little misleading. We're certainly not that many points better than the University of Alabama; we just happened to be tonight. But, we're not that much better. I think our defense was solid. We didn't turn the ball over very many times. Our shot

selection was good; we had a great shooting night.

(About when Sutton asked the media what they thought of Leroy Byrd's nifty move) I thought that was about as good a move as you'll see all year. Or (what about) the play of Irv (Thomas)? I don't know whether you all recognized that or not but Irv was going to dunk that ball. It slipped out of his hands and into the basket. And that's the truth. That's the kind of night we had, and that's why I say we're not much better than the University of Alabama.

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## Southeast Top 200

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|-----------------------|------|-----|------|-----------------------------------------|------------------|
| QUARTERBACK           |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Billy Ray          | 6-4  | 200 | 4.6  | Dunwoody, GA (ALA,STAN)                 | 9.50             |
| 2. Jeff Dunn          | 6-2  | 204 | 4.6  | Greensboro Page, NC                     | 9.50             |
| 3. Greg Jones         | 6-3  | 190 | 4.6  | Miami Edison, FLA (MICH,KAN,OH ST)      | 9.00             |
| 4. Vince Robinson     | 6-3  | 246 | 4.7  | JAX Raines, FLA (CLEM,ALA,OU)           | 9.00             |
| 5. Tony Rice          | 6-1  | 190 | 4.7  | Woodruff, SC                            | 9.00             |
| 6. Browning Nagle     | 6-4  | 218 | 4.8  | Pinellas Park, FLA                      |                  |
| 7. Charles Seoane     | 6-1  | 190 | 4.9  | Tampa Jesuit, FLA                       |                  |
| 8. David Burke        | 6-0  | 180 | 4.7  | Ft Laud Dillard, FLA                    |                  |
| 9. John Wagoner       | 6-3  | 195 | 4.7  | HP Andrews, NC (VA T could lead)        |                  |
| 10. Mario Evans       | 6-1  | 185 | 4.8  | TALL Leon, FLA                          |                  |
| 11. Rodney Fletcher   | 6-2  | 180 | 4.6  | Barnsville Lamar Co, GA                 |                  |
| 12. Chris Correro     | 6-3  | 200 | 4.7  | Starkville, MS                          |                  |
| 13. Frank McIntosh    | 6-1  | 165 | 4.5  | Camden, ALA (AUBURN Commitment)         |                  |
| 14. Pat Madden        | 5-9  | 165 | 4.6  | Albertville, ALA                        |                  |
| ATHLETE               |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Dennis Wallace     | 6-3  | 190 | 4.6  | Carrollton Central,GA (AUB,TENN,GA T)   | 9.50             |
| 2. Vincent Moore      | 5-10 | 185 | 4.5  | MEMP Hillcrest, TN (TENN,ARK,MEMP)      | 9.25             |
| 3. Reggie Slack       | 6-1  | 185 | 4.6  | Milton, FLA                             |                  |
| 4. Randy Bohler       | 6-0  | 180 | 4.55 | Miami Killian, FLA                      |                  |
| 5. Dale Dawkins       | 6-2  | 190 | 4.6  | Vero Beach, FLA                         |                  |
| 6. Walter Wise        | 6-0  | 175 | 4.5  | Ft Laud Aquinas, FLA                    |                  |
| 7. Don Jenkins        | 6-0  | 190 | 4.5  | LEX Bryan Station, KY                   |                  |
| 8. Mike Brinkley      | 6-2  | 205 | 4.5  | Decatur Druid Hills, GA                 |                  |
| 9. Lamont Russell     | 6-1  | 185 | 4.5  | Oneonta, ALA (ALA,AUB)                  |                  |
| 10. Shawn Gregory     | 6-2  | 185 | 4.6  | Albany New Hope, MS                     |                  |
| 11. Sean Pennington   | 6-3  | 185 | 4.6  | Manchester Clay Co, KY                  |                  |
| 12. Todd Sandroni     | 6-1  | 185 | 4.6  | Indianola Academy, MS                   |                  |
| 13. Kevin Williams    | 6-3  | 185 | 4.5  | Wallace-Rose Hill, NC                   |                  |
| RUNNINGBACK           |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Al Baker           | 6-1  | 225 | 4.5  | Cadiz Trigg Co, KY (FLA,KY)             | 10.00            |
| 2. David Fair         | 6-3  | 222 | 4.5  | Starkville, MS                          | 9.50             |
| 3. James Joseph       | 6-2  | 195 | 4.5  | Phoenix Central, ALA (AUB,ALA,PSU,TENN) | 9.50             |
| 4. Randy Baldwin      | 6-0  | 198 | 4.4  | Griffin, GA (GA T,CLEM)                 |                  |
| 5. Reggie Demps       | 6-0  | 190 | 4.5  | Orlando Oak Ridge, FLA                  |                  |
| 6. Alfred Rawls       | 5-10 | 185 | 4.5  | Wilcox Co, GA (GA,GA T,AUB)             |                  |
| 7. Patrick Lennon     | 6-3  | 205 | 4.6  | Whiteville, NC (CLEM,SC)                |                  |
| 8. Tracy Williams     | 5-10 | 200 | 4.5  | Sarasota, FLA                           |                  |
| 9. Dominko Anderson   | 6-1  | 185 | 4.5  | Warner Robins, GA                       |                  |
| 10. Michael Pierce    | 5-9  | 185 | 4.5  | Mobile Murphy, ALA (AUB,ALA)            |                  |
| 11. Morris Turral     | 5-11 | 185 | 4.5  | TALL Godby, FLA                         |                  |
| 12. Stanley Hall      | 5-11 | 205 | 4.5  | Ocilla Irwin, GA (GA,FSU,SC,CLEM)       |                  |
| 13. William Kemp      | 5-11 | 185 | 4.5  | West Rome, GA (AUB)                     |                  |
| 14. Bernard Timmons   | 6-2  | 220 | 4.6  | FAY Smith, NC (UNC may be in lead)      |                  |
| 15. Preston Warren    | 6-1  | 185 | 4.5  | KNOX Catholic, TN (ND,TENN)             |                  |
| 16. George Moore      | 5-11 | 200 | 4.5  | Melbourne Palm Bay, FLA                 |                  |
| 17. Darrell Middleton | 5-11 | 185 | 4.5  | Summerville, SC (SC,CLEM)               |                  |
| 18. Harold Green      | 6-2  | 200 | 4.6  | Stratford, SC                           |                  |
| 19. Jerrod Young      | 6-0  | 190 | 4.45 | Courtland, ALA (AUB)                    |                  |
| 20. Mike Hudson       | 5-9  | 200 | 4.5  | WIL New Hanover, NC                     |                  |
| 21. Jonny Powell      | 5-11 | 190 | 4.6  | Greenville, ALA (AUB)                   |                  |
| FULLBACK              |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. George Dowe        | 6-2  | 220 | 4.7  | Myrtle Beach, SC                        | 9.50             |
| 2. Robert Stewart     | 6-1  | 242 | 4.65 | Houston Co, ALA (ALA Verbal Commit)     | 9.25             |
| 3. Andy McCarroll     | 6-3  | 220 | 4.6  | MEMP Univ Sch, TN (VANDY,GA T,MEMP)     |                  |
| 4. Clarence Cheaves   | 6-0  | 200 | 4.6  | Sarasota Riverview, FLA                 |                  |
| 5. Kerry Brinson      | 6-0  | 212 | 4.6  | Miami Killian, FLA                      |                  |
| 6. Hans Gletznier     | 6-0  | 210 | 4.55 | Tt Lauderdale, FLA                      |                  |
| 7. Leo Jefferson      | 6-3  | 200 | 4.6  | MacClenny Baker Co, FLA                 |                  |
| 8. Andra Williams     | 6-1  | 210 | 4.6  | Vicksburg Central, MS                   |                  |
| 9. Elliott Ditto      | 6-2  | 198 | 4.7  | BRAN Meade Co, KY                       |                  |
| 10. Eddie Thippen     | 6-1  | 212 | 4.6  | Drew, MS                                |                  |
| WINGBACK              |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Pierre Goode       | 5-11 | 175 | 4.4  | TC Hazlewood, ALA (ALA,TENN,UCLA)       | 10.00            |
| 2. Stacy Simmons      | 5-10 | 175 | 4.4  | Dunnellon, FLA                          | 9.50             |
| 3. Slip Watkins       | 5-9  | 180 | 4.4  | Ft Laud Aquinas, FLA (LSU,BC)           | 9.00             |
| WIDE RECEIVER         |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Alvin Harper       | 6-4  | 185 | 4.5  | Frostproof, FLA (NEB)                   | 9.50             |
| 2. Terry Anthony      | 6-1  | 185 | 4.55 | DAY Mainland, FLA (TENN,GA,LSU,FLA)     | 9.00             |
| 3. Ron Lewis          | 6-1  | 175 | 4.45 | JAX Raines, FLA (TENN)                  | 9.00             |
| 4. Felton Cook        | 6-1  | 185 | 4.45 | Falmont, GA (FSU,AUB,ALA)               | 9.00             |
| 5. Derrick Boyd       | 5-11 | 185 | 4.4  | Henderson Vance, NC (MD,UNC,GA,OU)      | 9.00             |
| 6. Randy Fisher       | 5-9  | 175 | 4.4  | Bruswick Acad, GA (GA Commitment)       | 9.00             |
| 7. Stanley Daniel     | 6-3  | 185 | 4.6  | Bandys Catawba, NC (PITT,CLEM,UNC)      | 9.00             |
| 8. Pat Terrell        | 6-1  | 180 | 4.5  | St Pete Lakewood, FLA                   |                  |
| 9. Bruce Lasane       | 6-4  | 198 | 4.65 | Wildwood, FLA (FSU or MIA)              |                  |
| 10. David Davis       | 6-1  | 175 | 4.45 | Tt Lauderdale, FLA                      |                  |
| 11. Chandler White    | 5-11 | 175 | 4.5  | Lauderdale Aquinas, FLA                 |                  |
| 12. Alfred Johnson    | 5-10 | 180 | 4.5  | Miami Edison, FLA                       |                  |
| 13. Bobby Martin      | 6-4  | 175 | 4.55 | Taylorville NE, MS (MISS Commitment)    |                  |
| 14. Milton Guyler     | 5-11 | 175 | 4.45 | Southwest Macon, GA (AUB)               |                  |
| 15. Keith Holmes      | 6-0  | 175 | 4.5  | Birmingham Huffman, ALA (ALA)           |                  |
| 16. Chuck Trece       | 6-2  | 195 | 4.6  | MURP Oakland, TN (MISS,TENN)            |                  |
| 17. Lawrence Dawsey   | 6-1  | 195 | 4.6  | Dothan Northview, ALA (FSU,AUB,ALA)     |                  |
| 18. France Green      | 6-0  | 175 | 4.6  | Tallahassee Lincoln, FLA                |                  |
| 19. Tim Barnett       | 6-3  | 190 | 4.5  | Rosedale, MS                            |                  |
| 20. Bill Morrill      | 6-1  | 180 | 4.6  | Cleatwater Catholic, FLA                |                  |
| 21. John Judge        | 6-1  | 180 | 4.6  | Tt Lauderdale Stranahan, FLA            |                  |
| TIGHT END             |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Rod Mitchell       | 6-9  | 235 | 4.7  | Cheraw, SC                              | 9.25             |
| 2. Trey Walker        | 6-5  | 220 | 4.7  | Bradenton Manatee, FLA (FLA,LSU,FSU)    | 9.00             |
| 3. Adrian Wiggins     | 6-4  | 215 | 4.6  | PENS Pine Forest, FLA                   |                  |
| 4. Terrill Chatmon    | 6-4  | 280 | 4.8  | Childersburg, ALA (ALA,AUB,GA T)        |                  |
| 5. Lamar Rogers       | 6-5  | 215 | 4.7  | Opp, ALA (AUB)                          |                  |
| 6. Pat Simmons        | 6-3  | 232 | 4.85 | Thomson, GA                             |                  |
| 7. Dave Roberts       | 6-5  | 215 | 4.75 | Griffin, GA (GA T,CLEM)                 |                  |
| 8. Joey Jordan        | 6-3  | 248 | 4.8  | Sarasota Riverview, FLA                 |                  |
| 9. Charlie Abrams     | 6-3  | 225 | 4.7  | Dempopolis, ALA (Commit to ALA)         |                  |
| 10. Frank Thomas      | 6-4  | 235 | 4.8  | Columbus, GA                            |                  |
| OFFENSIVE CENTER      |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Chris Bromley      | 6-4  | 230 | 4.9  | PENS Woodham, FLA (AUB,LSU,ALA)         | 9.50             |
| 2. Tony Fuentes       | 6-2  | 265 | 4.9  | S Miami, FLA                            | 9.00             |
| 3. Mike Zuga          | 6-2  | 235 | 4.9  | Newnan, GA (AUB)                        | 9.00             |
| 4. Chris Robinette    | 6-3  | 238 | 5.1  | Enterprise, ALA                         |                  |
| 5. Eric Hardin        | 6-3  | 270 | 4.9  | Mobile LeFlore, ALA (AUB,ALA)           |                  |
| 6. Brian Hill         | 6-3  | 230 | 4.9  | Opelika, ALA                            |                  |
| 7. Allen Douglas      | 6-4  | 241 | 5.1  | Murray Calloway Co, KY                  |                  |
| 8. Carey Metts        | 6-2  | 240 | 5.0  | BURL Williams, NC (NC ST,UNC,DUK,SC)    |                  |
| 9. Tim High           | 6-2  | 230 | 4.9  | Raleigh Millbrook, NC                   |                  |
| 10. Kent Jordan       | 6-2  | 230 | 4.9  | ATH Clarke Central, GA                  |                  |
| OFFENSIVE TACKLE      |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Danny Cash         | 6-6  | 275 | 5.1  | Spartanburg, SC (FSU,ALA,FLA,CLEM)      | 9.50             |
| 2. Eric Luallen       | 6-4  | 270 | 5.0  | Tampa Jesuit, FLA                       | 9.50             |
| 3. Thomas Rayam       | 6-6  | 270 | 5.1  | Orlando Jones, FLA                      | 9.25             |
| 4. Eric Ellis         | 6-3  | 250 | 5.2  | St Pete NE, FLA                         |                  |
| 5. Byron Holbrooks    | 6-5  | 268 | 5.1  | Haleyville, ALA (ALA,AUB)               |                  |
| 6. Jack Allen         | 6-7  | 240 | 5.0  | Stuart Martin Co, FLA                   |                  |
| 7. Darryl Ryals       | 6-5  | 320 | 5.3  | Fayetteville Byrd, NC (UNC,UCLA)        |                  |
| 8. Mike Armstrong     | 6-6  | 255 | 5.0  | High Point Trinity, NC                  |                  |
| 9. Reggie Jackson     | 6-4  | 350 | 5.4  | Ocala Forest, FLA                       |                  |
| 10. Bryan Conane      | 6-5  | 240 | 5.2  | Boca Raton, FLA                         |                  |
| 11. Greg Kiker        | 6-3  | 260 | 5.0  | Phenix City, ALA (GA,FLA,ALA)           |                  |
| 12. Kevin Collins     | 6-5  | 275 | 5.2  | Dothan Northview, ALA (AUB,GA T,ALA)    |                  |
| 13. Rob Mainwright    | 6-4  | 240 | 5.1  | Thomaston Lee, GA                       |                  |
| 14. Charles McRae     | 6-8  | 265 | 5.1  | Clinton, TN (TENN in lead)              |                  |
| 15. Colburn Clark     | 6-3  | 255 | 4.9  | Owens Davies Co, KY (KY Commitment)     |                  |
| 16. Koss Fletcher     | 6-6  | 285 | 5.2  | ATL Riverwood, GA (GA,AUB,TENN,A&M)     |                  |
| 17. Robbie Lingerfelt | 6-3  | 270 | 5.2  | ICard S Burke, NC (WAK,SC,NC ST,CLEM)   |                  |
| 18. Doug Baird        | 6-5  | 260 | 5.0  | Waverly Central, TN (TENN in lead)      |                  |
| 19. Anthony Ramsey    | 6-4  | 265 | 5.2  | Gulfport, MS (In-state battle)          |                  |
| 20. Mike Nord         | 6-7  | 250 | 5.2  | Owensboro, KY (KY Commitment)           |                  |
| OFFENSIVE GUARD       |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Brad Johnson       | 6-3  | 270 | 4.9  | CEN Cher CO, ALA (PSU,FSU,ALA,AUB)      | 9.50             |
| 2. Joe Siffri         | 6-4  | 250 | 4.9  | CHAM Henderson, GA (STAN,DUKE,GA T,TN)  | 9.00             |
| 3. Robbin Perry       | 6-3  | 275 | 4.9  | BRENT Academy, TN (TENN Commitment)     | 9.00             |
| 4. Hayward Haynes     | 6-3  | 285 | 5.1  | Bartow, FLA                             |                  |
| 5. Larry Chesteen     | 6-3  | 275 | 5.2  | Dunnellon, FLA (FLA may be in lead)     |                  |
| 6. Tony Robertson     | 6-2  | 281 | 5.2  | Jacks Calloway, MS                      |                  |
| 7. John Hudson        | 6-3  | 235 | 5.0  | Henry Co, TN (ARK,ALA,AUB,MEMP)         |                  |
| 8. Page Belcher       | 6-4  | 245 | 5.0  | Irmo, SC                                |                  |
| 9. Matt Thomas        | 6-3  | 260 | 5.1  | Annisston Wellborn, ALA                 |                  |
| 10. Desmond Bates     | 6-3  | 235 | 4.9  | Leighton, ALA (ALA,AUB)                 |                  |
| DEFENSIVE END         |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Demetrius Hill     | 6-4  | 232 | 4.6  | Meridian, MS                            | 10.00            |
| 2. Huey Richardson    | 6-6  | 225 | 4.6  | Atl Lakeside, GA                        | 9.25             |
| 3. Steve Smith        | 6-5  | 232 | 4.6  | WIL New Hanover, SC                     | 9.25             |
| 4. Doyce Jackson      | 6-3  | 230 | 4.7  | Bradenton SE, FLA                       | 9.00             |
| 5. Tracy Hayworth     | 6-3  | 240 | 4.6  | Franklin Co, TN (TENN Commitment)       | 9.00             |
| 6. Scotty Long        | 6-3  | 215 | 4.6  | WASH Wilkes Co, GA                      | 9.00             |
| 7. Leon Lett          | 6-7  | 240 | 4.8  | Fairhope, ALA (ALA,AUB)                 |                  |
| 8. David Lenoir       | 6-4  | 240 | 4.9  | ECS, TN (ALA,GA T,ARK,TENN,MEMP)        |                  |
| 9. Douglas Evans      | 6-5  | 230 | 4.6  | Miami S Dade, FLA                       |                  |
| 10. Stan Stanfield    | 6-3  | 210 | 4.7  | Albany, GA (GA)                         |                  |
| 11. Chris Simmons     | 6-3  | 225 | 4.7  | Southwest Macon, GA                     |                  |
| 12. Rob Selby         | 6-5  | 230 | 4.8  | Birmingham Berry, ALA (AUB)             |                  |
| 13. Donnie Gardner    | 6-5  | 210 | 4.9  | Louisville Trinity, KY                  |                  |
| DEFENSIVE TACKLE      |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Vance Hammond      | 6-7  | 245 | 4.9  | SPART Dorman, SC (CLEM,SC)              | 10.00            |
| 2. Anthony Ware       | 6-6  | 280 | 5.0  | Belle Glades, FLA (FLA,LSU,MIA)         | 9.50             |
| 3. Morris Jones       | 6-6  | 260 | 4.9  | Vanceboro W Craven, NC (CLEM,SC,GA)     | 9.50             |
| 4. Doug Jacobs        | 6-9  | 250 | 4.9  | Mocksville Davis Co, NC (UNC,CLEM)      | 9.00             |
| 5. Glen Watts         | 6-4  | 245 | 4.8  | S Plantation, FLA                       |                  |
| 6. Darrell Kirby      | 6-4  | 255 | 4.8  | Orlando Jones, FLA                      |                  |
| 7. Ted Washington     | 6-5  | 265 | 4.9  | Tampa Bay Tech, FLA                     |                  |
| 8. Jeff Maloof        | 6-3  | 240 | 4.9  | ATL St Pius X, GA                       |                  |
| 9. Reggie Barlow      | 6-4  | 245 | 4.9  | Albany Dougherty, GA                    |                  |
| NOSEGUARD             |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Hiawatha Berry     | 6-1  | 245 | 4.8  | Winder-Barrow, GA (GA Commitment)       | 9.25             |
| 2. Lamar Williams     | 6-1  | 275 | 5.0  | PENS Escambia, FLA (ALA,AUB,LSU)        | 9.25             |
| 3. Willie Wyatt       | 6-1  | 245 | 4.85 | Gardendale, ALA (ALA Leading)           |                  |
| 4. Tony Garagiola     | 6-2  | 255 | 4.9  | CHARL Independence, NC                  |                  |
| 5. Henry Blades       | 6-2  | 262 | 4.7  | Decatur SW Dekalb, GA                   |                  |
| OUTSIDE LINEBACKER    |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Brian Benio        | 6-4  | 217 | 4.6  | Roswell, GA (GA)                        | 9.50             |
| 2. Marvin Oglesby     | 6-3  | 225 | 4.6  | DEC Towers,GA (UCLA,MIA,PUR,TENN,LSU)   | 9.50             |
| 3. David Newkirk      | 6-4  | 237 | 4.6  | SMITH S Johnson, NC (UNIV,CLEM,PSU)     |                  |
| 4. Willie Peguese     | 6-5  | 215 | 4.6  | Miami Southridge, FLA                   |                  |
| 5. Anthony Thompson   | 6-3  | 210 | 4.6  | Wilson Fike, NC (AUB may be in lead)    |                  |
| 6. Jerome Martin      | 6-2  | 215 | 4.65 | TALL Godby, FLA (FLA,FSU,GA,GA T)       |                  |
| 7. Mark Murray        | 6-4  | 220 | 4.7  | Apopka, FLA                             |                  |
| 8. John Jacobs        | 6-4  | 227 | 4.7  | Smithville-Selma, NC (GA,UNC)           |                  |
| 9. Chris Horn         | 6-1  | 210 | 4.6  | Huntsville, ALA (ALA)                   |                  |
| 10. Matt Avera        | 6-2  | 210 | 4.6  | Columbus, GA (AUB)                      |                  |
| 11. Paul McDowell     | 6-2  | 210 | 4.7  | LOU Ballard, KY (KY Commitment)         |                  |
| 12. Dewayne King      | 6-2  | 200 | 4.6  | Magee, MS                               |                  |
| MIDDLE LINEBACKER     |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Brent Collins      | 6-3  | 230 | 4.6  | DAND Jeff Co, TN (TN,GA,ARK,ALA,UCLA)   | 10.00            |
| 2. Kirk Kirkpatrick   | 6-3  | 230 | 4.7  | Valrico Brandon, FLA                    | 9.00             |
| 3. Wilson Neely       | 6-3  | 225 | 4.6  | MEMP Hamilton, TN (ARK,MISS,TENN,MEMP)  | 9.00             |
| 4. Darrius Frazier    | 6-1  | 230 | 4.8  | Hallandale, FLA                         |                  |
| 5. John Clark         | 6-1  | 240 | 4.8  | Laural W Jones, MS (MISS Commitment)    |                  |
| 6. Pat Moorer         | 6-2  | 210 | 4.8  | PENS Escambia, FLA                      |                  |
| 7. Chris Nicolas      | 6-2  | 215 | 4.85 | Cleatwater, FLA                         |                  |
| 8. Bryan McGee        | 6-2  | 230 | 4.8  | Cleveland, TN (TENN in lead)            |                  |
| 9. Jeff Brown         | 6-1  | 215 | 4.85 | Dunwoody, GA (DUKE,CAL,UNC,MICH)        |                  |
| 10. Carlos Phillips   | 6-2  | 220 | 4.8  | Owensboro, KY (KY Commitment)           |                  |
| CORNERBACK            |      |     |      |                                         |                  |
| 1. Sean Smith         | 6-1  | 195 | 4.4  | Opelika, ALA (AUB,USC,ALA)              | 10.00            |
| 2. Tony Lomack        | 5-9  | 180 | 4.4  | TALL Leon, FLA (FLA,FSU)                | 9.50             |
| 3. Mike Lowman        | 6-0  | 190 | 4.5  | Apopka, FLA (FLA,FSU,MIA)               |                  |
| 4. Mike Smith         | 5-11 | 175 | 4.5  | Atlanta, FLA (ILL,ALA,MIA,KY)           |                  |
| 5. Ron Jones          | 6-0  | 175 | 4.5  | RIV Sun Coast, FLA                      |                  |
| 6. Eric Ramsey        | 5-1  | 175 | 4.5  | BTM Homewood, ALA (AUB Commitment)      |                  |
| 7. John Mangum        | 5-9  | 175 | 4.6  | Magee, MS (ALA)                         |                  |



# Today's Air Waves Filled With Sports Talk

## Call-In Radio Shows Are Everywhere

What if a sports fan had been in seclusion on an island for the last 10 or so years and luckily had been rescued in the year 1986. And let's imagine for a few minutes that he was stranded without any form of communications — meaning no portable television and radio (run on batteries).

So, when this guy (or gal) gets back in the states one of the first things he might do is to check on his favorite sports team and see how they're doing. When he punches the ON button that ignites his Sony Walkman he will be amazed at the great amount of talk shows that have hit the air waves. Except the CB and weather channel frequencies, sports call-in shows are now everywhere.



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**Cats' Pause Columnist**

Just in the Lexington area you can pick up — The Jerry Claiborne and Eddie Sutton Big Blue Line, The Howard Schnellenberger and Denny Crum shows, Tim Smile's Sportsline 59 (weeknights, 7-8), Russ Small Sportsline (weeknights, 8-9), Sound-Off with Van Vance and Jock Sutherland (WHAS) and TCP even has gotten in on the fun with its Cats' Pause Sports Hotline.

Or, if your the guy that likes a little adventure in your life then there's two guys up North that'll knock your socks off.

On any given night your radio has the ability to pick up Cincinnati's WLW (AM 700 on your radio dial), which features controversial, as well as the colorful, Bob Trumphy. And if you want the ultimate in entertainment you should tune into Cleveland's 3-WE (AM 1100) and listen to Pete Franklin. (Warning — Like Howard Cosell, Pete's been known to tell it like it is. So expect the unexpected.)

For the rescued sports fan and former castaway he or she might want to go back to their island of paradise. . . but this time with a phone hookup and a radio. It would probably be one of the best setups a sports nut could ask for.

As a fan you have the opportunity to voice your opinion on the shows. Ever since the invention of the radio there's probably been some sort of communication between a talk show host and the avid listener. Now, though, they're everywhere!

When the subject is about sports then there's no limit to the conversation. It's popular, entertaining and draws attention to which helps sell advertising, which in turn helps support the radio station. In simple terms, sports call-in shows are good business.

Sometimes when driving down the Bluegrass, Western Kentucky, and Green River Parkways (when traveling to my hometown, Owensboro) I'll eject my Four Tops or Elvis Presley cassette out of the tape deck and tune into one of those interesting shows.

One night I'm glad I did.

With the dial set on 700, the golden tones of a former Bengal tight end started blaring through my car speakers. The topic on this evening was more-or-less potluck. One Northern Kentucky native, though, called in and wanted to talk about the dreaded, alleged *Herald-Leader* stories.

Boy, speaking of potluck.

The guy, that called just wanted to ask Trumphy about what he thought of the Kentucky situation. Trumphy, then gave the caller his feelings on the matter.

So far, so good.

Then as the caller was about to hang up he mentioned that the only news he received on the *Herald-Leader* story were from television segments and *The Cats' Pause*.

Speaking about getting your attention. . . well, mine was now fully devoted to the media.

Trumphy's comeback went something like: *Well, they're not the New York Times. All they do, from cover to cover, is advertise for the University of Kentucky.*

Hold the phones.

By this time I wanted to pull off at the nearest exit and tell Bob a thing or two. That, however, changed in a few minutes as I just laughed about it. I thought to myself while everyone takes cracks at everyone else, the world still continues to go on.

For a few minutes, though, I was ticked off at one particular talk show host.

Get the point?

Even though Bob, Jock, Tim, Van or some other talk show host may ruin your dinner by making some wise cracks at the Wildcats, Cards or somebody else it's just a game they play.

People love to here other people argue. And when a show gets a reputation for that, look out. Even though Sutherland, Vance, Franklin and Trumphy are well rounded in the sports they follow, it's the heated discussions that brings out the audience. Controversy is part of their game. And the fans eat it up.

On the other hand, Smile has taken a different approach in trying to lure an audience. Smile is very conservative as far as talk show hosts go. Although much younger than the four previously mentioned he seems to be knowledgeable about sports. That's where the similarities end as Smile tries to play down his role on the Lexington based (WVLK) show.

Though in Tim's case he gives the caller more of an opportunity to speak out with less chance of getting cut down or sometimes cut off. It's a different way of doing things, but like the old adage says — "There's more than one way to skin a cat."

The topic itself is always popular when it's involves college basketball in the bluegrass state. With the coaches' show things are usually calm. . . that is when things are calm in the respective mentor's program. When they're not, look out.

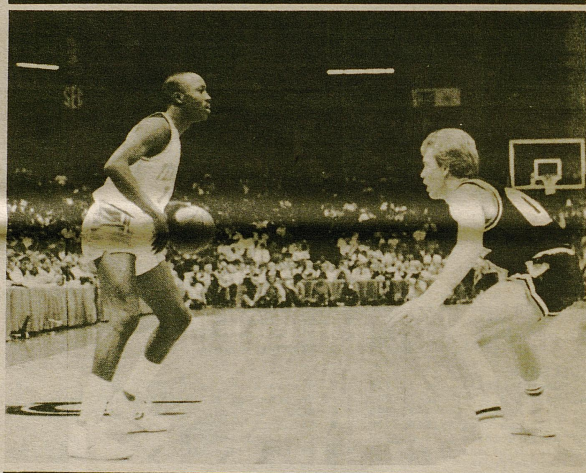
I'll bet there were more listeners out in radio land who listened to Fran Curci's show dur-

ing his last season at UK than when Claiborne and the Cats recorded a 9-3 slate the year before last.

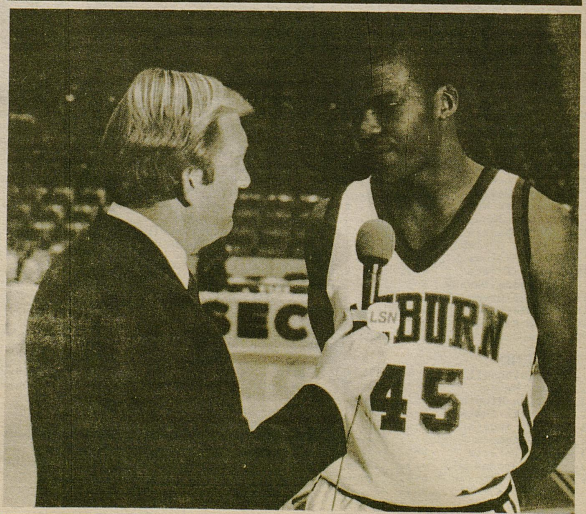
Troubles on and off the field brought the followers closer to their radios than ever before. Why? Though it's sad to see, controversy stirs attention.

Controversy. . . good or bad, for some talk show hosts it's the name of the game.

**College Basketball Tidbits** Do you know who the nation's top Division I shooter from the field is? Hint: He should be very familiar to Wildcat fans. Danny Manning? Nope. Chuck Person? Nope. Give up? It's SMU's **Terry Williams**. Though not playing UK this season, the Southwestern ballclub played two ballgames in Lexington during the **33rd annual UKIT**. In 12 games the Mustangs' junior center had connected on 73 of 105 attempts for an outstanding 69.5 percent from the field. Williams, who hit 9 of 12 from the field while scoring 24 points in the consolation win against East Carolina, earned all-UKIT status. . . Of the top 43 scorers through January 6 **Kenny Walker** was not listed. **Buck Johnson** was 20th with a 22.5 ppg mark after 11 contests. Other SEC players in the top 43 were: Florida's **Vernon Maxwell** (27th) 21.8 ppg in 10 outings; Auburn's **Chuck Person** (30th) 21.2 in 12 games; and Tennessee's **Tony White** (38th) 20.4 in 11 games. It's also interesting to note that as of Jan. 6 Maxwell was the nation's second-leading sophomore scorer. . . In NCAA team statistics (of Jan. 6) **LSU** was only one of seven Division I schools that had unblemished marks. Alabama quickly changed that with an 83-67 thumping of Dale Brown's Tigers last week in Tuscaloosa.



**UT's Tony White Is Off To A Hot Start**



**Ralph Hacker Interviewing Chuck Person**



## Eddie Sutton's Postgame Comments

UK 75, Ole Miss 58

Following are Eddie Sutton's postgame comments after Kentucky defeated Mississippi 75-58 last Wednesday evening at Rupp Arena:

**Question: Your comments on the game?**

Sutton: We're happy that we won. I saw in the paper today where we were 17-point favorites. We didn't play very well in the first half; I thought we were flat. We got out 23-15 and had a chance to go on from there, but we just didn't do a very good job. It was almost like our team was waiting for the crowd to cheer, and the crowd was waiting for us to do something so they COULD cheer. I told our ballclub at halftime that you can't wait on the people in the stands to get you going, you've got to get yourself going. In the second half we played much better. Ole Miss played a nice ballgame. They ran their offensive patterns well. They tried to shorten the length of the game — which you should try to do when you're on the road. They shot the ball well in the first half. In the second half we wore 'em down a little bit — they got a little tired — and we made the run on 'em. Kenny (Walker) played a sensational ballgame. I brought Leroy (Byrd) in here (press room) because he's one of our seniors and doesn't get to play that much. Tonight I thought he (Byrd) played very well. He was very enthusiastic, and I thought that was very, very important to our ballclub because some of our guys weren't very enthusiastic.

ter. Most of the time when you play at a level of intensity that you want your team to be in, good things happen to you — you play better defense, rebound better, and hit shots. I can't explain why we were flat. We were flat the same way the other night down at Auburn in the first half.

**Question: Did you say something to get the players fired up during the timeout?**

Sutton: No, no. I think the crowd picked them up; the crowd came alive. They sensed that we needed a 'sixth person' to help us. I really didn't give any Knute Rockne speeches in there.

**Question: When you put Byrd in the ballgame in the first half were you aware that the crowd's enthusiasm suddenly picked up?**

Sutton: Sure, I always am.

**Question: Teams usually defend Ole Miss with a zone, what was your reason for playing man-to-man for the entire game?**

Sutton: We'll always play man (defense) unless we have to play zone. Our zone is a secondary defense. If we were to play the (Boston) Celtics we would play man.

**Question: Could you tell if your players developed a little more confidence in their outside shot?**

Sutton: Their zone was designed just to pack it in the paint and really try to shut off the in-



Eddie Sutton

**Question: You thought about going to a different lineup prior to tonight's game, why did you stay with the same starting five?**

Sutton: If you look at the total minutes played you'll see that we probably ended up playing a pretty good size ballclub most of the way. It doesn't make any difference who you're going to start. Had we started a different team tonight, we probably would have started Richard Madison. Richard did play well and he had played well in the last few ballgames.

**Question: Do you feel there's too much made of who's going to start and who's not?**

Sutton: We're 11-2 and we've gone with that starting lineup (the whole season). There are a lot of other clubs in our conference that are playing three guards. I think there's been too much said about it. At Arkansas, I know, I don't believe people were ever that concerned. I don't know whether the fans (UK's) are that concerned; some of the media people are very concerned about it. I can't see who you start will make that much difference. We could start Leroy and playing him 30 seconds and put somebody else in there. I don't think it would have that much of an impact on the game.

**Question: It seems like after the timeout with 15:08 remaining your ballclub really changed things around in a positive manner. Do you agree?**

Sutton: Our defense forced them into some mistakes; then we started shooting the ball bet-

side game — keep the ball out of Kenny's hands when he was playing inside. In the first half we moved him out on the wing and he was able to get a couple of shots. But at halftime he had only put the ball up seven times. Ed (Davender) had put it up seven times and Roger (Harden) four. So, our two guards shot the ball more than he (Walker) has. In the second half we put him back inside. I hate to do that to him all the time because he gets banged around so much. We really had good shots; they were giving away the shot at the top of the circle. We put Paul Andrews out there to see if he could hit the shot. Roger had an opportunity and Ed was 4 of 12. Ed's not shooting the ball very well right now. He didn't shoot well down at Auburn. His shot selection was excellent.

**Question: Is Madison the guy that you'll go to when you want a bigger lineup?**

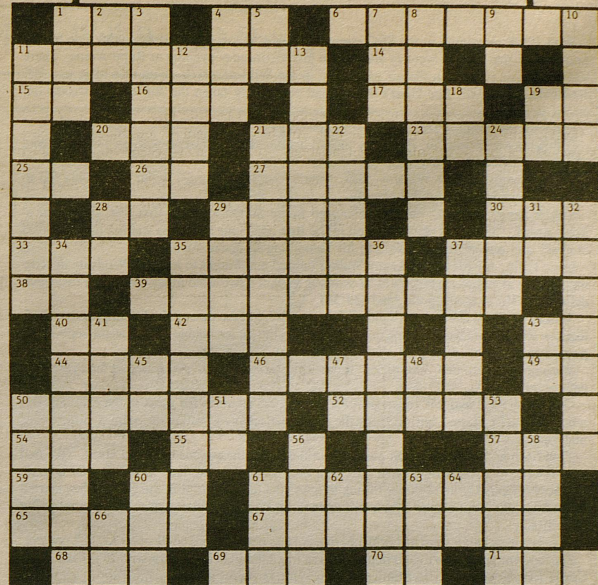
Sutton: I think so. Richard has been the most consistent performer in the last several ballgames. It would be very easy to start Richard.

**Question: Basically, is Madison going to be your 'zone-buster'?**

Sutton: No, we've got some other guys. I don't think we're shooting the ball quite as well from the perimeter as we were for a while — Roger, Ed and James (Blackmon). James is a better baseline shooter than he is straight away or a wing shooter. I believe that our outside shooting is better than what we saw tonight.

## TCP Crossword Puzzle

By Dan Krueckeberg



TOP CAT BIG MEN THROUGH THE YEARS

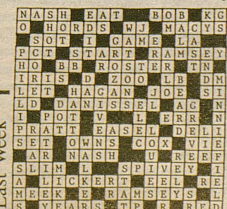
### ACROSS

- 1 Football six-pointers
- 4 Initials of big man on '79-'80 and '80-'81 Cats
- 6 6-11 Cat who played for both Rupp and Hall
- 11 A 7-2 Cat
- 14 Comparative suffix
- 15 Abbr. for Big 8 school in Columbia
- 16 Unwell
- 17 1st name of big Cat of late-'60s
- 19 Initials of 6-7 '60s Cat Adams
- 20 City street abbr.
- 21 A cultural/educational network
- 23 Former Cat guard Calvert
- 25 Initials of 6-7 1/2 Cat Grawmeyer
- 26 Former spouse
- 27 Greeting
- 28 Baseball's \_\_\_ Young Award
- 29 Rollers
- 30 First name of 67 Across
- 31 Pro hoops
- 35 Non-7-foot big Cat who plays like a 7-footer
- 37 Not there
- 38 Baseball abbr. for "strikeout"
- 39 Cat 7-footer of the early-'50s
- 40 Initials of 3 Down
- 42 Hawaiian garland
- 43 See 25 Across
- 44 First name of 3 Down
- 46 6-7 Cat of the early-'70s
- 49 Initials of '70s Edelman
- 50 \_\_\_ size made him the big Cat on '81-'82 and '82-'83 squads
- 52 Namesakes of 6-8 Cowan
- 54 Mineral deposit
- 55 Motor sports star Foyt
- 57 Not Ams
- 59 Abbr. for title of respect
- 60 See 2 Down
- 61 Last Cat 7-footer
- 65 Drinks
- 67 \_\_\_ size was 6-9 on early-Hall squads
- 68 #1 ranked '65-'66 Cats, with no starters over 6-5, were able to \_\_\_ 27 games
- 69 Abbr. for "standard"
- 70 Abbr. for "Yukon Territory"
- 71 1st name of big man on #1 ranked Cats of '69-'70 season

### DOWN

- 1 1st name of a 6-7 or 7-2 Cat of the '70-'71 squad
- 2 Initials of 6-6 Mills of late-'50s
- 3 Big man who led Cats to '51 National Championship
- 4 Abbr. for "syllable"
- 5 Abbr. for "battalion"
- 7 6-9 Cat center Jennings
- 8 Fire spitter
- 9 1st name of big man of "Fiddlin' Five"
- 10 "\_\_\_ put!"
- 11 \_\_\_ size was 6-11 in senior year
- 12 Big Cat Orona of "Fabulous Five"
- 13 \_\_\_ 6-7 frame made him tallest among '58 National Champions
- 18 Compass abbr.
- 19 Abbr. for a collegiate class
- 21 6-10 Cat alongside 36 Down
- 22 Repeat
- 24 A big man of a Cat National Champion
- 28 Initials of '78 big Cat Aleksinas
- 29 Former Cat Barnstable
- 31 Goes with "either"
- 32 Cliff \_\_\_ height was 6-8
- 34 6-7 Cat of the mid-'50s
- 35 6-7 Cat LaVon
- 36 A 6-10 Cat
- 37 Listened
- 41 Father
- 43 Initials of former Cat who coaches in 33 Across
- 45 Initials of little Cat Pursiful
- 47 Abbr. for "radio frequency"
- 48 Double vowel
- 50 Namesakes of 46 Across
- 51 Initials of 7 Down
- 53 Secretly watched
- 56 Praise
- 58 Arizona city
- 60 At 6-8 \_\_\_ was one of the greatest Cats of all time
- 61 Abbr. for "sergeant"
- 62 "\_\_\_ Old Kentucky Home"
- 63 Hall of Fame baseballer Mel
- 64 Abbr. for "weight"
- 66 Initials of a tall Cat and huge scorer

Last Week





## After A Low Intensity Battle, Cats Take Rebels, 75-58

With 15:08 remaining in the SEC contest between Mississippi and Kentucky one hardly would think that 22,645 were in attendance last Wednesday evening at Rupp Arena. There was a stillness present in the air as well as in the Wildcat attack. With Ole Miss and UK deadlocked at 34-all, Lee Hunt's Rebels had completely taken the Big Blue partisans out of the game.

For only 24 minutes and 52 seconds, however.

Following a UK timeout, Kentucky picked itself and the crowd up with an 18-6 spurt and went on to defeat the Rebels, 75-58.

The win improved the Wildcats' SEC slate to 2-1 (11-2 overall) while the Rebels fell to 0-3 in the conference and 7-5 overall.

"We're happy we won," said an exhausted Eddie Sutton after his first SEC encounter at Rupp Arena. "We didn't play very well in the first half. Our team was waiting for the crowd to cheer and our crowd was waiting for something to cheer about."

Once again, All-American Kenny Walker battled and fought to lead the Wildcats in scoring, netting 31 points. In a span of 37 seconds Walker's two field goals changed a two-point deficit (34-36) to a two-point lead (38-34).

Walker hit 12 of 15 from the field and seven of eight free throws for his impressive total. Reserve Richard Madison was the only other Wildcat to hit for double figures as the sophomore poured in 10 points during 23 minutes of work.

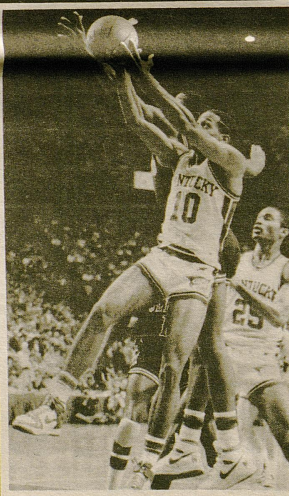
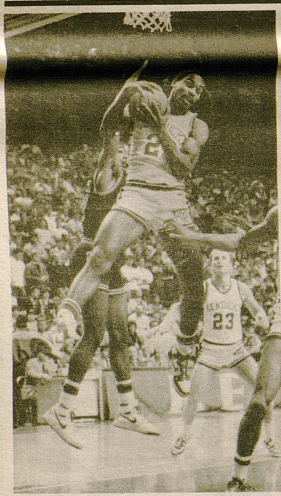
Winston Bennett tied Walker for rebounding honors with six (three offensive, three defensive).

Ole Miss' 1-2-2 and 2-3 zones gave the home team troubles for most of the evening. But when Kentucky started hitting from the outside it enabled Walker to roam a little easier underneath.

"Madison and (Ed) Davender started shooting from the perimeter," said Hunt. "We had to come out to cover a little more and then they started to take it in to Walker. Of course, he's very effective from in there. I think that was the turning point in the game. They started to hit from the perimeter and then that opened up Walker inside... then they started going in to Kenny."

Consistent shooting from the field told the story as the Cats drilled 31 of 60 for 51.7 percent. Six-foot-one sophomore Roderick Barnes sparked the Rebels' offense with 15 points, while Curtis Ritchwood and Eric Smith followed with 13 points apiece.

Barnes has been a surprise so far for Hunt's squad. While replacing Andre Laird at the point guard position, Barnes came into tonight's game averaging 8.2 ppg and 5.6 assists. Laird was lost for the season when he fractured his foot in an automobile accident (Sept. 8, 1985).



### Winston Snatching James Sidewinding SKY GOES IN ORBIT FOR 19 SECOND-HALF POINTS

Kentucky's No. 6 all-time scorer penetrated Ole Miss' zone for 19 points in the second half, including 7 of 8 from the field.

Besides being fueled by Walker's points, Kentucky's pressing man-to-man defense played a big role in determining the eventual outcome. The defense confused the Rebels, who shot only 45.8 percent (11 of 24) from the field compared to 52 percent (13 of 25) in the first half. They also misfired on six free throws (8 of 14) in the final 20 minutes.

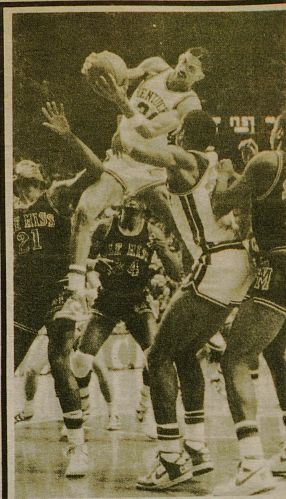
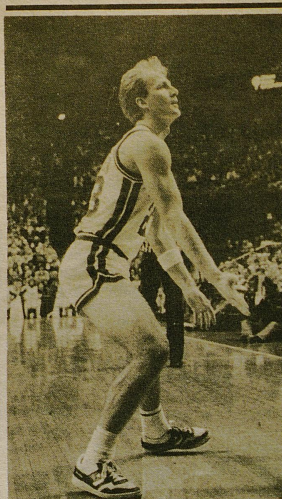
In the second half Ole Miss committed eight miscues compared to a mere two by Kentucky. After a 15-footer from Barnes, who patiently waited for a screen, Madison drew a foul following two attempts underneath. The 6-6 sophomore connected on both free throws giving UK a 44-38. Earlier, Ole Miss had owned a 36-34 second-half advantage.

Kentucky increased its lead to 12 when Roger Harden stole the ball from Barnes and dished off to James Blackmon, who in turn convincingly jammed the round object through the cylinder. Blackmon's dunk capped off a 10-2 spurt as UK led 52-40 with 9:15 remaining.

Prior to the 12-point cushion Harden, Madison and Davender each tossed in long bombs to "loosen" up Ole Miss' defensive tactics underneath. Now, UM's defense couldn't concentrate as much on Walker as it did in the first stanza.

Walker had his hand in 13 of Kentucky's final 23 points. Yet, the 6-8 senior took only 15 shots for the evening.

Ole Miss quickly found itself down by 20 points (70-50, 72-52), mostly because of Walker's scoring and the Wildcats' fierce man-to-man defense.



### Roger Concentrating Kenny Sky Walking

#### CATS SURVIVE SCARE IN FIRST TWENTY MINUTES

Not since 1927 have the 'Johnny Rebs' defeated the University of Kentucky in Lexington. For a while it appeared 1986 was going to be Ole Miss' year.

Although Walker was able to sneak inside for an easy layin during the first minute of action, Mississippi's stingy zone presented problems for the Wildcats, both in scoring and on the boards.

With UK holding a 9-3 advantage, UM's denying defense was so sticky that Walker was instructed to go out on the wing early in the first stanza.

Following a Harden turnover, Sutton easily could be heard shouting, "Kenny, Kenny... shoot." Walker followed his advice by coolly nailing a 15-footer.

Derek Horne's easy basket cut the lead to 9-5 and kept the UK partisans at bay. It was so quiet that for most of the first half you could here the players' shoes squeaking on the hardwood surface.

From almost the same spot Walker again proved that he can shoot from long distance... and connect.

Trailing 17-9 midway through the half, Ole Miss started to cut away at the Cats' lead. Closing the gap to four at halftime Mississippi proceeded to: a) hit the boards; and b) get scoring from an abundance of players.

Walker's 12 tallies carried the scoring load for Kentucky in the first half, while Ole Miss was paced by reserve Joe Coleman, eight points, and Eric Smith, seven. On the boards the Rebels, who were 17-point underdogs to UK, matched rebound for rebound against the home team (14-14). Ritchwood, a 6-6 senior forward, was the game's leading rebounder with 10, including seven snatched off the defensive glass.

Ole Miss was also inspired by some cold shooting from its opponents.

Barnes and Ritchwood initiated the comeback by hitting from 10 and six feet, respectively. After outscoring UK 9-8, Smith snared an offensive board and soared to the basket for an easy two points pulling Ole Miss to within four, 25-21. His finger-roll putback started a 7-0 run, an outburst that would give Mississippi the lead. A junior college transfer (Butler County), Smith is the leading point producer for Mississippi averaging 19.3 points in 11 previous outings.

Smith canned one of two free throws to pull his team within three, 25-22. Reserve Joe Coleman's outside shooting then suprisingly edged the Rebels ahead. The 6-1 sophomore connected from 16, 14 and six feet. It was his 16-footer over Harden that gave Mississippi the lead at 27-26.

Madison's points with 2:12 remaining were UK's first points since a layup by Blackmon at the 5:46 mark.

Kentucky, however, reclaimed the lead following a 14-foot rainbow by Madison, and eventually stretched it to six (32-26).

#### OLE MISS-UK TIDBITS

After the game Eddie Sutton brought Kenny Walker and Leroy Byrd into the press room. It was midway in the first half that the Wildcat coach inserted Byrd in the lineup. He quickly drilled an 18-footer and had one theft in five minutes of play. Overall, Byrd scored four points and had two steals to his credit. . . Afterwards Sutton said that Richard Madison will be the man to look to when shifting to a bigger lineup. Madison netted 10 points (4 of 6 from the field, 2 of 2 free throws) in 23 minutes of work. . . Ole Miss' head man Lee Hunt was at a loss of words for Walker. Said Hunt, "What amazes me about him is that he has uncanny accuracy in all the heavy traffic. That's a sign of a great player. When you can play in all that heavy traffic and still hit the basket. . . I'll be glad when he graduates." . . The Wildcats' bench outscored the visitor's 19-11. If not for Joe Coleman's 11 points it would have been 19-0. . . Eric Smith was held in check for most of the contest. Smith, who had been averaging 19.6 ppg was held to only 13 points. . . With the win Kentucky now leads its series with the Rebels 67-5, including 42 wins and only one setback in Lexington. . . Hunt's overall record at Mississippi is now 45-54. The former 12-year assistant to Gene Bartow is in his fourth season as the Rebels' mentor. With the win Sutton raised his 16-plus year coaching record to 353-127.



# Burbage No Hot Dog, Just All Enthused

Says Long Winter Workout Will Benefit Cats

He plays football with fervent enthusiasm and often times that exuberance is misunderstood. "Some have called him a hot dog, but Cornell Burbage has been playing football this way once his childhood days in Lexington, Ky. For Burbage, pointing towards the crowd after a big catch is his way of making his presence felt on the football field.

"I'm not a hot dog," said Burbage. "People can say what they want to say. I'm not trying to taunt anybody. I am just trying to get the fans and my teammates fired up."

Ever since I was young I have played with enthusiasm," explained Burbage. "If you don't have enthusiasm then you shouldn't play the game. It's a big part of playing football."

However, his excitement for the game was somewhat curtailed as UK experienced a frustrating 5-6 campaign last season. Burbage was not enamored with the Wildcats finishing below the .500 mark following two consecutive bowl appearances.



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist

"I really wasn't pleased with the season," said the UK wide receiver. "It all stems back to the summer workouts where some of us took things for granted. We just seem to lack the enthusiasm we had during the 9-3 season."

If there was a turning point in UK's season last year, Burbage felt it occurred when LSU shutout the Wildcats 10-0 in Baton Rouge. At the time UK had come off an impressive 33-19 win over Mississippi State and felt going into the LSU contest, that a victory was certainly within reach.

"We thought we could win that game," remembered Burbage. "But we just made too many dumb mistakes. After that game it seemed everybody hung their heads."

Although he was second on the team with 25 receptions Burbage was the Wildcats' leader in reception yardage (413 yards). Nevertheless, the Lexington native thinks there is room for improvement.

"My weakness is blocking. If I can work on that then I will become a better receiver. Also, I can do a better job in reading defenses and getting open."

"I did catch 25 passes but I could have caught over 30," remarked Burbage. "But I'm really never satisfied with what I have done because I always think that I can do better."

What the "Burb" gives to the UK offense is a home run threat that can go deep. With his sprinters speed and the lack of catching the ball over the middle, many thought UK would be able to run deeper pass routes last season. However, Burbage realized that those patterns take time to develop and the offense could not afford drive killing sacks.

"Bill (Ransdell) needs time to throw deep," explained Burbage. If you are throwing deep, Bill has to have enough protection for at least four or five seconds so we (receivers) can get down field. Sometimes Bill didn't have enough protection from the offensive line."

That offensive line will be a pivotal factor for the Wildcats this season. With four starters gone because of graduation, Burbage believes the line is the key to the upcoming season. After all, UK has plenty of talent returning at the skill positions.

"It will depend on how the offensive line matures," said Burbage, assessing UK's offensive fortunes. "If our line gets stronger by working hard on the weights then we can have a good offense."

What Burbage doesn't foresee is his teammates overlooking any opponent on the schedule for next season. Bowling Green last year shocked UK in the home opener 30-26 and Burbage doesn't want the same results to happen a second time.

"Last year we looked past Bowling Green," said Burbage, who will be a senior next season. "We learned a big lesson. We won't look past no teams anymore."

During his high school career, both Burbage and UK running back Mark Logan were teammates together at Bryan Station High School. So when it came time for them to decide which school to attend during their senior year, Burbage and Logan relished the idea of playing together for another four years at UK.

"We have been playing together since the seventh grade," said Burbage. So we decided to keep on playing together."

Furthermore, Burbage wanted the opportunity to perform for his hometown school that was undergoing a rebuilding process following a winless 1982 season. He also liked the idea of playing for Jerry Claiborne.

"Coach Claiborne has been successful everywhere he has coached," said Burbage. "Also, the year I was recruited they had not won a game. I wanted to come and help the program. I wanted the feeling of being part of a team that was going to be on the rise."

Since his arrival on the UK campus, Burbage has seen the program risen to new heights -- two consecutive Hall of Fame Bowl appearances. But now that he has endured a disappointing 5-6 season, Burbage is still optimistic about the Wildcats remaining competitive in the powerful Southeastern Conference.

"It will be the same as last year," said Burbage. "You know the Floridas, Georgias and the LSUs are going to be strong teams. If we play with intensity we can compete with them. The whole key is taking each team one game at a time."

Facing the best competition in the country is a challenge for Burbage. But he acknowledges that if UK is to successfully compete in the SEC and achieve bowl aspirations then off-season hard work is imperative.

"I hope everybody works hard during the off-season," said Burbage. "It hurt me watching other teams having fun playing in bowl games. I just hope we can be at a bowl game somewhere next year."



## Burbage Hauling In Pass

Although he would love the chance of playing professional football, Burbage has plans for a job in the business field following his athletic career at UK. Currently holding a 2.8 GPA, Burbage is majoring in mathematics.

"I want to get into computers," said Burbage. I would like to move into the business world and get a nice job with a nice corporation."

**UK NOTEBOOK:** Kenny Walker is still going through an adjustment period with wearing goggles. But once he becomes more acclimated to the new specs, expect Walker to continue his usual superb All-American type performances. . . UK defensive tackle **Jon Dumbauld** has been selected to the North squad for the Senior Bowl played on Jan. 18th. Dumbauld will have Denver Broncos head mentor **Dan Reeves** as his head coach.

**AROUND THE SEC:** Most of the SEC basketball coaches are appealing to the league office about getting **Vanderbilt** to move the team benches from underneath the baskets to the sidelines. Vandy is probably the only place in the country that has the benches positioned beside each basket so that fans seated along the sidelines can have an unobstructed view of the game. Many of the SEC coaches have complained that they are unable to communicate with their guards during the course of a ball game by having to coach along the basketline. However, Vandy coach **C. M. Newton** wants to continue having the team benches at the same place instead of the usual spot along the sidelines. . . It should be very interesting to follow the progress of **Florida** this season. Because of graduation losses of Eugene McDowell and Randall Leath, Norm Sloan's Gators were decimated along the front line. So far this season UF's backcourt tandem of **Andrew Moten** and **Vernon Maxwell** appear to be taking up the slack. In Florida's first SEC road game, Moten and Maxwell combined for 50 of the team's 77 points in the Gator's 77-75 upset win over Tennessee in Knoxville. Two nights later Maxwell and Moten netted 18 and 11 points respectively as Florida edged Auburn 62-59 at home. If Sloan can receive some constant front line production from JC transfer **John Currington** along with **Joe** and **Pat Lawrence**, then Florida could play a pivotal role in the conference race. . . Vanderbilt starting guard **Jeff Gary** fractured a cheekbone during the Commodores 84-74 loss to Duke. He will be sidelined indefinitely, perhaps for the remainder of the season. Gary a senior, averaged 9.2 points per game last season. . . Alabama 6-8 reserve forward **Darrell Neal** and freshman **Lorenza Smith** recently quit the team because of lack of playing time. The departure of these two forwards hampers Bama's depth in the front court. . . Speaking of Alabama, Kenny Walker might have a new challenger for the SEC scoring race. Walker edged out Auburn's Chuck Person for the scoring honors last season but this year Alabama's **Buck Johnson** has been making a bid to replace 'Sky Walker'. Johnson scored 33 points in Bama's recent road loss to Georgia 88-80. With the graduation departure of Bobb Lee Hurt, Bama coach Wimp Sanderson is counting on Johnson as being the team's primary offensive weapon using him in the same manner as Walker performed for Kentucky last season.



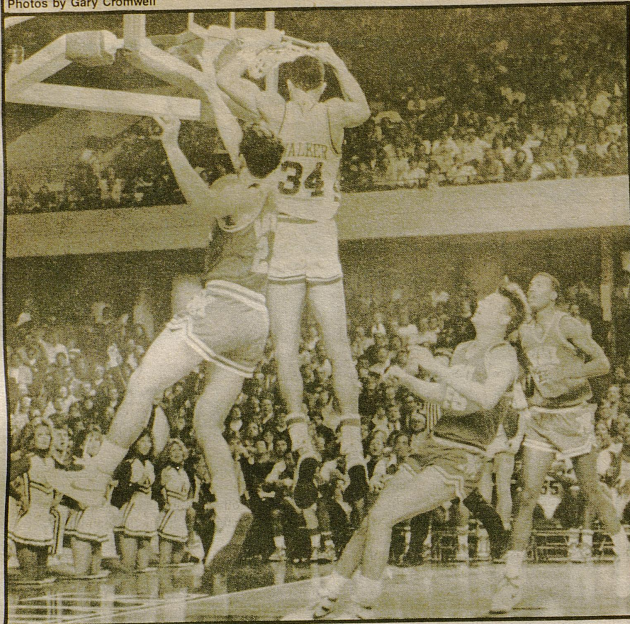
# The Sky Report

## Kenny Walker's Climb Past Kentucky's Elite

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Photos by Gary Cromwell



| Rank | Name          | Points | Games | Years |
|------|---------------|--------|-------|-------|
| 1.   | Don Isel      | 2,138  | 83    | 3     |
| 2.   | Jack Givens   | 2,038  | 123   | 4     |
| 3.   | Kevin Greavy  | 1,801  | 84    | 3     |
| 4.   | Cotton Nash   | 1,770  | 78    | 3     |
| 5.   | Alex Graza    | 1,764  | 120   | 4     |
| 6.   | Kenny Walker  | 1,652  | 110   | 3     |
| 7.   | Louie Dampier | 1,575  | 80    | 3     |
| 8.   | Mike Casey    | 1,535  | 82    | 3     |
| 9.   | Ralph Beard   | 1,517  | 139   | 4     |
| 10.  | Melvin Turpin | 1,509  | 123   | 4     |
| 11.  | Cliff Hagan   | 1,475  | 77    | 3     |
| 12.  | Pat Riley     | 1,464  | 80    | 3     |
| 13.  | Johnny Cox    | 1,461  | 77    | 3     |
| 14.  | Kyle Mincy    | 1,411  | 96    | 3     |
| 15.  | Rick Robey    | 1,395  | 105   | 4     |
| 16.  | Mike Phillips | 1,367  | 120   | 4     |
| 17.  | Mike Pratt    | 1,359  | 81    | 3     |
| 18.  | Frank Ramsey  | 1,344  | 91    | 3     |
| 19.  | Jim Andrews   | 1,320  | 80    | 3     |
| 20.  | Sam Bowie     | 1,285  | 94    | 3     |

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# Big East Proves Conference Plan Pays Off

## Midwest Independents May Be Next

Basketball "independents" have already become a vanishing breed. Even the midwest fish fryers -- Detroit, Dayton, Loyola of Chicago (already in a mediocre conference), and DePaul -- are pushing to form a major conference.

The reasons are obvious.

Money! Money!

More Money!

Want an example?

The Big East.

Remember this group. They used to run around in circles like Chicken Little, waiting for the sky to fall in on them.

Then, Dave Gavitt, an ex-coach with a good idea, began to put together a television package in the major markets in the east.



Jim Griesch  
Cats' Pause Columnist

He talked Georgetown (Washington, D. C.), Villanova (Philadelphia), St. John's (New York City), and Boston College, Pittsburgh, and Syracuse (all in those respective cities), into going head to head with a few duds, all in the name of making money.

Gavitt had a lot of things going for him in his argument.

He had: Money

Television.

Money

Automatic NCAA tournament bid.

Money.

Prestige.

Money.

ESPN.

Money.

Fame.

Money.

Are there any more questions?

The plan was simple.

The NCAA tournament field was growing every year. Fewer and fewer independents were gaining entrance. Recruits from the big cities were moving west and south to play college basketball.

The schools were starving. Even St. John's, easily the richest Big East school in terms of tradition and media exposure, had lagged too many years in the past decade or so.

Suddenly, the conference schools began to use some of that money to recruit home area players. The television exposure made recruiting easier.

Even Georgetown, which used to finish 3-23 every year, began to scurry into national prominence.

Of course in Georgetown's case, most of its players are not the profile of that institution's normal student, but that could be said of many athletes at most every school.

Gavitt began to use his considerable prestige within the NCAA itself. His teams sure looked tough on TV. He said they were tough.

Now, almost any team with a winning record can get in, and if that team brings fans to the tournaments, and has a big TV drawing power, so be it. The Big East fits here.

The 1985 NCAA Final Four is Gavitt's crowning glory on what can be done with a good idea, some power, some influence, and being able to make all of that grow.

Three teams from one conference in the Final Four. The Big Ten and Atlantic Coast Conference have each had two teams in the Final Four.

How can that be?

Good scheduling. The strongest two Big East teams, both very real powers last year, were St. John's, and Georgetown.

They were paired with teams that simply could not match up with them in the earliest rounds of the tourney. That especially applies to Georgetown. They were EXPECTED to reach the Final Four.

Villanova was that one special surprise. Of course, they won it all.

While the Big East is the best example of a success story in forming a conference, there are certain elements which made success nearly automatic.

Geography.

Similarities within the conference among the membership. Many of the schools do not play football. Those who do are medium-range good. Certainly, Pitt has declined. Syracuse is decent. Boston College will disappear from sight now that Doug Flutie has moved on into semi-pro football.

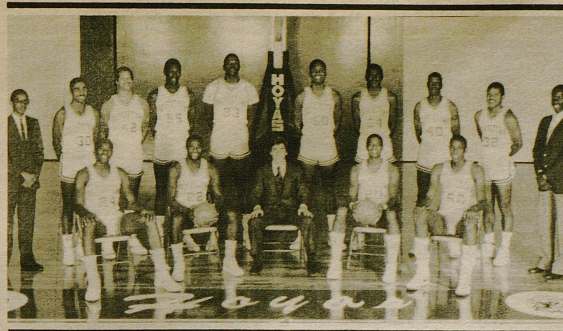
St. John's Georgetown, and Villanova do not have high-power football programs. Villanova did once, and is making a comeback. But, football is NOT a concern of the conference.

Football MONEY is not important to the conference.

Basketball money is.

The conference also has a huge television package, the best in college basketball. That includes the ACC.

So, you have natural rivalries, money; no problems with football, money; television, money; and a natural recruiting area, money.



## 1984 NCAA Champion Georgetown

There are others not nearly so successful. One of those conferences is the Metro. Why?

Too many cruddy teams, for one. Only Memphis and Virginia Tech, maybe Louisville, can be considered important entries into college basketball.

Memphis State and Virginia Tech, along with most of the other conferences members (exclude Louisville here) have proven football programs, where most of the money being made is by football, for football, because of football.

Funny thing is, the Metro was hastily thrown together by some greedy athletic directors who wanted an automatic berth in the NCAA tournament.

The original leadership was good, coming from St. Louis University.

But, St. Louis dropped out of the Metro, and since then, every school has tried to become the "stud hoss" leader.

No one has made it, but only MSU, Tech, and Louisville have kept going with their basketball programs.

Everything else in the conference is window dressing.

The other fall sports are a joke. The spring sports are a joke. The football "haves" laugh at the "have nots," and the circle just keeps going around.

There are big differences between the Big East and the Metro.

The Big East has a giant television contract that pours money into the coffers of the member schools.

The Metro leadership is so weak, it cannot even keep peace within the conference.

Louisville pulled a strong-arm act a few years ago, refusing to split its basketball TV money with the other institutions, unless the Metro formed a football conference.

The Cards are already playing most of the teams, but not well. The others simply don't want a money loser like U of L on the schedule. Why play those silly flybables when they can make a ton of money playing an eastern independent or an SEC school?

The Missouri Valley Conference is another example of a good idea that failed.

Not always so, however. At one time, MVC teams were the terrors of college basketball. St. Louis was strong in the 1930's, 1940's, and the 1950's. Cincinnati with the incomparable Oscar Robertson was super. So were Bradley, Wichita State, and a few others.

But, teams seemed to come and go. Louisville jumped onto the bandwagon, only to have trouble getting a charter pilot who could find New Mexico State, West Texas State, and other way stations of college roundball. Distance diffused the MVC.

The eastern powers of the MVC bolted and formed the Metro.

The Midwestern Cities Conference was another desperate effort to get into the NCAA's.

Loyola, St. Louis, Oklahoma City, Oral Roberts, even once-mighty small-college strong boy Evansville, joined.

So far, only one team per year has made the NCAA field, and always so deeply buried in the pairings that the team has no real opportunity for anything except a nice trip.

So, what do you have to have?

Money.

Television.

Leadership.

A colorful product.

The Big East is also the most colorful of these conferences. It has to survive in a geographic area where there are a lot of other things to do. Certainly, in the winter, there are no outdoors attractions in the Big East area as there would be in the south or on the west coast, but interests are diversified.

Hockey is as big a winter sport in the east as basketball. Fans seem to love the fierceness of the physical play in hockey.

Here's a guess that all of the fighting, all of the garbage play by most of the Big East teams has served its purpose. Fans become very interested in going to see games where blood would be shed.

Kind of a pro hockey, pro wrestling mentality.

But, it worked.

Fans loved it. Other conferences loathed it. The TV nets ate it up. Hey, man. Here was something they could put on the tube.

Look at those idiots kill each other!

Gavitt pulled it off.

And, with know-nothing shills like Brent Musburger and his ilk, the Big East simply exploded on the national scene.

No other conference has pulled it off.

Gavitt has proven it CAN be done. No one else may ever do it.





## Super Scout/Max Emfinger follows THE SOUTHEAST BLUE-CHIPS

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**SAFETY**

|                    |                |                                       |       |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| 1. Mark Fletcher   | 6-4, 205, 4.5  | Acworth N Cobb, GA (GA Commitment)    | 10.00 |
| 2. Lee Ozmint      | 6-5, 205, 4.5  | Anderson Hanna, SC (ALA Commitment)   | 9.50  |
| 3. Leroy Butler    | 6-0, 190, 4.55 | JAX Lee, FLA (FSU may be in lead)     | 9.50  |
| 4. Reggie Cobb     | 6-2, 205, 4.6  | KNOX Centrtal, TN (KY,TENN)           | 9.00  |
| 5. Kenny Duffy     | 6-3, 200, 4.6  | JAX Raines, FLA                       |       |
| 6. Greg Mulberry*  | 6-3, 185, 4.6  | GAIN Buchholz, FLA                    |       |
| 7. Felton Ransey   | 6-3, 185, 4.55 | Decatur Columbia, GA                  |       |
| 8. Jake Martin     | 6-2, 195, 4.6  | Dunwoody, GA (GA T,DUKE,VAN,STAN)     |       |
| 9. Stacy Danley    | 6-3, 197, 4.6  | Douglasville Co, GA (ALA,AUB,GA)      |       |
| 10. Roy Hunter*    | 5-11,205, 4.5  | Bessemer Lanier, ALA (AUB Commitment) |       |
| 11. Harold Reedy   | 5-11,190, 4.6  | Corbin, KY                            |       |
| 12. Donnie Collins | 6-2, 190, 4.6  | Gibbs, TN (GA,TENN)                   |       |
| 13. Donald Smith   | 5-11,190, 4.6  | Harrodsburg, KY                       |       |

**KICKING SPECIALIST**

|                   |               |                           |      |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------------------|------|
| 1. K Alan Ward    | 6-1, 170, N/A | PENS Escambia, FLA        | 9.50 |
| 2. K Tim Woodford | 5-11,160, N/A | Brooksville Hernando, FLA |      |
| 3. K Andrew Elton | 5-6, 165, N/A | Bradenton Manatee, FLA    |      |
| 4. K Bill Mason   | 5-9, 160, N/A | TALL Lincoln, FLA         |      |
| 5. K Ki Tok Chu   | 5-9, 165, N/A | NASH Glencoliff, TN       |      |
| 6. K Mike Berry   | 5-8, 150, N/A | Pearl, MS                 |      |
| 7. K Ira Adler    | 5-9, 150, N/A | Plantation, FLA           |      |

**DIXIE BITS**

Alabama is again trying to secure as many early commitments as last year... With the recent additions of Lee Osmint and Robert Stewart, and having Billy Ray and Pierre Goode leaning heavily, the Tide could be in for another National Top 10 slot in recruiting...The Bulldogs have three great commitments in Hiawatha Berry and Mark Fletcher and Randy Fisher and a strong lean from Brian Benio so The 'Dogs seem to be keeping pace with the Tide...Ole Miss has made some real inroads in the JUCO market to beef up their instant offensive line needs...The Rebels also have two great commitments in Bobby Martin and John Clark...Auburn and FSU are getting ready for great recruiting years and Tennessee could be on the verge of their best recruiting haul in recent years taking advantage of their SEC Trophy... Kentucky has four commitments and may be in the lead for two National recruits in RB Al Baker and OG Dave Szott from New Jersey.

### SUPER SCOUT/MAX EMFINGER'S 1985 SUPER ALL—DIXIE TEAM

**OFFENSE**

|                    |                |                                            |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------------|
| QB Billy Ray       | 6-4, 200, 4.6  | Dunwoody, GA (ALA leading)                 |
| QB Jeff Dunn       | 6-2, 204, 4.6  | Greensboro, NC                             |
| RB Al Baker        | 6-1, 225, 4.5  | Cadiz Trigg Co, KY (KY leading)            |
| RB David Fair      | 6-3, 225, 4.5  | Starkville, MS (Grades the key)            |
| RB James Joseph    | 6-2, 195, 4.5  | Phenix City Central, ALA (AUB,ALA)         |
| FB George Uwe      | 6-2, 220, 4.7  | Myrtle Beach, SC                           |
| FB Robert Stewart  | 6-1, 242, 4.65 | Houston Co, ALA (ALA Commitment)           |
| WB Pierre Goode    | 5-11,175, 4.4  | Town Creek Hazlewood, ALA (ALA,TENN,UCLA)  |
| WB Stacy Simmons   | 5-10,175, 4.4  | Dunnellon, FLA                             |
| WR Alvin Harper    | 5-4, 185, 4.5  | Frostproof, FLA                            |
| UT Eric Lualien    | 6-4, 270, 5.0  | Tampa Jesuit, FLA                          |
| OG Brad Johnson    | 6-3, 270, 4.9  | CEN Cher Co, ALA (FSU,FSU,ALA,AUB)         |
| OC Chris Bromley   | 6-4, 230, 4.9  | Pensacola Woodham, FLA (AUB,LSU,ALA)       |
| OG Joe Siffri      | 6-4, 250, 4.9  | Chamblee Henderson, GA (STAN,DUK,GAT,TENN) |
| OT Danny Cash      | 6-6, 275, 5.1  | Spartanburg, SC (FSU,ALA,FLA,CLEM)         |
| TE Rod Mitchell    | 6-9, 235, 4.7  | Cheraw, SC                                 |
| ATH Dennis Wallace | 6-3, 190, 4.6  | Carrollton Central, GA (AUB,TENN,GAT)      |
| K Alan Ward        | 6-1, 170, N/A  | Pensacola Escambia, FLA                    |

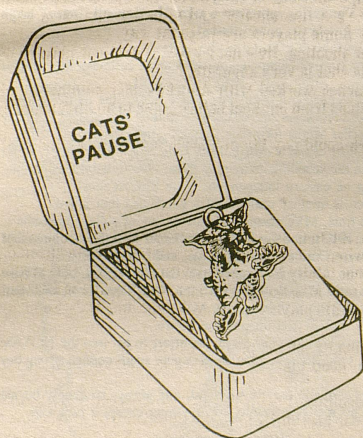
**DEFENSE**

|                    |                |                                            |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------------|
| DE Demetrius Hill  | 6-4, 232, 4.6  | Meridian, MS (Grades the key)              |
| DT Vance Hammond   | 6-7, 245, 4.9  | Soartanburg Dorman, SC (CLEM,SC)           |
| DT Anthony Ware    | 6-6, 270, 5.0  | Belle Glades Central, FLA (FLA,LSU,MIA)    |
| DT Morris Jones    | 6-6, 260, 4.9  | Vanceboro, W Craven, NC (UNC,CLEM)         |
| DE Huey Richardson | 6-6, 225, 4.6  | Atlanta Lakeside, GA (UCLA,GA,GAT)         |
| DE Steve Smith     | 6-5, 232, 4.6  | Wilmington New Hanover, SC                 |
| WLB Brian Benio    | 6-4, 217, 4.6  | Roswell, GA (GA leading)                   |
| MLB Brent Collins  | 6-3, 230, 4.6  | Dandridge Jeff Co, TN (TN,GA,ARK,ALA,UCLA) |
| MLB Marvin Oglesby | 6-3, 225, 4.6  | Decatur Towers, GA (UCLA,MIA,PUR,TN,LSU)   |
| WCB Tony Lomack    | 5-9, 180, 4.4  | Tallahassee Leon, FLA (FLA,FSU)            |
| FS Mark Fletcher   | 6-4, 205, 4.5  | Acworth N Cobb, GA (GA Commitment)         |
| FS Lee Ozmint      | 6-5, 205, 4.5  | Anderson Hanna, SC (ALA Commitment)        |
| SS Leroy Butler    | 6-0, 190, 4.55 | Jacksonville Lee, FLA (FSU leading)        |
| SCB Sean Smith     | 6-1, 195, 4.4  | Opelika, FLA (AUB,USC,ALA)                 |

**MORE DIXIE BITS**

Coach Curry is in for an outstanding recruiting year...one that could be the best that Tech has had in many a year...Siffri and Wallace would be the real plums if they can get them...Jake Martin will follow in his Dad's footsteps and sign with the Wreck...He could be outstanding...Coach Ford seems to be in the lead for some more great players...Hammond would certainly be the key...SS John Badley has transferred from FSU to Georgia...New Vandy Coach Watson Brown may get a real lift for the program if they sign FB Andy McCarroll...Coach Johnson is again in the lead for some great skill people and their great season will not doubt enable the 'Cane to have another outstanding recruiting year.

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# Sutton, Cats Mix Like Sugar & Honey

## Wildcats Enjoy Playing The Game Now

Eddie Sutton believes the key to winning a conference championship is to beat all the teams that you should.

"I'm more concerned about games we ought to win than I am ones we only have a chance to win," says Sutton. "To win the conference, the thing you've got to guard against is letting somebody slip up on you that you should beat.

"That's why I probably try to get the ballclub better prepared for a game against VMI than I might for Louisville. Games like that will take care of themselves."

Sutton, though, tries to approach every game the same. He always wants his team to play hard and give a maximum effort. If the players do that, he won't complain win or lose.



### Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist

"I always challenge our players to go out and give 100 percent regardless of who we are playing," says the Kentucky coach. "It's a lot like playing golf. You play the course and not the person you are playing with. It's the same with basketball. You are playing the game against yourself.

"I tell the players, 'After the game is over, can you honestly look yourself in the mirror and say that you gave it all you had?' If they can do that, then they can walk out of the locker room knowing they can live with themselves, even if they lost the ballgame."

Sutton's rapport with the players has been reflected in the team's intensity on the floor against all types of competition. But Sutton also believes the character of the players has made it easier to motivate the squad.

"It's easier to do when you have quality human beings," says Sutton. "If I was trying to motivate rascals, it might be different. But these players realize the uniform they are wearing is very meaningful to so many people."

The UK coach, however, doesn't believe in an emotional pitch before every game. He says, "You can only go to the emotional well so many times. Adrenaline can take you only so far. You can't give Knute Rockne speeches every night."

Another reason for Kentucky's success under Sutton has been that the coaches and players seem to understand just what is expected of each other.

"The players are understanding the system better and hopefully we are understanding them," says Sutton. "Do they need to be stroked? Do they need to be chewed out? You have to learn what motivates young people. Not many we have need chewing out. They just need a pat on the fanny or back. This team is a joy to coach."

Joe Hall, who retired at the end of the 1984-85 season, never seemed to understand that every player was different. Hall would "chew out" a player to motivate him. It worked with the 1977-78 NCAA championship team but in recent years players had not always responded to his tongue-lashings.

Sutton doesn't have that problem. His players like him and he seems to know just what makes each one tick.

That's one big reason the players insist basketball is more fun this year. They won under Hall but didn't always enjoy it. Now they are winning and having fun. And that's a tough combination to beat at any level.

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SUTTON, unlike some Southeastern Conference coaches, is in favor of the post-season conference tournament.

"I'm a strong believer that all conferences ought to go to a post-season tournament if their league is strong enough that the round robin winner will still go to the NCAA," says the UK coach.

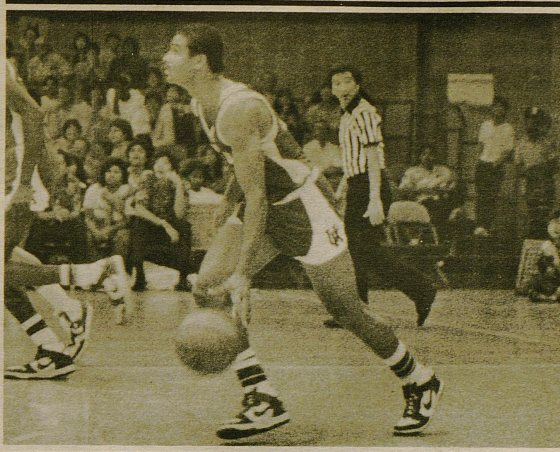
Sutton readily admits that round robin play is the true test of a league champion. But the tournament has positive benefits for other league teams.

"There was a time when you fell out of the league race it was hard to motivate your players because they had no chance to win the league," says Sutton. "If your team was in seventh or eighth place it was hard to keep the team going."

"It was the same way with the fans. If you were losing they would begin thinking about spring sports or spring football."

"A post-season tournament keeps interest up for the players and fans. I'm in favor of it."

"The tournaments have also become social events for fans and revenue-makers for athletic departments."



Paul Andrews

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JUNIOR GUARD Paul Andrews could be a key player for the Wildcats in the SEC if opponents use zone defenses against Kentucky like they did last season.

"Andrews could be an important cog in our run for the conference championship," says Sutton. "He's a fine shooter and is better against a zone defense than a man-to-man. Some players are just that way."

"His strength is perimeter shooting. He's not a great one-on-one player but if you get him in position his shot is very accurate."

Assistant coach Doug Barnes worked with Andrews last summer. The junior would shoot 50 jump shots from one spot before going to another spot for 50 more shots.

If Sutton is right, the work could pay big dividends for Kentucky the next two months.

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BOB BOYD'S announcement that he would step down as head basketball coach at Mississippi State when the season ends was not totally unexpected.

It was obvious Boyd was not totally happy when he spoke at the SEC Media Day in November. He has made Mississippi State competitive in the SEC but failed to sign two talented in-state players — Kenny Payne and Andy Kennedy — recently.

"If a guy's program is doing its job the players will stay home," said Boyd in November. "We lost two good players to Louisville and North Carolina State."

"I'm not very good at recruiting. I don't like it. But our recruiting is also quite limited. The heart of our recruiting is in the mid-South area. We don't have the recruiting flexibility of some teams in the league. You have a degree of haves and have-nots in this league."

Boyd has been good for Mississippi State and the SEC. But it's easy to understand why he is tired of knocking heads with Kentucky, LSU and other more talented teams.

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SIXTEEN TO 20 high school football prospects will be visiting the UK campus each weekend until the national signing period begins Feb. 12.

"I would think we would sign between 21 and 23 players if all goes well," says Dick Redding, who coordinates recruiting for UK Coach Jerry Claiborne. "I think we are in good shape right now with the in-state kids we want but whether we are in good shape with the top out-of-state kids is the big problem."

"We have some lines on some good offensive and defensive linemen that we really need. We are close to getting some commitments but it will probably go right down to the last week with most of those players."

Redding says UK's primary needs are offensive linemen, inside defensive players and one quick linemen that can play defensive tackle.

"Really, though, you are always going to take a good athlete," says Redding. "That's why we will sign one quarterback and hopefully some good running backs. You can never have too many talented players."



# Scouting Report

## THE COACHES:

**EDDIE SUTTON** was named Kentucky's head coach April 2, 1985, becoming only the third coach in 55 years at UK. Prior to coming to Lexington, Sutton was at Arkansas for 11 years, where he compiled a winning percentage of 77.6, averaging nearly 24 wins a season. His Razorback teams won five Southwest Conference titles and made nine straight trips to the NCAA tournament -- a feat matched only by North Carolina. With a 12-2 start as Kentucky's coach, Sutton's overall 17th-year college coaching record now stands at 354-127.

**BOB BOYD** is now in his fifth, and last, season at Mississippi State, where he has compiled a 50-75 record. His overall career record now stands at 307-219 (20th year). Boyd's record against Kentucky is 2-6.

**NORM SLOAN** is now in his 12 season at Florida, where he has compiled a 157-148 record. His overall, 34-year, coaching record now stands at 549-349. His record against Kentucky is 4-19.



## PROBABLE STARTING LINEUPS:

### Kentucky Wildcats (12-2; 3-1 SEC)

|                                     | PPG  | RPG                    |
|-------------------------------------|------|------------------------|
| F 34 - Kenny Walker (6-8 senior)    | 20.9 | 6.9                    |
| F 25 - Winston Bennett (6-7 junior) | 11.4 | 6.7                    |
| G 23 - Roger Harden (6-1 senior)    | 5.1  | 2.1 (6.4 assists/game) |
| G 15 - Ed Davender (6-2 sophomore)  | 12.6 | 2.8                    |
| G 10 - James Blackmon (6-3 junior)  | 9.7  | 4.3                    |

### Mississippi State Bulldogs (3-10; 0-4 SEC)

|                                       |      |     |
|---------------------------------------|------|-----|
| F 54 - Raymond Brown (6-9 sophomore)  | 12.2 | 6.6 |
| G 24 - Tracy Taylor (6-2 junior)      | 11.5 | 1.0 |
| C 13 - Chauncey Robinson (6-4 senior) | 10.9 | 6.8 |
| G 15 - Greg Lockhart (6-2 freshman)   | 10.1 | 1.2 |
| F 31 - Ervin Dillon (6-8 senior)      | 7.4  | 3.2 |

### Florida Gators (8-4; 3-1 SEC)

|                                       |      |     |
|---------------------------------------|------|-----|
| G 5 - Andrew Moten (6-0 junior)       | 16.0 | 4.3 |
| G 11 - Vernon Maxwell (6-4 sophomore) | 21.7 | 3.9 |
| C 21 - Kenny McClary (6-7 sophomore)  | 5.3  | 6.2 |
| F 4 - Joe Lawrence (6-6 junior)       | 9.3  | 3.1 |
| F 3 - Pat Lawrence (6-7 sophomore)    | 4.3  | 2.8 |

## THE SERIES:

Kentucky leads the series with Mississippi State, 59-11. Kentucky's record in Starkville is 21-7. The Wildcats are 6-4 at State's relatively new Humphrey Coliseum. Last season, the two teams split the regular-season series. UK edged the Bulldogs at Rupp Arena, 58-57. Kenny Walker led the way for the Cats with 15 points, while Tracy Taylor tossed in 18 for State. UK held a 3-point lead at 58-55, when Jeff Norwood scored a tip-in with :04 remaining in the game. After a State timeout, the Cats managed to run out the clock to preserve the victory. State got its revenge in Starkville later in the season, downing UK in Starkville, 82-69. Five State players scored in double figures, with Ken Harvey's 18 leading the way. Kenny Walker paced Kentucky with 27 points.

Kentucky leads the series with Florida, 51-14. Kentucky's record in Gainesville is 20-9. The Wildcats are 4-1 at Florida's O'Connell Center. LAST SEASON: The Gators took two of three meetings between the two schools. Florida upset Kentucky at Rupp Arena, Jan. 19, 67-55, handing the Cats their second-worst defeat ever at Rupp. The Wildcats turned the tables on Florida in Gainesville, handing the Gators a 76-68 loss at O'Connell Center. Florida's second win of the season came in the first game of the SEC tournament in Birmingham, as the Gators downed the Cats, 58-55. The Gators held Kenny Walker to only 13 points as Andrew Moten scored 16 points for Florida.

## THE WILDCATS:

The Wildcats notched their 12th victory of the season against only two losses Saturday night with a stunning, 76-52 win over Alabama at Rupp Arena. The surprisingly easy win upped UK's Southeastern Conference record to 3-1. Kenny Walker paced Kentucky with 24 points and nine rebounds while guard James Blackmon matched his career-high with 18 points. In handing Coach Wimp Sanderson his worst defeat as Alabama's coach, the Wildcats held Bama star forward Buck Johnson to only 10 points. Kentucky continues to outscore its opponents by an average of 18.5 points a game and outrebounds the opposition by 5.4 a game. The Wildcats have notched 126 steals to only 60 for the opponents. UK has forced 244 turnovers while committing only 172. Kentucky is holding its opponents to just 44.5 percent shooting from the floor while connecting on 51.5 percent.

**GAME 15:** Kentucky vs. Mississippi State  
**DATE:** Wednesday, January 15, 1986  
**SITE:** Humphrey Coliseum - Starkville, Miss. - capacity: 10,000  
**TIPOFF:** 8:30 p.m. EST  
**ON THE AIR:** UK RADIO NETWORK (Cawood Ledford and Ralph Hacker) - 90+ stations throughout Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Tennessee and Arkansas. No Television Coverage

**GAME 16:** Kentucky vs. Florida  
**DATE:** Saturday, Jan. 18, 1986  
**SITE:** O'Connell Center - Gainesville, Fla. - capacity: 12,000  
**TIPOFF:** 2:05 p.m. EST  
**ON THE AIR:** CBS TELEVISION NETWORK (Vern Lundquist and Larry Conley) - Regional coverage to the Southeastern United States and Texas. UK RADIO NETWORK

## "SKY" WATCH:

Kentucky's "Player of the Year" candidate, Kenny Walker, continues to pace the Wildcats. The All-America forward leads UK in scoring (20.9) rebounding (6.9), blocked shots (12) and minutes-played (31.4). In four Southeastern Conference games, Walker has averaged 25.5 points per game and has hit 70.9 percent from the floor. Walker's 24 points against Alabama increased his career total to 1,652 points. He continues to hold the number six place on Kentucky's all-time scoring list, 92 points shy of number five Alex Groza, a member of UK's famous "Fabulous Five." Walker has now scored in double figures in 56 straight regular-season games. He has led the Wildcats in scoring in 11 of their 14 games this season. He has scored 20-or-more points in eight games.

## CAT SCANS:

Junior guard James Blackmon matched his career high in scoring when he tossed in 18 points against Alabama Saturday night. The Marion, Ind., native connected on 9-of-11 shots from the floor in 31 minutes of play against the Tide. Blackmon is enjoying his finest season as a Wildcat.....Senior guard Roger Harden continues to feed his teammates for baskets, as he leads the Wildcats in assists with an average of 6.4 a game. His season mark is now at 90, which places him in a good position to break UK's single-season assist mark now held by Dirk Minniefield (188). His career total now stands at 266.....Sophomore guard Ed Davender is suffering through a shooting slump, as he has connected on only 11-of-34 shots in the last three games. Coach Eddie Sutton says he will continue to encourage Davender to shoot, saying that the only way to get out of a slump is to "play your way out of it."...Sophomore forward Cedric Jenkins is not lighting up the scoreboard but he is doing a good job of keeping the opposition from doing the same. When Coach Eddie Sutton put Jenkins on Auburn's star forward Chuck Person last week, the Dawson, Ga., native held Person to only six second-half points. Against Alabama, Jenkins teamed with Winston Bennett to hold the SEC's leading scorer, Buck Johnson, to just 10 points for the game.

## KENTUCKY'S RECORD WHEN:

Ahead at the half: 12-0  
 Behind at the half: 0-2  
 The Cats outrebound the opponent: 8-1  
 The Cats are outrebounded: 3-1 (1-0 when tied in rebounds)



## Current Standings (as of 1/13)

|                 | SEC | ALL  |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| Kentucky        | 3-1 | 12-2 |
| Florida         | 3-1 | 8-4  |
| Auburn          | 3-1 | 9-5  |
| LSU             | 2-2 | 14-2 |
| Alabama         | 2-2 | 9-4  |
| Georgia         | 2-2 | 9-4  |
| Tennessee       | 2-2 | 9-4  |
| Vanderbilt      | 2-2 | 8-5  |
| Ole Miss        | 1-3 | 8-5  |
| Mississippi St. | 0-4 | 3-10 |

## Wednesday, Jan. 15

Florida at Georgia (7:30 p.m. EST)  
 Kentucky at Miss. State (8:30 p.m. EST)  
 Tennessee at Vanderbilt (8:30 p.m. EST)

## Thursday, Jan. 16

Auburn at Alabama (8:05 p.m. EST - Lorimar SEC Network and USA Cable)

## Saturday, Jan. 18

Tennessee at Alabama (8:30 p.m. EST)  
 Kentucky at LSU (2:05 p.m. EST - CBS-TV)  
 Miss. State at Ole Miss (4:05 p.m. EST - Lorimar SEC-TV)  
 Vanderbilt at LSU (8:30 p.m. EST)  
 Georgia at Auburn (7:30 p.m. EST)

## SEC TICKETS

## AVAILABLE:

University of Kentucky ticket manager Alice Woods reports a heavy demand locally for tickets to the Southeastern Conference Tournament March 5-8 at Rupp Arena. The UK ticket office continues to accept mail orders only for SEC tournament tickets, says Woods. Those tickets are \$60 each and include admission to all sessions of the tournament. SEC tickets may be ordered by sending certified check or money order to: UK Ticket Office; Memorial Coliseum; Lexington, KY 40506-0019. Personal checks are not accepted. Again, mail orders only are accepted and tickets are not available at the Memorial Coliseum ticket window.

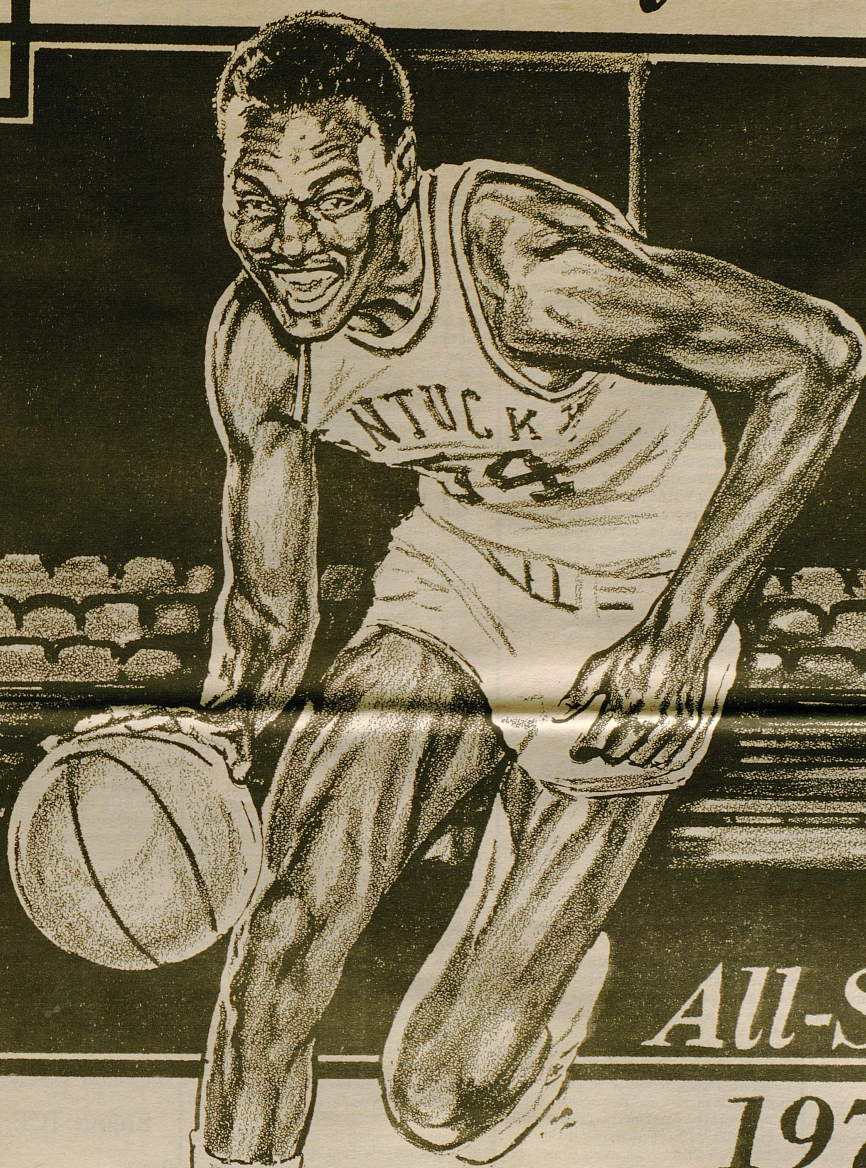
## WILDCAT CHEERLEADERS

## PLACE FOURTH:

The University of Kentucky cheerleaders placed fourth in national competition last weekend in San Diego, Calif. The Wildcat squad entered the competition as the defending national champion. According to UK cheerleader advisor, T. Lynn Williamson, the squad was one of only eight from around the country selected to compete in the annual Ford National College Cheerleading Championships. The cheerleading squad from North Carolina State captured top honors this year.



# Tom Payne



**ALL-SEC**

**1971**

THE 7'-2" CENTER EARNED ALL-SEC HONORS  
IN HIS ONLY SEASON AS A WILDCAT... AVERAGING  
16.9 PTS. FOR THE NCAA-BOUND CONFERENCE  
CHAMPS... HE SIGNED AN NBA "HARDSHIP" PACT  
THAT FALL!

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## A Dumb Jock Story

Dear Sir:

Hello again!  
The dumb-jock story in Bob Watkins' December 28 column reminded me of a dumb-jock story I heard years ago, one which features Happy Chandler. Colonel Matt Winn told it in his memoirs and I don't claim to know if it's true, but it's too good not to pass on.

It seems that Happy was once a school principal with a soft spot for the school's star fullback. Unfortunately, the fullback's soft spot was in his head. Even his teacher pleaded with Happy to kick him out of school because it was a waste of time trying to teach him. But Happy kept stalling until the football season was over.

Finally he figured he'd give the kid a can't-miss test—asked him "What is the capital city of Kentucky?"

The kid pondered a few minutes and answered, "I guess it must be Versailles."

"There, just as I told you," snapped the teacher.

"Hold on there a minute," insisted Happy. "I am making this test and I will pass on its merit. The boy said Versailles is the capital, whereas it's Frankfort. Well, Versailles is only fifteen miles from Frankfort, and fifteen from one hundred is eighty-five, and that's a passing mark with me. The boy stays."

Sincerely,

Angela Stockton  
Houma, Louisiana

## Disagrees With WHAS

Dear Sir:

I read with interest the statement by Robert Scherer on WHAS Radio's decision on the broadcasting of University of Kentucky games.

I must however, take exception with two statements made by Mr. Scherer. Having been born and raised in Lexington and a resident of that great city for 38 years, I do not agree that (1) WHAS has promoted UK more heavily than any other station or that (2) WHAS has been more involved with UK than any other station. The station for well over 30 years that has been the most involved and promoted UK more than any other has always been WVLK. It is no secret to Kentucky fans that WVLK is the station for any and all activities, sports or otherwise, which involve UK.

WVLK Radio always has ticket information announcements, pep rally information, football and basketball banquet information, various pre and post game football and basketball programs, which are both informative and entertaining to Kentucky fans, UK football trips to see away games, is a co-sponsor of the midnight basketball bash, and the picture day activities for the football team.

For years WVLK has given the A. B. Chandler award at the basketball awards dinner, and WVLK personalities emcee many events on and off campus, for all UK's sports programs.

Also, let's not forget it was WVLK that offered it's time to air the Herald-Leader tapes with the former basketball players.

As good a station as WHAS is, Mr. Scherer and whatever the reasons for your decision, let's not confuse the facts of this case with fiction in regards to "The UK Station". If WVLK had your 50,000 watt clear channel signal, UK fans really would not care if you were on the UK Network or not, because, they would have "The Winning Team" on a station that really does get involved and promote the University of Kentucky.

Yours truly,

Jim Jordan  
Orlando, Florida

P.S. WVLK broadcasts UK basketball on both its AM & FM; the top two stations in Central Kentucky live.

(Editor's Note: Jordan is general manager of 50,000-watt WMMR Radio,

which is a subsidiary of Bluegrass Broadcasting Co., Inc. BBC also owns and operates WVLK Radio Station in Lexington.)

## Jock, The Rat?

Dear Sir:

This family receives The Cats' Pause weekly and we are a Wildcat family. While we do indeed live in Indiana, we are located a mere ten miles from Louisville, Kentucky.

My job is located in Louisville, and my wife teaches in Louisville. The only major papers we receive are The Courier-Journal and The Louisville Times. You can imagine the garbage we get from these two papers.

I personally look forward each week to sitting, relaxing, and reading The Cats' Pause. As I turn to the first page of your publication, and begin to read about the Big Blue, I can feel the stresses of living and working so close to Louisville, drain slowly from my body. My blood pressure eases somewhat as I flip through the pages. The further I go in the tabloid, the better I feel. As I read Jim Greich's column, I can only say "AMEN", and "POUR IT ON!". I turn next to Dicky Beal's column and think what a fine, young man this is.

Now, I flip another page and my blood pressure skyrockets, for, low, staring me in the face, is a picture of Jock Sutherland, and a full page article written by the RAT. As I read on, I'm thinking that WHAS has probably told Jock to try and make peace if he can. As I begin to, maybe, give him the benefit of doubt, I reach the last paragraph where he casts aspersions on our beautiful new (Nike) shoes. Now, these shoes might in fact look good on a Russian soldier, but only if Jock were that soldier.

Keep up the good work, keep The Cats' Pause coming, and keep Louisville out of our paper.

Sincerely,

Frank Smith  
Lanesville, Indiana

## Recruit Oak Ridge

Dear Sir:

I believe Coach Eddie Sutton will have the basketball Cats running, gunning and defending the way it should be done. We have the talent and speed to surprise a lot of people this year. Being down here in Big Orange Country—if it wasn't for TCP—we wouldn't get any news on the Cats at all.

Needless to say it was very disappointing to see such a bunch of dedicated guys as the football Cats come up a little short this year. I rejoice in our wins and shed blue tears for our losses.

I wish the Kentucky coaches would check out Oak Ridge Wildcats High School football team. Tennessee, repeat, Tennessee doesn't or won't recruit their players and they win in double figures about every year and play a lot of quality people. This is just a suggestion. By the way, the local high school Wildcats are named after the UK Cats.

Keep up the good work Coach Claiborne, Coach Sutton and TCP. Go Blue!

Sincerely,

Jim T. Demoss  
Clinton, Tennessee

## Sour Grapes City

Dear Sir:

First, I want to thank Mr. Combs for allowing Mr. (Jock) Sutherland a rebuttal to Mr. (Jim) Griesch's column. Now, it goes without saying a person has a right to express his opinion, people can take it or leave it.

So, Mr. Sutherland, what you said in this column, I'll take as truth. From your own words, you have made Mr. Griesch's column true. Quote "I literally grew up on the Kentucky cam-

pus." . . . "My walls at home were plastered with the Blue and White."

This has to be a case of *sour grapes*. And if you say *no* to this *sour grapes* theory, then all I can say is I'm glad you didn't choose politics as your profession. With you traitor characteristics, you could have become another Benedict Arnold.

Perhaps that is what Coach (Adolph) Rupp saw in you when he said, "get that damn boy out of here."

Sincerely yours,

Sheila Wagers  
Stilesville, Indiana

## Sutton Is Good Choice

Dear Sir:

Ever since I was a child growing up in the Bluegrass State and listening to the Wildcats on radio (beginning in the Hagan, Ramsey era), I have been an avid fan of Kentucky Wildcats' basketball.

I get to see the Cats on national television and a few games on cable television, but The Cats' Pause is the only means I have to follow the team through an entire season.

I have been a resident of Northwest Indiana for the past 23 years and get up-to-the-minute details on all Big Ten programs, but I'm still a Big Blue fan.

I was sorry to see Coach Hall resign and would like to wish him good luck and success in the future. Also, I think Coach Sutton is a good choice as his successor and am sure the winning tradition will continue under his leadership.

Thanks again for a great sports paper and yearbook. Good luck to the Cats this season.

Sincerely,

Wayne L. Russell  
Whiting, Indiana

## '58 Rules Were Different

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a check for my renewal of The Cats' Pause. (But you can be for sure if it were for the Lexington Herald, it would be cancelled)

Just a thought in passing—What is all the furor about and why just as the new season began?

I have a son who played basketball way back in 1958. They were treated to steak dinners most every game they played by local boosters. Nobody cared—it was just great relationships in our community.

Incidentally, the two reporters, who snaked around and dug up this tripe, remind me of the two reporters (Robert Redford and Dustin Hoffman) in "All The President's Men"—only the two mentioned above were actors playing a part and would not stoop so low in real life.

I am for the Wildcats, win, lose or draw—all the way.

Thanks for reading the above. It releases my hostilities towards the people who stooped so low.

Sincerely,

Sara Weatherspoon  
Paducah, Kentucky

## Follows The Cavs

Dear Sir:

Although we had to move from Lexington, my wife and I are enjoying the Kentucky connection here in Cleveland. Our next door neighbor, Dr. John Lombardo, is the team doctor for the Cleveland Cavs. This affords us an opportunity to not only watch Mel Turpin and Dirk Minniefield play, but to meet the players' families as well. Melvin is apparently insistent that his new son come to every home game.

Recently, the Cavs waived Enis Whatley, the former Alabama guard. This insured a spot on the roster for Dirk after Keith Lee was activated.

Mel looks like a new person after working hard in the off season and has added seven to ten inches to his vertical leap.

A couple of your columnists have been quick to condemn the Cavs for having drafted John Williams from Tulane. In this country, you're supposed to be innocent until proven guilty. I would recommend that they do some research into the "entire" story before they judge so quickly. This would seem very relevant in light of some of the recent accusations about the Kentucky program. What goes around, comes around.

It looks as if Eddie Sutton and the current Kentucky team are a perfect match. It should be a fun first year.

Sincerely yours,

Tim Pistell  
Chagrin Falls, Ohio

## Loses Respect For TCP

Dear Sir:

I am glad to receive TCP because it is the only positive UK news we receive in the Louisville area. All the local papers and television announcers are slated toward UL with the exception of Channel 32 which does give UK a fair shake.

I have really enjoyed Jim Griesch's report of how things are in Louisville. A lot of people in Lexington and out in the state don't realize how they are trying to do UK here.

I lost a little respect for The Cats' Pause when you gave Jock Sutherland a chance to continue his vendetta against UK and Coach Joe Hall. I feel UK would appreciate it if Jock wouldn't tell anyone he went to UK. I know I would. I bet his sons are proud of him. He shouldn't have mentioned their names.

He is overbearingly humble when he speaks of Denny Crum and UL. Maybe he can't stand to lose another job.

You did redeem yourself with me with your editorial on the Lexington Herald-Leader. It (H-L) sounded like something Billy Reed or Rick Bozich would print. Big Blue fans should cancel their subscriptions and advertisements to the Lexington Herald-Leader and see how they fare without UK fan support. I feel they harassed the boys and printed what they said out of context. The hometown paper sure showed their support for the local university that brought recognition to their town.

Anyway, the program at UK is innocent until proven guilty which it hasn't been at this time.

As you can see, I am a Big Blue fan and always will be, regardless of what they print.

I think Coach Claiborne has done a wonderful job and I want to welcome Coach Sutton and wish him a long and successful stay at UK.

Sincerely,

Lee Burns, Jr.  
Valley Station, Kentucky

## Enjoys TCP Yearbook

Dear Sir:

I would like to get a copy of this year's TCP Kentucky Basketball Yearbook. I live in Indiana so I can not find a copy around here because this is Hoosier Country, unfortunately. I found last year's copy very helpful to me.

I have been a Kentucky fan for many, many years and I think we are starting a new era under Eddie Sutton that will bring many national titles to Kentucky which we richly deserve.

Sincerely yours,

George Johnson  
Bedford, Indiana

## In Tarheel Country

Dear Sir:

Here's my renewal to the best sports publication. I couldn't live without TCP, being stuck



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down here in the midst of the Atlantic Coast Conference and Tarheel Country.

I need The Cats' Pause just to re-assure myself that life can go on outside the friendly confines of Kentucky, no matter how hard it may be! People down here think the ACC is the end-all to basketball (and football); that they reign supreme.

We've already proved them wrong in football (UK 26, Clemson 6), and will soon prove them wrong in basketball come February 2 (UK vs. N. C. State). I can't wait. "Tear 'em up, Eddie!"

Sincerely,

John P. Hubbuch  
Cary, North Carolina

## Hello, Mr. Perm

Dear Sir:

So long Joe B., we'll miss you. Hello, Coach Perm. Why don't you get an '80s haircut?

Now that you've admitted that "Big Blue Fever" is bigger than you imagined, and that UK has a stronger and deeper tradition, maybe you will consider going back to the traditional Converse we've grown to associate with classical UK feet. Get rid of those Blue Air Jordans!

Although the University of Cincinnati had no class when UK played here, it was still a chance for many of us Northern Kentuckians to see the Cats live.

I'm keeping my University of Cincinnati season tickets in hopes that UK will continue to play in Riverfront Coliseum as often as they can.

Sincerely,

Alan Cardell, M. D.  
Cincinnati, Ohio

## Listens To WCKY Radio

Dear Sir:

I have been a subscriber to your paper since 1977 when Kentucky was playing North Carolina in the NCAA East Regional at Cole Field House on the campus of the University of Maryland. You gave me a courtesy copy and I have received your paper regularly since.

My son is an avid Kentucky fan who is now in the U. S. Army overseas. He wants me to send him my copies of The Cats' Pause. However, I keep all copies of your paper and felt it best to get him his own subscription.

I thoroughly enjoy your paper and wish you and your staff continued success. I am originally from Kentucky and generally get down to see the basketball Cats play once or twice yearly.

I listen to all games on the radio except the afternoon ones which I can't get. My signal comes in clearer on WCKY and I always listen on that station. I will never again listen to WHAS because of their handling of the UK contract. To think that I wrote a letter to the FCC to try to insure that WHAS remained a clear channel station! now regret having done that.

Sincerely,

Ray Prater  
Sterling, Virginia

## Praises Joe's Coaching

Dear Sir:

Following the 'Cats is extremely difficult down here in Gator Country since Florida is a diehard football state, but The Cats' Pause gets passed around like a rare coin each week, so keep 'em coming, you're our main source of information.

Since Joe Hall's retirement (and even prior to it for that matter) my 'Cats buddies and I here in Florida have intended to voice opinion about Hall and his coaching abilities. I have never in my life seen a man so criticized for doing what

he was hired to do, win and win with class and dignity.

We were all saddened at Joe's decision, but certainly were not surprised. How long can one person be expected to tolerate the slings and arrows that followed after the first loss of every year and continued long and loud after each season we didn't win the NCAA championship.

To Joe Hall we'd like to say, "good fishing and if you're ever in Ft. Myers, we'll show you what fishin' Florida-style is like."

We all feel Eddie Sutton was an excellent choice for coach (although I thought Gene Bartow had the inside track because of his striking resemblance to Joe B., only a trifle thinner), and from what I saw last night, we're going to have some full-court action to look forward to this year.

We transplanted Kentuckians will be looking forward to seeing you at the January 18 game with Florida in Gainesville. Good health to you and yours!

Regards,

Glen Porter  
Ft. Myers, Florida



## Upset Over Scandal

Dear Sir:

I am indeed a very depressed UK fan. I have been a loyal subscriber of Kentucky football and basketball for 40 years and I shall continue to be so until the day I die.

Why in the hell did this apparent mess have to happen at UK? The answer to that is obvious. It is my opinion that the reporter and even the Herald-Leader have an axe to grind with UK.

The allegations by the reporter concern money, gifts, etc being given to former UK basketball players. He and many others are now looking down on those people. Why? What was his motive for writing the article? Because he thinks he is going to gain publicity and fame! And yes, even a possible better job offer. With what? You got it! More money! The same damned thing he is condemning youngsters of receiving. But it's all right for him to receive money for exposing others for doing the same because that's his job.

Never mind that most of those kids come from poor families and can't receive any money from back home to go out on a date or buy additional clothing. Never mind that those athletes bring in a steady flow of 24,000 people to Rupp Arena and 59,000 to Commonwealth Stadium.

We are talking big bucks for the University of Kentucky, people, and also for the community and state in which the greedy underhanded reporter works and lives. Is there anyone who believes he performed a good service for anyone? If so, then those people are surely stupid or sick.

As for the players who talked to the reporters, why? Are they uneducated about the media? Are they that ignorant? Or are they trying to destroy something which made them famous? What was their motive?

It's funny that while in school they kept quiet while receiving privileges, but now it's different, huh?

They (players) have damaged their University, the new coach and worse than all, the fans which loved them and held them in such high esteem thru the years.

We were fooled into thinking they were "class individuals." Now, it appears the first two letters of that word should be dropped. I say, take their jobs away from them in Lexington and send them back to their respective hometowns to be cab drivers or garbage collectors. It's obvious they don't appreciate what they have now.

A true UK fan,

Gayle G. Walter  
Melbourne, Kentucky

## Will Be Clawing Again

Dear Sir:

I am delighted with The Cats' Pause. For a native born Kentuckian to be "sentenced" to Sooner-land, news of the Bluegrass State is rather scarce. The Cats' Pause keeps me abreast of the sports scene in Kentucky and especially UK.

I made a mistake of sharing a copy of the "Pause" with two of my daughters—you guessed it—they both wanted a subscription! One daughter in South Carolina is receiving the paper and this one is designated as a Christmas gift for a daughter in Texas. You gotta' be doing something right.

While the football team did not meet fan expectations (not to mention their own) I'm confident Coach Claiborne will have them clawing on the positive side again. Coach Sutton will make us all proud.

With fond appreciation,

Paul D. Hoskins  
Enid, Oklahoma

## For My Money . . .

Dear Sir:

For my money, the series of articles by Jim Griesch, particularly the one about Billy Reed, is the finest in the history of The Cats' Pause. By the way, what is Reed's alma mater?

Sincerely,

Gene A. Russell  
Manchester, Tennessee

(Editor's Note: Reed, sports editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, graduated from Transylvania University here in Lexington.)

## What Could Be Sweeter?

Dear Sir:

What could be sweeter than to beat Indiana, Cincinnati and Louisville all in the same month? What a great month, especially to the Wildcat fans up north who are "fortunate" enough to only pick up Cincinnati television stations, and all that Metro Conference and Big Ten hoop-la that goes with it.

Cat fans, sit back and enjoy.

Sincerely,

E. C. Stephenson II  
Travis Air Force Base, California

## Football's Problems!

Dear Sir:

Well, the 1985 football season is history now and some of the smoke has settled; so, I thought I would throw out a couple of comments and more or less vent my wrath on an embarrassing and humiliating football season. But, as in the case of my Ironton Fighting Tigers' loss in the Ohio semi-finals, the finger cannot be pointed in any one direction.

The quarterback situation: I think Bill Ransdell is one of the finest in the nation—potentially; but he has to be so 'gun shy' right now, I wonder if he'll recover? I'm disappointed

at Coach Claiborne playing him with such a devastating injury, possibly leading to something permanent, plus the fact, the team had to be a little suspicious and concerned. I think Coach Claiborne knows (I'm not sure about the rest of his staff) that Kevin Dooley and Tim Jones could not quarterback in the Ohio Valley Conference; Dooley does an excellent job holding for placements and Jones, if it's not a pressure situation and the footsteps aren't too close, is a respectable receiver. This leads me to Billy Allen; this guy appeared in the LSU game, was cool, poised and looked very mature, although a couple of his passes were dropped; and I'll bet he'd run the football. I didn't see him after that. Is there something I don't know about Bill Allen?

The penalty situation: I believe if I researched every game this year and last, I would find that on one out of three 'big plays' (long pass completion, long run, good gainer on a flea-flicker, etc.) there would be a holding or clipping penalty. It seems to be the same people or the same position. I know the coaches aren't 'coaching' those penalties, but obviously they don't know how to correct that kind of thing. The penalties in these situations parallel the fumbling. I have never seen a Kentucky back going through protecting the ball and THEN going one-armed when he hits open field. No wonder we fumbled so much.

The secondary: Either too much cushion or not enough. I realize we don't have the great athletes back there to play man-to-man, and many times they seem totally confused in zone coverage.

How about that scheduling: It's true, I believe, that the Bowling Green loss set the tone for the season. But Bowling Green doesn't belong on UK's schedule; nor does East Tennessee (that was most embarrassing of all); Ohio University; Kent State, etc. Yes I know most schedules are put together several years in advance. I wonder if Coach Claiborne pressured the basketball athletic director to 'buy out' the East Tennessee game so he could get Wake Forest, Northwestern, Rice, or other 'not so great' teams in great conferences?

How about that Doug Williams and John McVeigh? They must have seen something suspicious on the staff—maybe all of that clipping, holding, fumbling, or whatever. Aren't they doing great? One playing in the Cotton Bowl, the other playing for a possible national championship.

Speaking of players—I wonder how many football recruiters have already told Al Baker and the great back from Meade County "You don't want to go to Kentucky, that's a basketball school."

Which reminds me—there's no need for Coach Hallum to come to our place recruiting this year; we have no one who fits into the 'computer', only a bunch of kids who know how to win.

Conclusion: I'll be back next fall for the fifteenth time and will continue. I'd rather watch UK play football one game than see ten basketball games of the Wildcats.

Thanks for listening.

Gene Jones  
Ironton, Ohio

(Editor's Note: With all the high expectations around Kentucky basketball, Coach Eddie Sutton probably is happy to know that you really don't love UK basketball. The way you feel after one slight slip by the gridders, you'd probably expect not only an NCAA title in basketball, but a perfect season as well. Keep the faith! If you don't, you'll probably have a big one and we can't afford to lose a paying subscriber.)

## Watkins' Credentials

Dear Sir:

Would you please list Mr. Bob Watkins' qualifications concerning the area of sports journalism.

I find many of his columns quite un-



# Kentucky Opens New Indoor Tennis Facility

The University of Kentucky's new \$700,000-plus indoor tennis facility became a reality last Saturday when UK athletics director Cliff Hagan and tennis booster Hilary Boone took to the courts.

Boone, a Lexington businessman who played tennis at UK in 1939, made the project possible by contributing the first \$250,000 to the project. Another \$65,000 was contributed by the Humana Foundation and the UK Athletics Association matched that amount with more than \$300,000.

"This is a great day for our tennis program at the University of Kentucky," said Hagan. "This is as nice or nicer than any college tennis facility in the country."

Hagan said the complex, which will be named after Mr. Boone, was made possible only because of the generosity by Mr. Boone.

"We want to express our appreciation to Mr. Boone for his interest in the University and our athletics program," said Hagan. "Mr. Boone has long been a supporter of the University and he gave us \$1 million recently toward the construction of the UK Faculty Club."

"This new facility will give us the tools to attract perhaps a better tennis player here at UK and help our program continue to grow," said Hagan.

The UK athletics director said the facility would also be made available to faculty, staff and students.

Boone, who enjoys being generous with his money, said, "any of us who are lucky enough to earn money should start thinking about giving some of it back."

The new facility is unique in that it eventually will be able to seat 1,500 people for tennis matches which would give UK the largest indoor tennis seating capacity in the nation.

UK tennis coach Dennis Emery believes the new facility will help UK in recruiting.

Hagan said UK will begin construction this

spring on a new football training facility and a new swimming complex. The three projects will cost over \$13 million.

The new tennis facility will see its first action this Friday when UK hosts Southwest Louisiana on Friday and Minnesota on Saturday.



Hagan, Boone With UK Tennis Coaches

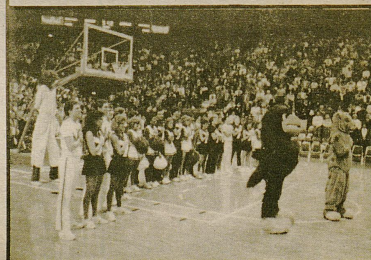
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| January |        |         |                                                             |                                                            |        |                                                             |
|---------|--------|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday                                                   | Thursday                                                   | Friday | Saturday                                                    |
|         |        |         | 1                                                           | 2                                                          | 3      | 4<br>UK 80,<br>Vandy 71                                     |
| 5       | 6      | 7       | 8<br>Ole Miss at UK<br>7:35 p.m.<br>UK Network<br>(Delayed) | 9                                                          | 10     | 11<br>Alabama at UK<br>7:35 p.m.<br>UK Network<br>(Delayed) |
| 12      | 13     | 14      | 15<br>UK at Mississippi St.<br>8:30 p.m.                    | 16                                                         | 17     | 18<br>UK at Florida<br>2:00 p.m.<br>CBSTV                   |
| 19      | 20     | 21      | 22<br>Georgia at UK<br>8:05 p.m.<br>Lorimar, USA TV         | 23                                                         | 24     | 25<br>Tennessee at UK<br>4:05 p.m.<br>Lorimar               |
| 26      | 27     | 28      | 29<br>UK at LSU<br>8:05 p.m.<br>ESPN-TV                     | 30<br>Auburn at UK<br>7:35 p.m.<br>UK Network<br>(Delayed) | 31     |                                                             |

### Remaining Games

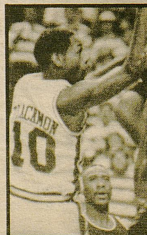
| DATE     | OPPONENT       | TIME      |
|----------|----------------|-----------|
| Feb. 2   | at N.C. State  | 1:05 p.m. |
| Feb. 5   | Vanderbilt     | 7:35 p.m. |
| Feb. 8   | at Mississippi | 9:05 p.m. |
| Feb. 13  | at Alabama     | 8:05 p.m. |
| Feb. 15  | Miss. State    | 7:05 p.m. |
| Feb. 19  | Florida        | 7:35 p.m. |
| Feb. 22  | at Georgia     | TBA       |
| Feb. 27  | at Tennessee   | 8:05 p.m. |
| Mar. 1   | LSU            | 1:05 p.m. |
| Mar. 5-8 | SEC tourney    | TBA       |



### Previous Games

| DATE    | RESULT                | LEADING SCORER, REBOUNDER                      |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Nov. 22 | UK 77, NW State 58    | W. Bennett 18; W. Bennett 7                    |
| Nov. 26 | UK 89, Chaminade 57   | K. Walker 22; K. Walker 5                      |
| Nov. 27 | UK 98, U. Hawaii 65   | K. Walker 33; K. Walker 10                     |
| Dec. 3  | UK 84, Cincinnati 54  | K. Walker 26; J. Blackmon 7                    |
| Dec. 7  | UK 63, Indiana 58     | Davender 22; Blackmon, Harden, Madison (5 pts) |
| Dec. 14 | Kansas 83, UK 66      | Bennett, Walker, Blackmon (12 points); Bennett |
| Dec. 20 | UK 86, E. Carolina 52 | K. Walker 19; W. Bennett 9                     |
| Dec. 21 | UK 88, Pepperdine 56  | K. Walker 21; K. Walker 10                     |
| Dec. 28 | UK 69, Louisville 64  | W. Bennett 23; K. Walker 10                    |
| Dec. 30 | UK 93, VMI 55         | K. Walker 18; W. Bennett 10                    |
| Jan. 4  | UK 80, Vandy 71       | K. Walker 25; W. Bennett 14                    |
| Jan. 6  | UK 56, Auburn 60      | K. Walker 22; K. Walker 6                      |
| Jan. 8  | UK 75, Ole Miss 58    | K. Walker 31; Walker, Bennett 6                |
| Jan. 11 | UK 76, Bama 52        | K. Walker 24; Walker 9                         |

James Blackmon



Offense

Cedric Jenkins



Defense

Kenny Walker



Offense



# Kentucky Individual Player Statistics

| KENNY WALKER  | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|---------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST. | 26  | 5-5    | 3-4    | 3   | 1  | 1 | 2  | 0  | 3 | 13  |
| Chaminade     | 22  | 8-10   | 6-7    | 5   | 2  | 2 | 2  | 2  | 2 | 22  |
| Hawaii        | 32  | 12-21  | 9-10   | 10  | 3  | 1 | 2  | 1  | 2 | 33  |
| CINCINNATI    | 33  | 8-18   | 10-13  | 6   | 3  | 2 | 4  | 0  | 3 | 26  |
| INDIANA       | 32  | 6-11   | 4-6    | 3   | 3  | 1 | 1  | 1  | 1 | 16  |
| Kansas        | 23  | 4-9    | 4-5    | 4   | 3  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 12  |
| EAST CAROLINA | 26  | 3-9    | 13-14  | 7   | 1  | 2 | 1  | 2  | 1 | 19  |
| PEPPERDINE    | 28  | 10-16  | 1-1    | 10  | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 21  |
| LOUISVILLE    | 36  | 5-13   | 1-5    | 14  | 3  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 11  |
| VMI           | 25  | 7-12   | 4-6    | 7   | 0  | 1 | 0  | 2  | 0 | 18  |
| Vanderbilt    | 36  | 10-12  | 5-8    | 6   | 4  | 0 | 2  | 1  | 2 | 25  |
| Auburn        | 39  | 9-16   | 4-4    | 6   | 3  | 0 | 1  | 1  | 3 | 22  |
| OLE MISS      | 37  | 12-15  | 7-8    | 6   | 2  | 0 | 0  | 1  | 0 | 31  |
| ALABAMA       | 37  | 8-12   | 8-11   | 9   | 2  | 2 | 0  | 1  | 1 | 24  |

| WINSTON BENNETT | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|-----------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST.   | 34  | 8-13   | 2-3    | 7   | 2  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 18  |
| Chaminade       | 21  | 4-5    | 0-0    | 2   | 1  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 1 | 8   |
| Hawaii          | 23  | 2-4    | 0-0    | 3   | 5  | 2 | 3  | 1  | 0 | 4   |
| CINCINNATI      | 29  | 3-4    | 4-4    | 5   | 3  | 1 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 10  |
| INDIANA         | 36  | 2-5    | 6-6    | 3   | 4  | 1 | 1  | 2  | 0 | 10  |
| Kansas          | 25  | 3-8    | 6-6    | 8   | 4  | 0 | 0  | 2  | 1 | 12  |
| EAST CAROLINA   | 24  | 4-6    | 3-6    | 9   | 3  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 11  |
| PEPPERDINE      | 31  | 5-7    | 2-2    | 7   | 4  | 2 | 2  | 0  | 1 | 12  |
| LOUISVILLE      | 40  | 8-13   | 7-8    | 7   | 3  | 2 | 1  | 1  | 3 | 23  |
| VMI             | 30  | 6-11   | 2-3    | 10  | 0  | 3 | 0  | 0  | 1 | 14  |
| Vanderbilt      | 37  | 7-13   | 2-2    | 14  | 4  | 1 | 3  | 0  | 1 | 16  |
| Auburn          | 28  | 2-11   | 0-0    | 5   | 4  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| OLE MISS        | 34  | 3-6    | 1-2    | 6   | 0  | 3 | 1  | 0  | 2 | 7   |
| ALABAMA         | 29  | 3-7    | 4-6    | 8   | 4  | 1 | 1  | 1  | 3 | 10  |

| ED DAVENDER   | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|---------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST. | 31  | 4-11   | 5-7    | 3   | 2  | 4 | 3  | 0  | 2 | 13  |
| Chaminade     | 29  | 7-9    | 6-7    | 2   | 1  | 2 | 3  | 0  | 5 | 20  |
| Hawaii        | 29  | 8-13   | 4-4    | 5   | 1  | 4 | 2  | 0  | 3 | 20  |
| CINCINNATI    | 27  | 6-9    | 2-2    | 2   | 0  | 3 | 2  | 0  | 1 | 14  |
| INDIANA       | 37  | 8-14   | 6-7    | 0   | 2  | 3 | 1  | 0  | 2 | 22  |
| Kansas        | 31  | 2-7    | 7-8    | 5   | 2  | 0 | 3  | 0  | 1 | 11  |
| EAST CAROLINA | 24  | 1-5    | 0-0    | 4   | 2  | 2 | 1  | 0  | 2 | 2   |
| PEPPERDINE    | 28  | 8-12   | 0-2    | 1   | 3  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 16  |
| LOUISVILLE    | 38  | 1-9    | 4-4    | 2   | 0  | 2 | 2  | 0  | 1 | 6   |
| VMI           | 22  | 5-11   | 1-2    | 3   | 1  | 5 | 1  | 0  | 4 | 11  |
| Vanderbilt    | 38  | 8-12   | 3-4    | 1   | 5  | 3 | 6  | 0  | 3 | 19  |
| Auburn        | 31  | 3-9    | 0-2    | 5   | 2  | 4 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 6   |
| OLE MISS      | 30  | 4-12   | 0-0    | 1   | 4  | 8 | 1  | 0  | 2 | 8   |
| ALABAMA       | 32  | 4-13   | 1-1    | 1   | 2  | 8 | 3  | 0  | 2 | 9   |

| ROGER HARDEN  | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A  | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|---------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|----|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST. | 26  | 3-6    | 0-0    | 3   | 2  | 8  | 3  | 0  | 2 | 6   |
| Chaminade     | 24  | 1-3    | 0-0    | 3   | 1  | 8  | 4  | 0  | 1 | 2   |
| Hawaii        | 26  | 1-3    | 0-0    | 1   | 3  | 9  | 1  | 0  | 3 | 2   |
| CINCINNATI    | 26  | 2-3    | 0-0    | 1   | 1  | 5  | 2  | 0  | 3 | 4   |
| INDIANA       | 38  | 3-5    | 0-0    | 5   | 0  | 11 | 3  | 0  | 1 | 6   |
| Kansas        | 22  | 2-4    | 2-2    | 0   | 2  | 1  | 2  | 0  | 0 | 6   |
| EAST CAROLINA | 25  | 3-8    | 1-2    | 3   | 1  | 4  | 3  | 0  | 1 | 7   |
| PEPPERDINE    | 24  | 0-1    | 0-0    | 1   | 0  | 10 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| LOUISVILLE    | 28  | 3-6    | 4-4    | 2   | 2  | 4  | 3  | 0  | 2 | 10  |
| VMI           | 27  | 6-6    | 0-0    | 4   | 3  | 7  | 0  | 0  | 0 | 12  |
| Vanderbilt    | 36  | 3-6    | 0-0    | 4   | 4  | 6  | 4  | 0  | 1 | 6   |
| Auburn        | 23  | 2-4    | 0-0    | 2   | 1  | 3  | 4  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| OLE MISS      | 25  | 2-6    | 0-0    | 0   | 2  | 5  | 1  | 0  | 1 | 4   |
| ALABAMA       | 33  | 1-4    | 0-0    | 0   | 0  | 9  | 0  | 0  | 2 | 2   |

| JAMES BLACKMON | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|----------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST.  | 24  | 4-9    | 1-2    | 3   | 2  | 3 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 9   |
| Chaminade      | 24  | 6-13   | 2-2    | 4   | 2  | 4 | 3  | 0  | 2 | 14  |
| Hawaii         | 25  | 5-10   | 1-2    | 4   | 2  | 3 | 1  | 0  | 2 | 11  |
| CINCINNATI     | 24  | 2-9    | 2-2    | 7   | 2  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 6 | 6   |
| INDIANA        | 19  | 0-5    | 0-0    | 5   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| Kansas         | 24  | 5-9    | 2-3    | 4   | 2  | 3 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 12  |
| EAST CAROLINA  | 21  | 8-12   | 2-4    | 6   | 1  | 2 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 18  |
| PEPPERDINE     | 26  | 2-8    | 5-8    | 6   | 2  | 3 | 2  | 0  | 1 | 9   |
| LOUISVILLE     | 28  | 3-12   | 3-4    | 4   | 1  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 9   |
| VMI            | 20  | 3-8    | 0-3    | 5   | 1  | 2 | 2  | 0  | 3 | 6   |
| Vanderbilt     | 28  | 2-5    | 4-4    | 1   | 4  | 5 | 2  | 0  | 1 | 8   |
| Auburn         | 25  | 5-8    | 0-0    | 1   | 3  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 10  |
| OLE MISS       | 21  | 3-5    | 0-1    | 5   | 4  | 2 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 6   |
| ALABAMA        | 31  | 9-11   | 0-1    | 5   | 4  | 1 | 1  | 1  | 1 | 18  |

| CEDRIC JENKINS | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|----------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST.  | 19  | 3-4    | 2-2    | 4   | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 8   |
| Chaminade      | 17  | 2-10   | 1-2    | 4   | 2  | 0 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 5   |
| Hawaii         | 9   | 1-4    | 3-4    | 7   | 4  | 9 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 5   |
| CINCINNATI     | 7   | 0-0    | 2-2    | 1   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 2   |
| INDIANA        | 13  | 1-3    | 2-2    | 1   | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| Kansas         | 18  | 1-3    | 0-0    | 0   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 2   |
| EAST CAROLINA  | 13  | 3-4    | 0-0    | 6   | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 6   |
| PEPPERDINE     | 10  | 2-2    | 0-0    | 2   | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| LOUISVILLE     | 4   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 1  | 0 | 0   |
| VMI            | 11  | 2-3    | 0-1    | 1   | 2  | 2 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| Vanderbilt     | 3   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| Auburn         | 24  | 1-6    | 2-2    | 1   | 3  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| OLE MISS       | 6   | 0-1    | 0-0    | 1   | 2  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| ALABAMA        | 13  | 1-1    | 0-0    | 0   | 2  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 1 | 2   |

| RICHARD MADISON | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|-----------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST.   | 12  | 2-3    | 0-1    | 2   | 1  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| Chaminade       | 15  | 3-4    | 0-0    | 2   | 4  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 6   |
| Hawaii          | 10  | 2-2    | 1-2    | 3   | 2  | 4 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 5   |
| CINCINNATI      | 12  | 2-4    | 1-1    | 2   | 1  | 0 | 1  | 1  | 0 | 5   |
| INDIANA         | 23  | 2-3    | 0-0    | 5   | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| Kansas          | 20  | 1-3    | 2-2    | 2   | 3  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 4   |
| EAST CAROLINA   | 11  | 2-3    | 3-4    | 1   | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 7   |
| PEPPERDINE      | 19  | 2-5    | 3-4    | 5   | 2  | 0 | 2  | 0  | 1 | 7   |
| LOUISVILLE      | 26  | 5-7    | 0-0    | 5   | 2  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 10  |
| VMI             | 11  | 3-4    | 2-2    | 4   | 0  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 8   |
| Vanderbilt      | 21  | 2-3    | 2-2    | 3   | 4  | 1 | 3  | 0  | 0 | 6   |
| Auburn          | 22  | 3-8    | 0-0    | 3   | 2  | 2 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 6   |
| OLE MISS        | 23  | 4-6    | 2-2    | 5   | 0  | 2 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 10  |
| ALABAMA         | 15  | 3-5    | 0-0    | 4   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 6   |

| IRV THOMAS    | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|---------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST. | 8   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 1  | 1 | 3  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| Chaminade     | 9   | 0-1    | 0-0    | 1   | 0  | 2 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| Hawaii        | 4   | 0-2    | 1-1    | 1   | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 1   |
| CINCINNATI    | 5   | 0-1    | 0-0    | 3   | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| INDIANA       | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| Kansas        | 7   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| EAST CAROLINA | 8   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 2  | 0 | 3  | 0  | 1 | 0   |
| PEPPERDINE    | 6   | 0-1    | 2-2    | 3   | 1  | 0 | 3  | 0  | 0 | 2   |
| LOUISVILLE    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| VMI           | 6   | 1-2    | 0-0    | 1   | 1  | 0 | 1  | 1  | 0 | 2   |
| Vanderbilt    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| Auburn        | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| OLE MISS      | 2   | 0-1    | 1-2    | 1   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 1   |
| ALABAMA       | 2   | 1-1    | 0-1    | 2   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 2   |

| ROB LOCK      | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|---------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST. | 5   | 0-2    | 0-0    | 2   | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| Chaminade     | 12  | 4-4    | 0-3    | 3   | 2  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 2 | 8   |
| Hawaii        | 17  | 1-3    | 3-6    | 3   | 3  | 0 | 2  | 1  | 0 | 5   |
| CINCINNATI    | 12  | 2-4    | 1-4    | 3   | 2  | 0 | 1  | 1  | 0 | 5   |
| INDIANA       | 2   | 0-0    | 1-2    | 0   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  | 0 | 1   |
| Kansas        | 18  | 3-8    | 1-1    | 3   | 4  | 1 | 2  | 1  | 0 | 7   |
| EAST CAROLINA | 15  | 0-1    | 2-6    | 4   | 2  | 0 | 4  | 0  | 0 | 7   |
| PEPPERDINE    | 5   | 4-5    | 4-5    | 2   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 1  | 0 | 12  |
| LOUISVILLE    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| VMI           | 11  | 2-2    | 0-0    | 4   | 2  | 0 | 4  | 1  | 1 | 4   |
| Vanderbilt    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| Auburn        | 3   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| OLE MISS      | 4   | 1-2    | 0-0    | 2   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 2   |
| ALABAMA       | 1   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0   |

| LEROY BYRD    | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | PTS |
|---------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|-----|
| N'WESTERN ST. | 6   | 0-2    | 2-2    | 0   | 1  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 2 | 2   |
| Chaminade     | 8   | 1-2    | 0-0    | 1   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 2 | 2   |
| Hawaii        | 11  | 1-1    | 2-3    | 2   | 0  | 2 | 0  | 0  | 1 | 4   |
| CINCINNATI    | 9   | 1-1    | 0-1    | 2   | 2  | 2 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 2   |
| INDIANA       | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| Kansas        | 3   | 0-0    | 0-0    | 0   | 2  | 1 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0   |
| EAST CAROLINA | 11  | 2-2    | 2-2    | 1   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 3 | 6   |
| PEPPERDINE    | 8   | 0-1    | 0-0    | 2   | 1  | 3 | 1  | 0  | 1 | 0   |
| LOUISVILLE    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| VMI           | 11  | 0-1    | 0-1    | 0   | 2  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 1 | 0   |
| Vanderbilt    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| Auburn        | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |     |
| OLE MISS      | 9   | 1-1    | 2-2    | 1   | 0  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 2 | 4   |
| ALABAMA       | 3   | 1-1    | 0-0    | 0   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 2   |

| TODD ZIEGLER  | MIN | FG-FGA | FT-FTA | REB | PF | A | TO | BS | S | P |
|---------------|-----|--------|--------|-----|----|---|----|----|---|---|
| N'WESTERN ST. | 3   | 0- 0   | 0- 0   | 2   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 |   |
| Chaminade     | 6   | 1- 1   | 0- 0   | 2   | 2  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 0 |   |
| Hawaii        | 5   | 1- 3   | 2- 2   | 3   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  | 0 |   |
| CINCINNATI    | 8   | 2- 3   | 2- 2   | 3   | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 1 |   |
| INDIANA       | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |   |
| Kansas        | 4   | 0- 0   | 0- 0   | 0   | 1  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 |   |
| EAST CAROLINA | 11  | 3- 4   | 0- 1   | 2   | 2  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 |   |
| PEPPERDINE    | 6   | 1- 2   | 1- 3   | 1   | 0  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 0 |   |
| LOUISVILLE    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |   |
| YMI           | 10  | 4- 8   | 0- 0   | 2   | 1  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 0 |   |
| Vanderbilt    | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |   |
| Auburn        | DNP |        |        |     |    |   |    |    |   |   |
| OLE MISS      | 3   | 0- 1   | 0- 0   | 0   | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 |   |
| ALABAMA       | 1   | 0- 0   | 1- 2   | 1   | 1  | 0 | 2  | 0  | 0 |   |



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# January Means More Teams Bite The Dust

## College Hoops Have Had Share Of Ups & Downs

Okay, if you are a truly devoted college basketball fan then you probably already knew that on January 1 there were 10 unbeaten Division I basketball teams.....and that **Richmond** and **Siena** were among them.....and that **Prairie View** of the Southwestern Athletic Conference was the only major without a win.....and that someone called Southwest Missouri State was off to one of its finest starts ever at 8-2.....

**Bob Boyd** became the second coach to announce his resignation early in this season. Last year more than 50 Division I coaches changed jobs, so the beat goes on. Boyd was apparently dissatisfied with a number of things at Mississippi State, among them the fact he'd lost key instate recruit **Kenny Payne** to Louisville and the fact he was passed over for the athletic director's job. Privately, Boyd is saying he'll move back to a beach house and plot his future from there, but he also doesn't rule out the possibility of coaching elsewhere.....

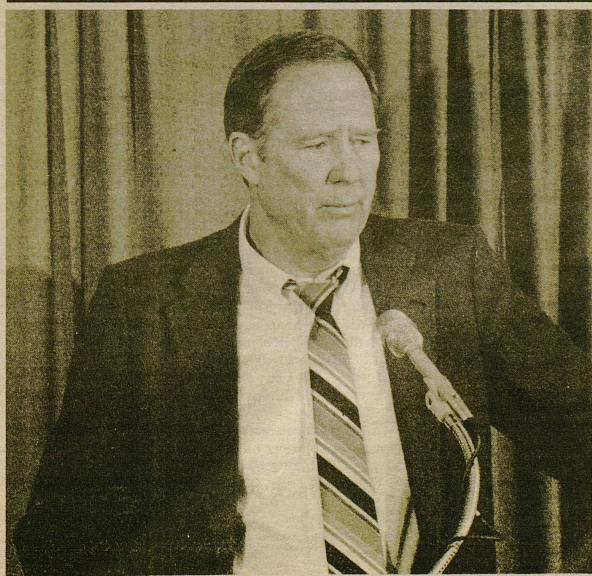
### Larry Donald

Cats' Pause Columnist

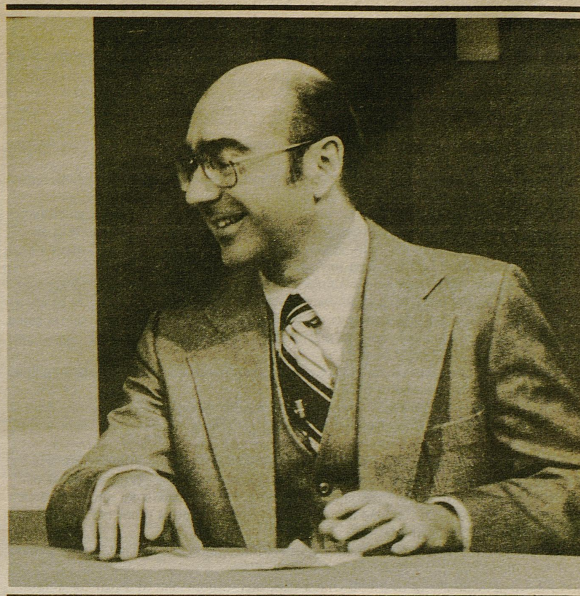
**Illinois** suffered a blow with the loss of starting guard **Doug Altenberger**, then doubled its displeasure when sub **Tony Wysinger** was sidelined with a separated shoulder. That forced coach Lou Henson to turn to sophomore Blynn Blackwell, a talent, but inexperienced lefty. Wysinger is expected back within a month.....Mentioning the Illini, they were upset by Iowa in the second game of Big Ten play in a game where victory would have tied the longest homecourt win streak in the school's history. Short scouting report on this team would suggest that even without Altenberger the major problem is spotty play from headline talents **Bruce Douglas** and **Efrem Winters**. In particular Winters has been a non-factor this year after being a sure-look NBA first rounder two years ago.....

Did you catch the class act by North Carolina State's **Jimmy Valvano** after his club lost to North Carolina in the final game at Carmichael Arena? He took the game ball and went in for a layup allowing him to lay claim to making the last basket in Carmichael, an arena where he never tasted victory, incidentally.....I'm prepared to award the **Comeback of the Year** trophy right now to Norm Stewart and his Missouri Tigers. When last I saw the team from Columbia they were beomg upset in the Great Alaska Shootout by **Alaska Anchorage**, a Division II team. But the Tigers rebounded, started playing better and arrived for Big Eight play with a championship in the Rainbow Classic. Maybe it all turned around when Stewart had his team on the court an hour before the last game in Alaska (versus Texas San Antonio) practicing.....

If December's play were your only barometer then St. John's Walter Berry and Virginia Tech's **Dell Curry** would have to make every five-men All-American team.....Coach of the month? My vote goes to Duke's **Mike Krzyzewski**.....



Bob Boyd



### An Award Named After Vitale?

Bill Frieder heard considerable criticism of Michigan's December schedule, most of which was justified. But he answered the critics when the Wolverines marched to **Indiana**, took the Hoosiers' best shot and won by five. Two nights later UM whipped **Ohio State** and had wins at two of the Big Ten's toughest road stops. I guess this Michigan team is like a pre-packaged toy, no assembly required.....**Tulsa** was off and running with an 8-2 pre-conference start, but lost a tough one at West Texas State to a team which had only eight bodies in uniform. **Tracy Moore**, called the finest talent he's ever coached by J.D. Barnett, continues to play in quietly spectacular fashion.....

At Oklahoma University there's a new award, the **Dick Vitale** Defensive Player of the Week. It's coach **Billy Tubbs**' way of answering the ESPN commentator's continuing criticism of the way Oklahoma plays (or doesn't play) defense.....Among the nation's top freshmen players you can list Iowa's **Roy Marble**. He's not quite as far along as some other you've heard about one of the school's best ever.....And, in case you'd like a quick study of the problems present coaching in Iowa, consider that between **Iowa** and **Iowa State** there's only one homegrown player, Hawkeyes' **Al Lorenzen**.....

An emerging basketball program is Cleveland State. Last year Vikings won 20 games, but lost in its conference tournament (AMCU-8) and didn't get invited to any post-season tournament. This year coach **Kevin Mackey**'s club seems enroute to another 20-win season and the ex-Boston College assistant is hopeful someone will notice. "It takes time to build credibility," he says: "My first year at B.C. we won 18 games and didn't go anywhere. The next year we came back, won 19 and got invited to the NIT. It takes consistent winning to build credibility".....Incidentally, Cleveland State's best player is **Clinton Ransey**, younger brother of ex-Ohio State star **Kelvin Ransey**.....

**Paul Westhead**, ex of the Lakers and Bulls in the NBA has resurfaced at **Loyola Marymount**. He got the job when Jim Lynam (ex St. Joseph's and NBA Clippers) took the position last spring then quit two months later for a return to the pros. In **Keith Smith** and **Forrest McKenzie**, Westhead has two of the East Coast's premiere players.....Another new coaching face out West is **Lou Campanelli** at California. Campanelli came to national attention at James Madison and after nearly upsetting the 1982 national champion North Carolina team seemed to be a hot coaching property. Jobs came and went, however, and Campanelli remained at JMU. Last spring he got a chance at Cal, where basketball has been a loser for the past 10 years. This time, though, the Bears are off to nine wins in 11 games, including an exciting at-the-wire triumph over Pac-10 favorite **Washington**. Perhaps patience will pay off for Campanelli.....Interestingly, Campanelli was once an assistant to **Rollie Massimino** when both were high school coaches.....

In his first varsity basketball game **Rich Mount** scored 22 points. No typographical error there. We're talking about a 6-0 freshman guard from Lebanon, Indiana, whose father's name is Rick.....A tough month for basketball at **Evansville** as two starters were sidelined by injuries and three others quit the team. Aces are under first year coach **Jim Crews**.....Loyola Chicago is off to a horrible start and **Gene Sullivan** may have to shoulder some of the blame for a schedule which put them on the road so often. As of last August Sullivan was still looking for six games. He found them, all away.....

Here's a name from the past, **Larry Farmer**. Now coaching at Weber State, Farmer led his team to 10 wins in its first 11 games. Observers in Utah are calling it a miracle. Remember this is the guy UCLA said couldn't coach.....

My pal **Bob Ryan** of the *Boston Globe* has already submitted his nominee for name/nickname schoolboy player of the year. It goes to **Luther King Tutt** of New York's Beach Channel High School.....I'll go along with that.....



# Tide Runs Adrift, As Blackmon, Walker Help Cats Coast To Win

A sign that was flashing frequently in the student section at Rupp Area Saturday night told the story.

"THE BUCK STOPS HERE"

Not only was the SEC's scoring leader Buck Johnson held in check but so were the rest of the Crimson Tide performers as Kentucky walloped Alabama, 76-52.

Johnson, who was closely under the scrutiny of Winston Bennett and Cedric Jenkins, scored only 10 points, 13 tallies below his average.

The real eye-catcher, however, was the play (18 points, five rebounds) of junior guard James Blackmon. Blackmon, whose consistency over the last two seasons is nothing to brag about, connected on 9 of 12 from the field. His scoring output tied his career-high mark which was duplicated against East Carolina this season.

"Oh, I felt good," Blackmon said to a flock of reporters outside the Kentucky lockerroom. "I was pretty fired up about playing Alabama because I knew they were going to be an aggressive team. I knew they were going to come and play. So, when you know a team is going to come to play you're going to get yourself mentally ready to play. That is the biggest part of it — getting yourself ready to play."

A person who never lacks consistency, Kenny Walker, paced the Wildcats with 24 points, including 8 of 12 marksmanship from the field.

Roger Harden and Ed Davender, two Cats who weren't exactly on fire from the field (1 of 4, 4 of 13), kept the offensive flame burning by dishing out nine and eight assists, respectively.

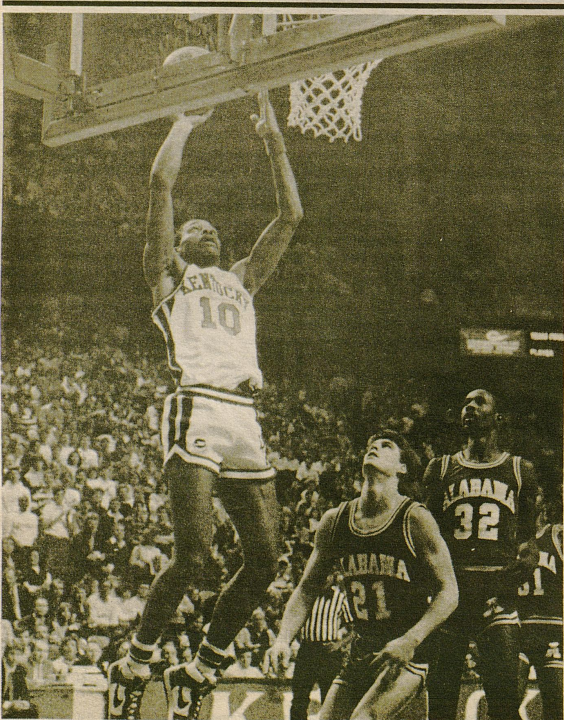
The win gives UK a 3-1 SEC record (12-2 overall). Currently the Wildcats are tied for first with Florida and Auburn. Alabama falls to 2-2 in conference play, 9-4 overall.

After holding a seven-point cushion at intermission (29-22), Kentucky started to stretch the once-slim gap in the second stanza. During the first 10 minutes of the second half UK and the Crimson Tide traded baskets.

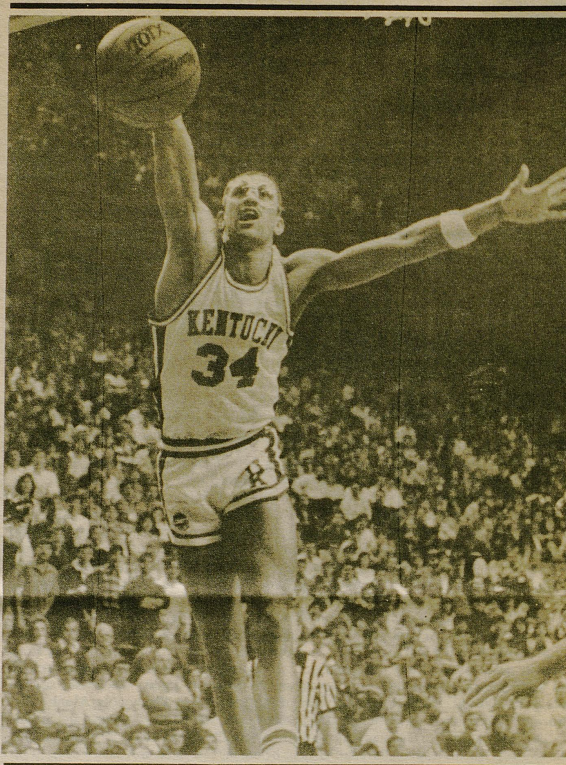
Cutting the UK advantage to five was the closest the visitors got as Terry Coner canned an 18-footer making the score 29-24 at the 19:56 mark.

Kentucky upped the lead to 13 points on numerous occasions before running Wimp Sanderson's team out of the gym in the late goings.

"We probably played as well as we have in quite some time," said UK coach Eddie Sutton. "By quite some time I mean the Louisville game. The only thing I can criticize is that we didn't shoot free throws very well. We maybe didn't do as good a job on the defensive boards as we need to. Alabama is a good basketball team. Our defense was outstanding. Of course they got hurt when (Buck) Johnson got in foul trouble; that hurt their ballclub."



**Blackmon Sneaks Past The Defense**



**Walker**

## IT WAS BOMBS AWAY ON THIS EVENING

Alabama used a variety of defensive tactics (2-3, 3-2 zones and man-to-man) to try and hold the Cats at bay. Kentucky, however, filled the basket 31 times in 55 attempts.

In the second half UK's best strategy was to get the ball into Walker. Inside the Crimson Tide's zone Walker would either take it to the hoop or whip the ball back out on the wing.

While being held to six points in the first twenty minutes, Walker went on a tear hitting 5 of 8 from the field (8 of 10 free throws) for 13 points. Blackmon was a perfect 6 of 6 from the field. The two combined for 25 of Kentucky's 47 second-half points.

Alabama, meanwhile, found itself in foul trouble early and could never get back into the contest. Derrick McKey, who pumped in 10 points, fouled out with 2:53 remaining. Johnson picked up three quick fouls (his third coming with 10:09 remaining in the first half) and played for only 30 minutes. Alabama's leading scorer on the season ended up with four fouls.

For the game the Crimson Tide could muster only 39.2 percent from the field (20 of 51).

Alabama was led in scoring by 6-3 junior guard Jim Farmer's 11 points.

"They whipped us," Sanderson said. "They got good performances out of all their players tonight."

Richard Madison's play midway through the second half helped seal off any comeback attempts by the Crimson Tide. Earlier in the first half Madison tumbled to the court with a minor ankle sprain. But, the 6-6 native of Memphis came back in the second half.

Following a steal by Davender, Madison was left alone deep in the right corner. His rain-bow from 18 feet gave the Wildcats a 47-34 lead with 12:07 remaining.

With Kentucky ahead 47-36, the Wildcats patiently passed the ball around the Tide's 3-2 defense. Finally Davender drove to the hoop, but to no avail. However, Madison took the offensive board and laid the ball off the glass giving UK back its 13-point lead.

Checking back into the lineup (9:59) Blackmon settled the issue. With two long distance connections (16 and 18 feet), the native of Marion, Ind., stretched the lead from 13 to 17 (55-38) with a little more than eight minutes remaining.

It was Cedric Jenkins' steal that allowed UK to start a fast break which ended in Blackmon's 18-foot jumper.

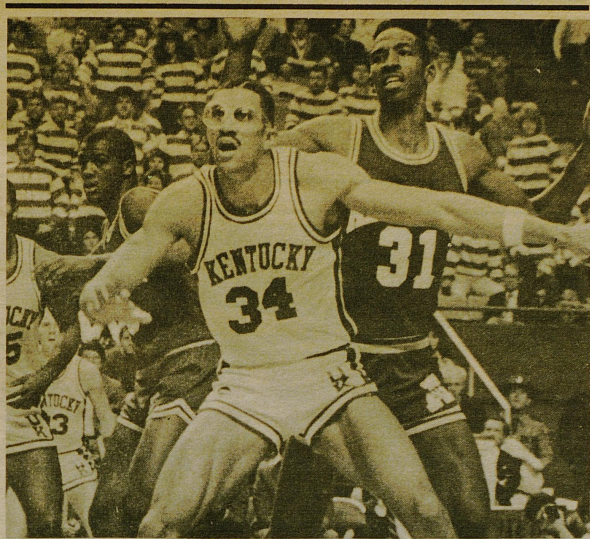
Kentucky had now run off a 10-4 spurt which had the crowd cheering for more.

Walker put the icing on the cake by drilling two free throws and two turnaround jumpers.

Alabama could only sandwich four points — field goals by Coner and Johnson — between Blackmon and Walker's outbursts.

Nestled against a Crimson Tide defender, Walker's second turnaround within a 1:30 span gave UK its biggest lead (61-42) with 6:04 left.





### Walker Speculates Next Move

BALANCED ATTACK PACE BOTH TEAMS IN FIRST HALF

While Alabama missed its first four attempts, Kentucky proceeded to secure the early lead. Davender quickly broke the ice by scoring underneath while being fouled by Mark Gottfried. His three-point conversion gave the Wildcats the lead, one it never would lose.

With UK leading 15-8, Farmer tried to drive on Walker. It was an unforgiving mistake as the 6-8 senior rejected the weak attempt. Going the other way Bennett took a pass and gently kissed the ball off the glass from 10 feet out.

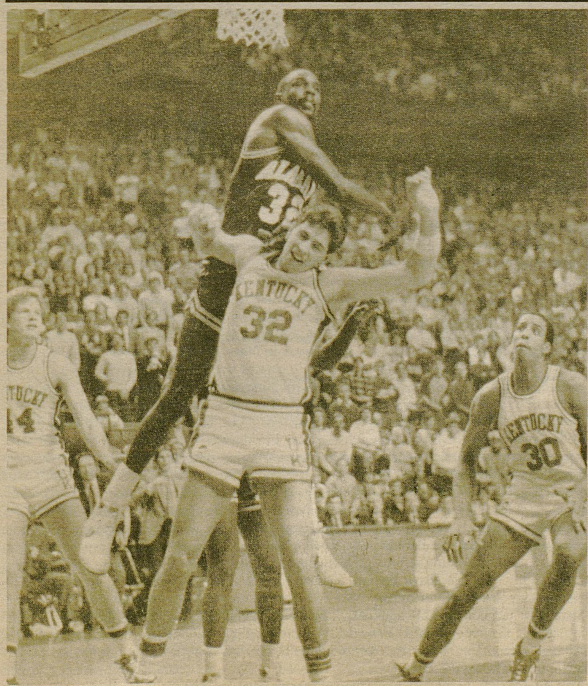
Things weren't exactly going Alabama's way. When Johnson picked up his third foul at the 10:09 mark, the Crimson Tide was in deep, deep trouble. Johnson could only produce four points, which came via the charity line in the first half.

UA cut the lead to five (17-12) when McKey, a wiry 6-9 center, skyed over Walker for a 15-foot jumper.

Kentucky, though, reeled off a 6-2 run. UK enjoyed its biggest lead when Bennett picked off a pass and hit Walker who was heading a 2-on-1 break. Walker unselfishly flipped the ball over to Davender who in turn laid it in giving Kentucky a 23-14 lead.

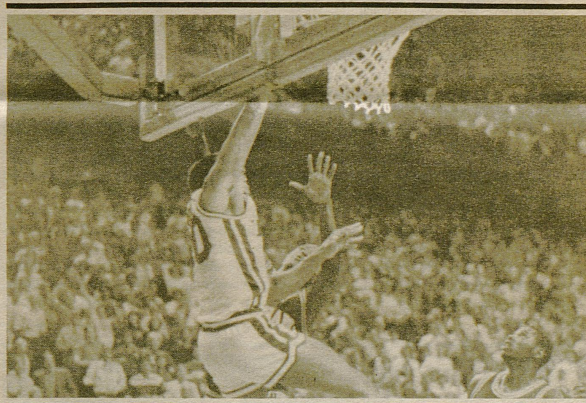
The visitors shortened the lead to three only to have UK dramatically take a seven-point lead into the locker room.

Davender's 15-foot side angle attempt with three ticks left in the half bounced harmlessly off the front of the rim. Blackmon, however, soared to great heights to tap the ball in before the horn sounded ending the first half.



Buck Takes A Ride On Ziegler's Back

| No.                                                                        | NAME            | FG | FGA | FT | FTA | REB | PF | TP | MIN | A  | TO | BLK | S |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|---|
| 21                                                                         | Jim Farmer      | 1  | 2   | 5  | 5   | 7   | 6  | 3  | 11  | 34 | 1  | 1   | 0 |
| 32                                                                         | Buck Johnson    | 1  | 2   | 11 | 6   | 6   | 10 | 4  | 10  | 30 | 0  | 3   | 0 |
| 31                                                                         | Derrick McKey   | 0  | 5   | 14 | 0   | 0   | 6  | 5  | 10  | 37 | 1  | 7   | 2 |
| 23                                                                         | Mark Gottfried  | 2  | 3   | 4  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 1  | 6   | 25 | 2  | 1   | 0 |
| 30                                                                         | Terry Coner     | 1  | 2   | 9  | 0   | 0   | 3  | 2  | 4   | 35 | 5  | 1   | 0 |
| 11                                                                         | James Jackson   | 1  | 3   | 1  | 1   | 1   | 1  | 0  | 3   | 15 | 1  | 1   | 0 |
| 24                                                                         | Craig Dudley    | 1  | 1   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 2  | 6   | 8  | 0  | 1   | 0 |
| 46                                                                         | Michael Ansley  | 1  | 1   | 0  | 0   | 1   | 4  | 2  |     | 16 | 0  | 0   | 0 |
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| 25                                                                         | Winston Bennett | 1  | 3   | 7  | 4   | 6   | 8  | 4  | 10  | 29 | 1  | 1   | 3 |
| 34                                                                         | Kenny Walker    | 1  | 8   | 12 | 8   | 11  | 9  | 2  | 24  | 37 | 2  | 0   | 1 |
| 10                                                                         | James Blackmon  | 2  | 9   | 11 | 0   | 1   | 5  | 4  | 18  | 31 | 1  | 1   | 1 |
| 15                                                                         | Ed Davender     | 0  | 4   | 13 | 1   | 1   | 1  | 2  | 9   | 32 | 8  | 3   | 0 |
| 23                                                                         | Roger Harden    | 0  | 1   | 4  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 2   | 33 | 9  | 0   | 0 |
| 00                                                                         | Leroy Byrd      | 1  | 1   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 2   | 3  | 0  | 0   | 0 |
| 14                                                                         | Paul Andrews    | 0  | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 2   | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0 |
| 30                                                                         | Irving Thomas   | 0  | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0  | 2   | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0 |
| 32                                                                         | Todd Ziegler    | 1  | 1   | 0  | 1   | 2   | 0  | 0  | 2   | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0 |
| 42                                                                         | Richard Madison | 0  | 0   | 1  | 2   | 1   | 1  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 0  | 0   | 0 |
| 44                                                                         | Rob Lock        | 2  | 5   | 0  | 0   | 4   | 0  | 6  | 15  | 0  | 0  | 0   | 0 |
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| OFFICIALS: John Clougherty, Sonny Holmes and Charles Watkins               |                 |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |    |    |     |   |
| Technical Fouls: None                                                      |                 |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |    |    |     |   |
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### Irv Thomas Lays It Off The Glass

CRIMSON TIDE-WILDCAT TIDBITS

Kentucky gave its imitation of the Harlem Globetrotters during its final six points. 1) **Roger Harden** apparently was driving in for an uncontested layup. He then mysteriously threw the ball over his shoulders, which resulted in a **Kenny Walker** dunk; 2) **Leroy Byrd** had the most spectacular play of the evening. While driving down the lane he somehow took the ball around his back and laid it in. You might call it vintage Larry Bird (Remember when the PA announcer introduced him as the Celtic great Wednesday night?); 3) **Irving Thomas** got in on the act by going full steam to the hoop and laying the ball in over a Alabama defender. Thomas who fell to the floor got up and gave slamming high-fives to a grinning Byrd and Walker. The field goal was Thomas' first in Rupp Arena. . . The 24-point loss by **Alabama** was its worst since Kentucky defeated the Crimson Tide 101-74 in 1971. . . Going into the game **Terry Coner** led the SEC assists with (7.0 apg). However, Harden, who was averaging 6.2 assists, outdid the SEC's best by 9 to 5. Harden had seven assists in the second half. . . This was the last game that the **45-second clocks** will be based on the sidings of the second level. When UK plays its next game at Rupp Arena the clocks will be connected to the top of the back board for a better view. Incidentally, if the ball hits off the clock, the same rule applies as if it hit off the side of the glass — meaning the ball changes possession. . . While being outrebounded in the first half (16-11), Kentucky outthrust its opponents by a convincing 20-14 total in the second half. . . The day after watching the LSU-Alabama game Eddie Sutton gave his troops a quiz on the contest. Some of the questions which were featured on the test were: Who were the five players in Alabama's starting lineup? Did Alabama press? Name the TV color and play-by-play men? And, sing the words to *My Old Kentucky Home*. Sutton says it's a must for his players to know the song. . . The win over Alabama gives Kentucky a **74-25** lead in the series which started in 1923. . . On the evening UK's flashy substitutes outscored Alabama's 13-11. . . Alabama returns home to face instate rival Auburn while Kentucky goes on a two-game road swing that will take the Cats to Starkville (**Mississippi State**) and Gainesville (**Florida**). The Florida game is being televised by CBS (split-nationally) Saturday at 2:05 EST.



# Zebra Training At Its Best In SEC

## Wimp's Worth The Price Of Admission

There's more than one way to train a Zebra!

You can holler at him. You can ridicule him. You can love him to death, although that's the least likely method, and seldom used.

Every college basketball coach has his own technique for handling Zebras. "Zebras" is defined as a man wearing a striped shirt and carrying a whistle around his neck. Attempts to get a Zebra under control don't normally work very well, but the coaches are always trying.



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

Take LSU's Dale Brown. His technique is to find an "ify" call early in the game. Dale then spends the rest of the evening on his feet, frowning, yelling, and calling the official to come talk to him at every time out.

Hugh Durham of Georgia belongs to the angry school of Zebra training. Hugh stands with his toes touching the sideline. He yells, raises his arms, clenches his fists and shows his "if I could only get my hands on you" face.

Vanderbilt's C.M. Newton has a completely different style. He throws words out on the court, but almost always finishes his shot with an "eyes to high heaven" look that says what can you expect from children and incompetents?

### LEE GOES HUNTING FOR OFFICIALS' ATTENTION

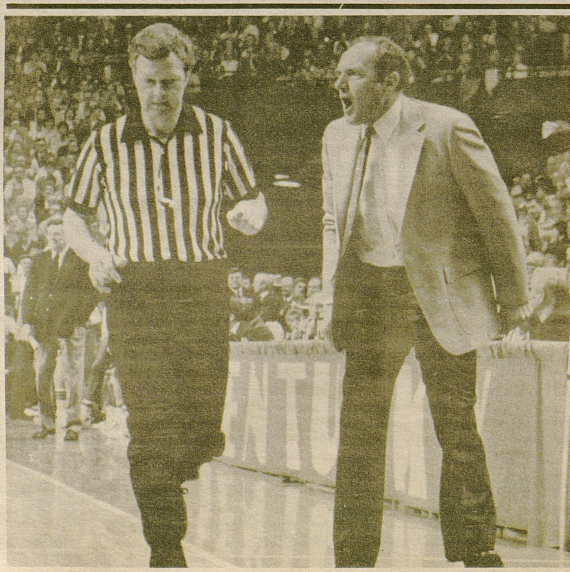
Lee Hunt battles for his Ole Miss Rebels by walking three miles per game, up and down, back and forth, looking for all the world like an angry professor. If he's carried away enough, off comes his coat, which is always tossed to a well prepared assistant, and the tirade continues. If you see Lee Hunt in shirtsleeves, you know he's mad.

Norm Sloan stands at his Florida bench and has his say. When nothing happens, he gets that "these guys are total and complete nogoodnicks" look, a half smile which is not meant to convey joy and happiness. It means "pity them, pity them for the error of their ways."

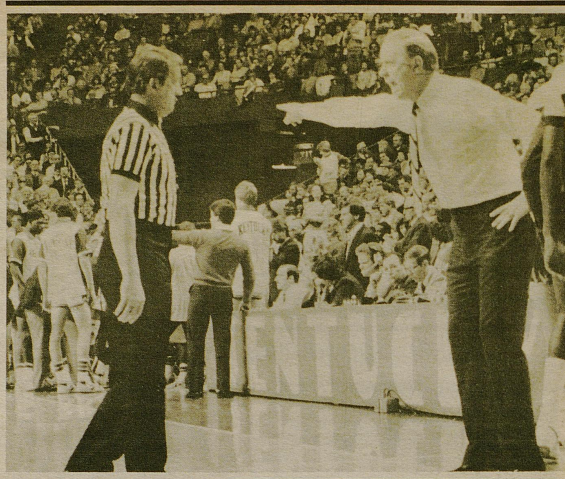
Eddie Sutton just gets mad when something goes against his Kentucky Wildcats. He sticks his head forward and his butt backwards and proceeds to give the poor official the word according to Eddie. Or many words according to Eddie!

Bob Boyd unlimbers his towering 6'5" or 6'6", or whatever size frame, and talks to the Zebra. He is positive, strong and to the point, but he does not wave his arms and ge does not shout. He has been known to use an "Oh, my God" look, however.

At Tennessee, Don DeVoe gets intense. He stands up, leans forward, talks a mile a minute, points, argues, pleads and keeps going until it's obvious the argument is lost, which, of course, it always is. The next one may not be, however, depending on how hard Don has argued the one before.



Sonny Holmes And Hugh Durham



Boyd Strong And To The Point

### WIMP'S WORTH THE ADMISSION TICKET

I'd buy a ticket to watch Wimp Sanderson in action at the Alabama bench. No one in this league has his dramatic ability at the moment of crisis. Wimp shouts, throws up his arms, runs, we didn't say walks, mind you, we said runs back and fourth in front of the bench and seems about to burst out on the floor at any moment. He'll make those scoundrels pay for their mistake!! If Wimp doesn't already have ulcers, they're in his future. Either that or a full fledged heart attack in front of thousands of spectators.

Sonny Smith has perfected the technique of folding his arms to indicate displeasure. When the call is made with which Sonny can not agree, up he comes. The arms are folded. Sonny puts on his look of gentle sarcasm and out come words in the "you can't really be serious, can you, Mr. Referee, why, my goodness, you blew that all the way to Birmingham and back" category. It's low key approach, but the way Sonny does it, it's rather effective.

What about the Zebras? There are two schools of thought. Make that three. One school says stay as far away from the coach as you can. If there's a time out, make sure you end up on the other side of the floor and just wave him off or ignore him altogether.

Technique number two is to soothe him from a distance. Official Don Shea is particularly good at that. He'll stand maybe 20 feet away, look at the coach and say "O.K., O.K., coach, cool down, we'll take care of it" and his method works more often than not. Of course, he's perfected it over the years.

Some officials go nose to nose. Number three is to go where lions fear to tread, walk right up to the coach and end up nose to nose with him. I've seen official Don Rutledge do that countless times, and Rutledge never gives an inch. Maybe that's why most people around the SEC consider him to be the best official in the league.

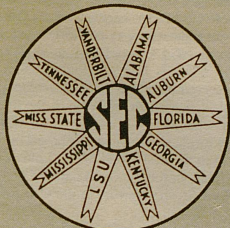
What it comes down to is that training Zebras is like training puppies. It's impossible to do, but you have to keep trying. After all, it's for their own good.

**NOT FOR BROADCAST:** Where are they now? Former LSU player **Howard Carter**, who didn't make it in the NBA, is now playing professionally in France. **Al Green**, another former Tiger, has become a naturalized Australian Citizen, and recently scored 73 points in a game. He's eligible for the 1988 Australian Olympic Team. LSU's controversial **DeWayne Scales**, who couldn't stick in the NBA, is playing with Evansville of the Continental Basketball Association. **John Stroud**, the all-time leading scoring for Ole Miss, who had a year of two with Houston in the NBA and later also played in Europe, has ended his playing career and is now a high school coach in **New Albany, Mississippi**, his home town. Last year Vanderbilt used only 7 players per game. This year, with a strong recruiting class, plus two redshirts, **Coach C.M. Newton** has played at least 10 Commodores per game. A football note. Any recruiter will tell you that year in and year out there's more talent in Florida than any other SEC state. For proof, neither **Florida, Florida State**, or **Miami** has had a losing season this decade. Florida has won 9 games per year for three straight seasons. Florida State has won 9 per year twice since 1980. Miami has won a national championship and has produced four teams in the last five years with at least nine wins. **ABC-TV** has tried to get the Sugar Bowl moved to New Year's Eve, but bowl officials said no. Then the network asked to have kickoff time changed from 8:10 PM to 1:30. If Sugar Bowl executives had agreed, their game would have gone head-to-head against both the **Cotton and Fiesta Bowls**. The New Orleans group turned thumbs down on that idea, as well. Where have all the big men gone? There are only seven players 6'10" or taller in the SEC. They are **Mark Sasso**, Florida, 6'11" Senior; **Robert Lock**, Kentucky, 6'10" Sophomore; **Zoran Jovanovich**, LSU, 7'1" Sophomore; **Hubert Henderson**, Mississippi State, 6'10" Sophomore; **Doug Roth**, Tennessee, 6'11" Freshman; **Brett Burrow**, Vanderbilt, 6'10" Senior; and **Will Perdue**, Vanderbilt, 6'11" Sophomore. Jovanovich is out for the year with an injury and with the exception of Burrow, none of the rest are impact players at this time. The cut off seems to be 6'9". There are 11 that size on various SEC rosters. The last word: "No coach has ever won a game by what he knows; it's what his players have learned." -- **Amos Alonzo Stagg**.



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## Lee Hunt's Postgame Comments

UK 75, Ole Miss 58

Following are Coach Lee Hunt's postgame comments after his Rebels were defeated by Kentucky, 75-58:

**Question: Your comments on the game?**

Hunt: Kentucky played a good, solid basketball game. We thought our best chance against them was to get in a zone defense and force them to shoot from the perimeter. We tried not to let Kenny Walker get inside, where he likes it. It worked at times and other times he got the ball inside. He wound up with 31 points. Kenny played exceptionally hard. He's an amazing player. I thought in the second half he really went to work to free himself to get open. We did a pretty good job at times of denying him the ball through parts of the game. He really went to work on shaping up and getting the ball inside. When he does, we try to triple-team him, but still he's a great player, catches it and turns quickly and gets up and shoots over you. What amazes me about him is that he has uncanny accuracy in all the heavy traffic. That's a sign of a great player. When you can play in all that heavy traffic and still hit the basket... I'll be glad when he graduates. He's just an outstanding player. Kentucky depends on him a great, great deal. I'm looking down the stat sheet and I see that he has 31 and there's only one other player in double figures — Richard Madison.

**Question: It seemed like things were going well for you until the time out (15:08 in the second half). Could you comment on that?**

Hunt: At that point in the game they went to their 'karate' defense, that's what I call it. They came out and just overplayed unbelievable. When they do that, and they have five people doing that, it makes it difficult to make an entry and to get things going — their hacking and slapping — and it is very difficult to get in an offensive set. They got a steal or two at that point and a couple of buckets. We then went through a period where we took the ball down low and didn't score. This has happened to us in recent games. We'll hit that lull where we take the ball down in the paint and go maybe 1 for 5, or 0 for 5 in a stretch. It hit us again. That 15 to 10 (minute) mark has been a problem for us. You have to give Kentucky credit; I thought they played hard. Rebounding... I think we rebounded with 'em — it was 28-all on the boards. That was one area I was concerned about. The free throw line hurt us, it's hurt us all year. Ten of 18 is not good enough. If we have those extra points we are within striking distance. It (missed free throws) makes a difference in the game. We had four players in double figures, which is something we've been striving for. We'd like to get more people in double figures to make us a little more balanced rather than depending on one person. Still, we're not getting enough point production out of a couple of our players. It's imperative that we do in future games.

**Question: How would you compare this Kentucky team to last year's ballclub?**

Hunt: They're basically the same basketball team. We played them twice last year and Walker had great games both times we played them. In fact both games were very similar. They're playing pretty much the same. Last year it was get the ball to Walker; this year it's get the ball to Walker. That's not a bad idea, either. He's proven he can take care of it (the situation at hand). Kentucky has always played pretty good defense. Joe Hall had a lot of good defensive teams here. I think it's kind of a tradition that they've always played pretty good defense. What helps them a little bit now, defensively, is that they're playing three guards. They are much quicker... that's one thing that has made them effective defensively with the three-guard lineup. It gives them a lot more quickness than a lot of teams have on the floor at that particular time. The third one (guard) is quicker than the big man up front for the other club. It makes them very effective.

**Question: Were you surprised that Kentucky shot well from the outside?**

Hunt: According to our reports they had not shot that well from the perimeter. (But) Madison warmed up out there and Davender hit a few. We were hoping that they might have a cold night from the perimeter. When you play Kentucky, let's face it... what is it they have, seven or eight high school All-Americans? They should be good. Other folks in our league would like to have those players. When you have a young club like we have you try to play the percentages. Normally, you try to force them to shoot the ball from 18 to 20 (feet) and see what happens. It worked for a while; we stayed in the game with about 15 (minutes) left. Then they hit their hot streak. Madison and Davender started shooting from the perimeter then that loosened us; we had to come and cover a little more then they started to take it in to Walker. Of course, he's very effective in there. That was the turning point in the game: they started to hit from the perimeter then that opened up Walker inside. We pulled out a little bit more and then they started going into Kenny. He scored everytime he got it. Kentucky's a good, solid basketball team.

**Question: This season, how does the SEC look to you?**

Hunt: It's a young league; there are a lot of players returning. I counted 38 of 50 starters are back. It's a good and very competitive league. I think the winner is going to have some losses, there's no question about it. There's great parity all over. The team that surprises me is Florida; they're playing really well — to beat Tennessee at Tennessee and then beat Auburn at Florida. We play Florida Saturday (Jan 18). (Vernon) Maxwell and (Andrew) Moten are great outside shooters. Apparently they're getting some good play from some people up front.

## From The Locker Room

**LEROY BYRD**

(About trying to make something happen when he checks into a ballgame)

Byrd: Well, coach has always told me when I go in the ballgame to give 110 percent. (My role) is not necessarily to do something spectacular but just go out there and hustle, and maybe it will get contagious to the rest of the team.

(About if he heard Jim Ingle — UK's public announcer — introduce him as Larry Bird)

Byrd: No, I didn't (hear the announcement). I was just concentrating on what I needed to do when I was on the floor.

(About when the ball seemed to get away from him during a run-out in the second half)

Byrd: The ball exploded (bounced high) on me down the lane. I've been out of control a couple of times in practice this week and that's

something I need to correct. Luckily the ball bounced back to me.

**KENNY WALKER**

(About if he is too selfish on the offensive end of the court)

Walker: I work and look for my spots. In their zone defense I play inside. Then when I moved out to the wing we try to swing the ball around to keep the defense in motion. A lot times when I go out on the wing we swing it around a couple of times and maybe a guard or a forward is open on the other side and they take the shot before I get a chance to shoot it. I just try to play within my limits and pick my spots as the game goes on. Usually during the game teams are really packing it in, in the inside and really concentrating on me. I just have to wait for my spots and work hard getting inside. As the games goes on then maybe I can find a seam in the zone defense.

## Gators Seeking NCAA

### Revenge On Wildcats

Kentucky hits the road this week with games against Mississippi State and Florida. While the Bulldogs took a nasty bite out of the Cats last year, Florida may be ready to take a 'chunk' out of this year's boys in blue.

Last season the Bulldog faithfuls packed Humphrey Coliseum and witnessed their ballclub's biggest win of the season. Before 9,799 fans Bob Boyd's troops shocked the Wildcats, 82-69. For UK it wasn't a pretty sight (or site for that matter) as MSU jumped out to a 19-5 lead.

Kentucky would eventually cut the Bulldog advantage to seven in the second half but couldn't any closer.

Come Wednesday night another big turnout is expected in Starkville when Eddie Sutton brings his Wildcats in for a visit.

After facing MSU, Kentucky will travel to Gainesville to battle the surprising Florida Gators.

Does Florida have a bone to pick with the Wildcats? Some close to the scene would probably say 'no' while others, however, would tend to disagree.

Gator forward Joe Lawrence remembers last season when his club failed to receive a bid to the NCAA tourney. That's only half of the story. Lawrence and his teammates were also upset that Kentucky was chosen to the elite-64 party.

"We all thought that we should have gone to the NCAA tournament last year," Lawrence told TCP prior to the start of the season. "There was

a lot of bitterness in the team last year when we were watching the selection process on CBS and saw Kentucky come up. We knew that we weren't going to be in after they got picked."

The Gators last season (18-12) defeated Kentucky at Rupp Arena (67-55) and in the SEC tournament (58-55). UK's only win against Florida in '85 was at O'Connell Center. The Wildcats, before the fifth largest crowd — 10,844 — in UF history, knocked off the Gators, 76-68.

To make a long story short, because of a better pre-NCAA record (18-11 to 16-12) and beating the Wildcats in 2 of 3 outings Florida felt it deserved the bid instead of Kentucky. UK was selected, though, because of the toughness of its schedule.

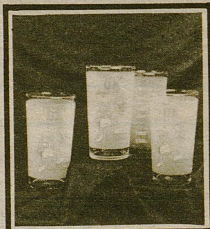
Florida was invited to play in the NIT; and lost in the first round to SW Louisiana, 65-64.

This season the Gators are off to a fast start. Norm Sloan's crew is currently 3-1 in the SEC, 8-4 overall.

Beating Kentucky would further enhance the Gators' chances of making the NCAA field in '86.

"We feel like we should be in there again (in the hunt for an NCAA bid)," said Lawrence. "I think (winning) 20 is the magic number for us because we don't have the tradition of say, Kentucky that can get in with 16 wins. If we can win 20 I think we should get in."

A nationally televised CBS audience will also be on hand at 2:00 p.m. (eastern standard time).



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# Cheers (And Jeers) Greet New Year

## Boosters Involved In Recruiting Means Trouble

**C**heers, jeers and things. Sports is still the toy shop isn't it? From the Cheers and Jeers Dept.

**CHEERS** Last week Philadelphia Phillies Dave Rucker and Randy Day cared enough about cleaning up baseball's image to allow a drug testing clause to be included in their contracts.

**JEERS** To baseball writers for not voting Roger Maris into the Hall of Fame this year. Ditto, Billy Williams.

**CHEERS** To Martin A. Massengale, chancellor of the University of Nebraska who said: "We can substantially improve that level of assistance for student/athletes by exempting the Pell Grant Award from the current aid limitation and permitting a student/athlete to receive an aid package commensurate with the real cost of higher education today."



Bob Watkins  
Cats' Pause Columnist

**Comment:** An amendment — let the kid take a job if he can and legislate through the NCAA a University president-appointed committee to give the student/athlete "walking around money."

**JEERS** The NCAA putting a college or university on probation for rules violations committed by coaches and/or athletes.

**CHEERS** To Charlie McClendon, executive director of the American football Coaches Association, who said, "Believe me, all players know the basic (NCAA) rules. The player's coach, the coach who recruited him and, in many cases, the NCAA, all make it a point to inform the athlete of the rules."

McClendon adds, "I think because this legislation takes away eligibility it will make a lot of players think twice about accepting under-the-table offers from anyone. It gets to the heart of the matter — their playing time."

**JEERS** Ex-Tennessee quarterback Tony Robinson was arrested last week and charged with selling cocaine to an undercover agent.

**Comment:** Sad.

**CHEERS** To coach Eddie Sutton's idea last summer of inviting former UK players to go on one of the team's SEC road trips? In case they haven't already been asked, I have a few names to drop — Mike Casey ('71, of Shelbyville), Larry Pursiful ('62 of Elizabethtown), Ronnie Lyons ('74 of Lexington), and Johnny Cox ('59 of Hazard).

**CHEERS** Wouldn't it be classy if someone at the University of Kentucky arranged to have a former Wildcat or two or three introduced at halftime of games at Rupp Arena? Give UK fans an opportunity to show how well they remember when... I have a few suggestions — Phil Grawemeyer ('56 team captain), Tommy Kron ('66), Earl Adkins ('58), Johnny Brewer ('57) and Jim McDonald ('62).

### Kentucky connection

In what could amount to another change at UK, Coach Eddie Sutton noticed when his team played at Vanderbilt Coach C.M. Newton started three Kentuckians — Brett Burrow, a 6-10 senior from Radcliff, led the Commodores in scoring, 12.2 points, and was second in rebounds. Freshman Frank Kornet, a 6-8 forward from Lexington, led Vandy in rebounds, 5.8, and 6-4 Barry Goheen from Marshall County, averaged 11 ppg.

"They're fine players and good kids, the kind of kids we hope to recruit in our state, because they understand the game so well," Sutton said. "Of course you can't get every kid in your state even if you wanted to."

**Footnote:** And Newton has already spirited away another Kentuckian who may be the state's leading scorer, Scott Draud of Fort Thomas Highlands.

### Recruiting and boosters

With so many commitments made during the early signing period last November the pickings look slim in the spring for those teams (including Kentucky) who did not complete their shopping lists.

Interesting then, a UK fan's telephone call to Eddie Sutton's radio call-in show a few weeks ago. The man wanted to know if it might violate an NCAA rule if he and some friends wrote to J.R. Reid, a 6-10 prize from Virginia Beach, Va. to hype UK and let the kid know he could "step right in at Kentucky."

"No, it's not against any NCAA rule," Sutton replied. "It's fine with me."

That's true of course, and Sutton was being polite. But boosters involved in recruiting can be summed up in a word, *Trouble*.

"Letter writing and telephone calls by the booster is still permitted by NCAA rules," says Joe Kearney, commissioner of the West Athletic Conference. "Presently, a triangle exists in which the coach at the top of the triangle attempts to recruit the prospect while at the same time he also recruits a booster to recruit the prospect. As a result, the booster is placed in a competitive situation and he doesn't want to lose the prospect. Misguided loyalties by the booster lead to violations in the form of payments to play (lucrative handshakes)."

Understand all that?

Kearney added, "Boosters should not be involved in the recruiting process." **Comment:** It is curious how a prep star such as J.R. Reid could ignore at least an on-site look-see at one of the college game's premier basketball factories that is going to have quite a hole in it when Kenny Walker departs.

### People and things

■ The common man in sports lost one of its most prolific characters earlier this month when Bill Veeck passed away. A wonderful maverick, Veeck was mostly a baseball entrepreneur, but what he really cared about were fans, primarily the ones in the general admission sections or those outside who wanted to get in.

Bill Veeck. We will miss him mightily.

■ Mississippi State Coach Bob Boyd announced last week that he will not return next season. Too bad, because tactically, Boyd is a very fine coach. But he does not like recruiting and likely saw the writing on the wall last year when Mississippi State lost out on the Magnolia state's two outstanding prep prospects 6-7 Andy Kennedy to North Carolina State and 6-7 Kenny Payne to Louisville.

Mississippi State basketball needs a 'young upward mobile professional' to make "the pitch" to prep prospects and rejuvenate the program in Starkville.

✓ Wonder how long it took (Yuppie?) Joe Dean Jr. to apply for Boyd's job? Now coaching at Birmingham Southern, Dean "seasoned" at UK under Joe B. Hall and is a Mississippi State graduate.

✓ And of course there's Leonard Hamilton...

■ Question: Will Bob Knight ever learn? Answer: Not until the game officials 'get it right' every time.

Whatever chance Indiana had of knocking off No. 2 Michigan in Bloomington last week went flying when IU's boisterous Bobby earned himself a couple of technical fouls. The Hoosiers lost 74-69.

Coach Knight prides himself at knowing the game, but one has to wonder when the man's temper, over and over again, costs his club a chance to win. And, I can't remember the last time an official changed his call for Knight, can you?

### Missing

Whatever happened to footballers Miles Wilard '53 and Johnny Bow '79? And basketball players Dan Perry '72 and Harry Hurd '62?



The Faces Of Eddie Sutton

### Sutton said it

Following last week's loss to Auburn and before his team played Ole Miss, Kentucky Coach Eddie Sutton said these things...

✓ "I hope when they (his Wildcats) go on the (Rupp Arena) floor they'll be half mean, even onery."

✓ The coach explained how spending a night "lying around" in Auburn, Ala. might have caused his Wildcats to be flat against Coach Sonny Smith's Tigers. "You want to keep them active, but there's just nothing for them to do. We did let the players go down the road to Wal Mart. (pause) It's true."

Sutton has an idea for teams visiting Kentucky too.

"If I were taking a team to a town like Lexington, I'd plan something for them to do like go to a horse farm or to see Henry Clay's home. Keep them active."

✓ On the SEC's 18-game round robin regular season: "If you're going to have a true conference champion you have to have it. But if we went to a 14-game league schedule it would mean we could play more big games (DePaul, Syracuse, St. John's for example) and that would probably mean we'd be on TV more."

**Comment:** Southeastern Conference basketball isn't that far removed from the 1940s and 1950s. The only way SEC moguls will ever vote in a 14-game schedule will be if sugar daddy Kentucky agrees to share its television revenue as a reimbursement from lost revenue when the Wildcats don't come to town as often.

### John Madden All-NFL type

Pencil in the name Gary Fencik, free safety for the Chicago Bears.

Fencik is the fellow who:

✓ Was voted the second dirtiest player in the NFL behind the Los Angeles Raiders.

✓ Once hit a Giants' wide receiver so hard it left the guy lying on the ground looking toward both sidelines at the same time.

✓ Perhaps inspired by Ernest Hemingway, went to Spain, put on a red bandana and 'ran with the bulls.' Although he admitted being frightened out of his wits, Fencik told a reporter before the '85 season that, "next year I'm going back to run with the bulls again."

Madden type.

### Parling shot

✓ Los Angeles Rams Coach John Robinson: "To me, Walter Payton epitomizes competitiveness. He's to football what Pete Rose is to baseball. The dynamic energy Payton brings to the game is fascinating to watch."

**Comment:** Amen. And Eric Dickerson isn't bad either.

✓ Willie Pep, former flyweight boxing champion, on reports that he had died, "Naw, I ain't dead. I haven't even gone out of the house."

And so it goes. ■



# Tsioropoulos Gave Media And Opponents Fits

The Golden Greek's Name Confused Even Rupp

As you might imagine, all throughout his athletic career Lou Tsioropoulos was a problem for sportswriters and sportscasters trying to spell or pronounce his name.

And he was a problem for opposing teams, too, as a 6-5 forward for the University of Kentucky Wildcats basketball team from 1951-54.

Because of his Greek ancestry, Tsioropoulos was nicknamed "The Golden Greek" at Kentucky. But head coach Adolph Rupp still had trouble with his name, according to Russell Rice in Rice's books, *The Wildcat Legacy* and *Big Blue Machine*. He was also known as "The man with the name" and "Plato" by media members who found his name difficult to spell and pronounce.



Mel Holbrook

Cats' Pause Columnist

"I never learned to spell that name," Rupp told Rice. "During our first few trips on the road after Lou joined the varsity, I would give the opening lineup to the official scorer. Invariably, the scorer would ask how to spell that name. I had my secretary mimeograph a whole bunch of 'Lou Tsioropoulos' labels that I kept in my pocket to give those scorers."

Tsioropoulos came to the university on a football scholarship but showed up in Alumni Gym one day in his freshman season and worked out with the freshman basketball team. Paul "Bear" Bryant asked Rupp if he had seen a football player with Rupp's basketball players.

"I don't know, Paul," Rupp replied. "What's the guy's name?"

"I don't know, Adolph," Bryant said in return. "He's from Lynn, Massachusetts, a big Greek kid with a prominent nose."

"Tsioropoulos laughed when he wondered aloud which pictures *The Cats' Pause* would use with his article.

"Whatever you do, don't run a picture of me where people can see my face," he said. "No, really, I've taken some kidding about my name more than anything else. Here at the school (Southern Middle in Louisville, where Tsioropoulos is principal) everybody knows me as 'Mr. T.' It's a lot easier for them to remember than trying to pronounce or spell my name. I was 'Mr. T.' before Rocky had his 'Mr. T.' or there was an 'A Team.'"

"My late parents were immigrants from Greece," Tsioropoulos continued. "Their first names were Costas and Stavroula. And this will really throw you. My father was from the province of Messinia on the west coast and my mother was from the province of Sparta on the east coast. Let's see you try to remember all that."

At English High School in football-crazy Massachusetts, Tsioropoulos played both football and basketball.

"The state is very basketball-oriented now," Tsioropoulos explained. "But football was big back then. My senior year, for example, we only played 14 basketball games. But I was very interested in the roundball sport of basketball. I started playing at the local YMCA when I was 14-15 years old against much older players. By the time I was a senior in high school, the guys my age were like kids to me."

Even though he averaged 25 points per game (ppg.) his senior basketball season at English, Tsioropoulos made first-team All-American in football and was recruited by several schools. He played offensive end and defensive halfback in football, and forward in basketball.

"A lot of good athletes at that time came out of the north shore area of Massachusetts to play football," Tsioropoulos recently told *Swish Magazine*. "Everybody was really high on hockey and football in that area of the country and I had a lot of people looking at me for football my junior and senior years. My senior year, people came and talked to me about playing football, and basketball was only secondary."

Basketball, however, was Tsioropoulos' first love. He attended every college and professional basketball game he could in Boston and, during a trip to play in the All-American Bowl, a high school game which showcased the nation's best seniors, Tsioropoulos stopped in Lexington for a visit with UK assistant coach Harry Lancaster.

"I had heard of their (UK's) reputation in basketball," said Tsioropoulos in a telephone interview from Louisville. "I saw Kentucky play Holy Cross, which was a real powerhouse back then, in a game at the Boston Garden. I liked the glamour connected with their team."

"I was always interested in every sport," Tsioropoulos continued. "My wife (the former Jan Shrouger of Louisville) says I would watch anything on television with a number on it. One time at UK I was the only spectator who turned out to watch Kentucky play Illinois in a fencing match. I tried everything back then."

Tsioropoulos says he fell in love with Lexington and UK. Even though he lived in the Fayette County city only five years, he still considers it his hometown.

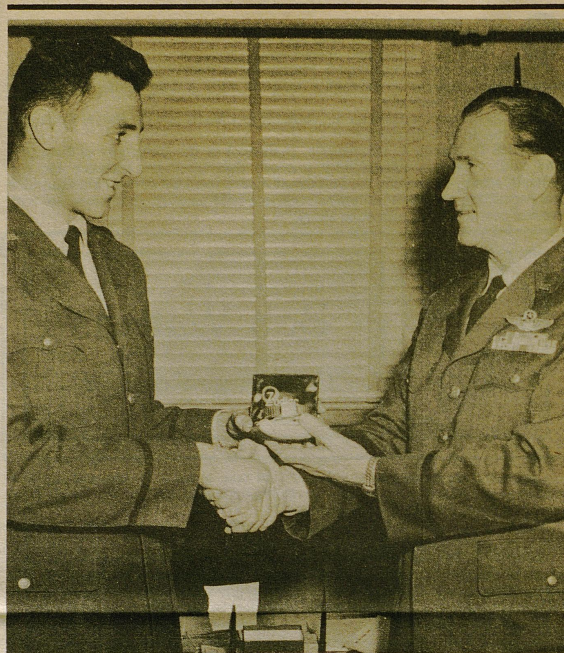
"Those are probably the most formative years of development," he stated. "I would live there now except that the people I worked for in Lexington transferred me to Louisville in 1963."

"I fell in love with UK," Tsioropoulos continued. "I thought it was super. It was the first campus I saw that didn't have any snow on it. I came from an area so cold I thought it was wonderful. I was really tired of cold weather."

At the recommendation of his high school basketball coach, Al Levy, Tsioropoulos signed with Kentucky.

"He was like my second father," said Tsioropoulos. "He helped me a lot. Today, I have the highest admiration for him." Levy now lives in Lexington after teaching special education at UK. He is retired.

During Tsioropoulos' sophomore season, the Wildcats won the national championship (1950-51). He was basically a reserve on that squad. But the next season he averaged eight



Lou and Col. Elkins

ppg. on a team that went 29-3 but lost to St. John's, 64-57, in the Eastern Regional at Raleigh, N.C. UK had beaten the Redmen, 81-40, earlier in the season at Memorial Coliseum.

But the next season, when Tsioropoulos was a senior, the Wildcats were not allowed to participate in conference or NCAA play because of the point-shaving scandal. He went on to earn his bachelor's degree in education but was granted another year to play basketball, and enrolled in graduate school. His next season, Tsioropoulos was honorable mention All-American as he averaged 14 ppg. He also made All-Southeastern Conference (second team).

"I was voted the 21st best player in the country, which isn't that bad," said Tsioropoulos. "But that 1953-54 team should have an identity of its own like the 'Fabulous Five' or 'Fiddlin' Five.' Some people say that team had only three players—Cliff Hagan, Frank Ramsey and myself. Well, the other two starters, Billy Evans and Gayle Rose, weren't so bad, either."

The Wildcats went 25-0 that season, but voted not to participate in the NCAA Tournament because Hagan, Ramsey and Tsioropoulos would have been ineligible.

"I think basketball is a team game," said Tsioropoulos. "When people mention the undefeated team of that season, they should mention five of us, not three of us. Rose was a heck of an athlete and Evans was a good all-around athlete. I was known for my defense besides my scoring. That season I was Defensive Player of the Year in the SEC. But the players who get the most headlines are the ones who score the most points. But our team did well because we were smart, like Rupp's Runtos of the mid-60s. We had to play smart ball to be as successful as we were."

After serving a 2-year term in the Air Force, where he played on the same team with Cliff Hagan and replaced current Vanderbilt head coach C.M. Newton as a commanding officer, Tsioropoulos played three seasons with the Boston Celtics, and was part of two World Championship teams. He ruptured a disc in his back in that third season and was forced to retire.

"I was at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware, where I played on the unit's football team as a halfback," said Tsioropoulos. "Then, I got transferred to Andrews in Washington D.C. There, I played on the same team with Hagan and our team went 55-1. Newton was transferred in the middle of the season and I took over the post he vacated."

"When I played pro ball, I had many injuries," Tsioropoulos continued. "It was a combination of things. I had knee, elbow and back problems. I had my second back surgery 11 years ago that finally corrected that problem."

Before Tsioropoulos took his current duties at Southern Middle, he was the head basketball coach at Louisville Manual High School.

"My first year we were fair and my last year we were terrible," Tsioropoulos said of his coaching stint. "The other years we were average and good."

But that hasn't left Tsioropoulos with a bad taste in his mouth for basketball.

"I have so many fond memories of UK," he said. "My only regret is that my parents didn't get to see me play there. They finally came to Louisville in 1965 when I first moved there but they never saw me play at UK. Nowadays, they take care of the player's parents."

Lou and his wife, Jan, were married in 1964 and have one child, Tara Lynn, who is a senior at Louisville Ballard and will be attending UK next fall.

"Where else would she go?," Tsioropoulos exclaimed. "At least down there, they'll know how to spell her name better."



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professional and wonder what his background and motivations are.

Sincerely,

David Patton  
Tullahoma, Tennessee

**(Editor's Note: Mr. Watkins is a veteran sportswriter, having won many sports writing awards over the years. He is sports editor of the Elizabethtown News-Enterprise and a graduate of the University of Kentucky.)**

### Support From Michigan

Dear Sir:

I grew up in the hills of Eastern Kentucky. I have spent the past 18 years in Michigan, trying to earn a livelihood in the auto industry. I'm presently in my fourth semester at Wayne County Community College trying, with the help of General Motors, to get the education I never had the chance to get when I was young.

My purpose in writing this letter is very simple. I hope I can in some way convey my feelings to your readers my love for the University of Kentucky and the young men who have played basketball for *The Program* over the past twenty years.

It hurts and pains me deeply when people try to bring the program down to their level. In my opinion, Kentucky basketball is the greatest dynasty in the history of the sport. Under new coach Eddie Sutton it will continue to grow and the legend will only become bigger. The enemies of UK basketball will never outlive the legend.

Now, I would like to address those enemies (I will not mention names as I feel sure every reader of this publication already knows who they are and the rocks they live under). Here's to you:

*If your life revolves around the idea, of somehow you can destroy the tradition I feel very sorry for you my friends, because I'm afraid you are destined to resemble one of the allegorical characters in Dante's Inferno section of the Divine Comedy. You will forever be pointing the accusing finger in your torment, but you will spend forever thirsting because there will be no satisfaction, only pity from the poet as he looks on you in your agony.*

Sincerely,

Elmer Griffith  
Canton, Michigan

### Let's Have Fun

Dear Sir:

Every where I turn people are complaining about the new Kentucky shoe produced by Nike for the Kentucky Wildcats.

Personally, I think they're super. You can't live in the past forever. Times do change. Youngsters want to wear flashy clothes and shoes are as much fashion as trousers and sweaters.

I wish Coach Sutton would make more changes. Over the years, Kentucky has been wrapped up in tradition. To heck with tradition, tradition doesn't win games. Players do.

Let's have fun. Go Big Blue.

Sincerely yours,

Tommy Baxter  
Louisville, Kentucky

### Resenting Jock

Dear Sir:

I'm a "true blue" UK fan and an ardent reader of *The Cats' Pause*. Both are Number One in

my book. But I resent very much the quotes of Jock Sutherland being printed in *The Cats' Pause*. He is even referred to as a basketball analyst.

"Big Mouth" would be a better word. Jock Sutherland has never done anything to qualify him as an analyst. His record as a coach was very mediocre except the one year at Lafayette when he won the state high school basketball championship.

On that team he had three players that were later regulars on Division I teams. I attended all of that tournament and talked to a lot of coaches. Almost all of his peers predicted "Lafayette will win this tournament in spite of Jock, not because of him."

His hatred of Coach Joe Hall and the UK basketball program in general should prohibit him from being quoted in a paper "spotlighting the University of Kentucky." Did you ever hear him criticize Coach Denny Crum or the Louisville program? Denny Crum is a very fine coach and runs a class program, but he does make mistakes.

(1) He spent a good portion of the 1984-85 season using Wagner as an excuse for losing. Earl Cox, noted sports columnist for *The Courier-Journal*, in one of his columns, advised Coach Crum to forget about Wagner and get on with the business of winning games with what he had. Did you ever hear Coach Hall alibi concerning Sam Bowie being out for two years?

(2) Coach Crum likes to save his time outs for the end of the game. How many times have you see him wait too long for a TV timeout to call one?

(3) Jock in his so-called analysis of UK and Louisville (prior to the game) indicated Coach Sutton had an easy time with just seven players to work with while Coach Crum had to work with fifteen. **HOW SAD! Can you remember** when Coach Crum used as an alibi the seven players he had compared to all those All-Americans at UK?

(4) Jock indicated that Coach Crum was a better bench coach than Coach Sutton or any other coach. I have heard several knowledgeable people indicate that Coach Crum was outcoached in the recent game in Lexington.

A good Kentuckian should pull for any Kentucky team when they are playing out-of-state opponents. Such people as Dave Conrad, Jock Sutherland, and Billy Reed have caused many UK fans to feel like one I recently heard express himself—and I quote "Now I have two teams to pull for (1) UK (2) The team that plays Louisville."

I would like for you to print this but if you can't I will make do with an apology to all UK fans—not only for allowing an analysis by Jock Sutherland, but also for even allowing his named to be used in such a fine publication as *The Cats' Pause*.

Very truly yours,

W. M. "Mossy" Martin  
Beaver Dam, Kentucky

### Not Serious

Dear Sir:

Shame on you Jim Griesch! Now you've done it—you have insulted poor, innocent Jerk, or Joke, or Jocko. How dare you insinuate that just because ole Jock has been a University of Louisville cheerleader on UL's favorite radio station for the past several years that he is biased and has been totally unfair to Joe B. Hall during that time.

Seems to me Jock ole boy, that you're somewhat thin skinned, that you like to dish it out but you can't take it.

I would like to commend *The Cats' Pause* for giving Jock a forum to answer his critic, Jim Griesch. I must wonder however, if WHAS radio ever offered Joe B. on the air time to defend himself against the venomous attacks he's had to endure these past few years.

Don't take me too seriously and don't get too worked up Jock. It's all in fun and all for fun. I just like to harass fat-headed jerks like you.

P.S.—I don't want to stir anything up, but you are so ugly. You're so ugly your picture should be in the dictionary right under the word, ugly!

Yours truly,

Larry J. Black  
Louisville, Kentucky

### A Part Of Heritage

Dear Sir:

As a native Ohioan but a UK graduate, I've felt a great part of the basketball heritage all Kentuckians share. This school and one other—UCLA—have had the truest college basketball success in history.

Society has degenerated to the depths that a Louisville sports reporter, an ex-high school coach, a Lexington newspaper editor and Kentucky's only clear-channel radio station take regular free shots at Kentucky.

None of the aforesaid achieved the status of Joe B. Hall in professionalism, yet presumed themselves his equal or superior. Joe is the true native son who played for UK and coached them through years of continuing success. I'm grateful to Joe and sickened by the others.

Denny Crum has orchestrated political and media elements to build himself up while tearing away at "The Program". Denny should know that one can't steal a heritage. It must be earned. He has a long way to go to establish one. In all its wisdom, UCLA never knocked Crum's door down to get him back out west.

Louisville has apparently latched the core of the Kentucky media and are pushing their own advertising to the hilt. They should not be surprised to find that their real constituency will continue to be awfully slim outside of Jefferson County. There will always be a healthy constituency of UK within Jefferson County, throughout the commonwealth and throughout the nation.

It appears that the UK administration is now alerted to the political and media battle. Let's find a loyal clear channel station. Whoever owns the Lexington Herald-Leader should be able to find an editor with some loyalty to the University of Kentucky. Don't let first rate educational programs slip to the second rate school.

I have not the least interest in the University of Louisville. Let them do their thing. Let's keep UK doing ours. I'm sure it will be better. Come on, Eddie Sutton. Let's make your era a continuation of Adolph Rupp's and Joe Hall's years of success.

Yours very truly,

Sam R. Kregley  
Westerville, Ohio

### Griesch The Great

Dear Sir:

I want to congratulate Jim Griesch for telling it like it is.

The Kentucky fans now have someone to tell us the other side of the story that is 100 percent true. Billy Reed has knocked Joe Hall and the Kentucky program for years. Whenever Kentucky would win a game, Billy wouldn't have anything negative to write about. He seemed to delight in writing his column when they would lose.

Jock wrote in his column that he does his hatchet job in fun. That is a lie. When a caller on his show gets the best of him, he says he is only kidding. He still gets his cheap shots in and says Kentucky fans are too serious.

In the 32 years I have listened to Cawood Ledford, I have never heard him criticize the other team or their program. That is why he has won so many awards, year after year.

I can't say the same for Jock, Van Vance or Billy Reed. Van Vance tries to make his listeners believe he is fair in his reporting, I know better. He laughs at all of Jock's negative cheap shots and encourages him on.

On November 13, he had Bob Gibbons on his

show to talk about recruiting. His last question was, "What effect do you think the Kentucky scandal will have on recruiting for the Cats?"

He didn't have to ask that, he just wanted to keep the issue alive on his show so other recruits coaches would be reminded of it again.

You have to be broadminded and read between the lines on Van Vance's show and Billy Reed's column in *The Courier-Journal*.

I urge every Wildcat fan who gets *The Cats' Pause* magazine to share it with their friends and urge them to subscribe to the best sports news in Kentucky. The only way us fans will get the truth and the other side of the story is in Jim Griesch's column.

Thank God for someone who will stand up and defend the biased and negative reporting and writing of Van Vance, Jock Sutherland and Billy Reed.

They may have some fans believing their reporting, but there are a lot of Kentucky fans who are broadminded enough to read between the lines.

Thank you again Jim Griesch, and keep us informed on the behind the scene's news.

A True Blue Fan,

Richard Albrecht  
Louisville, Kentucky

### UL-UK Poem

Dear Sir:

*The Cards are red, Cats are blue  
Cats did something, Cards couldn't do  
Went to Hawaii, won a basketball game  
Beat little Chaminade of upset fame  
Now it's late December, back in the state  
This time of the year, Cards are supposed  
to be great  
At least that's what we always hear and  
want to play the Cats, this time of year  
Last year Louisville got thirty-five  
free throws, Kentucky only nine  
Cats lost, but I didn't hear Joe B. Hall  
cry and whine  
When Louisville loses, Crum cries about the  
number of free throws his team gets  
Never mind that they were out-rebounded  
and out-quickied  
Playing aggressive defense, while taking  
care of the ball  
Cats had an excellent game plan, and  
nailed the Cards to the wall  
Admit it Louisville fans, it is as Billy  
Reed wrote  
In Louisville, Billy Reed's expertise  
is above reproach  
Jock's man, Denny Crum, simply was  
OUTCOACHED!!*

Welcome to Big Blue Mania, Coach Sutton.

Go Big Blue,

Shirley F. Spicer  
Louisville, Kentucky

### A Saddened Reply

Dear Sir:

My name is Kenneth Wells, and I have been a Kentucky Wildcat basketball fan for fifty years. But today my heart is sad and my soul is troubled because there are accusations that former, and probably some present day basketball players have accepted gifts which is in violation of UK and NCAA rules.

This saddens me very much and I wish to suggest a prayer for all Kentuckians and UK persons who read *The Cats' Pause*.

"Forgive me, oh God for any wrong-doing that I may have had in this matter, forgive me my weaknesses that allowed the devil through his unscrupulous individuals tempt me with gifts beyond my endurance. Please help me in my personal christian life to walk close enough to Thee so that I may have your strength which you have promised me would be sufficient to resist the devil in every way."

Persons who have violated the rules must re-



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pent of their wrong-doing and be willing to accept any just punishment.

Since I am a subscriber I trust you will publish this at your earliest convenience.

Thank you very much,

Kenneth Wells  
Macon, Georgia

### Happy With TCP

Dear Sir:

I must say the current debate among the media plus writers' columns provide very interesting copy. I look forward to each issue to learn who's saying what about whom, but please don't forget to bring us, the readers, every bit of news concerning decisions affecting the Big Blue sports programs and highlights of the games.

I still feel sad that the state of Kentucky cannot be proud of the fact that she has two top twenty powerhouses within the borders, consistently every year. Instead, they bicker back and forth about who's better than whom.

I'm also disappointed to learn that Louisville, in their attempt to be great, has had to belittle and badger the program at UK. Each school has laurels of their own and should stand upon these. I root for both during the season because I'm a fan of Kentucky basketball as well as a Big Blue fan.

I can't wait for this silly series contract to expire. Then, we can return to proving that Kentucky, as a state, is a complete basketball

powerhouse. Not many, if any, states can claim this.

Continue the good reporting and crossword puzzles. I enjoy doing them. They're fun. We displaced Big Blue fans long for more. Keep us abreast of this NCAA investigation. Good luck to Coach Eddie and the Cats on the Road to Dallas.

Sincerely,

I. Evan Massie, II  
Greenback, Tennessee

P. S.—I must agree with Jock on only one point. Sutton's new Nike shoes are very ugly. I feel Sutton should have kept the tradition instead of the dollars. Having worked with both products, *Converse* and *Nike*, on a retail basis, I feel *Converse* designs and produces the better product.

### Shoes Must Go

Dear Sir:

First, let me say that I think Eddie Sutton is an outstanding coach and will do a great job at Kentucky, but those basketball shoes are a disgrace!

The shoes, along with the two pair of low-cut, blue top socks give the appearance of a sandlot pickup team or of someone playing in street shoes.

We all know the reason behind this atrocity. *Nike* will merchandise these things in sporting goods stores around the state as the "UK shoe." They think they will make a killing, and maybe Coach Sutton will even get a percentage of the take. Well, the quickest way for fans throughout

the Commonwealth to get rid of these repulsive things is not to buy them.

Coach Sutton's Razorbacks wore white shoes, so there can be only one reason why he would march in here and defile the team's appearance like this—the fast S.

Incidentally, I hope the players have had a chance to see some of their game action on TV and realize how truly silly they look. It's sad.

Sincerely,

Gordon Crawford  
Louisville, Kentucky



## Sutton And Smith Comment

### After Auburn Defeats UK

**Kentucky's Eddie Sutton:** "It's hard to play catch-up ball against a good team like Auburn. We dug a pretty deep hole for ourselves in the first half and although we had a chance to make something happen in the second half, we just couldn't get back into it after they hit six straight free throws.

"(Chuck) Person did a great job tonight. We did a little better job defending him in the second half but for the most part, we couldn't keep the ball away from him.

"We knew going into the game we probably wouldn't be able to go with three guards the whole game. I told the team before the game that defensive boards would be the key. I think they had nine offensive rebounds in the first half. We didn't shoot well at all.

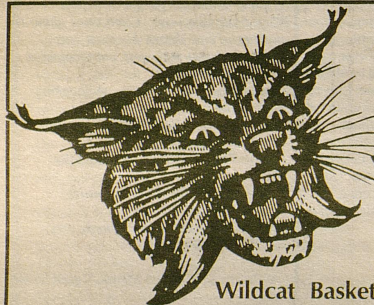
"We took some good shots in the second half. They just didn't go in."

**Auburn's Sonny Smith:** "I think the quick start was a big factor in the game. The spurt Chuck Person had before the half was big. Jeff Moore gave us a lift in the second half when nobody was hitting. The defense holding Kentucky to 30 percent in the first half was big.

"Frank Ford and Chuck Person both had key rebounds that were big. The point (guard position) looked like a point again.

"The team tonight looked like the team of a year ago and not the team I have been seeing the last weeks. They were shooting well and playing with confidence.

"You have to give Kentucky credit. It was as much what they did right as what we did wrong for their comeback. I think a win over Kentucky would give any team the lift for a win over any other conference team."



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# Back Thru The Wildcat Years

## Five Years Ago

\*Coach Joe Hall shook up his starting lineup and his team responded with a 76-63 win over Florida at Gainesville. Hall started Dirk Minniefield and Kyle Macy at guard, Fred Cowan at center and Chuck Verderber and Derrick Hord at forward. Only Macy and Cowan were regular starters. The end result: UK got balanced scoring and several of the players who lost their starting jobs played well. UK jumped out to a 39-24 lead at the half. Cowan led UK with 16 points while Macy scored 11 and LaVon Williams 10.

\*A record number 97 foul shots were taken in a marathon game at Rupp Arena in which Kentucky defeated a scrappy Vanderbilt team 106-90. Kentucky hit 44 of 48 foul shots, including a perfect 23 of 23 in the second half, when Vandy had UK's lead cut to six at one point. The Commodores hit 40 of 49 foul shots. UK had six players in double figures and three fouled out. Macy scored 18 points, including 12 of 12 at the line, while Hord and Cowan each scored 17. Sam Bowie had 16 points and Williams 15. Mike Rhodes had a superb, shooting game, scoring 34 points for Vandy.

\*The UK Lady Kats had a fine week, routing highly-ranked Rutgers 97-78 and blasting Western 99-43. Valerie Still set a school rebounding record with 26 against Rutgers, to go along with 32 points. UK's 56-point margin over Western also broke a school record.

## Ten Years Ago

\*Auburn edged Kentucky 91-84 in Auburn in an overtime game, handing the Cats their fourth SEC loss of the season. Auburn was led by Stan Pietkiewicz with 22 points, Eddie Johnson with 20 and Mike Mitchell with 19. Jack Givens led UK with 21 points. James Lee scored 16 points, Reggie Warford 14, Rick Robey and Truman Claytor 11 apiece. Auburn trailed by as many as 14 points in the first half before rallying behind the inside play of Mitchell.

UK sophomore center Rick Robey, who was sidelined earlier in the season with a knee injury, re-injured his right knee during a team practice and will be lost for the remainder of the season.

\*The UK wrestlers won their fourth straight match by defeating nationally ranked Cleveland State 28-10. Fletcher Carr's Cats dominated from the beginning, led by All-American Joe Carr.

However, all was not good as an NCAA ruling declared UK sophomore All-American Jimmy Carr ineligible for the rest of the year. It stems from an NCAA inquiry into Carr's high school transcripts.

## Fifteen Years Ago

\*Harold Hunter has been named to John Ray's football staff as the offensive line coach.

\*Kentucky dropped to 17th in the UPI poll. UCLA is first with Southern California second.

\*John Ray termed the seven high school prospects signed by his staff as "excellent."

\*The Kentucky track team established three fieldhouse records and five school records in the Midwest Federation Championship held in the French Fieldhouse in Columbus, Ohio.

\*Kentucky held back an LSU rally for an 82-79 win. Kentucky watched a lead of 13 points dwindle during the final ten minutes of the game. Although the Tigers never led, they got within one point on several occasions, the last coming with 37 seconds in the game. Tom Parker led UK with 19 points. Tom Payne and Mike Casey each scored 16 while Al Sanders scored 24 for LSU.

## Thirty Years Ago

\*Kentucky Athletic Director Bernie Shively announced that J.R. (Abe) Shannon would be the UK freshmen baseball coach. He succeeds Charlie Johnson, who joined the Detroit farm system.

\*The Kentucky football team is one of the only three major schools in the nation that has finished above the .500 mark in each of the ten postwar seasons. Only four universities won more games than UK during that period.

\*UK was too talented and too tall for Tennessee as the Cats romped the Vols 95-68 in Knoxville for their 10th win in 12 decisions. UK led 45-38 at the half, then built on that. Gerry Calvert scored 24 points, as did Jerry Bird. Vern Hatten scored 13 while Phil Grawemeyer and Bob Burrow tallied 12 each. Leon Ammerman led Coach Emmett Lowry's Tennessee team by 20.

\*UK end Howie Schnellenberger has signed with the professional Hamilton team of the Canadian Football League. Terms of the All-Americans contract were not disclosed. He said he wanted to play both offense and defense, which he will be able to do in Canada.

\*Not since 1951 has rival Tennessee managed to win a major sporting event from UK. The Cats have won 12 in a row, four in football and eight in basketball.

\*UK moved to third in the AP poll. Undefeated San Francisco and Dayton are one-two.

# Wildcat Quiz

1. Yes or No. UK owns a series advantages over the Florida Gators in games played in Gainesville.

2. When was the last time the Gators defeated Kentucky in Gainesville?

- a) 1984
- b) 1983
- c) 1980
- d) 1979

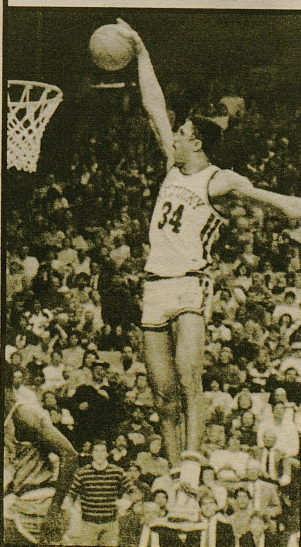
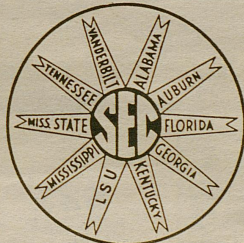
3. Who was UK's first official opponent in Rupp Arena? Please note that the exhibition games are excluded.

- a) Indiana
- b) Wisconsin
- c) Kansas
- d) TCU

4. True or False? UK assistant basketball coach Leonard Hamilton played college basketball at Kentucky.

5. What was the hometown of former UK guard Jim Master?

- a) Owensboro, Ky.
- b) Ft. Wayne, Indiana
- c) Decatur, Alabama
- d) Valparaiso, Indiana



6. What team did UK defeat in the final game of Alumni Gym?

7. What number did former Wildcat Kevin Grevey wear while playing basketball for Kentucky?

8. What is the name of Eddie Sutton's wife?

- a) Katharine
- b) Betty
- c) Patsy
- d) Wanda

9. True or False? UK didn't win any game last season by more than 20 points.

10. What NBA team drafted former UK guard Jimmy Dan Conner?

- a) Phoenix Suns
- b) Atlanta Hawks
- c) Cleveland Cavaliers
- d) Washington Bullets



## Answers

1. Yes
2. 1984 (UF won 69-57)
3. Wisconsin
4. False (Austin Peay)
5. Ft. Wayne, Indiana
6. Vanderbilt
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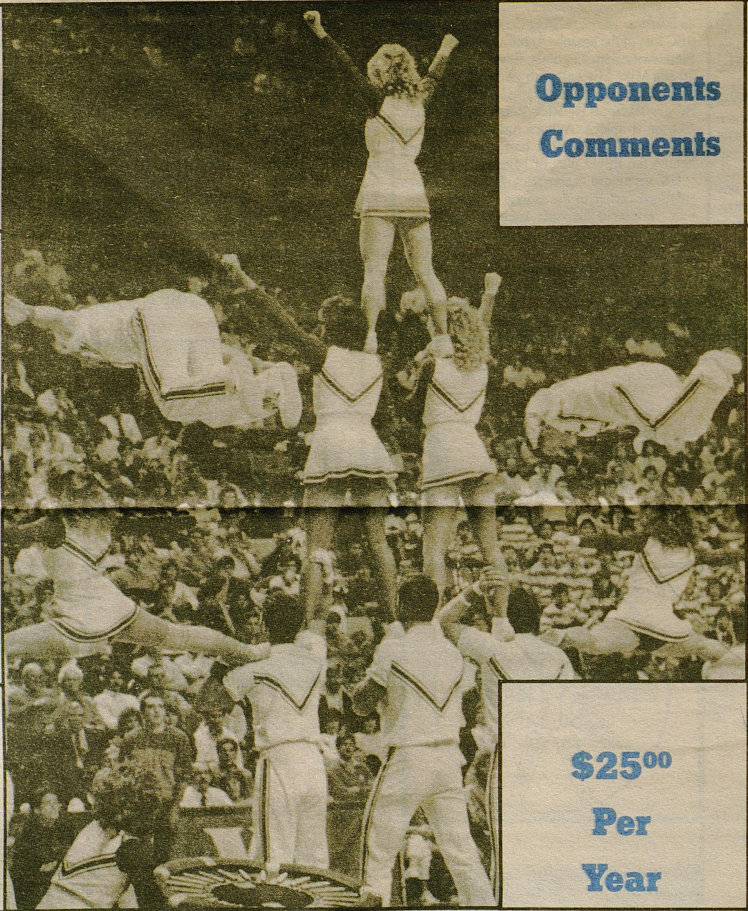
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