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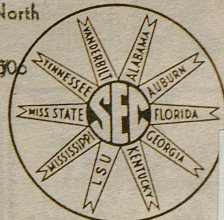
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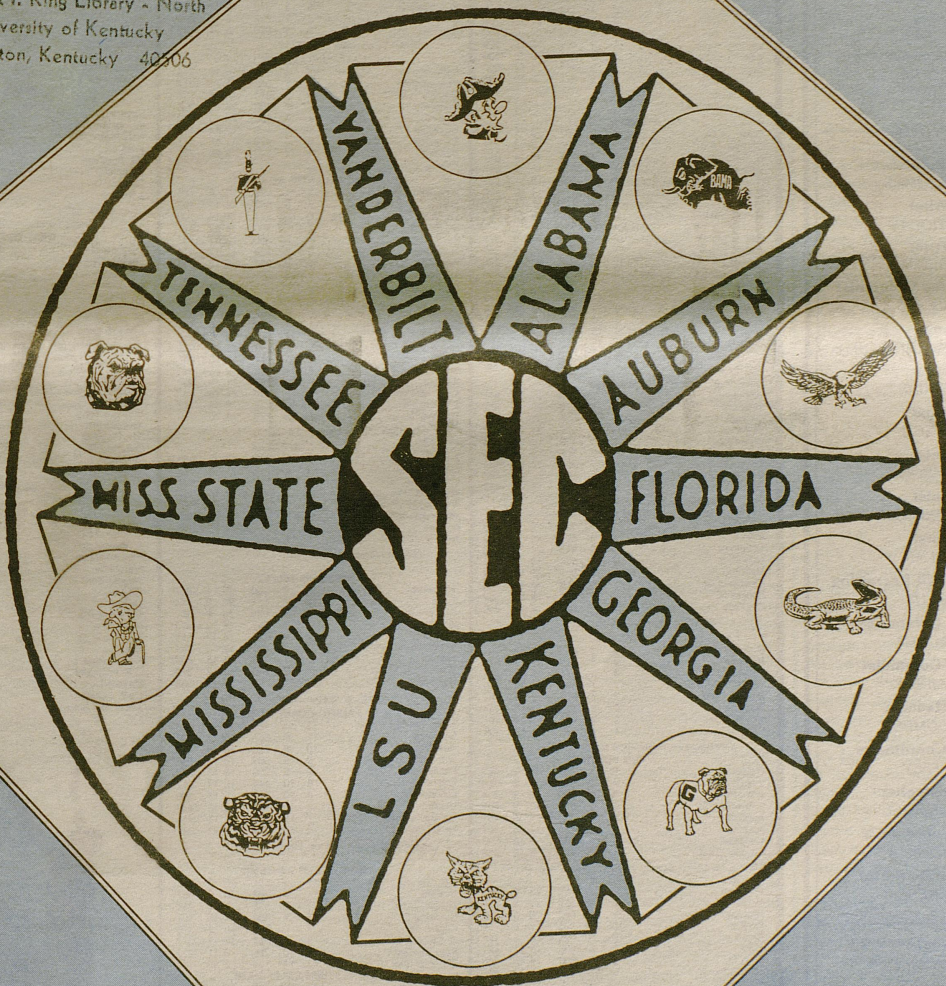


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Major College Conference Standings

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE										SOUTHERN									
Conference All Games																			
	W	L	Pct	W	L	Pct													
x-Kentucky	17	1	.944	26	3	.897				x-Tr. Chanting	12	4	.750	21	8	.724			
Auburn	13	5	.722	19	9	.679				y-Davidson	10	6	.625	19	11	.636			
Alabama	13	5	.722	19	8	.704				Marshall	10	6	.625	19	11	.636			
Florida	10	8	.556	16	11	.593				Appalachian St.	9	7	.563	17	12	.588			
Louisiana St	9	9	.500	21	10	.677				y-W. Carolina	8	8	.500	14	14	.500			
Georgia	9	9	.500	16	11	.593				East Tennessee	6	8	.429	14	15	.448			
Vanderbilt	7	11	.389	13	14	.481				y-VMI	5	11	.313	11	17	.393			
Tennessee	5	13	.278	12	15	.444				Clairmont	5	11	.313	10	17	.370			
Mississippi	4	14	.222	11	16	.407				x-won regular-season title	5	11	.313	10	17	.357			
Mississippi St	3	15	.167	6	21	.222				y-won tiebreaker									
x-clinched regular-season title																			
OHIO VALLEY										SOUTHLAND									
x-Akron	10	4	.714	20	7	.741				x-NE Louisiana	9	8	.750	18	9	.667			
Middle Tenn	10	4	.714	21	9	.700				McNeese St	8	4	.667	18	9	.667			
y-Yongwon St	8	6	.571	12	15	.444				Arkansas St	7	5	.583	17	10	.630			
Murray St	8	6	.571	16	11	.593				y-Louisian Tch	6	6	.500	16	12	.564			
Austin Peay	8	6	.571	14	13	.519				Lamar	6	6	.500	18	10	.643			
Tennessee Tch	6	8	.429	13	14	.481				North Tex St	4	8	.333	10	17	.370			
E. Kentucky	5	9	.357	10	17	.370				Texas-Institut	2	10	.167	12	17	.414			
Morhead St	13	0	.071	6	19	.296				x-won regular-season title									
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y-won tiebreaker																			
METRO COLLEGE ATHLETIC										SOUTHWEST									
Louisville	10	2	.833	24	7	.774				Texas	12	3	.800	17	9	.654			
Memphis State	9	3	.750	25	4	.862				Texas Christn	12	4	.750	21	7	.741			
Virginia Tech	7	5	.583	22	7	.759				Texas A&M	12	3	.750	18	10	.643			
Southern Miss	6	5	.500	17	10	.630				So. Methodist	10	6	.625	18	9	.667			
Cincinnati	5	7	.417	11	15	.423				Texas Tech	8	7	.533	13	13	.500			
Florida State	3	9	.250	11	15	.407				Houston	7	6	.500	14	15	.519			
South Carolina	2	10	.167	12	15	.444				Arkansas	4	12	.250	12	15	.444			
SUN BELT																			
x-Old Dominion	11	3	.786	22	7	.759				Baylor	3	13	.188	11	16	.407			
W. Kentucky	10	4	.714	22	7	.759				Rice	2	14	.125	2	20	.071			
y-Al. Birmingham	9	5	.643	24	10	.706				SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC									
Jacksonville	9	5	.643	21	9	.706				Southern U.	11	3	.786	19	7	.731			
va. Commonwealth	8	6	.429	12	16	.429				Alcorn St.	11	3	.786	15	12	.556			
y-South Alabam	5	9	.357	16	16	.500				Miss. Valley	8	8	.500	17	9	.654			
South Florida	5	9	.357	14	14	.500				James M. Smith	9	5	.643	13	14	.481			
N.C. Charlotte	13	0	.071	8	20	.286				Texas Southern	6	8	.429	17	9	.646			
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y-won tiebreaker																			
ATLANTIC COAST										WEST COAST									
Duke	12	2	.857	29	2	.935				Grumbling	4	10	.286	11	16	.407			
Georgia Tech	11	3	.786	23	5	.821				Alabama St.	4	10	.286	11	16	.407			
N. Carolina	10	4	.714	26	4	.867				Prairie View	1	13	.071	2	24	.077			
Virginia	7	7	.500	18	9	.667				TRANS AMERICA									
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Clemson	3	11	.214	17	13	.566				Sanford	8	6	.571	16	12	.571			
Wake Forest	0	14	.000	8	20	.286				y-Houston Bpt.	7	7	.500	14	14	.500			
ATLANTIC 10																			
x-St. Joseph's	16	2	.889	24	5	.828				Hardin-Simms	5	9	.357	13	15	.536			
y-West Virgin	15	3	.833	22	9	.710				y-Mercer	6	8	.429	15	13	.536			
Temple	15	3	.833	24	5	.828				Georg. St.	6	8	.429	15	13	.536			
St. Bonavent	10	8	.556	15	13	.538				Centenary	4	10	.286	10	18	.357			
Duquesne	9	9	.500	15	14	.517				Georgia St.	4	10	.286	10	18	.357			
Geo. Washington	7	11	.389	12	16	.429				x-Stetson									
Massachusetts	6	12	.333	9	19	.321				y-won tiebreaker									
y-Rhode Island	5	13	.278	9	19	.321				x-ineligible for title in 1985-86									
Penn St.	5	13	.278	12	17	.414				WEST COAST ATHLETIC									
Rutgers	2	16	.111	8	21	.276				x-Pepperdine	12	3	.750	24	4	.857			
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y-won tiebreaker																			
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x-St. John's	14	2	.875	27	4	.871				UCLA	12	4	.750	18	10	.643			
Syracuse	14	2	.875	23	5	.821				Texas-El Paso	12	4	.750	21	5	.828			
Georgetown	11	5	.688	22	6	.786				Utah	12	4	.750	20	8	.714			
Villanova	10	6	.625	21	12	.636				Bingham Yong	11	6	.688	15	12	.571			
Providence	7	9	.438	15	12	.556				New Mexico	8	8	.500	16	12	.571			
Pittsburgh	6	10	.375	15	12	.556				San Diego St.	7	9	.438	9	18	.333			
Boston College	4	12	.250	13	14	.481				Colorado St.	6	10	.375	11	17	.393			
Connecticut	3	13	.188	12	14	.462				Air Force	3	13	.188	9	18	.333			
Selon Hall	3	13	.188	13	17	.433				Hawai	1	15	.063	4	23	.148			
x-won regular-season title																			
BIG TEN										INDEPENDENTS									
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Iowa St.	9	5	.643	18	9	.667				Chicago St.	21	5	.808						
Oklahoma	8	5	.615	24	6	.800				E. Washburn	19	7	.731						
Nebraska	8	6	.571	18	9	.667				Pan American	19	7	.731						
Missouri	8	6	.571	21	12	.636				Marquette	16	10	.615						
Oklahoma St	5	8	.385	14	12	.538				New Orleans	16	10	.615						
Kansas St.	4	10	.286	16	13	.552				Dayton	15	12	.556						
Colorado	0	14	.000	8	19	.296				DePaul	15	12	.556						
x-clinched regular-season title																			
BIG SKY										MID-AMERICAN									
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x-Idaho St.	8	5	.615	19	9	.679				Drake	10	6	.625	20	8	.714			
y-Idaho St.	7	5	.571	15	12	.556				Illinois St.	9	7	.563	14	9	.617			
Weber St.	7	7	.500	10	10	.500				Wichita St.	7	9	.438	14	13	.519			
Nevada Reno	7	7	.500	13	14	.481				Creighton	7	9	.438	12	15	.444			
Bose St.	6	8	.429	12	15	.444				Indiana St.	5	11	.313	11	16	.407			
Montana St.	6	8	.429	11	16	.407				West. Texas St.	4	12	.250	8	20	.286			
Idaho	4	9	.308	11	17	.393				x-won regular-season title									
x-ineligible for conference tournament																			
BIG SOUTH										PACIFIC COAST ATHLETIC									
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x-N.C. Asheville	4	2	.667	17	8	.680				Californie	12	6	.667	18	11	.621			
x-Winthrop	5	3	.625	19	8	.704				New Mexic St	10	8	.556	16	11	.593			
x-Armstrong St	5	3	.625	13	9	.591				San Jose St.	9	9	.500	16	11	.593			
Augusta	4	4	.500	11	16	.407				Pacific	9	5	.500	16	11	.593			
Radford	3	4	.429	11	16	.407				Fresno St.	8	10	.444	15	14	.517			
Campbell	3	6	.333	9	18	.333				Fulterton St.	8	10	.444	15	15	.500			
x-Coast Caroln	1	7	.125	8	16	.333				Utah St.	8	10	.444	12	15	.444			
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Indiana	12	4	.750	20	6	.769				Howard	11	3	.786	18	9	.667			
Michigan St.	11	5	.688	20	7	.759				Morgan St.	10	6	.538	7	19	.269			
Purdue	10	6	.625	21	8	.724				Delaware St.	7	7	.500	11	17	.393			
Illinois	10	6	.625	20	8	.714				Coppin St.	7	7	.500	10	17	.370			
Iowa	8	8	.500	18	11	.621				S. Carolina St.	5	9	.357	10	17	.370			
Ohio St.	8	8	.500	14	12	.538				Bethune-Cvnm	4	12	.286	6	21	.238			
Minnesota	5	11	.313	15	14	.517				Mid-East. Shore	2	11	.154	2	23	.115			
Wisconsin	3	14	.176	11	16	.407				MIDWESTERN COLLEGIATE									
Northwestern	2	15	.119	8	19	.296				x-St. Xavier, Ohio	10	2	.833	24	4	.857			
COLONIAL ATHLETIC																			
x-Navy	13	1	.929	25	4	.862				Cal. Poly. Pomona	4	6	.400	10	11	.524			
Richmond	12	2	.857	23	5	.821				Detroit	7	5	.583	14	15	.483			
George Mason	10	4	.714	17	10	.630		</											



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UK Moves Up To No. 3, Eyes SEC Tourney Title

Wow! What a weekend.

Who would've believed the Kentucky Wildcats would be standing on the threshold of a top four national ranking by March 1?

That's exactly the situation Eddie Sutton and his Wildcats are facing as they enter play this week in the Southeastern Conference Basketball Tournament here at Rupp Arena.

The question must be asked. Is this a fairy tale season for UK? Has Kentucky discovered Cinderella's slipper?

Kentucky has defied the odds all season long. First, it was a coaching change as Sutton replaced Joe B. Hall.

Most predicted a season of adjustment. Perhaps a 20-win season could be salvaged, but it would take longer for Sutton's true skills to surface.

Just didn't happen that way folks.

My goodness, there were wins over Indiana and Louisville as well as the championship of the UKIT in December. Only a 16-point loss at Kansas prevented a perfect start.

While December was a marked achievement in anyone's book, the best had not yet arrived.

Sutton's Cats fashioned a brilliant 17-1 SEC mark, only the second time since 1970 that a SEC team compiled such a flashy mark.

Along the way, UK polished off foes previous Wildcat teams only dreamed of beating. Like Alabama in Tuscaloosa, LSU in Baton Rouge, and heaven forbid, Tennessee in Knoxville.

Now comes the SEC Tournament in, of all places, Lexington.

Made to the order, you might say.

If SEC opponents were able to win only one game in eighteen during the regular season (and that was in Auburn), just how are the Cats going to be beaten in friendly Rupp Arena where the Cats consistently win over 92 percent of their games each season.

With Kentucky's victory over LSU Saturday, the Cats should move up again in the national polls.

Coupled with Georgia Tech's upset loss to Illinois and North Carolina's defeat at the hands of Duke, Kentucky should be ranked No. 3 nationally this week.

That's very important since this week's poll will be the last before the NCAA Tournament selection committee makes its decisions this weekend.

Just how high will the NCAA Committee rank UK this coming Sunday? That's the biggest question of all.

That's hard to say, but there is evidence to support certain theories under certain conditions.

Such as UK winning the SEC Tournament. If that happens, Kentucky will be a lock (pardon the pun, Rob) for a top regional seed, either in the Southeast or the West.

Based on the fact that UK should be ranked in the top four in this week's poll, the Cats would only solidify their position by winning the conference tournament.

Where the NCAA Committee would place them is another matter. Other considerations are given beside the wire services' polls. Strength of schedule is considered as well as

how well a team plays on the road versus neutral sites and home games.

UK's only three losses came on the road—Kansas, Auburn and N. C. State. In a way, all three losses are almost a plus. Kansas most likely will be ranked No. 2 again this week. Both Auburn and N. C. State have been casual members of the Top 20 this season. Only Kansas beat UK decisively and that was early in the season when the team was still adjusting to its now coach.

On the plus side is the 26-3 record, including an unbelievable 8-1 mark on the road in the SEC. Wins over Louisville and Kansas, despite being at home, are big pluses. A win over NCAA-bound Pepperdine, which has gone unnoticed by many people, is another plus.

The minuses.

Kentucky's schedule, by way of strength, is not ranked among the nation's top fifty by the NCAA. There are two reasons. One is that too many cream puffs dotted the December card. We'll get into that a little deeper later on.

The other reason is because the higher you're ranked, the tougher it is to get credit for playing a tough schedule. For example, if you're ranked No. 1 in the country, then every school which plays you gets credit for playing the nation's top-ranked team. On the other hand, every team you play is ranked below you, so you're suddenly not playing a level of competition equal to your rating.

What really hurt UK's strength of schedule were early games against Northwestern State of Louisiana, Chaminade, Hawaii and VMI. Other contests were against Cincinnati and East Carolina, but they weren't all that damaging.

Now, don't get me wrong. The schedule is the kind of opposition that UK should be competing against, but it could cost UK a No. 1 regional seed in the end. It shouldn't but, if the committee should want to play checkers with the Cats, the NCAA will certainly use the schedule as a means of justifying an all-expenses paid around-the-world trip.

Where will the Wildcats go?

You can forget the East Regional. It'll be loaded with the likes of ACC people and the city slickers from the Big East. And you don't have to worry about going back to Dayton, Ohio for the Midwest. Kansas has the number one spot there.

The only way UK could wind up in the Midwest is for Kentucky not to be ranked among the top four by the NCAA.

That leaves the traditional homeground of the Southeast Regional and the West Regional.

First, the Southeast.

Sub-regionals are in Baton Rouge, La and Charlotte, North Carolina. Regional semifinals and finals will be held at the Omni in Atlanta.

This is the natural if UK rated among the top four. Duke, ranked No. 1 would go East, Kansas at No. 2 would go Midwest, Kentucky third would go Southeast and either Georgia Tech or North Carolina (whichever would be No. 4) would go West.

Sounds good, but there are those who claim that North Carolina will go no farther West than the stateline for the first round (one of the East sub regionals is also played in the state of North Carolina).

The West Regional has been kind to teams east of the Mississippi River before. Remember North Carolina State won the NCAA title by going the West route. Georgetown turned the same trick in 1984. The West has been known to be the weakest among the four regions in the past. Some teams actually want to be sent West.

Eddie Sutton isn't talking about where he would like to go. He maintains his only concern right now is winning the SEC Tournament this week at Rupp Arena. But he couldn't be faulted for keeping a watchful eye on the meetings out in Kansas City this weekend.

Another factor to be considered is the role of Georgia Tech which may have severely damaged its own chances of staying home at the Omni when the Rambling Wreck lost a home game to Illinois Saturday.

In fact, Tech made sure it didn't jeopardize its chance of playing at home by virtue of an unwritten NCAA policy this past season.

The NCAA selection committee decreed about a year ago that no school could play a regional semi-final or championship game in an arena where the school had played more than half its regular season home games. Tech played six games of its 13 home games at the Omni this season.

Because of the upset at the hands of Illinois. Because Kentucky has rapidly moved up the ladder and because the Cats are champions of the SEC, which is a part of the Southeast Region, Tech's chances of staying at home as a No. 1 seed have been seriously damaged. Still, Tech could stay as a No. 2 team.

Or the NCAA could still seat Tech No. 1 (if Tech should be impressive in the ACC Tourney this week or if UK should get upset early) and send Kentucky to the weaker West Regional as the No. 1 seed where the stiffest regional competition would come from a team UK upset in last year's tourney—UNLV.

Back to the SEC Tournament.

As always, it should be a dandy. Thursday's quarter-final action should be as exciting basketball as anyone will ever want to see.

That afternoon session will have Alabama going against Georgia and LSU taking on Florida. If that's not enough, then how about Auburn battling the winner of the Vanderbilt-Mississippi State game and Kentucky meeting the winner of the Tennessee-Ole Miss contest later that evening?

What makes the Thursday's afternoon action so exciting is the fact that both winners will have a second chance to qualify for an at-large NCAA bid while the losers can head home and wait for the NIT folks to call.

Both Alabama and LSU would appear to have an automatic NCAA bid already wrapped up, but losses in the first round could leave some committee members wondering if they really deserve such an invitation.

And we must not forget that LSU has lost

five consecutive SEC Tournament games and hasn't won a tourney game since the opening round of the 1981 tourney.

Florida will be no piece of cake for anyone, especially Dale Brown and LSU.

Now, our fearless picks.

But first we must remind you that it was this space which predicted at this time exactly one year ago that the Auburn Tigers would become the seventh team in seven years to win the SEC Tournament.

There were those who snickered or laughed at our suggestion, that a seventh place team could win the SEC title with a lame duck coach. Ole Sonny proved a lot of folks wrong.

And just think, had Sonny not won the tourney, he probably wouldn't be coaching Auburn today. And his replacement could have been a fellow by the name of Eddie Sutton. Just thought you Kentucky folks might want to think about that one for a while.

Sonny, a few Kentucky fans might come up and shake your hand during your stay in Lexington. Just thought you might want to know why.

Back to the predictions. There won't be an eighth different champion in eight years. Mind you, Florida will give it the ole college try, but the Gators just won't have enough firepower.

Our crystal ball sees Vanderbilt sending Bob Boyd into retirement and Ole Miss perhaps shipping Don DeVoe north of the Mason-Dixon line, as in Columbus, Ohio.

Thursday, we like Alabama turning back Georgia in perhaps the finest game of the entire tournament. And the second best game could be the other half of the afternoon doubleheader when Florida will slip by LSU in another down to the wire event.

Auburn should romp over Vanderbilt although the Commodores are too smart to get beat badly while Kentucky will have a tougher time against Ole Miss and should prevail by six or eight.

Semi-finals should pit 'Bama against Auburn and Kentucky taking on Florida. Alabama and Auburn have split this season so this one will be bragging rights for the entire summer. Chuck Person has been on a tear lately and while Buck Johnson is a true All-American, Derrick McKey and Terry Coner are no match for Jeff Moore, Chris Moore, Frank Ford and Gerald White. Auburn by six.

Last season, Florida defeated UK two of three times and there was quite a roar from the Gator basketball diehards when the NCAA chose Kentucky for the NCAA tourney instead of the Gators.

Norm Sloan has brought his Gators a long way this season and Florida could beat the Cats on a given night, but Florida has come up empty twice already this year and this one will be three in a row for UK. Kentucky by six.

Championship—Auburn versus Kentucky.

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Finish 17-1 In SEC

'Cats End Season By Beating Tigers, 68-57

Kentucky wrapped up its regular season in grand style with a 68-57 win against visiting LSU before 23,610 Wildcat partisans and a national-televised audience. The victory capped an unbelievable season — 26-3 and 17-1 overall.

"I don't think anyone before the season began, in their wildest dreams, would have thought we would have gone through the regular season with a 26-3 record, and a 17-1 record in conference play," Sutton told the media afterwards. "When you go 17-1 in this great conference, you've not only had to be pretty good but also had some good breaks go your way. We've been very fortunate not having any injuries like some of the other ballclubs have had."

Only UK in 1970 and LSU in 1981 recorded 17-1 slates since the 18-game round robin schedule was organized.

Thursday at 9 p.m. Kentucky, the No. 1 seed in the SEC Tourney, will face the winner of Wednesday's Mississippi-Tennessee contest.

On the other hand, LSU, 21-10, will play Florida Thursday.

Kenny Walker's 17 points led the way, but it was Winston Bennett who greatly contributed to a crucial 15-4 Wildcat run to start the second half. The junior scored eight of his 12 points in the first 2:53.

Clawing back mainly on the strength of Anthony Wilson's downtown jumpers, the Tigers pulled within 54-50 with 8:28 left. Wilson tossed in 15 of his game-high 21 points in the second half.

However, James Blackmon hit two timely jumpers, the second over 6-foot-8 John Williams, to push the lead to eight, 58-50.

After a layin by Bennett, referee Paul Galvin helped the Wildcats increase the margin to 12. He accidentally got in way of a stray ball as Bennett picked it up near mid-court and dished off to Blackmon. It was the second time in the game that an official had kept the ball from going out of bounds. And, both times UK converted.

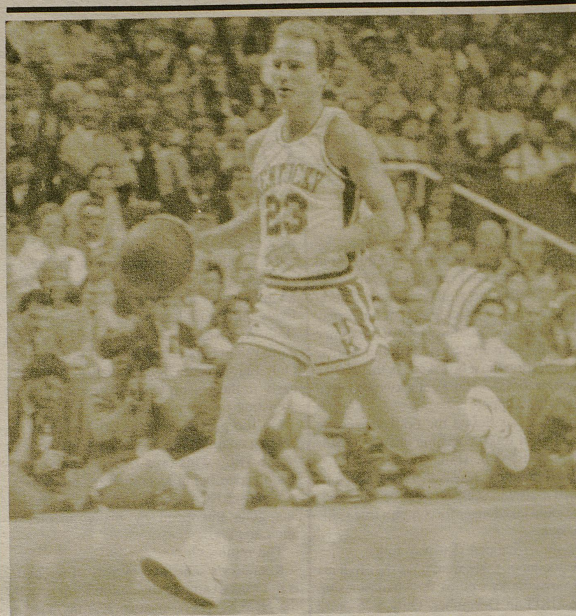
Blackmon in turned smoothly canned an 18-footer. UK led 62-50 with 6:04 remaining.

Despite Turnovers, Poor Rebounding 'Cats Too Powerful

Committing eight turnovers in each half and only grabbing seven rebounds in the final 20 minutes, Kentucky could have been upset.

It wasn't meant to be.

"For some reason it seems like we've been kind of snakebit this year," said Dale Brown as he reflected on the season. "This is another one of the long line of problems we've had. I've got to believe that this will eventually wear out and some breaks will go our way."



Snakebit is right. From the Tito Horford ordeal to Nikita Wilson's academic problems to the chicken pox of two Tiger players, it's been a season of 'what's going to happen next.'

Surely nothing else could happen?

Wanna bet.

Don Redden, who scored 26 points in LSU last outing, was kneed in the hip by Jose Vargas during warmups. Redden did play 16 minutes, but was not effective.

"We played him too long," Brown said. "They scored four transition baskets that probably wouldn't have happened had we not played him. We wanted to take a look at him because we needed him, particularly coming off the 26-point game he had."

"It was just one of the cards dealt to us and you've got to suck it up. Unfortunately it came at a bad time because Don's been playing well."

Still, LSU has more than 20 victories which should qualify Brown's club for the upcoming NCAA tournament.

Brown said for now he would take a "rain check" on the invitation and concentrate on the SEC tournament, which the winner gets an automatic bid.

For a while it looked like LSU might spoil the party thrown for Walker and friends.

Midway through the second half Robert Lock excited the crowd at both ends of the court. He banked one home from close into widen the Wildcat advantage, 50-42. Derrick Taylor then arched a shot which was rejected by the 6-10 reserve. On UK's next series Lock increased the lead to 10 with a six-foot turnaround.

Lock's spurt turned on an already excited crowd. But, Wilson quited things immensely with an 18- and 19-footer followed by a layup. LSU, with 8:51 left, was now back in striking distance, 52-48. Ricky Blanton's follow-up goal, in which the Tigers had four offensive attempts in one series, pulled LSU to within four, 54-50.

Walker's turnaround with 1:45 left ended a 10-5 Wildcat run and all but ended the Tigers' chances.

Kentucky's second-half shooting was the difference. While hitting on a mediocre 44.4 percent in the first half, the home team connected on 17 of 24 for a blistering 70.8 percent. In the second stanza from the field the stats read like this: Bennett, 5 of 6; Blackmon, 4 of 6; Roger Harden 2 of 3; Walker, 2 of 4; Lock, 2 of 2; Ed Davender 1 of 2; and Todd Ziegler, 1 of 1.

Lock seems to be getting himself in 'tournament' condition. Playing more consistent of late, he scored eight points (3 of 3 from the field) and had two blocked shots in 16 minutes of work.

LSU also warmed the nets in the final 20 minutes, connecting on 30.3 percent from the floor. The Tigers burned the twine on 16 of 26 for 61.5 percent.

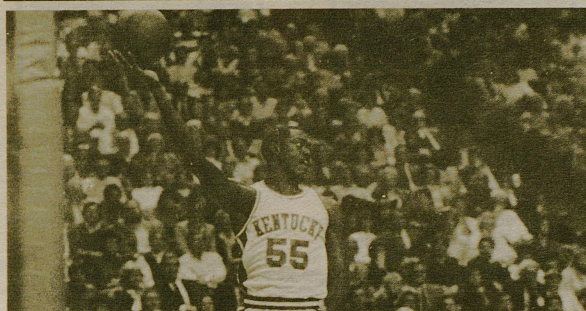
Brown's club dominated the boards (33 to 25), including 18 to 9 on the offensive end.

Walker Goes To War Early

Playing hard at both ends, Walker was a dominant figure in the first half. The senior forward scored 12 points grabbed five rebounds (three defense), rejected three shots, and dished out two assists.

From the 2-3, box-and-one and man-to-man, LSU showed Kentucky a multitude of defenses. It confused the Wildcats early as LSU created many turnovers underneath.

It was a mishandled LSU pass, though, which resulted in a big play for the 'Cats. Harden took the ball and then flicked it behind his back to Blackmon. Blackmon then flipped it to Harden who in turn lobbed the ball near the cylinder for Walker. The 6-8 forward laid it in to complete the 3-on-1 break giving UK a 11-5 lead.



OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE														
Date: March 1, 1986 Site: RUPP ARENA														
VISITORS (Last Name, First)														
No.	LSU	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S	B
33	Ricky Blanton	1	4	7	0	0	8	2	8	35	1	2	0	1
44	Don Redden	1	2	5	0	0	3	0	4	16	2	1	0	1
24	John Williams	3	11	2	2	5	4	8	28	2	4	0	0	0
10	Derick Taylor	9	6	13	0	0	0	3	12	37	6	2	0	3
11	Anthony Wilson	9	9	17	2	6	9	3	21	32	0	2	0	1
20	Neboisha Bukumirovich	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0
30	Bernard Woods	1	3	0	0	2	0	1	1	3	1	0	1	0
31	Ollie Brown	0	1	0	0	2	3	0	0	23	2	3	0	0
43	Jose Vargas	1	2	0	0	2	1	2	0	17	0	3	0	0
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)														
TOTALS														
FG %: 1st Half 10 of 33-30.30 2nd Half 16 of 26-61.54 Game 26 of 59-44.42														
FT %: 1st Half 4 of 7-57.14 2nd Half 1 of 2-50.00 Game 5 of 9-55.56														
HOME														
No.	KENTUCKY	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO	BLK	S	B
25	Winston Bennett	1	5	8	2	4	6	5	12	30	3	2	1	4
34	Kenny Walker	1	7	11	3	3	5	4	17	34	3	3	3	2
30	James Blackmon	8	5	9	3	3	1	2	13	28	3	1	0	1
00	Leroy Byrd	9	9	1	0	0	0	1	0	5	2	1	0	1
23	Roger Harden	9	4	7	0	0	1	0	0	35	5	4	0	0
14	Paul Andrews	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	0
15	Ed Davender	3	7	0	1	4	1	6	6	34	4	2	0	1
30	Irving Thomas	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
32	Todd Ziesler	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
42	Richard Madison	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	1
44	Rob Lock	3	3	2	4	3	1	8	8	16	0	1	2	0
55	Dedric Jenkins	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	7	0	0	1	0
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)														
TOTALS														
FG %: 1st Half 12 of 27-44.44 2nd Half 17 of 24-70.83 Game 29 of 51-56.86														
FT %: 1st Half 6 of 9-66.67 2nd Half 4 of 6-66.67 Game 10 of 15-66.67														
OFFICIALS: Paul Galvan, Don Rutledge and Charles Watkins														
Technical Fouls: None														
Attendance: 23,610														
SCORE BY PERIODS														
1st H. 2nd H. OT OT FINAL														
LSU 24 33 XX XX 57														
KENTUCKY 30 38 XX XX 68														

Later in the half Walker was stripped of the ball underneath and Williams took an alley-oop pass from Derick Taylor. The sophomore sensation slammed it through, which caused a hushed silence in the air.

The basket pulled LSU within 15-11. But, a Bennett offensive board resulting in a Walker field goal helped increase the lead, following a Davender 18-footer.

It was Harden's basket which pushed the lead to 21-13. The all-time single assist leader drilled a jumper from top of the key at the same time Vargas was whistled for pushing Lock. Harden's basket was ruled good and Lock stepped to the line. Lock canned one of two attempts as the lead was now 22-13.

Williams' two free throws late in the half pulled his team within five, 26-21. UK, meanwhile, outscored the Tigers 4-3 in the final 3:10.

Three Tigers — Wilson, Taylor and Williams — each had six points in the first 20 minutes to lead their squad.

The Seniors' Tribute

For UK's three departing seniors — Kenny Walker, Roger Harden and Leroy Byrd — the day's pre-game ceremonies was as special as a win over the arch-rival Tigers. It was only hours before the game that Byrd knew he was going to start. Said the 5-5 guard, "Today at pregame Coach said, 'I'm going to start you.' I said okay!"

After the seniors ran through their personal paper hoop Governor Happy Chandler sang *My Old Kentucky Home* as the three stood at midcourt trying to hold back tears.

"Well, I was doing okay," Walker said. "I felt weak this morning because I knew



I had to go through with it. When I busted through the hoop I was alright. But when it got down to *Old Kentucky Home* I thought I did a great job. When it got down 'Weep No More, My Lady' I saw a little tear right in the corner of my eye. I was still fighting it. After the song was over Roger said, 'Hey guys, thanks for the memories.' The 'memories' did it. . . that's when all the tears came out."

Harden said afterwards, "It's going to be a moment, when ever I'm on my deathbed, it will be one of those times that I'll look back and remember and be grateful for. I think it will probably be relished more as I get older, and to be glad that I was part of the program."

With Walker and Harden on the bench for the last minute, LSU coach Dale Brown came over and congratulated both players. It was a class act by the coach whom Wildcat fans unjustly love to jeer.

"I've never done that before with a senior," Brown said. "Of course, I'm very close to Al Harden (Roger's dad) and I went over to compliment Roger too, but primarily it was for Kenny."

Tiger-Wildcat Tidbits

The win over the Tigers increased UK's series advantage, 55-12. The series dates back to 1933. . . The win gives UK a record-setting pace of 1,402 victories. **North Carolina** is second with 1,370. . . **Roger Harden's** five assists increased his single-season record. He now has 194. . . UK finished out the regular season with a perfect 15-0 slate at **Rupp Arena**. . . **Dale Brown** said in his press conference that this was the first season in 29 years of coaching that he hasn't received a technical foul. . . **Don Redden** lacks only two points of scoring 1,000 career tallies for the Tigers. He was injured in pre-game drills. Redden did, however, play 16 minutes and contribute four points. . . For only the 10th time this season Kentucky was out-rebounded, 33-25. In Baton Rouge earlier this season UK outrebounded LSU, minus **John Williams**, 25-15. Kentucky won that contest, 54-42. . . Before the game it was announced that tickets still remain for **SEC Tournament**, which is being played at **Rupp Arena**. Booklets can be purchased at the ticket office in UK's **Memorial Coliseum**. The price of the booklet is \$60.

Basketball Bug Biting At Fever-Pitch

Chapman's Last High School Game?

Basketball Bug — A disease that for some reason or another develops into a national epidemic during the month of March. Noticable signs are: blood shot eyes, sleeping with the radio, throwing a tantrum when the name Billy Packer is mentioned, loss of control with TV's remote control (huh?), and/or sees brackets with team names everywhere he or she goes.

Tournament fever is here. . . again.

If there was a time to catch basketball fever it's now. With conference tournaments winding down and the NAAs ready to get underway, fans from all across the country are catching the basketball bug.



Nick Nicholas

Cats' Pause Columnist

The disease is more common in the Bluegrass, because basketball is in the blood of almost every Kentuckian, than other states. Plus, with district competition already underway in the prep ranks, the Sweet 16 is not too far away. So, you might say our system can tolerate anything the ole basketball bug can throw at us.

The cures for this annual disease — tickets to the tournament or high school playoffs, a television (preferably cable) or radio — are the only advisable perscriptions to hoop fanatics. Any advised perscriptions are to be taken as much as possible.

If you're one of the lucky fans who owns a satellite dish, it's possible to catch a glimpse of all 63 tournament games. A word of caution, however, don't try to watch all 63 because it will probably drive you out of bounds into the world of basketball nuts.

Is Someone Getting Left Out?

When talking about who's going to win one of the prestigious "Player of the Year" awards, the names Walter Berry (St. John's) and Kenny Walker (Kentucky) are usually mentioned, and rightfully so. There's also Bruce Dalrymple (Georgia Tech), Danning Manning (Kansas), Johnny Dawkins (Duke) and a couple of others who have also this year earned their names to fame.

There's a controversial kid from East Lansing, Mich., though, that should be highly considered. Michigan State's Scott Skiles, who a couple of weeks ago was given a 30-day sentence for violating probation of an '85 misdemeanor drug conviction, has led the Spartans to an impressive 19-6 record (10-5 in Big Ten play).

His stats read like this: 268 of 479 field goals attempted for 56.0 percent, 135 of 149 for 90.6 percent from the charity stripe, 170 assists, 74 turnovers, and has yet to foul out in 25 contests. As of this writing, the senior playmaker is averaging 28.0 ppg. in Big Ten action, 26.8 ppg. overall.

It's been reported that Skiles is to serve his sentence during MSU's spring break and after the completion of the semester. However, the way things have been going, Skiles may be busy playing roundball during spring break. The NCAA tourney runs smack dab into the college vacation.

Remember Skiles and the Spartans. . . you may be seeing a lot of them in the upcoming NCAA Tournament.

Here's a peek at Berry and Walker's statistics (through February 28):

Walter Berry, 6-foot-8, junior forward from Bronx, NY — 269 field goals on 454 attempts (59.3 percent), 145 free throws on 208 attempts (69.7 percent), 333 rebounds (11.1 rpg), 68 blocked shots, 29 assists, and 93 turnovers. St. John's record after 30 games, 26-4.

Kenny Walker, 6-8, senior forward from Roberta, Ga. — 200 field goals on 352 attempts (56.8 percent), 151 free throws on 200 attempts (75.5 percent), 215 rebounds (7.6 rpg), 33 blocked shots, 36 assists, and 36 turnovers.

Okay, Who Had Their Hand In The Ballot Box?

According to reports, Wimp Sanderson has been selected by his SEC peers as "Coach of the Year."

What's going on here?

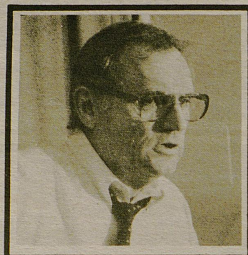
With ease Kentucky's Eddie Sutton, who may be selected the "Coach of the Year" nationally, should be nominated the best in his own conference. Shouldn't he?

Sure.

What's going on here?

Let's set the record straight. Say you're a fan of a team from another conference and you were to judge the SEC's best coach. Looking at the preseason picks, taken from SEC writers and broadcasters, you'll see that Auburn was picked No. 1 with 19 first-place votes, followed by LSU (16), Kentucky (5), Tennessee (2), Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi State, Vanderbilt and Mississippi.

As of February 28th, Kentucky had already clinched the top spot with a 16-1 conference record. Sanderson's Crimson Tide was in a second-place deadlock with Auburn



Coach Of The Year? Coach Of The Year

at 12-5. Consider Sutton's UK track record: 1) Is in his first season at Kentucky; 2) Beat Alabama twice; 3) Won eight of nine conference road games; and 3) As of this writing, is ranked No. 5 in the country.

In Sanderson's behalf, Alabama was at its peak with star Buck Johnson on the bench for four games because of an injury.

However, with Johnson back in the lineup and a 19-game home winning streak on their side, the Crimson Tide lost to Kentucky at Memorial Coliseum. Instead of tying for the league crown this particular night Sanderson fell out of contention to Sutton's crew.

The choice is obvious, don't you think?

SEC coaches who voted for Sanderson will look rather silly if Sutton's picked National Coach of the Year.

Prep Matchup Will Knock Out One 'Big-Time' Contender

While Sutton's Wildcats tip-off Thursday night's finale in the SEC quarterfinals, a battle of two of the state's prep heavyweights will have just concluded.

"I honestly think the winner of this game is the odds-on-favorite to win the state tournament," said Owensboro Apollo coach John Whitmer as his team will face No 2 Owensboro (24-4) Thursday in the first round of district play. "I've seen Pleasure Ridge Park, Pulaski County, Scott County, and all of the teams that are suppose to be in the running. I think it's (the state's best team) right here."

In one poll (AP) Apollo is ranked No. 3 in the state with a 25-3 record.

Since the two teams are paired against each other in the opening round of district play a loss eliminates the Red Devils or Eagles from further post-season action.

As of last Thursday morning (Feb 20) a sign reading "No Tickets Available" was put up at the Sportscenter ticket office. At 7 a.m. the last group of general admission tickets were offered at a first-come, first-serve basis. By 8 a.m. they were all gone.

Of course, the 5,600-plus packed in the Sportscenter and a local television audience will have all eyes glued on 6-5 future UK player, Rex Chapman. He's someone OHS coach Randy Embry has seen plenty of.

"Everybody knows he's capable of having the super night, said Embry, a former Wildcat and a Kentucky Mr. Basketball selection. "We're hoping that we're able to keep him from having that type of night against us."

"I don't know what holding him to a certain number is. We're just hoping that he doesn't have one of the nights where he's capable of scoring 40 or 50 points."

Chapman scored 30 points in Apollo's 64-62 win over the Red Devils early in the season. However, he was held to 19 and 23 tallies as Owensboro won the next two encounters, 75-65 and 67-55.

Apollo since then has reeled off straight 11 victories, including a 68-67 victory over Lexington's best, Henry Clay. More than 10,000 were on hand at UK's Memorial Coliseum when Chapman lit the scoreboard for 37 points.

It's been a hectic season for the young Chapman with crowds coming out in bunches to watch him perform magical hardwood talents.

"He's handled it (pressure) well," said Whitmer. "He's been in a situation where you don't get many guidelines to follow. I don't think anyone's been able to portray for him what it was going to be like. He just had to feel his way along."

"He's almost had adulation placed on him like they do rock stars, people like that."

Owensboro, meanwhile, is one of the quickest teams in the state. . . which is nothing new to anyone who follows prep ball in the Bluegrass. One of the tests Whitmer said his Eagles must pass Thursday night is the full-court pressure defense applied by the Devils.

Whitmer will no doubt rely on the ball-handling abilities of 5-11 senior guard Greg Baughn to try and break the pressure. Headed for Kentucky Wesleyan, Baughn is considered at his best when the heat is on.

The Red Devils feature 6-3 forward David Hogg. He's considered by many recruiting experts the best junior prospect in the Bluegrass.

"David's been more consistent this year," Embry said. "He's averaging more than 15 points per game and we've been pleased with his play."

"He's now playing good, solid ball and has room to improve like all kids do."

Along with Hogg, Embry also looks to senior center (6-5) Avery Taylor for offensive punch. While Chapman is an easy name to remember these days, fans may want to keep in mind the names of Hogg and Taylor when the State Tournament rolls around.

Last season Apollo upset Owensboro 71-69 in the regional finals to keep the Red Devils from their seventh straight trip to the state tourney.

"Our kids were real disappointed last year that they didn't get to go to state," mentioned the Owensboro coach. "I think that's carried over to this year in the way they've played and the way they've looked forward to playing in the tournament."

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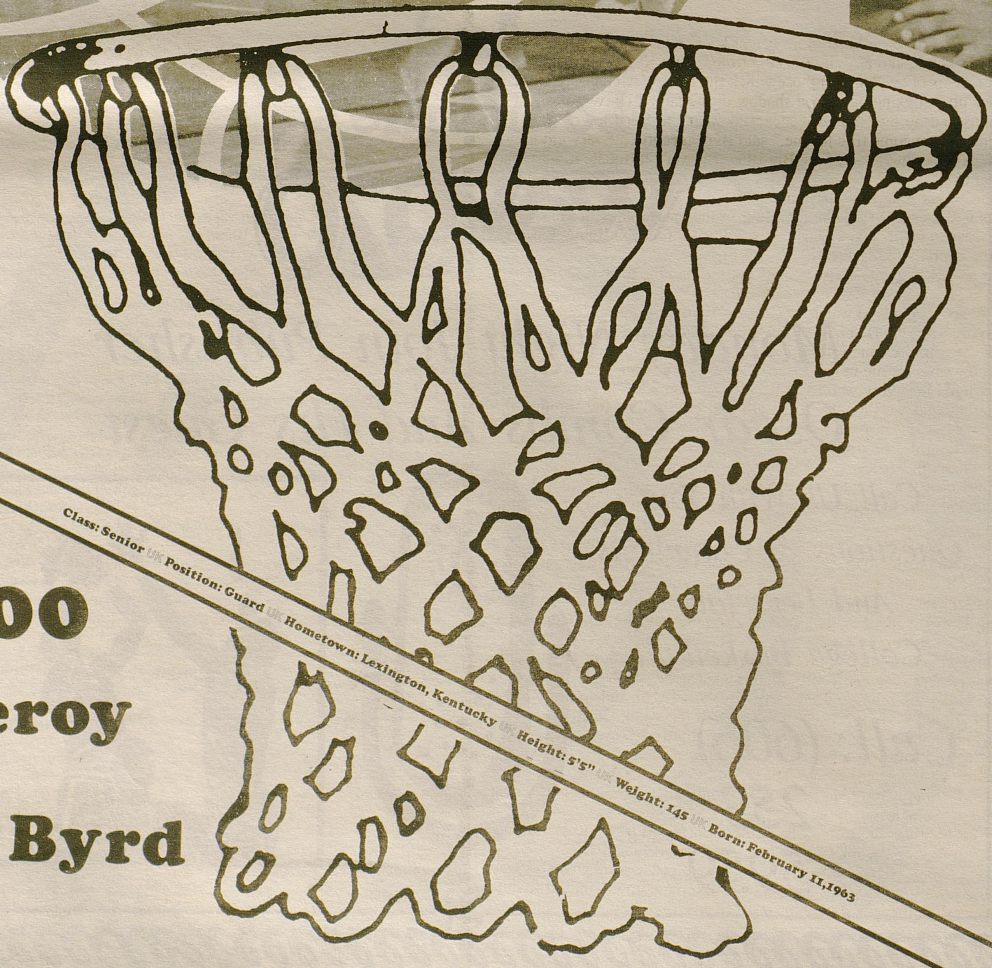
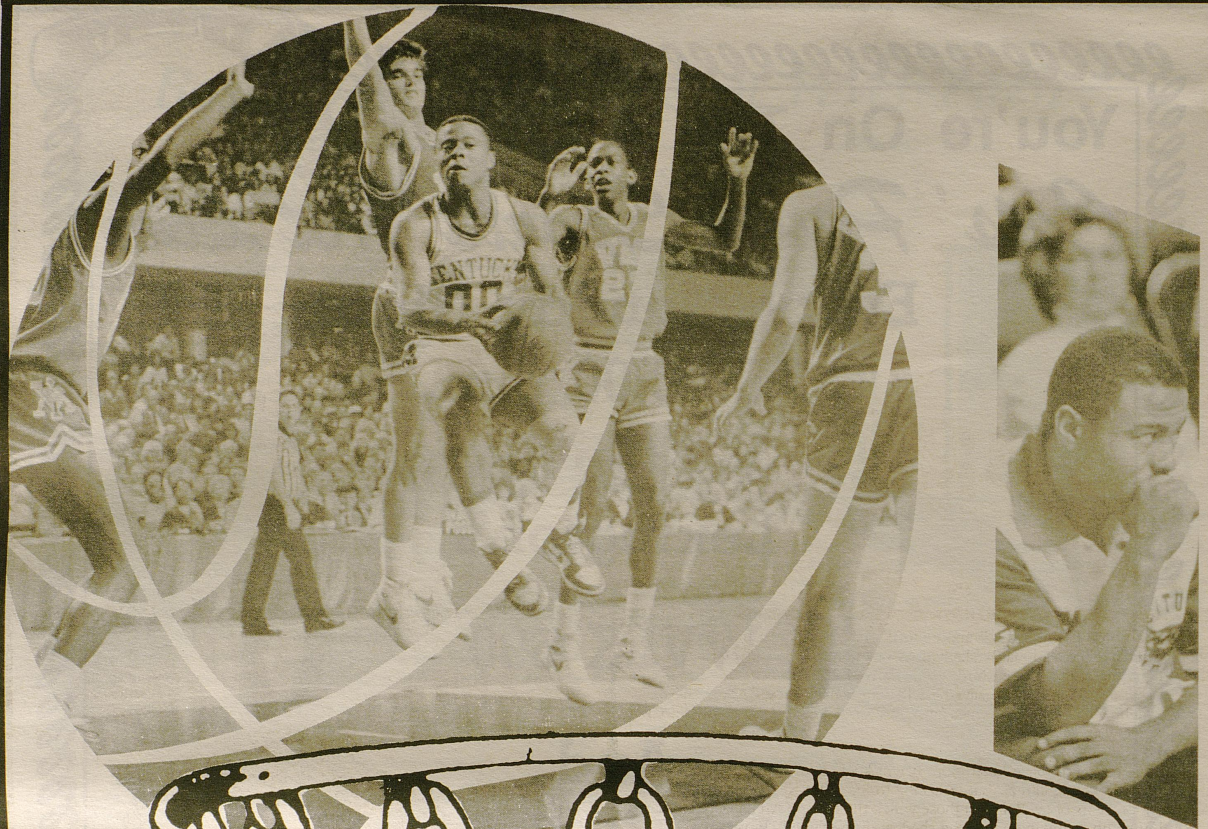
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Leroy
Byrd

Class: Senior Position: Guard Hometown: Lexington, Kentucky Height: 5'5" Weight: 145 Born: February 11, 1963

Baby Magic

Small In Height But Not In Heart, Talent

They call him "Baby Magic" and he thrills the crowds just like the Bird of another name in the National Basketball Association. But to University of Kentucky fans, there is only one bird, as in Leroy Byrd.

The 5-5 senior guard (who says he will remeasure himself at the season's end with a honest-to-good tape measure) closes out a career this month at UK on a very high note.

It wasn't always that way.

Oh, there certainly have been more bright spots than disappointing nights throughout his young career, but returning to his "Old Kentucky Home" has brought more tears of joy than just those which filled Rupp Arena last Saturday.

Byrd grew up in Lexington, in the shadow of the famed University of Kentucky campus and he knew what it meant to wear the Big Blue of UK.

"It's been a dream come true for me," said Byrd recently. "Every kid grows up in Kentucky wanting to wear the Big Blue. I'm very fortunate to have had the opportunity."

His dream was a long time arriving.

Byrd was a starter at Bryan Station High in the early 1980s on one of the state's strongest teams in years. During his senior year, coach Bobby Barlow's club was the overwhelming favorite to win the title.

Byrd was a starter among stars, rated no better than the third best player on his club.

Recruiting scouts came to watch people like William Connors, not a 5-3 or so Leroy Byrd. After the Defenders were upset in the second round of the state tourney, life was pretty lonely for Byrd.

"It was a big time for me in one respect," said Byrd. "But we had just been upset and I didn't play very well to be honest about it. We won our first game by thirty points and we thought we would just breeze our way through the tourney."

But a nice thing did happen to Leroy.

All season long, the college coaches came to watch the Defenders play. When they left, they all complimented Byrd on being an exciting, little player. The "little" quickly confirmed Leroy's fears. Little meant too small to play big-time ball.

That's the way most everyone viewed him except the UNLV staff which sent an assistant to watch him in the state tournament. The following day Leroy was told that UNLV wanted to sign him to a scholarship.

"The assistant saw me play and fell in love with me," said Byrd, "and I fell in love with UNLV when I visited there. Tulsa later called and wanted me to visit, but I told them, no thanks."

Life in the fast lane went okay for a year, but a nagging injury at the begin of his sophomore season and a little homesickness began to take its toll.

"I played about ten minutes a game my freshman year and felt like I was really contributing," said Byrd, "but I got injured the second year, never won my position back and me and coach Tark didn't exactly see eye to eye. That's when I decided to transfer to Wabash Community College."

Even that didn't last long because he wanted to get closer home. Before the fall semester, Byrd transferred to Somerset Community College, a place which launched his drive to wind up at UK.

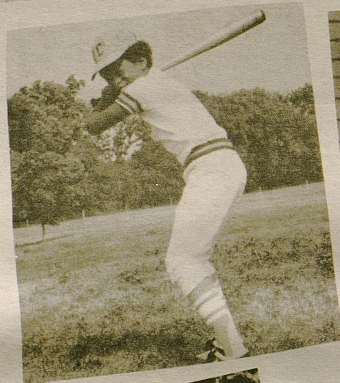
"When I got to Somerset, everybody in the country was trying to recruit me. I got letters from Hawaii, the OVC schools and others," said Leroy.

That's when Kentucky came calling, looking for a possible point guard back-up to Dicky Beal and Roger Harden. Harden was running number one at the time because Beal was injured. If Harden went down with an injury, UK would have had no one.

Again, Byrd was being sought, but only as a back-up.

"When UK recruited me, I knew I was an insurance policy," recalled Leroy, "but things have changed, especially this year and I've really enjoyed it."





Leroy With Sister



What happened to Leroy was that Beal recovered late in the season, recaptured his No. 1 spot and for the next two years, life for Leroy Byrd was a series of games on the pine.

Three years later, there is a different Byrd with a different attitude.

Where does the future lead now?

"To Dallas I hope," Byrd said with a smile. "I believe we can go all the way to Dallas because we're playing very hard right now. Coach Sutton is not going to let us sell ourselves short."

For Byrd, Sutton's arrival has been a new lease on life. He's gathered a great deal of playing time this season and has been used in several key games.

"It really feels good to be called on in those kind of situations," said Byrd. "I've always worked real hard to get my game going. This year it has paid off numerous times."

Byrd still hasn't enjoyed that big night of 20 points, but he has contributed with some fancy floor work, exciting the Rupp Arena crowds with his dazzling speed and passes.

But don't tell Leroy there is no room for the small player.

"More and more, small players are proving they can play the game if given the opportunity," said Byrd. "I think I've proved it here."

Byrd, who started playing basketball while in the fifth grade with the junior pro group, started every year in high school, but realized his full dream only this year and is living on cloud nine as the SEC Tournament plays its act this week in Lexington.

"It's a special feeling to get to come back and play in Rupp Arena in front of our fans," said Byrd. "Everyone would like to play in front of their fans. It should be a great week of basketball."

Much of Byrd's oncourt success goes to Lexingtonian Melvin Cunningham who helped Byrd land his first scholarship at UNLV.

"Mr. Cunningham means a great deal to me because he helped me get a school like he did with Melvin Turpin," explained Byrd. "He's really helped a lot of kids around Lexington."

Another person who comes in for praise is his high school coach, Bobby Barlow.

"We had some problems at Bryan Station when I was in high school that people on the outside didn't know about," said Byrd. "Maybe that's why we didn't win the state tourney, but I listened to Coach Barlow and I've followed in his footsteps. I'm a better person for it."

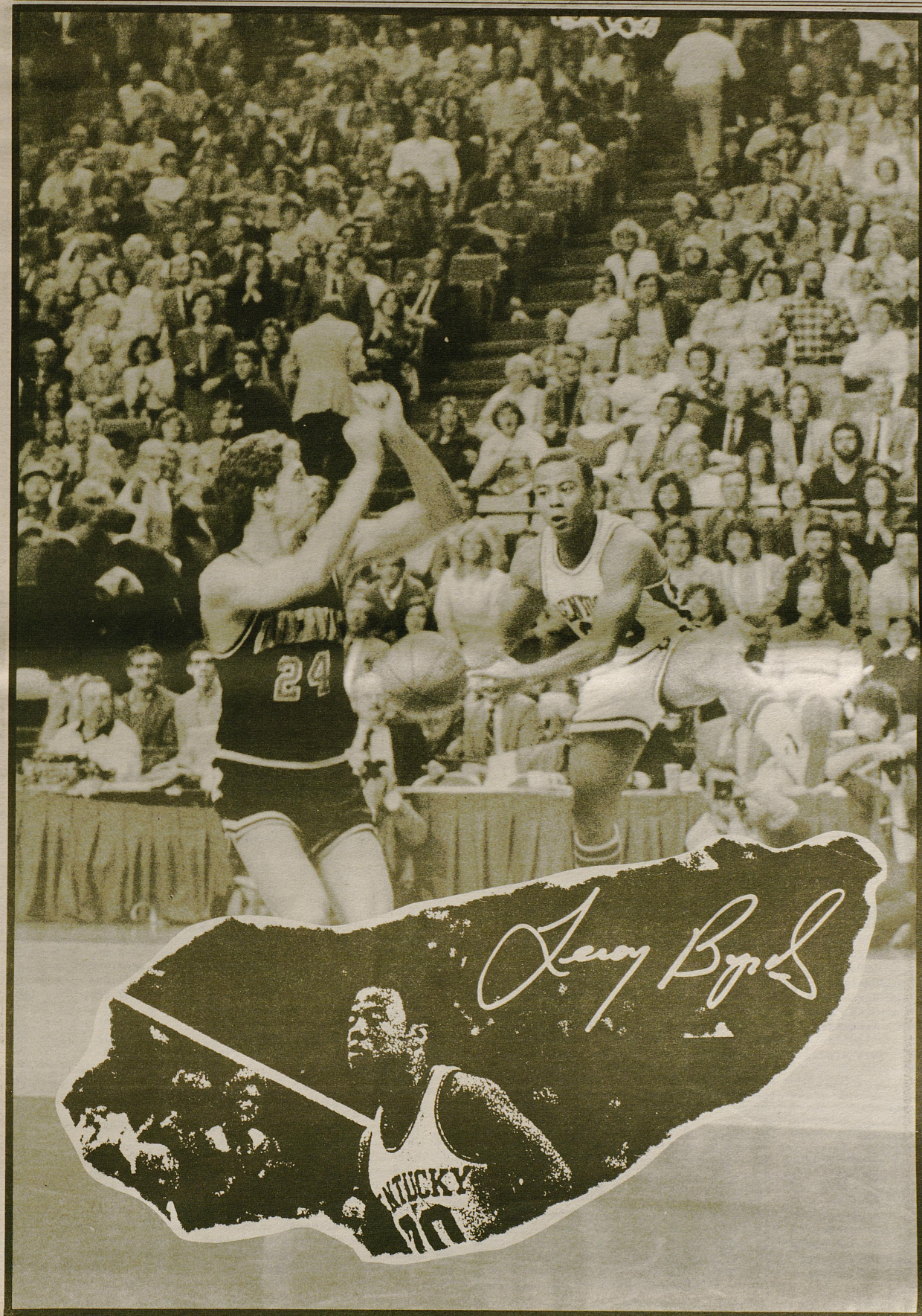
Leroy says there have been some great moments and sad ones since arriving at UK.

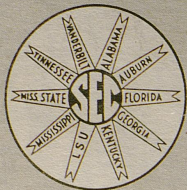
His greatest thrill was being a part of the NCAA Final Four team in 1984. "It was such a great feeling. You just don't realize how many players work so hard to get there, but never make it. I'll never forget that team as long as I live," added Byrd.

His saddest days were his first two years at UK when he didn't get to play that much. "I wanted to play so badly and I was really working hard, but it just didn't happen."

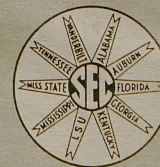
Now, it's onward and upward for Leroy.

"It's the time when one must move on," said Byrd, "but right now all I've got on my mind is going to Dallas and getting my degree from UK. That would make everything so wonderful."





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SEC Basketball Stats through games of March 2

RECORDS

School	SEC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
Kentucky	17-1	.944	26-3	.847
Auburn	13-5	.722	19-9	.679
Alabama	13-5	.722	20-7	.741
Florida	10-8	.556	16-11	.593
LSU	9-9	.500	21-10	.677
Georgia	9-9	.500	16-11	.593
Vanderbilt	7-11	.389	13-14	.481
Tennessee	5-13	.278	12-15	.444
Ole Miss	4-14	.222	11-16	.407
Miss. State	3-15	.167	6-21	.222

SCORING

School	Gms	Pts	Avg.
Georgia	27	2117	78.4
LSU	31	2364	76.3
Alabama	27	2048	75.9
Kentucky	29	2156	74.3
Auburn	28	2016	72.0
Florida	27	1918	71.0
Vanderbilt	27	1894	70.1
Tennessee	27	1827	67.7
Ole Miss	27	1794	66.4
Miss. State	27	1626	60.2

SCORING DEFENSE

School	Gms	Pts	Avg.
Kentucky	29	1764	60.8
Auburn	28	1854	66.2
Florida	27	1798	66.6
Miss. State	27	1804	66.8
Alabama	27	1824	67.6
Tennessee	27	1836	68.0
Ole Miss	27	1841	68.2
LSU	31	2175	70.2
Georgia	27	1928	71.4
Vanderbilt	27	1968	72.9

REBOUNDS

School	Gms	RBs	Avg.
Auburn	28	979	35.0
Alabama	27	932	34.5
LSU	31	1048	33.8
Georgia	27	906	33.6
Vanderbilt	27	897	33.2
Florida	27	877	32.5
Kentucky	29	938	32.3
Ole Miss	27	861	31.9
Tennessee	27	801	29.7
Miss. State	27	792	29.3

FIELD GOALS

School	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Alabama	819	1523	53.8
Georgia	875	1659	52.7
Kentucky	837	1621	51.6
LSU	965	1883	51.2
Auburn	823	1630	50.5
Tennessee	743	1509	49.3
Vanderbilt	753	1550	48.6
Florida	785	1622	48.4
Ole Miss	739	1543	47.9
Miss. State	675	1441	46.8

FREE THROWS

School	FTM	FTA	Pct.
Alabama	409	537	76.2
LSU	434	577	75.2
Auburn	370	494	74.9
Tennessee	341	467	73.0
Kentucky	482	662	72.8
Georgia	367	506	72.5
Vanderbilt	388	548	70.8
Florida	348	497	70.0
Miss. State	276	406	68.0
Ole Miss	316	500	63.2

OPPONENTS' REBOUNDS

School	Gms	RBs	Avg.
Kentucky	29	829	29.6
Alabama	27	812	30.1
Miss. State	27	819	30.3
Tennessee	27	843	31.2
Auburn	28	875	31.3
Georgia	27	853	31.6
LSU	31	979	31.6
Vanderbilt	27	871	32.3
Ole Miss	27	906	33.6
Florida	27	921	34.1

OPPONENTS' FIELD GOALS

School	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Alabama	744	1619	46.0
Kentucky	713	1530	46.6
Auburn	803	1705	47.1
LSU	898	1835	48.9
Florida	734	1493	49.2
Ole Miss	737	1485	49.6
Georgia	803	1615	49.7
Vanderbilt	779	1542	50.5
Miss. State	734	1422	51.6
Tennessee	754	1461	51.6

OPPONENTS' FREE THROWS

School	FTM	FTA	Pct.
Tennessee	328	484	67.8
Florida	330	482	68.5
Kentucky	338	480	70.4
Auburn	248	352	70.5
Miss. State	336	469	71.6
LSU	377	526	71.7
Georgia	322	448	71.9
Alabama	336	466	72.1
Ole Miss	367	499	73.5
Vanderbilt	410	556	74.7

REBOUND MARGIN

School	Avg.
Alabama	4.4
Kentucky	3.7
Auburn	3.7
LSU	2.2
Georgia	2.0
Vanderbilt	0.9
Miss. State	-1.0
Tennessee	-1.5
Florida	-1.5
Ole Miss	-1.7

SCORING MARGIN

School	Avg.
Kentucky	13.5
Alabama	8.3
Georgia	7.0
LSU	6.1
Auburn	5.8
Florida	4.4
Tennessee	-0.3
Ole Miss	-1.8
Vanderbilt	-2.8
Miss. State	-6.6

FG% DIFFERENTIAL

School	Avg.
Alabama	7.8
Kentucky	5.0
Auburn	3.4
Georgia	3.0
LSU	2.3
Florida	-0.8
Ole Miss	-1.7
Vanderbilt	-1.9
Tennessee	-2.3
Miss. State	-4.8

STEALS

Team	Gms	No.	Avg.
LSU	31	257	8.3
Kentucky	29	235	8.0
Georgia	27	204	7.6
Ole Miss	27	202	7.5
Florida	27	185	6.9
Alabama	27	185	6.9
Tennessee	27	182	6.7
Auburn	28	185	6.6
Miss. State	27	175	6.5
Vanderbilt	25	136	5.4

BLOCKS

Team	Gms	No.	Avg.
Alabama	27	117	4.3
Auburn	28	93	3.3
Tennessee	27	88	3.2
Florida	27	74	2.7
Ole Miss	27	71	2.6
Georgia	27	62	2.3
Kentucky	29	74	2.3
LSU	31	66	2.1
Miss. State	27	48	1.8
Vanderbilt	27	42	1.5

TURNOVER MARGIN

Team	Caused	Tos	Ratio
Florida	14.8	10.6	4.2
Kentucky	16.2	12.6	3.6
Tennessee	16.4	14.5	1.9
Ole Miss	15.0	13.2	1.8
Georgia	15.4	14.0	1.4
LSU	16.6	15.4	1.2
Alabama	12.7	12.9	-0.2
Vanderbilt	14.3	14.6	-0.3
Auburn	12.0	13.3	-1.3
Miss. State	13.6	15.2	-1.6

Basketball For Adolph Was Always First

None Tougher Than Coach Rupp

I see that some 14 years after he gave up coaching at Kentucky, the late Adolph Rupp is getting another award for his contribution to basketball.

When I think of the "Old Man" as we used to call him, I seldom reflect on his teams, his record or his contributions.

I remember, instead, the day in 1970 when he granted me an interview and I decided to nail him to the wall. No pussy cat questions! Come at him head on! Look out, Adolph!



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

Well friend, he ate me up and spit me out! I mean every time I thought I had him in the corner, he sidestepped and I ran my head into the wall. I've interviewed all kinds, but none who were any better than Adolph Rupp at defending a position and making me look like I didn't have the slightest idea of what I was talking about.

Remembering Interview With Der Baron

Damn, he was an opinionated old man! I wonder if today's players know how inflexible some of the coaches of that era were. His thoughts were etched in stone as this exchange will show:

Question (by me): You have publicly criticized this year's team, which is a little bit unusual, but you were quoted as saying that if you had five transfers you'd play them instead of this bunch. You've been saying that some of these kids couldn't make the traveling squad of previous teams. What's the purpose of this technique in firing up these boys?

Answer (By Rupp): "We've got a different breed of boys now than we had years ago. Years ago we had boys that didn't have scholarships or anything like that. They wanted to play just for the pride of playing. You don't have that anymore. These boys now, they're looking for an angle.

"The first thing a boy now does when he comes to University, your university, our university, or any other university, the first thing he wants is 'what can you do for me'. Well, all you can do is give him a scholarship. That's the first thing.

"Then the next thing he wants is a car. 'Gotta have a car!' Well, by George, when I went to the University of Kansas I don't know of a single boy that had a car. There wasn't such a thing as a car. But everybody's got to have a car.

"Yup, Yup Gotta Get Married"

Then the next thing they want to do after they've been here about six months is get married. Yup, Yup, gotta get married and, oh well, my wife is going to go to work and she's going to help and all that stuff. That's strictly no good! That puts the wife ahead of me, then a family comes and that's ahead of me, then they've got to make a living and that's ahead of me, then basketball comes fourth or fifth down the category. That's no good!

Why in the old days basketball was played for the pride of playing. You've just got a different bunch of boys. I've criticized these boys because I've said the truth.

I've received hundreds of letters and hundreds of telephone calls all praising me saying 'you've got the guts to tell the truth' and I tell the truth. As one university professor told me, he said people don't want to hear the truth. When you go to a politician, you've almost got to lie to get in his office these days.

You don't want to hear the truth from your preacher! You don't want to hear the truth from your teacher. Oh, when little Agnes or little Peter go to school and they get in everyone's hair around there and you go to school, you want the teacher to sit back and say, 'oh, they are perfect jewels, little angels'. You don't want the truth. You know, he set me to thinking. He said, 'you at least have the guts to tell the truth!'

I've always been fascinated by Rupp's use of the word 'me' rather than 'The University' or 'the basketball program'. As he said, "That puts the wife ahead of me, the family comes and that's ahead of me and then they've got to make a living and that's ahead of me".

Rupp Put His Program First

There's no doubt that Adolph Rupp thought his program was worlds apart from the University which it represented. The interview went on for 12 minutes and never was there any reference to anything that gave a slightest impression that basketball in Kentucky was second to anything else.

But you know, I went away with more respect for that man than anyone I've ever interviewed. What strength. How decisive. Absolutely without doubt.

And, oh yes, that bad team of his, the 1970 group that could be replaced by five transfers! They merely finished 26-2 that season, 17-1 in the Conference. At the end of the year they were voted number one in the country but were knocked out in the



Rupp At Tad Smith Coliseum

second round of NCAA Tournament by Jacksonville. Rupp was named Coach of the Year. His fellow coaches didn't put anyone ahead of him!

Not For Broadcast

Of the 12 names which apparently are appearing most frequently on the NFL's top wanted list as the 1986 draft is readied, four are from the SEC. They are **Neal Anderson**, running back from Florida; **Jon Hand**, defensive lineman from Alabama; **Garry James**, running back from LSU; and **Bo Jackson**, the Heisman Trophy winner out of Auburn. It's interesting to note that **Dalton Hilliard** got most of the ink and most of the carries, but **Garry James** rates higher with the pros. By the way, when the NFL held a workout in New Orleans, of the approximately 325 top players eligible for this year's draft, the most notable absent player was Bo Jackson. He declined the NFL's invitation to attend.....**Pete Maravich** has agreed to play 25 games with Meadow Lark Lemon's Shooting Stars. That's a Harlem Globetrotters type team. Pete can still fire that rock as he proved in the Old Timers Game prior to the NBA All-Star affair. The Pistol led all oldtimers with 15.....When **Bear Bryant** was recently elected to the College Football Hall Of Fame he received more votes than any candidate, ever.....In the first 75 percent of the season there have been 15 games in which an individual player has scored 30 points or more. **Tony White** of Tennessee leads the way with five such performances. In fact, White has the season's high with 34 points and he's done that three times. **Eric Smith** of Ole Miss, **Kenny Walker** of Kentucky and **Chuck Person** from Auburn have each hit the 30 point or higher bell twice this year.....The last word: At the NFL workout for draft eligible football players, the league hired a podiatrist to examine every player's feet and then videotaped the players walking toward and away from the camera. The foot doctor then announced he could tell the next Walter Payton by the way the player walked. "If that's true," said **Art Rooney** of Pittsburgh, "I think it's time to find a more romantic line of work. The next scouts hired will be shoe salesmen".

University Of Kentucky Individual Player Statistics

Paul Andrews

PAUL ANDREWS	MIN	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REB	PF	A	TO	BS	S	PTS
N'WESTERN ST.	6	1-3	2-2	2	0	0	0	0	1	4
Chaminade	7	0-2	0-0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Hawaii	9	2-5	0-0	4	2	0	0	0	0	4
CINCINNATI	8	1-1	2-2	0	1	1	0	0	1	4
INDIANA	DNP									
Kansas	5	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
EAST CAROLINA	11	0-0	2-2	0	3	3	0	0	0	2
PEPPERDINE	9	1-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
LOUISVILLE	DNP									
VMI	16	3-6	0-0	2	1	3	1	0	0	6
Vanderbilt	DNP									
Auburn	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OLE MISS	8	1-4	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
ALABAMA	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Miss. State	DNP									
Florida	7	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
GEORGIA	7	1-1	0-0	0	1	0	3	0	0	2
TENNESSEE	3	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
LSU	4	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
AUBURN	DNP									
N.C. State	DNP									
VANDERBILT	DNP									
Ole Miss	DNP									
Alabama	12	3-4	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0	6
MISS. STATE	7	1-1	0-0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2
FLORIDA	8	1-2	0-0	1	3	1	0	0	0	2
Georgia	DNP									
Tennessee	6	0-0	0-0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
LSU	4	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0

James Blackman

JAMES BLACKMAN	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
Miss. State	26	3-6	0-0	0	2	3	0	0	1	6
Florida	38	2-7	0-0	6	1	5	2	0	1	4
GEORGIA	31	5-9	2-2	3	5	2	0	0	1	12
TENNESSEE	30	0-2	0-2	1	3	2	3	0	1	0
LSU	23	1-3	0-0	1	1	0	1	0	2	2
AUBURN	20	1-4	0-0	3	3	2	2	0	1	2
N.C. State	33	5-8	0-0	6	4	2	0	0	0	10
VANDERBILT	37	9-14	4-7	4	3	2	2	0	2	22
Ole Miss	25	1-4	0-0	3	2	1	0	0	1	2
Alabama	38	11-16	0-0	7	3	3	0	0	0	22
MISS. STATE	25	4-9	0-0	1	2	6	1	0	2	8
FLORIDA	33	5-9	0-1	6	4	2	1	1	0	10
Georgia	34	8-13	0-0	4	2	3	3	0	3	16
Tennessee	33	2-7	4-7	5	1	3	4	0	4	8
LSU	28	5-9	3-3	1	2	3	1	0	1	13

Leroy Byrd

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
Miss. State	DNP									
Florida	5	2-2	2-2	1	0	1	1	0	0	6
GEORGIA	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TENNESSEE	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
LSU	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
AUBURN	DNP									
N.C. State	DNP									
VANDERBILT	3	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ole Miss	DNP									
Alabama	DNP									
MISS. STATE	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
FLORIDA	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Georgia	DNP									
Tennessee	DNP									
LSU	5	0-1	0-0	0	1	2	1	0	1	0

Ed Davender

ED DAVENDER	MIN	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REB	PF	A	TO	BS	S	PTS
N'WESTERN	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
Miss. State	40	7-14	1-2	5	3	5	2	0	3	15
Florida	33	5-10	2-3	2	4	1	4	0	0	12
GEORGIA	34	4-8	7-11	2	3	5	6	0	3	15
TENNESSEE	26	5-12	2-2	1	4	1	2	0	4	12
LSU	30	6-11	0-0	3	3	2	1	0	0	12
AUBURN	34	6-14	2-3	2	2	1	2	0	2	14
N.C. State	36	5-14	6-6	7	3	3	2	0	1	16
VANDERBILT	36	4-11	0-0	2	4	5	1	0	0	8
Ole Miss	33	5-12	2-3	2	3	4	2	0	1	12
Alabama	29	3-8	1-2	2	2	2	2	0	0	7
MISS. STATE	30	4-6	2-2	1	1	6	1	0	2	10
FLORIDA	37	6-11	5-5	1	4	3	3	0	0	17
Georgia	32	2-6	4-5	1	1	5	1	0	2	8
Tennessee	39	2-7	6-6	5	3	5	2	2	1	10
LSU	34	3-7	0-1	4	1	4	2	0	1	6

Winston Bennett

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
Miss. State	32	3-4	3-6	8	4	0	2	1	0	9
Florida	30	6-11	4-5	11	5	1	2	1	0	16
GEORGIA	25	6-14	2-2	5	4	1	5	0	2	14
TENNESSEE	40	6-11	14-16	6	3	2	2	0	2	26
LSU	37	8-11	1-2	7	3	1	7	0	1	17
AUBURN	29	7-15	5-6	10	4	4	2	0	1	19
N.C. State	37	5-18	2-2	6	3	1	2	0	2	12
VANDERBILT	32	6-9	4-6	4	5	3	2	1	2	16
Ole Miss	38	3-5	2-3	8	4	2	3	0	2	8
Alabama	21	2-4	6-7	5	5	0	3	0	4	10
MISS. STATE	31	10-12	1-1	7	3	0	1	1	1	21
FLORIDA	31	4-11	2-4	6	3	4	3	1	0	10
Georgia	40	7-14	6-8	7	3	4	3	1	0	20
Tennessee	29	2-8	1-2	4	4	0	0	0	1	29
LSU	30	5-8	2-4	6	5	3	2	1	4	12

Roger Harden

ROGER HARDEN	M	N	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	25	2	-4	0-0	2	1	3	4	0	0	4
OLE MISS	23	2	-6	0-0	0	2	2	1	0	4	4
ALABAMA	33	1	-4	0-0	0	0	9	0	0	2	2
Miss. State	30	3	-6	4-4	1	4	6	2	0	2	10
Florida	30	3	-5	2-3	3	4	8	4	0	0	8
GEORGIA	33	1	-3	4-4	3	2	6	2	0	0	6
TENNESSEE	26	2	-3	0-0	5	3	8	4	0	1	4
LSU	35	5	-7	0-0	3	0	10	5	0	0	10
AUBURN	39	7	-11	0-0	2	1	9	2	0	3	14
N.C. State	36	1	-6	0-0	2	2	8	2	0	1	2
VANDERBILT	35	3	-6	2-2	0	1	6	0	0	0	8
Ole Miss	32	5	-11	2-2	0	4	6	2	0	1	12
Alabama	33	4	-7	2-2	3	1	8	0	0	1	10
MISS STATE	33	6	-7	0-0	1	3	10	3	0	1	12
FLORIDA	35	4	-5	0-0	2	4	6	4	0	6	6
Georgia	35	3	-5	0-0	2	2	6	4	0	4	0
Tennessee	32	0	-1	1-2	2	2	4	3	0	1	1
LSU	36	4	-7	0-0	2	1	5	4	0	0	8

University Of Kentucky Individual Player Statistics

Cedric Jenkins

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	4	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
Miss. State	6	0- 0	0- 0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	4	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GEORGIA	10	2- 2	1- 2	2	0	0	0	0	1	5
TENNESSEE	4	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LSU	3	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
AUBURN	24	3- 4	2- 3	7	4	2	0	0	1	8
N.C. State	13	0- 1	1- 2	2	2	0	1	0	0	1
VANDERBILT	15	0- 4	2- 3	5	1	0	0	0	1	2
Ole Miss	15	0- 1	0- 0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Alabama	13	1- 4	0- 1	2	5	0	0	1	0	2
MISS. STATE	10	1- 2	0- 1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
FLORIDA	2	0- 0	0- 0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	5	1- 1	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Tennessee	8	3- 4	0- 0	2	3	0	0	0	0	6
LSU	7	0- 1	0- 0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0

Robert Lock

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	0
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
Miss. State	DNP									
Florida	1	0- 0	0- 0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
GEORGIA	2	1- 1	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
TENNESSEE	1	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LSU	DNP									
AUBURN	DNP									
N.C. State	DNP									
VANDERBILT	3	0- 0	1- 2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
Ole Miss	DNP									
Alabama	4	0- 2	0- 0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0
MISS. STATE	10	3- 3	3- 4	1	2	1	0	0	1	9
FLORIDA	14	3- 4	2- 3	5	0	0	0	1	0	8
Georgia	3	0- 1	0- 0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	1	0- 0	0- 0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
LSU	16	3- 3	2- 4	3	1	0	1	2	0	8

Richard Madison

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
Miss. State	27	4- 7	1- 2	3	2	0	4	0	1	9
Florida	13	0- 2	0- 0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
GEORGIA	17	2- 5	3- 6	5	1	2	3	0	1	7
TENNESSEE	27	4- 7	5- 7	7	1	0	1	0	1	13
LSU	26	0- 2	1- 2	0	1	1	2	0	0	1
AUBURN	14	0- 1	0- 0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
N.C. State	5	0- 0	0- 0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
VANDERBILT	2	0- 1	0- 1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ole Miss	20	5- 6	3- 5	2	2	3	1	2	1	13
Alabama	10	0- 1	0- 0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
MISS. STATE	11	1- 1	0- 0	1	0	1	0	1	0	2
FLORIDA	11									
Georgia	13	2- 2	2- 4	4	2	1	1	1	0	6
Tennessee	12	0- 0	0- 0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
LSU	5	1- 2	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2

Irving Thomas

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
Miss. State	DNP									
Florida	1	0- 0	1- 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
GEORGIA	3	0- 0	0- 0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
TENNESSEE	1	1- 1	0- 0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
LSU	DNP									
AUBURN	DNP									
N.C. State	DNP									
VANDERBILT	DNP									
Ole Miss	DNP									
Alabama	DNP									
MISS. STATE	3	1- 1	0- 0	1	1	1	1	0	0	2
FLORIDA	1	1- 1	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Georgia	DNP									
Tennessee	DNP									
LSU	1	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0

Kenny Walker

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
Miss. State	39	6-12	3- 4	6	2	1	3	0	3	15
Florida	37	11-17	3- 6	10	2	3	1	4	1	25
GEORGIA	36	4-14	3- 5	10	3	1	0	2	0	11
TENNESSEE	39	5-11	7-10	6	2	2	0	2	2	17
LSU	40	6-10	0- 1	8	1	1	5	2	1	12
AUBURN	40	10-17	4- 5	8	3	2	0	1	2	24
N.C. State	40	3-11	4- 7	8	4	0	2	1	0	10
VANDERBILT	37	2- 6	12-16	12	5	2	2	1	2	16
Ole Miss	37	6-15	3- 6	13	4	1	1	1	2	15
Alabama	40	4- 8	8-11	4	4	2	3	1	2	16
MISS. STATE	34	8-12	4- 5	6	3	0	1	1	1	20
FLORIDA	37	8-12	7- 7	10	0	5	0	4	1	23
Georgia	38	10-13	2- 2	9	0	1	0	1	1	22
Tennessee	40	10-15	12-13	9	3	0	2	1	0	32
LSU	34	7-11	3- 3	5	4	3	3	3	2	17

Todd Ziegler

TODD ZIEGLER	MIN	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	REB	PF	A	TO	BS	S	PTS
N'WESTERN ST.	3	0- 0	0- 0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Chaminade	6	1- 1	0- 0	2	2	1	0	0	0	2
Hawaii	5	1- 3	2- 2	3	0	0	0	1	0	4
CINCINNATI	8	2- 3	2- 2	3	2	0	1	0	1	6
INDIANA	DNP									
Kansas	4	0- 0	0- 0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
EAST CAROLINA	11	3- 4	0- 1	2	2	0	1	0	0	6
PEPPERDINE	6	1- 2	1- 3	1	0	1	0	0	0	3
LOUISVILLE	DNP									
VMI	10	4- 8	0- 0	2	1	1	0	0	0	8
Vanderbilt	DNP									
Auburn	DNP									
OLE MISS	3	0- 1	0- 0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
ALABAMA	1	0- 0	1- 2	1	1	0	2	0	0	1
Miss. State	DNP									
Florida	1	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GEORGIA	DNP									
TENNESSEE	1	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
LSU	DNP									
AUBURN	DNP									
N.C. State	DNP									
VANDERBILT	DNP									
Ole Miss	DNP									
Alabama	DNP									
MISS. STATE	2	0- 0	0- 0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
FLORIDA	DNP									
Georgia	DNP									
Tennessee	DNP									
LSU	1	1- 1	0- 0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2

Right Chemistry Means More Wins In NCAAs

League Tourneys Add Smiles To Less Fortunate

Tournament time has arrived. Team chemistry is what will help the best teams to rise to the top.

The months of March and April are the time to pull it all together. The better teams will be the ones with experienced players and players who contribute. The balance of experience, contribution and bench strength will determine the effectiveness of the team in tournament play.

Good Bench Play is Vital

Even with today's talented players, there is no way to win with five good starters and a suspect bench. Case in point, the St. John's Redmen. A super ball club, they're having a banner year. However, if someone gets hurt or into foul trouble, things get shaky.

Fatigue will also be a factor for the Redmen down the stretch of the rugged Big East Conference tournament. However, the Redmen will be tough to beat.



Dicky Beal
Cats' Pause Columnist

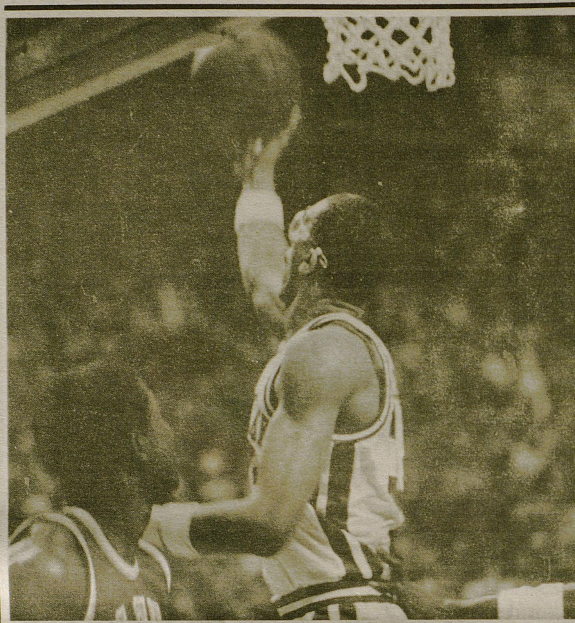
As these teams prepare, they work toward perfecting their game. As the year has progressed, most teams' defensive skills may be better than the offensive. Most coaches will practice the tough "D", but won't spend as much time on defense. Scoring, of course, is the key to making things happen. By now, most teams realize what their strengths and weaknesses are offensively.

The Wildcats main man is Kenny Walker. Other teams realize Kenny's explosiveness. In answer to that, the opposition will place two or three men around Kenny.

Coach Sutton knows that that cover on Kenny will be unusually heavy, therefore, his teammates have been called on to pick up the slack. When the opponents triple team Walker, he finds the open man for the easy layup or jump shot.



Lou Carnesecca's Redmen Are Super



Kenny Walker

As the season has progressed, each player should now feel secure in what is expected of him and in his ability to follow through.

The Wildcats have created an alternative, an even better a well-rounded team effort. They have so many weapons, it's difficult to key on any one or two certain players.

Winning the S.E.C. tournament will help the Wildcats. They have found big men who can come into the game and make a difference. The coach has helped create a sense of belonging and participation among the players. Right now, everything looks full speed ahead for the Cats.

Conference Tournaments Can Be A Savior

Teams that wouldn't have a chance to play in the NCAA, now have a chance to play, if they win their conference tournament. A member of the Big Ten Conference, knows that, without a big post-season effort, the season is over. A Big Ten team does not have the advantage of playing against other conference foes. Each game means that it may be your last. These are the kind of teams that make top ranked teams afraid. The reason is they have nothing to lose and everything to gain.

Florida State took on Memphis State last week. Memphis State ranked 4th in the nation and 1st in the metro conference. Florida State's team played over the heads of the Memphis State team and won 84-82. The victory put Memphis State in a tie for first place with Louisville in the Metro Conference; and gave Florida State its first thrill of their somewhat terrible season.

With the NCAA now selecting 64 teams, it could be a cinch for a team to be picked for tournament play. Georgia would have benefited greatly with a win over UK or Auburn. They got neither, but still have an outside chance if have a good showing in the SEC.

Regular Season Winners Are Primed For An Upset

Most teams that win their conference regular season championship are primed for an upset in the conference tournament. Why? Because after playing such a rough regular season, the feeling is that the major accomplishment has already been made in winning the conference championship.

Other teams, realizing that this may be their only hope of making the NCAA are hungrier.

Many things can happen to a team during these final stages of the season. There are many Villanovas and North Carolina States. However, this year, the winner of the NCAA will be a team that has been ranked in the top ten most of the season. Anything can happen.

North Carolina, Duke, Syracuse and Kansas are teams that may put pressure on their foes. You can't leave out Georgia Tech, North Carolina State, Louisville or Kentucky. It's the Luck of the draw as far as I'm concerned.

The best team will capitalize on its opponents mistakes. The Cats seem to be doing that very well. They start three guards, but that doesn't matter. Chemistry will make them tough to contend with.

After Losing To UK

Brown Hopes LSU Is Ready For SEC Tourney

Following are Coach Dale Brown's postgame comments after LSU was defeated by Kentucky 68-57 last Saturday afternoon at Rupp Arena:

Question: Your comments on the game?

Brown: I thought we played our hearts out and we certainly had a chance late in the ballgame. Don Redden was injured and couldn't play (well). He just came off a 26-point game. For some reason it seems like we've been kind of snakebit this year. This is another one of the long line of problems we've had. I've got to believe that this will eventually wear out and some breaks will go our way. I told our players that I feel more satisfaction with this team and more gratified than I did last year. They've never quit and never have complained about the problems that we've had. John (Williams) had his worst game of the year and you can contribute a lot of that to Kentucky's good defense. We still had a chance at 54-50. Our game play early was to try and switch defenses as much as we could. Late in the game, when the

personality to coach at different places and I think he's displayed that. He has the right personality to handle the pressure well. But I would not have thought that, and they possibly wouldn't have had it happen had everybody kept healthy, particularly us. They're a good team and they certainly deserve to win the league. There's no question about that. I hope they can go a long way in the NCAA. . . If they get lucky draws then they certainly have a good chance. He's got a good bench. They've got some great players. So, they have a good chance (to win it all) as anybody in the country.

Question: What are your team's chances of earning an NCAA bid?

Brown: Well, we'll take a rain check on that right now. I would hope so, being 21-10. Also, considering the fact that we really played some people well on the road: we played Georgetown to a last-second shot; and four minutes to go and it was a four-point game and we were crippled up with Redden not in the lineup. We're not counting on it; we want to come up here and do well in the



score was 54-50, if we had protected the ball a little better then we might have got it down to a last-second shot. I thought the best part of their game was defense. I compliment them for a really remarkable feat — 36 championships if it's even in a YMCA league is a heckuva accomplishment. . . and they're not in a YMCA league. We'll be back next week (in Lexington for the SEC tourney).

Question: What did you say to Kenny Walker after he checked out of the ballgame?

Brown: I have real empathy for players like him. I've said for years that he's perpetual motion and he's the John Havlicek of college basketball. He plays his heart out every minute. If I was a junior high school or elementary coach I would say do exactly what he does. Bill Russell says that hustle is a talent, and in that aspect I don't think there's a player in the country that out-hustles him. I've never done that before with a senior. Of course, I'm very close to Al Harden (Roger's dad) and I went over to compliment Roger too, but primarily it was for Kenny.

Question: Before the season would you have predicted that a team could go 17-1 in this conference?

Brown: No, I wouldn't have; I don't think anybody would have. Again, you don't know what injuries and things are going to happen in the year. But, they are very good. They're not doing it with mirrors, they've got eight McDonald's All-Americans on this one team. Eddie (Sutton) did a good job with them. I thought he handled the pressure of coming to Kentucky very well. It takes a different

(SEC) tournament. The one nice thing about the tournament is that a team with a lot of problems has a chance to have a last-second chance at the (NCAA) tournament.

Question: What was Redden's injury?

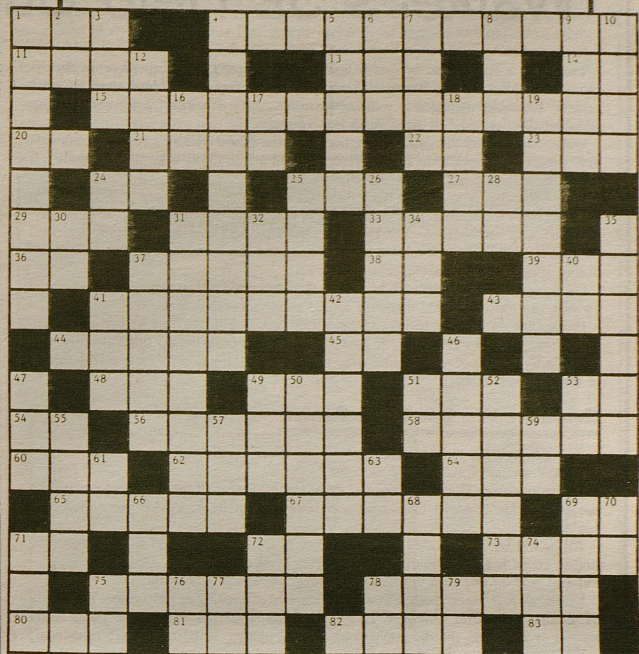
Brown: He had a knee in the hip, and he just wasn't able to go. We played him too long. They scored four transition baskets that probably wouldn't have happened had we not played him. We wanted to take a look at him because we needed him, particularly coming off the 26-point game he had. It was just one of the cards dealt to us and you've got to suck it up. Unfortunately it came at a bad time because Don's been playing well. He hurt it (hip) in warmups (on game day). He got kneed by Jose Vargas. That shows you how our luck has gone. Jose went in for a layup in warmups and kneed him.

Question: Do you think Eddie Sutton deserves the SEC coach of the year?

Brown: Oh, I don't know. I think that's all glamour. I think Lee Hunt's done as good a job as there is in this league and they're going to finish near the cellar. Sometimes it's a popularity contest and other times it's who wins. There's an awful lot of good coaches in this league. Bob Boyd, I thought for years, probably did as good a job as anybody. Norm Sloan did a good job at Florida. So, that doesn't really mean anything. He (Sutton) doesn't need anymore trophies or gold medals. So, I don't know who'll be the coach of the year.

TCP Crossword Puzzle

By Dan Krueckeberg



SEC BASKETBALL COACHES OF THE PAST & PRESENT

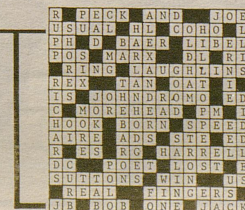
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ACROSS

- 1 Sleep station
- 4 A former Miss. State coach
- 11 Employer
- 13 The Rupp _____ produced 397 SEC wins
- 14 Pre-game scoreboard site
- 15 _____ coaching years at Alabama followed those of 3 Down
- 20 Initials of coach who followed 57 Down and Cliff Wetrig
- 21 A former Vandy coach
- 22 2nd and 3rd of the five
- 23 Verb suffix
- 24 Not UPI
- 25 Coach Boyd
- 27 Lacquer ingredient
- 29 _____ and feather
- 31 10-year Miss. St. coach McCarthy
- 33 Georgia/Auburn coach Jordan
- 36 Abbr. for state where John Sines coached in the SEC
- 37 Former Ohio State player, now SEC coach
- 38 "_____ the rim"
- 39 An "_____ ball"
- 41 Took over Tigers in '72
- 43 Space
- 44 Miss. State coach Kermit
- 45 Nurse abbr.
- 48 The other tourney
- 49 See 3 Down
- 51 Tail movement
- 53 Abbr. for SEC state of coach Rosemond
- 54 "_____ the line"
- 56 Every coach likes a _____ bench
- 58 Came to Georgia in '78
- 60 Not me
- 62 '52-'65 Georgia coach Harbin "Red"
- 64 Lamprey
- 65 '60s 'Bama coach Hayden
- 67 Underwrite
- 69 Initials of 9 Down
- 71 'Bama/Vandy coach Newton
- 72 Initials of '70s Georgia coach Guthrie
- 73 Biblical boat builder
- 75 Newest SEC coach
- 78 Former Vol coach Emmett
- 80 Early-'80s Ole Miss coach Weltlich
- 81 Stinger
- 82 Namesakes of 37 Across
- 83 Initials of coach Sonny

DOWN

- 1 '47-'52 'Bama coach Floyd
- 2 Initials of a Kentucky coach
- 3 Mid-'50s Crimson Tide coach Johnny
- 4 Dean of Auburn coaches
- 5 Greeting
- 6 Former football coach Parseghian
- 7 Few could _____ Rupp's Cats
- 8 Anger
- 9 '74-'80 Gator coach John
- 10 Quantity of medicine
- 12 Has most SEC wins
- 16 Don't stop
- 17 I _____ writing fluid
- 18 '64-'73 Auburn coach Lynn
- 19 Vandy coach Schmidt
- 24 Initials of SEC's most famous coach
- 25 Six-pack drink
- 26 Followed coach Press Maravich
- 28 See 24 Across
- 30 Indefinite article
- 31 Disparage
- 32 First name of 21 Across
- 34 Cape _____
- 35 13-year Ole Miss coach Bonnie Lee
- 37 '70s Auburn coach Bob
- 40 Abbr. for "that is"
- 41 Miss. State coach Joe _____ Gold
- 42 Pac-10 school
- 46 Vol/Gator coach John
- 47 15-year SEC coach Skinner
- 49 _____ Jones of the stock market
- 51 Initials of former Vandy coach Dobbs
- 52 '77-'78 Miss. St. coach Ron
- 53 SEC state abbr.
- 55 1st name of an '86 SEC coach
- 57 Long-time SEC coach Years
- 59 Initials of 62 Across
- 61 Abbr. for school at Champaign
- 63 Initials of winningest Gator coach
- 66 Where Harry Rabenhorst coached
- 68 On
- 69 Namesakes of LSU coach McCreary
- 70 Initials of an Ole Miss coach
- 71 Ole Miss' Robert "_____ Jarvis
- 72 Followed Adolph
- 74 Abbr. for "operating rooms"
- 75 Initials of former UK star Bowie
- 76 Initials of Gator coach Bartlett
- 77 Symbol for "tellurium"
- 78 Biblical word; to call attention
- 79 Initials of an Alabama coach



Last Week



Cats Win One In Knoxville

Walker's 32 Help Subdue Stokely Jinx

Thanks to a crucial steal by senior guard Roger Harden, a superb 32-point performance from All-American Kenny Walker and a valuable contribution from reserve Cedric Jenkins, Kentucky managed to walk away from Stokely Athletics Center with smiling faces for the first time in eight years last Thursday.

Walker dominated the game throughout, but the 62-60 victory over the Tennessee Vols wasn't in the bag until Roger Harden nailed a free throw with nine seconds left after intercepting a pass about ten seconds earlier.

With UK clinging to a 61-58 lead, the Vols were going to their ace, All-SEC guard Tony White in the closing minutes in hopes of pulling yet another upset over Kentucky.

White, who had been checked brilliantly by UK's Ed Davender all night, exploded for seven points in a three-minute stretch late in the game and appeared to be in position to spring yet another surprise on the Cats.

UT was working the ball to White when Harden batted a least than crisp pass, came up with the loose ball and then was fouled a few seconds later.

Harden hit on his first to give UK a 62-58 lead, but missed his second try fourth free throw miss of the season. A basket by White at 0:02 closed out the scoring.

Kentucky almost gave the game away in the final minutes, missing five free throws in the final six minutes.

Kentucky Was Not To Be Denied

But UK was not to be denied.

Walker was awesome, to say the least.

The senior from Roberta, Georgia, turned in a "Player of the Year" type game for the national cameras of USA Network and proved why he is, indeed, the nation's top senior player.

All he did was to score 32 points on 10 of 15 from the field and 12 of 13 from the line to go with his 9 rebounds in forty minutes of action.

There was no question that Walker wanted the win in Knoxville.

"Yeah, we had talked about it some," Walker said of winning in Knoxville. "Especially us seniors, we'd never won here. I told Coach Sutton earlier in the week that I really wanted to win here, that he could count on me getting 30 points and 15 rebounds."

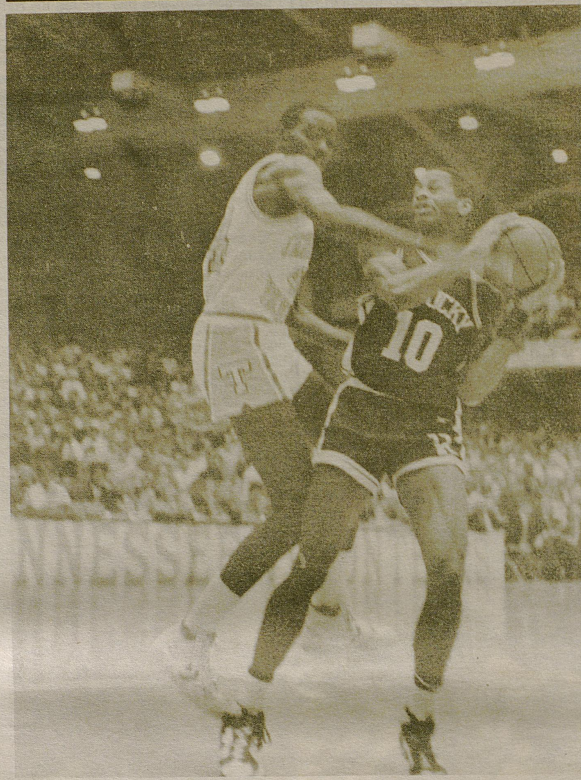
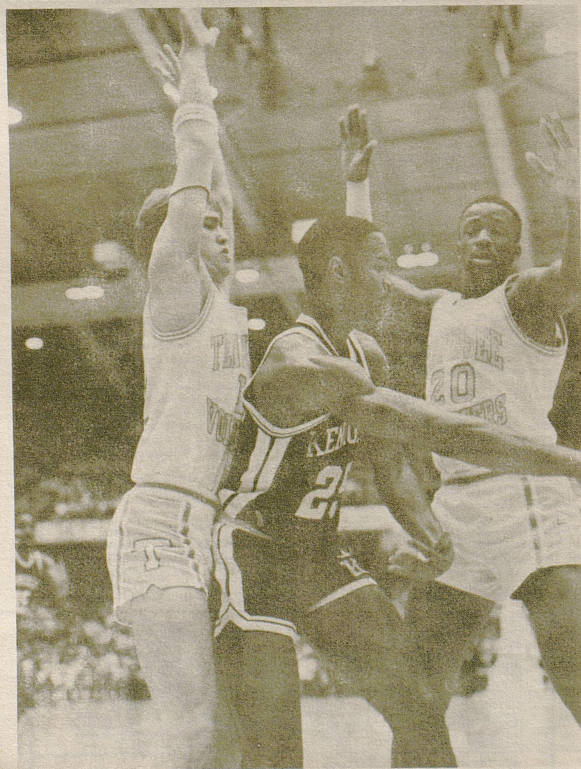
What happened to the 15 rebounds?

"Well, I got in early foul trouble and I could be as aggressive on the boards as I would have liked to," said Walker who picked up two first half fouls.

And how did Sutton feel about ending the drought?

"We're Very Happy We Won"—Sutton

"We're very happy we won," Sutton said later. "After the first half I began to think there may have been a Stokely jinx."



Jinx or no jinx, neither team performed well the first half, but most of that could be accounted for by some of the best man-to-man defensive pressure played on the major college level in a long time.

Just how good was that defense?

Well, Kentucky shot only 36.8 percent on 7 of 19 while Tennessee was limited to 26.9 percent on 7 of 26 from the field. The difference in the first twenty minutes was UK's ability to hit all 12 free throw attempts while UT was 9 of 11.

As far as Kentucky was concerned, the most important factor in the opening half was the defensive job by Davender on Tony White. Tony was limited to one of eight from the field in what some Tennessee observers said was his poorest half of the entire season.

Although the Vols never led in the first half, Tennessee did tie UK on five different occasions, thanks to the offensive play of Elvin Brown and reserve Sam Arterburn, a Kentucky product playing for the Vols. Brown scored 8 points and Arterburn contributed five off the bench.

Kentucky Flirted With Decisive Lead

Kentucky flirted with opening up a decisive lead in the second half, first taking a 36-28 count on a slam dunk by James Blackmon at 16:48.

But Tennessee came right back with a bucket from Anthony Richardson and a pair of free throws by Rob Jones to narrow the score to 36-32.

Kentucky got the lead back out to seven, 55-48, with 5:46 left on a pair of free throws by Winston Bennett. Then, the Vols outscored UK 8-2 over the next three minutes and with 2:08 left, Tony White's three-point play close the margin to one, 57-56.

To say the Kentucky fans throughout Stokely began seeing visions of days gone by would be an understatement.

But Kentucky was not to be denied.

Davender hit a pair of free throws (UK hit its first 16 without a miss before a cold spell at the end) for a 59-56 lead. After White again hit from the field, Blackmon hit one of two for a 60-58 lead. Another Blackmon free throw put UK in front 61-58 and set the stage for the final minute.

Jenkins Played Big Role In Win

A big key was the play of Jenkins who hit three crucial baskets during his eight minutes of action during the middle part of the second half.

For the game, UK shot 45.2 percent on 19 of 42 while Tennessee shot 41.7 percent on 20 of 48.

"Davender did a good job on White," said Sutton, "and we got the ball inside to Walker. Cedric gave us a big lift off the bench and I thought both teams played well defensively."

"Ed Is One Of Best Defensive Guards"—Sutton

"Ed is one of the best defensive guards in the country. White is an all-conference performer and we knew we were not going to be able to allow him to have a big game," Sutton said in shutting down the Vols ace.

Despite the loss, DeVoe was pleased with his club's showing.

"It was a very, very fine effort on our part," said the UT head boss. "I had no quams on the part of any of our players. There were a lot of big plays. There were times in the second half when they scored on layups and it gave them a little more confidence. If we could have just gotten the lead, we might have made it over the hump."

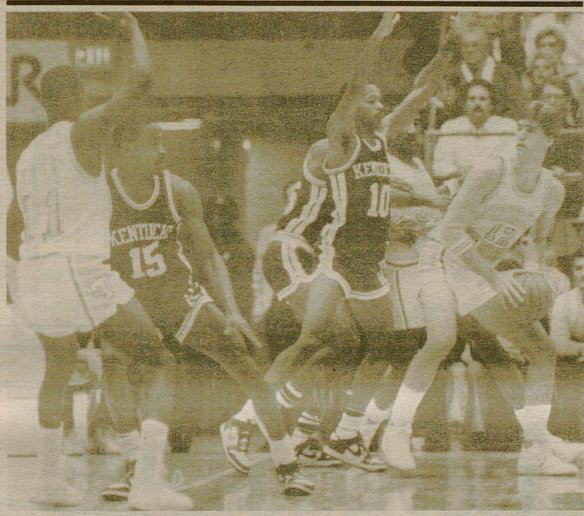
"They just did a better job of getting the ball to their big gun — Kenny Walker — than we did to Tony White," explained DeVoe. "We wanted to take the ball inside, and I think we did a good job in this respect. We had them in serious foul trouble, but it's tough when you can't get the lead. We never did take the ball away from them and get a layup, whereas they did this on us. This was a big difference."

"I haven't seen a team this year who gets the ball inside to their big man better than Kentucky," added DeVoe.

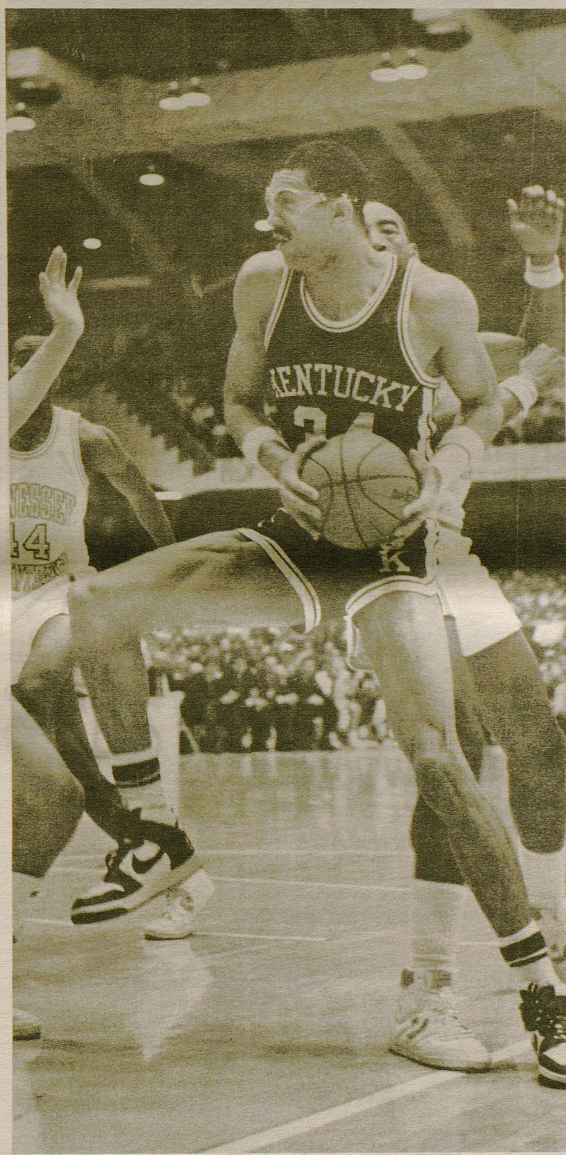
White was still UT's big scorer with 14 points despite hitting only 4 of 16 from the field in what would have to be described as one of his major disappointments since arriving at Tennessee three years ago.

Other scoring help for White came from Richardson and Jones who tallied 13 and 11 points respectively. Brown added 10.

Kentucky upped its record to 25-3 overall while Tennessee fell to 12-14, insuring that the Vols would end the regular season with a losing record for the first time in the Don DeVoe era.

**Kentucky-Tennessee Tidbits**

At least 1,000 or more Kentucky fans bought their way into Stokely Athletics Center for this UK-UT battle. They were able to do so because Vols fans have been less than enthused about this current crop of Big Orange. Attendance has suffered drastically in Knoxville this season and it was the first legit sell-out of the season . . . Rumors continued to fly in K-town that DeVoe will probably be headed to Columbus, Ohio, next season to take over the job of ex-Ohio State boss Eldon Miller. Just last week, OSU officials were given permission to talk with DeVoe. Publically, DeVoe says he has no intentions to leave UT, but those close to the UT situation insist that DeVoe will waste no time in heading north if he is offered the job . . . Some speculate that DeVoe wants no part in the huge task of filling the new 25,000-seat UT arena, especially in light of some recent attendance marks for Vols games where less than 6,000 have show-



OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE														
Date: Feb 27, 1986 Site: STOKELY ATHLETICS CENTER														
VISITORS (Last Name, First)														
No.	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	T	BLK	S		
25 Winston Bennett	1	2	8	1	2	4	4	5	25	0	0	0	1	
34 Kenny Walker	1	10	15	12	13	9	3	32	40	0	2	1	0	
131 James Blackmon	2	2	7	4	7	5	1	8	33	3	4	0	4	
15 Ed Davender	2	7	6	6	5	3	10	39	5	2	2	1		
23 Roger Hanson	0	0	1	1	2	2	1	32	4	3	0	1		
14 Paul Andrews	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	6	1	0	0	0		
42 Richard Madison	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	12	0	2	0	0		
44 Robert Linc	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0		
55 Dedric Jenkins	3	4	0	0	2	3	6	8	0	0	0	0		
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)														
TOTALS	19	42	24	30	31	19	62	200	13	14	3	7		
FG % 1st Half 7 of 26-26.8% 2nd Half 12 of 23-52.2% Game 19 of 42-45.2% Deafault 1														
FT % 1st Half 12 of 12-100% 2nd Half 12 of 18-66.7% Game 24 of 30-80.0%														
HOME														
No.	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	T	BLK	S		
43 Mike Johnson	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	
33 Mark Griffin	1	1	2	3	4	3	5	5	33	2	2	0	0	
34 Rob Jones	0	3	4	5	7	10	3	11	40	2	0	2	2	
11 Tony White	9	4	16	6	6	3	2	14	40	3	2	0	0	
44 Elvin Brown	9	3	5	4	6	4	10	25	0	2	1	0		
12 Sam Arterburn	2	2	1	2	0	1	5	7	0	3	1	7		
20 Anthony Richardson	6	9	1	3	3	4	13	29	1	1	0	2		
31 Dyron Nix	0	3	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	2	0	0		
14 Ron Hausley	1	4	0	0	3	0	2	7	0	3	0	1		
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)														
TOTALS	20	48	20	26	31	23	60	200	11	13	3	5		
FG % 1st Half 7 of 25-28.0% 2nd Half 13 of 23-56.5% Game 20 of 43-46.7% Deafault 0														
FT % 1st Half 9 of 11-81.8% 2nd Half 11 of 15-73.3% Game 20 of 26-76.9%														
OFFICIALS:														
Reggie Copeland, John Clougherty, Mike Tanco.														
TECHNICAL FOULS:														
None														
ATTENDANCE:														
12,720														

ed up for key SEC contests . . . Some Big Orange people are true to their word. For the fear of having a person ambushed or fired, we'll keep his identity unknown, but one Big Orange fan offered a deal prior to the **Kentucky-Tennessee** football game in Lexington last November. The deal? Let UT win the football game so the Vols could go to the **Sugar Bowl** and UT would allow Kentucky to finally win a basketball game in Knoxville. Well, the fella sorta had a change of heart after the Vols mauled the Cats 42-0 on the gridiron (who needed help in that one?) But true to his word, the Cats did win on the hardwood in K-town . . . The biggest surprise to the UK coaching staff was the fact that freshman sensation **Dyron Nix** got only five minutes of action against the Wildcats and that prep All-American **Doug Roth** didn't even shed his warm-up. The word on Roth is that he cannot play man-to-man defense yet . . . And Walker loved the fact that Tennessee decided to go the man-to-man route. Opponents have tried about everything against UK this season and while the gimmick zones have worked to a certain degree against Walker, other Wildcats like Davender, Bennett, Harden and Blackmon have more than taken up the slack. So now, the teams are back to the ole man-to-man. And that's just fine with Sky Walker.

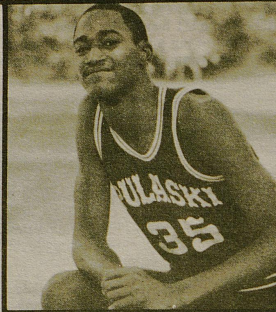
Tracking Future University Of Kentucky Wildcats



Rex Chapman

Opponent	Score	FGM-FGA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB	A	PF	TO	S	TPS
Madisonville	73-68	10-16	62.5	5-5	100.0	7	4	4	2	0	25
Henderson	98-63	7-19	36.8	14-15	93.3	7	5	1	3	1	28
Daviess County	62-49	9-19	47.4	7-7	100.0	5	3	1	2	0	25
Owensboro	64-62	11-22	50.0	8-10	80.0	7	5	1	2	0	30
O'boro Catholic	77-47	8-11	72.7	5-8	62.5	2	7	4	1	4	17
Lou. Southern	68-54	12-27	44.4	4-5	80.0	7	4	3	4	5	28
Lou. PRP	63-70	12-25	48.0	6-7	85.7	7	1	3	1	0	30
Clark County	54-49	8-10	80.0	0-0	—	4	6	3	1	0	12
Carson (Cal)	61-57	9-21	42.9	1-1	100.0	7	4	1	6	0	19
Bowling Green	70-49	10-15	66.7	5-5	100.0	1	5	1	4	2	25
O'boro Catholic	73-38	9-15	60.0	3-4	75.0	11	3	4	1	1	19
Owensboro	65-75	8-21	38.1	3-8	37.5	11	6	3	3	0	19
Breckinridge	55-54	9-20	45.0	9-10	90.0	7	4	2	2	0	27
Central City	66-52	8-20	40.0	4-5	80.0	8	5	2	2	0	20
McLean County	78-58	8-15	53.3	1-2	50.0	7	6	3	1	2	17
Lou. Ballard	79-76	17-23	73.9	11-16	68.8	10	7	5	3	3	45
Lou. PRP	48-49	8-25	32.0	6-6	100.0	10	2	0	3	1	22
Owensboro	55-67	9-23	39.1	5-6	83.3	3	3	1	4	0	23
West Hopkins	69-66	Did Not Play (Flu)									
Bowling Green	59-42	9-21	40.9	8-9	88.8	8	3	0	3	4	26
Bullitt East	64-60	9-18	50.0	5-5	100.0	12	5	2	3	3	23
Ohio County	75-51	12-19	63.2	3-3	100.0	7	7	1	3	3	27
Daviess County	82-54	9-15	60.0	10-11	90.9	14	9	1	2	3	28
O'boro Catholic	92-59	7-19	36.8	8-9	88.9	13	7	3	2	2	22
Meade County	88-68	19-32	59.4	1-2	50.0	16	5	3	2	1	39
Union County	72-69	16-28	57.1	9-10	90.0	9	3	2	4	1	41
Henry Clay	68-67	16-31	51.6	5-5	100.0	13	4	1	2	4	37
Warren Central	58-39	5-11	45.5	4-4	100.0	11	4	3	1	0	14
Butler Central	78-74	9-22	40.9	5-7	71.4	7	6	4	2	3	21
Totals		278-564	49.2	156-193	80.8	231	134	64	69	46	709

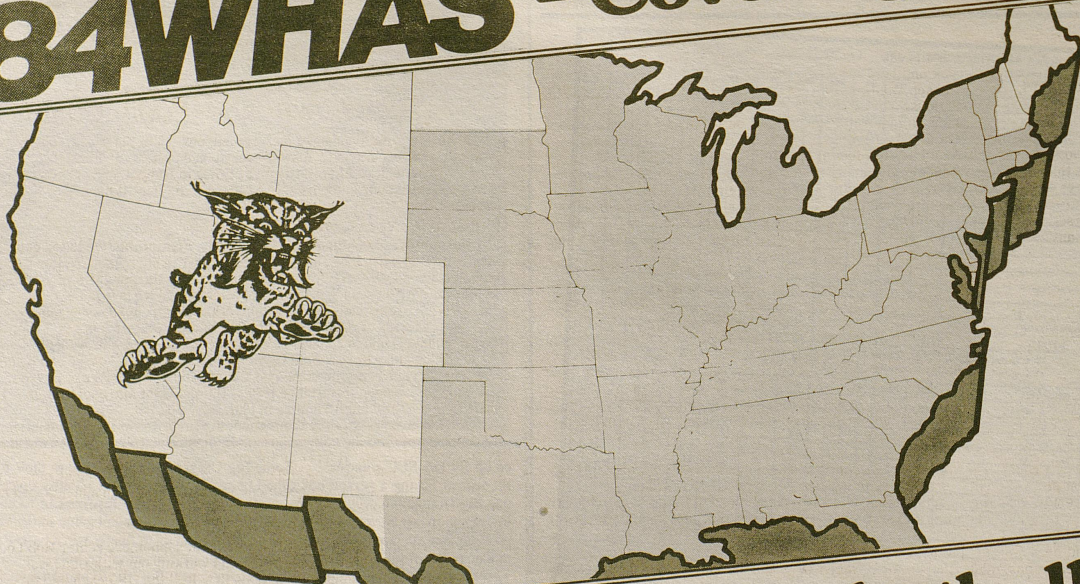
Legend: Score = Score Of Game, FGM = Field Goals Made, FTM = Free Throws Made, PCT = Percentage, FTSL = Free Throw Shooting Line, OR = Offensive Rebounds, DR = Defensive Rebounds, TR = Total Rebounds, TO = Turnovers, S = Steals, A = Assists, BS = Blocked Shots, PF = Personal Fouls.



Reggie Hanson

Opponent	Score	FGM-FGA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB	A	PF	TO	S	TPS
Monticello	66-58	10-14	71.0	2-2	100.0	22	4	5	9	11	5
Danville	66-43	10-19	53.0	9-10	90.0	22	5	7	12	3	4
Corbin	71-48	8-11	73.0	5-5	100.0	21	2	8	10	2	1
Bryan Station	58-55	9-17	53.0	11-12	92.0	29	3	4	7	3	4
Lou. Seneca	60-62	3-8	38.0	1-1	100.0	7	6	3	9	1	3
Lou. Fairdale	70-58	12-18	67.0	13-15	87.0	37	3	6	9	6	5
Lou. Southern	68-51	11-18	61.0	11-12	92.0	33	4	10	14	3	4
Kirby (Tenn)	50-52	13-18	72.0	6-6	100.0	32	5	5	10	5	4
Monticello	80-61	14-18	78.0	6-7	86.0	34	3	9	12	3	6
Wolfe County	80-49	6-13	46.0	3-3	100.0	15	4	12	16	2	4
Somerset	80-48	8-13	62.0	5-7	71.0	21	2	12	14	5	4
Wayne County	60-35	6-12	50.0	5-6	83.0	17	6	6	12	1	6
Jackson Co.	46-33	9-12	75.0	6-6	100.0	24	3	9	12	1	3
Harrodsburg	69-50	11-21	52.0	7-9	78.0	29	7	4	11	3	3
Somerset	80-61	8-9	88.0	13-14	93.0	29	1	14	15	3	2
Tates Creek	72-70	3-6	50.0	9-9	100.0	15	2	7	9	2	5
Clay County	50-48	5-10	50.0	6-6	100.0	16	3	3	6	1	2
Monticello	63-55	5-10	50.0	0-2	0.0	10	3	8	11	3	3
Laurel County	72-70	12-18	66.0	8-10	80.0	32	6	5	11	2	1
Sheldon Clark	73-69	6-10	60.0	10-11	90.9	21	2	6	8	3	0
Mullins	66-48	10-11	90.9	1-1	100.0	21	6	5	11	2	6
Pulaski County Did Not Play This Week Because Of Snow											
Sheldon Clark	65-47	12-25	48.0	4-4	100.0	28	2	7	9	1	3
Mullins	76-50	5-8	63.0	5-6	83.0	15	1	6	7	2	5
Richard Madison	89-58	9-13	69.0	0-0	0.0	18	3	3	6	0	5
Henry Clay	74-80	11-19	58.0	10-12	83.0	32	5	5	10	4	2
Totals		216-351	61.8	156-176	89.6	587	91	169	260	72	90

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country with Wildcat Basketball.

Hoping The Kemp Case Will Be Remembered

Sutton Reveals First Year Surprises

CHEERS to former University of Georgia professor Jan Kemp, who won a \$2.57 million lawsuit from the school after she was fired for refusing to "take care" of athlete/students who did not have the grades to compete.

Let's hope the Kemp case will be remembered as the turning point when college administrators got serious about 'who's in charge here.'

JEERS to U. Georgia president Dr. Fred C. Davison who reportedly said his institution could not "unilaterally disarm." (give up catering to revenue producing jocks regardless of their academic standing, unless other schools did not).

Comment: For heaven's sake.

JEERS (double) to O. Hale Armand Jr., attorney for UG who is reported to have said at the Kemp trial, "We may not be able to make a university student out of him (athlete), but if we can teach him how to read and write, maybe he can work at the post office rather than as a garbage man when he gets through with his athletic career."



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist

Comment: Gee, counselor, I suppose that tells us something about what our high schools and elementary schools are not doing.

CHEERS to Indiana Coach Bob Knight's views—expressed several years ago—on how to clean up college athletics. Start firing people from college presidents on down.

Footnote: And ignorance of "what's going on at lower administrative levels" is no excuse.

JEERS to Dick DeVenzio who wrote in *Basketball Times* recently that when he was a player at Duke in 1969 a well-to-do booster offered to lend him a car and a credit card for a trip to Florida one spring break. DeVenzio took both, he said, noting that it was against NCAA rules.

"No matter that the offer was made purely out of friendship," he said, "and accepted with sincere gratitude" by a student with a 3.5 grade point average who was not looking for a handout.

Comment: Sniff. In fact, DeVenzio took a handout, did something dishonest, knowingly broke a rule because it was one he did not think was right.

Pitches 'n catches

No, it isn't quite baseball season yet. But Eddie Sutton was doing a little public relations work last week and here are some highlights.

CATCHES. The UK coach would like to catch a Kentucky game at Memorial Coliseum, the original House That Rupp Built.

"It's a wonderful place. In fact, the Coliseum is a better place to play a college basketball game," he said. "Rupp Arena is great, but people in the upper balcony are so far away they don't get the feel of smelling those jockey straps."

"I think college coaches feel that when you get more than 12,000 people at a college game you start to lose something from the game."

Sutton said he has no influence in the decision-making process, but if he did, "Personally, I think it would be great to play one game in the Coliseum. There are so many wonderful people out there who never get to see the 'Cats play. I would say 'no season tickets' for this game. We'll have a lottery and let people all over the state have a chance. I think they'd love it."

Comment: It is idealistic of course, but the notion of making tickets available to all Kentuckians for one game is wonderful. Why not a state lottery with a drawing for tickets, with profits going to public education?

PITCHING. The Kentucky coach's brand of PR on behalf of his favorite college basketball player is enough to make Lee Iaccoca blush.

"If Kenny Walker doesn't get college basketball player of the year it'll be the biggest injustice ever in college sports," Sutton bristled. "He was more valuable to Kentucky last year than Patrick Ewing was to Georgetown. But last year people said 'well, Kentucky didn't win.' But Kenny's made us a winner this season. He's just a complete player."

How's that for a promotion, Lee baby?

NEXT PITCH. The man with star dust in his pockets was just warming up. Sutton pitched plenty of evidence to support his hype for Sky Walker.

"Kenny's become an outstanding defensive player this year. And in our last two games the guy's had no turnovers. None. Think about that, not a single turnover in two games."

And here's a new pitch.

"Kenny has made the greatest sacrifice a player can make, he takes the charge. He leads our team in taking the charge. Now, where else does a super star take a charge? Every time he does it he might be jeopardizing being hurt and not playing in the NBA."

"Kenny's a complete team player."

Note: But Sutton isn't the only PR pitcher around. Charles 'Lefty' Driesell was also blowing the trumpet last week for Len Bias.

"He's the best player in the nation, not one of the best, but the best," Lefty said

Comment: Two weeks before, Driesell suspended Bias for breaking curfew.

NEXT PITCH. Sutton went to a bit of well timed schmaltz.

"This will be the 15th year that the (player of the year) trophy has had Mr.

(Adolph) Rupp's name on it and no Kentucky player has ever won it. Since Mrs. Rupp is still here, from a sentimental standpoint, wouldn't it be great if Kenny won it?"

NEXT PITCH. Sutton said he knows "Atlanta's got a top candidate (Mark Price of Georgia Tech), the Big Apple has one (Walter Berry of St. John's); and there's a good one down Tobacco Road too (Brad Daugherty of North Carolina); and there's a good one out in the midwest (Danny Manning of Kansas)."

"Thing is, Kenny Walker epitomizes the college student/athlete. He goes to class every day. He's a great athlete. Hey, I'm just promoting today. I've never heard a negative thing about this guy...if I did I'd go to war."

Comment: Thing is, Sutton's right, on balance—everything considered, on and off the floor—Walker is the best by a mile. It's pretty classy too, don't you think, when a player's coach makes such a fuss?

SEASON'S BIGGEST SURPRISES. Sutton was asked for a bit of a review of his first season at Kentucky. What surprises?

"Three things," he said, then named four. "The crowd that showed up at Freedom Hall in Louisville on a cold and dreary day just to see us practice."

"Second, the tremendous response from people in the state who love Kentucky basketball."



Dale Brown And Eddie Sutton

"Third, my mail has been just tremendous (50 to 75 letters a day versus 25 at Arkansas). And I intend to answer every piece of it."

Fourth, "the lack of enthusiasm at times in Rupp Arena. That's not negative, but it's just that our students are so far from the floor it's hard for them to create a lot of enthusiasm at times."

Player of the Year Candidates

The number of contenders is thinning out. Four of the five listed candidates in the Feb. 24 edition of *The Sporting News* were big men — Walter Berry (St. John's), Brad Daugherty (North Carolina), Ron Harper (Miami, Oh.) and David Robinson (Navy). Only Scott Skiles of Michigan State is a guard.

It says here that there are three players who rank head and shoulders above the others in terms of overall contribution to their team's success — Kentucky's Kenny Walker, Duke's Johnny Dawkins and Indiana's Steve Alford.

Dawkins and Alford—both Olympic gold medalists—make Duke and IU go. But, can anyone remember the last time a guard won player of the year honors?

There have been three since 1970 — Butch Lee of Marquette in 1977, Darrell Griffith in 1980 and Isiah Thomas in 1981.

Outside of those already mentioned, my favorites in terms of contribution to their teams and the college game (entertainment, community works), are Robinson of Navy and Harper of Miami.

Harper is not only a special player, but a very special young man who has overcome a speech impediment and now works with handicapped and underprivileged youngsters.

Rob Lock

UK Coach Eddie Sutton said last week that sophomore center Rob Lock won't be waiting till the summer months to start working out with Dan Issel.

"I've talked to Dan and he's anxious to help," the UK coach told this reporter. "We think he can help Rob before this season's over."

How?

"Teaching him head and shoulder fakes. Rob needs to learn to show his opponent the ball and then make a move on him."

In his book *Parting Shots* Issel referred to his patented head fake as "my eighth grade move that nobody ever caught on to." If he is able to impart to Lock how and when to use it as effectively as Issel did, then Kentucky's big sophomore could become an instant success.

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Oh, How Joe Dean Loves His SEC Basketball

Strring music! Stufferino! Shooow Time!

Perhaps no one in the Southeastern Conference is associated more with the game of college basketball than Joe Dean, a man who truly lives and sleeps with the game every day of his life. And the man who invented *string music, stufferino and showtime* is still the most popular basketball figure in the South today.

Ever since his high school days in the hotbed of 'Hoosier Hysteria' back in Indiana, Joe Dean has been eating and sleeping basketball, not so much for his living, but because of his genuine love for the sport which has become so popular the past 25 years.

After his prep days, Dean went to the deep South to play for the LSU Tigers during the Tiger hey days of All-American Bob Pettit. It was a time when Kentucky's Cliff Hagan and Frank Ramsey and the great Adolph Rupp teams ruled the nation during the late forties and earlier fifties.

After more than forty years of basketball, he's never lost his love and zeal for the game. Having joined the *Converse Rupper Company* many years ago, he now is one of the basketball shoe manufacturer's highest executives. Along with Dean's colorful journey he blazed some paths as a pioneer of sorts when he became one of television's first basketball television analysts during the old TVS Network days in the South.

Despite several opportunities to move up on the national television scene, Dean has always remained loyal to the SEC, putting in a good word about the growth and popularity of SEC basketball. He never compromised when discussing his first love - the SEC.

Knowing Joe Dean is one of the real reasons why the game of college basketball is so exciting and great to be around. College basketball is more than a game of ten guys running up and down the floor. College basketball is being around good people, people you enjoy meeting and socializing with. And no one is more entertaining or more friendly than Joe Dean.

Recently, *The Cats' Pause* talked with Joe Dean about the game of college basketball, its past and where the game is headed today. In this exclusive interview, Dean reveals his feelings and views on many important aspects of college basketball.

Just thought you might want to know.

An Exclusive TCP Interview

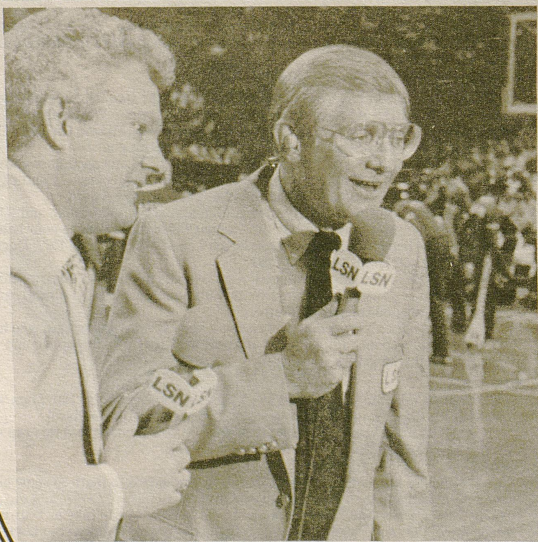
The Cats' Pause: College basketball has been tarnished a great deal by a number of incidents within the past several months. Is the game facing a credibility crisis? Has the game become a soap opera?

Joe Dean: It scares you. The game has changed dramatically and in a lot of ways. This particular league, and I feel like it's my league, the one I love so much, has big arenas at all schools. Maybe television is partly responsible because it generates big dollars and those dollars are important to schools when you realize there are schools like Ole Miss, Mississippi State and Vanderbilt. Those schools have to hustle to make ends meet. They all need the bucks, so college athletics has become big-time. It's entertainment.

Where it fits into the scope of things is difficult for a lot of people—college presidents, athletic directors, coaches, fans and people like us. The situation is a big concern. I think we're putting kids in a very precarious position.

We're trying to say to him, 'hey, come to school here for nothing. Really, you're not going to be treated like the other kids on campus. They're driving nice cars and got a dollar in their pocket to buy a coke and go dancing, but we can't do that for you, Mr. Athlete. We won't even let you sell a program at the football game.'

I think some of the rules are archaic. Some changes are desperately needed.



Tom Hammond With Dean



Aw, You Gotta Love It

The Cats' Pause: Isn't it true that the typical college student who is poor is most likely to be an athlete and isn't this a form of discrimination itself?

Joe Dean: No question about it. When Cliff Hagan, who is UK's athletic director, was in college at Kentucky, he received the same exact scholarship these kids get now, *except* for two things. Cliff was given \$15 a month to help for laundry and dry cleaning, which these kids don't get now, and two, he (Hagan) could work and sell football programs at the football game which I did when I was in college or work at some function as an usher or whatever the case may be to make a couple extra bucks. They're not allowed to do that now.

So here we are 25 or 30 years later, and they're less than we were then. It's ridiculous. Something has absolutely got to change. We need to come to a better understanding of the academic side. We need to not just take anybody. College is not for everybody. College is a very broadening experience. We help a lot of athletes by giving them that broadening experience, even though they might not get a degree.

Some of the academic people won't agree with that, but I do believe that. I think you help that athlete by giving him that experience. But you only help that person if you make him go to class every day and push him to learn, to help him to broaden himself.

From the academic point of view, we need to look at that side a little bit. Secondly, we've got to figure out a way to give them something in their pocket, *some financial assistance*. We could let them work or whatever so that they won't have that peer pressure of being broke when other students have spending money. They should be able to enjoy the same lifestyle as other non-athletes do on the college campus.

I'm like Al McGuire. If they (athletes) ever have a revolt one day, we can forget college athletics. If these guys ever band together, they could form a union and put you out of business. You go to Tennessee and there are 92,000 watching a football game and those guys are out there killing themselves and they don't even get laundry money. Something has gone wrong and we've got to change it. We just got to.

The Cats' Pause: Your thoughts on college basketball's 45-second clock. This is the first year the clock will be used in the NCAA Tournament.

Joe Dean: I have very mixed emotions about the clock. I'm for the clock in some ways and I'm against it in some ways. I've come to this conclusion, I think it has a tendency to slow the game down a little. That sounds strange, doesn't it?

The reason I feel this way is because our scores are lower. You stereotype the game. Everybody has a tendency to play more zone defenses than they use to. They may full-court press you, but they drop back into a zone. As a result, teams become much more conscious of getting the real good percentage shot at the basket. So that takes a team longer to get that shot. That slows the game down and the scores are not as high.

I believe I'd rather see us not have a clock, but put it in the last four or five minutes to eliminate the total stall so they just can't quit playing.

On the other side of the coin, I hate those games that are 23-22. The clock kinda comes in and prevents that type of a farce. If we could legislate against that and not have the clock until the end, we'd have the best of all worlds, in my opinion.

Vic Bubbas is the commissioner of the Sun Belt Conference and Vic has been big on the clock, but he's come to agree with me that there is a little tendency to slow the game down just a little bit. You don't see a lot of 100-point games any more. I don't say a 100-point game is necessarily the greatest.

I think you see a different style at Kentucky, playing a little more defense and they're looking for a better shot. You don't see as much running, but Eddie Sutton is a very good coach and he likes to win and that's his style.

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SEC Basketball And "String Music"

The Cats' Pause: Everyone keeps saying that the rich get richer in the NCAA's. Last season, no one would have picked against Georgetown in the championship. Even if a person thought Georgetown would not have won, not many people would have picked Villanova as the eventual champion. The poor beat the rich. What happened?

Joe Dean: That's a great question. That (Villanova's upset) to me is what really makes college athletics, particularly college basketball, so great. In college football, the rich do get richer. You see the same top twenty year after year. You're seeing a lot of schools now like Drake and others dropping football or going down a level because they can't afford it. It's so expensive if you don't have the big stadium to draw the big crowds.

In college basketball, it only takes one or two pretty good players and all of a sudden you're back in the race. That's what makes it so great. Basketball is very competitive and it was a shot in the arm for college basketball when Villanova won it. Did you realize that in the very first game in the NCAA last year, Villanova played Dayton and Villanova barely won the game. They could have very easily lost in the first round. They didn't and they went all the way through and won the whole thing. This is why college basketball is so great, because the rich isn't always getting richer.

There's so much talent out there, it's unbelievable.

The Cats' Pause: Some people say Villanova's victory was a freak incident, that it won't be repeated.

Joe Dean: I don't believe it.

The Cats' Pause: Three years ago, North Carolina State won the tourney almost like Villanova, winning several games in the last minute and State didn't have a very impressive record prior to the tourney but pulled almost as big an upset by beating Houston in the title game.

Joe Dean: The college coaches are even saying it. They talk parity and it has arrived in college basketball. I don't think it has arrived in football, though.

Take the University of Florida for example. Let them sign two players right now and I'll tell you what, I'll put them in the hunt and all of a sudden, they've got a chance. My point is... if you're in a state where a superstar comes along and you can get him and blend him in with a pretty good point guard, all of a sudden you may be a Villanova.



The String Music Man



The Cats' Pause: Basketball has come a long way in the Southeastern Conference during the last ten years. What has changed most?

Joe Dean: Basketball and promoting it in the SEC has been one of my big goals. More than anything else, in doing the television for this league, is that I want to sell SEC basketball. I want it to be bigger. The last few years have been like a dream come true for me. Basketball has arrived in the SEC and it's big time.

Every school in the conference has a big arena and Tennessee is building one right now which will seat 25,000. Every coach in this league can flat coach this game. We have no more assistant football coaches coaching basketball in the SEC. The players are unbelievable and the black athlete has really been a big factor.

The Southeast is loaded with great black kids who can really play this game. Without question, it's one of best leagues in America.

The Cats' Pause: For decades, the SEC has been known for its football. You've been around the SEC as long as anyone. When did the powers finally realize money could be made in basketball?

Joe Dean: Television was a part of it. SEC people kept talking about the post season tournaments and they could see what the Atlantic Coast Conference was doing with its tourney. The ACC, in fairness, may have opened the eyes of a lot of people around the country because they were way ahead of the rest of the country. They were making big dollars. Their ADs, even at football-minded Clemson said, "I hate to tell you this, but we're starting to make some big money with basketball over here." You have to listen to that when you're struggling to make budgets work and with women's athletics added now, which is an expensive cost.

SEC administrators are excited. When you tell a guy he's going to get a half-million dollars a year from television, you get his attention. The basketball program is paid for before they throw the ball up.

Then you've got some guys in this league who have done a great selling job. There's Dale Brown at LSU. Every seat in that building is sold before the season starts.

Would you believe this? It is tougher to get a basketball ticket in Baton Rouge, La. than it is a football ticket. Would you have ever believed that?

The Cats' Pause: The SEC has staged seven post season tournaments since the event was revived back in 1979. There have been seven different champions. Hollywood could not have written a better script.

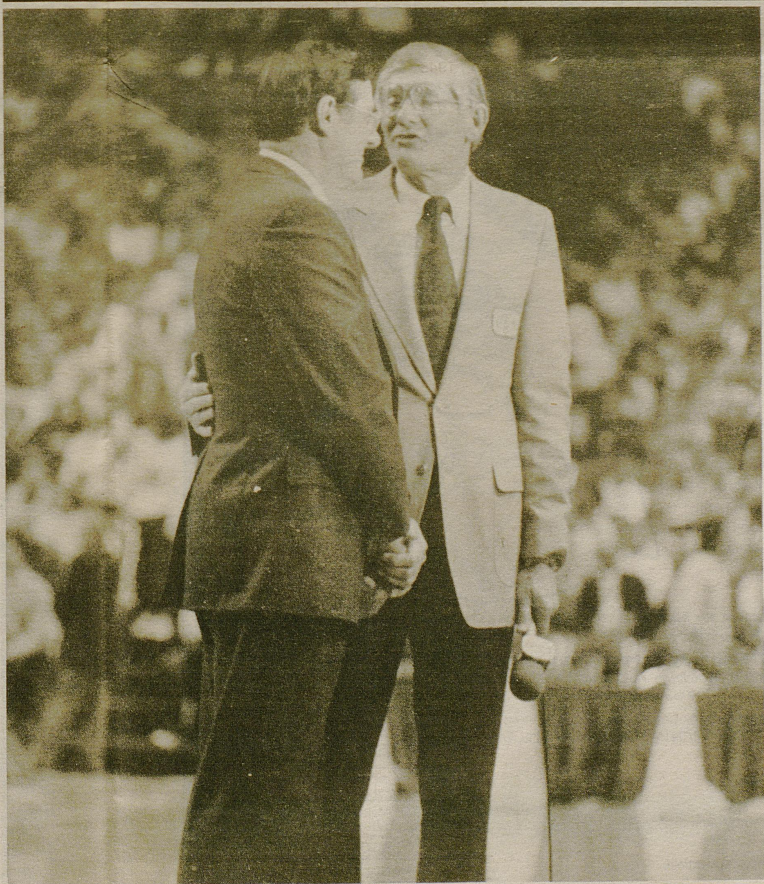
Joe Dean: That tells the story of everything we've been talking about. It tells the story of Villanova. It tells the story of parity. It tells the story of quality. I think it tells the story of this league and what's happened to it. We're not just Kentucky and the nine dwarfs anymore.

The Cats' Pause: The NCAA field is now set at 64. There are some who advocate a wide-open field for all schools. How do you feel about an open tournament?

Joe Dean: I have mixed emotions about this issue. I grew up in a situation as a kid in Indiana where at tourney time everybody got a chance. It was like starting the world over and you were excited just being a part of it. I grew up with that and I like it. I like it a lot.

The open field is an interesting concept and I wouldn't mind seeing it because we see every year teams that probably should have the opportunity to play because there are those dreams that happen like Milan at Indiana years ago where there were only twelve boys in the school and they won it all, like Carr Creek and Cuba in Kentucky, like Villanova and N. C. State in the NCAA. Don't forget Marquette and Al McGuire. It could be a tremendous event and it wouldn't be that difficult to add the rest of the schools. It would certainly generate additional income.

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Dean With Joe B. Hall

More String Music And Things

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SEC Television Analyst Joe Dean Comments On:

Florida's Norm Sloan—Hard-nosed. Tough. Competitive. Underline it! *Auburn's Sonny Smith*—Nice guy. Maybe too nice at times. A wonderful person. I like him a lot.

Georgia's Hugh Durham—A Norm Sloan, but much quieter in his makeup. Tough inside. Really knows what it takes to get the job done. Good teacher and good coach.

Alabama's Wimp Sanderson—Mr. Negative! Should be positive because he's a much better coach than he's given credit for.

LSU's Dale Brown—I'd like to take him on the road with me, pitch a tent and you and I will pass the hat because I think he's a magnificent motivational speaker. I don't think anybody that I've ever met could have done the job he's done in Baton Rouge and I give him all the credit. He's fought a lot of obstacles.

Miss. State's Bob Boyd—A great teacher. One of the best. Recruiting bothers him. He's at an age where he hates to get down and fight these 17 and 18-year-old kids, but a great teacher.

Ole Miss' Lee Hunt—Better teacher than he's given credit for. He's in a location that I just don't know if it's possible to consistently win in this league. I feel sorry for him because of that.

Vanderbilt's C. M. Newton—Class. Quality. Honesty. He will eventually win there and do it his way.

Tennessee's Don DeVoe—Certainly has a reputation in this league as being the best coach in the league. That's always hard to say because all these coaches are such talented people. They've all had similar backgrounds. The best word for him is—discipline. You don't go to class, you don't play. He takes no prisoners. Does it his way. There are some similarities with Joe Hall, I think.



Dick Vitale



C.M. Newton

Eddie Sutton—I've known him a long time. I've always thought he's a tremendous teacher and he's a winner. The magnitude of this program will probably be much greater than he ever dreamed.

SEC Commissioner H. Boyd McWhorter—Quality. Dignity. Intelligence. Has learned to love basketball and appreciate it. He runs an office the way it should be run. He wants the schools to manage themselves without the league having to manage them. That's the proper approach.

NBC-TV's Dick Enberg—I've worked with him. He kinda came across with me early as thinking maybe he was a movie star and I guess there is some ego involved in the business. He can flat announce. He's good! He's one of the best in the business. I have a lot of respect for him and I like him a lot.

NBC-TV's Al McGuire—Character. Different. That's why he's good, I think. He's flamboyant and I think that's important as a color analyst. His "aircraft carrier" is like my "string music." I like him a lot.

CBS-TV's Billy Packer—Billy is probably the best analyst who is in the business from the point of view of analyzing the game and breaking it down. Billy was a very good player at Wake Forest and a good coach. He's knows the game as well as anybody.

CBS-TV's Gary Bender—A class, class individual. He's a very religious man and a good human being. He's been pushed around a little bit. He's probably the Wimp Sanderson in the business because he doesn't get the respect that he should. He's a good announcer.

ESPN-TV's Dick Vitale—I love the guy! He may be the Howard Cosell of college basketball, but he creates enthusiasm. Maybe you like him or maybe you don't, but personally I like him and his enthusiasm. He loves college basketball and you can tell that by listening to him.



Billy Packer

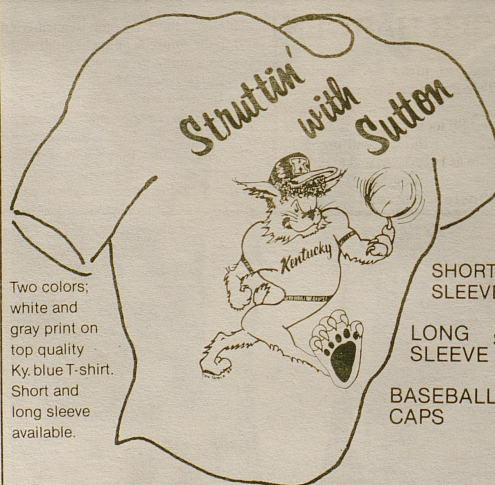


Hugh Durham

SEC-TV's Tom Hammond—Good guy. Has gotten better and has become a first class, quality announcer. He's been good for me to work with. He lets me ramble and carry on with all my stuff. I think we've gotten better as a team.

NBC-TV's Bucky Waters—I got Bucky his job in television with Eddie Einhorn. Bucky has gotten better along the way. I'd like for him to be a little more upbeat because he's a little too formal at times.

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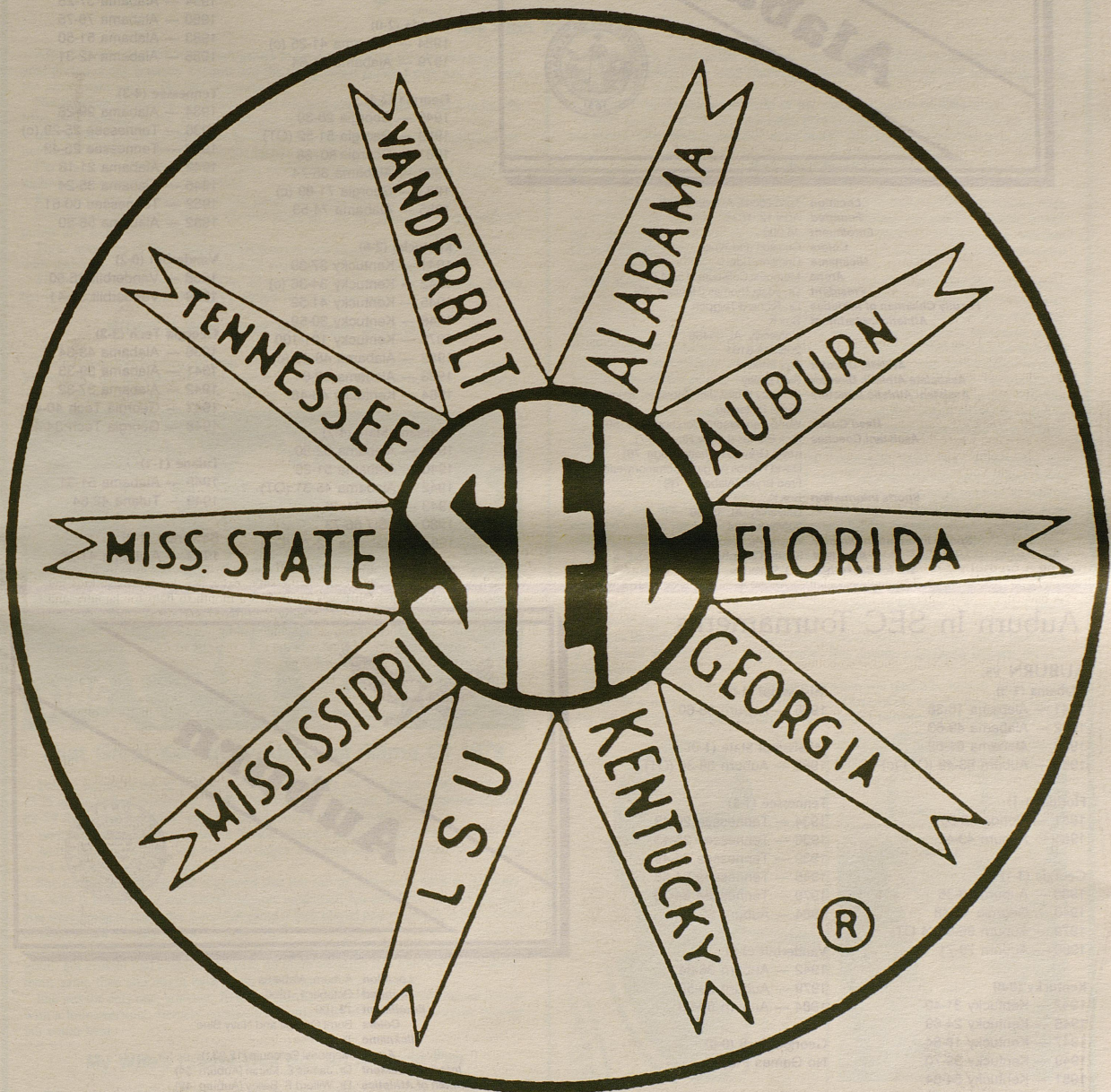
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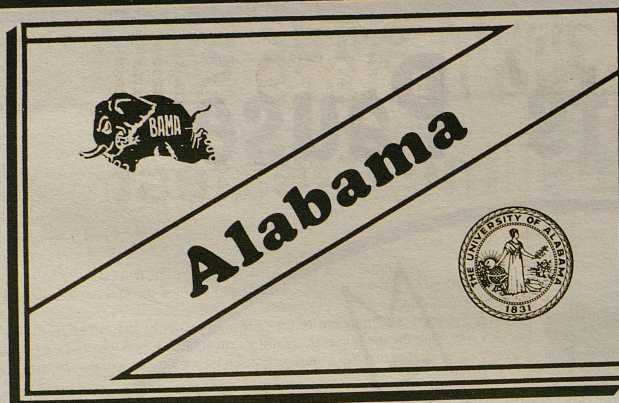
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Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. Richard Thigpen
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Alabama In SEC Tournaments

ALABAMA vs.

Auburn (3-1)
 1941 — Alabama 38-16
 1952 — Alabama 63-44
 1983 — Alabama 62-61
 1985 — Auburn 49-43 (OT) (c)

Florida (2-0)

1934 — Alabama 41-25 (c)
 1979 — Alabama 81-64

Georgia (2-4)

1940 — Georgia 28-30
 1950 — Georgia 51-52 (OT)
 1981 — Georgia 80-88
 1982 — Alabama 85-74
 1983 — Georgia 71-89 (c)
 1985 — Alabama 74-53

Kentucky (2-6)

1941 — Kentucky 37-39
 1942 — Kentucky 34-36 (c)
 1945 — Kentucky 41-52
 1946 — Kentucky 30-59
 1979 — Kentucky 101-100
 1982 — Alabama 48-46 (c)
 1983 — Alabama 69-64
 1984 — Kentucky 46-48

Louisiana State (4-2)

1936 — Alabama 52-30
 1940 — Alabama 51-25
 1942 — Alabama 45-31 (OT)
 1943 — LSU 41-46
 1980 — LSU 66-73
 1984 — Alabama 72-70 (OT)

Mississippi (1-1)

1937 — Alabama 35-34
 1951 — Mississippi 42-44

Mississippi State (4-1)

1933 — Mississippi State 25-30
 1934 — Alabama 37-25
 1980 — Alabama 76-75
 1983 — Alabama 51-50
 1985 — Alabama 42-31

Tennessee (4-3)

1934 — Alabama 29-26
 1936 — Tennessee 25-29 (c)
 1937 — Tennessee 25-42
 1942 — Alabama 21-18
 1946 — Alabama 35-24
 1952 — Tennessee 60-61
 1982 — Alabama 56-50

Vanderbilt (0-2)

1938 — Vanderbilt 26-50
 1939 — Vanderbilt 35-41

Georgia Tech (3-2)

1936 — Alabama 43-34
 1941 — Alabama 39-33
 1942 — Alabama 37-32
 1947 — Georgia Tech 40-43
 1948 — Georgia Tech 34-46

Tulane (1-1)

1945 — Alabama 51-31
 1949 — Tulane 42-64

Sewanee (1-0)

1933 — Alabama 41-28

Auburn In SEC Tournaments

AUBURN vs.

Alabama (1-3)
 1941 — Alabama 16-38
 1952 — Alabama 49-63
 1983 — Alabama 61-62
 1985 — Auburn 53-49 (OT) (c)

Florida (1-1)

1981 — Florida 48-50
 1985 — Auburn 43-42

Georgia (3-1)

1936 — Auburn 43-36
 1940 — Georgia 41-48
 1979 — Auburn 95-91 (4 OT)
 1980 — Auburn 79-71

Kentucky (0-8)

1942 — Kentucky 31-40
 1946 — Kentucky 24-69
 1947 — Kentucky 18-84
 1949 — Kentucky 39-70
 1951 — Kentucky 54-84
 1980 — Kentucky 61-69
 1982 — Kentucky 66-89
 1984 — Kentucky 49-51 (c)

Louisiana State (1-4)

1933 — LSU 31-57
 1938 — LSU 34-60
 1943 — LSU 38-67
 1950 — LSU 45-73
 1985 — Auburn 58-55

Mississippi (1-0)

1985 — Auburn 68-60

Mississippi State (1-0)

1982 — Auburn 38-36 (OT)

Tennessee (1-5)

1934 — Tennessee 26-43
 1936 — Tennessee 25-43
 1939 — Tennessee 35-49
 1945 — Tennessee 24-56
 1979 — Tennessee 64-75
 1984 — Auburn 60-58

Vanderbilt (3-0)

1942 — Auburn 36-34
 1979 — Auburn 59-53
 1984 — Auburn 59-58

Georgia Tech (0-0)

No Games Played

Tulane (2-1)

1939 — Auburn 43-30
 1942 — Auburn 45-36
 1948 — Tulane 40-47

Sewanee (0-0)

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Location Auburn, Alabama
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After 460 Games And 17 Years

UK-Alabama Classic In 1979 Still SEC Tourney's All-Time Greatest

By Stan Torgerson

After broadcasting 460 basketball games in the Southeastern Conference over a 17 year period, I can honestly tell you that the two greatest games I ever saw occurred the same night and in the SEC tournament.

Not the most emotional, mind you. That one will always be the 66-62 win by Ole Miss over Georgia in the 1981 tournament finals.

But the No. 1 greatest contest was Kentucky 101, Alabama 100, in 1979 followed immediately by Auburn 95, Georgia 91, in four overtimes.

I'm not certain that it's possible to play basketball any better than it was played that night between the Cats and the Tide.

Kentucky shot 68.3 percent for the game. Alabama hit 57.7.

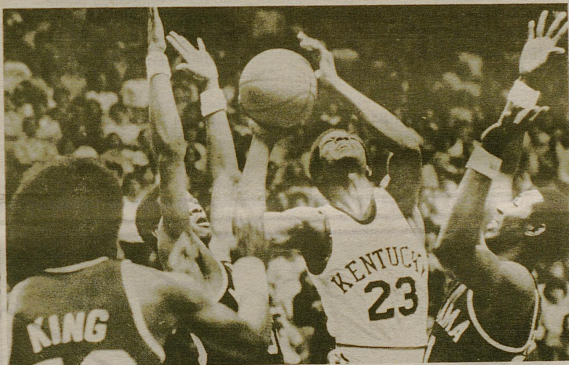
Five players hit double figures for the Wildcats, led by Truman Claytor with 25 points and Kyle Macy with 22.

Three members of the Crimson Tide team turned in a double figure performance with marvelous Reggie King scoring 38 and Robert Scott adding 25.

There were 35 assists in the game, 16 steals, but only three blocked shots. 'Bama led by six at the half but Kentucky pulled it out at the end.

When It Was Over We Were All Limp

When it was over we were all limp. The spectators were as worn out as the players. We certainly did not expect two additional hours of high level excitement, particularly when Auburn jumped out to a 12-point halftime lead.



That Great Kentucky-Alabama Game Of 1979

Twelve points or no 12 points, the Tigers couldn't put the Dogs away. It was tied 75-75 at the end of regulation, 81-81 after the first overtime, 83-83 after the second, 89-89 following the third, and Auburn finally won it, 95-91.

We had another couple with us for the tournament. The wife was not a basketball fan. As the hour grew later, she began to fidget. She kept asking to go and her husband and I kept telling her "in just a minute."

She turned to my wife and suggested that the two of them walk back to the hotel. My wife is an involved and knowledgeable basketball fan and there was no way that you were going to make her leave that game if they played past midnight, which, come to think about it, they almost did.

So, my friend's wife sat there, looking around the Civic Center, reread the program, got crosser and crosser, and paid no more attention to a four-overtime tournament game than she might have to an exhibition of tree planting.

She was the only one, however. To follow that Kentucky-Alabama monumental contest with a four-overtime, fiercely competitive battle, was almost more than the average fan could bear.

My Wife's Friend Was Not An Average Fan

Of course, my friend's wife was not an average fan.

"I found it boring," she said.

Men have gotten divorces with less cause than that.

As for the Ole Miss-Georgia final, as the Rebel broadcaster, that win by the unheralded Red and Blue was the one most exciting moment of my 30-year-plus sports broadcasting life.

And the party on the seventh floor of the Regency Hyatt House in Birmingham which followed will rank with the greatest parties of all time.

They had a videotape of the game going at one end of the hall and an audio tape of my broadcast going at the other. In between, every door on that floor was wide open and a man was not merely in danger of getting stoned on the available booze, he could have drowned in the stuff.

Ole Miss fans had never really had anything in basketball of that magnitude to celebrate before and they tried to make up for all the hard times in that one night.

I'd like to have had the seventh floor aspirin concession the next morning.

Bob Weltlich, coach at the time, was a great believer in the team concept and when the championship rings were ordered, he ordered one for me and my broadcasting partner, Don Kessinger.

It is still the proudest momento of my career in sports broadcasting.

I don't know what the memories this 1986 tournament will provide, and for whom, but there's never been a bad SEC tournament. Don't look for this one to be the first.

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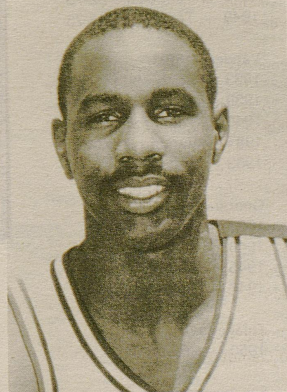
This year's Tennessee basketball team is the most disappointing conference team of recent years. Despite the presence of **Tony White**, the league's leading scorer, plus other talented players, the Vols simply have not been able to get their act together. **Don DeVoe's** string of five straight 20-win-plus seasons and seven consecutive post season tournament appearances, is obviously down the drain.

Ole Miss chalked up its best football season since 1971 the other day. The Rebels, who had not more than six games in any of the last 15 years, took their seventh victory of 1983 when the NCAA took **Tulane's** win over Ole Miss in that year away from the Green Wave because they used an ineligible player. You'll remember coach **Wally English** used his son at quarterback despite the fact that the NCAA had said the boy, who had already attended four different schools, was not qualified to play. English filed a lawsuit and got a court order, but after losing the suit, his son played no more. As a result of this action, Tulane also had to give back a win over **Florida State**. The recent ruling changes the 1983 Rebel regular season record from 6-5 to 7-4, the best, as we said, since 1971. It becomes the longest game in Ole Miss history, lasting from September, 1983, until February, 1986.

This has been one of the dullest SEC campaigns, ever. Only **Kentucky** and **Alabama** have played consistently, and well. Everyone else has been up and down. It was expected that the league would be up because of the large number of seniors returning, but that hasn't been the case. As we said in a previous column, the best-coached team in the league is **Kentucky** and **Eddie Sutton** should certainly start thinking now about where he's going to hang his "Coach of the Year" plaque.

The **John Wooden Award** aspires to be to basketball what the Heisman Trophy is to football. It is given by the **Los Angeles Athletic Club** which recently sent out a list of outstanding candidates for electors to mull over until the official ballot comes out. There were three SEC players on that list — **Kenny Walker** of Kentucky, **Chuck Person** of Auburn, and **John Williams** of LSU. Interestingly enough, Williams' name was included on the list of outstanding players in the *Southwest* rather than those of the *South* as Walker and Person were. Has anyone told **Dale Brown** his is a Southwestern team?

Speaking of Chuck Person, depending on when you read this, he will have started in over 110 consecutive games for Auburn....Three of the top shooters in the league play for Alabama. **Derek McKey** is No. 1, at 63.1 percent; **Michael Ansley**, No.



Buck Johnson



Dale Brown

4, 58.8 percent; **Buck Johnson**, No. 5, 56.9 percent. **Jim Farmer**, a fourth starter for the Tide, is No. 10 with a 53.6 norm. With four of the top 10 shooters, it is no wonder **Alabama** has had a good year.

The last word: Speaking of tournament memories reminds me of 1982, the last time the tournament was played in Lexington. I was broadcasting the Kentucky-Ole Miss game not from floor level, but on a riser immediately in front of the Kentucky fans. There was a lady behind me who had the finest collection of four-letter words I had heard since leaving the Navy and which she directed constantly at the referees, the Ole Miss players, Coach Weltlich, and, of course, my microphone. It got to the point where I had to say something. "Ladies and gentlemen," I announced, "upon conclusion of this game the lady behind me will have to send her lips out to be dry cleaned."



Louisiana State In SEC Tournaments

LSU vs.

Alabama (2-4)
1936 — Alabama 30-52
1940 — Alabama 25-51
1942 — Alabama 31-45 (OT)
1943 — LSU 46-41
1980 — LSU 73-66
1984 — Alabama 70-72 (OT)

Florida (5-0)

1947 — LSU 60-45
1950 — LSU 66-57
1952 — LSU 77-69
1980 — LSU 95-82
1981 — LSU 85-73

Kentucky (1-9)

1933 — Kentucky 38-51
1937 — Kentucky 37-57
1939 — Kentucky 34-53
1944 — Kentucky 28-55
1945 — Kentucky 37-68
1946 — Kentucky 36-59 (c)
1948 — Kentucky 47-63
1952 — Kentucky 44-44 (c)
1979 — Kentucky 67-80
1980 — LSU 80-78 (c)

Auburn (4-1)

1933 — LSU 57-33
1938 — LSU 60-34
1943 — LSU 67-38
1959 — LSU 73-45
1985 — Auburn 55-58

Georgia (2-1)

1939 — LSU 50-28
1946 — LSU 60-41
1981 — Georgia 60-68

Mississippi (4-2)

1938 — Mississippi 40-68
1946 — LSU 69-34
1947 — LSU 61-36
1951 — LSU 62-57
1952 — LSU 75-60
1982 — Mississippi 52-59

Mississippi State (1-0)

1952 — LSU 77-44

Vanderbilt (1-2)

1941 — Vanderbilt 49-63
1949 — LSU 60-56
1951 — Vanderbilt 63-75

Tulane (2-2)

1940 — LSU 57-44
1946 — LSU 74-29
1947 — Tulane 60-63
1949 — Tulane 63-72

Tennessee (1-4)

1933 — LSU 55-43
1934 — Tennessee 35-42
1943 — Tennessee 34-52
1950 — Tennessee 79-81 (OT)
1983 — Tennessee 71-74

Georgia Tech (1-0)

1949 — LSU 55-53

Sewanee (1-0)

1939 — LSU 55-35

Location Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Founded January 2, 1860
Enrollment 30,000
Colors Purple and Gold
Nickname Fighting Tigers
Arena Assembly Center (14,236)
Chancellor Dr. James Wharton (Northeast Louisiana '59)
President Dr. Allen Copping (LSU '36)
Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. Billy M. Seay
Athletic Department LSU Athletic Department
Baton Rouge, LA 70893
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Assistant Athletic Director Joe Yates
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Assistant Coaches Ron Abernathy (Morehead '72)
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Mississippi State In SEC Tournaments

MISSISSIPPI STATE vs.

Alabama (1-4)
1933 — State 30-25
1934 — Alabama 25-37
1980 — Alabama 75-76
1983 — Alabama 50-51
1985 — Alabama 31-42

Auburn (0-1)
1982 — Auburn 36-38 (OT)

Florida (0-0)
No Games Played

Georgia (0-3)
1946 — Georgia 44-45
1979 — Georgia 72-75
1984 — Georgia 49-52

Kentucky (0-5)
1933 — Kentucky 27-46 (c)
1936 — Kentucky 39-41
1943 — Kentucky 43-52
1950 — Kentucky 46-56
1951 — Kentucky 70-92

Louisiana State (0-1)
1952 — LSU 44-77

Mississippi (0-0)
No Games Played

Tennessee (0-5)
1938 — Tennessee 34-41
1941 — Tennessee 29-35
1942 — Tennessee 40-50
1948 — Tennessee 52-73
1949 — Tennessee 46-73

Vanderbilt (0-3)
1933 — State 48-36
1939 — Vanderbilt 40-73
1940 — Vanderbilt 36-46
1981 — Vanderbilt 58-71
1983 — State 76-61

Georgia Tech (1-3)
1937 — Tech 30-43
1943 — State 48-41
1945 — Tech 43-60
1947 — Tech 52-65

Tulane (1-0)
1950 — State 56-47

Sewanee (0-0)
No Games Played



Location Starkville, Mississippi
Founded February 28, 1878
Enrollment 12,235
Colors Maroon and White
Nickname Bulldogs
Arena Humphrey Coliseum (10,000)
President Dr. Donald Zacharias
Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. Donovan Horn
Athletic Department P.O. Box 5327
Miss. State, MS 39762
601/325-2808
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Assistant Coaches John Brady (Belhaven '76)
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Richard Williams (Mississippi State '67)
Sports Information P.O. Box 5308
Mississippi State, MS 39762
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Southeastern Conference

Game-By-Game

20-7		
Home: 14-1	Away: 5-6	
Neutral: 1-0		
ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE		
Nov. 25	82 NW LOUISIANA	77
Dec. 2	73 UTAH	57
4	91 RIDER COLLEGE	63
9	99 MURRAY STATE	65
14	92 MERCER	49
16	100 FLORIDA STATE	89
21	58 Maryland	60
29	78 Nebraska	61
30	62 at UTEP	74
Jan. 2	71 Miss. State	62
4	80 Georgia	88
9	83 LSU	67
11	52 Kentucky	76
16	60 AUBURN	56
18	92 TENNESSEE	79
22	85 Vanderbilt	72
25	67 FLORIDA	64
29	69 Ole Miss	62
Feb. 1	72 MISS. STATE	54
5	57 GEORGIA	54
9	80 at LSU	71
13	71 KENTUCKY	73
15	69 Auburn	71
19	80 Tennessee	64
22	69 VANDERBILT	68
26	65 Florida	77
Mar. 2	74 OLE MISS	59

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19-9		
Home: 11-1	Away: 5-7	
Neutral: 3-1		
AUBURN TIGERS		
Nov. 22	58 West Virginia	75
26	61 BIRMINGHAM SOUTH	51
Dec. 3	84 WEST VIRGINIA	59
6	80 KY Wesleyan	71
7	58 Western Kentucky	71
10	56 UAB	62
14	77 Stetson	54
17	64 SW Louisiana	54
22	78 Central Florida	49
23	89 Boston College	85
Jan. 4	59 Florida	56
6	60 KENTUCKY	56
8	55 TENNESSEE	45
11	72 Miss. State	56
16	56 Alabama	60
18	84 GEORGIA	69
22	73 Ole Miss	61
25	61 LSU	63
29	97 VANDERBILT	70
31	71 Kentucky	81
Feb. 6	67 FLORIDA	65
8	79 Tennessee	80
12	69 MISS. STATE	64
15	71 ALABAMA	69
19	87 Georgia	86
22	75 OLE MISS	73
26	92 at LSU	86
Mar. 1	79 Vanderbilt	65

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26-3		
Home: 15-0	Away: 11-3	
KENTUCKY WILDCATS		
Nov. 22	77 NW LOUISIANA	58
26	89 Chaminate	57
27	98 Hawaii	65
Dec. 3	84 CINCINNATI	54
7	63 INDIANA	58
14	66 Kansas	83
20	86 EAST CAROLINA	52
21	88 PEPPERDINE	56
28	69 LOUISVILLE	64
30	93 Virginia Milit	55
Jan. 4	80 Vanderbilt	71
6	56 Auburn	60
8	75 OLE MISS	58
11	76 ALABAMA	52
16	64 Miss. State	52
18	72 Florida	69
23	74 GEORGIA	69
25	74 TENNESSEE	57
29	54 at LSU	52

Feb. 2	51 N.C. State	54
5	73 VANDERBILT	65
8	62 Ole Miss	58
13	73 Alabama	71
15	88 MISS. STATE	62
19	80 FLORIDA	69
22	80 Georgia	75
27	62 Tennessee	60
Mar. 1	68 LSU	57

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16-11		
Home: 13-1	Away: 3-10	
FLORIDA GATORS		
Nov. 26	86 CENTRAL FLORIDA	57
29	85 FLORIDA STATE	66
Dec. 3	73 Ohio State	80
7	69 SOUTH FLORIDA	55
17	81 Miami	64
20	70 Iona	71
21	62 San Diego State	63
30	69 STETSON	66
Jan. 2	77 Tennessee	75
4	62 AUBURN	59
8	86 VANDERBILT	55
11	67 Ole Miss	79
18	69 Georgia	89
22	55 KENTUCKY	72
24	74 LSU	65
25	64 Alabama	67
27	75 MIAMI	53
29	73 Miss. State	53
Feb. 1	69 TENNESSEE	61
6	65 Auburn	67
8	59 Vanderbilt	60
12	66 OLE MISS	57
15	71 GEORGIA	70
19	69 Kentucky	80
22	69 at LSU	80
26	77 ALABAMA	65
Mar. 1	76 MISS. STATE	58

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21-10		
Home: 11-3	Away: 10-7	
LSU TIGERS		
Nov. 22	84 MONTANA STATE	59
27	70 Washington	61
30	89 Brigham Young of HA	71
Dec. 1	101 Hawaii Pacific	89
2	77 Hawaii-Loa	68
3	70 Hawaii-Hilo	61
14	87 HARDIN SIMMONS	71
16	79 Lamar	59
17	72 Texas	65
20	82 SE LOUISIANA	61
21	91 SOUTHERN LOUISIANA	83
30	82 ORAL ROBERTS	64
Jan. 2	85 GEORGIA	73
4	90 MISS. STATE	84
9	67 Alabama	83
11	77 Tennessee	88
13	86 OLE MISS	68
18	84 VANDERBILT	67
22	65 Florida	74
25	63 Auburn	61
29	52 KENTUCKY	54
Feb. 1	76 Georgia	92
2	72 Georgetown	74
5	68 Miss. State	62
9	71 ALABAMA	80
12	75 TENNESSEE	50
15	57 Ole Miss	58
20	74 Vanderbilt	68
22	80 FLORIDA	69
26	86 AUBURN	92
Mar. 1	57 Kentucky	68

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11-16		
Home: 8-5	Away: 2-10	
Neutral: 1-1		
OLE MISS REBELS		
Nov. 26	80 CHRISTIAN BROTHERS	67
30	85 S.C. - SPARTANBURG	74
Dec. 3	78 MISS. COLLEGE	53

7	76 Alcorn State	70
14	64 SE LOUISIANA	59
17	56 Memphis State	73
20	78 UT-Chanooga	89
21	61 Campbell	44
28	89 North Texas State	75
Jan. 2	70 VANDERBILT	81
4	66 Tennessee	74
8	58 Kentucky	75
11	79 FLORIDA	67
13	68 at LSU	86
18	57 MISS. STATE	56
22	61 AUBURN	73
25	75 Georgia	91
29	62 ALABAMA	69
Feb. 1	63 Vanderbilt	66
5	59 TENNESSEE	55
8	58 KENTUCKY	62
12	52 Florida	66
15	58 LSU	57
19	43 Miss. State	48
22	73 Auburn	75
26	61 GEORGIA	62
Mar. 2	59 Alabama	74

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6-21		
Home: 3-9	Away: 2-10	
Neutral: 0-2		
MISS. STATE BULLDOGS		
Nov. 25	67 McNeese State	76
30	77 Jackson State	62
Dec. 7	74 MISS. COLLEGE	64
10	53 DELTA STATE	56
14	58 KANSAS STATE	63
17	47 UT-CHATTANOOGA	48
21	57 Wichita State	64
27	75 San Jose State	65
28	43 Indiana	74
Jan. 2	62 ALABAMA	71
4	84 at LSU	90
8	55 Georgia	72
11	56 AUBURN	72
15	52 KENTUCKY	64
18	56 Ole Miss	57
22	51 Tennessee	69
25	64 VANDERBILT	60
29	64 FLORIDA	73
Feb. 1	54 Alabama	72
5	62 LSU	68
8	61 GEORGIA	62
12	64 Auburn	69
15	62 Kentucky	88
19	48 OLE MISS	43
22	57 TENNESSEE	49
26	65 Vanderbilt	77
Mar. 1	58 Florida	76

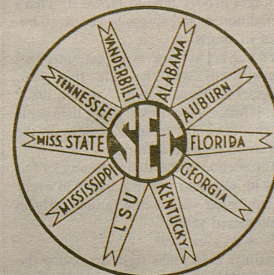
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13-14		
Home: 9-6	Away: 3-7	
Neutral: 1-1		
VANDERBILT COMMODORES		
Nov. 29	65 South Florida	66
30	75 E. Tennessee St.	72
Dec. 4	74 DUKE	84
7	85 BAYLOR	61
9	82 AUSTIN PEAY	75
14	89 PENNSYLVANIA	76
21	49 Princeton	44
27	78 DAVIDSON	69
28	79 IOWA STATE	80
Jan. 2	81 Ole Miss	70
4	71 KENTUCKY	80
8	55 Florida	86
11	77 GEORGIA	71
15	60 TENNESSEE	59
19	67 at LSU	84
22	72 ALABAMA	85
25	60 Miss. State	64
29	70 Auburn	97
Feb. 1	66 OLE MISS	63
5	65 Kentucky	73
8	60 FLORIDA	59
12	70 Georgia	101
15	66 Tennessee	62
20	68 LSU	74
22	68 Alabama	69
26	77 MISS. STATE	65
Mar. 1	65 AUBURN	79

16-11		
Home: 8-2	Away: 8-9	
GEORGIA BULLDOGS		
Nov. 22	78 SW Louisiana	75
29	60 Cornell	57
30	78 Miami	81
Dec. 7	65 Georgia Tech	89
14	104 GEORGIA STATE	64
18	99 Utah State	74
20	67 Nebraska	63
27	77 William & Mary	44
28	97 UT-Chattanooga	71
Jan. 2	73 at LSU	85
4	88 ALABAMA	80
8	72 MISS. STATE	55
11	71 Vanderbilt	77
15	89 FLORIDA	69
18	69 Auburn	84
23	69 Kentucky	74
25	91 OLE MISS	75
30	77 Tennessee	78
Feb. 1	92 LSU	76
5	54 Alabama	57
8	62 Miss. State	61
12	101 VANDERBILT	70
15	70 Florida	71
19	86 AUBURN	87
22	75 KENTUCKY	80
26	62 Ole Miss	60
Mar. 1	91 TENNESSEE	70

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12-15		
Home: 11-4	Away: 0-10	
Neutral: 1-1		
TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS		
Nov. 22	79 SE LOUISIANA	58
Dec. 2	52 Michigan	87
7	88 TEXAS A&M	70
10	54 ILLINOIS	51
14	67 MISSOURI	54
20	79 FURMAN	45
21	85 UNC-WILMINGTON	57
27	78 SW Louisiana	79
28	70 Texas A&M	64
Jan. 2	75 FLORIDA	77
4	74 OLE MISS	66
8	45 Auburn	59
11	88 LSU	77
15	59 Vanderbilt	60
18	79 Alabama	92
22	69 MISS. STATE	51
25	57 Kentucky	74
30	78 GEORGIA	77
Feb. 1	61 Florida	69
5	55 Ole Miss	59
8	80 AUBURN	79
12	50 at LSU	75
15	62 VANDERBILT	66
19	64 ALABAMA	80
22	47 Miss. State	59
27	60 KENTUCKY	62
Mar. 1	70 Georgia	91



SEC Scouting Report

If the 1986 Southeastern Conference Basketball Tournament is a "chalk" tournament, then Kentucky will win.

The thing is, however, that the SEC Tournament has seldom been a "chalk" tourney during the modern era.

Only in 1980 and 1984 has the tournament resembled anything like a march to the title game by the top two seeds.

Kentucky was "upset" 80-78 by Louisiana State in 1980, and UK nipped Auburn 51-49 in 1984.

The rest of the time, at least one "also ran" has wound up playing for the automatic NCAA tournament bid that goes to the tourney winner.

Remember Auburn last year?
Remember Mississippi in 1981?
Or Georgia in 1983?

That may just be "only history" in this tournament, but as any historian knows, those who forget history tend to repeat it. That's why tradition is, and always has been, so important in sports.

Even playing at home is no guarantee that Kentucky will win the title this year. Remember Alabama at Rupp Arena in 1982?

But, if history does repeat itself, then some team should expect to see Kentucky in the championship game Saturday.

In the decade of the 1980s, Kentucky has played its way into the title game in every even numbered year, while falling early in odd numbered years.

This is an even year.

Certainly, 1986 ranks right up among the best of SEC seasons for UK and its fans. Coach Eddie Sutton's march to the title, early, was a lot of fun for all.

For the rest of the conference, the 1985-86 season has been an odd mixture of worry and

heartbreak, joy and expectations, of illness and academic stress.

Here is that one last great opportunity to wipe all of that away, to atone for a blemish here, a mistake there.

This season is the swan song at Mississippi State for coach Bob Boyd. Will the State players find a way to win in the tournament that escaped them during the regular season? If so, State would become the first 10th seeded team to win the tourney title.

Will Don DeVoe be secretly making his final appearance as coach of the Tennessee Vols. Since Ohio State has received permission from UT officials to discuss OSU's open coaching job, and since DeVoe is an Ohio State alum, speculation has increased in the past week or so about the possibility of DeVoe making a move.

Even C.M. Newton's name has come up in connection with a change at Vanderbilt, and LSU's Dale Brown broadly hinted he would retire at the end of the year. However, Brown has since declared his intention to stay on at LSU.

With so many coaching changes either going to happen, or probably going to happen, an air of mystery hangs lightly over the tourney atmosphere. Yes, it's tournament time.

All of this shouldn't overshadow the on-floor exploits of such stars as UK's Kenny Walker, Auburn's Chuck Person, Alabama's Buck Johnson, or Tennessee's Tony White. Those four, plus Florida's Vernon Maxwell and Drew Moten, LSU's John Williams, Georgia's Joe Ward, and perhaps a surprise or two, could ultimately decide the tournament champion.

Following is a closer look at each of the 10 SEC schools:



Wimp Sanderson
Alabama Head Coach

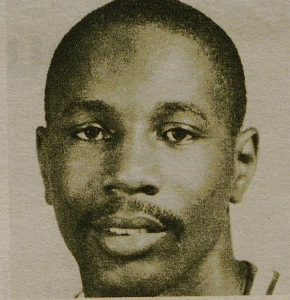
Alabama Crimson Tide

Probable Starters: Forwards—Jim Farmer (6-3, Jr.) and Buck Johnson (6-7, Sr.); Center—Derrick McKey (6-9, Soph.); Guards—Terry Coner (6-3, Jr.) and Mike Gottfried (6-2, Jr.)

Coach: Wimp Sanderson. He's been selected as conference coach of the year in at least one poll of his peers.

Tide Flow: Alabama roared through the middle of the SEC season as hot as any team going, and overcame the loss of Johnson for four crucial games with a thigh injury. Recently, Alabama has struggled, and may have already peaked this season. Certainly, an invitation to the NCAA tournament seems almost assured with a first round win in the SEC.

Strengths: Although Alabama is one of several "three-guard-front" outfits, Johnson and McKey give the Tide an excellent inside game. The Tide also uses the exciting "alley oop" pass better than any other team in the league. Coner leads the league in assists-per-

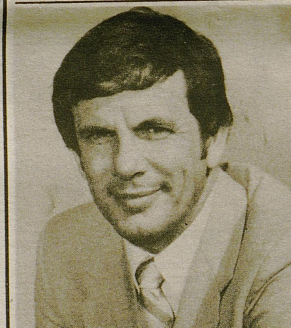


Buck Johnson
Alabama

game, while Farmer seems to have come on strongly late in the year, shooting, rebounding, and playing as well as anyone Sanderson can put on the floor. Alabama also has been a strong defensive team, as well as a good shooting team, both from the field and from the line.

Weaknesses: Like most of its league brothers, Alabama does not seem to have a very long, or deep, bench. However, freshman Michael Ansley had some fine games while subbing for the injured Johnson. He had 20 points and 17 rebounds at Vanderbilt. James Jackson (only 5-11) seems like the only other dependable sub.

Keys for the Opponents: Teams must first stop Johnson and McKey inside. How do you take away the lob if both can simply outjump your players? Then, you must stop Coner from driving down the middle of your defenses, while at the same time taking away Farmer's howitzer shots from the sides. That's a lot to do in one game. 'Bama is also a powerful team on the boards, especially so for one starting three players 6-3 or smaller.



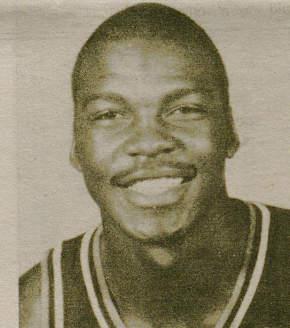
Sonny Smith
Auburn Head Coach

Auburn Tigers

Probable Starters: Forwards—Chuck Person (6-8, Sr.) and Chris Morris (6-7, Soph.); Center—Mike Moore (6-7, Soph.); Guards—Frank Ford (6-4, Jr.) and Gerald White (6-1, Jr.)

Coach: Sonny Smith, who knows all about trying on glass slippers.

Plainsmen: Auburn's season seems to be like Caesar's gall, divided into three parts. Early, Auburn was somewhat disappointing, losing four times in pre-conference play. But, Smith and Person righted the listing ship on January 6, hanging a loss on UK. Since then, Auburn has caught up with one-time cooking Alabama, and has increased its stature within the league as no one else has in recent weeks. Auburn and Kentucky are the only two teams to beat both Georgia and LSU in Athens and Baton Rouge this year. Enough said about being able to play. Person is probably the finest shooting big man in the SEC since Dan Issel at UK from 1967-70, or Bob Pettit at LSU in the early 1950s. Heady comparisons? Of course, but then Person has more range than



Chuck Person
Auburn

almost any other player 6-8 or 6-9 this side of Larry Bird of the Boston Celtics. And, freshman Mike Jones may be the single best player off the bench in the SEC.

Strengths: Person is a great place to begin, but this team has a nice overall blend of talent. Remember, Auburn beat Alabama late in the year at Auburn on a night when Person got just seven points and fouled out with several minutes left. Jones hit some big shots that night, as did Moore and Ford. Auburn is a team that seems to be maturing daily.

Weaknesses: Several knowledgeable SEC fans question Auburn's quickness, and overall depth. But, Auburn won four games in four days last year with virtually the same talent. Only Jones has been added. But, with Smith not leaving this time, will Auburn get the same emotional rush this season?

Key for the Opponents: Hold Person to something less than an all-world effort, while keeping Auburn's bulky inside players off the boards. This team can run, and can slow it down, but constant pressure on the ball everywhere on the floor could keep the Tigers from winning on Saturday afternoon.

SEC
Tourney
Preview



Norm Sloan
Florida Head Coach

Florida Gators

Probable Starters: *Forwards—Vernon Maxwell (6-4, Soph.) and Joe Lawrence (6-6, Jr.); Center—Kenny McClary (6-7, Soph.); Guards—Drew Moten (6-0, Jr.) and Ronnie Montgomery (6-0, Soph.).*

Coach: Norm Sloan, who has been a national title winner, and who just this past week, got a three-year contract extension until 1991.

Gator Gallops: Florida has been a dangerous team all year, and completely blew the minds of many SEC observers with a quick start through the middle of January. Since then, Florida has been a little up and down, but the one missing ingredient has been the lack of an inside power game. That comes next year with the arrival of 7-1 high school recruit Dwayne Schintzius. But, for now, Sloan can stick and jab with the thrusts of Maxwell and Moten, and the passing instincts of Montgomery, plus the artillery fire of Lawrence. If Maxwell and Moten hit something like a combined 20-for-30 from the floor in any tourney games, then Florida could waylay some bigger teams.



Vernon Maxwell
Florida

Strengths: Maxwell, Moten, Montgomery, Lawrence. In that order. After that, it is all suspect. Maxwell may be as fine an all-around athletic talent as there is in the conference. He can play basketball, and looks as if he could play well any number of other sports. Moten, on a good night, is as good a guard as there is. Sloan, though crusty and tough, is another plus on the bench. But, Florida's championship season could be a year or two away.

Weaknesses: Size, lack of an inside game the calibre of, say, Kentucky or Alabama (two similar sized teams). Rebounding is a real question mark, and the defense is sometimes suspect. Sloan likes a "man" defense, but may have to play zone. Florida's guards may also be weary from carrying too much of the load this year. But, if Maxwell and Moten are fresh in the tourney, watch out.

Keys for the Opposition: Any team that can make Maxwell and Moten work too hard, too long, for shots and points, and any team that can convert inside while on offense can beat Florida. The trick is to make the Gators work very, very hard, while exploiting Florida's small defenders inside.



Hugh Durham
Georgia Head Coach

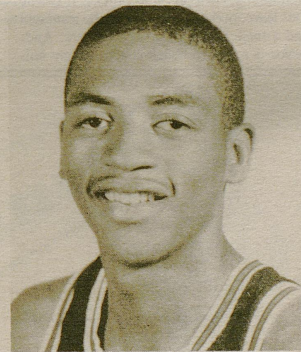
Georgia Bulldogs

Probable Starters: *Forwards—Horace McMillan (6-5, Sr.) and Joe Ward (6-6, Sr.); Center—David Dunn (6-8, Jr.); Guards—Dennis Williams (6-4, Jr.) and Donald Hartry (6-2, Sr.).*

Coach: Hugh Durham, who is another of four SEC coaches with Final Four experience in NCAA play.

Along the Dawggie Trail: Durham's team has possibly surpassed expectations this year, with the loss of three starters from last year's second-place team. Still, the Bulldogs have been exciting, playing the most "up tempo" game in the conference much of the year. Durham also has a nice combination of experience, youth, and depth, along with lots of speed and quickness. And, in a year in which no SEC team has had a dominant big man, the Dogs have shown a tremendous amount of courage.

Strengths: Speed, depth, and shooting



Donald Hartry
Georgia

have seemingly carried Georgia this season. In Ward, Durham has a player capable of getting 30 most any night, and with Willie Anderson coming off the bench, Durham has a player who can provide as much offense as any other SEC sub. With Dunn and 6-8 Chad Kessler inside, Georgia also has two intelligent players who can afford to give away a total of 10 fouls to stop your inside game.

Weaknesses: Lack of overall size has hurt in some games, as has a habit of giving away a game or two on a silly play. For instance, McMillan grabbed Tennessee's Tony White 50 feet from the basket with one second to play, costing the Dawgs a win. They also blew possible home wins over Auburn and Kentucky.

Keys for the Opposition: Stop Georgia's transition game. Maintain composure late in the game, even with as much as a 10-point lead with as little as a minute to go. Rebound, and keep rotating in as much depth as you have.



Eddie Sutton
Kentucky Head Coach

Kentucky Wildcats

Probable Starters: *Forwards—Kenny Walker (6-8, Sr.) and Winston Bennett (6-7, Jr.); Guards—James Blackmon (6-3, Jr.), Eddie Davender (6-2, Soph.), and Roger Harden (6-1, Sr.).*

Coach: Eddie Sutton, who in his first season at UK, has a chance to win 30 games, and be named national coach of the year.

Cat Nips: Since the last small UK team of national stature was named Rupp's Runts, this team might be best called Eddie's Elfs, save the likes of Robert Lock and Cedric Jenkins. Joe Hall's last team and Sutton's first might make a good television commercial comparing the difference between crunchy peanut butter and smooth. And, since this UK team has continued to win in places where UK teams have had problems in the recent past, more wins this week and the NCAA tourney should not come as a complete surprise to any real fan. Of course, mental toughness has been a key. If Kenny Walker is the star, then this might really be Roger Harden's team. Sure, Walker is the man who makes the team win, but Harden seems to be the man who makes it GO. Winston Bennett is the unsung hero who will get his halo of glory next season when Walker departs. Bennett's rugged play has kept opponents from totally burying Walker. Blackmon and Davender must continue their outstanding play.



Winston Bennett
Kentucky

Strengths: Walker inside, decent outside shooting. Walker could strengthen his claims for player of the year honors within the SEC and nationally with good tournaments the rest of the way. If Walker can come back in 1986 as he did in March of 1985, then UK should win the SEC tourney, and play several NCAA games. Harden is a heart and soul leader, and all of UK's players are shooting and playing better than last year. Defense is a key for UK.

Weaknesses: This UK team seems to lack one consistent bench player, but any of four or five are capable of helping defeat any opponent on a given night. Richard Madison must make a major contribution if UK expects to go far in post season play. Still, UK's regulars play more minutes than any of the past several UK squads.

Keys for the Opposition: Make Walker work, work, and work. Keep the ball away from him by surrounding him with as many defenders as necessary, then hope that Harden, Bennett, Davender, Blackmon, or someone off the bench doesn't destroy your game plan. Take care of the ball. If UK's defensive pressure keeps you out of your offense, you're in for a long game.



Dale Brown
Louisiana State Head Coach

Louisiana State Tigers

Probable Starters: *Forwards—Ricky Blanton (6-6, Soph.) and Donnie Redden (6-6, Sr.); Center—John Williams (6-8, Soph.); Guards—Anthony Wilson (6-4, Jr.) and Derrick Taylor (6-0, Sr.).*

Coach: Dale Brown, who is the wildest of the wildest in the SEC. He has a habit of drawing attention away from his players' problems and taking them on, himself. That opens the way for his players to concentrate on the upcoming game.

Raggedy Tiger Tales: But, even Brown, for all his resourcefulness, hasn't been able to overcome the continuing problems he's faced this year. This could have been one of the



Don Redden
Louisiana State

great teams in SEC history, but defections, deficiencies, deferments, and disaster have become the Four "Ds" of LSU basketball this year. Yet, with all that, LSU has been able to play with most everyone on the schedule, including Kentucky, Georgetown, and the other SEC teams. Williams is capable of dominating any game, and Taylor and Redden are two deadly players. Wilson has also played very well late in the season, and could give Brown another dimension in tournament play. Still, LSU hasn't won a post-season game, anywhere, since 1981. This could be the year that changes.

Strengths: Williams, Redden and Taylor

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provide a solid core of both talent and experience. The team has played in the face of adversity since the beginning of the season, and shouldn't be bothered by the pressure of tournament play. And, LSU went through two stretches where they played four days in a row in Hawaii, then four games in five days in four different states. That experience could help in this tournament.

Weaknesses: LSU is playing without a full deck. With Nikita Wilson, Tito Horford, and Dennis Brown not available for various

reasons, much of the pre-season strength of this club is gone. Lack of depth this late in the season could also prove to be a problem.

Keys to the Opposition: Perhaps the best way to run these guys down is to make them run, play hard, and exert tremendous amounts of energy early. Williams is a bull, who can play with finesse, but he sometimes tries to make a simple play hard. Pressure him, surround him at times, and play up tight on Redden and Taylor, just to see if Blanton or Wilson can beat you.



Lee Hunt
Ole Miss Head Coach

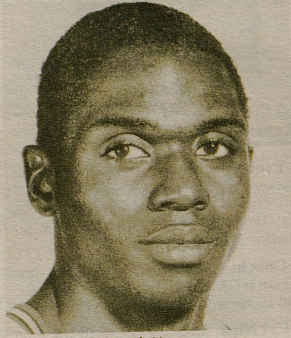
Mississippi Rebels

Probable Starters: Forwards—Curtis Ritchwood (6-6, Sr.) and Eric Smith (6-6, Jr.); Center—Derek Horne (6-7, Sr.); Guards—Joe Coleman (6-1, Soph.) and Roderick Barnes (6-1, Soph.).

Coach: Lee Hunt, who is still looking for that magic elixir that Bob Weltlich used during SEC tournament time.

Mississippi Odyssey: The Rebels have been hard to figure out. But, this is a team that has pulled off a couple of surprises, and may have at least one more left. Ritchwood and Smith are both capable of playing well enough to beat you on a given night. And, Ole Miss has been a tough team on Tennessee (its first round foe Wednesday night) in recent tournaments. If the Johnny Rebs hope to go into post-season NCAA or NIT play in 1986, a tournament win is a must.

Strengths: Front line scoring has been a big part of any 1985-86 success for Ole Miss, and that won't change in the tournament. However, consistent play from Barnes, Col-



Derek Horne
Ole Miss

eman, or 6-5 one-time starter Joe Ayers would help immeasurably. If Horne and 6-9 junior college transfer Ronnie Sims can be more of a factor, then Ole Miss could cause havoc with the plans of such teams as Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, Auburn.

Weaknesses: Here is a team that is looking for consistency. It also needs to develop confidence, knowing they can, should, expect, to win any given game, any night. The suspicion is that this team does not have such a feeling, and Hunt, Weltlich, and any number of previous coaches have been hard pressed to develop the thought. Shooting and defense don't always mesh, but must in the tourney.

Keys for the Opposition: Pressure the guards. Don't let them set up the inside shooters, like Ritchwood or Smith. Rebound. Don't let someone like Horne or Sims get a lot of easy, "garbage" points hanging around the rim. Play your own tempo game, preferably one faster than the game that Ole Miss likes to play.



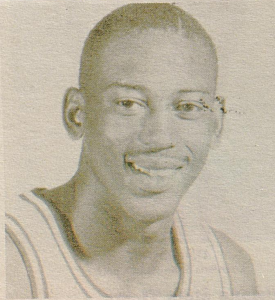
Bob Boyd
Mississippi State Head Coach

Mississippi State Bulldogs

Probable Starters: Forwards—Chauncey Robinson (6-4, Sr.) and Ervin Dillon (6-8, Sr.); Center—Raymond Brown (6-9, Soph.); Guards—Tracy Taylor (6-2, Jr.) and Mark Peters (6-4, Jr.).

Coach: Bob Boyd, who will be looking for a prettier lullaby than he's received so far in his swan song season.

Happy Trails To You: Six months ago, this team seemed capable of winning 20 games, not losing that many. But, so many unhappy things have hit the campus in Starkville that it makes you wonder just how



Chauncey Robinson
Mississippi State

resilient young men can be. Certainly, Boyd's farewell to the SEC hasn't been quite as happy as Sonny Smith's pre-mature departure last year, but Auburn and Smith were mired in seventh place coming into the 1985 tourney. State could turn it around for Boyd, but such miracle workings always seem unlikely until they happen. But, Boyd is such a popular person that hardly anyone would begrudge him some happy kind of upset before he returns to his sunny California home.

Strengths: This team has good athletes, and Chauncey Robinson is among the better athletes in the South. Still, Dillon and Brown have been up and down, but each is capable

of a big game. So is guard Tracy Taylor.

Weaknesses: This team lacks chemistry, perhaps. Certainly, it lacks the knowledge of winning. If the next coach takes this crew into Aamco, and gets all the gears to mesh, who knows about the future. But, for now, the

worry is unity.

Keys to the Opposition: Get an early lead. Make this team play your game, and keep pressure on the ball and on the front line players. If this team gets frustrated, you might have an easier win than expected.



Don DeVoe
Tennessee Head Coach

Tennessee Volunteers

Probable Starters: Forwards—Anthony Richardson (6-6, Jr.) and Dyron Nix (6-7, Fr.); Center—Rob Jones (6-7, Sr.); Guards—Elvin Brown (6-5, Fr.) and Tony White (6-1, Jr.).

Coach: Don DeVoe. But, is this "Good-bye, Knoxville," and "Hello, Columbus?"

Smoky Mountain Breakdown: The bally-hooed arrival of 6-11 freshman Doug Roth hasn't quite worked out, and consequently, this Tennessee team has not been a physical improvement over the past several. It has been small, quick, and susceptible to the ups and downs of human frailties. The loss of guard Fred Jenkins II games ago seemingly upset the delicate balance of this squad to the point that for the fifth season in a row, Tennessee will finish with a worse regular season record than the year before. And, the *Stokely Athletics Center* magic has even finally worn off on Kentucky. If DeVoe does leave, perhaps both he and the team will find a fresh breath of air somewhere. And, DeVoe is a superb bench coach, so any fail-



Rob Jones
Tennessee

ings of late here cannot be laid at his feet. Strange, or unfortunate, both come to mind in describing Tennessee this year.

Strengths: Certainly White, who leads the SEC in scoring, is a real strength. Quickness is a strength. So might mental attitude, if DeVoe does accept any possible offers from Ohio State, he tells the team before anyone else, and they give him a winning send-off. It has happened before, and the Vols certainly have enough talent to make it happen.

Weaknesses: Size, and someone to relieve White by handling the ball for him, setting him up for some easy goals. Still, if Roth had enjoyed a super year, and he could turn it on in the tourney, Tennessee could be looking for another 20-win season.

Keys for the Opposition: Keep White at bay with someone in his face at all times. Defy the younger players, who would have to beat you if White can't have the ball. And, be determined on the boards. Though small, this Vol team is capable of getting all the cheap baskets through hustle.



C. M. Newton
Vanderbilt Head Coach

Vanderbilt Commodores

Probable Starters: Forwards—Glen Clem (6-6, Jr.) and Steve Reece (6-9, Jr.); Center—Brett Burrow (6-10, Sr.); Guards—Jeff Gary (6-4, Sr.) and Darrell Dulaney (6-0, Sr.).

Coach: C.M. Newton, who looks as if he fits the studious image of Vandy so very, very well.

Entering Port After a Stormy Cruise:

The Commodores have seen both calm seas and wild typhoons on the 1985-86 voyage, and since this could be the final port call of the season, perhaps some dungaree liberty instead of wearing dress uniforms would be appropriate. If the Vandy team can find just a little extra, then Vandy could become the eighth different champion in eight years of the modern era. Certainly, they have enough talent, and a nice size bench, which are both



Brett Burrow
Vanderbilt

important during a four-game, four-day grind. Vandy has the same sort of depth as Georgia.

Strengths: Burrow is a strength, yet he does not dominate action. Shooting has been good, and with so many Kentucky players on the roster, this team could get as big a rush playing here as will UK.

Weaknesses: Lack of quickness is a traditional problem for Vandy to overcome. Yet, with so many players available, quickness late in the game could be an over-rated factor against this team.

Keys for the Opposition: Snuff out Burrow early, force non-shooters such as Reece or Frank Kornet to carry more offensive burden. Keep the big kids off the boards, and exert pressure on shooters such as Clem and frosh Barry Gohene. Keep the ball away from Dulaney, especially on moves down the middle.



Location Oxford, Mississippi
Founded November 6, 1848
Enrollment 10,452
Colors Cardinal Red and Navy Blue
Nickname Rebels
Arena Tad Smith Coliseum (9,000)
Chancellor Dr. R. Gerald Turner
Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. Max Williams
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 University, MS 38677
 601/232-7241
Athletic Director Warner Alford
Associate Athletic Director Reed Davis
Assistant Athletic Directors Lee Hunt, Jeanne Taylor, David Wells and Langston Rogers
Head Coach Lee Hunt (Central Missouri State '57)
Assistant Coaches Steve Moeller (Otterbein '66)
 Joe Proctor (Memphis State '71)
 Ronnie Anderson (East Central Oklahoma State '83)
Physician Dr. Robert Cooper
Trainer Joe Joe Petrone (Vanderbilt '80)
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 University, MS 38677
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Sports Information Director Langston Rogers (Delta State '66)
Assistant Leslie Williams (LSU '80)
SID for Basketball Joey Howard (Ole Miss '85)



Location Knoxville, Tennessee
Founded September 10, 1794
Enrollment 26,158
Colors Orange and White
Nickname Volunteers
Arena Stokely Center (12,700)
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SID for Basketball Bud Ford

Mississippi In SEC Tournaments

MISSISSIPPI vs.

Alabama (1-1)
 1937 — Alabama 34-35
 1951 — Mississippi 44-42

Auburn (0-1)
 1985 Auburn 60-68

Florida (0-0)
 No Games Played

Georgia (1-4)
 1940 — Georgia 28-45
 1943 — Georgia 27-36
 1950 — Georgia 58-59
 1981 — Mississippi 66-62 (c)
 1983 — Georgia 55-69

Kentucky (0-7)
 1933 — Kentucky 31-49
 1939 — Kentucky 30-49
 1941 — Kentucky 52-62
 1942 — Kentucky 32-59
 1979 — Kentucky 77-82
 1980 — Kentucky 67-70
 1982 — Kentucky 58-62

Louisiana State (2-4)

1938 — Mississippi 68-40
 1946 — LSU 34-69
 1947 — LSU 36-61
 1951 — LSU 57-62
 1952 — LSU 60-75
 1982 — Mississippi 59-52

Mississippi State (0-0)
 No Games Played

Tennessee (3-3)
 1938 — Mississippi 45-40
 1945 — Tennessee 37-59
 1948 — Tennessee 62-81
 1949 — Tennessee 49-74
 1980 — Mississippi 76-74
 1981 — Mississippi 81-72

Tulane (0-0)
 No Games Played

Sewanee (0-0)
 No Games Played

Tennessee In SEC Tournaments

TENNESSEE vs.

Alabama (3-4)
 1934 — Alabama 26-29
 1936 — Tennessee 29-25
 1937 — Tennessee 42-25
 1942 — Alabama 18-21
 1946 — Alabama 24-35
 1952 — Tennessee 61-60
 1982 — Alabama 50-56

Auburn (5-1)
 1934 — Tennessee 43-26
 1936 — Tennessee 43-25
 1939 — Tennessee 49-35
 1945 — Tennessee 56-24
 1979 — Auburn 75-64
 1984 — Tennessee 58-60

Florida (4-0)
 1940 — Tennessee 43-32
 1941 — Tennessee 47-26
 1983 — Tennessee 78-62
 1984 — Tennessee 80-74 (OT)

Georgia (4-2)
 1937 — Tennessee 35-11
 1941 — Tennessee 41-39
 1942 — Tennessee 62-50
 1947 — Tennessee 58-45
 1983 — Georgia 60-79
 1985 — Georgia 61-67

Kentucky (4-8)
 1936 — Tennessee 39-28
 1937 — Kentucky 25-39 (c)
 1939 — Kentucky 38-46 (c)
 1940 — Kentucky 29-30
 1941 — Tennessee 36-33 (c)
 1943 — Tennessee 33-30 (c)
 1945 — Kentucky 35-39 (c)
 1948 — Kentucky 47-70
 1949 — Kentucky 44-83
 1950 — Kentucky 58-95 (c)
 1952 — Kentucky 66-81
 1979 — Tennessee 75-69 (OT) (c)

Louisiana State (4-1)

1933 — LSU 43-55
 1934 — Tennessee 42-35
 1943 — Tennessee 52-34
 1950 — Tennessee 81-79 (OT)
 1983 — Tennessee 74-71

Mississippi (3-3)
 1938 — Mississippi 40-45
 1945 — Tennessee 59-37
 1948 — Tennessee 81-62
 1949 — Tennessee 74-49
 1980 — Mississippi 74-76
 1981 — Mississippi 72-81

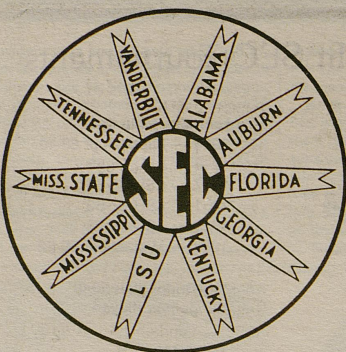
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 1938 — Tennessee 41-34
 1941 — Tennessee 35-29
 1942 — Tennessee 50-40
 1948 — Tennessee 73-52
 1949 — Tennessee 73-46

Vanderbilt (6-1)
 1939 — Tennessee 39-36
 1943 — Tennessee 41-31
 1946 — Tennessee 46-32
 1950 — Tennessee 50-44
 1951 — Vanderbilt 52-88
 1982 — Tennessee 57-54
 1985 — Tennessee 71-51

Georgia Tech (4-0)
 1933 — Tennessee 30-24
 1940 — Tennessee 55-43
 1945 — Tennessee 41-37
 1950 — Tennessee 63-56

Tulane (0-1)
 1947 — Tulane 41-47

Sewanee (0-0)
 No Games Played



Southeastern Conference Basketball Tournament Team Rosters

Alabama's Crimson Tide

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
3	Gary White	G	6-2	180	Sr.	2L	Northport, AL
11	James Jackson	G	5-11	167	Jr.	Tr.	Montgomery, AL
21	Jim Farmer	G	6-3	190	Jr.	2L	Dothan, AL
23	Mark Gottfried	G	6-2	180	Jr.	1L	Mobile, AL
24	Craig Dudley	G	6-4	180	So.	1L	Gadsden, AL
30	Terry Coker	G	6-3	170	So.	1L	Birmingham, AL
31	Derrick McCreary	C	6-9	190	So.	1L	Meridian, MS
32	Buck Johnson	F	6-7	190	Sr.	3L	Birmingham, AL
45	Michael Ansley	F	6-7	215	Fr.	HS	Birmingham, AL
52	William DeV Vaughn	C	6-9	205	Fr.	HS	Birmingham, AL

Auburn's War Eagles

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
10	Terrance Howard	G	6-1	165	So.	1L	Macon, GA
11	Melvin Haralson	G	6-2	170	Jr.	JC	Jackson, MS
12	Gerald White	G	6-1	175	Jr.	2L	Augusta, GA
13	Mike Jones	F	6-7	210	Fr.	HS	Phenix City, AL
14	Johnny Lynn	G	6-2	170	So.	1L	Hendersonville, TN
15	Frank Ford	G	6-4	210	Jr.	2L	Kissimmee, FL
21	Rob Jones	G	6-2	165	So.	1L	Sylvania, AL
25	Gary Godfrey	C-F	6-7	230	Sr.	2L	North Palm Beach, FL
31	Vern Strickland	F	6-5	215	Sr.	1L	Gadsden, AL
34	Chris Morris	F	6-7	205	So.	1L	Atlanta, GA
40	Jeff Moore	C-F	6-7	220	So.	1L	Birmingham, AL
45	Chuck Person	F	6-8	215	Sr.	3L	Brantley, AL

Florida's Gators

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
00	Ronnie Montgomery	G	6-0	170	So.	1L	Jacksonville, FL
3	Pat Lawrence	G-F	6-7	195	So.	1L	Crestview, FL
4	Joe Lawrence	G-F	6-6	195	Jr.	2L	Crestview, FL
5	Andrew Moten	G	6-0	170	Jr.	2L	Quincy, FL
11	Vernon Maxwell	G	6-4	180	So.	1L	Gainesville, FL
20	Reed Crafton	G	5-10	160	Fr.	HS	Indianapolis, IN
21	Kenny McClary	F	6-7	210	So.	1L	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
22	Chris Capers	F	6-6	190	Fr.	HS	Jacksonville, FL
23	Clifford Lett	F	6-3	175	Fr.	HS	Pensacola, FL
30	Jon Currington	C	6-8	200	Jr.	JC	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
34	Melven Jones	F	6-5	185	Jr.	JC	Pahokee, FL
42	Mark Saso	C	6-11	200	Sr.	1L	St. Petersburg, FL
44	Rollie Castineyra	G	6-4	190	Jr.	2L	Miami, FL

Georgia's Bulldogs

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
4	Eric Burdette	F-C	6-8	225	Fr.	HS	Greensboro, GA
12	Dennis Williams	G	6-4	175	Jr.	2L	Charleston, SC
14	Patrick Hamilton	G	6-2	175	Fr.	Sq.	Gainesville, GA
21	Toney Mack	G-F	6-5	195	Fr.	HS	Brandon, FL
22	Horace McMillan	F	6-5	185	Sr.	3L	Quincy, FL
23	Chris Duncan	G	6-5	190	Fr.	HS	Jonesboro, GA
24	Chad Kessler	T-C	6-8	225	Jr.	2L	Roswell, GA
30	Donald Hartry	G	6-2	170	Sr.	3L	Milledgeville, GA
32	Joe Ward	F	6-6	210	Sr.	2L	Griffin, GA
33	Alec Kessler	F-C	6-8	200	Fr.	HS	Roswell, GA
40	Willie Anderson	G-F	6-7	180	So.	1L	Atlanta, GA
44	David Dunn	C-F	6-8	225	Jr.	1L	Mableton, GA

Kentucky's Wildcats

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
00	Leroy Byrd	G	5-5	145	Sr.	2L	Lexington, KY
10	James Blackmon	G	6-3	180	Jr.	2L	Marion, IN
14	Paul Andrews	G	6-3	180	Jr.	2L	London, KY
15	Ed Davender	G	6-3	165	So.	1L	Brooklyn, NY
23	Roger Harden	G	6-1	165	Sr.	3L	Valparaiso, IN
25	Winston Bennett	F	6-7	210	Jr.	2L	Louisville, KY
30	Irving Thomas	F-C	6-9	220	Fr.	HS	Miami, FL
32	Todd Ziegler	F	6-7	195	So.	1L	Louisville, KY
34	Kenny Walker	F	6-8	190	Sr.	3L	Roberta, GA
42	Richard Madison	F	6-8	215	So.	1L	Memphis, TN
44	Robert Leach	C	6-11	235	So.	1L	Reedley, CA
55	Cedric Jenkins	F	6-9	185	So.	1L	Dawson, GA

Louisiana State's Tigers

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
10	Derrick Taylor	G	6-0	186	Sr.	2L	Baton Rouge, LA
11	Anthony Wilson	G	6-5	197	Jr.	2L	Plain Dealing, LA
14	Edwin Wilson	G	5-10	150	So.	HS	Lake Charles, LA
15	Ocie Conley	G	6-3	187	So.	1L	Marianna, AR
20	Neboisha Bukumirovich	G	6-4	174	So.	1L	Belgrade, Yugoslavia
24	John Williams	F	6-8	240	So.	1L	Los Angeles, CA
30	Bernard Woodside	C-F	6-6	200	So.	Tr.	Hempstead, NY
31	Oliver Brown	G-F	6-6	198	Jr.	2L	Baton Rouge, LA
33	Ricky Blanton	G	6-7	228	So.	1L	Miami, FL
43	Jose Vargas	C	6-10	225	So.	1L	LaRomana, Dominican
44	Don Redden	G-F	6-6	217	Sr.	3L	Monroe, LA

Ole Miss' Rebels

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
11	Joe Coleman	G	6-1	180	So.	1L	Jackson, MS
12	Roderick Barnes	G	6-1	156	So.	1L	Sartaria, MS
20	Keith Kessinger	G	6-2	160	Fr.	HS	Memphis, TN
21	Curtis Ritchwood	F	6-6	200	Sr.	1L	Montclair, NY
24	Steve Calhoun	G-F	6-5	190	So.	Sq	Columbus, OH
31	Joe Ayers	G	6-5	193	Jr.	2L	Birmingham, AL
34	Derek Horne	F-C	6-7	215	Sr.	3L	Quitman, GA
35	Ronnie Sims	F-C	6-9	215	Jr.	JC	Memphis, TN
42	Eric Smith	F	6-6	220	Jr.	JC	Champaign-Urbana, IL
44	Bruce Tranbarger	F	6-7	230	So.	1L	Kingsport, TN
50	Clint Stegall	F-C	6-9	200	Fr.	HS	Dallas, GA

Mississippi State's Bulldogs

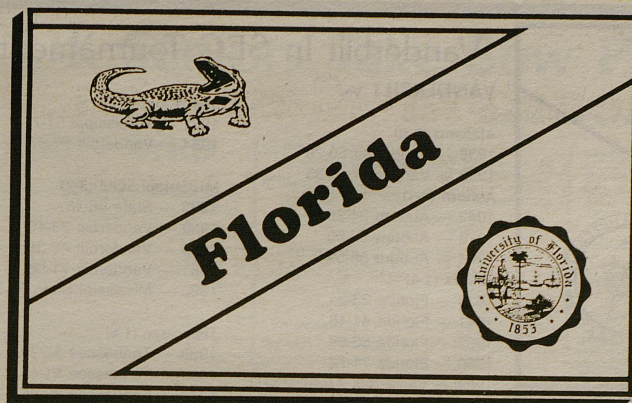
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
10	Bernard Ballard	G	6-1	180	Fr.	HS	College Park, GA
11	Chris Hall	G	6-3	170	So.	Sq	Cleburne, TX
12	Reginald Boykin	G	6-2	170	Fr.	HS	Tunica, MS
15	Greg Lockhart	F	6-4	185	Sr.	3L	Miami, FL
20	Hubert Henderson	F	6-2	170	Fr.	HS	Memphis, TN
21	Clyde Tables	G	6-5	205	So.	Sq.	Hickory Flat, MS
24	Tracy Taylor	G	6-2	175	Jr.	2L	Macon, GA
31	Ervin Dillon	F	6-8	210	Sr.	1L	Canton, MS
32	Mark Peters	G	6-5	185	Jr.	1L	Benton, IL
34	Anthony Blakely	F	6-8	210	Fr.	HS	Gulfport, MS
54	Raymond Brown	C	6-9	215	So.	1L	Atlanta, GA

Tennessee's Volunteers

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
11	Tony White	G	6-2	170	Jr.	2L	Charlotte, NC
12	Sam Arterburn	F	6-6	175	So.	Sq.	Paducah, KY
20	Anthony Richardson	F	6-4	205	So.	Sq.	Marion, NC
22	Russ Spivey	G	6-2	176	So.	2L	Goldensboro, NC
25	Travis Henry	G	6-3	170	Fr.	HS	McMinnville, TN
30	Tyrone Harper	F	6-7	218	Jr.	1L	Nashville, TN
31	Dyron Mix	F	6-7	205	Fr.	HS	Ft. Walton, FL
33	Mark Griffin	F	6-8	198	Fr.	HS	Union City, TN
34	Rob Jones	C	6-7	205	Sr.	3L	Knoxville, TN
43	Mike Johanson	C	6-9	220	Sr.	Sq.	Alliance, OH
44	Elvin Brown	G	6-5	185	Fr.	HS	Elizabeth, TN
50	Doug Roth	C	6-11	240	Fr.	HS	Knoxville, TN

Vanderbilt's Commodores

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
4	Barry Booker	G	6-4	187	Fr.	HS	Franklin, TN
10	Sydney Grider	G	6-2	172	Fr.	HS	Nashville, TN
12	Barry Goheen	G	6-4	164	Fr.	HS	Calvert City, KY
13	Bud Adams	F	6-7	200	So.	Sq.	Atlanta, GA
15	Bobby Westbrook	F	6-6	199	Jr.	2L	Memphis, TN
20	Jeff Gary	F	6-4	192	Sr.	3L	Anderson, IN
21	Chip Rupp	G	6-7	189	Fr.	HS	Lexington, KY
22	Darrell Dulaney	G	5-11	168	Jr.	3L	Columbus, OH
24	Glen Clem	F-G	6-6	198	Jr.	3L	Jasper, AL
32	Will Perdue	C	6-11	230	So.	1L	Merritt Island, FL
33	Steve Reece	F-C	6-9	223	Jr.	2L	Lawrenceville, GA
34	Frank Kornet	F	6-8	206	Fr.	HS	Lexington, KY
40	Randy Neff	F	6-7	217	Jr.	Tr.	Smyrna, TN
50	Brett Burrow	C	6-10	228	Sr.	3L	Radcliff, KY
51	Byron Ball	F	6-8	219	So.	1L	Huntington Beach, CA



Location Gainesville, Florida
Founded August 18, 1853
Enrollment 35,700
Colors Orange and Blue
Nickname Gators
Arena O'Connell Center (12,000)
President Marshall Criser
Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. Mandell Glicksberg
Athletic Department P.O. Box 14485
 Gainesville, FL 32604
 904/392-0664
Athletic Director Bill Carr
Associate Athletic Directors Richard Giannini, Jeremy Foley
Assistant Athletic Directors Norm Carlson, Ann Marie Lawler, Keith Tribble, Tom Scott, Jim Weaver
Head Coach Norm Sloan (N.C. State '51)
Assistant Coaches Monte Towe (N.C. State '75)
 Kenny McCraney (Florida '82)
Sports Information P.O. Box 14485
 Gainesville, FL 32604
 904/392-0641
Sports Information Director John Humenik
Assistants Andy Pollack, Sally Raque
SID for Basketball Chris Cameron

Florida In SEC Tournaments

FLORIDA vs.

Alabama (0-2)
 1934 — Alabama 25-41 (c)
 1979 — Alabama 64-81

Auburn (1-1)

1981 — Florida 50-48
 1985 — Auburn 42-43

Georgia (0-0)

No Games Played

Kentucky (2-6)

1933 — Kentucky 24-48
 1934 — Florida 38-32
 1942 — Kentucky 36-42
 1945 — Kentucky 35-57
 1946 — Kentucky 32-69
 1948 — Kentucky 31-87
 1949 — Kentucky 36-73
 1985 — Florida 58-55

Louisiana State (0-5)

1947 — LSU 45-60
 1950 — LSU 57-66
 1952 — LSU 69-77
 1980 — LSU 82-55
 1981 — LSU 73-85

Mississippi (0-0)

No Games Played

Mississippi State (0-0)

No Games Played

Tennessee (0-4)

1940 — Tennessee 32-42
 1941 — Tennessee 26-47
 1983 — Tennessee 62-78
 1984 — Tennessee 74-80 (OT)

Vanderbilt (4-1)

1934 — Florida 24-23
 1941 — Florida 48-41
 1952 — Florida 66-63
 1980 — Florida 72-71
 1982 — Vanderbilt 46-47 (2 OT)

Georgia Tech (0-0)

No Games Played

Tulane (0-1)

1951 — Tulane 62-66

Sewanee (0-0)

No Games Played



FLORIDA GATORS

Georgia In SEC Tournaments

GEORGIA vs.

Alabama (4-2)

1940 — Georgia 30-28
 1950 — Georgia 52-51 (OT)
 1981 — Georgia 88-80
 1982 — Alabama 74-85
 1983 — Georgia 86-71 (c)
 1985 — Alabama 53-74

Auburn (1-3)

1936 — Auburn 26-43
 1940 — Georgia 48-41
 1979 — Auburn 91-95 (4 OT)
 1980 — Auburn 71-79

Florida (0-0)

No Games Played

Kentucky (0-5)

1940 — Kentucky 43-51 (c)
 1943 — Kentucky 30-59
 1944 — Kentucky 29-57
 1950 — Kentucky 63-79
 1984 — Kentucky 79-92

Louisiana State (1-2)

1939 — LSU 28-50
 1945 — LSU 41-60
 1981 — Georgia 68-60

Mississippi (4-1)

1940 — Georgia 45-28
 1943 — Georgia 36-27
 1950 — Georgia 59-58
 1981 — Mississippi 62-66 (c)
 1983 — Georgia 69-55

Mississippi State (3-0)

1946 — Georgia 45-44
 1979 — Georgia 75-72
 1984 — Georgia 52-49

Tennessee (2-4)

1937 — Tennessee 11-35
 1941 — Tennessee 39-41
 1942 — Tennessee 50-62
 1947 — Tennessee 58-45
 1983 — Georgia 79-60
 1985 — Georgia 67-61

Vanderbilt (0-3)

1934 — Vanderbilt 29-46
 1951 — Vanderbilt 60-70
 1952 — Vanderbilt 49-61

Georgia Tech (2-2)

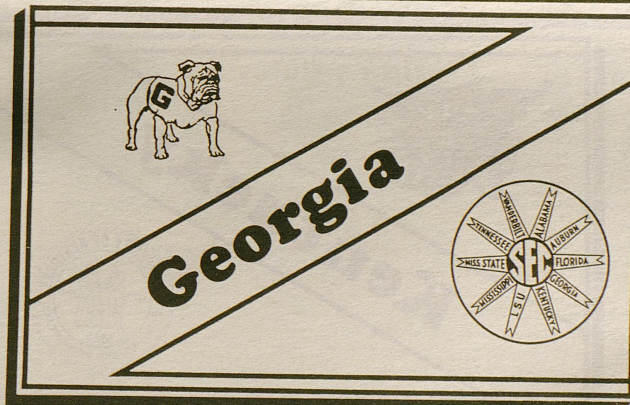
1934 — Georgia 33-19
 1945 — Georgia Tech 49-68
 1946 — Georgia 36-30
 1948 — Georgia Tech 57-60

Tulane (0-3)

1933 — Tulane 22-46
 1938 — Tulane 36-47
 1949 — Tulane 62-92

Sewanee (0-0)

No Games Played



Location Athens, Georgia
Founded January 27, 1785
Enrollment 23,800
Colors Red and Black
Nickname Bulldogs
Arena The Coliseum (11,200)
President Dr. Fred C. Davison
Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. W.M. Powell
Athletic Department P.O. Box 1472
 Athens, GA 30613
 404/542-1307
Athletic Director Vince Dooley
Associate Athletic Director Lee Hayley
Assistant Athletic Directors Dan Magill, John Shafer, Liz Murphey and Claude Felton
Head Coach Hugh Durham (Florida State '59)
Assistant Coaches Eddie Biedenbach (N.C. State '68)
 Larry Gay (Florida State '73)
 Nate Archibald (Texas-El Paso '70)
Sports Information P.O. Box 1472
 Athens, GA 30613
 404/542-1621
Sports Information Director Claude Felton
Assistant Tim Hix
SID for Basketball Norm Reilly



Location Nashville, Tennessee
Founded October 18, 1874
Enrollment 8,300
Colors Old Gold and Black
Nickname Commodores
Arena Memorial Gymnasium (15,626)
Chancellor Joe B. Wyatt
Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. Paul Harrawood
Athletic Department P.O. Box 120158
 Nashville, TN 37212
 615/322-4727
Athletic Director Roy Kramer
Associate Athletic Directors C.M. Newton and George Bennett
Assistant Athletic Directors Ken Hudgens and C.R. Bickerstaff
Head Coach C.M. Newton (Kentucky '52)
Assistant Coaches John Bostick (Florence State '57)
 Ed Martin (North Carolina A&T '51)
 Al Walter (Samford '75)
 Mike Petrone (Austin Peay '69)
Sports Information P.O. Box 120158
 Nashville, TN 37212
 615/322-4121
Sports Information Director Lew Harris
SID for Basketball Tony Neely



Location Lexington, Kentucky
Founded February 22, 1865
Enrollment 23,000
Colors Blue and White
Nickname Wildcats
Arena Rupp Arena (23,000)
President Dr. Otis A. Singletary
Faculty Chairman of Athletics Dr. Robert G. Lawson
Athletic Department Memorial Coliseum
 Lexington, KY 40506
 606/258-2881
Athletic Director Cliff Hagan
Assistant Athletic Directors Frank Ham, Larry Ivy and Sue Fearmster
Head Coach Eddie Sutton (Oklahoma State '58)
Assistant Coaches James Dickey (Central Arkansas '76)
 Doug Barnes (Oklahoma State '68)
 Leonard Hamilton (UT-Martin '70)
Sports Information Memorial Coliseum
 Lexington, KY 40506
 606/257-3838
Sports Information Director Russell Rice
Assistant Rena Koier
SID for Basketball Brad Davis

Georgia Tech (5-0)
 1937 — Kentucky 40-30
 1947 — Kentucky 75-53
 1948 — Kentucky 54-43 (OT)
 1951 — Kentucky 82-56
 1952 — Kentucky 80-59

Tulane (6-1)
 1938 — Tulane 36-38
 1941 — Kentucky 59-30
 1943 — Kentucky 48-31
 1944 — Kentucky 62-46 (c)
 1947 — Kentucky 55-38 (c)
 1949 — Kentucky 68-52 (c)
 1952 — Kentucky 85-61

Sewanee (0-0)
 No Games Played

Vanderbilt In SEC Tournaments

VANDERBILT vs.

Alabama (2-0)
 1938 — Vanderbilt 50-26
 1939 — Vanderbilt 41-35
Auburn (0-3)
 1942 — Auburn 34-36
 1979 — Auburn 53-59
 1984 — Auburn 58-59
Florida (1-4)
 1934 — Florida 23-24
 1941 — Florida 41-48
 1952 — Florida 63-66
 1980 — Florida 71-72
 1982 — Vanderbilt 47-46 (2 OT)
Georgia (3-0)
 1934 — Vanderbilt 46-29
 1951 — Vanderbilt 70-60
 1952 — Vanderbilt 61-49
Kentucky (2-2)
 1940 — Kentucky 34-44
 1947 — Kentucky 29-98
 1951 — Vanderbilt 61-57 (c)
 1981 — Vanderbilt 60-55
Louisiana State (2-1)
 1941 — Vanderbilt 63-49
 1949 — LSU 56-60
 1951 — Vanderbilt 75-63

Mississippi (1-1)

1981 — Mississippi 51-71
 1984 — Vanderbilt 77-57

Mississippi State (3-2)

1933 — State 36-48
 1939 — Vanderbilt 73-40
 1940 — Vanderbilt 46-36
 1981 — Vanderbilt 71-58
 1983 — Mississippi State 61-76

Tennessee (1-6)

1939 — Tennessee 36-39
 1943 — Tennessee 31-41
 1946 — Tennessee 32-46
 1950 — Tennessee 44-50
 1951 — Tennessee 88-52
 1982 — Tennessee 54-57
 1985 — Tennessee 51-71

Georgia Tech (0-3)

1936 — Tech 37-42
 1938 — Tech 18-50
 1944 — Tech 51-63

Tulane (1-1)

1933 — Vanderbilt 28-25
 1948 — Tulane 53-67

Sewanee (0-0)

No Games Played

Kentucky In SEC Tournaments

KENTUCKY vs

Alabama (6-2)
 1941 — Kentucky 39-37
 1942 — Kentucky 36-34 (c)
 1945 — Kentucky 52-41
 1946 — Kentucky 59-30
 1979 — Kentucky 101-100
 1982 — Alabama 46-48 (c)
 1983 — Alabama 64-69
 1984 — Kentucky 48-46
Auburn (8-0)
 1942 — Kentucky 40-31
 1946 — Kentucky 69-24
 1947 — Kentucky 84-18
 1949 — Kentucky 70-39
 1951 — Kentucky 84-54
 1980 — Kentucky 69-61
 1982 — Kentucky 89-66
 1984 — Kentucky 51-49 (c)

Florida (6-2)

1933 — Kentucky 48-24
 1934 — Florida 32-38
 1942 — Kentucky 42-36
 1945 — Kentucky 57-35
 1946 — Kentucky 69-32
 1948 — Kentucky 87-31
 1949 — Kentucky 73-36
 1985 — Florida 55-58

Georgia (5-0)

1940 — Kentucky 51-43 (c)
 1943 — Kentucky 59-30
 1944 — Kentucky 57-29
 1950 — Kentucky 79-63
 1984 — Kentucky 92-79

Louisiana State (9-1)

1933 — Kentucky 51-38
 1937 — Kentucky 57-37
 1939 — Kentucky 53-34
 1944 — Kentucky 55-28

1945 — Kentucky 68-37
 1946 — Kentucky 59-36 (c)
 1948 — Kentucky 63-47
 1952 — Kentucky 44-43 (c)
 1979 — Kentucky 80-67
 1980 — LSU 78-80 (c)

Mississippi (7-0)

1933 — Kentucky 49-31
 1939 — Kentucky 49-30
 1941 — Kentucky 62-52
 1942 — Kentucky 59-32
 1979 — Kentucky 82-77
 1980 — Kentucky 70-67
 1982 — Kentucky 62-58

Mississippi State (5-0)

1933 — Kentucky 46-27 (c)
 1936 — Kentucky 41-39
 1943 — Kentucky 52-43
 1950 — Kentucky 56-46
 1951 — Kentucky 92-70

Tennessee (4-8)

1936 — Tennessee 28-39
 1937 — Kentucky 39-25
 1939 — Kentucky 46-38 (c)
 1940 — Kentucky 30-29
 1941 — Tennessee 33-36 (c)
 1943 — Tennessee 30-33 (c)
 1945 — Kentucky 39-35 (c)
 1948 — Kentucky 70-47
 1949 — Kentucky 83-44
 1950 — Kentucky 95-58 (c)
 1952 — Kentucky 81-66
 1979 — Tennessee 69-75 (OT) (c)

Vanderbilt (2-2)

1940 — Kentucky 44-34
 1947 — Kentucky 98-29
 1951 — Vanderbilt 57-61 (c)
 1981 — Vanderbilt 55-60

UK Seniors Take Bow Prior To LSU Game

Photos by Gary Cromwell

LEROY BYRD

(About the pre-game ceremonies)

Byrd: It's something I'll always cherish. The reason why I didn't shed as many tears is because I knew I was going to be checking in against the top guard in the SEC — Derick Taylor — when I started. So, I didn't want to let Coach down by giving me the opportunity to start. I thank him right now for giving me that opportunity. For me to grow up in the state of Kentucky and get a chance to start on national television in front of 24,000 is something I'll never forget. I really love him for it (chance to start) and ap-

preciate it very much.

(About when he found out he was going to start)

Byrd: Today at pregame Coach said, 'I'm going to start you.' I said okay!

(About being nervous)

Byrd: I definitely had a few butterflies because it was my first collegiate start. But I didn't want to let that show by putting out a 110 percent effort. The first time I dribbled the ball the butterflies went away. It was all business from then on. I'm used to being in a game under pressure situations. It helped that I got to play a lot early in the season, and it helped me with tonight's start.



ROGER HARDEN

(About the pre-game ceremonies)

Harden: It's going to be a moment, when ever I'm on my deathbed, it will be one of those times that I'll look back and remember and be grateful for. I think it will probably be relished more as I get older, and to be glad that I was part of the program.

(About Winston Bennett)

Harden: I think Winston Bennett is a player who in the future is going to do great things. He's been doing great things for us all year. He'll be our next All-American next year because he's a fantastic ballplayer. The fact that he played with Kenny Walker; Kenny really helped him quite a bit. He'll run into some of the things that Kenny did this year, next year as far as being double-teamed. He's definitely going to be a great basketball



player. He is right now. Winston's drastically underrated. He continues to go out and take care of business for us night in and night out.

(About Kentucky not being overconfident in the upcoming SEC Tournament)

Harden: I think that when we come off the big games and then we play a team who's not as successful I think we've risen to the occa-

sion. We've demonstrated a lot of maturity. We have the SEC Tournament here and we want to win it; and it's important for us to play well. We're not going to be content with just being SEC champs and winning the tournament. We want a national championship and that's what we're working for. We've been working for that since the first day of conditioning in September. I think that's the reason why we won't let up. And, I think that's why we will win the (SEC) tournament.



KENNY WALKER

(About the pregame ceremonies)

Walker: You hear about seniors in the past talk about their feelings when standing out there at mid-court saying farewell. You have to be there to experience that feeling. It's a feeling that you can cherish for the rest of your life. There's no other feeling like that. To stand out there, it's very emotional. You think about all the good times you've had here and about all the support the fans have given throughout your career. It's something that I will definitely cherish for the rest of my life.

(About the play in the first half where he missed the break-away layup following a block shot)

Walker: I think I made the block at one end. I just wanted to take it up strong and I saw him coming (LSU defender). Then, he hit my arm and I thought it would be a foul on the play. That's why I didn't lay it up with my right hand. He hit my right arm when I was going up, so I switched it over to my left hand. I looked around and there was no foul. But, those things happen.

(About taking the outside shots)

Walker: I was considering taking a lot more if I went back out there. They kind of sagged off me a little bit. A lot of people think that I can't shoot outside. I've got Coach (Dale) Brown convinced that I can't shoot outside. Hopefully, if we face them again they'll let me stay out there all alone and I hope that I can stroke it like I was doing today.

(About Eddie Sutton)

Walker: He's an outstanding coach. Last

year when Dr. (Otis) Singletary told us that he was going to find us the best coach in America, he didn't let us down. He went out and got us a great coach. He's stepped in and has done an outstanding job. You can give him praise for that, but at the same time let's give our ballclub praise also. I think we're the ones that go out there and do the things that Coach Sutton tells us to do. He can't go out there and play the ballgame for us. Our kids have done an outstanding job of going out there and living up to what he's trying to preach.

(About the NCAA Tournament)

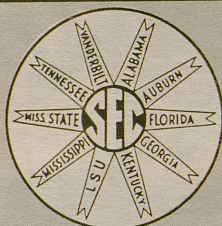
Walker: Hopefully, when we get out of the SEC Tournament we can surprise some of the teams, especially some of the top teams in the country. They look at Kentucky and say, 'Hey, these guys start two guys at 6-foot-8 and three guards.' We look deceiving. Sometimes teams have a tendency to take you lightly. That's what we hope will happen in the NCAA — that somebody will take us lightly. This is a special ballclub because we don't have the talent but you can put anybody on the court with us and we'll play ball with them. We'll fight 'em to the end.

(About what Dale Brown said to him when he checked out of the game)

Walker: He came over and told me that he had never done this in his entire career of coaching — come over and shake a guy's hand from an opposing team in his last home game. That's when I got emotional again, a few more tears. Their ballplayers came over and hugged us and wished us the best of luck. It's those little things to show you that other people care. That's what makes my life really a happy one.

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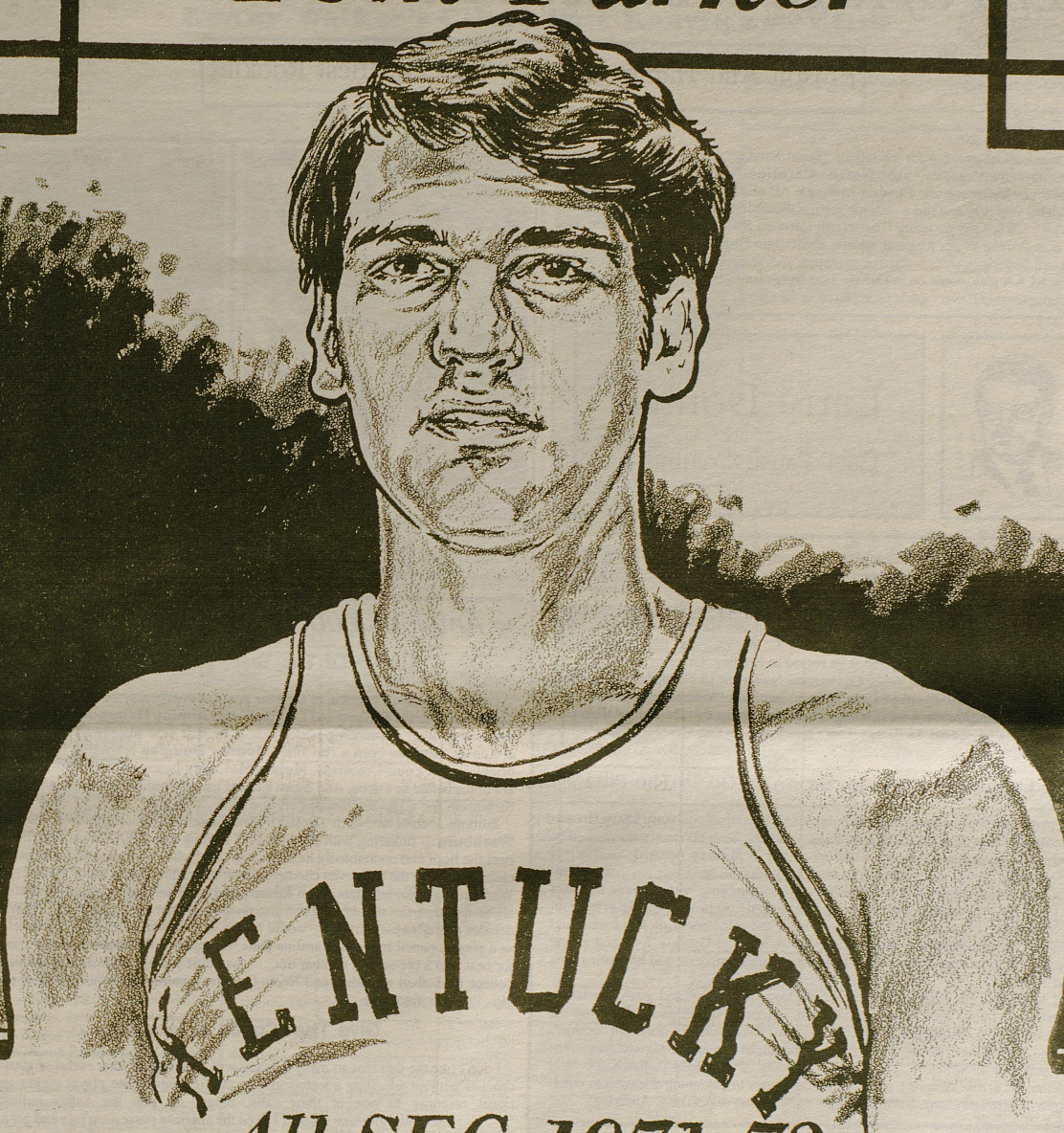
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Last Week		18-7	16-9	18-7	17-8	19-6	19-6
Total		282-68	275-75	281-69	268-82	269-81	270-80
ILLINOIS AT MINNESOTA		ILLINOIS 8	ILLINOIS 7	ILLINOIS 7	ILLINOIS 8	ILLINOIS 4	ILLINOIS 1
INDIANA AT MICHIGAN		MICHIGAN 7	MICHIGAN 4	MICHIGAN 8	MICHIGAN 5	MICHIGAN 6	MICHIGAN 2
PURDUE AT IOWA		IOWA 3	PURDUE 2	IOWA 6	IOWA 2	IOWA 2	IOWA 3
OHIO STATE AT MICHIGAN STATE		MSU 6	MSU 9	MSU 9	MSU 6	MSU 2	MSU 6
WISCONSIN AT NORTHWESTERN		WISCONSIN 7	WISCONSIN 1	WISCONSIN 1	WISCONSIN 3	N' WESTERN 2	WISCONSIN 2
CALIFORNIA AT WASHINGTON		WASH. 3	WASH. 10	WASH. 7	WASH. 5	WASH. 3	WASH. 3
UCLA AT OREGON		UCLA 1	UCLA 1	UCLA 2	UCLA 5	UCLA 2	UCLA 4
USC AT OREGON STATE		STATE 8	STATE 4	STATE 6	STATE 4	STATE 5	STATE 2
STANFORD AT WASHINGTON STATE		STATE 6	STATE 2	STATE 3	STATE 1	STATE 6	STATE 6
ARIZONA AT ARIZONA STATE		ARIZONA 1	ARIZONA 6	STATE 5	ARIZONA 2	STATE 2	STATE 6
DAYTON AT NOTRE DAME		N. DAME 8	N. DAME 10	N. DAME 14	N. DAME 10	N. DAME 8	N. DAME 6
MARQUETTE AT DEPAUL		DEPAUL 3	MARQUETTE 4	DEPAUL 8	DEPAUL 4	DEPAUL 7	DEPAUL 3
ILLINOIS AT IOWA		IOWA 7	ILLINOIS 1	ILLINOIS 2	IOWA 2	IOWA 2	IOWA 6
INDIANA AT MICHIGAN STATE		STATE 4	STATE 2	STATE 3	INDIANA 1	STATE 3	STATE 4
OHIO STATE AT MICHIGAN		MICHIGAN 10	MICHIGAN 11	MICHIGAN 20	MICHIGAN 12	MICHIGAN 4	MICHIGAN 6
PURDUE AT MINNESOTA		PURDUE 3	PURDUE 6	PURDUE 6	PURDUE 7	PURDUE 3	PURDUE 4
GONZAGA AT PORTLAND STATE		GONZAGA 1	STATE 1	GONZAGA 4	GONZAGA 1	STATE 3	STATE 8
MIAMI (FLA) AT MARQUETTE		MARQUETTE 7	MARQUETTE 20	MARQUETTE 8	MARQUETTE 8	MARQUETTE 4	MARQUETTE 6
CALIFORNIA AT WASHINGTON STATE		STATE 6	STATE 2	STATE 9	STATE 2	STATE 3	STATE 3
USC AT OREGON		OREGON 4	USC 1	OREGON 9	OREGON 4	OREGON 3	OREGON 8
UCLA AT OREGON STATE		STATE 7	UCLA 2	STATE 5	STATE 2	UCLA 3	UCLA 2
STANFORD AT WASHINGTON		WASH. 12	WASH. 14	WASH. 13	WASH. 7	WASH. 2	WASH. 4
TENNESSEE VS OLE MISS		OLE MISS 1	OLE MISS 3	TENN. 7	TENN. 2	OLE MISS 7	TENN. 6
MISSISSIPPI STATE VS VANDERBILT		VANDY 7	VANDY 9	VANDY 8	VANDY 2	VANDY 3	STATE 2
LSU VS FLORIDA		FLORIDA 6	LSU 2	FLORIDA 1	LSU 3	LSU 2	FLORIDA 1

Tom Parker



All-SEC 1971-72

A SENIOR CO-CAPTAIN OF RUPP'S FINAL UK SQUAD... THE 6'-7" FORWARD IS A MEMBER OF THE WILDCATS' "1,000 POINT CLUB" SCORING 1,238 PTS. DURING HIS CAREER!

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End Of Regular Season Means NCAA Preview

Ellison And Hammonds Are The Two Best Rookies

I don't know about you, but for me talk of "Super Sunday" means three back-to-back college basketball games like **North Carolina-North Carolina State**, **Georgetown-Syracuse** and **Purdue-Indiana**. All were played with that special tournament level intensity and did a nice job setting the table for what's to come in weeks ahead..... What did we learn? That North Carolina State is a dangerous team, one which is beginning to put its great athletic ability into basketball sync. That Purdue, though still lacking in size, is starting to mature and, depending on what sort of draw it gets in NCAA play, could be in Dallas. That **Syracuse** would probably win the national championship if every game were played in the Carrier Dome. That North Carolina



Larry Donald

Cats' Pause Columnist

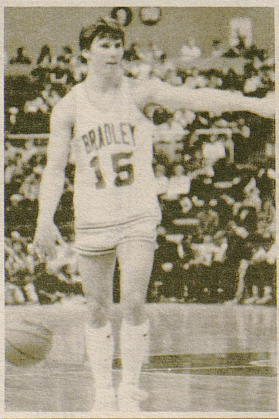
is not invincible, although I doubt there were many who felt that way about the Tar Heels in the first place. That **Georgetown** really isn't a threat to make the Final Four and that Indiana must have a great scoring night from **Steve Alford** if it is to win.....

It is an indictment of the various college basketball polls that **Bradley** entered its last week of regular-season play ranked outside the top ten. Have the voters been comatized by the incredible publicity mills in the ACC, Big East and Big Ten? Pollsters should ask themselves just one question in regard to Bradley: Granting that this is not a vintage year for the Missouri Valley Conference, how many of the top ten teams could have just one loss if they played the Braves' schedule. Interesting thought isn't it?..... Mentioning Bradley, I'd like to go on record saying that the Braves' **Jim Les** and Michigan State's **Scott Skiles** are more meaningful to their respective teams than any other players in the country.....

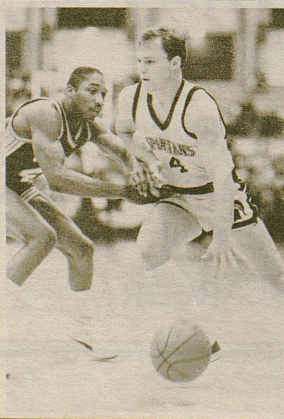
Don't Look For Kansas' Brown To Go To The Pitts

Two men who won't be named as Pittsburgh's new basketball coach are **Larry Brown** of Kansas and **George Karl** of the Cleveland Cavaliers. Both declined the job..... The man who will be named at Florida State apparently is **Murray Arnold**, ex-coach at Tennessee Chattanooga and currently an assistant with Chicago Bulls..... Both Kansas State and Mississippi State face the prospect of gambling with a young assistant coach to fill the vacancies at their schools. Established coaches are shying away from both jobs simply because it's difficult to win in the remoteness of Manhattan and Starkville. **George Felton**, a Bobby Cremins assistant at Georgia Tech and a man credited with a great deal of the Yellow Jackets' recruiting success, will be given a long look at K. State.....

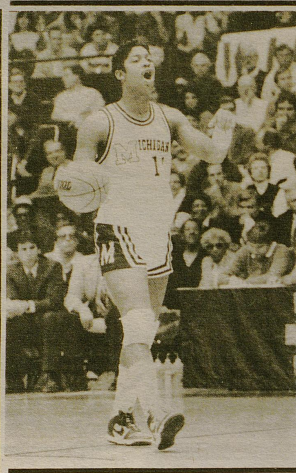
Hard to believe but **Michigan's** basketball team in general and guard **Antoine Joubert** were booed during the introduction ceremony in the game following the Wolverines' loss to **Michigan State**. Those same fans probably cheer for Detroit's Lions and Red Wings, neither of which has produced a team of significance since Eisenhower was in office..... Meanwhile Detroit's news media is much too busy trumpeting the arrival of spring training and the Tigers to pay much attention to either Michigan or Michigan State, both of whom will be in post-season play. Amazing.....



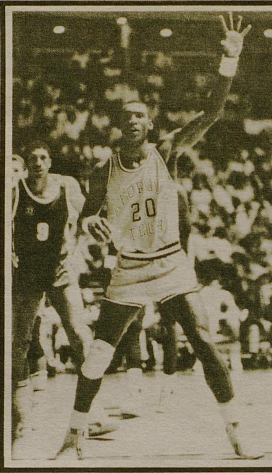
Jim Les



Scott Skiles



Antoine Joubert



Tom Hammonds

Rookie Of The Year? A Split Decision

College basketball's rookie of the year award will probably be a split ticket between Louisville's **Pervis Ellison** and Georgia Tech's **Tommy Hammonds**. But there have been some other outstanding performances by first year players. **Norris Coleman** at Kansas State has been a real find. **Monroe Douglas** is making the future much brighter at St. Louis University. **Melvin McCants** looms as an all-Big Ten performer at Purdue before he's done. And **Sean Elliott** has elevated his Arizona team into serious contention for a Pac-10 championship.....

Rumors abound at North Carolina State these days that sophomore pivot **Chris Washburn** is tinkering with the notion of turning pro. NBA scouts love the way he runs the floor and undoubtedly he'd be a high draft choice because so many established clubs are among the first seven choosers which means they could wait for him to develop. Washburn says no, but State coach **Jimmy Valvano** says once the season is completed all interested parties should meet and discuss the merits of such a move..... If Washburn decides to stay (which probably would be the wise choice in terms of his development as a player) pencil in North Carolina State, Purdue and Arizona as prime contenders for next year's pre-season number one..... I assume you are sophisticated enough about college basketball to understand North Carolina's inclusion in that group of potential No. 1's is an automatic.....

Give That Coach A Technical

I don't like the fact that so many referees will take a game long earful of abuse from coaches without whistling a technical, but the first time some player makes an emotional response to one of their calls, bingo, up pop the hands indicating a "T"..... Recently someone asked if I liked the alternate possession rule and got another negative response. I mean, the only reason this rule was put in place was because too many officials lacked the athletic ability to throw a basketball straight up between two players.....

I have very mixed emotions about a team having the opportunity to play a first round NCAA tournament game on its home court. Obviously that creates a competitive imbalance. Yet, as a businessperson, such an arrangement makes perfect sense. That's a tough vote..... I keep hearing rumblings about a shake-up in the relationship of college basketball and television for next year. Maybe it's because I heard so many similar stories last year about how there would be so much less basketball on television this year that I'm not taking any of it too seriously. If this year represented such a cutback, why are my eyes always bloodshot?.....

Not long ago the National Championship team from the **University of Cincinnati** held a reunion. Its 25th. Amazing how time flies, isn't it?..... Mentioning that great Bearcat team, how many of you remember that **Oscar Robertson** was not a member of it?..... The NCAA has granted an extra year's eligibility to Oregon State's 6-10 center **Jose Ortiz**. That means coach Ralph Miller will have Ortiz and incoming 7-1 freshman **Fernando Borcel** as a twin lost post combination next year.....

Cal's **Lou Campanelli** is not a candidate for any of the many coaching vacancies. He's found happiness in Berkeley and wants to build the Bears program into one of significance in the Pac-10.....

In light of the recent **Jan Kemp** lawsuit at the University of Georgia, I leave you with the words of **William Kinnison**, president of Division II Wittenberg University and a member of the NCAA Council of Presidents: "I think they (Division I basketball powers) are only fooling themselves to talk about big time basketball in an academic environment".

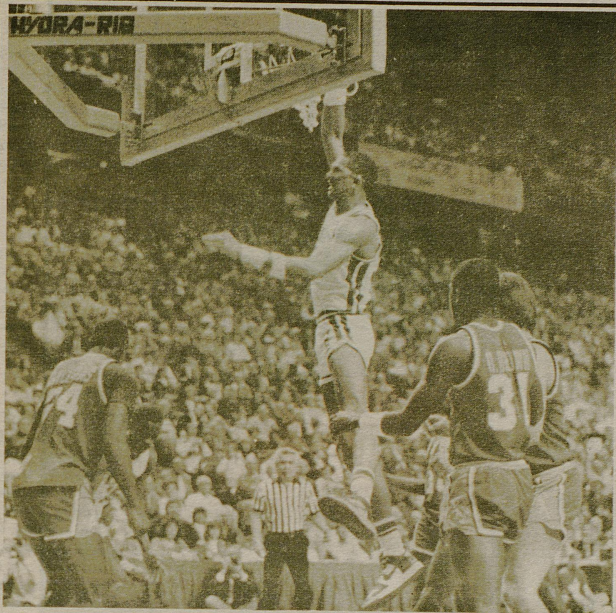
The Sky Report

Kenny Walker's Climb Past Kentucky's Elite

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Photos by Gary Cromwell



Rank	Name	Points	Games	Years
1.	Don Isael	2,138	83	3
2.	Jack Givens	2,038	123	4
3.	Kenny Walker	1,927	125	4
4.	Kevin Grevey	1,801	84	3
5.	Cotton Nash	1,770	78	3
6.	Alex Groza	1,744	120	4
7.	Louie Dampier	1,575	80	3
8.	Mike Casey	1,535	82	3
9.	Ralph Beard	1,517	139	4
10.	Meivin 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 Macy	1,411	98	3
15.	Rick Robey	1,385	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

**212 To Go
For All-Time
UK Record**

On Senior Day

Wildcat Mentor Said He Had The First Tear

Following are Coach Eddie Sutton's postgame comments after Kentucky finished its regular season with a 68-57 win over LSU at Rupp Arena last Saturday:

Question: Your comments on the game?

Sutton: We're very pleased to complete our regular season like we have. I'm proud of these seniors; they've given us so much leadership and have played so well. I don't think anyone before the season began, in their wildest dreams, would have thought we would have gone through the regular season with a 26-3 record, and a 17-1 record in conference play. When you go 17-1 in this great conference, you've not only had to be pretty good but also some good breaks go your way. We've been very fortunate not having any injuries like some of the other ballclubs have had. We've hit some big game-winners like Roger did at Alabama or LSU. Things like that have just gone our way. It's been a thrilling year for me. I told the squad after the ballgame, this team has captured the imagination of the people in the Commonwealth. They understand, in all likelihood, they're not the most talented basketball team the University of Kentucky has ever had. And, I told them they're not the most talented team that perhaps I've ever coached. But, I've never enjoyed a year as much as I've enjoyed this one, up to this point. We're not ready to throw the towel in yet. There are a lot of teams that can beat us, but I don't think there's anybody in college basketball we can't beat on a given

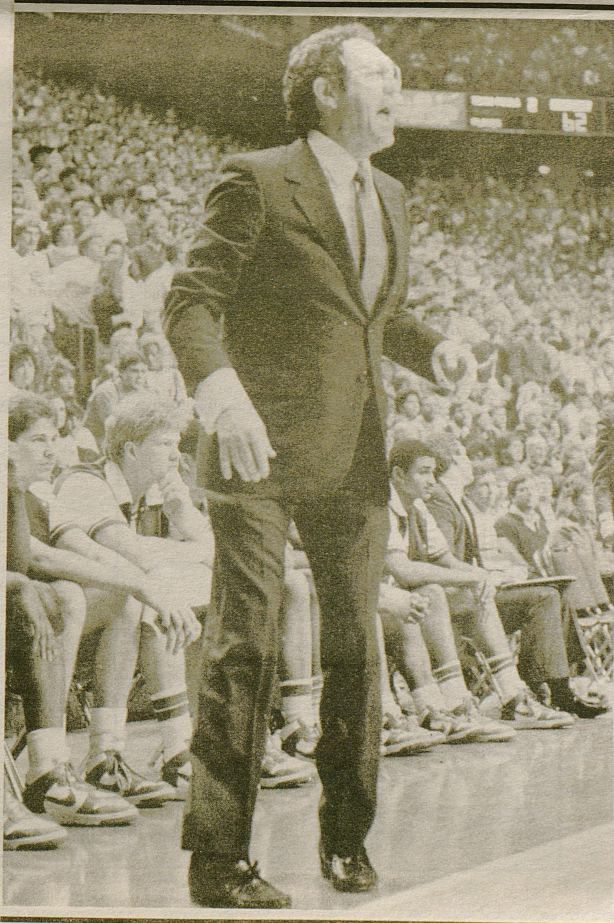
night. Our first season is over; and our seniors have given us great leadership and the whole team has played well. We've come through it (regular season) in flying colors. Now, we start the second season — the SEC Tournament next week. So, we're happy with today's ballgame; I thought we played well. There were two areas in which we didn't play as well as we liked, but you're never going to play a perfect game. We turned the ball over too many times and we didn't do a very good job on the defensive boards. You have to give the other ballclub credit. The crowd was the best I've ever seen it in Rupp. I would hope we could get that same atmosphere every ballgame that we play in the next week. And if not, next season.

Question: The day before the LSU game you said you weren't going to start Leroy Byrd. What changed your mind?

Sutton: I had this wonderful dream last night. This vision came to me that if Leroy starts you'll win. And, I started him. He played very well.

Question: What are your thoughts on the pre-game ceremonies?

Sutton: I looked out there and there were a few tears as I looked around the stands. But, I think I had the FIRST tear. I think Kenny, Leroy and Roger were right behind me. That was a very emotional situation. Of course, Governor (Albert 'Happy') Chandler can sing *My Old Kentucky Home* anytime and I start to 'tear' up.



UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY WILDCATS

(26-3 Overall; 17-1 SEC Champions)
(15-0 Home; 11-3 Away; 1-0 Neutral)

G	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	PF	D	Ast	To	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
WALKER, KENNY	29	29	1007	34.7	207	363	57.0	154	203	75.9	220	7.6	70	1	39	39	36	39	568	19.6
BENNETT, WINSTON	29	29	903	31.1	140	268	52.2	94	122	77.0	194	6.7	99	5	45	56	14	37	374	12.9
DAVENDER, ED	29	28	930	32.1	136	297	45.8	79	101	78.2	79	2.7	70	1	100	63	2	50	351	12.1
BLACKMON, JAMES	29	29	794	27.4	119	244	48.8	35	58	60.3	111	3.8	69	1	68	37	2	40	273	9.4
HARDEN, ROGER	29	29	883	30.4	83	155	53.5	24	27	88.9	60	2.1	56	-	194	73	-	28	190	6.6
MADISON, RICHARD	28	-	442	15.8	55	97	56.7	31	47	66.0	74	2.6	34	-	21	33	5	10	141	5.0
LOCK, ROBERT	22	-	159	7.2	27	45	60.0	20	40	50.0	38	1.7	29	-	3	19	9	4	74	3.4
JENKINS, CEDRIC	29	-	306	10.6	28	65	43.1	18	27	66.7	57	2.0	40	1	5	8	4	5	74	2.6
ZIEGLER, TODD	14	-	62	4.4	13	23	56.5	6	10	60.0	18	1.3	11	-	4	6	1	2	32	2.3
ANDREWS, PAUL	20	-	143	7.2	15	36	41.7	6	6	100.0	15	.8	16	-	13	5	-	5	36	1.8
BYRD, LEROY	18	1	104	5.8	9	16	56.3	10	13	76.9	10	.6	10	-	16	10	-	14	28	1.6
THOMAS, IRVING	16	-	67	4.2	5	12	41.7	5	8	62.5	13	.8	12	-	5	16	1	1	15	.9

---- Conference Games ----

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY WILDCATS

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G	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	PF	D	Ast	To	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
WALKER, KENNY																			
18	18	678	37.7	136	228	59.6	95	125	76.0	143	7.9	47	1	29	23	27	26	367	20.4
BENNETT, WINSTON																			
18	18	573	31.8	90	174	51.7	60	82	73.2	127	7.1	67	4	30	43	8	27	240	13.3
DAVENDER, ED																			
18	17	598	33.2	81	183	44.3	38	52	73.1	45	2.5	53	1	72	42	2	27	200	11.1
BLACKMON, JAMES																			
18	18	526	29.2	76	141	53.9	17	28	60.7	57	3.2	49	1	44	25	2	24	169	9.4
HARDEN, ROGER																			
18	18	581	32.3	58	104	55.8	17	19	89.5	35	1.9	39	-	119	50	-	14	133	7.4
MADISON, RICHARD																			
17	-	278	16.4	31	59	52.5	19	31	61.3	42	2.5	19	-	13	20	4	8	81	4.8
LOCK, ROBERT																			
13	-	62	4.8	11	16	68.8	8	13	61.5	14	1.1	11	-	1	4	3	1	30	2.3
JENKINS, CEDRIC																			
18	-	172	9.6	13	31	41.9	7	12	58.3	29	1.6	21	1	3	1	3	5	33	1.8
THOMAS, IRVING																			
8	-	14	1.8	4	5	80.0	2	5	40.0	4	.5	4	-	2	3	-	-	10	1.3
BYRD, LEROY																			
10	1	37	3.7	4	6	66.7	4	4	100.0	2	.2	1	-	6	5	-	4	12	1.2
ANDREWS, PAUL																			
12	-	72	6.0	7	16	43.8	-	-	-	5	.4	8	-	6	4	-	2	14	1.2
ZIEGLER, TODD																			
6	-	9	1.5	1	2	50.0	1	2	50.0	3	.5	2	-	1	4	-	-	3	.5

UK Wildcat Football Notes

The *Wildcat Spring Football Brochure* is scheduled to come off the press about mid-March. Persons on the "Cat Scratches" mailing list will be sent a copy. These *Cat Scratches* mailings are a revitalization of the old *Wildcat Newsletters*, which were discontinued after the NCAA ruled they could not be sent to high school prospects.

George Adams, home from a fine rookie season with the Giants, said he and the coaching staff get along fine and the future looks bright. When head coach Bill Parcells asked George how he would feel about shifting to fullback next season, the former UK great replied that he would play anywhere.

The University of Kentucky's annual spring Football Clinic, scheduled April 18-19, will feature as guest high school lecturers Jack Morris — "Mayfield Defense," and Pat Gates — "Crittenden County Offense."

Those two high school coaches will share the Saturday morning session with Wildcat strength coach Pat Etcheberry, who will kick off that second day's session at 8 a.m.

Popular "on-the-field" demonstrations will be held at 10:15 and an intrasquad scrimmage session at 11 a.m. at Commonwealth Stadium will climax the clinic.

Coach Claiborne — "Spread Punt Protection" — will kick off the Friday night session, followed by assistant coaches Jerry Bisman — "Quarterback Fundamentals for Dropback Passing Game," Terry Strock — "Under Coverage by LBs," Greg Nord — "Short Yardage Offense," Rod Sharpless — "Stunting Package," Jake Hallum — "Offensive Line Blocking Schemes and Techniques," and Dave Likins — "Defensive Ends Skills and Drills."

Registration is scheduled for Friday at Shively Sports Center, which will feature "Athletic Training and Workshop" and a Wildcat practice session.

As is his custom this time of year, Coach Claiborne spent several days in mid-February meeting varsity players in one-on-one sessions in his office.

He took time off Friday afternoon, Feb. 14, to accompany some Wildcat players to the Veterans Administration Hospital, a traditional *Valentine's Day* affair for Claiborne.

The Kentucky-Ole Miss game will be played at 1:30 p.m. October 11 in Jackson. There had been an earlier indication from Rebel officials that the game would be played in Oxford.

The Wildcats' homecoming game will be UK vs. Southern Mississippi at 7:30 p.m. on October 4.

In a recent story on its 1986 grid schedule, Southern Miss points out that in its first and only meeting with UK, the Wildcats won 71-7 at Lexington in 1949. The Golden Eagles start out tough, opening with Northeast Louisiana, which has had a good team for years, and then take on Alabama, Mississippi State and Texas A & M before meeting the Wildcats.

----- Player Season / Career Statistics -----

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY WILDCATS

	G	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	PF	D	Ass	To	Blk	Stl	Dnk	Pts	Avg
WALKER, KENNY																					
Sea 29	29	1007	34.7	207	363	57.0	154	203	75.9	220	7.6	70	1	39	39	36	39	1	568	19.6	
Car 125	96	3832	30.7	712	1255	56.7	503	673	74.7	886	7.1	307	6	142	178	115	111	1	1927	15.4	
BENNETT, WINSTON																					
Sea 29	29	903	31.1	140	268	52.2	94	122	77.0	194	6.7	99	5	45	56	14	37	-	374	12.9	
Car 93	56	2436	26.2	289	615	47.0	234	325	72.0	483	5.2	314	20	92	169	27	74	-	812	8.7	
DAVENDER, ED																					
Sea 29	28	930	32.1	136	297	45.8	79	101	78.2	79	2.7	70	1	100	63	2	50	-	351	12.1	
Car 60	40	1655	27.6	229	523	43.8	157	207	75.8	124	2.1	125	2	183	137	4	83	-	615	10.3	
BLACKMON, JAMES																					
Sea 29	29	794	27.4	119	244	48.8	35	58	60.3	111	3.8	69	1	68	37	2	40	1	273	9.4	
Car 92	49	1949	21.2	239	523	45.7	79	142	55.6	193	2.1	181	2	195	120	8	90	1	557	6.1	
HARDEN, ROGER																					
Sea 29	29	884	30.5	83	155	53.5	24	27	88.9	60	2.1	56	-	194	73	-	28	-	190	6.6	
Car 115	78	2275	19.8	181	413	43.8	62	77	80.5	161	1.4	190	-	460	209	-	76	-	424	3.7	
MADISON, RICHARD																					
Sea 28	-	442	15.8	55	97	56.7	31	47	66.0	74	2.6	34	-	21	33	5	10	-	141	5.0	
Car 51	-	844	16.5	101	215	47.0	62	85	72.9	146	2.9	67	1	35	62	9	16	-	264	5.2	
LOCK, ROBERT																					
Sea 22	-	159	7.2	27	45	60.0	20	40	50.0	38	1.7	29	-	3	19	9	4	-	74	3.4	
Car 49	4	355	7.2	39	86	45.3	27	57	47.4	92	1.9	73	1	8	31	17	6	-	105	2.1	
JENKINS, CEDRIC																					
Sea 29	-	306	10.6	28	65	43.1	18	27	66.7	57	2.0	40	1	5	8	4	5	1	74	2.6	
Car 48	-	393	8.2	33	79	41.8	22	34	64.7	85	1.8	51	1	5	15	6	7	1	88	1.8	
ZIEGLER, TODD																					
Sea 14	-	62	4.4	13	23	56.5	6	10	60.0	18	1.3	11	-	4	6	1	2	-	32	2.3	
Car 24	-	76	3.2	14	27	51.9	6	14	42.9	22	.9	11	-	4	6	1	2	-	34	1.4	
ANDREWS, PAUL																					
Sea 20	-	143	7.2	15	36	41.7	6	6	100.0	15	.8	16	-	13	5	-	5	-	36	1.8	
Car 58	4	399	6.9	44	97	45.4	9	12	75.0	33	.6	47	-	35	15	-	7	-	97	1.7	
BYRD, LEROY																					
Sea 18	1	104	5.8	9	16	56.3	10	13	76.9	10	.6	10	-	16	10	-	14	-	28	1.6	
Car 34	1	128	3.8	11	20	55.0	10	16	62.5	13	.4	17	-	24	16	-	15	-	32	.9	
THOMAS, IRVING																					
Sea 16	-	67	4.2	5	12	41.7	5	8	62.5	13	.8	12	-	5	16	1	1	-	15	.9	
Car 16	-	67	4.2	5	12	41.7	5	8	62.5	13	.8	12	-	5	16	1	1	-	15	.9	
Team																					
Sea 29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WILDCATS																					
Sea 29	-	5801	200.	837	1621	51.6	482	662	72.8	938	32.3	516	9	513	365	74	235	3	2156	74.3	
Opponents																					
Sea 29	-	5800	200.	737	1585	46.5	348	490	71.0	858	29.6	625	-	388	483	73	158	1	1822	62.8	

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY SCHEDULE

Date	Record	UOFK	Opp	Opponent	Margin	Top Scorer	Top Rebounder	Attendance
Nov. 22	1-0	77	58	NORTHWESTERN STATE	19	18 BENNETT WINSTON	7 BENNETT WINSTON	23,127 (H)
Nov. 26	2-0	89	57	CHAMINADE	32	22 WALKER, KENNY	5 WALKER, KENNY	1,508 (A)
Nov. 27	3-0	98	65	HAWAII	33	33 WALKER, KENNY	10 WALKER, KENNY	6,342 (A)
Dec. 03	4-0	84	54	CINCINNATI	30	26 WALKER, KENNY	7 BLACKMON, JAMES	23,330 (H)
Dec. 07	5-0	63	58	INDIANA	5	22 DAVENDER, ED	5 BLACKMON, JAMES	24,203 (H)
Dec. 14	5-1	66	83	KANSAS	-17	12 WALKER, KENNY	8 BENNETT WINSTON	15,122 (A)
Dec. 20	6-1	86	52	EAST CAROLINA	34	19 WALKER, KENNY	9 BENNETT WINSTON	22,416 (H)
Dec. 21	7-1	88	56	PEPPERDINE	32	21 WALKER, KENNY	10 WALKER, KENNY	22,840 (H)
Dec. 28	8-1	69	64	LOUISVILLE	5	23 BENNETT WINSTON	14 WALKER, KENNY	24,180 (H)
Dec. 30	9-1	93	55	VIRGINIA MILITARY IN	38	18 WALKER, KENNY	10 BENNETT WINSTON	19,450 (A)
Jan. 04	10-1	80	71	VANDERBILT	9	25 WALKER, KENNY	14 BENNETT WINSTON	15,626 (A)
Jan. 06	10-2	56	60	AUBURN	-4	22 WALKER, KENNY	6 WALKER, KENNY	11,873 (A)
Jan. 08	11-2	75	58	MISSISSIPPI	17	31 WALKER, KENNY	6 BENNETT WINSTON	22,645 (H)
Jan. 11	12-2	76	52	ALABAMA	24	24 WALKER, KENNY	9 WALKER, KENNY	23,345 (H)
Jan. 15	13-2	64	52	MISSISSIPPI STATE	12	15 WALKER, KENNY	8 BENNETT WINSTON	5,226 (A)
Jan. 18	14-2	72	55	FLORIDA	17	25 WALKER, KENNY	11 BENNETT WINSTON	11,914 (A)
Jan. 23	15-2	74	69	GEORGIA	5	15 DAVENDER, ED	10 WALKER, KENNY	22,810 (H)
Jan. 25	16-2	74	57	TENNESSEE	17	26 BENNETT WINSTON	7 MADISON RICHARD	23,069 (H)
Jan. 29	17-2	54	52	LSU	2	17 BENNETT WINSTON	8 WALKER, KENNY	12,477 (A)
Jan. 31	18-2	81	71	AUBURN	10	24 WALKER, KENNY	10 BENNETT WINSTON	23,320 (H)
Feb. 02	18-3	51	54	NORTH CAROLINA STATE	-3	16 DAVENDER, ED	8 WALKER, KENNY	12,400 (A)
Feb. 05	19-3	73	65	VANDERBILT	8	22 BLACKMON, JAMES	12 WALKER, KENNY	23,070 (H)
Feb. 08	20-3	62	58	OLE MISS	4	15 WALKER, KENNY	13 WALKER, KENNY	7,451 (A)
Feb. 13	21-3	73	71	ALABAMA	2	22 BLACKMON, JAMES	7 BLACKMON, JAMES	15,043 (A)
Feb. 15	22-3	88	62	MISSISSIPPI STATE	26	21 BENNETT WINSTON	7 BENNETT WINSTON	23,115 (H)
Feb. 19	23-3	80	69	FLORIDA	11	23 WALKER, KENNY	10 WALKER, KENNY	23,065 (H)
Feb. 22	24-3	80	75	GEORGIA	5	22 WALKER, KENNY	9 WALKER, KENNY	10,826 (A)
Feb. 27	25-3	62	60	TENNESSEE	2	32 WALKER, KENNY	9 WALKER, KENNY	12,700 (A)
Mar. 01	26-3	68	57	LSU	11	17 WALKER, KENNY	6 BENNETT WINSTON	23,610 (H)

The UK Pro Connection

Washington and earned specialty team "Player of the Week" for a game.

The SID office can account for 74 former UK players who saw combat in the NFL, along with several who played in Canada, the USFL, World Football League, Continental Football League, etc.

Twelve Wildcats were first round draft choices: Bob Gain, Green Bay, 1951; Babe Parilli, Green Bay, 1952; Steve Melinger, Redskins, 1954; Irv Goode, Cards, 1962; Tom Hutchinson, Cleveland, 1963; Sam Ball, Baltimore, 1966; Rick Norton, Miami, 1966; Rodger Bird, Oakland, 1966; Warren Bryant, Falcons, 1976; Randy Burke, Baltimore, 1977;

Art Still, Chiefs, 1978; George Adams, Giants, 1985.

Another interesting note: Former UK assistant coaches in the pros last season: Head coaches — Leeman Bennett, Tampa Bay; Chuck Knox, Seattle; Don Shula, Miami. Assistants — Dan Sekanovich, Atlanta; George Sefcik, Cincinnati; Larry Seiple and Doug Shively, Tampa Bay (Seiple played but didn't coach at UK); Alex Gibbs and Nick Nicolau, Denver; John Devlin, Houston (to Temple this year); George Catovalos, Indianapolis; Ray Callahan, Jets; Denny Fitzgerald, Ron Blackledge and Hal Hunter, Pittsburgh; Ralph Hawkins, Seattle.

History Reflects Unpredictable SEC Tourney

All You Wanted To Know But Were Afraid To Ask

The Southeastern Conference in Lexington this week has been one of the most unusual entities in history.

Certainly, any event can have its assortment of records, important data, quirks, and oddball items.

The SEC tourney is no different, in that respect.

Certainly, the modern tournament has been tough on all of the teams. Since seven different (of 10) conference teams have each won one of the modern tourneys, that would seem to put a lot of pressure on Florida, Vanderbilt, or Mississippi State to win this year. (Those three schools are the only ones who have not won in modern times.)



Jim Griesch
Cats' Pause Columnist

Certainly, when fans talk about the all-time tournament competition, and the modern competition, that brings up one of the cute quirks in tourney history, right off the tip. Because the tourney had fallen from favor, there is a 27-year hiatus in tourney play. Throughout the 1930's the '40's, and into the early '50's, the tournament established the conference champion, and the conference's NCAA tournament representative.

SEC Tourney 'Died' After '52 Season

But, after the league presidents decided to make the regular season champion the NCAA rep, the tournament died for lack of interest after Kentucky won 44-43 over Louisiana State in Louisville in 1952. The tournament seemed to go the way of the dinosaur, the battleship, and the Maginot Line. It faded into history.

However, some crafty soul figured that a rebirth of the tournament would result in more money for each SEC school, and that more schools would have a chance to play in the NCAA tournament (which would also bring in more money). The tourney was reborn, to the dismay of successful coaches, and to the glee of the less successful.

In all, there have been 26 tournaments before this one, and Kentucky has dominated the overall history, but not the modern tournament.

In those 26 tourneys, we have seen:

*Kentucky win 67, lose 12, and capture 14 (over half) of the titles. Included in those 14 is a run of nine straight, from 1942 until 1950.

*Kentucky met Tennessee seven times for the title, winning four times. Kentucky won in 1937, 1939, 1945, and 1950. The Vols won in 1941, 1943, and 1979. Oddly enough, the two teams met five of six times in tourney play in the finals. From 1937 until 1945, the two schools met only in 1940 in an other-than-the-finals game, which Kentucky won 30-29 in a semi-final match.

*Kentucky and Tennessee have played each other 12 times, more than any other two schools have played. Kentucky leads the tournament series 8-4, which roughly parallels the all-time series (in percentage of wins) between the two schools.

*The most wins by one school over another is a 9-1 mark held by, you guessed it, Kentucky over Louisiana State. LSU's only win came 80-78 in the 1980 championship match in Birmingham. It was the third time those two schools had met for the title. The other two championship matches came in 1946 (UK, 59-36), and in 1952.

Wildcat Teams Have Left Their Marks

*Because of its dominance over the rest of the league in the older days of the tournament, Kentucky holds some gaudy edges over the rest of the conference. UK is 8-0 against Auburn, 5-0 against Georgia, 7-0 against Mississippi, 5-0 against Mississippi State, and 5-0 against former SEC member Georgia Tech.

*Vanderbilt, oddly enough, has fared the best against Kentucky in tourney play. The Commodores are 2-2 in all-time play against the Wildcats, and Vandy is 2-0 since UK whipped the Commodores 98-29 in the 1947 tourney. In that game, history has it that legendary UK coach Adolph Rupp had his starters dress into street clothes and watch the second half from the stands.

Nashville Tennessean sports editor Jimmy Bibb, talking about a Vandy upset of UK in the mid-1970's, jokingly talked as if the "calf killed the butcher." The phrase was first coined in 1951, when Vanderbilt upset national-champions-to-be UK 61-57 in the SEC finals in Louisville. That win went a long way towards wiping out the memory of that 1947 loss. Then, in 1981, Vandy upset UK 60-55, after falling behind 10-0 after seven minutes of play. Oddly enough, that win was the last at Vandy for ex-coach Richard Schmidt, who was fired within two weeks after his team lost the next night to eventual tourney champion Mississippi 71-51.

Schools From Same State Have Never Met In Tourney

*Several schools have **never** met in tourney play. Only two present or former SEC schools ever faced Sewanee in tourney play.

Of schools still in the SEC, Georgia and Florida have never met in tourney play. Neither

have Mississippi and Mississippi State.

Florida has never met either Ole Miss or Mississippi State in tournament play, to set some sort of record for remaining schools.

*Several schools have faced each other only once in the tournament. Auburn is 1-0 against both Ole Miss and Mississippi State. Both of those wins have come in the "modern" tournament. Auburn beat Ole Miss 69-60 in 1985, and Mississippi State 38-36 in 1982, here in Lexington.

*LSU and Mississippi State have also met but once, with LSU winning 77-44 in 1952.

*The history of the tourney shows that some teams have fared very well against others, poorly against others.

*For instance:

-Alabama is 2-0 against Florida, but 0-2 against Vanderbilt.

-Auburn is 3-0 against Vanderbilt, but is 1-3 against Alabama and 1-5 against Tennessee, besides the whitewashes involving Kentucky and the two Mississippi schools.

-Florida is 4-1 against Vanderbilt, but is 0-5 against LSU and 0-4 against Tennessee.

-Georgia is 4-1 against Mississippi, but 0-3 with Vandy.

-LSU is 4-1 against Auburn, but 1-4 against Tennessee.

-Mississippi is 3-3 against Tennessee, with two of its three wins coming in the modern tourney era, but is 1-4 against Georgia. The Rebels have played more than two tournament games against only four schools -- Georgia, Kentucky, LSU, and Tennessee.

-Two of Mississippi State's five tournament wins (all-time) have come against Vandy (2-3 series), and one of those, 76-61 in 1983, is State's biggest tournament win.

-Tennessee has a winning record against all current SEC schools except Alabama (3-4) and Kentucky (4-8).

-Vandy's only win over Tennessee (1-6 series) came in 1951 in the first round (88-52) in Vandy's biggest (by margin) tournament win ever. The 'Dores are also a combined 5-0 against Alabama and Georgia.

Sewanee Shutout In Tourney Format

-Former schools Georgia Tech and Tulane were a combined 26-34 in tournament play, with Tech 3-0 against Vandy, 3-1 against Tulane. Tulane was 3-0 against Georgia, but neither has played a tournament game since 1952, since each left the SEC during the 1960's, when the tournament was dormant.

-Sewanee, which left the SEC in 1940 is the only school never to win a tournament game. Alabama beat them 41-28 in the first tournament game ever played in 1933, and LSU beat them 55-35 in 1939, their next appearance in tournament play.

There are some other unusual aspects to the tournament.

*Florida's second win in the modern tournament came just last year in Birmingham, when they edged Kentucky 58-55. UK was seeded fourth, Florida fifth.

*Alabama and Georgia have met just six times in history, but four of those meetings gave come in modern play. Georgia won in 1981 and 1983, while Alabama won in 1982 and 1985.

*Alabama and Kentucky have met four times (in eight games) in the modern tourney, with each team 2-2. Alabama won the only tourney ever held (until now) in Rupp Arena with a 48-46 last-second win over Kentucky in 1982.

*Bama and Ole Miss have not met since 1951, Bama and Vandy not since 1939.

Plainsmen Can Make A Claim No Other School Can

*Auburn and Florida never met until the modern era, and the two have split 1981 and 1985 games. Auburn's meetings with Ole Miss and Mississippi State (once each) have come in modern play, while two of the three meetings with Vandy have also come since 1979. Auburn has played each of the other nine current schools at least once in modern play. The Plainsmen are the only team who can make that claim.

*Florida has played just nine games in the modern tourney, playing twice only in 1980 and 1985.

Georgia's only loss ever in tourney play to Mississippi came in the 1981 title game, with the Rebs winning 66-62 behind Elston Turner and Sean Tuohy.

*Kentucky and Alabama are the only two schools ever to score 100 or more points in a tournament game, and they did it against each other in 1979. Score: Kentucky 101, Alabama 100.

*The only team LSU has ever played in the finals has been Kentucky, and they are 1-2 in three tries. The Bayou Bengals may have played one of the most unusual single tourneys in history in 1943. They posted a 29-point win, 67-38, over Auburn; won by 5, 46-41, over Alabama; then lost by 18, 52-34, to Tennessee.

*Ole Miss and Vandy have the most even series in tourney history going. Each has won one of two games, and each is averaging 64 points against the other. That's right. Ole Miss won 71-51 in 1981, then lost 77-57 in 1984. Ole Miss has played both Vandy and Auburn only in the modern tournament.

*When Mississippi State beat Vandy 76-61 in 1983, that was State's first win in the tournament since they beat Tulane 56-47 in 1950. State won two games in the first tournament in 1933, but only three since then, with the other win over Georgia Tech, 48-41, in 1943.

DeVoe Only Whipped By More Than 10 Once

*Tennessee, under the Don DeVoe influence, has played very tough in modern tournament play. Their only loss by more than 10 points came at the hands of Georgia,

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Thanks Leroy

Dear Sir:

We'd like to say thanks to Leroy Byrd. To guys who are short he is a big inspiration. He really excites the crowd when he's in. More importantly, we got the chance to meet him one year ago in Pineville after a Blue-White game. He really took the time to talk to us and was extremely courteous. He is first class all the way.

Go Big Blue. Keep up the great work Coach Sutton! Give us fans in Big Orange country a great present- whip Tennessee.

Sincerely

Mike Murphy
Matt Murphy
Oak Ridge, TN

Kenny A Model

Dear Sir:

My family lives in North Carolina, surrounded by ACC fans, but we are from Lexington and have always been UK basketball fans. The morning after the UK/NC State game the local papers had a field day. One columnist writing in the Winston-Salem Journal did a column entitled, "Trashing of Kentucky." But in this article the following comments were made by NC State player Ernie Myers in regard to Kenny Walker:

"He didn't complain to the refs. He gets the ball and goes hard. He dunked in one time and it wasn't real. It was so hard, I thought, 'Oh God, can he dunk.'"

Banging on him kind of wore me out. I tried to stay in front of him without fouling all the time. You can feel how strong he is by bumping up into him. He should be a great pro player. He has all the tools. He didn't get mad at me. He was a gentleman. We spoke at the beginning of the game and at the end of the game...."

I could point out to my young son that sure, we lost this one, but listen to this. Isn't it wonderful that today's children can have a role model like Kenny Walker.

Sincerely,

Debra Reynolds Perri
Boone, NC

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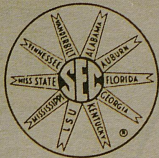
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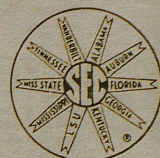
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SEC Tourney Hoop Notes



Kentucky Hosts 8th Renewal of SEC Tourney

The University of Kentucky hosts the eighth renewal of the Southeastern Conference Tourney, starting Wednesday night at 7:05 EST when seventh-seeded Vanderbilt meets tenth-seeded Miss. State. The eight-nine game, later that evening features Tennessee vs. Ole Miss (see reverse side for the complete bracket). Since the tournament was renewed in 1979, a year in which Tennessee defeated Kentucky in overtime, seven schools have won the title. LSU won it in '80, followed by Ole Miss in '81, Alabama in '82, Georgia in '83, Kentucky in '84, and Auburn in '85. The only year in which the tournament has been held in Rupp Arena, Wimp Sanderson's Alabama Tide defeated Kentucky for the championship. When UK won the tournament in '84, it became the only regular season champion to also capture the tournament crown.

Tournament Television

All nine games of the Southeastern Conference Tournament are scheduled for television by Lorimar Sports, with the regular announcing crew of Tom Hammond and Joe Dean handling the play-by-play. NBC will also be present to televise the finals Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. EST with Marv Albert and Bucky Waters calling the action. Please check with the local stations in your area about what tournament games they will broadcast.

Coaches' All-SEC Team

Five unanimous choices, including repeaters Buck Johnson of Alabama, Chuck Person of Auburn, and Kenny Walker of Kentucky headline the 1986 Coaches' All-Southeastern Conference Basketball team. Also receiving the votes of all ten coaches were Tennessee junior guard Tony White and LSU sophomore forward John Williams.

Also selected to the team were two other Alabama stars, junior guard Terry Coner and sophomore center Derrick McKey, along with Florida sophomore guard Vernon Maxwell, Kentucky junior forward Winston Bennett, and Georgia senior forward Joe Ward. The complete squad along with other players receiving votes follows:

Name	Position	School	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Hometown
Buck Johnson*	Forward	Alabama	6-7	190	Senior	Birmingham, Alabama
Derrick McKey	Center	Alabama	6-9	190	Sophomore	Meridian, Mississippi
Terry Coner	Guard	Alabama	6-3	170	Junior	Birmingham, Alabama
Chuck Person*	Forward	Auburn	6-8	215	Senior	Brantley, Alabama
Vernon Maxwell	Guard	Florida	6-4	180	Sophomore	Gainesville, Florida
Joe Ward	Forward	Georgia	6-6	210	Senior	Griffin, Georgia
Kenny Walker*	Forward	Kentucky	6-8	190	Senior	Roberta, Georgia
Winston Bennett	Forward	Kentucky	6-7	210	Junior	Louisville, Kentucky
John Williams*	Forward	LSU	6-8	240	Sophomore	Los Angeles, California
Tony White*	Guard	Tennessee	6-2	170	Junior	Charlotte, North Carolina

* unanimous choices

Also receiving votes: Donald Harry, Georgia; Roger Harden, Kentucky; Eric Smith, Ole Miss; Andrew Moten, Florida; Derrick Taylor, LSU; Jim Farmer, Alabama; Brett Burrow, Vanderbilt; Chauncey Robinson, Miss. State; and Frank Ford, Auburn.

SEC NOTES

* Auburn's Chuck Person scored a career high 40 points Saturday night in lifting the Tigers to a 79-65 victory over Vanderbilt, ensuring Sonny Smith's squad the second-seed in this week's SEC Tournament. Person, twice the runnerup in scoring in the SEC, trails Tennessee's Tony White entering the tourney. In 1984, Georgia's Vern Fleming nipped Person for the scoring title, then last year it was Kentucky's Kenny Walker taking the scoring honors. Points scored in tournament action do count in NCAA and SEC statistics.

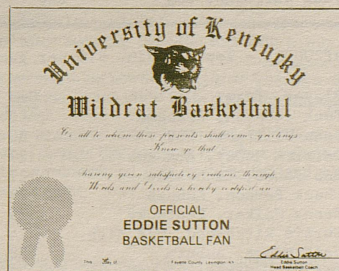
* Vanderbilt set a Southeastern Conference record last week when the Commodores hit 35 of 36 free throws (97.2%) in a 77-65 win over Miss. State. Previously, the record was held by Auburn, which hit 27 of 28 (96.4%) versus Alabama back in 1960; ironically, Vandy, traditionally one of the nation's best free throw shooting teams, was hitting only 68.7%, eighth best in the SEC, going into the MSU contest.

* Florida's Andrew Moten, leading the Gators to a pair of SEC wins, had one of the best weeks of his career when he scored 32 vs. Alabama and 31 vs. Miss. State.

* Kentucky's 17-1 SEC record ties for the all-time conference best since the double round-robin was established 20 seasons ago. Adolph Rupp's 1970 squad, led by Dan Issel, finished the conference season with a 17-1 mark, as did Dale D. Brown's 1981 LSU team, a squad which fought its way to the Final Four.

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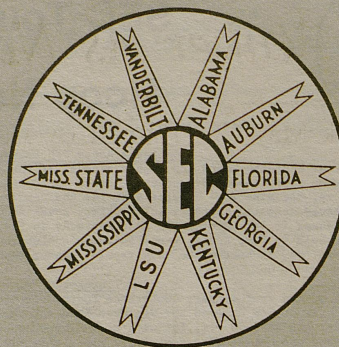


MOST POINTS (Min. 30)

40	Chuck Person, Auburn vs. Vanderbilt
34	Tony White, Tennessee vs. Texas A&M
34	Tony White, Tennessee vs. LSU
34	Tony White, Tennessee vs. Auburn
34	Buck Johnson, Alabama vs. Florida
33	Buck Johnson, Alabama vs. Georgia
33	Kenny Walker, Kentucky vs. Hawaii
32	Kenny Walker, Kentucky vs. Tennessee
32	Eric Smith, Ole Miss vs. Christian Brothers
32	Joe Ward, Georgia vs. Miami
32	Andrew Moten, Florida vs. Alabama
31	Don Redden, LSU vs. Hawaii Pacific
31	Kenny Walker, Kentucky vs. Ole Miss
31	Donald Hartry, Georgia vs. Miss. State
31	Tony White, Tennessee vs. Vanderbilt
31	Chuck Person, Auburn vs. Ole Miss
31	Andrew Moten, Florida vs. Miss. State
30	Chuck Person, Auburn vs. Kentucky Wesleyan
30	Chuck Person, Auburn vs. SW Louisiana
30	Tony White, Tennessee vs. Georgia

MOST FIELD GOALS (Min. 15)

16	Chuck Person, Auburn vs. Vanderbilt
16	Joe Ward, Georgia vs. Miami
15	Tony White, Tennessee vs. Texas A&M



MOST REBOUNDS (Min. 14)

17	Michael Ansley, Alabama vs. Vanderbilt
17	Derrick McKey, Alabama vs. Auburn
16	Buck Johnson, Alabama vs. Tennessee
15	Buck Johnson, Alabama vs. Auburn

MOST STEALS (Min. 6)

8	Derrick Taylor, LSU vs. Hawaii-Loa
7	Greg Lockhart, Miss. State vs. Wichita State
6	Mark Gottfried, Alabama vs. Miss. State
6	Eric Smith, Ole Miss vs. SE Louisiana
6	Eric Smith, Ole Miss vs. Auburn

MOST FREE THROWS (Min. 12)

14	Winston Bennett, Kentucky vs. Tennessee
12	Terry Coner, Alabama vs. Florida State
12	Brett Burrow, Vanderbilt vs. Miss. State
12	Kenny Walker, Kentucky vs. Tennessee

MOST BLOCKS (Min. 5)

5	Derrick McKey, Alabama vs. Georgia
5	Derrick McKey, Alabama vs. Miss. State
5	Derrick McKey, Alabama vs. Mercer

MOST ASSISTS (Min. 12)

14	Gerald White, Auburn vs. Alabama
13	Roderick Barnes, Ole Miss vs. Florida
12	Gerald White, Auburn vs. Miss. State

SCORING - Top 20

Player, Team	Gms	FG	FT	Pts	Avg.	Player, Team	Gms	FG	FT	Pts	Avg.
Tony White, Tennessee	27	241	120	602	22.3	Chauncey Robinson, MSU	27	145	65	355	13.1
Chuck Person, Auburn	28	259	83	601	21.5	Brett Burrow, Vanderbilt	27	119	116	354	13.1
Buck Johnson, Alabama	23	190	107	487	21.2	Derrick Taylor, LSU	31	173	57	403	13.0
Vernon Maxwell, Florida	27	220	99	539	20.0	Curtis Ritchwood, Ole Miss	24	132	46	310	12.9
Kenny Walker, Kentucky	29	207	154	568	19.6	Winston Bennett, Kentucky	29	140	94	374	12.9
John Williams, LSU	30	220	100	540	18.0	Donald Hartry, Georgia	27	146	52	344	12.7
Eric Smith, Ole Miss	27	201	79	481	17.8	Jim Farmer, Alabama	27	135	72	342	12.7
Andrew Moten, Florida	27	179	121	479	17.7	Ed Davender, Kentucky	29	136	79	351	12.1
Joe Ward, Georgia	27	192	55	439	16.3	Don Redden, LSU	31	152	68	372	12.0
Derrick McKey, Alabama	27	147	74	368	13.6	Raymond Brown, Miss. State	27	137	31	305	11.3

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE - Top 15 (min. 3 per game)

Player, Team	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Derrick McKey, Alabama	147	230	63.9
Rob Jones, Tennessee	121	206	58.7
David Dunn, Georgia	94	162	58.0
Buck Johnson, Alabama	190	332	57.2
Kenny Walker, Kentucky	207	363	57.0
Barry Goheen, Vanderbilt	91	165	55.2
Curtis Ritchwood, Ole Miss	132	241	54.8
Frank Ford, Auburn	131	239	54.8
Joe Ward, Georgia	192	355	54.1
Raymond Brown, Miss. State	137	254	53.9
Horace McMillan, Georgia	124	233	53.2
Joe Lawrence, Florida	128	241	53.1
Chuck Person, Auburn	259	489	53.0
Jim Farmer, Alabama	135	257	52.5
John Williams, LSU	220	421	52.3

FREE THROW PERCENTAGE - Top 15 (min. 2 per game)

Player, Team	FTM	FTA	Pct.
Don Redden, LSU	68	76	89.5
Tony White, Tennessee	120	138	87.0
Buck Johnson, Alabama	107	127	84.3
Brett Burrow, Vanderbilt	116	141	82.3
John Williams, LSU	100	124	80.6
Chuck Person, Auburn	83	103	80.6
Ed Davender, Kentucky	79	100	79.0
Roderick Barnes, Ole Miss	58	74	78.4
Andrew Moten, Florida	121	157	77.1
Derrick McKey, Alabama	74	96	77.1
Winston Bennett, Kentucky	94	122	77.0
Joe Ward, Georgia	55	72	76.4
Kenny Walker, Kentucky	154	202	76.2
Chauncey Robinson, Miss. State	65	86	75.6
David Dunn, Georgia	67	89	75.3

REBOUNDS - Top 11 (Min. 6.0 per game)

Player, Team	Gms	No.	Avg.
Buck Johnson, Alabama	23	196	8.5
John Williams, LSU	30	238	7.9
Derrick McKey, Alabama	27	214	7.9
Rob Jones, Tennessee	27	209	7.7
Chuck Person, Auburn	28	214	7.6
Kenny Walker, Kentucky	29	220	7.6
Curtis Ritchwood, Ole Miss	24	176	7.3
Jeff Moore, Auburn	28	198	7.1
Chauncey Robinson, MSU	27	188	7.0
Eric Smith, Ole Miss	27	185	6.9
Winston Bennett, Kentucky	29	194	6.8

ASSISTS - Top 10

Player, Team	Gms	No.	Avg.
Terry Coner, Alabama	26	187	7.2
Roger Harden, Kentucky	29	194	6.7
Gerald White, Auburn	28	178	6.4
Donald Hartry, Georgia	27	144	5.3
Roderick Barnes, Ole Miss	27	142	5.3
Ronnie Montgomery, Florida	27	128	4.7
Derrick Taylor, LSU	31	122	3.9
Ed Davender, Kentucky	29	100	3.4
Darrell Dulaney, Vanderbilt	25	85	3.4
John Williams, LSU	30	97	3.2

STEALS - Top 11 (Min. 1.5 per game)

Player, Team	Gms	No.	Avg.
Derrick Taylor, LSU	31	67	2.2
Terry Coner, Alabama	26	47	1.8
Eric Smith, Ole Miss	27	46	1.7
Ed Davender, Kentucky	29	50	1.7
Darrell Dulaney, Vanderbilt	25	42	1.7
Roderick Barnes, Ole Miss	27	45	1.7
Chauncey Robinson, Miss. State	27	41	1.5
Vernon Maxwell, Florida	27	41	1.5

BLOCKS - Top 5 (Min 1.0 per game)

Player, Team	Gms	No.	Avg.
Derrick McKey, Alabama	27	65	2.4
Buck Johnson, Alabama	23	35	1.5
Kenny Walker, Kentucky	29	36	1.2
Ronnie Sims, Ole Miss	27	29	1.1
Mike Jones, Auburn	28	29	1.0

PLAYERS MUST PLAY IN 75% OF TEAM GAMES TO QUALIFY FOR PLACEMENT IN SEC STATISTICS.

Eddie Tabs Walker As Nation's Best

Lock May Get Tutored By Issel

If Kenny "Sky" Walker isn't named College Player of the Year it won't be because Kentucky Coach Eddie Sutton hasn't promoted his 6-8 senior forward. "No one deserves the honor more than Kenny Walker," says Sutton. "I just hope I can convey that message to the nation. In a two-year period no one has been more important to his team than Kenny Walker."

"He also epitomizes what a student-athlete should be because he goes to class. He's just a class person on and off the floor."

Walker, who is hitting 56.4 percent from the field, averages 19.6 points and 7.6 rebounds per game. Last season he averaged 22.9 points and 10.2 rebounds per game and became the first player to lead the Southeastern Conference in both categories since Bernard King of Tennessee in 1977.



Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist

"Last year people said he couldn't be Player of the Year because the team didn't win," says Sutton. "This year his stats are not as impressive but he has made us a winner."

"A year ago he carried the team until some of these other guys matured. He was more valuable to UK than Patrick Ewing was to Georgetown."

"But he's a more complete player now. He leads the team in taking charges. That may not be important to the media but it's important to coaches. One of the greatest plays an individual can make is taking a charge. For a superstar to do that is asking a lot because he jeopardizes his body every time he gets in front of a moving body."

"Walker, though, is the most complete and unselfish player Kentucky has. He's also one of the best defensive forwards in college basketball."

Still, it won't be easy for Walker to beat out others in larger media markets for Player of the Year honors. What would help him more than anything would be for UK to win the SEC Tournament this week and then play at least three NCAA games in which he shines. That would also enhance Sutton's chances to be named Coach of the Year for the third time.

Both Walker and Sutton deserve the national honors. Walker's play has been sensational for two seasons while Sutton has done of the best coaching jobs I've ever seen this season.

"If Kenny doesn't get Player of the Year it will be a great injustice," says Sutton. Walker would surely add the same thing about his coach.

And what would happen if Sutton heard someone criticize his star. "I've never heard any negative comments about Kenny or I might go to war," says Sutton.

That devotion to his players is one reason Sutton has been so successful this season and deserves the national honors just as much as Walker.

THE SEC will showcase its talent in Rupp Arena this week during the annual conference tourney.

All-conference teams won't be announced until the season is over but here's my choices for the first team — Walker, Chuck Person of Auburn, Buck Johnson of Alabama, Tony White of Tennessee and Roger Harden of Kentucky.

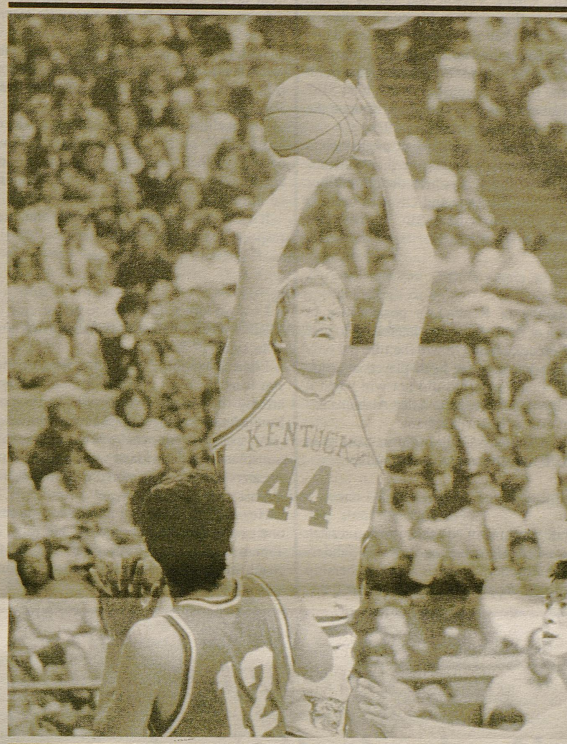
Walker, Person and Johnson were easy choices. All three are class players and have been for three years. They are three of the best forwards in the nation and have carried their teams this season.

White was another easy choice. He leads the league in scoring and has enjoyed a fantastic season.

Harden could be a controversial choice to some. However, his play is one reason UK has surprised so many people. Twice he hit shots at the end to win key games. He set a new single season assist record and got the ball inside to Walker and Winston Bennett. His leadership and defense are also vastly underrated by many. Players have more impressive stats than Harden but he belongs on my first team.

Here's my own "most underrated" squad — Bennett, Joe Ward of Georgia, Terry Coner of Alabama, Donald Hartry of Georgia and John Williams of LSU. Let Wimp Sanderson of Alabama coach this team because he has not gotten the credit he deserves this year, either.

And my votes for most improved go to James Blackmon of Kentucky and Derrick McKey of Alabama.



Robert Lock

IF UK DOES not win the SEC tourney don't expect fans in Rupp Arena to react the way some did at Georgia when the Wildcats celebrated winning the conference crown.

UK players were pelted with ice, cups and a variety of four-letter words as they cut down one net after securing the SEC title with a win over the Bulldogs.

"I just thought it was normal to cut down the nets after winning a championship," says Sutton. "If Georgia or any other team does that in Rupp Arena I would expect them to do that."

"It surprised me that it caused so much controversy at Georgia when we tried to cut the nets down. I thought that was part of college basketball. I hope if another team wins the tournament our fans would understand that cutting down the nets is part of the game."

SOPHOMORE CENTER Rob Lock may get some special tips from former UK All-American Dan Issel before this season ends.

Sutton wants Issel, who retired from the NBA after the 1984-85 campaign, to tutor the 6-10 UK center before next season. However, the UK coach thinks Issel could even help improve Lock's play this year.

"Dan is anxious to help and Rob is interested in getting his help," says Sutton. "We will definitely do that in fall practice but there are some subtle ways Dan could help this year."

"Issel was a great finesse player. He had a terrific head and shoulder fake. He would expose the ball to the defensive player and then make his move. Rob needs to learn that."

Lock has recently shown that he could become a big-time player, a fact Sutton has never doubted. But even Lock admits that he wasn't pushing himself until recently. That's why sophomore Cedric Jenkins had received more playing time than him until three weeks ago.

"Cedric worked harder than I did and wanted it more," says Lock. "Finally I got in a position where I was tired of sitting and watching. I wanted to play."

"This team can go a long way with a big person helping. If I can play well it would help us in the NCAA. That's why I've been working so hard."

And getting a few tips from Issel certainly can't hurt.

Oscar L. Combs

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Remember 1984? Hey Kenny! You remember 1984 in Nashville?

Well, Chuck Person and Sonny Smith remember that night in Music City also. It was a night when a Sky Walker jumper danced a jiggle on the rim and then fell through the net as the horn sounded for a two-point win and the championship of the 1984 SEC Tournament, the only one for UK since the tourney was revived back in 1979.

Saturday night, Auburn just might have a chance to make amends on the Wildcats' home floor. But it says here the home floor will be the difference and UK will become the first school to win two SEC tourney titles since the early 1950s.

Speaking of Kentucky's possibilities of winning at Rupp Arena, it's interesting to note that Kentucky failed to win the title the only time the tourney has been played at Rupp Arena, that Vanderbilt did not win when it was played in Nashville and that Alabama has never won it in Birmingham.

Yet, Alabama won the title in Lexington and UK won the event in Nashville.

While speaking of oddities, you can scratch the name of Alabama coach Wimp Sanderson from Rodney Dangerfield's membership club of "No Respect" now that he has finally

gotten some respect for his coaching ability around the South.

You see, Sanderson recently beat out Kentucky's Eddie Sutton for SEC Coach of the Year honors in balloting of the league's ten coaches conducted by *The Knoxville (Tenn) News-Sentinel*.

With two ballots missing, the two coaches were deadlocked. The two remaining ballots belonged to guess who? Sutton and Sanderson.

Sutton chose to vote for Sanderson, Norm Sloan and C. M. Newton in that order. Wimp decided to shed the Dangerfield image once and for all by casting a ballot which contained the name of one *Wimp Sanderson*.

It's official, Wimp Sanderson now has respect.

Less we forget, there has to be mention of Kentucky's first win over Tennessee in Knoxville since 1978.

Eddie, I've got it from good sources that you were the toast of town in many a place around the Volunteer State where die-hard Kentucky fans mingled last Friday morning.

A couple reports even had some transplanted Kentuckians wearing Big Blue sweaters that had been stored in mothballs for almost a decade.

Hey, Eddie, ole Wimp may have won that one trophy of the SEC coaches, but folks in Tennessee say they know who the *REAL* coach in the SEC is and he's the only one with a perm.

Any idea who that might be?

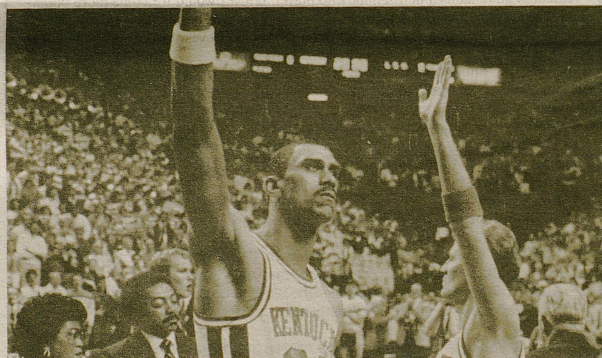
HITS AND MISSES . . . One of those visiting the Kentucky team in Knoxville last Thursday morning was ex-Wildcat **Chris Gattelfinger** who remains a big booster of the UK program. Chris is in business in the Knoxville area as well as a principal partner in several Lexington restaurants . . . Unlike previous years, **Stokely Athletics Center** now sports a wooden floor, the one which will be used at the new 25,000-seat UT arena when and if it's ever built, instead of the old tartan floor. A few UT fans say the wooden floor is why the Vols have lost an usual four home games this season . . . One of the state's top prep junior hoopsters, Paintsville's **John Pelfrey** was spotted at Rupp Arena for the UK-LSU game last Saturday . . . Football coach **Jerry Claiborne** is wasting no time in getting an early jump on recruiting for next season. Almost twenty Kentucky high school football juniors were guests of UK at the same game last Saturday. This next season is expected to yield an unusually high number of quality football players in the Commonwealth . . . Some say the **Kentucky-Tennessee** rivalry isn't as big as it used to be, but those folks apparently didn't notice that it was important enough to lure **Governor Martha Layne Collins** away from the state legislature to attend the game in Knoxville . . . Rumors continue to mount that the governor is very, very interested in becoming president at UK sometime late next year

or the early part of 1988. The rumor mill has it that she needs the visibility so she can continue her quest for public office in 1992 for the U. S. Senate seat which will likely be vacated by a retiring **Wendell Ford** then. Political insiders say Collins believes she can be very influential in raising big corporate dollars to improve the financial picture for research and development at UK over the next several years and in turn, that would project her as a strong public servant in Washington. . . . Long-time SEC basketball official **Reggie Copeland** will be calling his last Southeastern Conference basketball game this week in the SEC Tournament. He's been one of the league's best known officials for some twenty-five seasons. For years, he was blackballed from calling **Kentucky** games by former UK coach **Joe B. Hall** until Hall stopped scratching his name a couple years ago. Hall, over the years, had become upset with Copeland's officiating when UK played **Tennessee**. Coaches in the SEC have been allowed to scratch the names of two officials each year although there is a one year moratorium on the policy this season. After Reggie officiated a recent UK game in Lexington, he was visited by Hall in the officials' locker room. Hall reportedly told Copeland he appreciated his years of service to the league and they shook hands. Perhaps it was only ironone that Kentucky's first win over Tennessee at Knoxville in eight years came with one **Reggie Copeland** tooting the whistle last week.

Kentucky Basketball Statistics

1985-86 Kentucky Basketball Superlatives

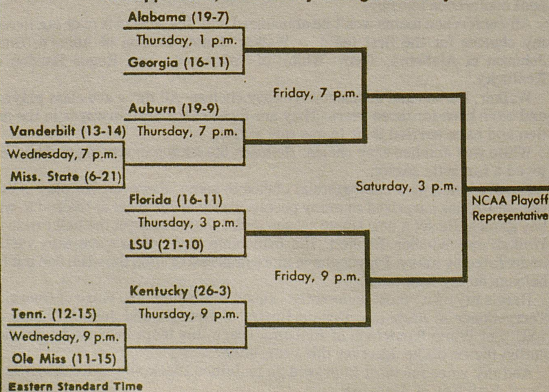
	TEAM	
	Kentucky	Opponents
Points	98 - Hawaii	83 - Kansas
Fewest Points	51 - N.C. State	52 - EAST CAROLINA
		ALABAMA, @ LSU
Field Goals Made	42 - VMI	34 - Georgia
Field Goals Att.	74 - VMI	70 - VMI
Field Goal Percentage	72.2 - MISS. STATE	65.0 - NORTHWESTERN ST.
Lowest FG Percentage	32.8 - N.C. State	32.9 - VMI
Free Throws Made	28 - EAST CAROLINA	21 - Hawaii
	TENNESSEE	
Free Throws Att.	41 - EAST CAROLINA	29 - Hawaii
Free Throw Percentage	88.9 - Kansas	100.0 - @ LSU
Rebounds	48 - Hawaii	38 - VMI
Fewest Rebounds	22 - INDIANA	19 - AUBURN
Most Fouls	26 - Hawaii	31 - EAST CAROLINA
Fewest Fouls	9 - @ LSU	12 - @ LSU
Assists	32 - MISS. STATE	19 - Kansas, LOUISVILLE
Most Turnovers	23 - @ LSU	32 - Chaminda
	INDIVIDUAL	
Points	33 - Walker vs. Hawaii	28 - Tony White, TENN.
Field Goals Made	12 - Walker vs. Hawaii	11 - Andre Morgan, Haw.
	Walker vs. OLE MISS	Tony White, TENN.
		C. Person, AUBURN
Field Goals Att.	21 - Walker vs. Hawaii	24 - Tony White, TENN.
Free Throws Made	14 - Bennett vs. TENNESSEE	8 - Burrow, Vandy
		Johnson, Alabama
		Moten, FLORIDA
Free Throws Attempted	16 - Bennett vs. TENNESSEE	12 - Ritchwood, Miss.
	Walker vs. VANDY	
Rebounds	14 - Walker vs. LOUISVILLE	10 - Morgan, Hawaii
	Bennett vs. Vandy	Ritchwood, OLE MISS
		Johnson, ALABAMA
		Smith, OLE Miss
		Jones, Tennessee
Assists	11 - Harden vs. INDIANA	11 - Hunter, Kansas
Blocked Shots	4 - Walker vs. Florida	4 - Ellison, LOUISVILLE
	Walker vs. FLORIDA	Fasoulas, N.C. St.
		McKey, Alabama



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Groves Looks To Dish Out Playing Time In '86

Is Kentucky's Only Returning Fullback

Last season John Groves was somewhat of an enigma in UK's offensive backfield. Though he went unnoticed in many impressive JV outings of years past, Groves found himself as a third-string fullback behind experienced seniors Chris Derry and Tom Wheary. However, the UK senior-to-be understands that he must stay patient and capitalize on the chance to perform when his time comes.

"Sure it's tough being a walk-on," said Groves. "You have to pay for your education. Sometimes when you don't get your break it's hard to stick it out."

That long awaited break occurred when UK encountered Florida last November in Gainesville. With the 'Cats facing a third-and-nine situation in its own territory, Groves hauled in a 'big' pass from quarterback Bill Ransdell, which kept the Wildcats' drive alive around midfield. For Groves it was his only reception of the season and a play that he'll never forget.



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist

"Chris (Derry) had been hurt and Tom (Wheary) was winded because it was so hot," recalled Groves. "I was the safety valve on the play. Bill saw everybody was covered and dropped it off to me."

Looking Forward To Next Season

Although he remains a non-scholarship player, Groves would welcome more opportunities to display his efforts for next season, which will be his last.

"Coach Claiborne likes to play a lot of backs," said Groves. "I think I can be a key part because I am the only true fullback returning."

Groves also realizes that Claiborne treats each of his players in the same manner, whether one is a scholarship player or not.

"When it comes down to scholarship and walk-on players we are all family," said

Groves. "If one is good enough to play, he (Claiborne) doesn't care what you are or who you are."

What distinguishes Groves from many players in the country is that he has played for two of the best college football coaches in the nation. One is Claiborne and the other is Alabama's Paul "Bear" Bryant.

When coming out of Russell High School in northern Kentucky, Groves was heavily recruited as a junior. After all, he was a three time All-Area, All-District, and All-Tri State selection. For some strange reason, however, recruiters backed off after his senior year. He grew up following the "Big Blue" but cherished the thought of playing for the legendary Bryant, despite not receiving an athletic scholarship.

"That was my best option at the time," said Groves. "I have always wanted to play for Coach Bryant. That was one of my big goals."

However, disenchantment set with the Bama program when Bryant tragically passed away. Groves was not enamored when the new Ray Perkins era.

"Coach Bryant had just died, then Coach Perkins came in with a whole new philosophy," said Groves. "With his new philosophy I didn't fit in well."

Says Claiborne Was Practically a Clone of Bryant

So he packed his bags and headed back to his home state with ambitions of earning a spot with the Wildcats.

"I still had Big Blue blood and I watched to find out what my chances of playing were," explained Groves, on his return to Kentucky.

By playing for both Bryant and Claiborne, who is a Bryant protege, Groves did see some similarities between both successful head coaches. In fact, he hinted that UK's mentor was practically a clone of Bryant.

"They are so much alike," said Groves. "But Coach Claiborne does have his different philosophies. Also, both of them really care about their players."

Physically, (he stands at 5-11 and weighs 230 pounds). Groves does have the ample size to play fullback. Although he is not blessed with outstanding speed, he can be characterized as a dependable "power back".

"My running ability is an asset," said Groves who is one of the team's top weightlifters. "In high school I carried the ball all the time and that has helped me in college. I'm not as fast as some of the backs in the SEC, but I make up for it with my strength."

Now that Al Baker, who is one of the top high school players in the country, has signed at UK, Groves should receive some lofty competition at fullback, if the UK coaching staff places the Trigg County phenom at the fullback position. In addition, Andy Murray, a promising redshirt from Louisville Trinity, will be in the picture at the fullback slot. Nevertheless, Groves relishes the idea of Baker making an impact in the UK backfield in his initial season.

Looks Forward To Being A Senior Leader

"If Al Baker can come in and start at fullback, I will be more than glad to help him out," Groves unselfishly commented. "I just want to be a part of the team that wins the SEC, because that is the main goal."

Only time will tell whether Baker will make an impact on UK's talented stable of running backs next season. In winter workouts, Groves says Wildcats are making great strides toward producing a winning 1986 campaign.

"Anytime you have a losing season you want to come back and prove yourself," remarked Groves. "We are working that much harder, believing that Coach Claiborne's philosophy is the right one and are working as hard as we can to make it (philosophy) work."

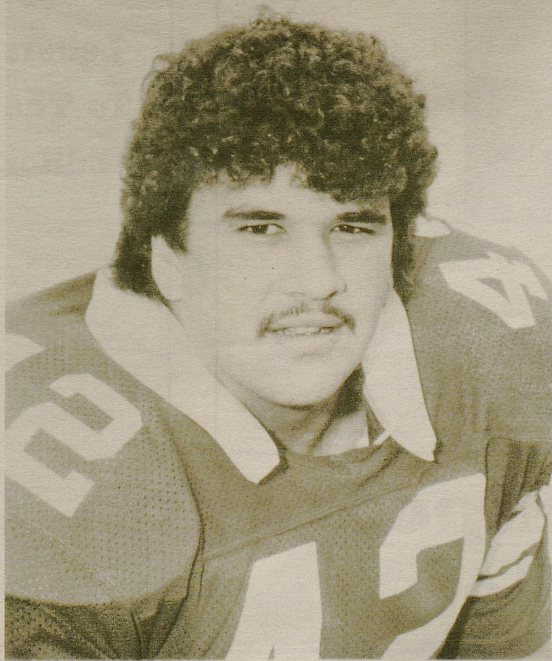
"We didn't get the breaks last season but you make your won breaks happen. But you can't live on 'ifs'."

Preparing for his final season with the Wildcats, Groves thinks he can become a senior leader for the team, demonstrating by example and not by words.

"I think I can provide senior leadership because I had to work hard to get where I am," said Groves, who is a member of UK's Fellowship of Christian Athletes. "But the best way to be a senior leader is prove it on the field."

UK Note Book

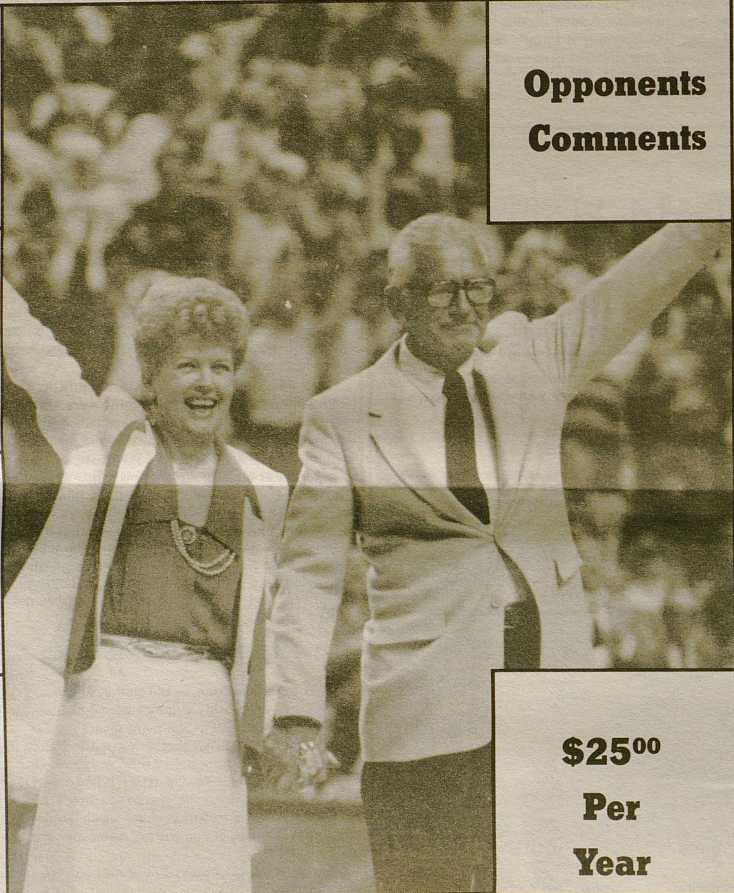
UK assistant athletic director **Bob Bradley** had some interesting comments in a recent *USA Today* article dealing with college athletes taking special remedial courses in school and getting preferential treatment by professors. Remedial education programs, much like the one at the University of Georgia that came under scrutiny when fired professor **Jan Kemp** filed suit, does not constitute preferential treatment, according to college educators. But it is wrong to give special treatment to student/athletes enrolled in the program, as members of a committee named "Survival of Athletes" were told during a Southeastern regional meeting of the College Board. "If athletes and academics are going to co-exist, then you're are going to have to make compromises," said Bradley in the story, who is in charge of UK's academic program. "I think most people realize that".....UK center **Robert Lock** has indicated that he would be more than willing to be tutored by UK's all-time leading scorer **Dan Issel**. Lock said the learning sessions during the off-season in the summer is when he would like to begin. With another SEC title already under wraps, UK is currently striving for one of the top seeds in one of the NCAA Tournament's four regionals. Although its unlikely UK will receive one of the top four spots in the entire tourney, the Cats have an excellent shot of getting



John Groves

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The Bottom Line On UK Basketball

Rouse One Of The Unknowns In UK History

Injuries Slowed Down Career

Many people, more than you would ever dream of, have played collegiate basketball at the University of Kentucky at one time or another.

One of those was William L. Rouse, Jr., currently the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer at the First Security National Bank and Trust Company in Lexington.

"There are a lot of former UK basketball players that people don't know about," said Rouse, who played for the late Adolph Rupp at Kentucky from 1950-54. "People don't know you unless they were your age and went to school with you."



Mel Holbrook

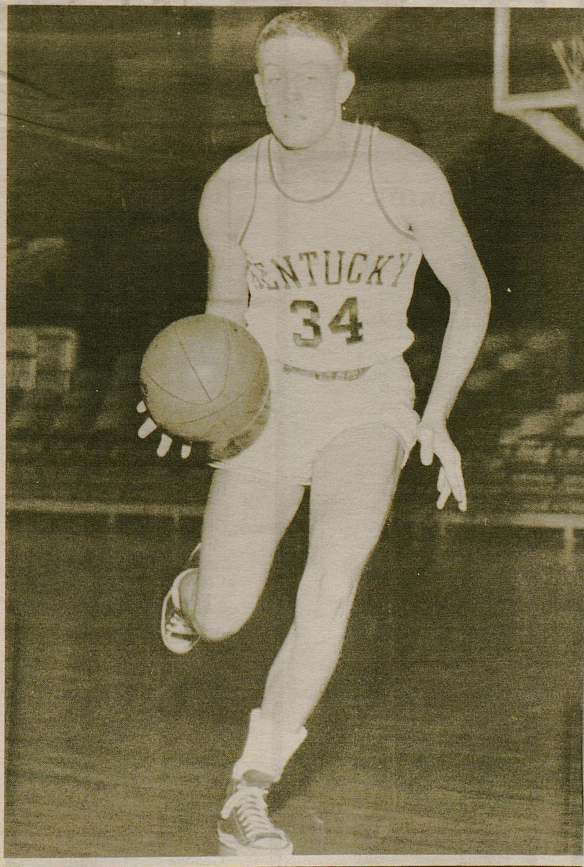
Cats' Pause Columnist

Rouse doubts many people remember him because he didn't play that much for Rupp. Most of his Rouse's career was spent on the injured-reserved list.

"Of course, my first season, 1950-51, was as a freshman and freshmen weren't eligible then," said Rouse, who was a 6-1 guard. "Then, in my sophomore season, I played some and we lost to St. John's in the regional tournament. In 1952-53, we were on suspension and before the 1953-54 season I reinjured my leg and my career was over."

Not One Of Rupp's Favorites

Rouse says he was never one of Rupp's favorite players.



William Rouse, Jr.

"He had a whipping boy every year," said Rouse. "And I enjoyed that status when I could play. I remember during our suspension season the (Cliff) Hagans and the (Frank) Ramseys played each other. I was on Hagan's team. Coach Rupp coached one team and Coach (Harry) Lancaster coached the other. The score was even and Ramsey's team was ahead. Coach Rupp called a timeout and I thought, Well, he can't say anything to me because I had scored 12 of our team's 14 points. But he called a timeout to chew me out."

"I'd made all five of my field-goal attempts and both of my foul shots," Rouse continued. "But he said, 'Son, there are 12,500 people here (in Memorial Coliseum) and not a one of them came here to see you shoot. Give the basketball to Hagan or you'll be here sitting next to me.'"

The next season, Rouse was set to start but broke a ligament a week before the first game and missed nearly all of that undefeated team's season.

"That was the year we played Bob Petit's LSU (Louisiana State) team for the Southeastern Conference Championship in Nashville," said Rouse. "After we beat LSU, we voted to go on to the NCAA Tournament despite the fact that Hagan, Ramsey and (Lou) Tsioropoulos couldn't participate in the tournament due to the fifth-year eligibility ruling, which was eventually changed. We voted unanimously to go, but Coach Rupp overruled us and announced the next day that the whole team voted not to go."

Rouse had another season left before his eligibility was out, but decided to join the Air Force after he received his degree in business administration at UK.

Rouse served as a pilot in the United States Air Force from 1955 to 1958. He and his wife then returned to Lexington with one child and no job prospects.

Decided On Banking Future

"I told my wife (the former Barbara Hardwick of Lexington) that there were two things I'd never do," said Rouse. "And those were working at a bank or selling life insurance. But I ended up with a job at a bank, the old Security Trust Bank."

Rouse had worked at the old First National Bank for two summers when he was in school, and he began his banking career in the bookkeeping department. Now, he is the top person at the top banking institution in the Bluegrass area.

"When I got a job at a bank, I didn't think it was permanent," Rouse explained. "I really took the job at the bank just to have a job. We wanted to stay in Lexington because our son had been under a doctor's care since he was born. We stayed in Lexington for the medical care he could receive. Otherwise, I'm sure we would have left. Jobs weren't that plentiful in Lexington in 1958. Now, it's all changed and people are moving here to stay."

Rouse grew up in Lexington and attended University High School. He averaged 19 points per game his senior season and was an all-city selection for two years and honorable mention all-state his senior campaign.

Rouse was recruited by UK and N.C. State but wanted to play for Rupp and the Wildcats.

"When you grow up in this area, you want to stay home and play for Kentucky," Rouse explained. "Now, it's more split up and you've got the University of Louisville competing for the local kids. But it was thrill to play for Kentucky then. Kentucky dominated basketball in those days. They beat everybody by at least 40 or 50 points."

Says Recruiting Has Definitely Changed

Rouse added that UK handed out more scholarships then, at least 15 per season, and that it didn't recruit nationally then like it does now.

"Kentucky, just like everybody else, went after athletes from the surrounding states," said Rouse. "The athletes weren't as good then as they are now. We didn't compete against the blacks, and they've really changed the game now. I think the kids today are much better athletes than we were then. Nobody handled the ball back then like Roger Harden does today. Hagan was terrific, though. He was 6-4 but played against 6-10 centers all the time. He had a beautiful hook shot and, inch for inch, was a fantastic player."

Rouse added he didn't break any records at UK. But the 53-year-old former player was happy just to get an opportunity to play, no matter how brief it was.

"There are a lot of memories, a lot of stories that are told about those days," said Rouse. "One of the best I have is of when we were playing DePaul University one night during my sophomore season in Chicago. Only nine players made the trip and four fouled out, so Rupp had no choice but to play me. I remember that I stole the ball and made a crip (layup) to win the game for us by one point. Rupp told me on the airplane that 'I finally had earned my breakfast, and that I should live it up that night because the next day I would be back on the third team.'"

But since Rouse has been at First Security, he hasn't been on the third team. He worked in all areas of the bank, advancing primarily through the lending departments. He was named Executive Vice President in March of 1974, President in March of 1979 and Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in February of 1982. Not bad for a former third-team player.

And besides leadership in banking, Rouse has given much to Lexington and Lexington business. He is past president of the Lexington Chamber of Commerce and served on the board of directors for two years. He is a curator and Treasurer for Transylvania University.

Rouse is also the director and treasurer of the Triangle Foundation and past chairman of the Lexington Fayette County Board of Adjustments and the Lexington Economic Development Commission.

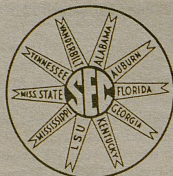
Rouse and his wife have been married for 32 years and have three children: Junior (Bill), Hunter and Bob.

Modern SEC Tournament Composite Box (Team vs. Team)

	Ala.	Aub.	Fla.	Ga.	UK	LSU	Miss.	M.St.	Tenn.	Vandy
Alabama	x-x	1-1	1-0	2-2	2-2	1-1	0-0	3-0	1-0	0-0
Auburn	1-1	x-x	1-1	2-0	0-3	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-1	2-0
Florida	0-1	1-1	x-x	0-0	1-0	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-2	1-1
Georgia	2-2	0-2	0-0	x-x	0-1	1-0	1-1	2-0	2-0	0-0
Kentucky	2-2	3-0	0-1	1-0	x-x	1-1	3-0	0-0	0-1	0-1
La. State	1-1	0-1	2-0	0-1	1-1	x-x	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0
Mississippi	0-0	0-1	00	1-1	0-3	1-0	x-x	0-0	2-0	1-1
Miss. St.	0-3	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	x-x	0-0	1-1
Tennessee	0-1	1-1	2-0	0-2	1-0	1-0	0-2	0-0	x-x	2-0
Vanderbilt	0-0	0-2	1-1	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-1	1-1	0-2	x-x

Modern Standings

Alabama	11-6
Kentucky	10-6
Auburn	10-6
Georgia	8-6
Tennessee	7-6
Mississippi	5-6
Louisiana State	4-6
Vanderbilt	4-7
Florida	3-7
Mississippi State	1-7
Total	63-63



	W/L	Ala.	Aub.	Fla.	Ga.	Ky.
Alabama	(27-23)	x-x	3-1	2-0	2-4	2-6
Auburn	(14-23)	1-3	x-x	1-1	3-1	0-8
Florida	(7-20)	0-2	1-1	x-x	0-0	2-6
Georgia	(17-25)	4-2	1-3	0-0	x-x	0-5
Kentucky	(67-12)	6-2	8-0	6-2	5-0	x-x
Louisiana State	(25-25)	2-4	4-1	5-0	2-1	1-9
Mississippi	(9-22)	1-1	0-1	0-0	1-4	0-7
Mississippi State	(5-25)	1-4	0-1	0-0	0-3	0-5
Tennessee	(42-21)	3-4	5-1	4-0	4-2	4-8
Vanderbilt	(16-23)	2-0	0-3	1-4	3-0	2-2
Georgia Tech	(14-18)	2-3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-5
Tulane	(12-16)	1-1	1-2	1-0	3-0	1-6
Sewanee	(0-2)	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

	LSU	Miss.	M.St.	Tenn.	Vandy	Ga.T.	Tulane	Sew.
Alabama	4-2	1-1	4-1	4-3	0-2	3-2	1-1	1-0
Auburn	1-4	1-0	1-0	1-5	3-0	0-0	2-1	0-0
Florida	0-5	0-0	0-0	0-4	4-1	0-0	0-1	0-0
Georgia	1-2	4-0	3-0	2-4	0-3	2-2	0-3	0-0
Kentucky	9-1	7-0	5-0	8-4	2-2	5-0	6-1	0-0
LSU	x-x	4-2	1-0	1-4	1-2	1-0	2-2	1-0
Mississippi	2-4	x-x	0-0	3-3	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0
Miss State	0-1	0-0	x-x	0-5	2-3	1-3	1-0	0-0
Tennessee	4-1	3-3	5-0	x-x	6-1	4-0	0-1	0-0
Vanderbilt	2-1	1-1	3-2	1-6	x-x	0-3	1-1	0-0
Georgia Tech	0-1	1-1	3-1	0-4	3-0	x-x	3-1	0-0
Tulane	2-2	0-0	0-1	1-0	1-1	1-3	x-x	0-0
Sewanee	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	x-x

Team vs. Team Scoring Averages, SEC Tourney, All-Time

OLE MISS

Mississippi	39.0
Alabama	38.5
Mississippi	60.0
Auburn	68.0
Mississippi	00.0
Florida	00.0
Mississippi	46.8
Georgia	54.2
Mississippi	49.6
Kentucky	61.9
Mississippi	52.3
Louisiana State	59.6
Mississippi	00.0
Mississippi State	00.0
Mississippi	58.0
Tennessee	66.7

MISSISSIPPI STATE

Mississippi State	35.2
Alabama	46.2
Mississippi State	36.0
Auburn	38.0
Mississippi St.	00.0
Florida	00.0
Mississippi State	55.0
Georgia	57.3
Mississippi State	45.0
Kentucky	57.4
Mississippi State	00.0
Mississippi	00.0
Mississippi State	44.0
Louisiana State	77.0
Mississippi State	40.2
Tennessee	55.2

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Mississippi	64.0	Mississippi State	51.6
Vanderbilt	64.0	Vanderbilt	57.4
Mississippi	44.5	Mississippi	43.3
Georgia Tech	48.0	Georgia Tech	52.3
Mississippi	00.0	Mississippi State	56.0
Tulane	00.0	Tulane	47.0
Mississippi	00.0	Mississippi State	00.0
Sewanee	00.0	Sewanee	00.0

ALABAMA

Alabama	53.0
Auburn	44.8
Alabama	61.0
Florida	44.5
Alabama	52.0
Georgia	58.1
Alabama	52.0
Kentucky	58.1
Alabama	54.5
Louisiana St.	45.8
Alabama	38.5
Mississippi	39.0
Alabama	46.2
Mississippi St.	35.2
Alabama	35.9
Tennessee	35.7
Alabama	30.5
Vanderbilt	45.5
Alabama	38.6
Georgia Tech	37.6
Alabama	46.5
Tulane	47.5
Alabama	41.0
Sewanee	28.0

AUBURN

Auburn	44.8
Alabama	53.0
Auburn	45.5
Florida	46.0
Auburn	64.5
Georgia	61.5
Auburn	42.8
Kentucky	69.5
Auburn	41.6
Louisiana St.	62.4
Auburn	68.0
Mississippi	60.0
Auburn	38.0
Mississippi St.	36.0
Auburn	39.0
Tennessee	54.0
Auburn	51.3
Vanderbilt	38.3
Auburn	00.0
Georgia Tech	00.0
Auburn	42.7
Tulane	41.0
Auburn	00.0
Sewanee	00.0

FLORIDA

Florida	44.5
Alabama	61.0
Florida	46.0
Auburn	45.5
Florida	00.0
Georgia	00.0
Florida	36.3
Kentucky	57.9
Florida	65.2
Louisiana State	76.5
Florida	00.0
Mississippi	00.0
Florida	00.0
Mississippi State	00.0
Florida	48.5
Tennessee	61.8
Florida	51.2
Vanderbilt	49.0
Florida	00.0
Georgia Tech	00.0
Florida	62.0
Tulane	66.0
Florida	00.0
Sewanee	00.0

GEORGIA

Georgia	63.8
Alabama	66.5
Georgia	61.5
Auburn	64.5
Georgia	00.0
Florida	00.0
Georgia	48.8
Kentucky	67.6
Georgia	44.3
Louisiana State	56.7
Georgia	54.2
Mississippi	46.8
Georgia	57.3
Mississippi St.	55.0
Georgia	46.0
Tennessee	52.8
Georgia	46.0
Vanderbilt	59.0
Georgia	43.8
Georgia Tech	44.3
Georgia	40.0
Tulane	61.7
Georgia	00.0
Sewanee	00.0

Team vs. Team Scoring Averages, SEC Tourney, All-Time

TENNESSEE

Tennessee 35.7
Alabama 35.9

Tennessee 54.0
Auburn 39.0

Tennessee 61.8
Florida 48.5

Tennessee 52.8
Georgia 48.5

Tennessee 43.8
Kentucky 53.6

Tennessee 58.2
Louisiana State 54.8

Tennessee 66.7
Mississippi 58.0

Tennessee 55.2
Mississippi State 40.2

Tennessee 50.9
Vanderbilt 48.0

Tennessee 47.3
Georgia Tech 40.0

Tennessee 41.0
Tulane 47.0

Tennessee 00.0
Sewanee 00.0

VANDERBILT

Vanderbilt 45.5
Alabama 30.5

Vanderbilt 38.3
Auburn 51.3

Vanderbilt 49.0
Florida 51.2

Vanderbilt 59.0
Georgia 46.0

Vanderbilt 46.0
Kentucky 61.0

Vanderbilt 64.7
Louisiana State 57.3

Vanderbilt 64.0
Mississippi 64.0

Vanderbilt 57.4
Mississippi State 51.6

Vanderbilt 48.0
Tennessee 50.9

Vanderbilt 35.3
Georgia Tech 51.7

Vanderbilt 40.5
Tulane 46.0

Vanderbilt 00.0
Sewanee 00.0

KENTUCKY

Kentucky 58.1
Alabama 52.0

Kentucky 69.5
Auburn 42.8

Kentucky 57.9
Florida 36.3

Kentucky 67.6
Georgia 48.8

Kentucky 60.8
Louisiana State 45.7

Kentucky 61.9
Mississippi 49.6

Kentucky 57.4
Mississippi State 45.0

Kentucky 53.6
Tennessee 43.8

Kentucky 61.0
Vanderbilt 46.0

Kentucky 64.2
Georgia Tech 48.2

Kentucky 59.0
Tulane 42.3

Kentucky 00.0
Sewanee 00.0

LSU

Louisiana State 45.8
Alabama 54.5

Louisiana State 62.4
Auburn 41.6

Louisiana State 76.5
Florida 65.2

Louisiana State 56.7
Georgia 44.3

Louisiana State 45.7
Kentucky 60.8

Louisiana State 59.6
Mississippi 52.3

Louisiana State 77
Mississippi State 44

Louisiana State 54.8
Tennessee 58.2

Louisiana State 57.3
Vanderbilt 64.7

Louisiana State 55.0
Georgia Tech 53.0

Louisiana State 63.5
Tulane 52.0

Louisiana State 55.0
Sewanee 35.0

GEORGIA TECH

Georgia Tech 37.6
Alabama 38.6

Georgia Tech 00.0
Auburn 00.0

Georgia Tech 00.0
Florida 00.0

Georgia Tech 44.3
Georgia 43.8

Georgia Tech 48.2
Kentucky 64.2

Georgia Tech 53.0
Louisiana State 55.0

Georgia Tech 48.0
Mississippi 44.5

Georgia Tech 52.3
Mississippi State 43.3

Georgia Tech 40.0
Tennessee 47.3

Georgia Tech 53.0
Tulane 49.0

Georgia Tech 00.0
Sewanee 00.0

TULANE

Tulane 47.5
Alabama 46.5

Tulane 41.0
Auburn 42.7

Tulane 66.0
Florida 62.0

Tulane 61.7
Georgia 40.0

Tulane 42.3
Kentucky 59.0

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Tulane 00.0
Sewanee 00.0

SEWANEE

Sewanee 28.0
Alabama 41.0

Sewanee 00.0
Auburn 00.0

Sewanee 00.0
Florida 00.0

Sewanee 00.0
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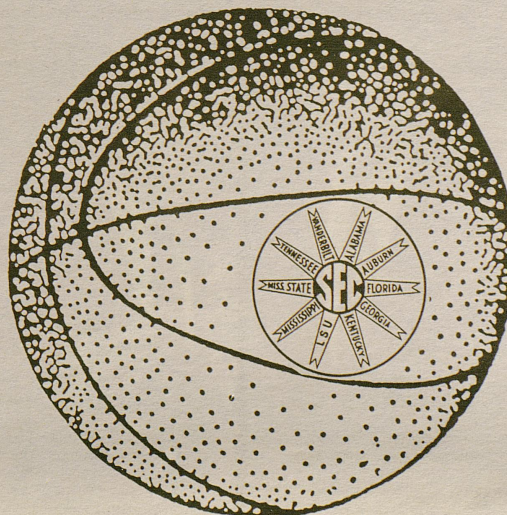
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79-60, in 1983. Besides UK, the Vols have beaten Alabama (29-25 in 1936) for the championship.

*Vandy's tournament record has been something of an "all or none" proposition against most teams. Its 88-52 win over Tennessee is Vandy's only win over the Vols and they won the tournament that year. Vandy has 24 and six-point wins over Alabama, 17-, 10-, and 12- point wins over Georgia, and games decided by from one to seven points against Florida. But, Vandy is just 1-4 against the Gators. Vandy has lost to Kentucky by 10 and 69, but has won by four and by five.

*Ex-members Georgia Tech and Tulane both had moderate success in the tourney. Tech beat Ole Miss 58-47 in 1938 for the title, and Tulane played Kentucky three times in six years (1944, 1947, 1949) in the title game, but lost to some of the greatest UK teams in history, each time.

*Ole Miss and LSU have done the best job of trading "insults" in tourney play. The Johnny Rebs' biggest margin of victory in tourney history came against LSU, by 28 (68-40) in 1938. But, LSU hung a 35-point loss on the Rebels in 1946 (69-34).

*Four schools, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi State, and Georgia Tech, own their biggest tournament wins over Vanderbilt. Georgia and Vandy both claim Tennessee as their biggest victim. Auburn and LSU hung giant-sized wins on Tulane, while Tennessee once buried Auburn by 32, for the Vols' biggest win. Tulane's best win was over Georgia Tech.

Cats Have Dealt Embarrassing Blows

*Kentucky administered the worst tournament loss ever to seven teams, while LSU can claim three such disasters, Tennessee and Tulane one each.

*Every one of the 13 original schools has played at least once in the tournament championship game, except Sewanee.

*Alabama has been in six finals, including three of the last four (1934, 1936, 1942, 1982, 1983, 1985).

Auburn is the last team to make it. They have played in the last two (1984, 1985). Florida made it 52 years ago (1934).

Georgia has been three times, twice in modern play (1940, 1981, 1983).

Kentucky has been to 20 finals, easily an SEC record. The Cats have played in: 1933, 1937, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1979, 1980, 1982, 1984.

Louisiana State has been in the final three times (1946, 1952, 1980).

Mississippi has been once early, once lately (1938, 1981).

Mississippi State went to the finals in 1933, but not since.

Tennessee has been in eight championships (1936, 1937, 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945, 1950, 1979). Only twice in an "even" numbered year.

Vanderbilt won its only trip to the title game (1951).

Georgia Tech went twice, a decade apart (1938, 1948).

Tulane played the three times against Kentucky (1944, 1947, and 1949).

The records section on tournament play has been put together in *The Cats' Pause* this year for a couple of reasons. One, it has never been printed in this form before, and a listing of how each school has done against each of others has never been put together exactly like this before, either.

The information is available in another format in the current Southeastern Conference basketball media guide. The media guide is the source for all information found in the records section in this edition.



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a No. 2 seed in one of the regions. Most likely a SEC Tournament title will probably secure a No. 2 seed. And if history repeats itself UK will wind up in the Southeast Regional where the semifinals and final will be played at the Omni in Atlanta, Ga.

Around The SEC

Barring and unseen amount of upsets in post season conference tournament play, don't be too shocked if the SEC places five teams in the NCAA Tournament. Because of the weakness of major conferences such as the Pac 10 and the Southwest, who will probably send no more than two representative to the 64-team field, more spots will be open for other conference teams to attend. Also, **Notre Dame** is the only Independent that is a 'sure thing' for a tournament bid. **Kentucky, Alabama, LSU, and Auburn** are shoe-ins to see post-season NCAA Tourney action. However, **Florida** is the team that is on the edge and may sneak in, IF it can pull off two victories in the SEC Tournament... Speaking of the SEC Tournament. It should be quite interesting if Florida is paired against LSU in the tournament. Rumor has it that **Norm Sloan** of Florida and LSU's controversial **Dale Brown** exchanged heated words during halftime of the Tigers 80-69 victory over the Gators in Baton Rouge. ESPN color commentator **Dick Vitale** said on the broadcast of the game, which was televised by the cable network, that Brown and Sloan were yelling at each other in the hallway leading to the dressing rooms at the end of the first half.... There was speculation that Tennessee's multi-talented guard **Tony White** might miss the Volunteers' game with Alabama because of a bruised knee. However, White did play in the game and scored 16 points in the Vols' disappointing 80-64 homecourt loss to the Crimson Tide.... One other Tennessee note. Don't be too surprised if head coach **Don DeVoe** accepts the new position as the head mentor at Ohio State replacing **Eldon Miller**. Although DeVoe has said that he has not applied for the job, he hasn't been quoted as saying he would not be interested. As a former Buckeye player, DeVoe was one of the top candidates for the OSU job when Miller was officially hired. Because of the recent allegations against both the football and basketball programs at UT by a Knoxville newspaper plus the fact that the school's new 25,000-seat arena has, STILL, not been completed. It just makes sense that DeVoe would be sincerely interesting in becoming Ohio State's new head coach.

Bob Watkins

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✓ A few weeks ago I wondered what ever happened to Coach S.T. Roach, the much successful coach at Lexington Dunbar?

Coach Roach, one of the best ever in Kentucky preps, is alive and well and an employee in the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet in Frankfort.

Parting shots

Calvin Natt of the Denver Nuggets explaining why he dives after loose balls even at practice: "That's the way I play. I just wish there had been some mud down on the floor, with some rocks mixed in, so I could have come up all bloody and muddy and bruised. I sleep better with cuts and bruises."

Newton's gaff

Last weekend Vanderbilt Coach C.M. Newton surprised fans around the south when, after a 1-point loss to Alabama, he said the Crimson Tide was the best team in the SEC.

How did Kentucky's Eddie Sutton fell about Newton's analysis?

"What C.M. was saying, if I read it correctly, was that Alabama has the best talent, not that they're better than Kentucky. At least that's how I read it."

Hmmm. Sutton understands the strategy of being charitable this time of year.

But me-thinks that Newton's gaff is pinned to the bulletin board in UK's lockerroom.

The UK coach was candid about one thing however, "Hey, we're not that over powering a ball club. Look at our scores, we haven't blown anybody away. There's not a team on our schedule or in the tournament ahead that couldn't beat us."

But, like all rabid UK fans, Sutton "likes the chemistry of our ball club."

Other views 'n people

✓ Almost tournament time and the state of Kentucky has two clubs with their tournament faces, Kentucky and Louisville.

From here, there looks to be only one team in America playing better basketball than Kentucky right now — Duke (maybe), but I still like Georgetown's defense. And right behind those two... Kansas, Michigan State and North Carolina State.

Louisville? Coach Denny Crum is still grumping that his club hasn't "played 40 minutes" consistently yet.

Western Kentucky? An NCAA at large bid, but this is a team that isn't shooting well enough to get past the first round. Still, Clem Haskins' job should be safe.

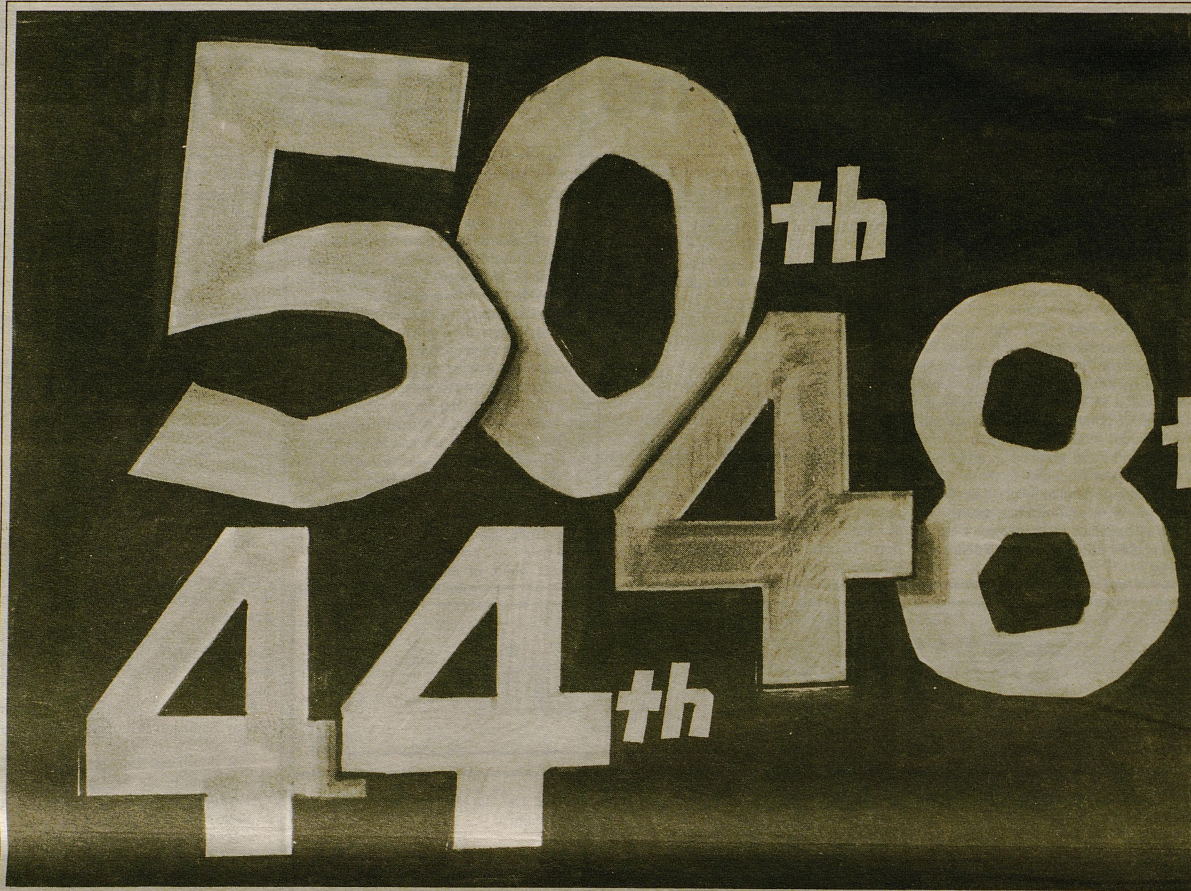
✓ Ex-Kentucky star Larry Pursiful said a few weeks ago that he's delighted to see Eddie Sutton recruit in-state players again. Why?

"When a kid puts on a UK uniform he's 10 points better than he might have been someplace else."

✓ Before the Michigan State at Michigan game a couple of weeks ago

Wolverine guard Antoine Joubert said he felt sorry for State's Scott Skiles and predicted an easy win for Michigan.

Late in the second half State was up by 15 points and Skiles moved up on Joubert and said, "C'mon fat boy, show me something."



Higher Education in Kentucky

The Facts:

- Kentucky ranks 50th among the states in the percentage of adults who are high school graduates.
- Kentucky ranks 48th among the states in percentage of adults who have four or more years of college.
- Since 1984, the Kentucky legislature has increased funding for higher education 8 percent, compared to an average national increase of 19 percent. Kentucky ranks 44th among the states in this category.

The Future:

Significant improvements must be made to Kentucky's education system to make the future bright. Ashland Oil and other Kentucky-based companies need well-educated employees to lead the way into the next century. Governor Martha Layne Collins has said economic development and education go hand-in-hand. Ashland agrees.

The future will be better if we invest in quality education today. In particular, Kentucky's higher education system needs your support. Ashland Oil urges you to let your elected officials know that they have your support in making our schools better.



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