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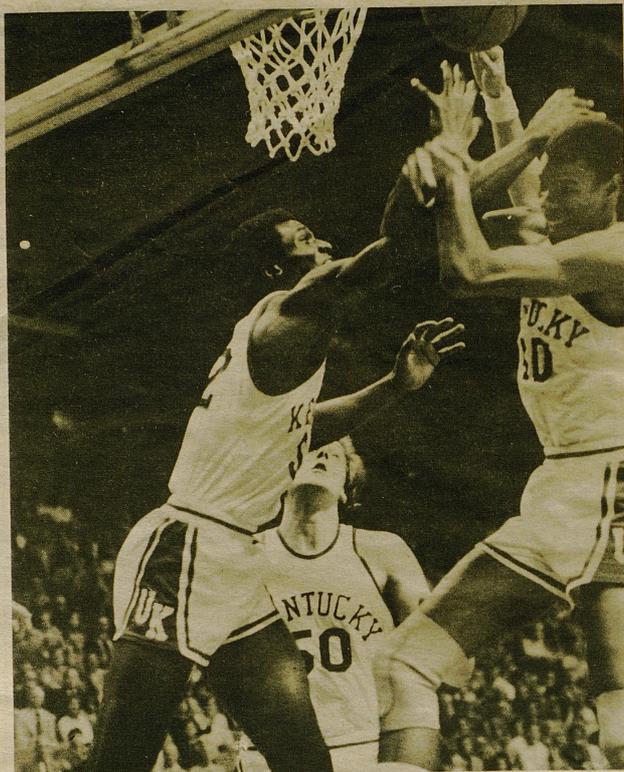
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Williams And Cowans

Oscar L. Combs

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long way to go," continued Shidler, "we're not going to be any slouch." Shidler said fans shouldn't expect another NCAA championship this season because we don't have the talent but "it would be great if it somehow happened, wouldn't it? Hummmmm! . . . Of UK's tenth place ranking last week, Hall responded to reporters, "It's definitely too high."

Athletics director Cliff Hagan revealed at the Committee of 101 Basketball Kick-Off last week that UK will have to defend its new basketball dorm at the annual NCAA meetings in San Francisco next month. Reportedly, legislation is being sought to outlaw the basketball dorm on college campuses. It'll be interesting if some NCAA members try to outlaw the athletic dorm concept or just the specialized team dorm which would be a direct slap at UK . . . And speaking about the UK dorm, we're told that a petition has been mailed to many NCAA schools suggesting a class action suit against UK over the basketball dorm. The letter allegedly contained accusations so cruel and vulgar that they cannot be published here. Reportedly, a coaching friend of Joe B. Hall mailed the UK coach a copy so Hall would be aware of it. Who said dirty tricks are an exclusive product of Washington? . . . This Saturday's Kansas game will be beamed by television back to Kansas City according to Cliff Hagan and will be shown on live television here in Kentucky on the UK Network. A

couple of other interesting notes for our out-of-state readers. The UKIT will be televised back to Syracuse and the Vanderbilt game on February 7 from Nashville will be televised over Home Box Office around the country . . . Former UK star Tommy Kron was the master of ceremonies for the Committee of 101 kick-off last week and he attributes UK's success to: 1. Tradition, 2. coaching staff, 3. facilities, 4. Winning philosophy as a way of life in Kentucky and 5. The caliber of players recruited by Kentucky. Kron, by the way, operates a Cliff Hagan's

Ribeye Steak House in Louisville . . . The Committee of 101, the powerful booster's club of UK basketball, was formed back in 1966 when 101 fans sent a telegram to Rupp's Runts. The club was formed by coach Adolph Rupp's blessings and it's been a vocal point of UK basketball ever since . . . A 50th birthday cake was presented to Joe Hall at the group's kick-off dinner . . . Some fans suggested the new three man officiating crew resembles a three ring circus of zebras more than anything else. The three officials whistled a record 75 personal fouls in

the LaSalle game, bettering the old mark of 71 set with Auburn February 27, 1954. UK had 37 and Auburn 34. Saturday night, UK was tagged with 32 and LaSalle with 43.

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WILDCATS

Cats Exciting, But Kansas May Be Too Good

Psst! Don't tell anybody, but those Kentucky Wildcats are absolutely going to drive their fans up the wall this season. If you don't believe me, then ask any of the 23,000 fans at Rupp Arena Saturday night or the thousands of others who watched the game on television.

They're going to lose their share of games this season, but oh, what a magnificent forty minute effort on defense. Efforts like the one against LaSalle and the Wildcats will definitely win some games they're not supposed to.

Coach Joe B. Hall was still in a daze the following day after the Wildcats responded with the 110 percent effort. "I don't know whether LaSalle was that bad or we're that good," said a puzzled Hall, "but, gosh, I saw a lot of good things out there."

That, he did.

Just a few of the surprises:

* UK's freshmen "Terrific Trio" combined for 34 points and 13 rebounds while hitting 11 of 21 from the field, and this was on opening night before the usual 23,000 faithful.

* Sophomore Freddie Cowan taking charge early, scoring 17 points and hauling down eight rebounds to lead UK in both categories.

* The super defensive play of junior LaVon Williams and the always-heady floor leadership of junior guard Kyle Macy.

By the time you read this, the West Texas State game will also be reported elsewhere in this issue and the Cats will be preparing for highly ranked Kansas Saturday night at Rupp Arena.

In all probability, Kansas will be ranked high in the top five when Ted Owens brings his Jayhawks to Lexington. Leading the way will be sophomore guard sensation Darnell Valentine, senior 7-1 senior center Paul Mokeski and 6-1 Wilmore Fowler.

Valentine is on several pre-season All-American lists and should be a No. 1 challenge to the UK defense just as Mokeski will be. The Jayhawk center is probably the most improved player on the club and the 250 pound giant was terrific in the stretch run last season.

The big unknowns on the Kansas team are a trio of rookies recruited by Owens in what many term one of the best recruiting sweeps in the country. Expected to see plenty of action are Tony Guy, David Magley and Mark Snow, all prep All-Americans a year ago.

Of course, Kansas is still smarting from a four game losing streak at the hands of Kentucky, dating back to 1973 when the Jayhawks defeated UK

71-63 in Lawrence. Other than that loss, Kentucky has been victorious in the other nine meetings.

Kentucky will enter the game with a perfect 2-0 slate, but the Wildcats' opposition will be the toughest they will face until the Notre Dame battle late this month.

A week ago, no one figured Kentucky to have a chance against the tough Jayhawks. Now, many are over optimistic. As we said earlier, this will be a season of peaks and valleys, especially with the UK personnel so young.

Kansas probably will win a close one this week, but Kentucky won't be embarrassed because there's so much determination by the players to avoid such.

Kansas by three.

Why did Kentucky surprise so many people, including the coaching staff, with its play against LaSalle?

Two reasons according to my two cents. One, the UK players have heard so much about how this Kentucky team can lose twelve to fifteen games, they are determined to prove they actually have more talent than most people think.

The second reason is even more logical. Hall's staff recruited a bumper crop of freshmen in Clarence Tillman, Chuck Verderber and Dwight Anderson. All have the tools to play and play early.

Verderber, winner of the first sixth man award, is the new "Charlie Hustle" in the hearts of Big Blue fans after the LaSalle game. Tillman has that silky-smooth shooting touch that will destroy many an opponent over the next four years and Anderson undoubtedly will become the most exciting player in UK history before he leaves the Lexington campus.

With those credentials, the trio has served notice to the veterans that they're here to play and play now. The veterans got the message early in fall practice and the end result is an exciting team from player No. 1 to No. 12.

Again, there'll be some losses (maybe more than any of us would like to imagine) but it won't be from lack of determination. Those Cats take the NCAA championship trail seriously.

On the football scene, UK coach Fran Curci brought in a big group of prepsters for the weekend, treated them to the UK-LaSalle game and then met privately with them Sunday in his office, pointing out the good Kentucky life.

It was his last opportunity to show

off the UK campus to recruits as today (December 9) is the signing date for the SEC letter of intent. Most likely, several in-state signees will be announced prior to tonight's game with Kansas.

The conference letter prohibits an athlete from attending another school in the SEC, but the all-important national letter of intent isn't signed until mid-February.

The SEC letter also prevents an athlete from attending any school in the Atlantic Coast Conference because schools in the two leagues honor the other league's letter.

The latest dope out of the UK camp is that Kentucky should come out of the recruiting season with: a very good punter, some excellent linemen, and possibly a very, very good quarterback from Florida. Those are just a few of the highlights because those close to the staff feel this might be Curci's best recruiting year. Time will tell.

Louisville sports columnist Earl Cox wrote last week that UK football is down and about out. While Earl is a very close friend of ours, we beg his pardon to differ. We must remember he was the one who assured everyone that UK has flunked its test in Louisville recruiting last year about this time, only to have UK sign prized pupils Jim Campbell, Shawn Donigan and Jeff Fletcher.

UK has some problems to correct. That's easy to point out after a 4-6-1 year. And there'll probably be a couple or three changes on Curci's staff before next fall, especially since we spotted former UK coach Jon Mirilovich on campus last week. Jon was on the UK staff until two years ago when he accepted an assistant's job at North Carolina State.

The rumor windmill was full of talk about Jon's return last season, but it could be much more than talk this time around.

ERA 1, UK 0. That's the way the score stands in the Wildcats' locker room after the season opener Saturday night with LaSalle.

Prior to the game, UK sports information passed out a sheet to reporters detailing a new policy for conducting post game interviews with players.

No longer will reporters be permitted in the locker rooms after a game. The players will attend a post game press conference with Hall and reporters will interview the players at that time.

The reason?

It's the only apparent way to head

off a confrontation with a female reporter who might otherwise want to interview a player while he heads to or from the shower, ala the New York Yankees of last season.

Officials said the decision was reached in a meeting by UK athletics director Cliff Hagan and head coach Joe B. Hall.

The situation places a hardship on both the players and the media because players now have to wait another thirty minutes before they can shower. Reporters' valuable deadline time is sometimes crowded or missed if a player should leave the room before he finishes with an interview with another player.

HITS AND MISSES . . . The UK-LaSalle game was beamed back to the city of Brotherly Love Saturday night and according to one UK fan, the announcers were anything but objective. Of course, one must remember this is the city of the great "recruiting war" over Clarence Tillman. A few months ago we spoke of the great story of Tillman and that we'd pass it along. Here it is. A few years ago, the great Philadelphia media did a No. 1 job on Kentucky when Hall was recruiting a kid by the name of Dave Batton (signed with Notre Dame) and some feel it was the media's hatchet job on UK which turned Batton away. Then, ditto last year when UK made its interest in Tillman known. Article after article appeared in Philly on how bad Kentucky is, how vicious the fans are and how Kentucky is not a fun place to play. One article even took pot cracks at UK's staff and facilities. Nonetheless, Tillman decided to come to Bluegrass Country. After leaving the Big Five Country, one LaSalle official said it was apparent that Tillman was going to leave the Philly area all the time. No wonder! . . . A special treat for Clarence Tillman Saturday night was when his father journeyed down from Philly to watch his son play in his first collegiate game as a Wildcat.

"Yeah, I was a little nervous, knowing the game was being televised back home," said Tillman. And at the same time, all those Big Five schools were probably moaning of the loss of another great Philly prepster . . . Junior Jay Shidler is one of those who subscribe to the theory that the freshmen have contributed to the team's overall desire to play harder. "Nobody is assured of a starting job this year," said Shidler after the LaSalle game, "and I think that's good." "We can play, but we've got a

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Around The SEC



Big Bad Bear Hunting For Smilin Joe

College football closed out the regular season campaign and basketball got in full swing during one of the busiest weekends on the season.

Nothing much has changed in football as Bear Bryant's Crimson Tide clinched the conference championship and Sugar Bowl bid with a 34-16 win over Auburn.

"Sugar Bowl, Sugar Bowl," chants were heard from the Alabama locker room after the game. "Penn State, We Can't Wait; Penn State, We Can't Wait."

The Tide will meet Joe Paterno's number one ranked Nittany Lions January 1 in a showdown for the national championship.

Against Auburn, Alabama's main man was quarterback Jeff Rutledge, who broke Joe Namath's school record for career touchdown passes. Rutledge threw two to Bruce Bolton and one to Rick Neal and tied the single game touchdown pass mark as well as the

one season record of 13 shared by Namath and Harry Gilmer.

His scoring tosses enabled Alabama to gain its seventh Southeastern Conference title in eight years.

It wasn't a happy going away for Florida Coach Doug Dickey, fired a week ago, as Miami crushed a collapsing Gator team 22-21.

The Gators jumped out of a 14-0 lead and were threatening again on the Miami 18 in the first quarter. Suddenly it turned from a rout to a wake.

Fullback Terry Williams fumbled and the team lost its momentum. The Hurricanes rallied to outscore Florida 22-7 the rest of the way behind three field goals by Dan Miller.

Georgia made a gallant comeback in defeating Georgia Tech 29-28 in one of the most exciting games on the college circuit this year.

Tech cashed in on two fumble recoveries, a recovery of an onside kick and a pass interference call in the end zone to run up a 20-0 lead.

Georgia sophomore Anthony Arnold caught a 42 yard touchdown pass and then ran for the two point conversion with only 2:24 remaining to cap off the comeback by the 11th ranked Bulldogs in the nationally televised game. Arnold caught the pass on a fourth down desperation pass from freshman quarterback Buck Belue at the Tech 20 and raced to the end zone untouched.

In the Tennessee matchup, the Volunteers routed the Commodores 41-15 at Nashville in Vandy coach Fred Panacoast's last game.

Junior quarterback Jimmy Streater ran for two touchdowns and set a Tennessee season offense record. The victory gave Tennessee a 5-5-1 record under second year Coach Johnny Majors. Vandy ended 2-9 for the third consecutive season.

On the roundball court, Alabama didn't fare so well as the Tide lost for the second time out of the gate, this one a 99-84 thrashing at the hands of homestanding Michigan.

Forward Mike McGee and center Phil Hubbard combined for 51 points as the eighth ranked Wolverines outscored Bama 14-6 at the beginning of the second half to break open a close game.

McGee hit 11 of 19 shots for 27 points. Reserve forward Alan Hardy scored 20 and Hubbard collected 24 points and 15 rebounds. Alabama's Reggie King was held to 11 points.

Florida raised their record to 2-1 by defeating the University of North Carolina-Wilmington 66-51. Florida broke open a nip and tuck game midway through the second half.

Malcolm Cesare led Florida with 20 points and seven rebounds. Mike Milligan added 14.

Center Ricky Brown hit for 24 points

to lead Mississippi State to a 90-68 victory over Auburn-Montgomery. The 6-10 Brown pumped in 11 first half points and grabbed nine rebounds for the game as State ran its record to 2-0.

Tennessee traveled to Louisville and the highly ranked Doctors of Dunk proved too much, defeating the Volunteers of Coach Don Devoe 82-61.



Louisville used a blend of freshmen and veterans to build a quick 29-14 lead and never looked back. Junior forward Bobby Turner led the Cards with 18 points. Freshman Scooter McCray added 17 and junior sensation Darrell Griffith 16.

Reggie Johnson led the Vols with 19 points, followed by Chuck Threeths with 15 and 6-10 Kevin Nash with ten. Louisville is 3-1 with the win and Tennessee 1-1.

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SEC Football Statistics

RUSHING - Top Ten

Player & School	G	Att	Yds	Att		
				Avg	Aver.	TD
McClendon, Ga.	10	264	1239	4.7	123.9	11
Cribbs, Aub.	9	221	1087	4.9	120.8	14
Alexander, LSU	10	262	1118	4.3	111.8	13
Mordica, Vandy	10	152	939	6.2	93.9	8
Nathan, Ala.	10	105	752	7.2	75.2	6
Jones, M.St.	11	130	687	5.3	62.5	10
Perry, Miss.	11	148	673	4.5	61.2	3
Gajan, LSU	10	126	586	4.7	58.6	1
Williams, Miss.	11	137	627	4.6	57.0	3
Jackson, Ala.	10	96	534	5.6	53.4	2
Streater, Tenn.	10	135	521	3.9	52.1	8

RECEIVING - Top Ten

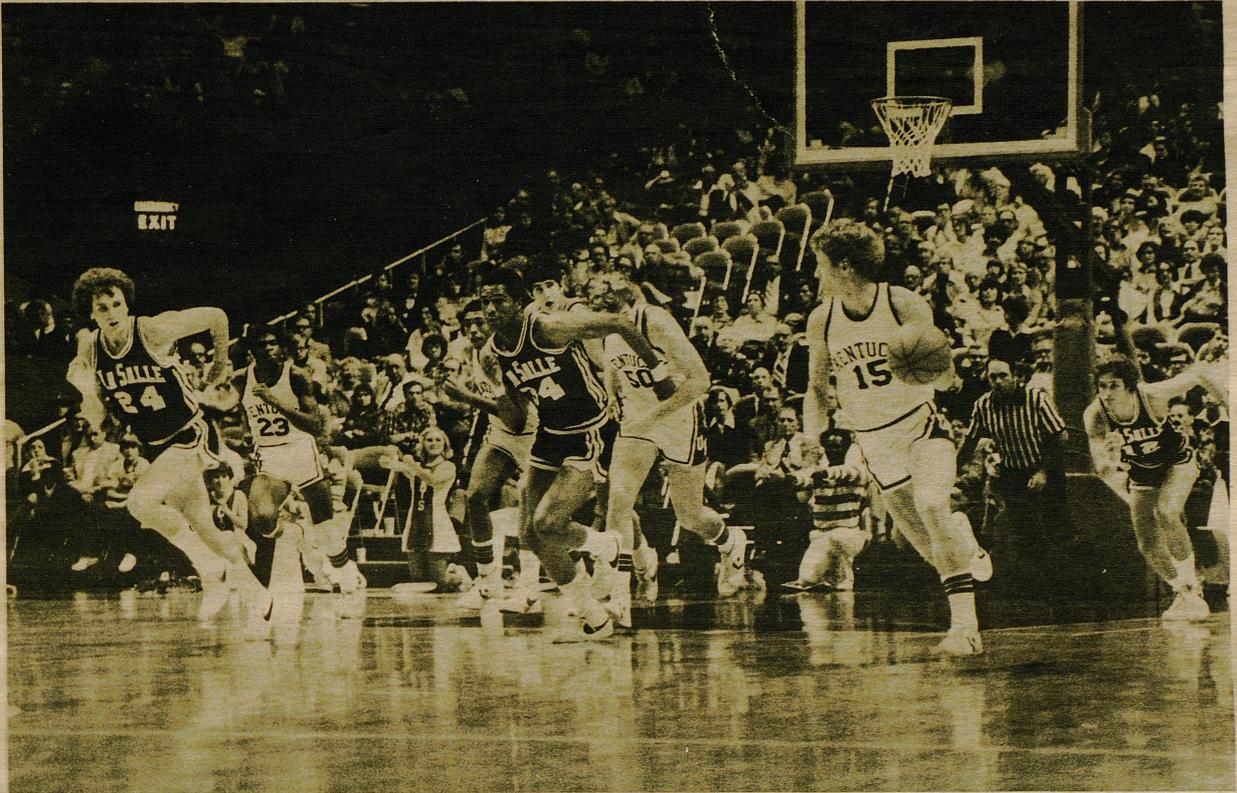
Player & School	G	Cgt	Gnd	Yds			TD
				Aver	Gain	PrGm	
McDole, M.St.	11	48	1035	21.6	4.4	7	
Wilson, Ky.	11	43	727	16.9	3.9	4	
Cox, Vandy	10	39	627	16.1	3.9	2	
Collinsworth, Fla.	10	36	712	19.8	3.6	7	
Harper, Tenn.	9	31	356	11.8	3.4	1	
Scott, Ga.	10	29	434	15.0	2.9	2	
Quintela, LSU	10	29	340	11.7	2.9	1	
Stephens, Fla.	9	25	447	17.9	2.8	3	
Williams, Miss.	11	30	232	17.7	2.7	1	
Carson, LSU	10	27	568	21.0	2.7	2	
Moore, Tenn.	10	25	436	17.4	2.5	2	
Pugh, Ala.	10	20	446	22.3	2.0	1	

PASSING - Top Ten

Player & School	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds
						Yds
Marler, M.St.	11	287	163	17	.566	2422
Streater, Tenn.	10	184	93	10	.505	1255
Brantley, Fla.	10	160	83	11	.519	1333
Woodley, LSU	10	145	77	6	.531	973
Heflin, Vandy	10	153	75	11	.490	976
Pyburn, Ga.	10	126	69	4	.548	862
Rutledge, Ala	10	119	60	9	.504	904
Trotman, Aub.	10	103	47	9	.456	700
Garner, Miss.	11	79	51	2	.646	512
McCrimmon, Ky.	9	106	35	11	.330	752
Coleman, Miss.	9	69	33	1	.478	448
Fourcade, Miss.	11	86	36	4	.419	441

TOTAL OFFENSE - Top Ten

Player & School	G	Rush		Pass		Ttl	Game
		Yds	Yds	Yds	Yds		
Marler, M.St.	11	-31	2422	2391	217.4		
Streater, Tenn.	10	521	1255	1776	177.4		
Woodley, LSU	10	336	973	1311	131.1		
Brantley, Fla.	10	7	1303	1310	131.0		
McClendon, Ga.	10	1239	33	1272	127.2		
Cribbs, Aub.	9	1087	54	1141	126.8		
Heflin, Vandy	10	243	976	1219	121.9		
Alexander, LSU	10	1118	0	1118	111.8		
Rutledge, Ala.	10	124	904	1028	102.8		



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Remembers NCAA

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my check for an added year to the Cats' Pause. Present subscription expires Vol. 3, #36. Last year I had a "minor" heart problem which ended up with a three bypass open heart surgery. The night of the UK-Duke play-off is well remembered because I was rushed to the Methodist Hospital emergency room -- no television, so I drove the nurses crazy getting me reports on the game. The Cats won -- so did I. Later my good friend Bob Swope of Lexington, an avid UK sports fan, sent me some copies of the Cats' Pause. So I subscribed. Although I attend home football games, it really isn't necessary for I can hear Bob Swope's roar above the crowd all the way to Indianapolis.

Regarding the football dorm, I have a suggestion -- "The Cats' Pause" start an escrow fund, publish the names of contributors -- not amounts. And publish the total amount week to week. Such a fund may not build a dorm -- but then it may. At least it should move spirits of others.

Best regards,
Wilgus Broffitt
Indianapolis, Indiana

Wildcat Fanatic

Dear Sir:

I am interested in subscribing to your publication. Although I have never been anywhere near the state of Kentucky, I have been a Wildcat fanatic for several years.

I understand your publication could provide me with much of the detail (on

UK basketball in particular), that is, of course, sorely lacking up here. Could you please inform me of exactly what your paper encompasses and what the subscription rates are?

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Billy Hrick
Banff, Alberta, Canada

Anderson Fan

Dear Sir:

Please renew my subscription for another year. Your publication is just super and is a must for every serious UK sports fan.

I'm enclosing a picture I took of Dwight Anderson for you to use if you care to. It was taken during the Dayton-Midwest-All-Star vs. Russia Junior National Game this past summer. All Kentucky basketball fans are going to be in for a treat when they see him play for the Big Blue. His inside moves and jumping ability are unbelievable as demonstrated in the picture against the Russian "giants".

Thanks, again, for your fine publication

Sincerely,
Phillip O. Davis
Fairborn, Ohio

Heavens Forbid

Dear Sir:

I almost made a most serious mistake!

My subscription is nearly expired to TCP. Heavens forbid! I have tho-

roughly enjoyed reading the most informative news source about the Big Blue sports during the past two years. The Atlanta papers don't give us much on UK sports. I think Coach Curci and Coach Hall are doing a splendid job. I was privileged to meet Coach Curci this summer while driving through Lexington. What I don't like to read is the rumors that Florida may try to lure him away from Kentucky. That would be horrible. I hope the athletic board and alumni association are listening.

Keep up the good work with TCP. I believe this publication is partly responsible to the great success we are having at UK. Enclosed is my check for another year of TCP.

Sincerely,
Roland Butler
Lithonia, Georgia

Cover To Cover

Dear Sir:

Our whole family enjoys reading the Cats' Pause. I especially enjoy reading all the letters to the editor and about our basketball team.

My husband reads it from cover to cover the day it arrives.

Keep up the good work. If I haven't sent you enough for the two year subscription, please let me know.

Yours truly,
Lillian Wheeler
Louisville

Down Thru

The Years

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

* UK is second only to Indiana in the first Associated Press college basketball poll. The Cats received 52 first place votes, four more than Indiana's 48, but placed second in the balloting.

* Frank Ramsey's 27 points sparked Kentucky to an 81-66 win over Xavier. Fifty-six fouls marred the game, but the Wildcats managed to get their second win of the season without a loss.

* Kentucky rolled again as they ripped Wake Forest 101-69. Cliff Hagan and Frank Ramsey led the Cats with 18 and 16 points respectively.



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COACH: Joe B. Hall

CAPTAINS: Larry Johnson and Merion Haskins

Nov. 22	Marat'n Oil (EXH)†	(N1)	110	93
Nov. 27	Wisconsin	(H)	72	64
Dec. 2	Texas Christian	(H)	103	53
Dec. 6	Indiana	(A)	66	51
Dec. 11	Kansas	(H)	90	83
Dec. 13	South Carolina	(A)	98	67
Dec. 17	Bowling Green	(H)	77	59
Dec. 18	Utah	(H)	68	70
Dec. 30	Notre Dame	(N2)	102	78
Jan. 3	Georgia	(H)	64	59
Jan. 8	Vanderbilt	(A)	64	62
Jan. 12	Tennessee	(H)	67*	71
Jan. 15	Auburn	(A)	75	68
Jan. 17	Florida	(A)	73	71
Jan. 22	Louisiana State	(H)	87	72
Jan. 24	Mississippi	(H)	100	73
Jan. 29	Alabama	(A)	87	85
Jan. 31	Mississippi State	(A)	92	85
Feb. 5	Vanderbilt	(H)	113	73
Feb. 7	Florida State	(N2)	97	57
Feb. 12	Auburn	(H)	89	82
Feb. 14	Florida	(H)	104	78
Feb. 19	Louisiana State	(A)	90	76
Feb. 21	Mississippi	(H)	81	69
Feb. 26	Alabama	(H)	85	70
Feb. 28	Mississippi State	(H)	77	64
Mar. 5	Tennessee	(A)	79	81
Mar. 7	Georgia	(A)	72	54

SEC Co-Champions

NCAA TOURNAMENT

(Philadelphia, Pa., and College Park, Md.)

Mar. 12	Princeton	(N3)	72	58
Mar. 17	VMI	(N4)	93	78
Mar. 19	North Carolina	(N4)	72	79

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† Exhibition—Not counted in won-lost record.

(N1) Memorial Coliseum; (N2) Louisville, Ky.; (N3) Philadelphia, Pa.; (N4) College Park, Md.

1977-78—Won 30, Lost 2

COACH: Joe B. Hall

CAPTAINS: Jack Givens and Rick Robey

Nov. 11	Russia (EXH)†	(N)	109	75
Nov. 26	S. Methodist	(H)	110	86
Dec. 5	Indiana	(H)	78	64
Dec. 10	Kansas	(A)	73	66
Dec. 12	South Carolina	(H)	84	65

UK INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Dec. 16	Portland State	(H)	114	88
Dec. 17	St. John's	(H)	102	72

(Championship)

Dec. 23	Iona	(H)	104	65
Dec. 31	Notre Dame	(N2)	73	68
Jan. 2	Vanderbilt	(H)	72	59
Jan. 7	Florida	(A)	86	67
Jan. 9	Auburn	(A)	101	77
Jan. 14	Louisiana State	(H)	96	76
Jan. 16	Mississippi	(H)	76	56
Jan. 21	Mississippi State	(A)	75	65
Jan. 23	Alabama	(A)	62	78
Jan. 30	Georgia	(H)	90	73
Feb. 4	Florida	(H)	88	61
Feb. 6	Auburn	(H)	104	81
Feb. 11	Louisiana State	(A)	94*	95
Feb. 13	Mississippi	(A)	64	52
Feb. 15	Tennessee	(H)	90	77
Feb. 18	Mississippi State	(H)	58	56
Feb. 20	Alabama	(H)	97	84
Feb. 25	Tennessee	(A)	68	57
Feb. 27	Georgia	(A)	78	67
Mar. 4	Nevada Las Vegas	(H)	92	70
Mar. 6	Vanderbilt	(A)	78	68

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Mar. 11	Florida State	(N3)	85	76
Mar. 18	Miami (Ohio)	(N4)	91	69
Mar. 19	Michigan State	(N4)	52	49
Mar. 25	Arkansas	(N5)	64	59
Mar. 27	Duke	(N5)	94	88

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† Exhibition—Not counted in won-lost record.

(N1) Memorial Coliseum; (N2) Louisville, Ky.; (N3) Knoxville, Tenn.; (N4) Dayton, Ohio, and (N5) St. Louis, Mo.

1978 JAPAN EXHIBITION TOUR

(All Games vs. Japan National Team—Not Counted in Won-Lost Record)

June 13	At Tokyo	104	71
June 15	At Niigata	102	89
June 18	At Nagoya	97	59
June 19	At Osaka	87	89
June 20	At Fukuoka	88	61
June 22	At Nagasaki	122	79
June 24	At Tokyo	105	57

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1978-79 WILDCAT COACHING STAFF—From left, Dick Parsons, Coach Joe B. Hall, Leonard Hamilton and Joe Dean.

KENTUCKY STATISTICS IN THE 1978 NCAA TOURNAMENT—FIVE GAMES

Player	G-St	Min.	Fg-Fga	Pct.	Ft-Fta	Pct.	Reb-Ave.	A	Pf-D	Pts.	Ave.	TO
GIVENS	5-5	160	44-77	57.1	13-19	68.4	37- 7.4	8	18-1	101	20.2	8
ROBEY	5-5	148	22-31	71.0	16-20	80.0	34- 6.8	7	11-1	60	12.0	14
PHILLIPS	5-5	104	22-37	59.5	13-15	86.7	22- 4.4	4	13-1	57	11.4	13
MACY	5-5	182	16-34	47.1	18-22	81.8	9- 1.8	22	9-0	50	10.0	11
LEE	5-0	110	15-31	48.4	15-18	83.3	24- 6.0	9	16-0	45	9.0	6
CLAYTOR	5-5	132	17-32	53.1	5- 8	62.5	2- 0.1	13	12-0	39	7.8	9
SHIDLER	5-0	72	6-14	42.9	0- 1	—	4- 0.8	13	12-0	12	2.4	7
COWAN	4-0	31	4- 9	44.4	0- 0	—	6- 1.5	0	6-0	8	2.0	1
WILLIAMS	5-0	37	3- 6	50.0	2- 2	100.0	10- 2.0	1	7-0	8	1.6	6
CASEY	4-0	10	1- 1	100.0	0- 0	—	0- 0.0	1	3-0	2	0.5	3
ALEKSINAS	2-0	6	1- 4	25.0	0- 0	—	3- 1.5	0	2-0	2	1.0	2
COURTS	2-0	2	1- 1	100.0	0- 0	—	1- 0.5	0	1-0	2	1.0	0
STEPHENS	3-0	4	0- 0	—	0- 0	—	2- 0.7	1	1-0	0	—	2
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Team Rebounds 3												
KENTUCKY TOTALS	5	1000	152-277	54.9	82-105	78.1	157-31.4	79	111-3	396	77.2	82
OPPONENT TOTALS	5	1000	132-263	50.2	77-104	74.0	135-27.0	61	102-7	341	68.2	82

Date	Opponent	Site-Attendance	KY	Opp.	Individual Highs—Points and Rebounds
Mar. 11	Florida State	Knoxville —12,700	85	76	Claytor 16, Phillips 6
Mar. 16	Miami (O.)	Dayton —13,458	91	69	Phillips 24, Givens 9
Mar. 18	Michigan State	Dayton —13,458	52	49	Macy 18, Phillips 8
Mar. 25	Arkansas	St. Louis —18,721	64	59	Givens 23, Givens 9
Mar. 27	Duke	St. Louis —18,721	94	88	Givens 41, Robey 11

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Kyle Macy Turns Comedian For Fiesty Young Wildcats

When Kentucky took the floor in their 109-77 season opening win over LaSalle, the Rupp Arena announcer reminded the frenzied crowd that Kentucky was the defending national champion. The team burst through a banner with 1978 National Champions written on it.

Kentucky guard Kyle Macy, only one of two returning regulars from last year's team, thought it strange.

"When we took the floor, they said 'Defending National Champs,'" said the ice-veined Macy. "I looked around and it was a whole new team. It was kind of funny."

While Macy may have found it amusing, you might have had trouble getting a laugh out of the LaSalle locker room after the game. In fact, you may have had trouble convincing LaSalle that they had not just met the national champs.

No one expected Kentucky to play like they did against LaSalle. Few people expected Kentucky to play that well at any time during the season, but much less in the season opener.

Even the floor general Macy did not know what to expect.

"This year we are so young. We didn't know what to expect. It was kind

of a mystery. We just tried to go out and hustle."

Kentucky's inexperienced frontline dominated the boards in the early going and Macy admitted to being a little surprised by that.

"It was good that they came out and played with more aggressiveness than they had in practice. They hit the boards hard."

Macy was the only Wildcat to play more than 22 minutes, going for 33 minutes. The scoring, rebounding, and time played was balanced evenly. Macy hopes to see that continue.

"Hopefully we can keep that up. We won't have to depend on a starting five. We got on top tonight and we relaxed."

Macy finished with 16 points, 5 rebounds, and 4 assists. In the second half, LaSalle played a zone with a chase on Macy.

"I was surprised they chased me the second half. With our team concept, that is unusual. Tim [Stephens] started hitting and they found out we are not a one-man team."

Kentucky may not be a one-man team, but freshman forward Clarence Tillman feels much of the credit has to go to Macy.

"You can't compare another guard with Macy," said Tillman, who scored 12 points and had four rebounds in his Kentucky debut. "He is so smart and smooth and he helps the other players. You see him so cool and calm and it makes you feel relaxed. He took over."

Tillman feels this year's team can continue the winning Kentucky tradition.

"I know Phillips, Lee, Givens and them left their mark here. We have to start over. We've got to do our job. Last year is over with. We are going to start from scrap."

Tillman and LaSalle All-American Michael Brooks are both from Philadelphia, and Saturday's meeting was not their first.

"I played against him in high school. I, Brooks, Reggie Jackson, and Gene Banks were on the all-city team when I was a sophomore. We played against each other about twice a year. We are good friends."

Did Brooks say anything to the newcomer in the college game?

"Yea, when I first walked out, he told me I deserved more playing time. He told me that out on the court,"

smiled Tillman. "I don't know why he said that. I just told him, 'Yeah, well I'm here now and I'm just going to try the best I can.'"

Tillman said this game meant a little extra to him.

"I was real fired up for this one. I was psyched up. This game was broadcast back to my hometown. I had calls from there today from friends. And my Dad came down and he talked to me. It calmed me down and when I hit that first shot, it helped a lot."

Tillman felt all week long he would have a good opener. "This week in practice I played well. I'm starting to learn the plays. I felt relaxed this week."

Was he nervous before the 23,000 people for the first time?

"I wasn't really that nervous. I don't know why."

Kentucky's leading scorer was sophomore Freddie Cowan with 17 points, hitting five of nine shots. Cowan was also the leading rebounder with eight. The 6-9 Union County graduate approached the game philosophically.

"All I said was I was going out and hustle and do my best. That's all I can do. This was the first game and everybody was up high and I was, too."

It was Cowan's first real test under fire. He says his good performance will help his confidence.

"A whole lot. I was real nervous, but it got me psyched up. I realized the seniors are gone. Lavon, Chuck, and I have to do the job now. Nobody is going to bail us out. We have to take it on ourselves."

Cowan says the play of the freshmen helps make his job easier.

"It feels good when I go out and Clarence and Chuck go in. I think we got the best freshmen in the nation and they proved that."

Cowan remembered something Hall had said as he talked about his offensive board work.

"Coach Hall says the only place you can be selfish is on the offensive board. That's the way I look at it."

Cowan had his doubts last year about himself and Kentucky. Now that is over.

"Every freshman has some second thoughts. Last year I did. That's natural. Last year was the first time in my life I didn't start. Now I look ahead."

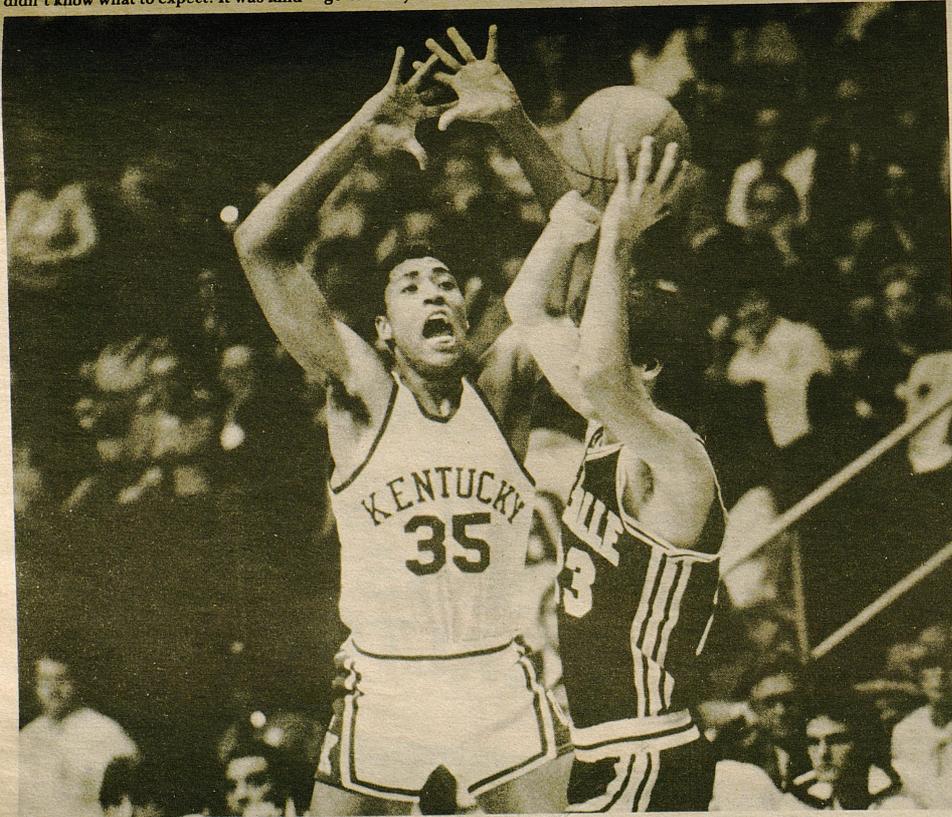
Overall, Cowan was pleased with the team's performance.

"We are going to make mistakes. We are a young team. But for the first time together, we played well."

Was anyone there special to see Cowan in his first collegiate start?

"No, not really. My father is a minister. He has to get ready to preach tomorrow."

For LaSalle, their lesson came Saturday night.



Clarence Tillman Plays The Big "D"



Chris Hill



Rick Hayden



Robert Hawkins



Dave Hopewell

Grid Seniors Recall Memories

Twenty-five seniors have now played their last game in a Kentucky football uniform and although they will take with them many memories, they will have left even more with the fans.

It is a group of seniors that have experienced it all. They brought Kentucky its first bowl appearance in 25 years, their best team ever, along with some of the most frustrating and disappointing seasons ever.

If amateur sports are intended to be a lesson in how to accept both winning and losing, no class anywhere learned more lessons than this one.

Many of the seniors are fifth-year players, having been redshirted one season. Those five year men were freshmen when Kentucky played at Knoxville for a Liberty bowl berth. Tennessee won and it left a bitter taste with many Kentucky players.

The next season was the most frustrating of all. Kentucky finished 2-8-1 and rumors of scandals and probation were numerous. A year which had been filled with promise ended a nightmare. Amazingly, most of the group stuck it out and stayed, maybe the best indication of the determination of the group.

Not willing to accept defeat, they bounced back. Eight games into the 1976 season, they were 4-4 and it looked like another "close but not quite" season.

They refused to quit. They outscored Vandy, Florida, and Tennessee 49-9. The sweet 7-0 shutout of Tennessee was the first Kentucky victory since 1964 in the annual series. The win put Kentucky in the Peach Bowl.

The 21-0 Peach Bowl win over North Carolina is the one memory none of these seniors will forget. However it wasn't the game that will be most remembered, but the manner in which almost 40,000 Kentucky FOOTBALL fans took over Atlanta, Georgia.

And then came the 10-1 team, a squad called the best ever in Kentucky football. The probation scarred the season little. Kentucky football was back in the top ten.

It doesn't seem like justice that they would go out with such a frustrating season as the past one, when Kentucky finished 4-6. Maybe it only goes to point out that winning may not

be the important thing, but how you play the game.

These 24 seniors have played the game well. They helped return respectability to Kentucky football. They brought winning to Kentucky football. More importantly they taught future Kentucky players and fans how to win, and with class. In short they established a new tradition for Kentucky football.

We will all have our memories of the teams these seniors played for. But what is the one thing about their careers at UK that each of these seniors will remember?

We asked each one of them that question.

Chris Hill: The Peach Bowl and the 10-1 season. And I'll always remember my first touchdown in the college ranks.

Dave Hopewell: It's hard to say. I'll always remember the last game and some of the best I played in and we won.

Jim Kovach: Down here two years ago when we beat Tennessee to go to the Peach Bowl and got to take that old barrel back to Kentucky. My freshman year they beat us soundly and two years later it was really important to beat them. I'll always remember the silence in that big stadium when we shut them out.

Mark Keene: The guys I was associated with and played with and all the friendships, fans, and people.

Kevin Kelly: The 10-1 season back in 1977. That by far sticks out and I remember it the most. I made a lot of close friends that year and hope to keep in touch over the years.

Robert Hawkins: Playing at Ole Miss and getting the two point conversion.

Dan Fowler: The 10-1 season we had in 1977 and the two years we beat Tennessee will probably be the things I will remember the most.

James Ramey: Just the experience. That tells it all right there. Just the experience of being here.

Dave Fadrowski: I'd say probably the people I met. The players and students alike and people that are associated with the sports program as well as the people in the city.

Craig Roberts: You think back to the games and playing in them and that's

obviously the most fun. That's what you play for. You always remember the hard work. You go through practice two-a-days and spring ball. The games and hard work. The whole thing.

Billy Williams: Probably two years ago when we went to the Peach Bowl. And the relationship I have had with all the seniors here and my teammates. It's sad playing the last game but I've really enjoyed being here for five years and I think I've really gained a lot from it.

Bob Winkel: I don't know if there is any one thing I will remember. It's more a combination of things. But the one thing I probably remember most of all is my junior year (1976). We were down and came back and won four in a row. We beat Tennessee and went to the Peach Bowl and won there.

Greg Nord: I remember all the practice and the work we've all done trying to make ourselves a winning football team. And all the good times everybody had and not just as football players. Just the fun that college students generally have. I believe I'll remember a lot of big games - a few of the Penn State games, the Tennessee games, and of course the Peach Bowl. I'm just glad I got a chance to play here.

Ted Peurach: The Peach Bowl. When we beat North Carolina 21-0; that's probably been the most exciting

thing since I've been here. And you just can't forget the hard work that you've been through the last five years. That kind of does something to you. So that when you get out of school you are prepared for what's ahead of you. I enjoyed it all five years. It's been a lot of fun too, besides a lot of hard work and everyone got along which made it enjoyable.

David Stephens: The thing I remember most about UK is all the friends I've made.

Chuck Postel: The snakehunt my freshman year.

Kelly Kirchbaum: Probably the 10-1 season.

Bud Diehl: The 10-1 season.

Rick Hayden: All the good times, the friends I've made, and the 10-1 season.

Larry Petkovsek: The Peach Bowl.

Freddie Williams: The Peach Bowl.

Bill Tolston: The one thing I'll probably remember the most about Kentucky is the big crowds, the love the people have for sports, and the support that I've gotten here at the university.

Phil Mobley: The thing that probably sticks in my mind the most is the 10-1 season. And the Peach Bowl year. I'll probably remember those two years the most.

Richard Jardine: The 12 minute run, the gassers, and all that.

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Chris Jones And Robert Cobb Eager For 1979 Season To Arrive

By GENE ABELL
Associate Editor

For the Kentucky football team to rebound from this year's 4-6-1 season, Coach Fran Curci has said that his staff needs to have an excellent recruiting season.

While several incoming freshmen could play a vital role in the Cats' game plan next year, many of this year's redshirts should also play an important role in Kentucky's success in 1979.

Redshirts are players that are held out of competition one year in order to gain an extra year of eligibility. They practice the entire season, but cannot play on Saturday. Often times, their main role is on the scout squad, preparing the first two teams for the upcoming opponent.

Due to a new NCAA rule, freshmen were eligible for redshirt this season for the first time ever. Previously a player was not able to be redshirted his first year on the college campus.

Because of that ruling, Kentucky redshirted 15 freshmen this year, many of whom should play a great deal next season. Along with several sophomores and a junior, the Kentucky redshirt list totals 23 players who were held out of action, either for the added experience or because of injuries.

Two members of this group who could be counted on heavily next season are Chris Jones, a freshman, and Robert "Bubba" Cobb, a sophomore.

Jones is a 6-2, 190 pounder from Danville. He was one of the most recruited athletes Kentucky signed last year, with Curci bettering the Oklahoma staff for the services of Jones. A possible running back or

defensive back, Jones has been timed in a 9.7 100 yard dash.

Jones pulled a hamstring muscle early in practice and missed several weeks of workouts. It was almost midseason by the time he was healthy and although Curci has said it was hard not to put the talented Jones in the game, he decided to hold him out.

Jones said he learned he might be redshirted in the middle of the season.

"I read it in the paper. When I missed the first three games, I had it in the back of my mind that I would probably be redshirted."

His first reaction was mixed.

"It hit me all of a sudden. In a way, I was glad. In another way, I didn't have anything to look forward to the rest of the season except practice."

When he signed with Kentucky, Jones had never thought he would have to sit out his first season.

"I wanted to play a whole lot. I believed I could help the team."

One of the hardest things for a redshirt is practicing everyday, knowing that he will see no action on Saturday. Jones practiced mainly as a defensive back, in order to give the first two teams some top-flight competition to work with.

"It hurt a lot sitting out and watching everybody when I felt I could contribute to the team," said Jones.

"When I first heard, it was hard to practice. Then I got used to it and didn't think about it."

"I wasn't all that upset because I missed a whole lot of practice (due to the injury). To learn you have to sit to learn a lot. I didn't know anything about defensive back. I mostly played at defensive end in high school."

Jones used his practice time as a learning experience.

"I just practiced for next year. I am trying to learn the system and the coaches. I will probably be moved to running back next season."

"I'll do anything to help the team. They needed somebody on the scout team at defensive back and I guess they felt I react well. I just worked to help the team do better."

It was Jones' choice to play defensive back, but now he is looking forward to the switch back to offense.

"Coach Curci asked me where I would like to play. I knew Kentucky had a lot of good running backs this year so I thought it would be hard to play at first. I told him I would play defense. Coach Catavolos (defensive back coach) is a great guy. But I missed running the ball. I've been doing that ever since I can remember. I believe I will be a better offensive back than defensive back."

Now it's over, Jones is glad he took the redshirt and has few second thoughts about attending Kentucky.

"We didn't have a good season. I'm glad it's over and I can't get redshirted again. I've got four straight years. The way I look at it, we had a lot of good freshmen come in. They are eager to start next year and they have a good chance to start next year."

Coach Curci has talked about changing his offense from the wish-bone attack to the I formation. The I is centered around the tailback, and Jones says he would like that role. However, if it doesn't work out, he could accept moving back to defense.

"I wouldn't mind that at all. Wherever they need me, I'll play."

The Kentucky offensive line was hit hard by graduation. A good year from people like the 6-3, 255 pound Cobb is a must. The sophomore offensive tackle from Sheffield, Alabama, feels the redshirt season will benefit him.

"I feel like I can go out next year and do a better job than I would have done this year. I hope to get everything down during the spring."

Unlike Jones, Cobb knew he was going to be sitting out the season before the opening game.

"The week before the South Carolina game, Coach Niblack (offensive line coach) said they wanted to hold me out a year. They wanted me to get more experience and work on the weights because we had such a large class graduating."

"I came in and was in shape for the two-a-days. I was ready to play. But I thought about it, and the more I did I could see it would do me a lot of good."

Like Jones, it was sometimes hard to practice for Cobb.

"It wasn't any fun, knowing you couldn't play in games and being here on weekends when everybody was playing. When I sat in the stands, I

wanted to be out there but I knew I couldn't. I guess all the redshirts wanted to be."

His main motivation during the week was "next year. This was my second year on the scout squad and I knew sooner or later I would get my playing time."

Cobb is confident he is ready to move in.

"During two-a-days, I knew I could play because I was second team. But I could still see where I needed improvement. I needed a lot of improvement on my pass blocking and I think it got better."

Cobb is now glad he sat out and has three more years to go.

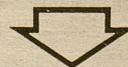
"I'm really glad. After the way the season went. The way it looks is great. And I have three more years."

As with the other redshirts, all Cobb thinks about is "next year."

"It makes me want to be on the field against that first team next year. I'm looking forward to it. I'm ready to play. I've been here two years and I'm ready to go."

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David Bond	So.	6-5	240	OL
Dan Chase	Fr.	6-4	220	DE
Robert Cobb	So.	6-3	255	OL
Mickey Cochran	Fr.	6-4	250	OL
Charlie Jackson	So.	5-11	184	DB-OB
Benjamin Johnson	Fr.	6-0	180	DB
Kevin Kearns	Fr.	6-3	235	DL
Nick Litzinger	So.	6-3½	205	TE
Luis Lopez	Jr.	6-1	220	DL
David Lyons	Fr.	6-5	205	LB
Frank McDaniels	Fr.	6-3	230	OL-DL
John Maddox	Fr.	6-4	215	OL
Rob Mangas	Fr.	6-2	198	QB
Billy Prewitt	Fr.	6-1	170	WR
Sam Simpson	So.	6-2½	215	LB
Mike Spencer	Fr.	6-5	270	OL-DL
Gary Van Deusen	Fr.	6-4	240	OL
Brian Allen	Fr.	6-0	180	WR
Todd Shadowen	Fr.	6-4	220	B
George Taylor	Fr.	6-4	225	DL-LB
Dave Yeckley	Fr.	6-1	207	DL-LB
Brian Palacios	So.	5-11	204	RB
Mark Meenach	So.	5-10½	204	LB

Curci After New Talent For Big Blue

With the 1978 football season ending on a rather disappointing note, a 29-14 loss to arch-rival Tennessee, University of Kentucky coach Fran



Aleksinas Battles

Curci and his staff have hit the recruiting trail in an effort to replace approximately two dozen seniors who played out their eligibility this season.

The Tennessee victory was sparked by Alan Duncan's five field goals, which set a Southeastern Conference record and is the most ever kicked in one game against a Wildcat team.

A Wildcat school record was set by junior split end Dlix Wilson, whose four catches for 51 yards against the Vols gave him 43 receptions and 727 yards for the season, surpassing Rick Kestner's 42 catches for 639 yards in 1964.

Kentucky ended the season with a 4-6-1 record, giving Curci a 35-30-2 slate in six years as Wildcat coach.

The Wildcats will lose six starters on offense, six on defense and kicker

Kevin Kelly, along with with five No. 2 players on offense and three No. 2 players on defense.

The list of offensive seniors includes leading ground-gainers Freddie Williams (89 carries for 316 yards) and Chris Hill (62 carries for 281 yards) and No. 5 rusher Robert Hawkins (31 for 178 yards).

Hill caught three passes, including a 13-yard TD, against Tennessee for a season total of 17 catches, 315 yards and three touchdowns. Williams finished with 14 catches for 166 yards, senior Bill Tolston 10 catches for 142 yards.

Freshman kicker Tommy Griggs of Lexington was the Wildcat scoring leader with six of nine field goal attempts and 15 of 19 extra point attempts for 33 points.

Among other UK leaders were Larry Carter in punt returns [29 for 354 and two touchdowns] and interceptions [five] and Henry Parks in kickoff returns [14 for 334 yards].

Senior linebacker Jim Kovach was the leader in tackles with 162, which fell short of Tom Ehlers' school record 172 set in 1974. Other top defenders who played their last game for UK Saturday are tackles Bob Winkel and James Ramey, ends Bud Diehl, Craig Roberts, Dave Fadrowski and David Stephens, safety Rick Hayden and linebacker Kelly Kirchbaum.

The offensive line will lose starting tackles Dan Fowler and Larry Petkovsek, centers Mark Keene and Dave Hopewell and TE Greg Nord.

The date for signing recruits to SEC letters of intent is Saturday, Dec. 9.



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First, postage costs have more than tripled in the past six months for The Cats' Pause. To offset these sudden added expenses, two steps will be taken. Effective in the spring, TCP will publish monthly issues in May, June, July and August. Weekly coverage will continue from September through mid-April. You will still receive 36 issues annually. The elimination of four issues in the late spring and early summer will enable us to reduce a subscription price increase first projected at more than \$3.25 per subscriber.

Currently, publications similar to ours on the national scene sell for \$1 per copy and as high as \$20 for 24 issues.

Beginning January 1, all subscriptions and renewals will be increased to \$16 per year, that's only a \$1.50 increase. We have already received notice from the U.S. Postal Service that there will be another postage increase July 1, 1979. However, by reducing the spring issues, we will be able to guarantee our subscribers there will be no extra price increase next year because of postage.

TCP is making every possible attempt to hold the line on costs, and at the same time, still provide you with the same service and coverage. The newsstand copy price will remain at 50 cents for the time being.

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Cats Plaster West Texas 121-67

Kentucky guard Kyle Macy took the outlet pass and headed down the center of the court on the fast break. Two teammates filled the lanes.

In the middle, under the basket, was a West Texas State defender. The clever Macy looked to his left. The defender went that way. Macy flipped the ball back to the right to a wide open Tim Stephens, who hit the layup. The defender stood wondering.

The basket made the score Kentucky 107, West Texas State 52, with 5:32 left in the game.

It was that kind of laughter for this amazing, young Kentucky team expected in preseason to still be in the crawling stages at this time of the season. When it was all over, Kentucky herded the visiting Buffalos 121-67 in this kind of record-breaker.

- 121 points marked the most points by any team in Rupp Arena, eclipsing the record 114 set last year against Portland State. (The most ever score was 143 against Georgia in 1956).

- The 54-point margin broke the record of 50 points set against TCU in 1976. (77 is the largest ever, set in the same game against Georgia in '56.)

- 66 points in the second half broke the record of 64 set against Vandy two years ago. (The overall record is 75, again set against Georgia in '56.)

- 63 rebounds broke the record of 62

set against Bowling green in '76.

- Most frustrations suffered by one coach, in one gym. The honor goes to Ken Edwards, who coached Portland State last year when Kentucky beat them 114-88.

"I'm surprised and impressed with the excitement this club creates. I enjoyed the game as much as the spectators. I was surprised at the margin," said Kentucky Coach Joe Hall.

For the second straight game it was a balanced Kentucky attack which led the way. No one player scored more than 25 minutes' worth of playing time and all 12 players actually scored.

Dwight Anderson, voted the game's Most Outstanding Sixth Man, and LaVon Williams paced the scoring with 17 apiece. Fred Cowan added 16, Tim Stephens 13, Chuck Aleksinas 13, and Chuck Verderber 12. Williams led Kentucky to a phenomenal 63-29 rebounding edge with 13.

"We are getting real aggressive board play," said Hall. "Of course the teams we have played haven't had dominating rebounding inside. We will probably not get that kind of inside game against the teams we are going to face from here out."

The play was sloppy early and the score was 6-6 with 14:54 in the first half. Williams scored his sixth point

and ignited the team and crowd with a soaring dunk, making it 8-6. Kentucky was ahead the rest of the way.

Shifting his lineup with regularity, Hall found the combination to break the West Texas full court pressure. Anderson and Jay Shidler, replacing Macy, got the fast break going and Kentucky mounted a 26-15 lead.

Kentucky led 32-21 and scored 11 of the next 12 points behind Anderson and Cowan. By halftime the margin was out to 55-31 with Anderson pacing the way with 13 points, including nine from the free throw line.

"I guess that's why Coach Hall put me in. He got them tired and put me in so I could run them crazy," said Anderson, the lightning-quick freshman from Dayton. "I don't know why they let me get by them. I guess they got scouting reports like we do. They should have known I was pretty quick."

Anderson says he is adjusting to coming off the bench. "I've adjusted to it because that's what I'm going to be doing the rest of the season. It doesn't bother me as much as it did that Poland game. I'm all right now."

Back to the laughter.

Kentucky didn't let up in the second half. Truman Claytor and Stephens had the early hot hand and the Cats scored 32 points the first ten minutes of the half. West Texas, now 3-1 on the season, could manage but 13.

Everyone got into the act for Kentucky and Hall substituted freely

throughout.

The only question remaining in the latter minutes was whether walk-on and crowd favorites Chris Gettelfinger would score. Each time the redhead from Tennessee got the ball, including in the backcourt, many in the crowd of 23,000 people chanted, "Shoot . . . Shoot . . . Shoot!"

Gettelfinger finally obliged, topping off the night with a follow-up of a Macy shot with 3:01 left.

Although Hall said Kentucky did not shoot as well as they are capable, the Wildcats hit 55.4 percent on 46 of 83 attempts. West Texas hit 35.6 percent on 26 of 73.

Dan Elmer paced West Texas with 18 points, many from long range jumpers in the first half.

West Texas State Coach Ken Edwards certainly was not expecting this kind of a game.

"I said before the game that if we caught them down and we were playing well, we might be in the game. I didn't expect this."

Despite Kentucky's dominating the game, Edwards agreed with Hall that Kentucky still has a long way to go and said rough times may be ahead for the Cats.

"They don't have nearly the muscle they did last year. Their inside game is not as good. The opposition will chew them up when they get into the big games."

And where does that leave a coach whose team just lost by 54 points?

WEST TEXAS STATE — 67

PLAYER	FG	FT	REB	PF	TPS	A	TO	MIN
Erskine Robinson	4-8	1-1	1	1	9	1	1	20
Carl Johnson	4-8	2-5	3	4	10	0	3	22
George Sims	4-9	1-5	7	4	9	0	2	31
Dan Elmer	7-16	4-4	3	2	18	4	9	38
Tony Ellis	2-7	0-0	3	2	4	4	2	20
Darryl Atkinson	1-8	0-0	0	1	2	1	0	12
Eddie Harris	2-6	2-4	3	4	6	1	2	17
David Wilburn	2-9	0-0	2	1	4	1	0	18
Winston Nicholas	0-2	4-4	3	3	4	1	2	17
Keith Gladney	0-0	1-2	0	3	1	0	0	5
Team Rebounds			4					
TOTALS	26-73	15-25	29	25	67	13	21	200

KENTUCKY — 121

PLAYER	FG	FT	REB	PF	TPS	A	TO	MIN
Fred Cowan	8-10	0-0	4	5	16	1	3	16
LaVon Williams	6-11	5-7	13	3	17	1	3	25
Chuck Aleksinas	4-6	5-6	9	0	13	0	2	23
Kyle Macy	4-11	0-0	4	3	8	10	1	24
Truman Claytor	4-7	0-1	4	4	8	4	1	22
Chris Gettelfinger	1-1	0-0	2	0	2	0	0	3
Dwane Casey	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	2	1	7
Dwight Anderson	3-8	11-12	4	1	17	2	2	22
Jay Shidler	3-5	0-0	2	1	6	1	0	11
Tim Stephens	6-8	2-2	3	1	14	1	1	13
Chuck Verderber	3-6	6-7	7	2	12	2	1	20
Clarence Tillman	4-10	0-0	9	2	8	1	2	14
Team Rebounds			2					
TOTALS	46-83	29-35	63	23	121	25	17	200

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Time To Review

NCAA Tourney Expansion

It's about time the NCAA calls a halt to this crazy idea of expanding post-season play for just about every football and basketball team in the country.

Last spring, the NCAA announced it has expanded the NCAA Basketball Tournament field from 32 to 40 teams to provide more clubs with the opportunity to compete for the national championship.

During the same brilliant move, the NCAA reversed a previous rule which provided for a post-season conference tourney champion to win the automatic seed in its particular regional. Now, the NCAA says it wants the privilege to determine for itself who is the number one team.

The case in point was Kansas' loss to Kansas St. in Big Eight Tourney last February. Kansas was certainly the superior team and won the regular league title. However, Missouri won the automatic berth and stayed at home while Kansas went trooping out West.

That's the reason why post-season conference tourneys are so ridiculous. Kansas works its butt off for two and half months to win the title and Missouri gets hot one weekend and wins it all.

Now, the NCAA wants to appease schools which cannot win even four or five games in a season and some of those which definitely don't deserve to play for the national title. If anything, the NCAA should reduce the field back to no more than 24 to 28 clubs and if the independents want to cry, let them band together and form their own conference.

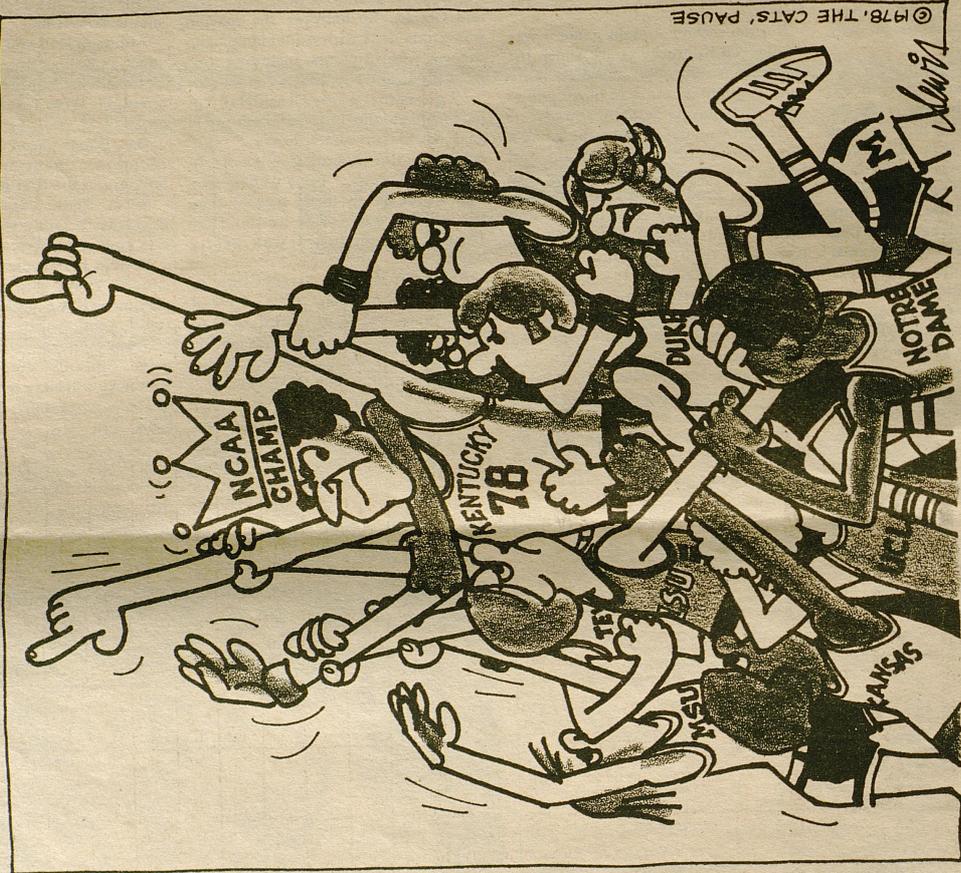
Good examples are schools like Notre Dame and Marquette which are not affiliated with any conference, can schedule as many patseys as they wish and then cry when they don't receive an at-large bid (but they usually do).

To top it all off, both those schools are permitted to keep all the television loot because they don't have to share it with conference schools like others.

This is one reason why Notre Dame has such an advantage over other schools. In football, the Irish are always on national television two or three times a year and in a bowl. Automatically, Notre Dame's take is triple that of an Alabama or Oklahoma or Southern Cal.

Let's cut back the number of NCAA post-season bowls, the number of clubs in the NCAA basketball tourney and bring quality back into sports.

UNEASY RESTS THE CROWN



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1. Last year's UK team lost only 2 games. Which one of the following was a member of the last Kentucky team to lose only 2 games in a season?
[A] Pat Riley [B] Mike Pratt [C] Larry Pursiful [D] Cotton Nash.
2. In Coach Hall's second year at Kentucky ['73-'74], six freshmen were signed to scholarships. Two, and the only ones to finish, were Larry Johnson and Meriton Haskins. Who were the other four?
3. In one game of last year's NCAA Tourney, UK had 6 players to hit in double figures. Given, Robey, Phillips and Macy were four of them. Who were the other two?
4. Which one of the following was a member of UK's undefeated team?
[A] Lou Tsioropoulos [B] Bobby Watson [C] Walt Hirsch [D] Billy Evans
5. The most valuable player award in last year's Notre Dame-Kentucky game was:
6. Who was the last team to defeat Kentucky in 1958, the year they won the NCAA?
7. The lone senior of UK's famed "Fabulous Five" was:
8. In the 1966-67 season, UK went 13-13, worst under Rupp. Rupp coached 5 seasons after that. How many SEC titles did he win in those 5 years after the disastrous 13-13 season in 66-67?
9. The only junior on the starting five in 1958, when Kentucky won the NCAA, was:
10. Which one of the following was not a member of UK's first NCAA championship team?
[A] Alex Groza [B] Jim Line [C] Wallace Jones [D] Jack Parkinson

ANSWERS

1. B. Pratt played on the 69-70 team which lost to Jacksonville in Midwest finals. Riley also played on a team with only 2 losses, the great Rupp's Runts team in 1966.
2. Ernie Whitus - Doss High in Louisville; Robert Mayhall - Mid-dlesboro; Gary Utz - North Harrison in Indiana; Joey Holland - George Washington High in W.Va.

Back Through The Wildcat Years

ONE YEAR AGO

- * Coach Fran Curci and his players are reaping the fruits of harvest after a disastrous year. Jack Givens and Rick Robey led the Cats win with 22 and 20 points respectively.
- * Kentucky held off Indiana 78-64 before a record crowd at Rupp Arena. A record crowd of 23,521 saw the Cats down the Hurrin' Hoosiers for the second straight year. Jack Givens and Rick Robey led the Cats win with 22 and 20 points respectively.
- Louisville Trinity's Mark Keene have both signed football grants with the University of Kentucky.
- Ray was the defensive coordinator for the Hurrin' Hoosiers for five years. He comes to Kentucky with his goals set high... to win the SEC, be ranked in

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ONE YEAR AGO

* Coach Fran Curci and his players are reaping the fruits of harvest after a down year. Hoosiers for the Associated Press' Coach of the Year in the SEC capturing nine votes to Alabama's Bear Bryant's two. But the players rewards go on and on. Art Still was named to first team All-American by both UPI and the AP. Still along with quarterback Derrick Ramsey and defensive back Mike Siganos were first team ALL-SEC. Ramsey was a third team All-American. Siganos, Dallas Owens, Richard Jaffe, and Tom Dornbrook were All-American honorable mention.

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FIVE YEARS AGO

* John Laskowski lead Indiana past Kentucky 77-68. The reserve forward, who had just six points in the Hoosiers' first two games hit on 11-15 from the field with a total of 25 points. Kevin Grevey led Kentucky with 25 points.

* Lafayette's Dallas Owens and

Louisville Trinity's Mark Keene have both signed football grants with the University of Kentucky.

* North Carolina's height wins over Kentucky 101-84. For the Cats, it was their third straight loss. All-American Bobby Jones was one of six Tar Heels in double figures. Kevin Grevey led all scorers with 23 points. Snow, rain, or sleet couldn't keep the UK basketball team away from its second win in five starts with an 88-80 win over the Hawkeyes of Iowa. Kevin Grevey for the fifth straight game led the Cats with 29 points.

TEN YEARS AGO

(Continued On Page 6)

* Notre Dame assistant John Ray was named the new head football coach at the University of Kentucky. Ray was the defensive coordinator for *Arkansas's Irish* for five years. He comes to Kentucky with his goals set high -- to win the SEC, be ranked in the top ten and to go to a bowl.

* Pennsylvania opted to run with the Cats and got burned 102-78. Kentucky hit its first eleven field goals and nine of nine from the free throw line to take a commanding 31-11 lead early in the first half. Kentucky's Dan Issel led all scorers with 26 points.

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2. Ernie Whitus - Doss High in Louisville; Robert Mayhall - Mid-dlesboro; Gary Utz - North Harrison in Indiana; Joey Holland - George Washington High in W.Va.

3. Claytor, 16 [high for UK], and Lee had 10.

4. D.

5. Kyle Macy

6. Auburn, 64-63

7. Kenny Rollins

8. All 5

9. Johnny Cox

10. D.

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MIKE McNAMARA	IONA 3 AUB 1	CIN 3 DUKE 2	EAS 4 FLA 6	GA 8 UK 1	LSU 15	LOU 12	LOU 3	MICH 6	O.M. 1	M.S. 8	N.D. 1	O.S. 1	VAN 3	IND 4	WKU 6	M.S. 12				

Films Play Very Important Role In Today's College Football

It was a miserable day. A cold, steady rain had been falling all afternoon. The hard wind made the mid-November day seem like it was early January.

Some 60 feet above the ground, atop a tower which slits the practice fields, was Jeffrey Bullington and his crew. With two cameras shooting away, they were filming a Kentucky football practice.

"You get up there on a day like today and it is pure hell," said Bullington. "Your hands get stiff and you have to leave one exposed. You have to wipe off the lens, check out the lights, and get back and be ready before the next play. And they run those plays quick."

It is nearing 5:30 and practice is ending with the players running gassers. Bullington and Kevin Yopp are busy loading the equipment into a truck. They use ropes to lower the equipment to ground level and are ready to go within minutes.

The film is raced to Royal-Audio Visual Company on Bizzell Road, several miles away from the Sports Center. Bullington rushes it in, where it is developed and processed.

"It's a continuous job," says Bullington while on the move. "You never stop one minute."

Bullington usually breaks the film down into ten separate cans for viewing by the coaches. Each can is marked. In less than an hour, he is back into the truck and to the coaches' offices, where the film is usually lying on their desk by 6:45 for viewing that same night.

"I do a lot of editing in the camera. We get this film back as fast as they do anywhere I know of. And we shoot more and give better service."

How important is the film that Bullington shoots every day?

"It is one of the best teaching aides there is," says Bullington, who works for the Motion Pictures Department of the University. "It makes it a little easier for the coaches. It takes a little pressure off. They have a difficult job and I do my best to make it easier. If I produce sharp, clear pictures up close, it is a benefit to them. If not, it doesn't help."

The crew shoots around 1400 feet of film a day during the season, from Monday through Thursday. During two-a-day drills, he films both sessions and processes each immediately after practice.

"Spring practice is the worse time. It's still cold and while it might be 20 or 30 degrees on ground, it is zero up there. There is nothing to break the wind."

Weather is the major hazard for the film crew to face. Rain, snow, or sunshine, they continue to film.

"The only time we quit was during an electrical storm," said Bullington, who is his second year on the job. "A bolt of lightning went over the tower and the current hit. That is the only

time we can down."

Bullington meets with the coaching staff every day to see what the coaches want filmed each day.

"I view the film three times -- when it is in the camera, when I break it down, and afterwards."

After two years, Bullington has a good idea what the coaches want filmed each practice.

"I know what they want. All I have to do is look at the (practice) schedule. Everything is set up by the coaches. They might want to film a certain sequence like a one-on-one, or the inside game. But they will change that every day and I will check with them."

Along with Dave Hayden, Bullington also shoots the games, a job he says keeps him busy from Friday afternoon until Sunday morning. Several game films are shot and broken down many times.

Bullington processes the film all night Saturday and by Sunday morning has mailed one film to the upcoming opponent (an NCAA regulation), has another film ready for the Fran Curci show and for television highlights which are sent to eight stations, and has the original film ready for the coaches.

Bullington said shooting a game is entirely different from shooting practice. "You have to really concentrate. You can't enjoy it like you'd like to. You have to work and study every play. I'm there to work."

Bullington must also shoot the game according to SEC regulations. All 22 players must be in every frame. It must be shot in color. No plays can be missed. The sideline chains must be shot after every play and after every exchange. The scoreboard must be shown.

How much different are these films from those viewed on television?

"The biggest difference is the set of rules," said Bullington. "I have to shoot wider to get all the players in. You have to be able to see the whole thing. Television goes to the line where the excitement is. I can't do that."

What it boils down to is that someone filming the game or practice must not only know how to shoot film, but must also know the game of football.

"You learn a lot about football. You have to know the game," said Bullington. "I know football inside-out. You have to know where the ball is going. You have to be able to tell if the quarterback has the ball. I learn as much as I possibly can learn about a team."

"I don't film basketball practice, but I go every day simply because it makes it easier to film the games. By watching practice, I can give them what they want during games."

Of course, Bullington must also know the inside-outs of filming.



Jeffrey Bullington

"We use the best cameras you can get. They have to be able to hold up. It is the little things that make a difference. Like with the change in time, the sun drops lower. The (light) meter can be way off. You can't take the light reading on face value. You have to learn how to adjust to please the coaches. Like in the reflection in snow. You have to know these things. That's where experience pays off."

Bullington works closely with the coaches and says they will be the first to tell him if he is doing his job.

"They let me know if I'm doing a good job. And if I'm doing a bad job, they let me know. It's a lot of responsibility. Too much sometimes."

When Bullington graduates, he plans on continuing to work on sports filming. He is even studying the Chinese language to better his chances

of being able to film for the Olympic games. By knowing the Chinese language, he would not need an interpreter. He has set lofty goals for himself.

"I'd like to go to Wide World of Sports. I'd love to. I'm not going to make any bones about it. But the possibilities are... (He makes a little mark between his finger and thumb). But if you ask, that's it."

Except on days like this, he is happy to have the experience of filming UK athletics.

"It's an experience out there every day," said Bullington, as he prepared to go back outside by putting three jackets over a shirt and overalls. "You learn to expect about anything. The conditions control you out there."

Rain, snow, or sleet -- the film crew will deliver.

Kentucky Wildcats Album



Joe B. Hall

Frosh Sparkle As Big Blue Rolls Past La Salle 109-77

It was billed as the matchup of the running and gunning Explorers against a Kentucky team which must replace the power and strength of last year's national champions.

As it turned out, LaSalle got a lesson in the Kentucky fast break as the defending national champions, much to the surprise of everyone, routed the visiting Explorers 109-77 in the season opener for Kentucky.

LaSalle, in the top in some rankings, was expected to give this young and inexperienced Kentucky team all they would want. Led by All-American Michael Brooks, LaSalle returned four starters from an NCAA team of a year ago. No one knew what to expect from this Kentucky team which had to replace four of the top five scorers from last year.

It was never a contest. Kentucky never trailed and built up a 50-31 lead. In the second half the zebras stole the show as they set a Kentucky record by whistling 75 calls, breaking the record of 71 set in 1954 against Auburn. The game took two hours and twenty minutes to play, thanks to the three officials.

But while the men in striped shirts offered the side dish of the evening, it was this mystery Kentucky team which was the main entree. For openers, they were awesome.

Kentucky jumped out to a 6-1 lead. Guards Kyle Macy and Jay Shidler, who replaced Truman Claytor in the opening minute when Claytor twisted his knee, set the tempo and prevented the noted LaSalle breakout. The frontline of Chuck Aleksinas, Lavon Williams, and Fred Cowan completed dominated the boards as Kentucky got repeated second and third shots.

"Our early defense established the game," said Kentucky Coach Joe Hall. "We knew we had to stop their fast break. Lavon did a good job on Brooks and Macy did well on his man."

Cowan scored the season's first two points on a ten-foot baseline jumper. Shidler bombed from 20 and Cowan hit a layup. Brooks finally scored LaSalle's first field goal almost three minutes into the game.

Cowan hit a follow shot and Williams tapped one in to give UK a 10-3 lead. The margin continued to mount until freshman forward Verderber, who had entered the game with 13:20 in the half, hit a layup to give Kentucky a 22-11 lead with 10:48 left in the game.

Two buckets by Brooks cut the lead to seven at 22-15, but that was the closest LaSalle was to get. Macy was hitting from the outside and the rotating frontline continued strong board work and defense. Freshman Clarence Tillman was into the lineup less than two minutes before sinking a baseline jumper.

The score was 36-26 before Kentucky ripped off 14 of the next 19

points. Three long-range jumpers by Macy led the charge.

"The team was ready to play," said Hall. "I was surprised the three freshmen were as effective as they were. A lot of the time we played with three of them in there. They did well."

In that first half, Kentucky outrebounded LaSalle 26-15, with Williams getting six. Macy and Cowan had 12 and 10 points, respectively. Brooks was the whole show for LaSalle, scoring 15 points and getting 10 rebounds, although he rarely got the ball. In the first half, 16 personal fouls were called against Kentucky and 17 against LaSalle.

LaSalle came out the second half still in their zone defense, but with a chaser on Macy. They cut the lead to 15 before Tim Stephens, replacing Williams (who had four fouls) zeroed in three long-range jumpers. The lefty junior scored 11 second half points.

"I was surprised they chased me the second half," said the always calm Macy. "With our team concept, that is

unusual. Tim hit and they found out we aren't a one-man team."

Freshman sensation Dwight Anderson, who did not take a shot in the first half, came in and broke through for a layup to hit his collegiate shot. At 14:44, Anderson hit a 16-foot jumper and the Kentucky lead was 62-37.

Verderber, who was voted the game's Outstanding Sixth Man, worked the inside with nifty moves and wreckless abandon. Stephens continued his hot streak and Anderson and Macy led the fast break.

With 6:47 to go in the game, Stephens hit a layup to give Kentucky a 30 point lead at 87-57. The rest of the show was left to the zebras as the teams marched to the foul stripe. Aleksinas scored eight points in the final four minutes, six coming from the stripe.

Cowan led a balanced scoring attack with 17. Also in double figures were Macy with 16, Verderber with 14, Stephens with 13, and Tillman with 12. Four other players scored at least 8

points and only Chris Gettlefinger did not score.

Kentucky held a 51-42 rebounding edge, with Cowan getting eight. For LaSalle, Brooks totalled 23 points and pulled down 16 rebounds.

Kentucky shot only 45.5 percent from the floor (35-77) but held LaSalle to 36.2 percent on 25 of 69.

"We did not shoot as well as we will later along," said Hall. "We are a young team and when we shoot well, we might be a good club. It's a shame we didn't shoot well because this is a good shooting team."

The three freshmen played 59 minutes and scored 34 points (11-21 shooting) and hauled in 13 rebounds. Verderber was especially effective, scoring 14 points, hitting five of eight shots, getting six rebounds, and handing out three assists.

"Verderber certainly deserved the award," said Hall. "He gave us a lot of hustle and effort."

LaSalle tried to press Kentucky half-court much of the night, but it was the Explorers who committed 33 turnovers, while the Cats frequently worked the ball with expert passing for the easy shot.

"We had a lot more teamwork than we had against Poland," said Hall. "It was a help to us. We need to play unselfishly. We still need to get the ball to the open man sooner."

Sooner or later, this Kentucky team could develop into a fine one. The running Explorers will testify to that.

LA SALLE — 77

Player	FG	FT	REB	PF	TPS	A	TO	MIN
James Connolly	0-3	10-12	2	5	10	2	2	30
Mark Spain	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0	2	7
Michael Brooks	9-18	5-9	16	5	23	0	3	31
Darryl Gladden	7-15	0-0	2	5	14	4	9	29
Kurt Kanaskie	2-13	3-3	2	2	7	4	5	25
Greg Webster	0-1	1-2	0	5	1	2	4	14
Paul Harter	2-3	0-0	0	0	4	0	0	3
Kevin Lynam	1-2	2-2	2	3	4	3	3	10
Tony Plakis	3-8	0-2	4	4	6	1	3	28
Stan Williams	0-2	2-2	3	4	2	2	1	6
Reggie Miller	1-1	4-4	6	5	6	0	1	12
Tom Piotrowski	0-3	0-0	2	3	0	0	0	5
Team Rebounds			3					
TOTALS	25-69	27-36	42	43	77	18	33	200

KENTUCKY — 109

Player	FG	FT	REB	PF	TPS	A	TO	MIN
Fred Cowan	5-9	7-9	8	3	17	4	1	22
LaVon Williams	2-5	5-6	7	5	9	0	2	13
Chuck Aleksinas	1-10	6-8	7	4	8	2	3	21
Kyle Macy	6-13	4-4	5	2	16	4	0	33
Truman Claytor	1-3	0-0	0	0	2	2	1	14
Chris Gettlefinger	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Dwane Casey	0-1	2-3	2	1	2	0	2	5
Dwight Anderson	4-6	0-3	3	2	8	2	2	20
Jay Shidler	3-6	2-2	1	3	8	0	3	11
Tim Stephens	6-8	1-2	4	4	13	1	2	19
Chuck Verderber	5-8	4-7	6	4	14	3	1	19
Clarence Tillman	2-7	8-8	4	4	12	1	3	20
Team Rebounds			3					
TOTALS	35-77	39-52	51	32	109	19	20	200

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INDIVIDUAL		GM						
RUSHING	G	ATT	YDS	AVE	AVE	TD	LR	
Williams	11	89	313	3.5	28.5	1	24 GA	
Hill	11	62	281	4.5	25.6	1	42 SC	
Parks	11	65	266	4.1	24.2	1	13 TN	
Stewart	11	56	261	4.7	23.7	3	73 GA	
Brooks	8	75	244	3.3	30.5	4	15 BA	
Hawkins	10	31	178	5.7	17.8	0	33 MI	
Donigan	7	23	63	2.7	10.5	0	8 VT	
Hughes	2	12	37	3.1	18.5	0	6 VT-VA	
Shutt	3	5	27	5.4	9.0	1	18 VA	
Young	1	4	7	1.8	7.0	0	12 VA	
Deaton	6	24	-56	-2.3	-9.3	0	8 BA	
McCrimmon	9	54	-65	-1.2	-7.2	0	12 TN	
TEAM	11	2	-41	---	---	---	24 VA	

PASSING	G	ATT	CMP	AVE	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LR
Deaton	6	105	54	9.0	7	51.4	623	2	42 SC
McCrimmon	9	106	35	3.9	11	33.0	752	8	80 FL
Shutt	3	20	10	3.3	2	50.0	182	2	50 VA
Young	1	7	4	4.0	0	57.1	81	1	34 VA
Williams	11	1	0	---	0	---	---	0	0 TN
TEAM	11	239	103	9.4	20	43.1	1638	13	80 FL

RECEIVING	G	CGT	AVE	YDS	AVE	TD	LR
Wilson	11	43	3.9	727	16.9	4	80 FL
Hill	11	17	1.6	311	18.3	3	50 VA
Williams	11	14	1.3	166	15.1	0	18 TN
Tolston	11	10	0.9	142	14.2	1	40 FL
Campbell	10	4	0.4	64	16.0	1	25 VT
Brooks	8	4	0.5	47	11.8	1	42 SC
Parks	11	3	0.3	95	31.7	1	45 VT
Stewart	11	2	0.2	42	21.0	0	29 VT
Donigan	7	2	0.3	15	7.5	0	12 MI
Vescio	2	2	1.0	14	7.0	0	9 VT
Nord	11	1	0.1	10	10.0	1	34 VA
Hawkins	10	1	0.1	5	5.0	1	5 VT
TEAM	11	103	9.4	1638	15.9	13	80 FL

PUNTING	NO.	YDS	AVE	LP
Kelly	58	2007	34.6	52 MD
Hayden	14	460	32.9	42 GA-VT
TEAM	1	14	14.0	14 BA
TEAM	73	2481	34.0	52 MD

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVE	TD	LR
Carter	29	354	12.2	2	88 VT
Motley	1	8	8.0	0	8 VA
TEAM	30	362	12.1	2	88 VT

KO RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVE	TD	LR
Parks	14	334	23.9	0	57 BA
Brooks	8	182	22.3	0	42 SC
Hawkins	5	105	21.0	0	27 BA-PS
Donigan	3	19	7.6	0	15 GA
Marrillia	1	0	---	0	0 PS
Chaney	1	11	11.0	0	11 FL
TEAM	32	651	20.3	0	57 BA

INTERCEPTIONS	NO	YDS	AVE	TD	LR
Carter	5	62	12.4	0	22 VT
Hayden	3	18	6.0	0	10 MI
Motley	2	9	4.5	0	9 SC
Meaux	2	1	0.5	0	1 LS
Kovach	2	4	2.0	0	4 FL
Bow	1	5	5.0	0	4 VA
Boyd, R.	1	0	0.0	0	0 LS
Chaney	1	0	0.0	0	0 VT
TEAM	17	99	5.8	0	22 VT

	UK	OPP	ATTEND
9/16 South Carolina (A)	14	14	56,385
9/23 Baylor (H)	25	21	57,849
9/30 Maryland (A)	3	20	42,873
10/7 Penn State (H)	0	30	57,968
10/14 Mississippi (A)	24	17	38,290
10/21 L.S.U. (H)	0	21	57,849
10/28 Georgia (H)	16	17	56,989
11/4 Virginia Tech (A)	28	0	36,000
11/11 Vanderbilt (H)	53	2	57,800
11/18 Florida (H)	16	18	57,853
11/25 Tennessee (A)	14	29	84,926

TEAM	UK	OPP
FIRST DOWNS	168	201
Rushing	84	93
Passing	75	93
Penalty	9	15
Rushing Att/Yds	502-1867	543-2025
Rushing Yds Lost	352	318
NET Rushing	1515	1707
Ave Yds Per Rush	3.0	3.1
TDs Rushing	11	10
Passes Att/Cmp	239-103	288-151
Passing Yds	1638	1825
Ave Yds/Pass	6.9	6.3
Ave Yds/Cmp	15.9	12.1
Pct. Cmp.	43.1	52.4
TDs Passing	13	8
Passes Int By/Yds Ret.	17-99	20-208
Total Play (R & P)	741	831
Total Yardage	3153	3532
Ave Yds Per Play	4.3	4.3
Punt/Had Blocked	73-1	58-0
Punting Yds/Ave	2481-34.0	2239-38.6
Punts Ret/Yds	30-362	28-77
Kickoffs Ret/Yds	32-651	35-585
Penalties	40-444	59-506
Fumbles Lost	26-11	33-12
3rd Down Conversions	57-158	73-177
4th Down Conversions	4-9	4-15
TIME OF POSSESSION	300:12	359:48

SCORING							
TD	FG	P		A		T's	
		S	K	P	R		
Griggs	6-9		15-19			33	
Brooks	5					30	
Hill	4					24	
Wilson, F.	4					24	
Stewart	3					18	
Carter	2					12	
Parks	2					12	
Hawkins	1				1-2	8	
Nord	1					6	
Campbell	1					6	
Tolston	1					6	
Williams, F. I.	1					6	
Shutt	1					6	
Deaton					1-1	2	
Stiles	0-1		0-2			0	
Williams, B.				0-1		0	
KY Totals	26	6-10	0	15-21	0-1	2-3	193
OPP Totals	18	20-28	2	15-16	1-1	0-1	189

SCORE BY QUARTERS				
UK	OPP	UK	OPP	UK
24	57	61	51	193
51	28	41	69	189

DEF. FIGURES	SOLOS	ASSISTS	BEHIND LINE	YARDS
Kovach	92	72		1-1
Boyd, L.	61	37		3-9
Jaffe	60	22		10-38
Meaux	56	20		4-18
Kirchbaum	50	39		0-0
Winkel	50	30		3-6
Hayden	46	39		6-18
Ramey	44	31		4-15
Carter	40	22		3-5
Roberts	33	12		6-25
Diehl	28	44		9-47
Wilson, E.	28	15		5-11
Stephens	22	22		2-12
Boyd, R.	19	11		1-1
Gooch	19	6		5-10
Motley	17	10		2-8
Jones, Chuck	14	8		2-16
Fadrowski	10	7		1-6
Green	10	4		0-0
Postel	7	4		3-16
Chaney	6	2		0-0
Marrillia	4	4		0-0
Bow	3	1		0-0

UK Scrapbook

Macy's The Glue That Holds The Blue

(From UK Basketball Facts Guide)

KYLE MACY, 6-3, 180 Junior Guard
Peru, Ind. (4-9-57)

A leading All-American guard candidate, Macy has already been selected on several pre-season AA teams and will appear on the cover of several basketball magazines. . . He capped his first year at Kentucky by leading the Cats to the National Championship. . . Time after time, Macy handled intense pressure situations with the aplomb of a pro, and when it was all over, the experts agreed his floor generalship was the catalyst that propelled the Wildcats to their fifth NCAA championship. . . A brilliant basketball mind plus 100 per cent poise, control and self-confidence give Macy that extra touch seldom seen in a young player. . . Individual honors were numerous and included—All-Southeastern Conference, UPI All-American (3rd team), U.S.B.W.A. All-District, MVP of NCAA games against Florida State and Michigan State, Midwest Regional MVP and All-Regional plus MVP during season games with Notre Dame and Vanderbilt—in addition—he won school honors including the A. B. Chandler Trophy (leadership, scholarship, character and ability), Best Free Throw Shooter and Leader in Assists. . . Led team in playing time with 1097 minutes, yet committed only 68 turnovers. . . Started 31 of 32 games, missing one start due to flu. . . Third in scoring with 12.5 ppg despite taking only eight shots a game. . . Hit 53.6 per cent, many on long to medium range jumpers. . . Ranked nationally (finished sixth) throughout the year in free throw shooting, hitting 89.1 per cent to lead the SEC. . . Set UK assists record by wide margin, dealing out 178 (old mark 143 by Larry Johnson in 30 games, 1977). . . A complete player who plays defense with same adeptness as offense. . . Second on team with 44 steals. . . Scored eight points in final three minutes to beat Notre Dame last Dec. . . Scored in double figures 22 games and led scoring in six. . . Dealt out 10 assists in each of four games. . . Best performance was against tough Florida, hitting 11-13 FGA, 8-8 FTA for 30 points, handed out six assists and made incredible NINE Steals. . . A valuable member of the 1978 United States All-Star championship team in the World Invitational Tournament. . . Led second half surge in first NCAA game vs. Florida State and again in Midwest Regional finals when he hit 10 consecutive free throws to beat Michigan State. . . Participated in 1978 summer NCAA Drug Abuse Program at the Fiesta Bowl in Arizona. . . Sat out 1977 after transferring from Purdue, where he was third leading scorer as a freshman with 13.8 ppg, first in FT percentage, 85.9 and second with 88 assists. . . Single game high 38 against Minnesota. . . Scored in double figures 23 times. . . Prep All-American at Peru High School, averaged 31.9 ppg in 67 games. . . Single game high 51 points. . . Scored over 40 points 14 times, 30 or more 30 times. . . Averaged nine rebounds, six assists and over 35 points while leading Peru to a 20-4 mark his senior year. . . Selected Indiana's 1975 "Mr. Basketball". . . 2,137 career points compares to 1,780 for prep great Oscar Robertson. . . All-Conference in three sports (basketball, baseball and tennis) every year of competition. . . Twice number one tennis player in Central Indiana Conference. . . Ranked 27th academically in class of '234. . . Plays the tenor sax. . . Coached in high school by his father, Robert Macy. . . Business Administration.



Coach Hall: "An indispensable leader. A proven playmaking guard, who after taking only eight shots a game last year, will feel a need to score more this year. It is possible for more scoring out of Kyle, but it is not possible to improve as a playmaker because he is the best."

Year	G	S	Time	FG	Pct.	FT	Pct.	Reb	Ave	A	PF	D	Pts	Ave	Season	High
So.	32	31	10:97	143	53.6	115	89.2	76	2.4	178	75	1	401	12.5	30	Fla.

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TOP ALL-TIME KENTUCKY SCORERS—VARSITY CAREER

(The 1,000 Point Club)

Player—Pos.	Years	Points	Games	Average
1. Dan Issel (C)	3 (1968-70)	2,138	83	25.7
2. Jack Givens (F)	4 (1975-78)	2,038	123	16.6
3. Kevin Grevey (F)	3 (1973-75)	1,801	84	21.4
4. Cotton Nash (C-F)	3 (1962-64)	1,770	78†	22.69
5. Alex Groza (C)	4 (1945, 47-49)	1,744	120	14.4
6. Louie Dampier (G)	3 (1965-67)	1,575	80	19.7
7. Mike Casey (G)	3 (1968-69-71)	1,535	82	18.7
8. Ralph Beard (G)	4 (1946-49)	1,517	139	10.8
9. Cliff Hagan (C)	2 (1951-52, 54)	1,475	77	19.2
10. Pat Riley (F)	3 (1965-67)	1,464	80	18.3
11. Johnny Cox (F)	3 (1957-59)	1,461	84	17.3
12. Rick Robey (F-C)	4 (1975-78)	1,395	105	13.3
13. Mike Phillips (C)	4 (1975-78)	1,367	120	11.4
14. Mike Pratt (F)	3 (1968-70)	1,359	81	16.8
15. Frank Ramsey (G)	3 (1951-52, 54)	1,344	91	14.7
16. Jim Andrews (C)	3 (1971-73)	1,320	80	16.5
17. Tom Parker (F)	3 (1970-72)	1,238	80	15.5
18. Bill Spivey (C)	2 (1950-51)	1,213	63	19.2
19. Vernon Hatton (G)	3 (1956-58)	1,154	76	15.1
20. Wallace Jones (F)	4 (1946-49)	1,151	98*	11.7
21. Bill Lickert (F-G)	3 (1959-61)	1,076	73	14.7
22. Mike Phillips (C)	3 (1975-77)	1,051	89	11.8
23. Jim Line (F)	4 (1947-50)	1,041	100*	10.4
24. Bob Burrow (C)	2 (1955-56)	1,023+	51	20.0
25. Jimmy Dan Conner (F-G)	3 (1973-75)	1,009	85	11.9
26. Bobby Watson (G)	3 (1950-52)	1,001	96	10.4

*No record for number of games played in 1947.
†Achieved membership in club earliest of any Wildcat, hitting 1,000th point in 19th game of junior year.
+ Kentucky career totals only. Junior College total of 2,191 points not included.

TOP REGULAR SEASON SCORERS

Player—Pos.	Year	Games	FG	FT	TP	Ave.
Dan Issel (C)	1970 (Sr.)	26	339	198	876	33.7
Dan Issel (C)	1969 (Jr.)	26	269	159	697	26.8
Cotton Nash (C-F)	1964 (Sr.)	25	233	149	615	24.6
Kevin Grevey (F)	1975 (Sr.)	26	265	99	629	24.2
Cliff Hagan (C)	1954 (Sr.)	25	234	132	600	24.0
Cotton Nash (C-F)	1962 (Soph.)	24	205	161	571	23.8
Jim Andrews (C)	1972 (Jr.)	26	224	120	568	21.9
Kevin Grevey (F)	1974 (Jr.)	25	232	83	547	21.9
Pat Riley (F)	1966 (Jr.)	25	225	91	541	21.6
Louie Dampier (G)	1966 (Jr.)	25	211	99	521	20.8
Cliff Hagan (C)	1952 (Jr.)	26	206	128	540	20.8
Jack Givens (F)	1976 (Soph.)	26	216	105	537	20.7
Louie Dampier (G)	1967 (Sr.)	26	219	99	537	20.6
Cotton Nash (C-F)	1963 (Jr.)	25	176	162	514	20.6
Mike Casey (G)	1968 (Soph.)	25	215	76	506	20.2

SEC Basketball Tournament

The first renewal of the annual Southeastern Conference basketball tournament is scheduled for Feb. 28 through March 3, 1979, in Birmingham and will determine the SEC representative in the NCAA championship tournament. The SEC champion is decided by the 18-game round-robin schedule.

This year's single elimination tournament will be played at the Birmingham Jefferson Coliseum, which has 16,750 permanent seats, and will feature nine games to be played in five sessions. Pairings for the SEC tournament will be based on the standings following the final conference game. The first and second place teams receive byes into the semi-finals, then the other eight are seeded, by order of their finish, in a bracket leading to the semifinals.

In order to seed teams that have ended the regular season in a tie, at any position, the following facts will be considered: (1) Record of the tied teams in the games they played against each other, (2) Records of the tied teams with other league teams, starting with the champion and working downward. If still tied, toss a coin.

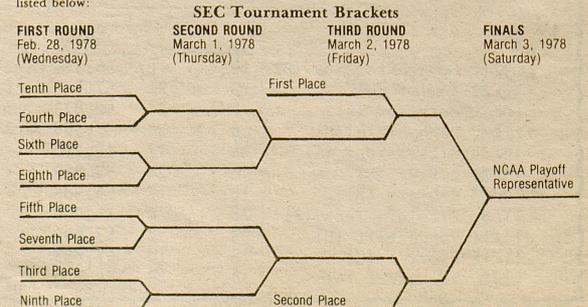
Action gets underway Wednesday, Feb. 28, with four games, two in an afternoon session and two in a night session. Winners advance to the quarter-final session of Thursday night, Mar. 1. Those two winners face the first and second-place teams in the semi-finals Friday night, Mar. 2, then these winners meet in the finals Saturday, Mar. 3.

Tickets to the SEC tournament will be sold in season-book form only at a cost of \$45.00. An equal number of books were allotted to the ten SEC institutions and each school determined its own policy of distribution.

The basketball tournament was the first championship event of the Southeastern Conference, which was organized in the winter of 1932-33. It began as a continuance of tournament play in which all SEC members participated while members of the S. I. A. A. (1921-23) and of the Southern Conference (1924-32). The first two were played in Atlanta, as had been the S. I. A. A. and Southern Tournaments, with Kentucky winning in '33 and Alabama in '34. No tourney was held in '35, but it was renewed in '36 at Knoxville. It was held at Knoxville again in '37, then in Baton Rouge in '38, Knoxville again in '39 and '40, before moving to Louisville for 1941 through 1952.

During the 19 years of the SEC tournament there were only five champions, Kentucky dominated, winning 13 titles. Tennessee captured three championships, while Alabama, Vanderbilt and Georgia Tech each took top honors once.

The pairings for this renewal of the Southeastern Conference basketball tournament are listed below:



Locker Room Gossip . . .

BY GENE ABELL
Associate Editor

They Hustled, Hustled, And Hustled

Apparently, this Kentucky basketball team failed to read it when we told them it was going to be a rebuilding season.

As they routed LaSalle 109-77 in the season opener, some 23,000 people watched in shock. Anyone who says they expected such would also probably tell you they picked Duke number two a year ago.

Kentucky ran the ball like Adolph first drew it up. They passed it like a team that's been together as long as Joe Hall and Dick Parsons. They played defense like there wasn't enough balls to go around, and this one belonged to them. They jumped like no Kentucky team ever has.

And they hustled, and hustled, and hustled.

However, before you start bleeding blue, don't think this Kentucky team is ready to tackle the UCLA'S and LSU'S of this world. Many more tests are ready to be passed.

Kentucky did look awesome at times against LaSalle and the Explorers are a better-than-average team - normally.

Rupp Arena is not a normal place. The LaSalle team looked as though they had just stopped on another planet when they arrived in this massive structure. At times, they played as if they had learned the game on the same planet.

LaSalle was shell-shocked by 23,000 screaming Kentuckians and before they came back down to earth, Kentucky had doubled the score at 22-11. Meanwhile, Coach Joe Hall sent in his group of heralded freshmen and they played like they forgot they were supposed to go through a learning process on this new level. As someone said, "If Kentucky's first team is good, then how good is their second team?"

By that time, the Explorers knew they had seen enough. LaSalle guard Daryl Gladden, who almost got my vote for Most Valuable Kentucky Sixth Man, had the ball back in Kentucky's hands before Michael Brooks could get his limbs on it.

This Kentucky team will be exciting and the fans will love them. If they could take Rupp Arena on the road, they may be a contender. They showed how they can play, and Hall's coaching expertise was never more evident.

It's hard to imagine that the best is yet to come, but it looks as though Kentucky's rebuilding process may be short-lived.

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Court notes. . . It is rare that three freshmen come in with such rave reviews and all perform well on opening night. Not only were their

stats impressive (34 points, 13 rebounds), but their floor appearance was equally as noticeable. Chuck Verderber and Dwight Anderson were frequently giving directions to other players. All three played at times like veterans and showed the confidence of proven players. They are learning the complicated Kentucky system quickly. It not only points out the type of athlete on the Kentucky team, but the type of youngster Kentucky has in the program. . . 'Who is the Sixth Man?' has become the motto this season. Each game the media will vote on who they feel was Kentucky's most valuable reserve. Of course, Verderber was the first time winner and deservedly so, although any number of players (or the fans) sparked the victory. Kentucky fans appreciated Verderber's reckless play. At times, he was begging for the ball in the middle and his first two buckets came on left-handed shots. Verderber also guarded LaSalle All-American Michael Brooks and held his own. . . LaSalle is going all-out to win honors for the talented Brooks. Sports Information Director Lawrence Fan personally went around to many of the people along press row and gave his pitch for Brooks. Also, passed out was a foldout complete with pictures, stats, and quotes about the junior forward. It was impressive and probably what it takes, but one has to wonder if such pushing of one player causes resentment among teammates. . . For most of the first half, it looked as though Brooks was a one-man team, although LaSalle returned four starters from last year. Under nine minutes remained in the first half before any LaSalle player other than Brooks hit a field goal. While much credit should go to LaVon Williams and Verderber for their efforts on Brooks, the other Kentucky defenders should not be overlooked. Brooks and Gladden were the only two LaSalle players to score field goals the entire first half. . . Fred Cowan scored the first two points of the season for the Wildcats, hitting a ten-foot baseline jumper with 18:35 to go in the half. . . The play of Jay Shidler was somewhat overlooked. Starting guard Truman Claytor got hurt in the early going (it was not serious) and Shidler was called in before anyone broke a sweat. He hit Kentucky's second basket and his hustling play sparked the crowd and the team. Shidler remained in while the Cats built their early lead. . . Three officials are being used in the college game this year, and everyone is hoping Saturday's game was not an indication of what is to come. A record 75 fouls were called and 12 players had as many as four fouls. In the last five minutes alone,

when the outcome was well decided, 18 fouls were called. It took away from much of the excitement. With 14:14 in the first half, LaSalle was already in the bonus. Less than two minutes later, so was Kentucky. It was a good, aggressive game and both teams played hard. But 75 fouls may tend to keep many players from doing the same thing again. . . People often talk about how small Kentucky is this year, but the Cats start a frontline taller than last year's. Aleksinas is the same 6-10 as was Mike Phillips. Rick Robey was 6-10 and Fred Cowan is 6-9. Jack Givens was 6-4 while LaVon Williams is 6-6. At other times, even in the first half, Kentucky was going with an exceptionally small and inexperienced lineup. With seven minutes to go in the first half, the Kentucky lineup was Verderber, Tillman, Tim Stephens, Kyle Macy, and Anderson. . . The Kentucky attack was balanced as one could ever hope for. Nine players scored between eight and 17 points. Seven players had between four and eight rebounds. Macy was the only player who played more than 22 minutes and ten played at least 11. With 6:55 to go in the first half, Kentucky had used ten players. . . An interested viewer of Saturday's game was a Kansas scout. Kentucky hosts

the Jayhawks Saturday. The scout said he was very impressed with Macy, calling him the "backbone" of the team. He felt the key to the Kentucky win over LaSalle was Kentucky jumping out to the early lead and he feels Kansas must prevent that. "It's hard to win in here," he said as he looked around Rupp Arena. . . While the Cats were opening impressively, the Lady Kats also had a good night. Coach Debbie Yow's girls traveled to Columbus, Ohio, and upset Ohio State, ranked as high as 10th in the nation in some polls. Liz Lukschu paced the gals with 29 points. Maria Donhoff added 13 as the Lady Kats improved their record to 2-2. . . On the Kentucky high school roundball scene, one won't see much more talent in any one high school game than was seen last Thursday night -- Lafayette came from behind to defeat Bryan Station. Lafayette's Dirk Minniefield and Tony Wilson and Bryan Station's 6-10 Melvin Turpin are all major college prospects. Minniefield is considered one of the premier guards in the country. Joe Hall, Dick Parson, Leonard Hamilton, and many of the UK players just happened to be at Memorial Coliseum to attend the game.

SEASON RECORD - 1977-78

ALL GAMES: WON 30, LOST 2 - SEC ONLY: WON 16, LOST 2

Date	Opponent	Site	UK	Opp.	Crowd
Nov. 11	Soviet Union (EX)	(N1)	109	75	11,897
Nov. 26	SMU	(H)	110	86	23,472
Dec. 5	Indiana	(H)	78	64	23,521
Dec. 10	Kansas	(A)	73	66	15,620
Dec. 12	South Carolina	(H)	84	85	23,472
Dec. 16	Portland State	(UKIT)	114	88	23,472
Dec. 17	St. John's	(UKIT)	102	72	23,472
Dec. 23	Iona	(H)	104	65	23,472
Dec. 31	Notre Dame	(N2)	73	68	16,869
Jan. 2	Vanderbilt	(H)	72	59	23,464
Jan. 7	Florida	(A)	86	67	5,549
Jan. 9	Auburn	(A)	101	77	12,571
Jan. 14	Louisiana State	(H)	96	76	23,466
Jan. 16	Mississippi	(H)	76	56	21,195
Jan. 21	Mississippi State	(A)	75	65	8,487
Jan. 23	Alabama	(A)	62	78	15,043
Jan. 30	Georgia	(H)	90	73	23,360
Feb. 4	Florida	(H)	88	61	23,472
Feb. 6	Auburn	(H)	104	81	23,472
Feb. 11	Louisiana State	(A)	94+	95	14,551
Feb. 13	Mississippi	(A)	64	52	8,809
Feb. 15	Tennessee	(H)	90	77	23,472
Feb. 18	Mississippi State	(H)	58	56	23,472
Feb. 20	Alabama	(H)	97	84	23,497
Feb. 25	Tennessee	(A)	68	57	12,700
Feb. 27	Georgia	(A)	78	67	10,000
Mar. 4	Nevada, Las Vegas	(H)	92	70	23,608
Mar. 6	Vanderbilt	(A)	78	68	15,626
Mar. 11	Florida State	(N3-NCAA)	85	76	12,700
Mar. 16	Miami (O.)	(N4-NCAA)	91	69	13,458
Mar. 18	Michigan State	(N4-NCAA)	52	49	13,458
Mar. 25	Arkansas	(N5-NCAA)	64	59	18,721
Mar. 27	Duke	(N5-NCAA)	94	88	18,721

Home Attendance - 373,403 + Overtime

N1 - Memorial Coliseum, Lexington, Ky.; N2 - Freedom Hall, Louisville, Ky.; N3 - Stokely Auditorium, Knoxville, TN; N4 - Dayton Arena, Dayton, Ohio; N5 - Checkerdome, St. Louis, Mo.



Stephens Looks Inside

Good Luck
to the
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SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

SEC Basketball Champions

Year	School	Record			Year	School	Record		
		Conf.	Final	Coach			Conf.	Final	Coach
1933	Kentucky	8-0	20-3	Adolph Rupp	1958	Kentucky	12-2	23-6	Adolph Rupp
1934	Alabama	13-2	17-2	Henry Crisp	1959	Miss. St.	13-1	24-1	Babe McCarthy
1935	L.S.U.	12-0	14-1	H. Rabenhorst	1960	Auburn	12-2	19-3	Joel Eaves
1936	Tennessee	11-0	19-2	Adolph Rupp	1961	Miss. St.	11-3	19-6	Babe McCarthy
1937	Kentucky	8-4	15-6	Blair Guillon	1962	Miss. St.	13-1	24-1	Babe McCarthy
1938	Kentucky	5-3	17-5	Adolph Rupp	1963	Kentucky	13-1	23-4	Adolph Rupp
1939	Ga. Tech.	9-2	18-2	Roy Mundorff	1964	Kentucky	11-3	21-6	Adolph Rupp
1940	Kentucky	5-2	16-4	Adolph Rupp	1965	Vanderbilt	15-1	24-4	Roy Skinner
1941	Tennessee	8-3	17-5	John Mauer	1966	Kentucky	15-1	32-2	Adolph Rupp
1942	Kentucky	6-2	19-6	Adolph Rupp	1967	Tennessee	15-3	21-7	Ray Mears
1943	Tennessee	6-3	14-5	John Mauer	1968	Kentucky	15-3	22-5	Adolph Rupp
1944	Kentucky	0-0	19-2	Adolph Rupp	1969	Kentucky	16-2	23-5	Adolph Rupp
1945	Kentucky	4-1	22-4	Adolph Rupp	1970	Kentucky	17-1	26-2	Adolph Rupp
1946	Kentucky	6-0	28-2	Adolph Rupp	1971	Kentucky	16-2	22-4	Adolph Rupp
1947	Kentucky	11-0	34-2	Adolph Rupp	1972	Kentucky	14-4	21-7	Adolph Rupp
1948	Kentucky	9-0	36-3	Adolph Rupp	1973	Tennessee	14-4	19-6	Ray Mears
1949	Kentucky	13-0	32-2	Adolph Rupp	1974	Kentucky	14-4	20-8	Joe Hall
1950	Kentucky	11-2	25-5	Adolph Rupp	1975	Vanderbilt	15-3	23-3	Roy Skinner
1951	Kentucky	14-0	32-2	Adolph Rupp	1976	Alabama	15-3	22-4	C.M. Newton
1952	Kentucky	14-0	29-3	Adolph Rupp	1977	Alabama	15-3	25-5	Joe Hall
1953	LSU	13-0	25-2	H. Rabenhorst	1978	Alabama	15-3	22-5	C.M. Newton
1954	LSU	14-0	25-0	Adolph Rupp	1977	Tennessee	16-2	22-6	Ray Mears
1955	LSU	14-0	21-5	H. Rabenhorst	1977	Kentucky	16-2	26-4	Joe Hall
1956	Alabama	14-0	21-3	Johnny Dee	1978	Kentucky	16-2	30-2	Joe Hall
1957	Kentucky	12-2	23-5	Adolph Rupp					

NOTE: From 1933 through 1950 the Southeastern Conference basketball championship was determined by a tournament, except for 1935. Since 1951, when the round-robin schedule was introduced, the title has been decided by percentage of wins on the designated schedule. From 1951 through 1964 the round-robin consisted of 14 games; in 1965 and 1966 it was 16 games, and since 1967 18 games. The SEC Tournament is being renewed in 1979, the winner to represent the conference in the NCAA tournament. The SEC championship is still determined by the regular 18 game schedule.

S.I.A.A. Basketball Champions

(Determined by tournament play in Atlanta)

- 1921 Finals: Kentucky defeated Mercer 20-14
- 1922 Finals: North Carolina defeated Georgia 29-19
- 1923 Finals: Miss. State defeated Chattanooga 31-21

Southern Conference Basketball Champions

(Determined by tournament play in Atlanta)

- 1924 N. Carolina 26, Alabama 18
- 1925 N. Carolina 36, Tulane 28
- 1926 N. Carolina 37, Miss. State 23
- 1927 Vanderbilt 46, Georgia 44
- 1928 Mississippi 32, Auburn 31
- 1929 N. C. State 44, Duke 35
- 1930 Alabama 31, Duke 24
- 1931 Maryland 29, Kentucky 27
- 1932 Georgia 26, N. Carolina 24

COMPOSITE SEC STANDINGS

(1933 through 1977, Conference games only)

Team	Yrs.	Won	Lost	Pct.	Team	Yrs.	Won	Lost	Pct.
Kentucky	45	480	100	827	Georgia	46	228	414	355
Tennessee	45	379	240	612	Ole Miss	45	223	434	339
Alabama	45	410	301	577	Former Members				
Vanderbilt	46	365	282	564	Ga. Tech.	32	204	204	500
Auburn	45	325	328	498	Tulane	34	193	253	433
LSU	46	325	339	489	Sewanee	8	3	75	037
Florida	45	263	334	440	Totals	3686	3688	5001*	
Miss. State	45	288	384	429					

*Won-ot totals do not balance, due to appointed games of 1953 and 1954.
NOTE: Sewanee withdrew after the 1940 season, Ga. Tech after 1964 and Tulane after 1966. During World War II Alabama, Auburn, Florida, Mississippi, Miss. State and Tennessee suspended formal basketball for the 1943-44 season.

Intraconference Record

	Ala.	Aub.	Fla.	Ga.	Ky.
	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L
Alabama	29-33	33-29	36-29	55-22	14-56
Auburn	29-36	38-55	55-38	51-32	8-33
Florida	22-55	32-51	52-59	59-52	9-32
Georgia	56-14	33-8	32-9	48-4	4-48
Kentucky	27-44	26-28	23-20	30-13	3-35
LSU	16-59	14-36	20-27	17-31	2-42
Ole Miss	24-52	27-28	27-29	28-15	6-36
Miss. State	37-28	32-14	32-14	48-10	24-64
Tennessee	32-36	45-23	28-16	37-11	17-67

	LSU	Miss.	Miss. St.	Tenn.	Vandy
	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L
Alabama	44-27	59-16	52-24	28-37	36-32
Auburn	28-26	36-14	28-27	14-32	23-45
Florida	20-23	27-20	29-27	14-32	16-28
Georgia	13-30	31-17	15-28	10-48	11-37
Kentucky	35-3	42-2	36-6	66-24	67-17
LSU	54-40	56-44	56-44	14-31	17-32
Ole Miss	40-54	58-63	10-35	16-37	15-37
Miss. State	44-56	63-58	17-39	14-36	14-36
Tennessee	31-14	35-10	39-17	54-35	54-35
Vanderbilt	32-17	37-16	36-14		

(Former Members)

	Ala.	Aub.	Fla.	Ga.	Ky.	L.S.U.	Miss.	M.St.	Tenn.	Vandy	Sew.	Tech	Tul.
SEWANEE	0-2	1-22	1-0	0-4	0-2	0-4	0-2		0-10	15		0-10	0-2
GATECH	11-18	35-15	18-11	34-23	11-37	12-14	10-6	8-6	22-26	18-31	10-0		15-17
TULANE	17-32	12-16	10-9	9-11	2-28	38-57	40-22	27-32	12-11	7-28	2-0	17-15	

PRESS BOX CHATTER

WITH GENE ABELL

Associate Editor

Kansas Strong On Collegiate Basketball Tradition

At what school did **Adolph Rupp**, **Dean Smith**, and **Wilt Chamberlain** play and **James Naismith** and **Phog Allen** coach?

Kansas, one school which rivals Kentucky for basketball tradition, was the one-time stomping ground of all those famous basketball names.

Through 80 years of roundball, Kansas has an all-time record of 1,165 and 545. That's more total victories than any school in the country except . . . Kentucky.

Kansas should hold up that tradition. They were 24-5 a year ago, won the Big Eight title, were ranked in the Top Ten in both wire services, and Coach **Ted Owens** was named Coach of the Year by *Basketball Weekly*.

This year the predictions are even higher. *Playboy Magazine* has the Jayhawks picked second in the country and many other publications tab them in the top five.

Sophomore guard **Darnell Valentine** is the catalyst on this year's team. An excellent defender and passer, Valentine should graduate as one of the best ever at the school.

The other highly publicized performer is **Paul Mokeski**, a 7-1 senior center. During his injury prone career Mokeski has been inconsistent, but convinced many when he outplayed UCLA'S **David Greenwood** in the NCAA tourney last year. He must stay healthy and out of foul trouble.

Other than that, the Jayhawks have few experienced and proven players. Guard **Wilmore Fowler** showed signs of brilliance last season and should team with Valentine to give the Jayhawks an outstanding backcourt. At the forward position, Kansas has as little experience as does Kentucky.

Because of that, I feel a number two ranking is somewhat lofty for the Jayhawks. They are a good team but I would tend to agree more with their number 14 rating in *Sports Illustrated*.

When Kentucky and Kansas meet, one can travel down an illustrious memory lane. But that won't mean much when they hook up this week.

These two teams may have the best guards of any team in the country. If **Chuck Aleksinas** can neutralize Mokeski, Kentucky forwards should be able to hold their own.

With the game being played in Rupp Arena, I'm going with Kentucky in an upset by three.

Who was almost named the head basketball coach at Duke University in 1972?

Does the **Adolph Rupp** ring a bell? That's right, the Baron was almost named the coach at Duke in '72, when the Blue Devils were struggling and looking for someone to resurrect the

program back to the days of **Bob Verga** and **Jeff Mullins**.

A press conference was even called to announce the hiring of Rupp as the Duke coach a year after he retired at Kentucky. Suddenly, for reasons unknown, the conference was not held and Adolph did not accept the job.

In our All-American team listing in last week's issue, the name of **Sly Williams** was erroneously omitted. The 6-7 Rhode Island junior averaged 19.4 points and 8.8 rebounds last year and was on our second team. In the typing of lists his name was overlooked.

Sorry about that, Sly.

Football season is over for Kentucky but **December 9** is one of the two most important dates for Kentucky football before next season.

December 9 is the day Kentucky can sign high school players to a Southeastern Conference letter of intent. A player that signs a conference letter with Kentucky forfeits any possibility of playing at another SEC school, unless he wants to sit out a year.

Most of the players that sign the conference letter will also sign the national binding letter on **February 15**. However it is not rare that a school will sign an athlete to a conference letter and then lose him to another conference on the national signing date.

The UK staff will announce the in-state players they sign to a conference letter. As is their usual policy, they will not announce the out of state signees until the national signing date.

In sizing up this season's recruiting efforts one person close to the situation says it has "never been better." Reports are that Kentucky will sign around ten players on the first day.

From within the state Kentucky will probably sign in the neighborhood of 10-13 players. Some of the best players in Kentucky, but not necessarily the ones UK will sign, are **Richard Abraham** from Paducah Tilghman, **George Rudd** of Boone County, **Rodney Francis** of Manual, **Don Portis** of Thomas Jefferson, **James Bowns** of Durrett, **Fred Ackiss** of Henry Clay, **Bob Humble** of Apollo, **Dean Hall** of East Carter, **Felton Ray** of Bowling Green, **Richard Adams** of Southern, **Anthony Parker** of Fulton, **Tom Veneable** of Somerset, and **Sybastian Curry** of Manual. These are only a few of the top players that college scouts are looking at.

Kentucky is also in the running for some top notch out of state players, including some outstanding linemen.

Also look for the Cats to sign a punter who will cure that problem.

With 25 seniors graduating, the obvious question is what does Kentucky have returning?

While many are leaving some familiar faces will be returning. It is impossible to speculate who will be in the lineup next year because of the role of incoming freshmen, redshirts, and changes in positions.

Curci is also toying with the idea of changing from the wishbone attack to the I formation. That could also call for changes concerning who will be playing where.

Taking a look at what Kentucky does have coming back here is a position by position breakdown.

Quarterback -- **Larry McCrimmon**, **Mike Deaton**, **Mike Shutt**, and redshirt **Rob Mangas** return. They should give the position quality and depth.

Running backs -- **Henry Parks**, **Shawn Donigan**, **Rod Stewart**, **Randy Brooks**, and the addition of redshirt **Chris Jones** give the Cats a strong nucleus to work with. Another speedster and power back would help.

Offensive line -- A big question mark. **Leon Shadown**, **Tom Kearns**, and **Ken Roark** are good linemen that return. Help is needed from redshirts and incoming freshmen.

Tight end -- **Scott Peterson**, **Jim Campbell**, and redshirt **Nick Litzinger** who played last year, all return. Again a big, fast tight end would strengthen the position.

Receivers -- Kentucky is well stocked with **Felix Wilson**, **Campbell**, **Doug Vesicio**, and redshirts **Billy Prewit** and **Brian Allen**. One more blue-chipper would give the Cats an excellent receiving corps.

Defensive tackles -- **Earl Wilson** and **Tim Gooch** are top performers. Redshirt **Luis Lopez** played as a freshman and as a sophomore and should give adequate depth. At least one freshman could help.

Defensive ends -- The top five graduated. Freshmen redshirts **Dan Chase** and **Kevin Kearns** have excellent potential if they stay at the position. Noseguard **Chuck Jones** may move to end. There is definitely room for a freshman to help.

Noseguards -- **Richard Jaffe** returns and should be one of the country's best. If Jones stays at the position along with **Steve Hricenak**, the backup is strong.

Linebackers -- **Lester Boyd** will be one of the conference's best. **Robb Chaney**, **Carl Marilla**, redshirt **Sam Simpson** and several others fit into the picture. This is another position where a quality newcomer could play.

Defensive backs -- Kentucky should have one of their best defensive backfields in years with **Larry Carter**, **Ritchie Boyd**, **Venus Meaux**, **Johnny Bow**, **Chris Jacobs**, and **Greg Motley** returning. Redshirt **Charlie Jackson** may also play there along with some promising redshirts.

Kicking -- **Tom Griggs** should be more than adequate as a placekicker and an incoming freshman could do the punting.

Add these returnees to a bumper crop of signees and an exciting year may be in store.

It has been said by at least one columnist that this year's freshmen group is a bad one, calling it the third straight year Kentucky has recruited poorly.

To begin with it is entirely too early to count out this year's crop. With the new freshmen redshirt rule it is almost impossible for a freshman to play unless he fits into a needed position.

Kentucky needed a big fullback and **Shawn Donigan** was called on early. They needed help at quarterback and in came **Larry McCrimmon**. Kentucky needed another receiver and freshman **Jim Campbell** was too good to hold out.

However, simply because they were the only three freshmen to play a vital role this year, it does not mean it was a bad group. While some veterans may not have performed up to expectations this year Kentucky did have experienced people returning at almost every position. A coach would be foolish to play a freshman part time when he could hold him out.

Don't be a bit surprised if many of this year's freshmen don't come on to be Kentucky starters in the not too distant future.

Granted, this year's sophomore class appears not so strong. Only **Henry Parks** and **Bubba Wilson** have played a great deal, but several others such as **Robert Cobb**, **David Bond**, **Norman Green**, **Steve Hricenik**, **Charlie Jackson**, **Nick Litzinger**, **Greg Motley**, **Sam Simpson**, and **Chuck Smith** have shown promise. Others could help.

As for the junior class, also called by many a poor one, take a look at the signees of three years ago. **Richard Jaffe**, **Felix Wilson**, **Tom Kearns**, **Scott Peterson**, **Mike Deaton**, **Chuck Jones**, **Randy Brooks**, **Ritchie Boyd**, **Johnny Bow**, **Tim Gooch**, **Carl Marilla**, and **Ken Roark** are just a few of the players Kentucky inked that year. While it may be a somewhat lean year in numbers, it would be hard to call that a poor recruiting class.

What happened to **Leon Murray**?

U.K. SPORTRAITS

TREMENDOUS FALL PRACTICE INDICATES HE HAS RECOVERED FROM DAMAGING KNEE INJURY THAT KNOCKED HIM OUT OF 18 GAMES IN 1976-77 AND HAMPERED HIS PLAY IN 1977-78.

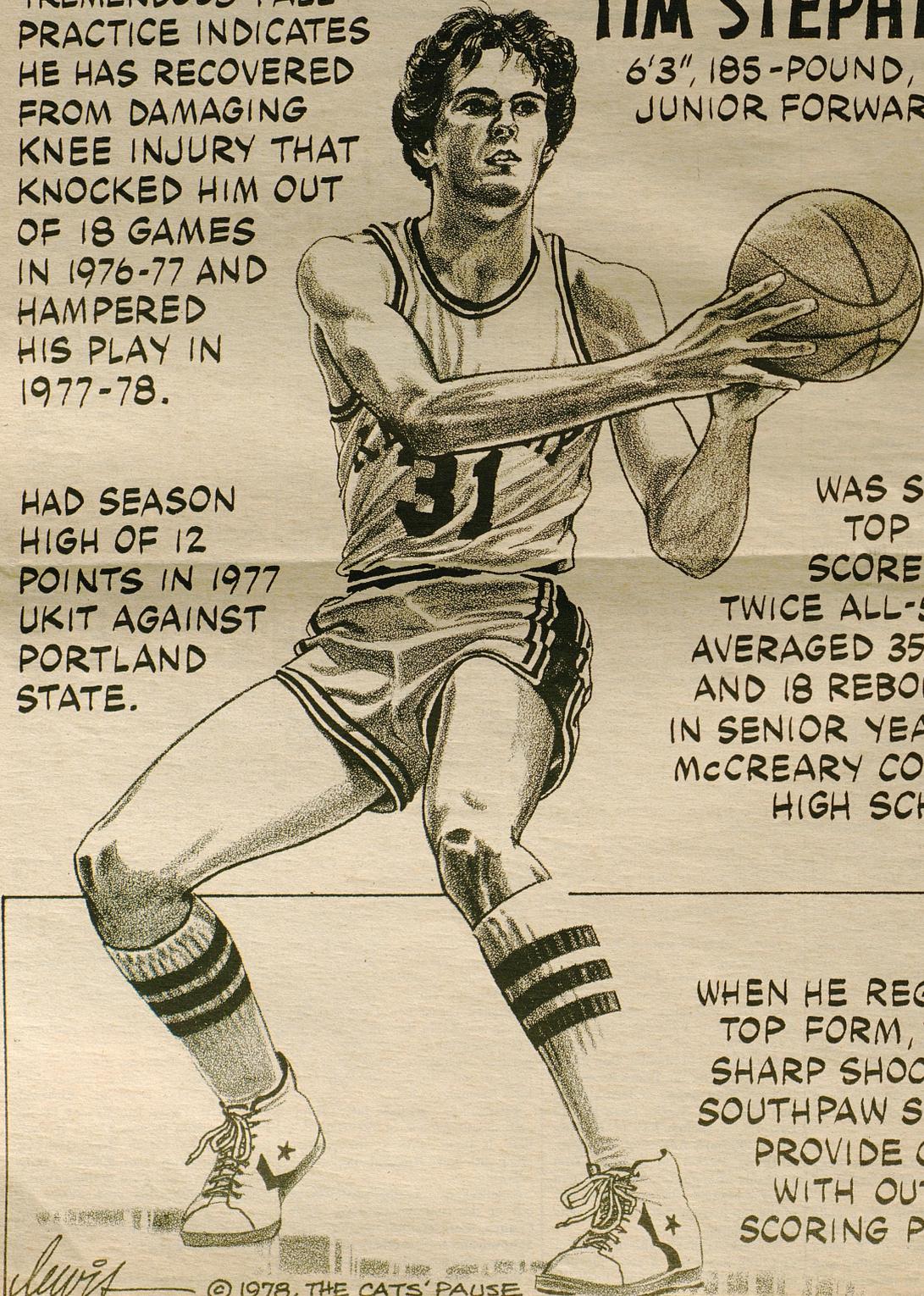
HAD SEASON HIGH OF 12 POINTS IN 1977 UKIT AGAINST PORTLAND STATE.

TIM STEPHENS

6'3", 185-POUND, U.K.
JUNIOR FORWARD.

WAS STATE'S TOP PREP SCORER AND TWICE ALL-STATE. AVERAGED 35.6 PPG AND 18 REBOUNDS IN SENIOR YEAR AT MCCREARY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL.

WHEN HE REGAINS TOP FORM, THE SHARP SHOOTING SOUTHPAW SHOULD PROVIDE CATS WITH OUTSIDE SCORING PUNCH.



Joe B. Hall

UK Head Basketball Coach



Question: What were your impressions of your opening win over LaSalle?

Hall: "We played well and I was very impressed with the freshmen. I was surprised they were as effective as they were. A lot of the time we played with three freshmen in there. They did well."

Question: What about your defense?
Hall: "Our defense was excellent. Coach Parsons had scouted LaSalle and we knew we had to stop their fast break. Lavon did well on Brooks. Macy

did well on his man. Our early defense established the game."

"We executed much better than we had been. We showed more patience and were more organized than we were in the Polish game. We did not shoot as well as we will later along. We are a young team and when we shoot well, we might be a good club. West Texas State is next. We need to get a couple of wins back-to-back. That would be important."

Question: Were you pleased with how your team moved the ball?

Hall: "We had a lot more teamwork than we had against Poland. It was helpful to us. We need to play unselfishly. We still need to get the ball to the open man sooner."

Question: Did you intend to have to go to the bench that often?

Hall: "We practice that way every day. We run people in and out. Very seldom do we only go with five. It might inhibit the young players learning, but it will help us in the end."

"We played good support help tonight and were alert. Our team was ready to play. It's a shame we didn't shoot well because this is a good shooting team."

Question: Were you pleased with the three officials?

Hall: "We set a record for team fouls (76) for two teams. I cannot comment on the officiating."

Question: Was this victory somewhat more pleasing to you than others?

Hall: "Yes, I thoroughly enjoy this team. They are a super bunch of players that work hard. And they are going to get better."

Question: What were your impressions of your team's 121-67 win over West Texas State?

Hall: "I'm surprised and impressed with the excitement this club creates. I enjoyed the game as much as the spectators. We had spells of selfishness where we didn't get the ball to the open man. It's going to take a better team effort to win against Kansas."

"I couldn't ask for any more spirit, hustle, and aggressiveness. We are still not shooting well. In the first half, of the 20 baskets we had, 15 of them were layups or tips. We were not shooting that well from the outside."

We still need to get a lot more poise into our offense. But I can't ask for much more than they gave us as far as hustle, aggressiveness, defense, and determination. Their winning on a lot of guts, a lot of spirit, and determination."

Question: Have you been surprised at the way your inside game is dominating?

Hall: "Yes, I'm surprised. We are

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Rupp - UK Basketball Museum To Show History

"A museum should not be a mausoleum."

If you had to sum up the viewpoint of Charles Atcher, curator of the planned Adolph F. Rupp - UK Basketball Museum, that statement would come as close as any.

Atcher says one of the guiding principles in planning for the Rupp - UK Basketball Museum is that the museum will show the continuing history of basketball at UK, which means the museum will be capable of expanding to display accomplishments of future teams.

Along with that is the idea that displays of past teams will be ever-changing, so that people will have a reason to visit the museum more than once.

"Of the inventory I have made thus far, we can see that we can use only about 35 percent of the material at any one time in the museum," says Atcher.

"That leaves the other 65 percent to be used to change the exhibits from time to time."

As an example of how the displays might be varied, Atcher suggests that during the NCAA tournament each year the museum might set up a special display highlighting UK's participation in that event.

"Or you might have a special event, such as a reunion of the Fiddlin' Five, at which time the museum could put together a display on that team."

In other words, objects such as trophies and game basketballs will not be put on display and left to gather dust over the years. Visitors may well see something new each time they come back to the museum.

As for ways of displaying the enormous amount of material on the UK basketball program that has collected over the years, Atcher and the museum committee are considering many interesting possibilities.

Use of film clips and tape recordings is just a way of bringing the museum

to life. Atcher has retrieved "hundreds and hundreds" of reels of film of UK basketball teams from various places, film which goes back to the teams just after World War II and includes the Fabulous Five of NCAA and Olympic fame.

Another idea is the use of oral history, whereby former UK players and perhaps coaches of opposing teams would be interviewed and their voices become part of a display area. Imagine, for instance, hearing the present day thoughts of Johnny Cox on tape as you view a film of the NCAA championship game in 1958 when Cox helped UK to the title over Seattle.

Material for the museum is coming from three major sources:

- The official archives of UK.
- Memorial Coliseum.
- The family of the late Adolph Rupp.

Atcher is inventorying all the many trophies, banners, game basketballs, photographs, films clips and tape recordings that have survived over the years.

Many of the tape recordings are play-by-play accounts of UK games, some donated by Mrs. Claude Sullivan, wife of the late sportscaster, and others from tapes by Cawood Seaford, the "Voice of the Wildcats" for the past 25 seasons.

"I particularly want the museum to be appealing to young people, many of whom did not even have the chance to see Coach Rupp in action," says Atcher.

Atcher has been official archivist for UK for 15 years. His primary job is to be the keeper of official papers of the University that have continuing value.

A 1958 graduate of UK, Atcher has completed graduate work at the American University, Washington, D.C., and the National Archives Institute in Modern Archives Administration. He has also completed the Archives Workshops at Case-Western Reserve University, Cleveland.

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a check for the renewal of my subscription. TCP and Cawood Ledford are especially important to out of state Wildcat fans. We really appreciate both of you.

I am an alumnus of both UK and UT and lived in Knoxville over thirty years. Nevertheless, Wildcat basketball is my #1 sports interest and I really enjoy TCP.

You have a tremendous publication. Keep up the good work. Best wishes.

Sincerely,
Odell Willis, Class of '25
Clearwater, Florida

In Tiger Land

Dear Sir:

It has come to my attention that you publish a marvelous paper pertaining to the Wildcats and I would like to subscribe to it.

Living here in Alabama all I hear about is the Tide and the Tigers. I've been a Wildcat fan all my life and have listened to Cawood everytime they play. When I can I journey down to Tuscaloosa and sit in the middle of roaring Tide fans and roar louder than they. I already have my tickets for this year's game and can hardly wait until I can see the new Wildcats take the floor.

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Thank you,
Nora McLean
Huntsville, Alabama

On Cheating

Dear Sir:

In response to the letter written by Mr. Thomas Holmes of Atlanta, Georgia and headed by the words, "Shut up," well, for you golfing Georgians, the way you pronounce "putters" is, "puttuhs" and "puttuhs" spelled backward is "shut-up."

Now, Mr. Holmes, you were speaking of the probation period that Kentucky endured due to the rules of the NCAA. Just because the "Bulldogs" or "Tech", if you prefer, cannot keep up with the Wildcats in basketball or football, of which Kentucky is

proud, well, I say, "Sour grapes," Mr. Holmes.

Cheating is cheating, and every school is guilty in some degree and just because Georgia and the other SEC schools have not been caught doesn't mean they are not guilty.

No school will ever match the record of the Wildcats in basketball.

Dr. Watson, Mr. Holmes, "To the Hounds (bulldogs) of the Baskervilles," with you.

Sincerely,
Shirley M. Scroggins
San Diego, California

SEC Tourney

Dear Sir:

Please renew my subscription to the Cats' Pause. (It) still has several weeks to run, but don't want to miss one single issue. I'm sure all Wildcat fans were as disappointed with the results of the football Cats as I was. Still as the old saying goes, "You can't win them all." Next year will be different. Now basketball time is here. Here too with the early hard schedule and underclassmen up front we (the Cats) are going to lose a "few," but by Feb. 28 and the SEC tourney the Cats will have a very good record of 19-7. I'm really a die hard and hate like-- to lose. I get so mad every time they lose, my poodles hide under the bed. Tell Coach Hall, Kyle Macy and crowd to win 'em all so the poodles and I can stay out from under the bed.

Thanks a million for a very wonderful paper.

Bill Osbourne
Marion, Illinois

Why Not Shutt?

Dear Sir:

I was reading over this week's Cats' Pause and I noticed in "Fran's Comments" there was no question addressed to Coach Curci on why Mike Shutt didn't play in the Florida game. I believe Shutt showed the Kentucky fans in the two games he played that he is quite capable of running the offense. He showed something no other UK quarterback has this year and that's running the ball. He also did a good job passing, one that I'm sure would better McCrimmons' approximate 33% completion record. So my question to Coach Curci is, "Why didn't Shutt play the Florida game and why wasn't he put in the Tennessee game before things were hopeless?"

Thanks for renewing my subscrip-

tion. I'm looking forward to reading about another exciting basketball season in T.C.P.

Robert Davenport
Louisville, Kentucky

Like Going Home

Dear Sir:

Please renew our subscription. As native Kentuckians (and avid Wildcat fans) in the midst of OSU fans, we look forward to and thoroughly enjoy each issue of the Cats' Pause. It's like going home every week!

Thanks for a super publication.

Mrs J. James
Greenhills, Ohio

P.S. Check is enclosed. Please hurry -- husband will be extremely upset if he misses even one issue!

Big Fan Up East

Dear Sir:

Greetings from New York. Enclosed please find my check for the renewal of The Cats' Pause. Your very fine paper and the crisp voice of Cawood Ledford over WHAS allows me to follow the Kentucky Wildcats during the football and basketball seasons. Not being from Kentucky doesn't distract from my affection for the Wildcats and I can assure you that I share the great moments of victory and the tears of defeat with much enthusiasm. You can be assured that Kentucky fans are found in many places throughout the country. Your newspaper is a welcomed addition to the great coverage of WHAS.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Bell
Brockport, New York

Bragging Rights

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my subscription renewal for your fine publication. Surrounded by Atlantic Coast Conference coverage exclusively, Maryland in particular, I cannot adequately describe my feelings this past March when discussing the NCAA tournament with two members of my car pool--one from Duke and the other from North Carolina.

Now, if only Coach Curci can help me out with some of those long afternoons at College Park, Maryland!

Sincerely,

Doug Temple
Washington, D.C.

Joe B. Hall

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getting real aggressive board play. Of course the teams we have played have not had dominating rebounding inside. We will probably not get that kind of inside game against Kansas, Indiana, Notre Dame, Syracuse, Texas A&M and the teams we are going to face from here on out."

Question: How much further along is this team after two games than you expected?

Hall: "They are ten miles ahead of where I thought they would be in aggressiveness and accomplishment. I didn't feel we would accomplish what we've accomplished in two games as far as our victories.

"What is exciting to me is that they have plenty of room for improvement, to get themselves to be a better ballclub than they are. I anticipate that. We've got a week to work before Kansas, another week to work before we play Indiana, and another week's work before we play in the UKIT. There are three good weeks where we can really look at our films and discuss what we've been doing wrong. And I'm sure that Kansas is going to point out to us the things that we are doing wrong."

Question: Was it important that the team was able to build on the lead without Macy in there?

Hall: "We do have good firepower. I think it comes from hustle and aggressiveness. Cowan was doing a good job for us inside. LaVon played extremely hard and aggressiveness, and accomplished a lot inside. Everybody that came in seemed to score well. It was total team contribution.

Kyle had a thigh injury. He didn't look real effective on his shots early. I asked him after I brought him out how his leg was and he said he was all right. I had some doubts about that."

Question: This year's team seems a lot more enthusiastic than last year's team.

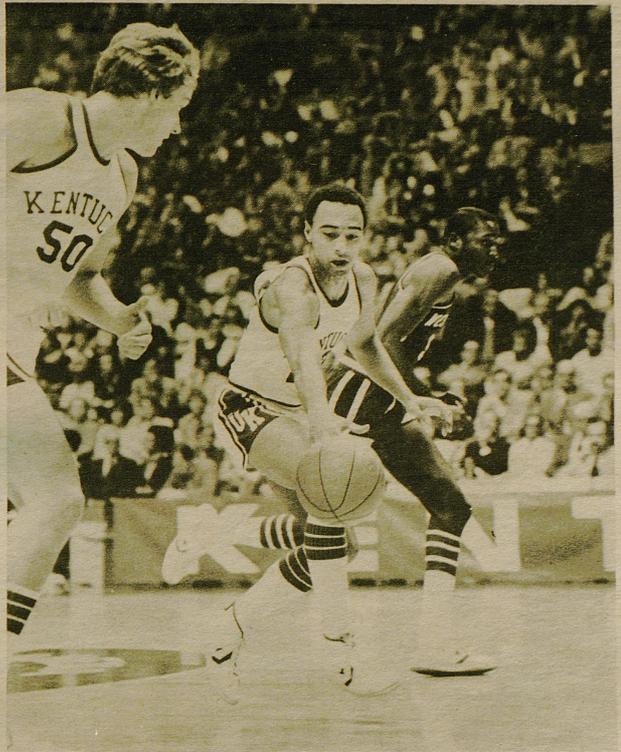
Hall: "They are different. It's going to take me a little while to learn how to utilize that, and adjust to it myself. Like I say, I'm surprised. We've got a quickness that we didn't have last year. We have a youthful enthusiasm that we didn't have last year.

"Would you say it was like Duke last year? I enjoy it. I like it. I think it's really something that we can build on.

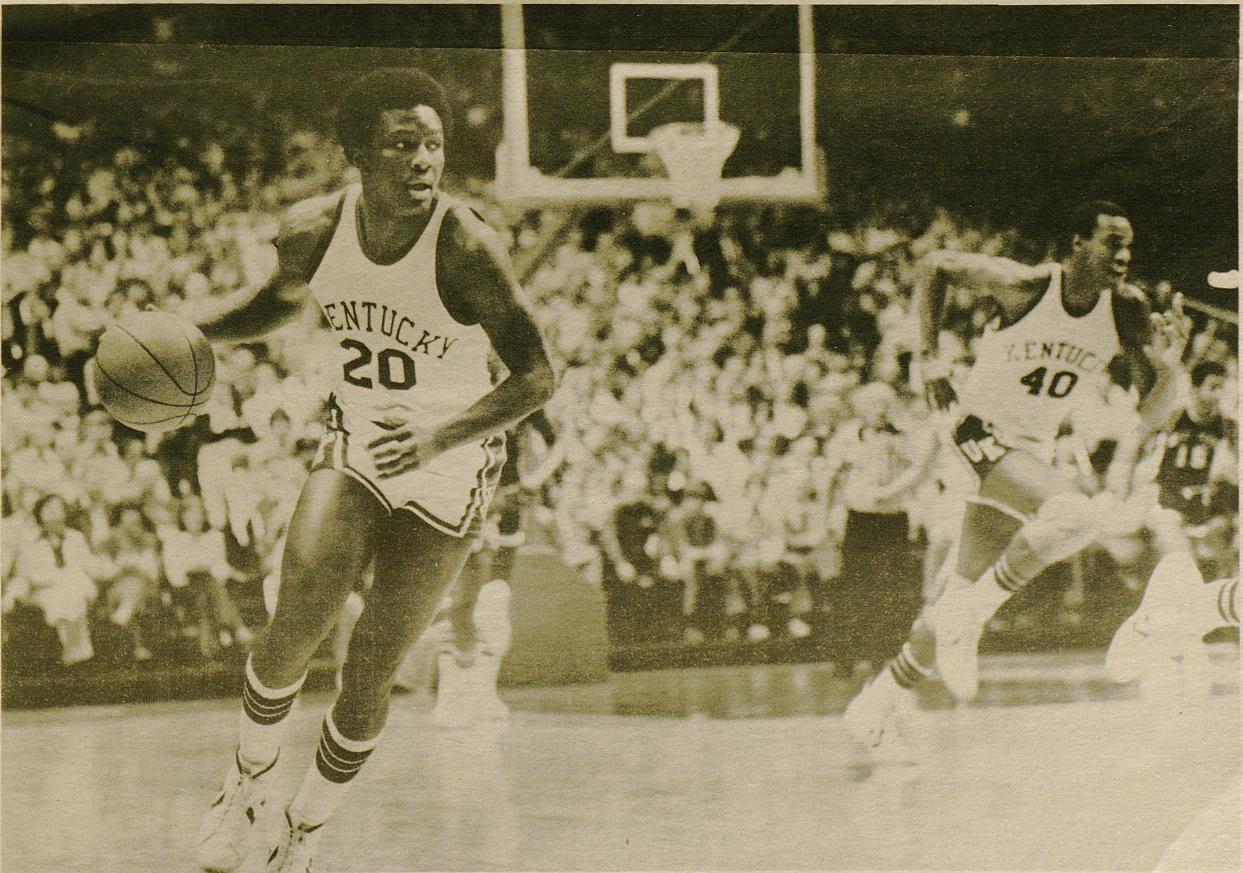
"In one stretch during the second half we settled down offensively against the zone. We moved the ball well. We got about four outside shots in a row. We really started the blow out. Our zone seemed to relax us a little more, and not having to chase them on their movement offense."



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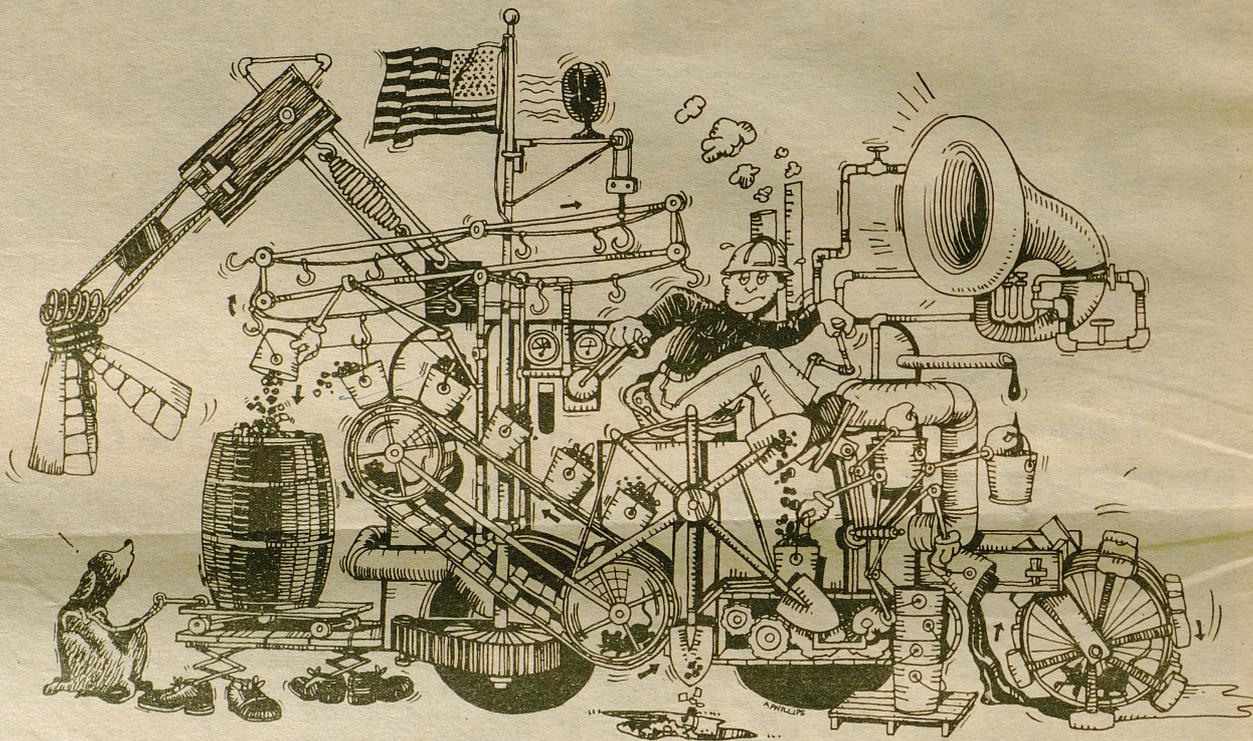


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