



People



Library patrons

If you have spent any time at all in the library you know there are many kinds of people who use the library's resources. They come from different places and for different reasons but most fall into at least one of the following categories.

The doomsday group. They approach the library in horror. The enormous building looms ominously on the hilltop. They walk slowly, with sad faces and their heads hung low. Nothing could be worse than the time they must spend studying.

The photocopiers. This group is subdivided into casual copiers and fanatic copiers. The first group makes only a buck or two worth of copies. I fear the day that I must copy entire books on ancient history. It scares me so much that I've already begun to put money aside for a special copying account.

The M-Fers. I know what you're thinking and, yes, there are a lot of them too, but I'm talking about the microfiche people. These people scan through years of newspaper because something has made May 2, 1974 more important than the rest of the days in history.

The VCC. VCC is short for Victims of the Camfy Chair. These people came to read, but rather fell prey to the pleasure of soft navy blue leather armchairs.

The joyous group. The former doomsday group members who have either finished all the studying and work they came to do, or have become fed up with working and decided to get the heck out of there. They have a spring in their step and smile on their face as they prance downward.

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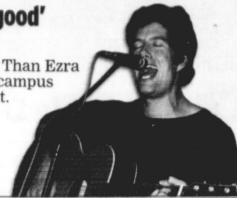
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MONEY

Economic slowdown threatens expansion



Crunch: Budget cuts may impact additions to biology building

By Curtis Tate
STAFF WRITER

A \$500 million state budget crunch could affect the proposed expansion of one UK research facility considered to be a top priority.

The slowing economy and limited state funds might delay projects to add classroom, laboratory and community space to the Morgan School for Biological Sciences, said Chuck Staben, acting director of the Morgan School.

UK President Lee Todd is "cautiously optimistic" that the Kentucky General Assembly will provide the money necessary to fund the Morgan School project.

"This is an investment period for higher education, and we can't back off," he said.

The Morgan School is the top supplier of students to the medical and pharmacy programs, Staben said. And to reach top 20 status among public research universities, UK must improve its biology research facilities, Staben said.

Staben said the planned 90,000 square-foot building is a "significant addition" that would benefit research into cancer treatments, genetics and the environment.

But only \$11 million of the \$29 million price tag will come from university funds — UK is counting

John Wilson, above, a lab technician and 1999 UK graduate, works in a cell biology laboratory researching cancer treatment drugs at the Thomas Hunt Morgan School for Biological Sciences. The Morgan School, right, is located at the intersection of Rose Street and Washington Avenue.

CURTIS TATE |
KERNEL STAFF



on the state legislature to provide the remaining \$18 million.

But figures by Kentucky's Council on Postsecondary Education show UK is committed to increasing funds for research programs during the next two decades. The university wants to double research expenditures to \$300 million by 2010 and double that to \$600 million by 2020.

These research expenditure goals include federal, state, corporate and private contributions.

But Todd said he is committed to the project because UK "desperately" needs to expand the school.

With the expansion of the building will come a number of research initiatives.

Staben, a member of the UK Top 20 Committee, said the goals are "ambitious."

Todd told the CPE at its Mon-

day meeting in Frankfort that UK has secured \$46 million in federal research funds and continues to make space for additional people in an effort to foster this goal.

"We're working on a daily basis," he said.

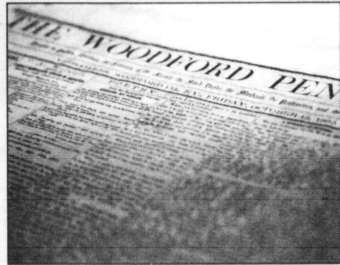
What they do

The Morgan School researches a variety of topics:

- Development of enzymes to help fight cancer
- Genetics and developmental biology, which include the cloning of animals but not humans
- Environmental impact studies such as one addressing radioactive contamination at the Paducah gaseous diffusion plant

HISTORY

Old newspapers show antebellum life



AMY CRAWFORD | KERNEL STAFF

Handmade cotton and linen paper contributed to The Woodford Pennant's remarkable condition, 141 years after it was printed.

By Casey Hamilton
STAFF WRITER

The William T. Young Library is working on the conservation and preservation of Woodford County newspapers that were found unexpectedly. The papers date back before the Civil War.

Along with giving a glimpse of antebellum life, the papers show the sentiment many Kentucky residents felt about the Civil War. They also cast new light on the opinion that Kentucky was a neutral border state.

"It's interesting to see how Kentucky is preparing for the Civil War," said Whitney Baker, a conservation librarian. "It's really interesting to see how many editorials are anti-Lincoln and pro-Breckenridge, which is different than what you might suspect."

The papers give students a chance to see what small town life was like in Kentucky. It also offers students the chance to learn more about the history of their communities.

"Society does not cultivate a memory of what small town life was and these newspapers thrived in a community of memory," said Gurney Norman, director of creative writing at UK.

Over the summer Woodford County received the back issues of the Woodford Pennant, which had been located in Winchester, Va. The finding of the papers is still a mystery. "Woodford County had been actively seeking for these papers, and then they just show up," Baker said.

The newspapers date between November 1860 and April 1861. The papers are four pages long each. The first page had advertisements, the second displayed opinions, the third was local news and the fourth were other items.

"The papers contain Civil War editorials, poetry, short stories and really interesting printing styles," said Becky Ryder, a preservation librarian.

After examining the papers, Woodford County gave them to the library on a permanent loan because of the library's better housing conditions, which include temperature controls.

"They wanted to give the university the papers, since we could offer a better environment to store them in," Ryder said.

Now the library is restoring the papers. The library is planning on turning the papers into microfilm that can be viewed by students, Ryder said. The process can be long and drawn out and includes treating the newspapers with alcohol, which cleans them. After that the papers are dehumidified and all tears and holes are repaired.

The preservation of these papers has been given more weight, since they are originals.

"It makes it even more exciting that these are the only known copies of these papers," Baker said.

EDUCATION

KEES funds may be cut

Money: Income from lottery may be insufficient to cover costs of KEES, reductions considered

By Curtis Tate
STAFF WRITER

College students receiving a popular Kentucky scholarship could see their awards reduced because the state is running out of money to pay for them.

The Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship program is funded from state lottery revenues. But income from the state lottery has fallen short of the amount necessary to keep the three-year-old program funded at projected levels, and the state may not be able to make up the difference.

UK President Lee Todd said KEES recipients might see less scholarship money in the coming year.

"It's been a tough budget year," he said. "And it's not over yet."

Brook Stevens, an integrated

strategic communication junior, said she doesn't receive any other financial aid beside the scholarship.

"I'll just have to work a few more hours," she said. Stevens works 20 hours per week.

The Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, which met in Frankfort Monday, will decide if awards are to be reduced and by how much.

But CPE President Gordon Davies said he remains optimistic. He said the KEES program has enough political support in the state legislature to keep it afloat in spite of budget woes.

"I don't think that's something that will affect Ms. Jones who is a sophomore at UK and wonders about her junior or senior grant," he said.

See KEES on 2

The Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship Program is funded by the state's lottery system. More students are qualifying for KEES scholarships while revenue from the lottery is dwindling.



ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

Get a taste of the world

As part of a festival to celebrate cultural diversity at UK, the Office of Residence Life will sponsor "Winter Holidays Around the World" from 5 to 7 p.m. Nov. 8 at Jewell Hall. The event will feature international food items typical of the celebrations of the winter holidays of various cultures. There will also be a presentation on the other aspects of each of these holidays. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call the Jewell Hall front desk at 323-4208.

Boykin: Black and gay in America

The Student Activities Board will present Keith Boykin at 8 p.m., Nov. 8 at Memorial Hall. Boykin will speak on being "Black and Gay in America" and on issues of diversity and stereotyping. Boykin is a Harvard Law graduate and, as Special Assistant to President Clinton, was the highest-ranking openly gay person in America. The event is free and open to the public. For additional information call SAB at 257-8867.

Anti-terrorism group founder speaks

In the aftermath of the events of Sept. 11, the Student Activities Board presents Danny Coulson, founder and former director of the FBI's Anti-Terrorist Task Force. Coulson's remarks will be on "The War on Terrorism: Past, Present and Future." The presentation will be at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 13 in the UK Student Center Grand Ballroom. The event is free and open to the public.

Professor speaks about time travel

Professor Richard Gott will speak at 8 p.m., Nov. 7 in the Young Auditorium. An astrophysicist and author, Gott will speak on the possibility of time travel.

Spike Lee part of video conference

The UK National Association of Black Journalists will host the African-American Experience on Television: Civil Rights and Beyond live from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. on Nov. 7, 8, 14, and 15. The presentation is a four-part series of seminars from the Museum of Television and Radio. The series will explore radio and television's role in covering the civil rights movement. The seminars are presented free of charge to colleges and universities across the country as part of the Museum's University satellite Seminar Series.



MAN AT ARMS:

Charlie Daniels' song in response to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks is making some people squirm - and shaping up as his biggest hit in years.

When Daniels proposed singing "This Ain't No Rag, It's a Flag" at a Nashville benefit concert for terrorist victims, he was turned down.

"There was a creative difference of opinion," said Jama Bowen, spokeswoman for Country Music Television, which broadcast the Country Freedom Concert. The song, which debuts this week at No. 51 on the Billboard country music singles chart, calls for vengeance for the lives lost Sept. 11. "We're gonna hunt you down like a mad dog and make you pay for the lives you stole," Daniels sings. But Daniels says he deprecates any violence or abuse toward law-abiding Islamic people. "We can no more blame it on good Middle Eastern citizens than we can blame Hitler on people of German descent," said Daniels.

Taliban hold their ground

JABAL SARAJ, Afghanistan — U.S. warplanes bombarded Taliban front lines, while the opposition pressed its attack Monday on three fronts near Mazar-e-Sharif, but the rebel fighters conceded they were facing stiff Taliban resistance around the key northern city.

Anthrax found at Pentagon

WASHINGTON — Anthrax was detected inside the Pentagon and promptly removed, officials said Monday. Cleanup in the Senate office building where an anthrax-packed letter was opened proved more complicated. Government agencies moved to test buildings around the country for the presence of anthrax spores, and officials at the Mayo Clinic unveiled a more rapid test for anthrax exposure.

Businessman wins Nicaragua election

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — A 73-year-old businessman, whose property was once taken away by the Sandinista regime that also jailed him, won Nicaragua's presidency over Daniel Ortega, the Sandinista candidate attempting a comeback 11 years after losing power. Ortega conceded defeat Monday in his third consecutive election defeat, and supporters of the victorious Liberal Party candidate, Enrique Bolanos, chanted "Strikeout! Strikeout!" as they celebrated.

Stocks rally on hopes of rate cut

NEW YORK — Investors bet heavily Monday that the Federal Reserve would lower interest rates again this week, and the anticipation of more help for the economy sent stocks spurring higher. Wall Street also spent the day awaiting earnings from Cisco Systems and was not disappointed. The tech bellwether reported better-than-expected results after the market closed, pleasing investors anxious for signs of a business recovery.

No peacekeeping role for neighbors

TEHRAN, Iran — The United Nations should exclude the United States and Afghanistan's neighbors from any possible post-Taliban peacekeeping mission or risk even more instability across central Asia, Iran's foreign minister said Monday. Such a position risks increasing friction with Washington, which may seek some continued military oversight in Afghanistan if attacks succeed in toppling the Taliban and uprooting Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida command. However, Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi insisted in an interview with The Associated Press that any U.S. presence on a post-Taliban peacekeeping force "would have a negative impact on the whole region."



BUENO:

Bono put his famous voice to work this week, but he wasn't just belting out U2 songs. The Irish rocker was with African leaders in Philadelphia discussing third-world debt.

"The debt issue appealed to me because it wasn't throwing pennies at the problem," Bono said Friday. "It was looking at the structure of the problem."

Bono, long active in economic and social issues around the globe, said debt forgiveness would give struggling countries a chance to succeed. He also plans to focus his attention on trade issues and AIDS. "I try to keep my rants to a minimum," Bono said. "I don't think they want a lecture when they go to a rock show."

The weeklong trade summit brought dozens of African finance and economic ministers, and a few heads-of-state, to Philadelphia.

Drug smugglers resume their trade

EL PASO, Texas — Drug smugglers are getting back to business - and drug seizures are up sharply - after a lull prompted by the stepped-up security along the U.S.-Mexican border that followed the terrorist attacks. Investigators with the Customs Service and Border Patrol believe smugglers are trying to push more drugs across the border to make up lost profits, and are getting caught by the tighter security. Before Sept. 11, most vehicles were waved through border checkpoints. Now, since border officials went to the highest level of alert, nearly every vehicle gets looked over. Inspections include an examination of the trunk and the engine compartment. In the two weeks immediately following the terrorist attacks, drug seizures along the 1,962-mile U.S.-Mexico border fell 80 percent compared with the same period last year. But the trend has since reversed. Drug smugglers "decided to wait it out, hoping it would go back to the way it was, and that hasn't happened," said Vincent Bond, customs spokesman in Southern California. So "they decided to risk the increased scrutiny."

Compiled from wire reports

LOTTO

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More students are qualifying for KEEES awards than originally anticipated, creating a budget shortfall of more than \$7 million next year and almost \$13 million the year after, according to CPE estimates. Award amounts are based on high school grades and ACT scores, and because both have gone up, the cost has increased.

"I think that's the good news," Davies said. "The bad news is you've got to figure out how to pay for it."

The state, which is also experiencing a budget shortfall of more than \$500 million, may not be able to make up the difference between lottery revenues and scholarship costs.

State Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington, said this is "the biggest threat to Kentucky education in quite some time."

But Scorsone, who serves on the Senate Education Committee, said the budget crunch will not likely have lasting effects on scholarship funding. The KEEES program may not "deliver as much" in the short term, he said, but may rebound given an improved economy.


Scorsone and Davies both said the state remains committed to need-based financial aid such as grants and loans because more students benefit from them. So the CPE is asking the General Assembly for \$1.6 million in additional funding for student financial aid in 2002-03 and \$12.4 million more the following year.

Scorsone said it is difficult to balance the budget without hurting education, but it remains a top priority for lawmakers. "It is a serious mistake to cut education," he said.

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NEW SOUNDS

Toad's lead singer strays, develops a new sound, CD

Breaking away after a decade: Glen Phillips tries his luck solo after releasing Abulum

By Casey Hamilton
STAFF WRITER

After spending more than 15 years as the lead singer/songwriter for the band Toad the Wet Sprocket, Glen Phillips has taken on the challenge of being a solo artist.

Phillips released his first recording, Abulum, over the summer and he is on tour with the bluegrass band Nickel Creek. After the breakup of Toad in 1997, Phillips finds the opportunity to play music again.

"This tour has been great. It has been more fun than I have ever had," Phillips said. Even though Phillips wrote all the lyrics for Toad, he

finds both positives and negatives between the music he is creating now and the music from his former band. "I am very proud of the music I have been making. There are no expectations," Phillips said. "On the negative side, it is not quite as lucrative."

Hailed by critics for his independent style of approaching lyrics, Phillips' new material still deals with dysfunctional relationships while being laced with satire.

Phillips still wrestles with the idea of biological warfare on many of his songs, an issue that has taken center stage in light of recent events.

"It was coming, and that's why I wrote about them," Phillips said. "I have a tendency to look at things that aren't on my doorstep, and now that it's on my doorstep I will probably find something else to write about."

Phillips' inspiration for his brand of dark satire comes from other artists who go along in the same vein. "I have been reading a lot of Kurt Vonnegut, Salmon Rushdie and cookbooks," Phillips said.

Phillips formed Toad at the age of 14 and has spent all of his adult life dealing directly with the music industry. In an age when Britney Spears tops the chart and former alternative bands like Pearl Jam shun mainstream success, Phillips said there is room for his music.

"It fits in very well. It has no genre," Phillips

said. "It is an odd time to be in music.

The industry has become centralized, with fewer companies owning more music. I think people are actively seeking out new types of music."

Phillips promises a different type of show than the one Toad fans are accustomed to. "It is not a rock show. It has more stories, more humor, more joy coming off stage. The combination is great," he said.

Glen Phillip teams up

Glen Phillips will perform with Nickel Creek at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at the Kentucky Theatre.

Better Than Ezra pays UK a visit

Better Than Ezra will hit the stage at 9 p.m. on Tuesday night at the Grand Ballroom in the Student Center. Call 257-TICS for tickets.

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SINGLED OUT AGAIN

"Shipmates" hooks a real big fish

Singled Out's ex-host is back: Hardwick hosts dating reality show on cruise ship

By Sonya Lichtenstein
STAFF WRITER

With reality TV already dominating network airways, finding a new approach to capture a bored audience seems impossible. To break through the stereotypes of existing dating series, the new show "Shipmates" had to try something new.

The scene is similar. There are beautiful people in a tropical setting trying to win one another's affection while America watches. But this new reality dating series approaches blind dating with a different twist.

Five couples are paired up and then spend three days and two nights with one another on a Carnival Cruise Fun Ship.

This one-on-one time leads to either romantic bliss or outright frustration. Each show ends with final thoughts from a recorded "video diary" of singles reflecting on their experience with their partner.

The show's host, Chris Hardwick, most notably remembered as the co-host of MTV's "Singled Out," also takes the show to a whole new level.

Hardwick, born in Louisville, got his start in television doing talk shows.

"A lot of what I've done over the past couple years no one knows about. Most of what I've done hasn't been picked up by the networks," Hardwick said.

Hardwick, more recently busy doing stand-up, pilot sitcoms and an independent film, is now back on screen with this brand-new show, "Shipmates."

"I don't take the show that seriously. I have a laid back attitude about it," Hardwick said. With this relaxed attitude, the audience gets a deeper and more honest glimpse into the lives of the couples. The fast-paced daily half-hour series keeps viewers laughing and guessing about the fate of the crazy couples.

"We set up so many people, we don't go out of our way to do anything," Hardwick said. "The odds of having a bad blind date just really are that bad."

The poor matchmaking skills of the show are obvious. One example of the show's blind date failure is when a man who describes himself as a "breast man" and lists women as a hobby is paired with a down-to-earth teacher who enjoys mountain climbing.

"The patience of the couples goes away after a few days," Hardwick said. "People become more willing to be true to their feelings on our show than the other [reality shows]."

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Percent of UK secretaries who are women.
 - 2049**
The year that the number of women and men full professors will be equal if UK hiring patterns from 1999 continue.
 - 83**
Percent of women faculty members who were assistant or associate professors in 1989. The percent was the same in 1999.
 - 4**
Number of women, compared to 15 men, serving on the Board of Trustees in 1990 and 2000.
 - 1**
Number of women employed in four of the eight top-level administrative units.
 - 93**
Percent of honorary degrees awarded by UK to men since 1886.
 - 11**
Colleges, of 16, that have no women leading an academic unit.
 - Less than 10**
Percent of newly-endowed chairs named for a woman.
 - 90+**
Percent of newly-endowed chairs awarded to men.
 - 25 vs. 28**
Percent of faculty members who were women in 1944-45 versus percent of faculty members who were women in 1999.
 - 13 and 2**
Dean searches between 1989 and 1999, and the number of women chosen as a result of those searches.
 - 20**
Percent of University Senate committees chaired by women in 1998-99.
 - 38**
Percent of Great Teacher Awards given to women.
 - 0**
Male faculty members in the College of Nursing in 1989.
- Source: Ad hoc committee on the Status of Women 2001 report



IN OUR OPINION

UK should keep focus on equality

While women compose more than half of the population at UK, they do not receive equal status in the political, social and economic realms of the university.

A 2001 report on the status of women showed women constitute a mere 28 percent of faculty, only a 3 percent increase from the presence of women in 1944-45.

It is thus no surprise gender equality is an issue at UK. Though inequality is indeed a problem, UK has shown a few signs of progress. In 2000, a Faculty Senate committee released a report showing the percentage of female fellowships is now equal to the percentage of women in graduate programs.

The university also created a Women's Health Center and provided more funding for the Women's Studies Program.

People claim the playing field is more equal. In fact, the report shows that between 1990 and 2000, the number of female deans doubled.

But of 16 deans, the number only rose from two to four. While the attention garnered by the report is great, recommendations for a university-wide analysis of salaries and the creation of a task force on women was ignored — for 10 years.

This is discouraging, but UK says it is going to try again. Like various other corporations and institutions, UK pledged to pay special attention to the status of women and minorities. And the effort is there, again. On July 5, President Lee Todd announced the formation of a committee, the Commission on the Status of Women, that would do just that.

Last week, more than three months after it was created, the committee finally met. Members addressed and affirmed their dedication to mend inequality.

They should, and likely will, research, study and discuss problems existing in the lives of many UK women. But a defect is already present in the commission's data.

Carolyn Bratt, a law professor and chairwoman of the commission, said there is a great deal more data on women's employment than on female students. Along with students being underrepresented in the data, they are underrepresented on the commission. Only one undergraduate student, Sara Sahni, is a member of the 20-person commission.

All women need to be included in these studies. If this means using more money, then it is imperative UK's administration fulfills its promise to fund this research.

Regardless of a commitment, it is obvious progress can never be fast enough when reaching out to marginalized groups.

Women are continually disenfranchised. The overwhelming number of sexual harassment cases, the problems women face when dealing with child care and the significantly low number of women present in administrative positions illustrate the oppression women encounter because of their sex.

So the committee must dissect the data and figure out what is wrong while Todd and his administration continue to advocate an open, welcoming atmosphere for women and minorities.

With the interests of half of UK's population involved, this analysis should not be allowed to falter.

READERS' FORUM

Expressions

Kernel's lack of UK Hockey coverage disgraceful

I have been recently informed by Mr. Ian Ward that the University of Kentucky school paper refuses to cover the third most popular sport on campus. I happen to be on the UK hockey team and even though we are a club sport we still wear the UK on the front of our jerseys. I think that it is bad enough that UK only gives the hockey team \$500 a year, when our annual budget is more than \$50,000. But we overcome the money issue by going out on our own and working for donations from different companies that are not even affiliated with UK. One company alone gave a donation of \$3,000, and we still cannot get any recognition from the school paper. I do not believe that it is fair to the players or to the students that come out and support us not to be able to read about our accomplishments.

Mr. Ward has brought up the issue that you do not like the idea of using women on our posters, that it is inappropriate. But we do what we have to do to keep our program running. You can recognize the sorority flag football team on the front page of the Kernel, but nothing about the hockey team. Do you have something against us, because I can see no reason why you refuse to recognize us? You should be ashamed of yourself.

AARON STEPHENSON
UK HOCKEY CAPTAIN

James Hanlon
CONTRIBUTING COLUMNIST

Oil interests spur fighting

Truth in reporting. This is a principle by which CNN, NBC, CBS and the rest of the mainstream media claim to abide. But there is more to the news than fact and fiction. There is also silence, and there is one aspect of the war in Afghanistan that the mainstream media has remained deafeningly silent about.

The matter in question is energy resources. Several former Soviet republics in Central Asia sit atop vast oil and natural gas reserves that would yield enormous wealth for anyone who could control extraction and transportation.

The United States, of course, is not unaware of this. According to a 1998 Congressional hearing, U.S. policy goals in Central Asia include fostering stronger ties with countries in the region, promoting U.S. energy security, and constructing oil and gas pipelines that avoid Iran.

At the time of the hearing, UNOCAL, a U.S. oil corporation, was actively discussing the logistics and economics of pipelines with the Taliban and other political factions in Afghanistan. While possessing limited energy resources of its own, Afghanistan stands directly in the path of pipelines that could be routed to the Arabian Sea and to South and Southeast Asia. The fact that the United States did not recognize the Taliban posed problems. According to UNOCAL's representative at the hearing, a pipeline was "not going to be built until there is a single Afghan government," one that was considered legitimate by the United States.

In the meantime, UNOCAL's efforts, which included entertaining high-ranking Taliban officials in Houston, Texas, had the full backing of the U.S. government. After all, the Taliban was the first relatively stable regime in Afghanistan in nearly two decades, and with stability would come handsome oil and natural gas profits.

Then came the U.S. Embassy bombings which were linked to Afghanistan and Osama bin Laden. Those bombings were followed by protests by feminist organizations of UNOCAL's dealings with the Taliban, whose treatment of women has been notoriously oppressive. The pipeline plans were shelved — at least for the time being.

Then, in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks, President Bush performed a deft rhetorical move: No distinction would be made between the terrorists and those who harbor them. To be sure, there were close links between bin Laden's network and the Taliban, but on the basis of evidence released by the British government, one is almost left with the impression that it was bin Laden who was harboring the Taliban, not the other way around. Bin Laden is wealthy and well connected. He requires little support from the Taliban.

Now there are doubts, which Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld recently expressed, to whether bin Laden will be brought to justice anytime soon and whether he is even still in Afghanistan. Yet U.S. efforts to topple the Taliban regime continue. And the errant bombs, the cluster bombs that regularly leave behind unexploded bomblets, and an intensifying humanitarian crisis are all, so we are told, unavoidable facets of war.

But given U.S. oil interests, not to mention the intimately close ties between the Bush family, Vice President Cheney and those interests, can we conclude that this war is still only a war against terrorism? Would the U.S. government go through so much trouble, at the expense of so many innocent lives, to topple a regime guilty only by association, solely in the name of justice?

The mainstream media is doing little to encourage us to make a crucial distinction. Bringing the perpetrators of the Sept. 11 attacks to justice and waging war against the Taliban are not the same thing.

Justice, in some form or another, must be served. But overthrowing the Taliban is clearly an ineffective means of achieving that end. In the process, the Afghan civilian and refugee death toll will likely exceed and perhaps even dwarf that of the Sept. 11 attacks.

Something must be in the works that will make this price worth paying for as far as the U.S. government is concerned. The war on terrorism will not end with the fall of the Taliban. In fact, terrorism is likely to escalate now that the bombs have been dropped.

In terms of civil liberties, a new, U.S.-friendly Afghan regime will prove to be a meager improvement over the Taliban. And then there is the prospect that the compensation of the human costs of war against Afghanistan will be U.S. control of Central Asia's oil and natural gas reserves. On this, the mainstream media's silence could not be more deafening.

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Criticism of dissension shows intolerance of columnist

It was disappointing to read Josh Sullivan's rant in Friday's Kernel ("Peace is not the answer for those already oppressed").

For sure, some of the people who automatically cry, "War is murder," haven't stopped to consider the consequences of inaction.

But by ridiculing anyone who dares to have a dissenting voice is equally thoughtless. I suspect that many of the so-called "ignorant group of spoiled brats" who have voiced their concerns over the way the war is currently being waged (widespread heavy bombing) are not naive enough to think that if we do nothing, the bad guys will go away.

I think it was Che Guevara who said, "Sometimes, the only way to achieve peace is to shoot the people who would oppress it."

All the dissenters ask is that we achieve a realistic objective with the minimum loss of life. A fair point, in my view.

Furthermore, to say that the family who wrote to President Bush begging him to avoid war should be ashamed showed an appalling unwillingness to respect the rights of individuals to say what they think.

"Not in our son's name" is not an insult to the rest of the families of the bereaved (as Sullivan seems to think). These people weren't overriding the wishes of the other families. They were merely expressing their personal feeling, which they had every right to do.

Sullivan's column is a fine example of the usual caveat that has to be inserted when people discuss freedom of speech — everyone is entitled to an opinion, provided it is the same as everyone else's.

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UK 77, DEN HELDER 45

Cats roll in first exhibition game

Going Dutch: UK uses inside/outside game to down foreign club team in blowout

By Steve Jones
ASSISTANT SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

The UK women's basketball team made its first step in erasing the disappointment of last year's 6-21 season by beating the Dutch Den Helder Basketball Club 77-46 last night at Memorial Coliseum.

The game against Den Helder was only an exhibition game and will not appear on UK's official record.

Still, UK head coach Bernadette Mattox said the Cats' performance showed important progress in the chemistry between the perimeter and post players.

"It went about how I thought, but I really didn't count on us getting that inside/outside game going, and that really came about tonight," Mattox said.

The Cats were able to score 36 points in the paint, mostly as the result of wing entry passes. When Den Helder's defense doubled on the inside, UK was able to connect on perimeter shots.

The Cats made 7-of-19 3-pointers in the game.

Mattox said long-range scoring this year would free up the inside, and vice versa. UK shot only 27 percent from 3s last year.

"That really was the key that we were missing last year was that outside shooting because they just collapsed on our post players, and from that our post players didn't have the opportunity to score a lot of points," she said.

By that token, the Cats were led in scoring by sophomore center SeSe Helm.

Helm was 7-of-8 from the field, including one 3-pointer, to finish with 15 points.

Helm, a constant starter as a freshman last year, came off the bench against Den Helder as Mattox attempted to experiment with different lineups.

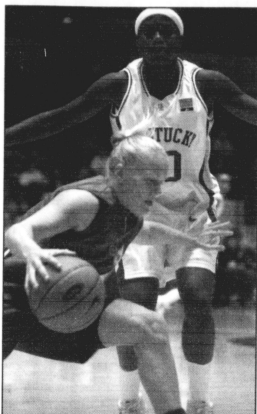
"I won't say it felt strange," Helm said of her role as a sub, "but it gave me an opportunity to see what was going on the floor, how the defender was playing and what needed to be done on the floor. It was just a learning experience."

The game also proved a learning experience for UK's new players. Freshman Sara

Support on the court

Alvine Mendong defends against a Den Helder player in the Cats' exhibition 77-45 victory Monday night. The patch on the left shoulder of the Cats' uniform is an American flag with the initials "JK" lined at the bottom. The patch is in memory of the victims of Sept. 11 and forward SeSe Helm's mother, Julia Helm, who died of cancer this spring.

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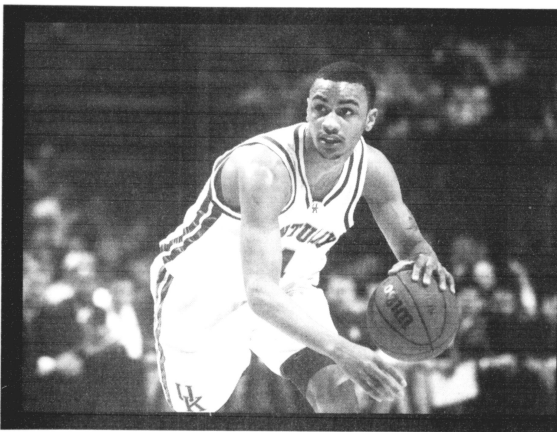
Potts and sophomore Danyelle Payne contributed 11 and ten points, respectively.

The pair combined for five 3-pointers.

"Both of those players are going to open up that inside for

us because you have to guard them," Mattox said. "(Potts) can shoot the living lights out."

The Cats will play another exhibition game against Premier Sports 7 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Coliseum.



Tip off

Gerald Fitch and the UK men's basketball team hoop it up with the Nike Elite squad in an exhibition match at 7:30 p.m. tonight at Rupp Arena. The Cats are ranked no lower than No. 5 by all of the major media and coaches polls. Nike Elite is sponsored by Nike and is a team comprised of former college players similar to Athletes in Action and the EA Sports All-Stars. By the way, EA Sports beat North Carolina 107-76 after losing to Maryland 108-90 and North Carolina State 90-75.

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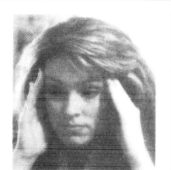
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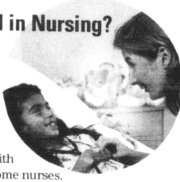
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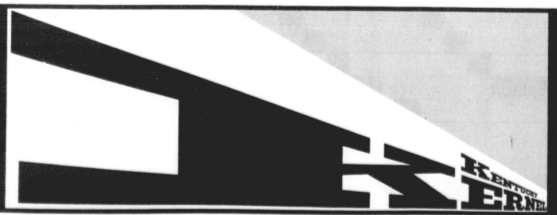
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