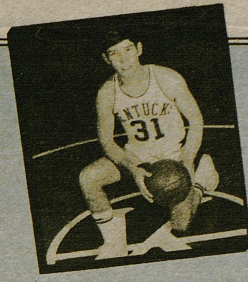




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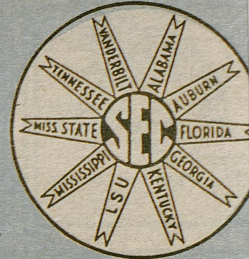


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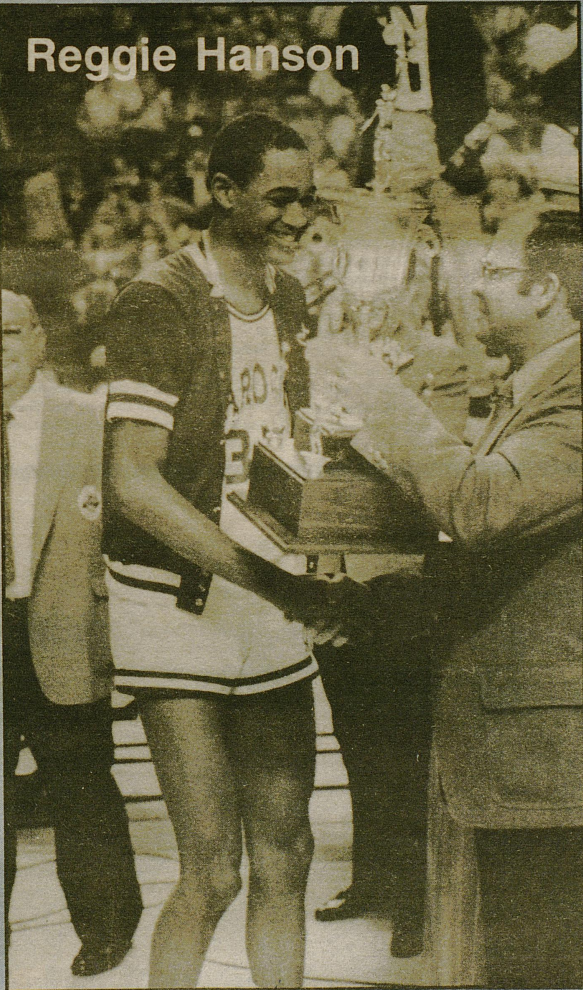
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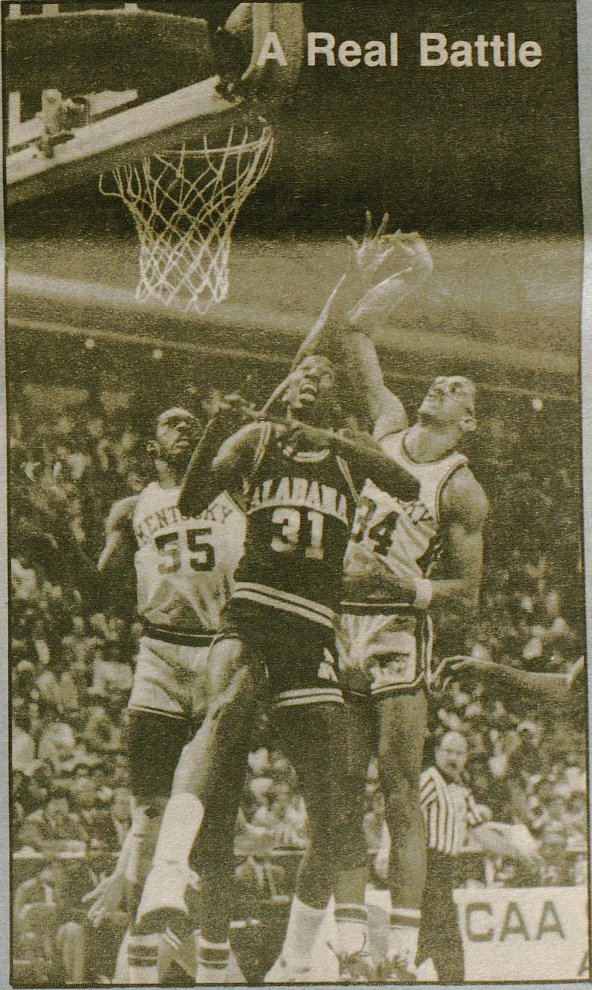
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Hanson Wins State Tourney MVP As Pulaski County Nets State Title

Pulaski County did it the hard way but the Maroons of Dave Fraley captured the 69th State Basketball Tournament with a thrilling, but customary 47-45 upset victory over No. 1 Pleasure Ridge Park.

The Maroons earned a spot in last Saturday's championship game at Rupp Arena by winning three tightly contested games in earlier rounds.

Wednesday afternoon Pulaski defeated Clay County 83-78, which was its largest margin of victory during the four-day event. In the quarterfinals, Pulaski County slipped past Clark County 61-60, and in the semifinals the Maroons upset No. 2 Owensboro 70-68 in overtime.

Against PRP Shannon Fraley's driving layin with 10 ticks remaining knocked off the top-ranked squad from Louisville before a crowd of 18,000.

"To have my son win the state championship on a last shot is more than I could even dreamed," said the Pulaski County coach. "I just want to stand here and love all this as long as possible and love what it means to me, my team and Pulaski County."

The Maroons were led by UK-bound Reggie Hanson's 17 points while Fraley, a junior guard, pumped in 16.

For his efforts during the Sweet 16 Hanson was named Most Valuable Player.

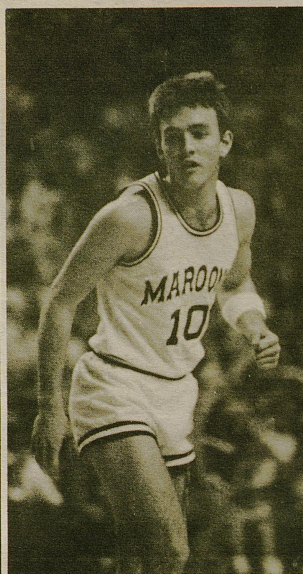
In the four games the senior hit on 32-of-45 attempts from the field, 28-of-33 from the charity stripe, grabbed 39 rebounds, blocked seven shots, had four steals and two assists.

Said Hanson after his team had just clinched the title, "Everything's going through my mind. I'm just glad we won."

PRP, 36-3, had once last gasp at tying the ballgame, but Derrick Wilcox's 12-foot jumper failed to drop as Pulaski County's Jeff Pierce hauled down the rebound. . . and with it the state title. It was the only loss of the entire season to a Kentucky prep team.

Desmond Porter led PRP with 18 points followed by Wilcox with 12.

Both PRP and Pulaski County had tough



Action In State Finals

semifinal battles that morning.

In the first game, Pulaski County led the whole game until Marcus Robinson's three-point play with 15 seconds remaining gave Owensboro a 61-60 advantage. However, Hanson was fouled with one second remaining. The forward swished the first attempt but came up short on the second.

Hanson's two free throws in the extra period gave the Maroons a 70-68 with six seconds left. The Red Devils, who at this time had four of five starters on the bench with five fouls, had one last chance by

Maurice White's 20-footer fell short.

In PRP's 56-54 victory over Hazard, Wilcox was the hero as his 10-footer put the Panthers ahead (53-52) with 13 seconds remaining. A steal and layup clinched the victory.

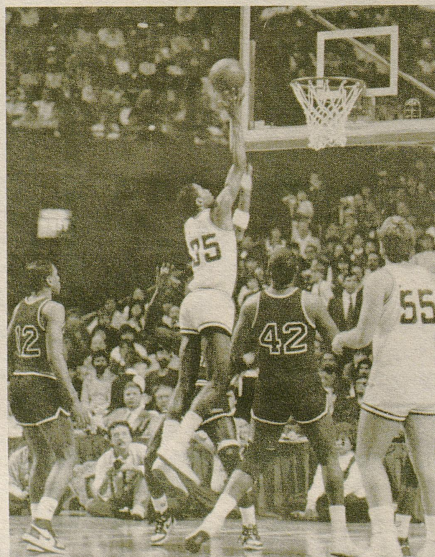
During the late stages of the game, the Rupp Arena crowd (15,000 who were mostly for the Bulldogs) really backed the underdogs from the mountains. And, when two or three questionable calls went the Panthers' way fans began to throw programs, ice and wads of paper on the Rupp Arena court. Play had to be delayed for almost five minutes.

Besides Hanson, other players to make the all-tourney team were: Fraley (Pulaski County), Wilcox (PRP), Porter (PRP), Dwayne Cornett (Hazard), Carl Wallace (Hazard), Scott Draud (Fort Thomas Highlands), David Hogg (Owensboro), Avery Taylor (Owensboro), John Pelphey (Paintsville), Felton Spencer (Eastern) and Lamont Ware (Hopkinsville).

The *Louisville Courier-Journal's* Ted Sanford Award went to Hazard's Terry North. The annual award is given in regards to: basketball ability, sportsmanship, academic accomplishment and citizenship.

Justin Hancock (Paducah Tilghman), Jeff Baldwin (Paintsville) and John Calvert (Hopkinsville) were recipients of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Sweet Sixteen Academic Scholarship Award. The student-athletes were awarded \$2,000 scholarships which can be directed to the Kentucky college of their choice. The award was based on their outstanding achievements on the court and in the classroom.

The State Tourney



Pulaski County-PRP Action



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Dallas - So Close And Yet So Far Away

So close and yet so far away. The thought probably passed through the minds of the Kentucky Wildcats a thousand times since last Saturday afternoon.

Forget that the Wildcats advanced farther than anyone ever dreamed, save for eternal optimist Roger Harden.

The loss hurt. Oh, how it hurt.

The anguish clearly showed on the faces of the Wildcats for more than an hour after the game.

You could see the hurt in the eyes of Kentucky's coaching staff. So close and yet so far away.

Kentucky accomplished an unbelievable season, winning 32 of its first 35 games, including a record 20 Southeastern Conference games in a row.

It defeated the likes of arch-rivals Indiana and Louisville in December, then whipped Alabama and LSU not once, not even twice, but three times prior to the NCAA tournament.

But that wasn't enough. Kentucky was seeded first in the Southeast Region, but would have to defeat both Alabama and LSU a fourth time to earn a trip to the Final Four.

It just wasn't to be.

Kentucky met just about every challenge put to the Cats in Eddie Sutton's first year as head coach of the Wildcats.

Eddie Sutton's lessons were sound. The Wildcats responded well. The record says so. You don't compile a 21-2 SEC mark by playing so-so.

Fans, coaches and even the media, not just in Kentucky but around the country expected a 20-win season at best from the Wildcats.

As the season wore on, it quickly became apparent this Kentucky team would be a special one.

By tournament time, Kentucky had advanced to a No. 3 national ranking, not because of an awesome inside game, but because UK simply kept finding new ways to win basketball games.

It all started with a controversial, experimental three-guard offense because three of Sutton's five best performers throughout the preseason workout just happen to be guards.

Sutton, himself, said the three-guard lineup would have to be scrapped soon after the beginning of the season because the Cats would need extra strength in the paint.

Sutton was patiently waiting for one of three players to step forward and take command.

Sooner or later either Richard Madison, Cedric Jenkins or Robert Lock would become a starter. All three were impressive at times, but none sustained their star long enough to put either James Blackmon or Roger Harden or Ed Davender on the bench.

Kansas gave the Cats their first taste of defeat, thanks to the powerful inside movement of Greg Dreiling and Danny Manning. The Cats were no match and absorbed their only sound defeat of the season.

Because the guards played so well, Sutton stayed with them. They won and won and won. The three-guard offense continued its winning way through January, February and into March.

Until that fateful Saturday afternoon in Atlanta. Oh, there had been times when the guards didn't play super basketball, but they performed more than their share of miracles.

But last Saturday, the Cats ran out of magic. Oh, the effort was there all right. I cannot remember a Kentucky team which played with more intensity than UK did the first six minutes of the game against LSU.

But LSU withstood the challenge.

It was forty minutes of grueling warfare. Ironically, it was a *physical* game, the kind that Rick Robey and Mike Phillips would have cherished. It was a game in which finese players had little chance of surviving.

To be honest, neither team played particularly well. Both played as though their very lives depended on the outcome.

Kenny Walker was the All-American everyone knew he was, but his teammates were unable to involve him in the game as much as they would have liked.

Perhaps no one tried harder than senior guard Roger Harden. He's the young man who was bold enough back in October to predict that UK would go to the Final Four.

At the end of the line, he was begging for the basketball, in hopes of having one last miracle left in his collegiate basketball career. He wanted all so badly to get one last shot at Dallas.

Eight previous times that afternoon Harden had fired up shots. He was true on six of them. As the lingo goes, he was looking for his shots. He never got his hands on the ball.

Harden was speechless, just like his senior running mates - Walker and LeRoy Byrd.

Inside the Kentucky locker room, Byrd's face was covered with a towel as his body stretched out on a trainer's table.

Harden's reddened face told the final score as he held back the moisture in his eyes.

Walker once again tried to keep a stiff upper lip.

Destination Dallas was nothing but a bitter memory.

Kentucky hit a cold spell near the end of the contest and LSU didn't. That was the difference in the game. LSU goes on to a date with Louisville in the Final Four and Kentucky puts the wraps on a very successful season which ended in tears at The Omni.

Another rematch for Kentucky and Louisville was in the wings had UK defeated LSU Saturday, but the Tigers' win now leaves the Southeastern Conference with a single club in the Final Four.

Louisville took care of the other SEC foe by holding off Auburn in the championship game of the West Regional at Houston.

Denny Crum's Cardinals have been on a tear the past month and appear to have the momentum to go *all the way* in Dallas this weekend.

That is unless the Cardinals take Dale Brown and his Tigers for granted.

Without doubt, LSU is the one member of the Final Four which most everyone gives no chance of winning all the marbles.

Don't count Brown short. He's at his finest when his back is against the wall. Sure, his

back isn't against the wall right now. But it was when the Tigers started their late season rally.

Sure, LSU beat Purdue and Memphis State on their home floor, but the Tigers whipped Georgia Tech on the Yellowjackets' homecourt and finally turned the tables on Kentucky after three straight losses to the Cats.

More importantly, LSU won its last two games without the great John Williams playing very well.

As far as Louisville is concerned, the Cardinals should be in better shape matching up with the Tigers in a physical game than UK. The Cards will probably get better play off the bench than UK did and it's doubtful if Louisville's outside shooting will suffer as badly as Kentucky's did Saturday.

Still, it's too bad that Kentucky and Louisville didn't get to meet a second time in Dallas. Louisville won and Kentucky didn't.

Both Kenny Walker and Winston Bennett earned *All-Southeast Region* tourney honors in Atlanta for their play, but the loss in the finals probably cost Roger Harden a spot on the team although his play time again kept UK in the championship game.

While Kentucky's other guards were hitting only six of 18 shots, Harden's six of eight prevented LSU from totally ignoring UK's outside game.

Inside, Kenny Walker was doing his usual job, but managed only eleven field goal attempts with eight of those coming in the first half. He scored 20 points, but only four came after intermission.

Bennett was a battler on the boards, getting 12 rebounds (same as he did two nights earlier against Alabama) but his three for 13 field goal shooting suffered.

Kentucky hit only 46 percent from the field. However, LSU didn't perform any better from the field, hitting only 45 percent.

You might say the game was won or lost at the free throw line and in turnovers. LSU hit 11 of 14 from the line while UK (which suffered at the charity strip more than once down the stretch) hit only nine of 16.

Kentucky was forced into 12 turnovers compared to nine for LSU.

Also named to the all-tourney team were Don Redden (MVP) and Ricky Blanton of LSU and Georgia Tech's Mark Price.

So often, after a loss, you hear complaints about officiating and how it cost the game.

Right here and now, the officiating of Hank Nichols, John Clougherty and Tom Fraim was as good as we've seen all season long.

It tended to allow the teams to play more physical, but the game was called consistently and fairly.

The officiating crew was definitely a major improvement over much of the officiating we had previously witnessed in the tournament.

I'd take that level of officiating anytime,

anywhere and know I got a good fair shake.

HITS AND MISSES . . . With the season now behind the Cats, the UK staff will be hitting the recruiting trails hot and heavy between now and the middle of April, the time when high school players may sign a national letter of intent . . . UK assistant **James Dickey** was out in Hutchinson, Kansas last week attending the national junior college tournament. A couple UK prospects were playing in that event, including Independence's **Harvey Grant**, the JC youngster who originally signed and attended **Clemson** for a year. He is considered the top power forward in the juco ranks this year . . . Kentucky is also high on a 6-5 swingman by the name of **Chris Blocker** of Southern Idaho Junior College. Kentucky is still hoping to sign at least one point guard. At the top of the list apparently is Tulsa, Oklahoma's **Kevin Pritchard** although one recruiting service says Pritchard will choose among **Kansas, Tulsa and Kansas State. UK has also been recruiting 6-5 Derrick Miller** of Savannah, Georgia. One recruiting expert said the choice was likely to fall down among **DePaul, South Carolina and Kentucky.** Now, the same recruiting service - *All-Star Sports* - has replaced Kentucky with the name of **Oklahoma State**, where former UK assistant **Leonard Hamilton is now head coach. Earlier, reports were that South Carolina** was eliminated from the race because **Bill Foster** was axed. Miller, according to our sources, liked Foster. Supposedly, **Georgetown** was once in the running . . . Pulaski County star **Reggie Hanson's** stock went up a great deal last week when he led his team to the Kentucky state high school championship and Hanson was named the tourney's MVP. He scored 92 points. Many believe he will really develop once he puts on extra weight during the next couple years . . . It was like old times at the state tourney in Lexington as rural schools challenged the big city boys and won out against. It was a bitter one Saturday morning when **Louisville PRP** edged **Hazard** in the semi-finals by two points after a couple controversial calls. Hazard had been the crowd favorite, having won its first state tournament game in twenty years. At one time, Hazard was one of the state tourney's two kingpins, with **Owensboro** being the other. **Pulaski County**, from rural Southcentral Kentucky, claimed all the marbles with **Dave Fraley** (who once coached at **Powell County** in Eastern Kentucky's 14th Region) at the helm . . . While Hanson was the star of this team, keep your eye on junior guard **Shannon Fraley**, the coach's son who is going to be one fine college guard somewhere year after next . . . And for you real basketball fanatics, you'll have an opportunity to see Hanson and his Pulaski County team play the **Indiana** high school state champions at Lexington's Rupp Arena on April 5. It's a new series created by the high school athletic associations of the two states and the first an-

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Walker, Bennett Key Big NCAA Win

UK Storms Past Alabama Fourth Time

Thanks to a well-rounded scoring attack, Kentucky employed four players in double figures enroute to scoring a 68-63 victory over Alabama in the NCAA Southeast Regional semi-finals Thursday in Atlanta.

Kenny Walker paved the way with 22 points, but got ample help from Winston Bennett, Ed Davender and James Blackmon who scored 14, 13 and 11 points respectively.

The victory was Kentucky's fourth straight over the Crimson Tide this season and came on the heels of a three-point victory in the championship game of the Southeastern Conference at Lexington's Rupp Arena.

As had been the case so many times this season, defense was again the key to UK's success. This time, the Cats held 'Bama to a 42.6 shooting percentage and that pretty much told the story.

"I thought the big key to this basketball game, and it's been that way almost every time we win, was our defense," said UK coach Eddie Sutton. "Our defense was solid."

Sutton, though, pointed out that the Cats could have made the win a much easier

task if they could have hit their free throws, a part of the UK game which suffered terribly during the NCAA tourney. In three of UK's four games, the Cats hit under 68 percent from the line.

Poor Free Throw Shooting Hurt UK - Sutton

"Our team was solid defensively, but we made it hard on ourselves when we weren't able to convert free throws," added Sutton.

The Cats almost let 'Bama back in the game during the final three minutes when UK missed five of its last six free throws, including three bonus situations.

Although Alabama won the battle of the boards, it was Kentucky which claimed the all-important offensive rebounds and putbacks which enabled the Cats to skin the Tide a fourth straight time this season.

Most of the first half was played on even terms although each club experienced a strong rally.

With Kentucky nursing a 20-15 lead at the 10:41 mark on Ed Davender's jumper, the Cats took a brief vacation.

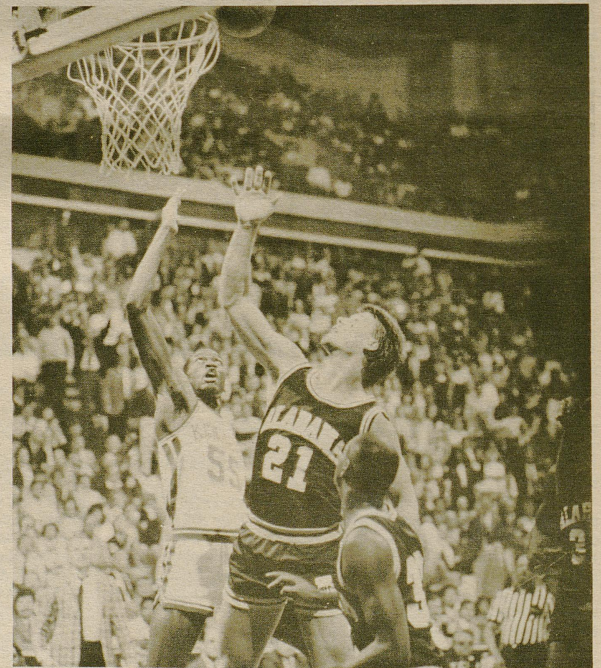
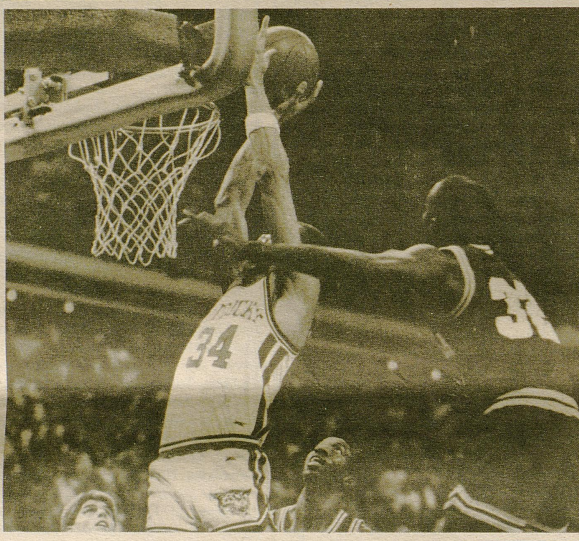
Over the next three and half minutes, Alabama outscored the Cats 8-0 and took a 23-20 advantage, on baskets from Terry Coner, Jim Farmer, James Jackson and Derrick McKey.

Enough was enough for Eddie Sutton who called a timeout to halt the rally. At that point, 'Bama was hitting a blazing 55.6 percent from the field on 10 of 18.

Kentucky Goes On A 12-0 Streak

Kentucky, though, went on a tear of its own over the next five minutes and sprinted out to a 32-23 lead with a 12-0 spurt.

Walker scored half of the dozen points while Winston Bennett scored a couple field goals and James Blackmon put the icing on the cake with a layup at 2:28 before Alabama's



OFFICIAL NCAA BASKETBALL BOX SCORE

VISITORS (Last Name, First)																							
No.	ALABAMA	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO BLK S												
23	Jim Farmer	1	3	9	1	2	8	3	7	36	0	1	0	1									
32	Buck Johnson	1	6	14	4	4	9	4	16	40	0	5	0	2									
31	Derrick McKey	C	4	8	4	4	12	3	12	40	1	0	1	0									
23	Mark Gottfried	G	1	3	0	0	2	0	2	18	0	1	0	0									
30	Terry Coner	G	7	12	6	7	4	3	20	38	4	2	0	2									
11	James Jackson	F	4	1	1	2	1	2	3	16	0	2	1	0									
45	Michael Ansley	F	1	3	1	2	1	2	3	11	0	0	1	1									
24	Fraiz Dudley		0	1	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0									
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TOTALS												23	54	17	21	34	19	63	200	5	11	3	5
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FT %: 1st Half 2 of 4-50.0% 2nd Half 15 of 17-88.2% Game 17 of 21-81.0%																							
HOME																							
No.	KENTUCKY	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	MIN	A	TO BLK S												
25	Winston Bennett	1	6	11	2	4	12	3	14	39	1	2	0	0									
34	Kenny Walker	1	9	19	4	4	7	4	22	40	1	4	3	2									
10	James Blackmon	G	5	7	1	4	3	1	11	35	0	0	0	0									
15	Ed Davender	G	4	8	5	6	3	3	13	24	2	2	0	2									
23	Roger Harden	G	1	4	0	1	1	1	2	37	9	2	0	1									
55	Cedric Jenkins	F	2	3	2	2	4	5	6	23	1	0	0	0									
42	Richard Hudson		0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0									
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Attendance: 16,667																							

Jenkins Battles Farmer

Wimp Sanderson could signal for a timeout. The Tide refused to quit and came right back to narrow the deficit to four points (32-28) at the halfway point and even had one chance to cut the lead to two.

Halftime stats indicated it would be another buzzer beater for the two Southeastern Conference powers. While Kentucky was hitting at 53.6 percent from the field, Alabama was connecting on 48.1 percent. But the Tide outrebounded UK 15-13. It was that tight a game.

Perhaps the key to the first half was Kentucky's ability to contain the terrific inside 'Bama game of Buck Johnson and Derrick McKey below their season averages. The couple had been held to seven of 15 shooting from the field, no free throws and only eight rebounds.

Meanwhile, UK's counterparts were scoring 18 points on eight of 14 from the field and eight rebounds.

Walker, Bennett Enjoy Big Night

That trend carried into the second half as Walker finished the night with 22 points and seven rebounds while Bennett scored 14 points and enjoyed 12 rebounds. The two hit 15 of 30 from the field.

Johnson and McKey combined for 28 points and 21 points, but hit only 10 of 22 shots. With Blackmon and Bennett scoring from the outside, Kentucky moved out to a nine-point lead midway in the second half at 48-39 when Walker canned a pair of free throws at 9:08. The lead stayed between seven and nine points until UK claimed a 10-point (58-48) margin when Walker slammed home a stuff at 3:47.

That was the game for all intent although Alabama did get the margin as low as five on the game's last score with just eight seconds left.

"I thought the key to the game was that every time we closed the gap, they hurt us



Land Or Sea Ahead?

with offensive stick backs," said Alabama's Sanderson. "They are a big strong physical team and really hit the offensive boards well. I think that's one thing Kentucky has on us - they have a lot of strength inside. We're really not a strong physical team. We're more of a finesse team."

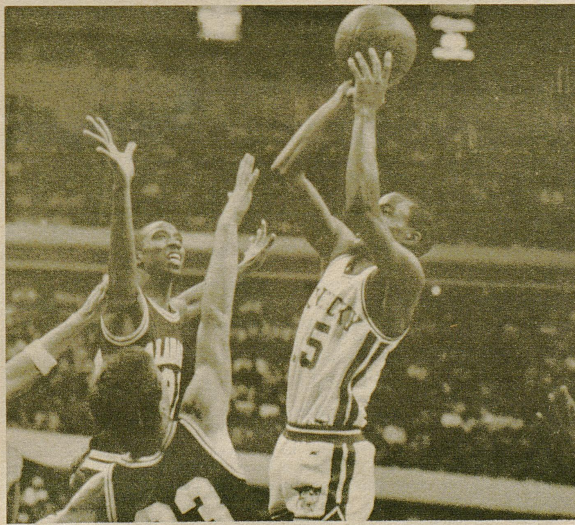
Alabama's Derrick McKey said Kentucky used some new wrinkles in its offense to free up Walker for extra scoring.

"They ran a different offense against us this time," said McKey. "They had Walker coming off picks and the guards looking for a one-on-one and they got a lot of good shots. We gave it (the game) our best and came up a little bit short."

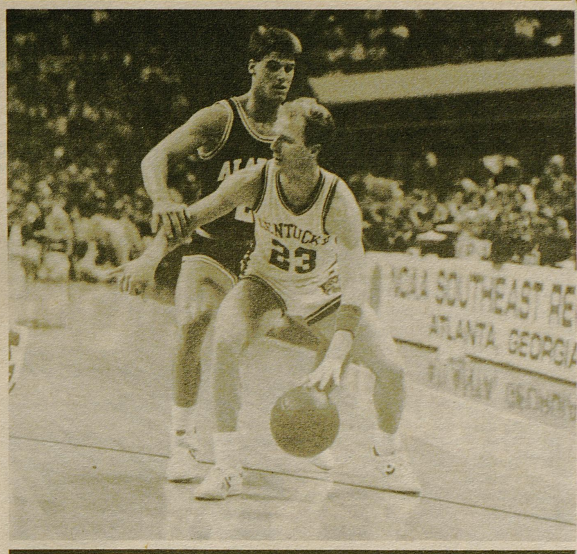
Bennett said he wasn't one to believe that Kentucky couldn't beat Alabama a fourth straight time.

"I Don't Believe It Was Alabama's Time" - Bennett

"I don't believe it was Alabama's time, even though we played for the fourth time,"



Davender Puts Up Jumper



Roger Harden Moves The Ball

said Bennett. "Coach Sutton has us prepared and ready to play anybody."

Was Walker concerned about a fourth meeting with Alabama?

"I can't worry about who we're going to play," he answered. "I just have to be ready to go out and give it all. Kenny Walker is ready when all the marbles are on the line. It was very important for our guards to hit the outside jumper when Alabama collapsed. We're happy to win."

Kentucky-Alabama Game Tidbits

The officiating of this game may have been the worst of any NCAA Tournament game in a long time. The crew of **Booker Turner, Jim Clark and Tom Fraim** just didn't get the job done. There were as many poor calls as there were good calls . . . One of the Big Blue boosters at the Southeast Regional was former Wildcat football star **Jeff Van Note** who commented to an Atlanta sportswriter that the Big Blue following reminded him of his old college days, but he still remembers how the Kentucky fans put basketball on a much higher level than football . . . Parents of several Wildcats were in Atlanta for the two games, including relatives of **Winston Bennett, Roger Harden, Kenny Walker, LeRoy Byrd, James Blackmon and Cedric Jenkins** among others . . . Former UK great **Larry Conley** was part of the **CBS-TV** crew which televised the game nationally on a taped-delay basis Thursday night. Fans living in **Kentucky and Alabama** were able to watch the game live . . . Louisville radio station **WAVG 970** staged two one-hour live sports shows from Atlanta during the Southeast Regional with WAVG's **Art Metzler** and TCP's **Oscar Combs** co-hosting the shows which included guests like UK athletics director **Cliff Hagan**, Sunbelt Conference commissioner **Vic Bubas**, UK assistant athletics director **Larry Ivy**, Southeastern Conference commissioner **Dr. Boyd McWhorter**, Alabama coach **Wimp Sanderson**, UK assistant sports information director **Brad Davis**, Atlanta sportswriters **David Davidson, Dick Fenlon, John McGill** and **Billy Reed** among others . . . The victory over Alabama provided UK with its 20th consecutive win over **Southeastern Conference** opposition this season . . . Rumors were running wild in Atlanta that Sanderson is being sought to become head coach at **South Carolina** to replace **Bill Foster** who was fired recently. Foster, if you recall, was head coach at **Duke** in 1978 with that young team and was expected to win a couple national titles. In fact, Duke never made it back to the Final Four with those players, the closest coming in 1980 when the Blue Devils lost to **Purdue** in the finals of the **Mideast Regional** at Lexington's Rupp Arena.



And The Band Played On

LSU Wins 59-57 In Southeast Regional

Cats' Magic Falls Short In Atlanta

For the Kentucky Wildcats, it was a disappointing end to a great season Saturday when the LSU Tigers withstood a furious last minute effort by the Wildcats at The Omni and sent Kentucky home, one game shy of *Destination Dallas* and the Final Four.

When all the dust cleared, LSU had claimed a 59-57 victory, the Tigers' first victory of the season over UK following three consecutive earlier losses.

But the victory didn't come easy for the Tigers. A couple time-outs (one to ice Tiger John Williams at the free throw line) and a last-ditch hail Mary from James Blackmon also gave the Wildcats another life in overtime.

That opportunity was set up by senior Roger Harden who scored on a driving lay-up with just five seconds left to cut the LSU lead to 59-57 and UK immediately called a timeout.

On the inbounds play, Williams was immediately fouled and UK coach Eddie Sutton called his final timeout to set up the strategy for one last shot, should Williams miss. He did and junior Winston Bennett rebounded, wheeled and fired a half-court pass to James Blackmon who fired at the buzzer. The ball struck the lip of the rim, but fell off harmlessly.

And while Kentucky went home to recount its memories of a great 32-4 season, LSU advanced to the NCAA Final Four against Louisville in Dallas.

Another UK Comeback Wasn't In The Books

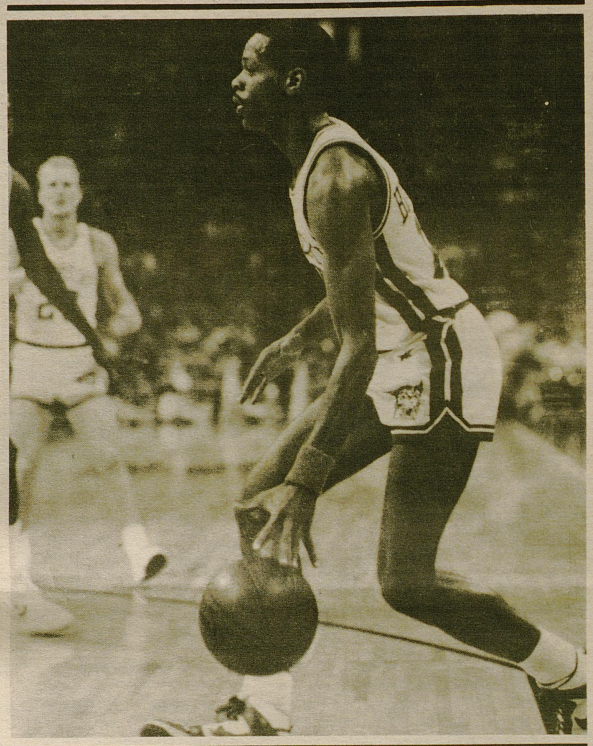
Unlike previous Kentucky comebacks this season, it was LSU which came from four down in the final eight minutes to post the victory. Still, UK appeared to be on the verge of pulling another one out of the hat when Bennett rebounded the missed LSU free throw.

LSU wasn't bothered by the Kentucky magic, not this time. "You could tell they were wondering if they could beat us four times in a row," said LSU's Derrick Taylor. "Usually Kentucky comes down and says, 'Here we are. We're going to do it to you again.' But today they came down and were hesitant."

True enough, but Taylor was anything but a confident soul himself. He scored only four points but shot an astounding zero percent from the field, nothing for nine.

In fact, it was that type of game. Neither team played particularly well. The shooting percentages were below fifty percent and Kentucky may have lost the contest at the free throw line where the Cats hit a miserable 56.3 percent.

Kentucky raced out of the gate early in the contest, claiming an 11-4 advantage during the first four minutes, thanks to nine points from All-American Kenny Walker, the last coming on a slam dunk after a missed layup. With 16:25 left, it had all the makings of a rout. Far from it.



James Blackmon Drives

LSU Fought Back From 11-4 Deficit

LSU got back in the contest on a pair of baskets from Anthony Wilson and John Williams and the two clubs battled the rest of the way.

LSU actually led the final eight minutes of the first half as Williams pitched in ten points and tourney MVP Don Redden added 9, but Kentucky staged a comeback of its own down the stretch and took command of a 34-33 halftime score when the Cats finally rediscovered Walker.

Walker went over 12 minutes without scoring, but tallied seven in the final 4:37. UK got even when Harden canned an 18-footer at 30-30 and Walker tied the score at 32 after Redden had put LSU up by two. Redden hit one of two free throws for a 33-32 score and then Walker gave UK the lead at intermission by tickling the nets at 0:01 with an eight-footer from the baseline on a long pass from Harden.

Kentucky, hitting only six of 11 from the charity line in the first half, appeared to be in good shape because the Cats owned a 22-16 advantage in rebounds. But most of that came in the first six minutes when UK burst on the scene with intensity at its highest level.

In the second half, LSU led most of the first ten minutes, but Kentucky reclaimed the lead at 9:39 and held command until 3:30 when the red-hot Redden hit a turnaround shot for a 53-51 lead. Blackmon tied the game with a long range baseliner (his third straight bomb), but Ricky Blanton bagged a pair of free throws to put LSU back in front.

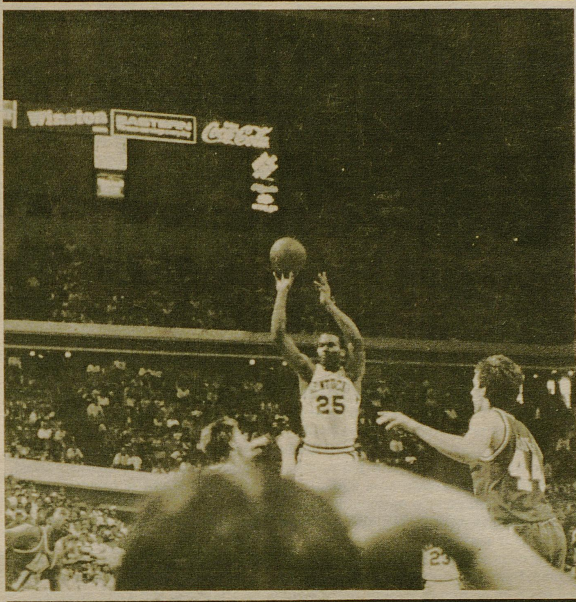
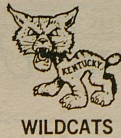
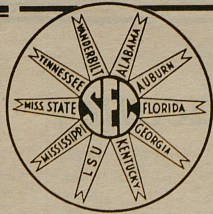
After a Kentucky miss, Redden scored on a follow-up when Taylor shot an air ball and LSU suddenly enjoyed a four-point lead (57-53).

Walker Free Throws Narrowed Lead To Two

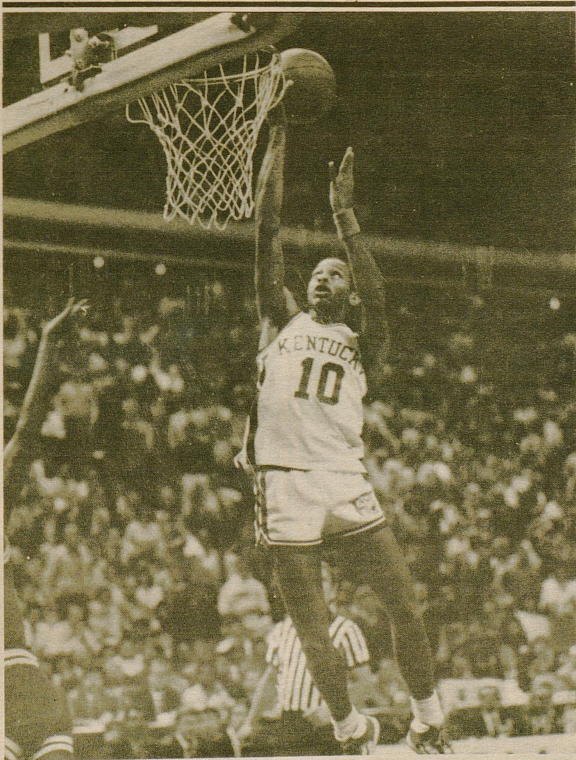
Walker hit a pair of free throws to cut the score to 57-53 with 1:19 left but Blanton scored on a backdoor play at 0:15 as Kentucky was desperately trying to prevent LSU from running out the clock. That set up Harden's scoring drive and then the final five seconds.

Harden, who had played hero in two of three earlier games with LSU, was hoping to get the ball again for the final shot, but it was obvious that LSU was paying extra special attention to the blond bomber.

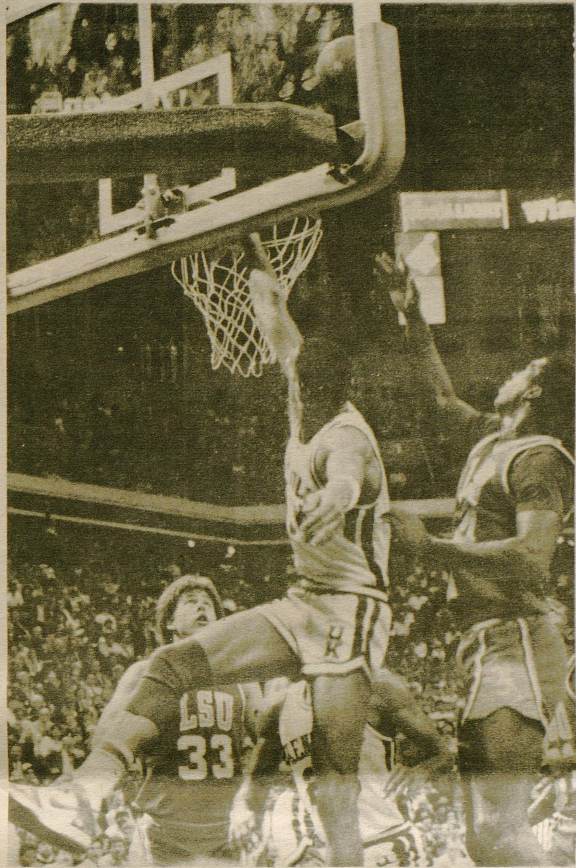
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Sir Winston For Two



Blackmon Scores Layup



Sky Walker For A Score

Teammate Winston Bennett said, "Roger had told me after we broke the (timeout) huddle (with three seconds left) to get him the ball. When I looked there were two or three guys around Roger."

Instead, Bennett wheeled and hit Blackmon who fired up the shot which almost sent the game into overtime.

Kentucky-LSU Tidbits

Redden, who had been ineffective in two of LSU's three earlier meetings because of injuries, came on strong against UK and score 15 points but his six down the stretch were the real important ones and they helped earn him MVP honors. Actually, only two players hurt UK percentage wise. They were guards Anthony Wilson and Ricky Blanton who hit 11 of 14 attempts from the floor . . . Although UK outshot LSU from the floor and outrebounded the Tigers, three more turnovers and poor free throw shooting was the big difference in the contest . . . On losing after beating LSU three in a row, Tiger coach **Dale Brown** commented, "It was a tremendous burden on Kentucky and they handled it tremendously. They didn't choke." . . . UK coach **Eddie Sutton** said the Wildcats knew how tough it would be playing LSU a fourth time and said, "we added to our misery and weren't as patient as we should have been. We didn't have very good shot selection." . . . Junior **Winston Bennett**, who did a great job on the boards with 12 rebounds (same as Thursday), had one of his off-nights from the field goal range and hit only three of 13. Said Bennett, "I've got no excuse, just an off night. It was a sad time to have an off night. We knew Louisville had won. Maybe I was pressing too hard." . . . Taylor, who was hounded so closely by **Ed Davender** all night, didn't hit a single field goal but his last attempt, an airball, may have been the winner because Redden put it back in for a four-point lead . . . Despite the absence of **Georgia Tech** in the final game, it was still a full house, most because several thousand Kentucky fans drove to Atlanta and gobbled up the tickets offered by Tech fans. For Thursday's game against Alabama, about 2,500 UK fans were in attendance. An estimated 7,500 UK supporters managed to get ducats for the Saturday final and most of them were sitting in what had been **Alabama's** section . . . It was an especially tough night for **Roger Harden** who enjoyed one of his finest shooting games (six of eight) and hauled down five rebounds to go with his five assist, but the pain of defeat was much worse for the man who predicted all along that Kentucky would be in the Final Four. Said Harden, "I guess everything has its purpose in life and I guess this was not meant to be. But if every night before you go to bed you think about winning a national championship. . . and the reality now is that it's not going to happen for Roger Harden ever or for UK this year."

Casey Willing To Talk About UK Vacancy

Still Has Strong Love For Alma Mater

Dwane Casey isn't looking for a new job. However, the Western Kentucky assistant coach would be more than willing to listen to any job offers, especially if the call came from the University of Kentucky.

Kentucky needs a new assistant coach now that Leonard Hamilton has taken the head job at Oklahoma State. Casey, a former Wildcat, was one of the first potential replacements mentioned by media members across Kentucky when the UK job became open.

"I have not heard from anybody or even thought that much about it," says



Larry Vaught

Cats' Pause Columnist

Casey, who was at the Boys State High School Tournament last week looking for potential recruits. "I am open to any possibility but I know that (UK) Coach (Eddie) Sutton hasn't even had time to think about who he might hire.

"I'm happy at Western and I am not looking to make a change. But I always want to keep my options open, especially with my former school. Kentucky is a situation anybody would like to be involved with."

Casey, a reserve on UK's 1978 NCAA championship team, is pleased that Sutton has made it known that he wants to hire a quality coach to replace Hamilton and isn't concerned with whether the new coach is black, like Hamilton and Casey, or white.

"No coach wants to be labeled a black coach or a white coach," says Casey. "Athletics shouldn't see any colors. That is one of the great things about sports. Coach Sutton knows that and as a UK graduate I'm glad he feels that way. He should look for the best possible coach regardless of race."

Casey knows all about the pressure of the UK basketball program. He was exposed to that pressure as a player and understands how much UK basketball means to fans across the state. But he has also operated under a different pressure at Western that would help him at UK.

He has watched WKU Coach Clem Haskins come under fire for failing to produce a NCAA tourney team from 1981 until this year. He has tried to recruit big-time players on a small-time budget without the benefit of national television exposure so many major schools enjoy.

"I'm not crying or making excuses," said Casey. "But there is pressure at Western, too. It is a different pressure from Kentucky but there is pressure. As a coach you always know you are judged on your last game or your last season. That is the same at every school and that is the real pressure all coaches are under."

Casey's ties to Kentucky could help, or hurt, his chances to be considered for the vacant position.

If Sutton wants someone who knows the territory, Casey is his man. But if the current UK coach feels it would be best not to hire someone with ties to former Coach Joe Hall's regime, Casey is doomed.

KENTUCKY turned down an invitation to play in the 1986 preseason Big Apple National Invitation Tournament. The NIT committee contacted the Wildcats but Kentucky said no thanks.

The preseason NIT's goal is to bring together 16 of the nation's top teams. This year the final four teams in the tourney were Duke, Louisville, Kansas and St. John's.

Kentucky, though, saw no need to commit itself to a November tourney.

"To start with we had a scheduling conflict," says one UK athletic official. "Second, there is no real financial incentive for us to play. And we really don't need any extra publicity. Plus, if you lose you have a long layoff. The NIT was just not attractive to us."

Teams that did accept bids were Western, Arizona, Bradley, Cleveland State, LSU, Memphis State, Michigan, Nevada-Las Vegas, Notre Dame, Oklahoma, Temple, Virginia, Villanova, Brigham Young, Howard and Texas Christian.

WESTERN COACHES and players were upset that Charlie Vacca officiated the Kentucky-Western game in the NCAA tourney.

Vacca officiates in both the Southeastern and Sun Belt Conferences and had

called games for both teams during the season.

What upset the Hilltoppers, though, was that in all seven games they had lost before the NCAA Vacca had been one of the officials.

"He is a nice guy and we like him as a person," says one WKU official. "But we didn't want him calling this game and he won't call any more of our games."

Ironically, Vacca has a two-week summer camp for officials each year on the Western campus. But the Hilltoppers think that association hurts them when Vacca calls one of their games.

"He wants to make sure he can't be accused of favoring us so he goes the other way," said the WKU official. "We don't get any close calls from him."

EDDIE SUTTON doesn't understand why the SEC is not recognized as a sound basketball conference like the Big East, Atlantic Coast Conference or Big Ten.

"In the last decade those of us in the coaching profession have had a great respect for the SEC," says the first-year UK mentor. "Maybe the SEC just hasn't been promoted as well as some. For years the ACC did the best job but now the Big East has caught up. That has a tendency to snow a lot of folks."

The SEC does a horrible job promoting basketball. SEC officials almost want the league known as a football conference and do little to promote its basketball image on a national basis.

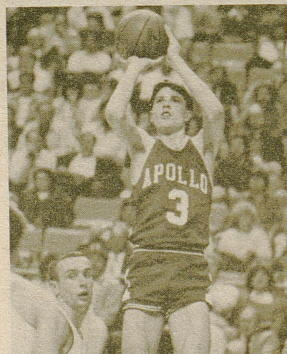
The schools, though, are also to blame. The schools don't do enough to promote their players.

The combination is tough to overcome. The results are a talented cager like Chuck Person of Auburn being left off most All-America teams that he deserved to be on or Kenny Walker not winning any Player of the Year awards.

But the rest of the country had to notice what the SEC did in the NCAA. Or at least St. John's, Illinois, Nevada-Las Vegas, Western and Georgia Tech now know about the quality of basketball in the SEC.

SPRING FOOTBALL drills are now underway at UK as coaches will be looking for players who have developed since the end of the 1985 campaign.

UK Coach Jerry Claiborne is sure to keep a close eye on redshirt freshman Mike Pfeifer of Louisville. The 6-6½, 276-pound Pfeifer will be tried in the offensive line, an area that UK needs immediate help, this spring.



Rex Chapman



Mike Pfeifer

At the recent Pro Day the talented freshman was timed in 5.0, 5.1 and 5.08 seconds in the 40-yard dash. He also lifted a total of 1,255 pounds, one of the highest totals on the team.

Pfeifer's progress could be a major factor in UK's 1986 season.

REX CHAPMAN didn't get to play in the Boys State High School Tournament this year but he was still the center of attention during last week's affair in Rupp Arena.

Young cage fans wanted Chapman's autograph and his every move inside Rupp Arena was watched by fans of all ages.

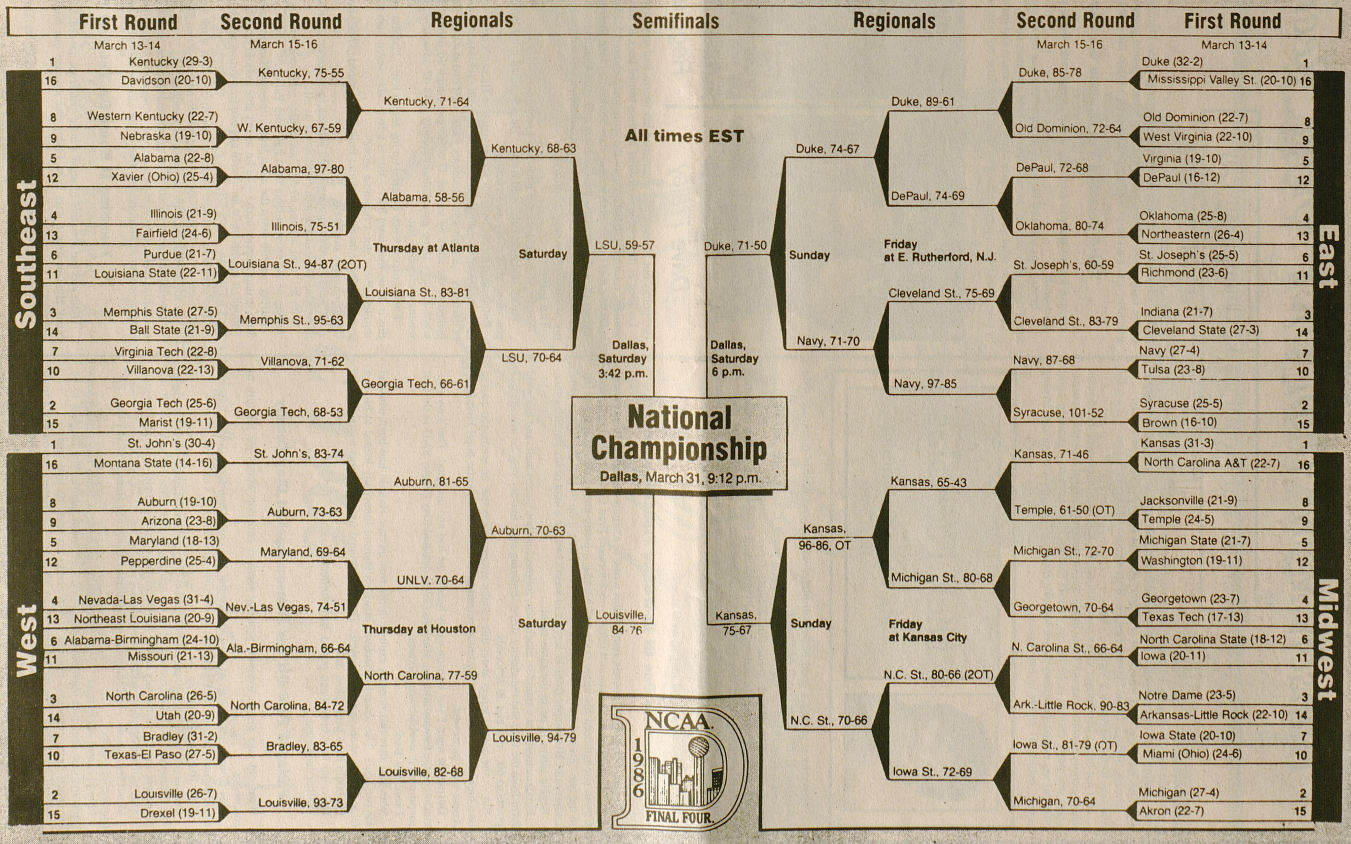
But Western Kentucky Coach Clem Haskins treated Chapman just like he

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Hanson More Than UK's 'Other' Recruit

That Kid From Pulaski County Can Play

Outside the 12th Region, he's regarded throughout the Commonwealth as Kentucky's other recruit. Not receiving the headlines like future Wildcat teammate Rex Chapman, UK fans are wondering what kind of player 'that kid from Pulaski County' is.

Take my word. . . Eddie Sutton's first Big Blue signee — Reggie Hanson — is a solid addition to the Kentucky program.

He's not only a good player who's going to improve, but more important the 17-year-old is a cool customer. Hanson's play in last week's state high school basketball tournament was proof enough as he led his Pulaski County High team to a stunning upset title and was named the tourney's *Most Valuable Player*. He was also the tourney's leading scorer, netting 92 points in four games.



Nick Nicholas

Cats' Pause Columnist

"Kentucky is getting a good basketball player with a great deal of potential," said Lexington Henry Clay coach Al Prewitt.

In the final game of the regular season, Hanson netted 32 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in a 74-80 setback to the Blue Devils.

"The potential is there in that right now I don't think Reggie is as good a basketball player as he's going to be," Prewitt said. "He's going to get stronger. Right now he's just a young pup that needs to be taken under the wing of Coach Sutton and nursed along for a year. I think you'll find out that he'll be a fine basketball player on down the line.

"He's a great leaper and he has good size."

Reminds One Of Ex-Wildcat Freddie Cowan

Hanson, 6-foot-8, 180 pounds, reminds this writer of a skinny kid out of Union County who also decided to become a Wildcat — 6-8 forward Fred Cowan. If you remember Cowan strengthened his upper body and became a pretty good inside player for UK in the late '70s and early '80s. Cowan could either mix it up or play the finesse game underneath. His jumper from 15 feet on in wasn't bad for a man of his stature, either.

Reggie seems to be in the same mold.

Fundamentally, he's sound — blocks out, follows his shot, jumps well, and has good form from the field and the charity stripe. Entering state tourney play he averaged 23 points at 60 clip and 10 rebounds.

But. . . the neatest aspect about this slender youngster is that he seems too cool to be a high school senior. On my initial encounter of Dave Fraley's star pupil I left Rupp Arena very impressed.

During the night I saw Hanson easily handle the bad and the good. That's my conclusion on the forward after the Maroons (29-3) defeated Clay County 83-78 in the first round of last week's Sweet Sixteen.

First the bad:

With less than two minutes expired in the first quarter Hanson had been whistled for two fouls. The second infraction, in which Hanson innocently leaped to block a Clay County shot, was questionable. The term around press row was a 'touch foul.'

He could have been taken out.

He could have huffed and puffed at the official's call.

Neither happened.

Patience Paid Off For Hanson Against Clay County

What did take place, however, was that Hanson patiently waited for his turn to contribute.

Clay County, champions of the 13th Region, had shut down the All-State forward while racing out to a 19-11 lead late in the first quarter.

Now the good:

Roaming around trying to get his first bucket of the evening Hanson canned an eight-foot turnaround with 1:18 remaining in the opening quarter. Next, it was his daring pass from the top of the key to big Bill Hardy (6-6, 235 pounds) underneath which helped pull the Maroons within four, 15-19.

Minute by minute. . . second by second Pulaski County and Hanson finally were getting into the game.

Pulaski bolted out in front (23-21) when, following a Clay County miscue, Hanson's midcourt pass found an open Shannon Fraley. The junior guard, who happens to be the coach's son, connected from 10 feet in giving his team its first lead.

By halftime Pulaski County held the upper hand 38-33 as Hanson hit on 4 of 4 from the field and 2 of 2 free throws for 10 points. "He's a good free throw shooter," said Jim Kurk, sports editor of the *Somerset Commonwealth Journal*. "He has a lot of good inside moves and draws a lot of fouls. Reggie hits 90 percent from the line, which is

great for a big man."

His two-pointer at 3:37 in the second quarter gave the Maroons the lead for the rest of the half. After grabbing an offensive board Hanson pumped once, faking out a defender, and banked in a short jumper which made the count 28-27.

Third Personal Put Hanson On The Bench

Hanson led his team in rebounds at the intermission break with four, but. . .

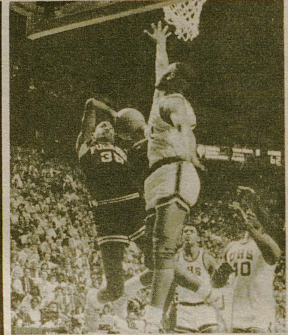
The bad:

. . . he also was whistled for his third personal going for a defensive board with 2:04 left. Fraley then decided to pull Hanson until the start of the third quarter.

Opening the third stanza it wasn't long before Hanson and his coach were sitting side by side. Sean Pennington's driving score and free throw not only pulled the Tigers within



Dave Fraley



Reggie Hanson

two points but Hanson had committed his fourth foul with only 38 seconds elapsed.

Looking at the referee in disbelief he then trotted back to his reserved seat. Hanson wouldn't return to the lineup until the scoreboard showed 5:28 remaining in the game.

During these times high school stars sometimes lose their cool. They tend to fret and scorn at the officials, their coaches and even teammates. I've seen situations too many times like -- *To hell with the team, what about my scoring average, or those referees are always on my case. . . always.*

The good:

Reggie Hanson does not have this problem.

"He's a real nice kid," said Kurk. "He gets along great with his teammates and he gets along with everyone in school."

Enthusiasm for his ballclub was as much in Hanson's heart on the bench as it would be on the court. Standing and encouraging with each Maroon basket he was still a part of the team. . . a team which suddenly found itself tied at 42-all. Shannon Fraley, however, picked up the slack by scoring 17 of his game-high 26 points in the second half. And, when Fraley's layup gave Pulaski County a 48-42 advantage, Hanson stood, happily waving a clinched fist.

"I was worried when I picked up my fourth foul," Hanson said. "Everybody thinks this is a one-man team but. . . this is a five-, six-, seven-man team. Everybody comes through. We're not a one-man show."

At the start of the fourth quarter Pulaski was ahead (57-52) but Hanson was still watching from the sidelines.

"It was kind of frustrating," said Hanson in reference to sitting on the bench. "But as long as we win it doesn't bother me at all."

With his team leading 67-58 Dave Fraley motioned Hanson to check in. Patiently waiting at the scorer's table 'that kid from Pulaski County' re-entered the lineup.

During one trip down the court fans witnessed Hanson's main drawback — a need for a stronger upper body — as he wasn't able to hold on to a pass near the cylinder. Though, it was his move for a layin and two free throws which increased the lead from 71-65 to 75-67.

"The one thing that he's going to *have* to do is put some weight on his frame and get himself strong," said Prewitt. "You have to remember that Reggie is just a youngster."

The future Wildcat will turn 18 next October.

"I would not be surprised, if he agrees and if Coach Sutton does this type of thing, to see him redshirt because he's a prime prospect for that," Prewitt said. "If not, then I think you'll see him brought along very slowly and work his way into it."

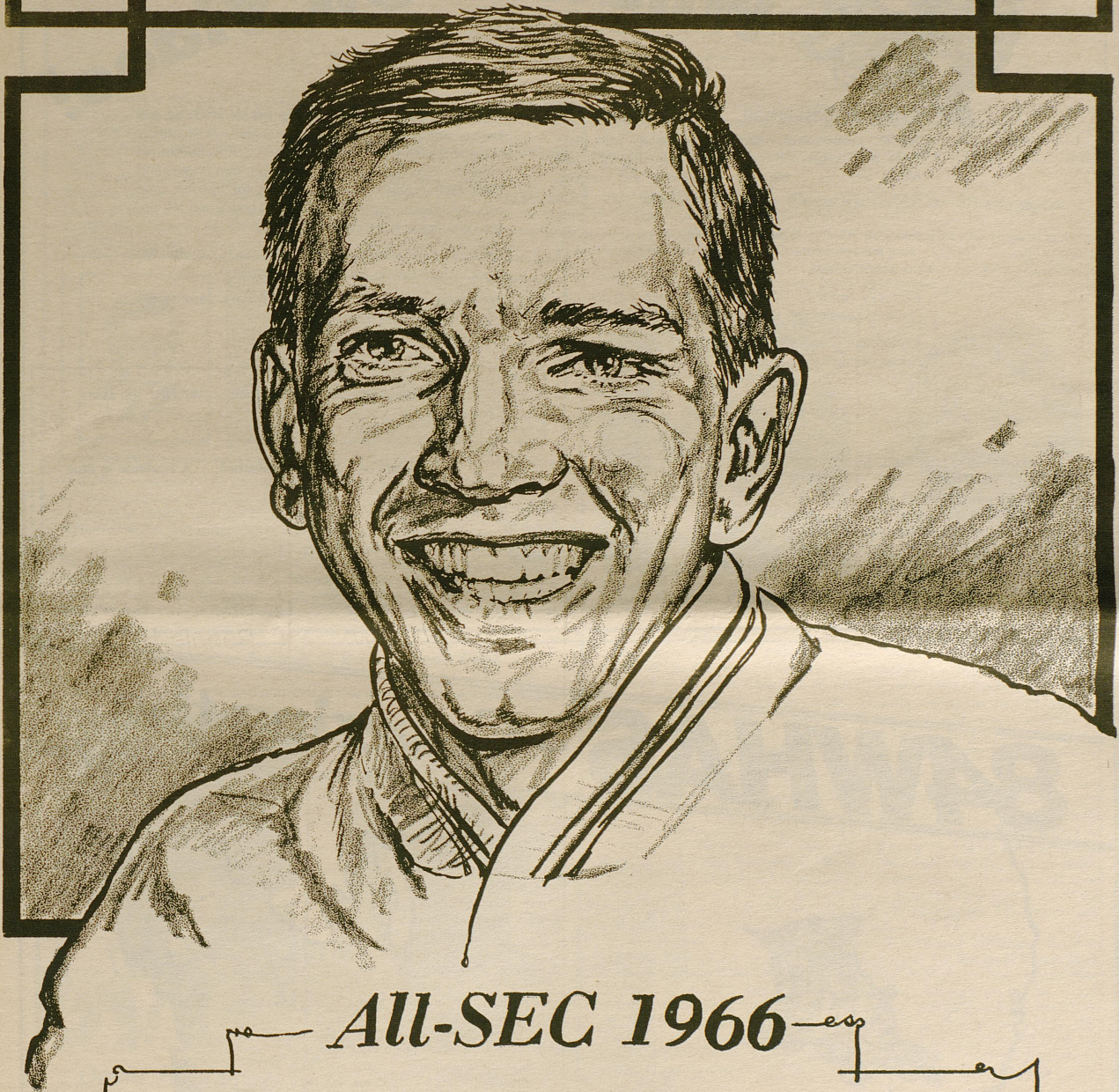
Jamming It Home On The Fast Break

There was the play that brought a huge grin from the senior. Leading a two-on-one break Hanson took a pass from Fraley and jammed one home over a fouling Tiger defender.

"That felt pretty good," said Hanson while thinking back to his big play at Rupp

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Larry Conley

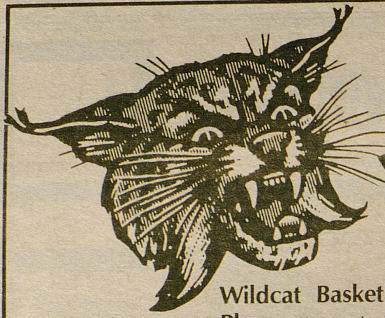


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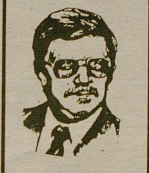
country with Wildcat Basketball.

Big Heart Will Win Big Game In Big "D"

Okla. State Makes Big Move With Hamilton

They ought to call this NCAA tournament the "Valentine Open" because the team which snips the nets in **Dallas** will be the one with the biggest heart. . . **Lon Krueger** is the new coach at **Kansas State**, getting the job when the selection committee over-ruled the school's athletic director who wanted to hire Georgia Tech assistant **George Felton**.

There were a few raised eyebrows when Virginia assistant **Jim Larranaga** took the **Bowling Green** job. Often promoted on national television by ESPN's **Dick Vitale**, Larranaga was a serious candidate last year at **Providence** and had been in the hunt at other places. Despite the fact Bowling Green doesn't pay especially well, the school did offer him an opportunity to run the program and if there's any doubt that has to



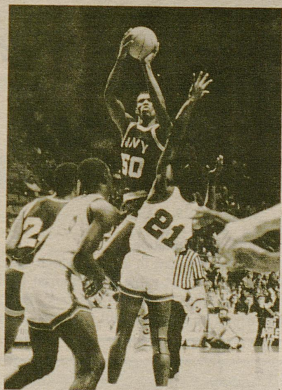
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be the first consideration for an assistant coach take a look at Ohio University's **Danny Nee**. Larranaga will have a chance to wander down the same path. . .

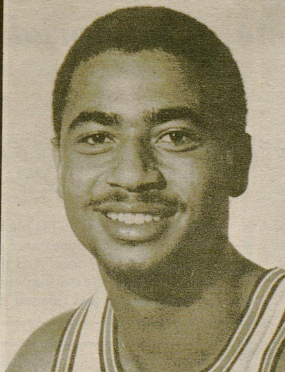
I would be terribly surprised if the uproar over teams playing on their home court during the NCAA isn't ended with an announcement this summer changing the policy. The Tournament committee has kept the proviso in place for two reasons. **One** is the fear that without the prospect of having its team as one of the regional participants host schools would be difficult to find and, **two**, the spectre of empty seats on television. I predict the committee will come to an understanding those two considerations simply don't outweigh having an equitable tournament. **Syracuse, Georgia Tech** and **LSU** will be the last of their kind. . .

The Future of Hoya-Ball Doesn't Look Good

How about this for an emotional rollercoaster. The day before his **Jacksonville** team



David Robinson



Efrem Winters

departed for an NCAA appearance, coach **Bob Wenzel** (who survived brain surgery a year ago) learned that his old boss at South Carolina, **Bill Foster**, had been forced out. Next the Dolphins turned in a dreary performance and lost to **Temple**, but on the same day Wenzel's wife gave birth to the couple's second child. . . Mentioning Foster, you can almost be assured he'll resurface as a head basketball coach somewhere. . . This is the second decade in which South Carolina basketball has continued to struggle and it is traceable to the school's decision to bolt the ACC. Gamecock basketball has never really recovered. . .

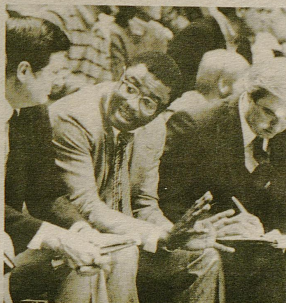
Insiders tell me the NCAA investigation of **Bradley** was touched off by complaints from a player who transferred out and that in the end coach **Dick Versace's** program will be exonerated. . . **Kevin Mackey** would seem a logical choice for the **Boston College** job since he was an assistant to **Tom Davis** there, but athletic director **Bill Flynn** is said to favor **Jim O'Brien** of **St. Bonaventure**.

After watching **Georgetown** bow out meekly to **Michigan State** in NCAA play, I came away wondering if this program isn't on the other side of the mountain top? The losses off this Hoya edition are considerable and the young players aren't leaving big time impressions. Obviously **John Thompson's** recruiting hasn't been as good

in recent years and there are a number of possible reasons for that: Rumors he'll be departing soon and wariness on the part of potential recruits about the atmosphere of the program. . . What I saw in Dayton was a team which seemed indifferent to tournament play. So it will be interesting to track **Georgetown** basketball in the immediate future. . .

Navy's Big Man Wants To Enlist In '88 Olympics

Navy center **David Robinson** says he'd like a shot at the 1988 Olympic basketball team which would be a great start for the U.S.A. team. . . Despite his early announcement, I'm not convinced **St. John's** **Walter Berry** won't declare his candidacy for the NBA hardship class. Ditto **Syracuse's** **Pearl Washington**. . . It has now been two years



Leonard Hamilton



Mike Krzyzewski

and six games since the Pac-10 won an NCAA tournament game. That's telling.

The key item for **Gary Williams** at **Ohio State** is generating some excitement around the state for Buckeye basketball. At one time the idea of growing up and playing basketball in **St. John's Arena** was the dream of every Ohio schoolboy from the day he first laced a **Converse All-Star** sneaker. Somewhere along the way that magic has been lost. Because the state is such a constant provider of great talent, I've always felt the **Ohio State** job was one of the country's five best. To succeed **Williams** needs to keep the local talent at home and that process begins by making **Buckeye** basketball a big thing once again. . .

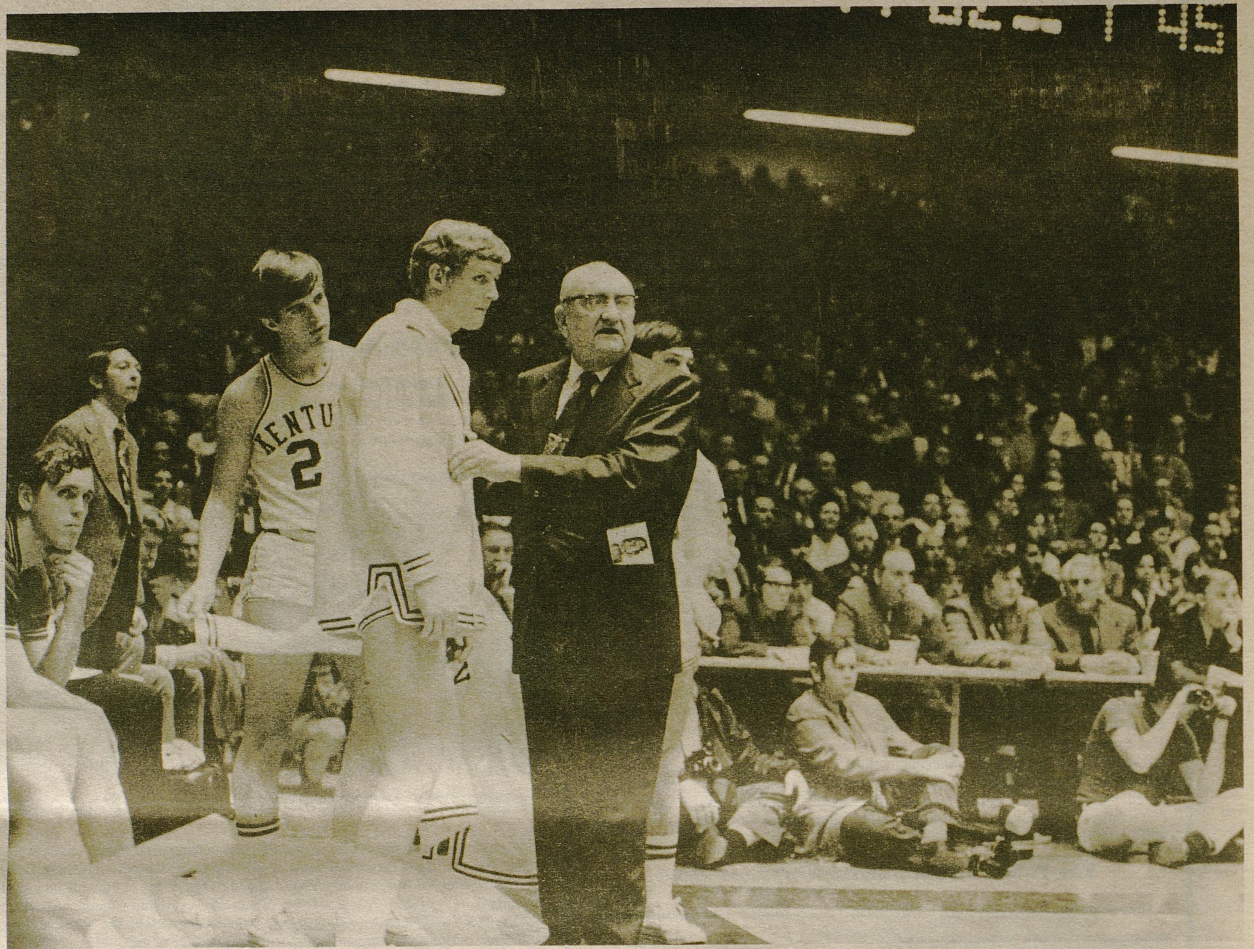
Boyd Grant is supposed to be very interested in the vacant **Colorado** job. . . And how about **Oklahoma State** hiring **Kentucky** assistant **Leonard Hamilton** as its new head coach. That says to me the Cowboys no longer want to just be along for the ride in **Big 8** basketball. . . One thing I don't understand about the NCAA is its sense of timing. The case of **St. John's** **Marco Baldi** being one and the supposed case of **Jose Vargas** at **LSU** being another. Where were all these eligibility questions during the season? Why just at NCAA tournament time do their cases get inspected? . . . I found a certain cruel irony in the fact **Illinois'** last gap against **Alabama** in the NCAA tournament was a blocked shot attempt by **Efrem Winters**. That moment said a lot about the last two years of **Illini** basketball. . .

Mentioning that team and its muscular **Big Ten** counterpart **Michigan**, it will be interesting to see the new look both teams offer next year. The beef guys (**Winters**, **Rich Rellford** and **Butch Wade**) will be gone replaced by sleeker, quicker models (**Ken Norman**, **Glen Rice**, **Terry Mills**, etc). Times are changin' in the **Big Ten**. . . Last year the basketball world was amazed when three **Big East** teams made the **Final Four**, but I was more impressed with the fact all eight **ACC** teams entered post-season play. And this year only one **ACC** member sat home which tells you about the depth and tradition which that conference has and the **Big East** seeks. Despite its great success in such a short period of time, there's still work to be done in the **Big East**. . .

Could Southern Cal Lure Bartow Away From UAB?

Just once in those NCAA-produced promotional spots which features referees I'd like one of them to admit the most often missed call is traveling. . . It is probably worth remembering that **North Carolina A&T** made the NCAA tournament this year with a line-up which include one freshman, three sophomores and a junior. **Big timers** looking to schedule an easy win, beware. . . If, as reported, **Gene Bartow** is interested in the **USC** job the only imaginable reason would be his love of the **Palm Springs, Calif.**, area. But I question whether or not **USC** can match his paycheck and perks at **UAB**.

And shouldn't schools considering the fate of their basketball coach recount the story of **Mike Krzyzewski** at **Duke**. For three years **Coach K** struggled to get it going in **Durham**, but instead of putting more pressure on him, **Duke** administrators extended his contract by five years. Look what happened to that program. . . And undoubtedly no school was happier to be included in the NCAA's gang of 64 than **Mississippi Valley State**. Money earned from their appearance will help keep the school open. Honest. . .



Adolph Rupp's Final Home Game At Memorial Coliseum In 1972

Walk-On Will Never Forget UK Days

A trivia question.

Can you name one of the three former UK walk-ons who at the same time were the last substitutes that coach Adolph Rupp inserted into his last home game at Memorial Coliseum? Choose one of the following:

- A) Terry Mills
- B) Thad Jaracz
- C) Kirk Chiles
- D) Ronnie Lyons

The correct answer is Kirk Chiles, the current head basketball coach at Somerset High School. About five years after Chiles had served as the *eighth* man on the Lexington Henry Clay cage team as a senior, he incredibly somehow became a member of UK's 1971-72 basketball team. He was a 5-10 guard.

The other two walk-ons Rupp had on his last team were Larry Miller and Greg Smith, both from Daviess County.

If you remember, Kentucky that season shared the SEC championship with Tennessee twice in the regular season. The Wildcats, led by All-SEC standouts Tom Parker and Jim Andrews, finished the year with a 21-7 worksheet.

After playing for coach Al Prewitt's Henry Clay squad, Chiles tried out and became a walk-on member of UK's freshman team under the guidance of coach Harry Lancaster. Then Chiles transferred to a small college in Wisconsin where he played for only one semester (because of transfer rules).

He returned to UK as a student. But, in 1971 on the advice of a friend, Chiles tried out and made Rupp's last varsity squad as a fifth-year senior. Since he was considered too small to play big-time college basketball, it was a remarkable achievement. He over-

came that obstacle with his big heart and determination.

His first and only appearance as a Wildcat occurred in a game which saw UK blast Auburn in a 102-67 rout. And that was Rupp's last game at Memorial Coliseum.

After Chiles made two successful stops as a head coach — Kentucky Business College in Lexington and Cawood High (where he coached Phil Cox who later became



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a star at Vanderbilt), he came to Somerset in 1983 to take over the Briar Jumper post. During this past season, he notched his 200th career coaching victory and, also last spring he guided Somerset to the Sweet Sixteen tournament at Rupp Arena.

Chiles, 37, and his wife, Dianne, have three children.

Recently, after his Briar Jumpers were eliminated from district tournament competition, Chiles granted an interesting interview and discussed his younger days at UK. And remember, he spoke from the viewpoint of a non-scholarship player.

Rupp Wanted Clean-Cut Kids

TCP: Can you tell us about the day when you told Rupp that you wanted to play on his team?

Chiles: The idea (of trying out) was put in my mind by a friend of mine. We were together one night and out of the blue, he said, "Why don't you go out for the team?" He said that they (the Wildcats) don't have very many players. (Tom) Payne had left and gone to the pros. (Kent) Hollenbeck broke his leg, and this and that. They needed some more players just to scrimmage. Well, I had never given that any consideration, although I had made the freshman team out of high school as a walk-on. But to tell you the truth I don't think anybody remembered me four years later from that time. So, I said, "What the heck."

I had long hair at the time. I had a mustache. As I went into coach Rupp's office, I put my hair behind my ears. I asked him if I could try out. The first thing he asked me was what year I was in. I said senior. Well, he laughed but I believe he really admired the guts that I had to walk into his office and ask him the opportunity to go out, especially as a 5-10, 22-year-old fifth-year senior. So, he said, "I'll tell you what, if you think you can play with these guys — they play out there every Monday, Wednesday and Friday — come on out. They'll tell you if you can play or not." Then he said, "If you make the team, that mustache is going to go and you are going to get a haircut." Well, he didn't know but if he had asked me to shave my head, I would have done it. So, that is how it happened that I went out for the team.

I will never forget the moment when I finally realized that I made it. We had been through two weeks of practice and I was still wearing my old gear. Everybody else had the university-issued practice equipment. He (Rupp) came by one day right in the middle of practice. "Shorty," he said, "tomorrow, I think we'll get you some better equipment." That's all he said. Well, I knew I'd made the team. And I just wanted to yell and scream out. Of course, I couldn't do that as it was right in the middle of practice. I had to be cool. That was one of the biggest thrills I've ever had in my life.

TCP: Since Rupp was an intimidating figure, which assistant coach did most of the team members go to when they had a problem? It could be personal or anything pertaining to basketball.

Chiles: It was a very unique situation, in that it was coach Rupp's last years as mandated by the university. He didn't want to retire. Coach (Joe B.) Hall (then Rupp's assistant) wanted to become the next head basketball coach at UK. As far as I know, those two men didn't speak to each other that season. I don't know that the players went to either coach Rupp or coach Hall as much as they did to Tom Parker, who was our captain. He did a fantastic job in bridging that gap. I think if a player had a real problem he confided in Tom, who was the elder statesman of the team. So, I believe that Tom was more the father figure. At least, he was for me rather than either coach.

TCP: How did you manage to keep your motivation in practice knowing that you would not get to play much in the games?

Chiles: I had no problems at all. It did get awfully tiring, but you've got to understand that it was a dream come true for me. I was not a great athlete by any means. I was little. Somehow, coach Rupp took a liking to me. I did hustle. I was hard-nosed and I was able to make the team in that manner. It is an interesting story in that coach Rupp always told me that I'd get to play sometime. Well, I kept wondering when he was going to come across with that promise because the season kept going down and down and down. But, true to his word, I played in the last (home) of the season against Auburn. I could say in a trivia pursuit game that I was the last sub that he ever made in Memorial Coliseum in his career. Also, when he got ready to put me and the other two walk-ons in with a minute and 39 seconds left in the game, he said, "Don't throw the damn ball away." It was an honor just to be on the team.

Conflicts Between Adolph Rupp And Joe Hall

TCP: At that time, Rupp saw Joe Hall as his biggest problem as he didn't want to leave UK. Rupp didn't have a kind word for Hall all year and any praise often went to another assistant, Gale Catlett. How did the team handle it?

Chiles: It was obvious that they had problems. Like I told you, they didn't speak. I believe coach Rupp confided in coach Catlett (now the head coach at West Virginia). Catlett was just there for one year and he had to take sides. He probably wisely — profession-wise and career-wise — took coach Rupp's side. He left that year to become the head coach at the University of Cincinnati. Catlett did have a relationship with coach Hall. I believe it was handled as professionally as the situation could have been handled by all three men. It was tough on everyone concerned. There was no outward animosity that we saw. When the ball went up, coach Hall wanted the Wildcats to win as did everyone else concerned. And I have always admired him for that. The team just went out and took care of the business at hand — just like coach Rupp had coached the game the way it was meant to be played for 41 years.

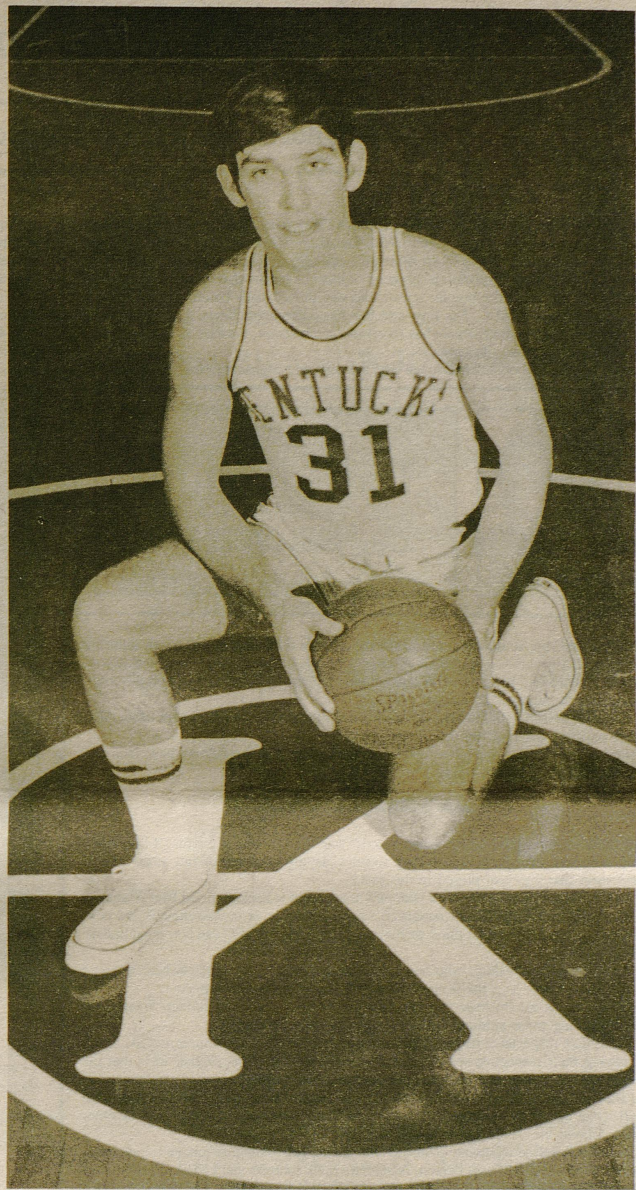
TCP: From your experiences and from what you have seen or heard the past several years about the UK program under Hall, which of the two — Rupp or Hall — do you think was the toughest to play for?

Chiles: That's an impossible question to answer. I know that when they were both at their toughest, I would have to rate them as a tossup. But I really don't feel qualified; I was a bystander. I believe that at one point in time coach Rupp had to be the meanest (not physically), most demanding, and probably the best basketball coach who ever lived. I do feel like he mellowed through his later years. Coach Hall, likewise, at one point in his career the way I saw it, got very demanding, very mean and became, in my opinion, an excellent basketball coach. They both had a temper. They both demanded perfection. They both paid a lot of attention to detail; that was coach Rupp's biggest thing. Coach Hall is to be commended for following the legend, and the program did not backslide. In fact, it went forward. So, I think, in their prime, they were both plenty tough to play for.

Der Baron Was A Perfectionist

TCP: Can you give us an example of how tough or demanding Rupp was?

Chiles: Are you writing a family article? (He laughed). Yes, he was a perfectionist.



Ex-Wildcat Kirk Chiles

You did not mess up. I just can tell you from my own experiences. The night I tried out for the team, we went through his famous guard offense. It was an offensive drill in which you run all these fundamentals. It was beautiful. Red Auerbach (of the famed Boston Celtics) used to say he'd rather watch coach Rupp's teams do that in practice than watch most college teams play. The first time I touched the ball, it went right through my hands I kicked it. My hands were dripping wet with anxiety and nervousness. And Rupp said, "Shorty, if you kick the ball again, you can just follow it right on out through the door." So, I knew then (that he was a perfectionist), and I was able to withstand that and make the team. To me, that was a great example of his tenacity.

TCP: Looking back, did the team feel that Rupp was getting a little old for basketball?

Chiles: I think it did in a way. You knew the man was not in good health. Any time you are around someone who is not in good health and who has reached 70 years of age, I think you might tend to think, especially after the losses, that maybe the game has passed him by. About the time you got to thinking that about the old man, he would raise hell and spur the team on to a victory. Maybe make a key substitution. Maybe change a defense. Maybe call for a certain play at the right time. So, he'd fool you. I think, in my opinion, coach Rupp did one of his finest coaching jobs that year in his 41 seasons at UK. I don't think we had a whole lot of talent and we won the SEC. So, I think, in my opinion, that if he had coached another year or two, he would have continued to do the job that he had always done for UK.

SEC Makes Big Splash In NCAA Tournament

Wildcats Reflect On Rugged SEC Campaign

In case you haven't noticed the Southeastern Conference has already put its stamp on the NCAA round ball tournament. With four teams (Kentucky, Alabama, LSU and Auburn) making the final 16 of the 64-team field, the conference has definitely raised a few eyebrows around the nation. Remember this is a league that received little attention throughout the entire regular season and was shoved aside behind the shadows of the more publicized ACC, Big East and Big 10 conferences. Because of the immense exposure the NCAA Tournament has received via television, the SEC is finally getting the respect it so richly deserves.

Some proponents of the conference who are certainly cognizant of the SEC's prowess



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during the NCAA Tournament are members of UK's basketball team. After enduring the rigors of a grueling 18-game round robin schedule in addition to a post-season conference tournament, most of the Wildcat players feel the SEC hasn't received the credit it deserves throughout the nation.

"It's quite a tribute to the league," said Roger Harden, when asked about four SEC teams reaching the regional semifinals.

Harden also felt that one other fellow conference member should have been included into the NCAA's 64-team field.

Durham's Dawgs Overlooked?

"I think Georgia should have gotten a bid," said the UK senior guard. "I think they were well deserving even though they weren't playing good basketball at the end of the season like they had played in the past."

Another player that agrees with Harden's assessment is backup guard Paul Andrews. "It says a lot for the SEC," remarked Andrews. "A lot of people thought the conference was weak this year. I think we have all proved that the SEC can play good basketball."

However, Kenny Walker, who has grown accustomed to the physical play by some of the SEC teams, says the league should receive more media exposure.

"We don't get the coverage that the other conferences get," said Walker. "Hopefully this will bring more publicity and coverage that it deserves."

With much respectable teams such as Memphis State, Purdue, Illinois and St. John's all having their respective season abruptly ended by SEC foes, Walker feels that the league should not be referred in some quarters as a football oriented conference.

"Having four of the final 16 teams left in the tournament people are now going to realize that it's a very tough league," said the UK All-American forward. "I think other teams around the country have found that out."

Walker's baseline teammate Winston Bennett reveals that such talented conference players like Auburn's Chuck Person, Alabama's Buck Johnson and LSU's John Williams are not household names across the nation even though all three are bona fide NBA first-round draft selections.

"We have a lot of unknown ball players," said Bennett, referring the anonymity of some of the SEC's better players.

The conference hasn't gotten the prestige and respect we deserve."

Big Cities Lure More Media Coverage

Futhermore, Bennett partly blames the SEC's lack of recognition in the round ball sport to the location of most of the schools, who are not located near huge media markets such as Boston, New York and Washington, D.C.

"However, you have to respect teams from the ACC and the Big East because they do a wonderful job in marketing their product," explained Bennett. "Yet, the SEC has done a tremendous job as far as competing with teams from different conferences in the tournament."

But the question must be raised: Is the NCAA Tournament a true barometer in judging the best conference?

"I think you can use it to a certain degree," said Harden. "But there is always those teams that catch fire in the tournament that pick up momentum. The key factor is having your team primed towards the end of the season for the tournament."

However, Andrews differs with Harden in this regard — "I don't think you can judge conferences by just the NCAA Tournament because in this tournament it depends on who's playing good basketball, who gets all the breaks. I don't think you can say what conference is the best by just the NCAA Tournament."

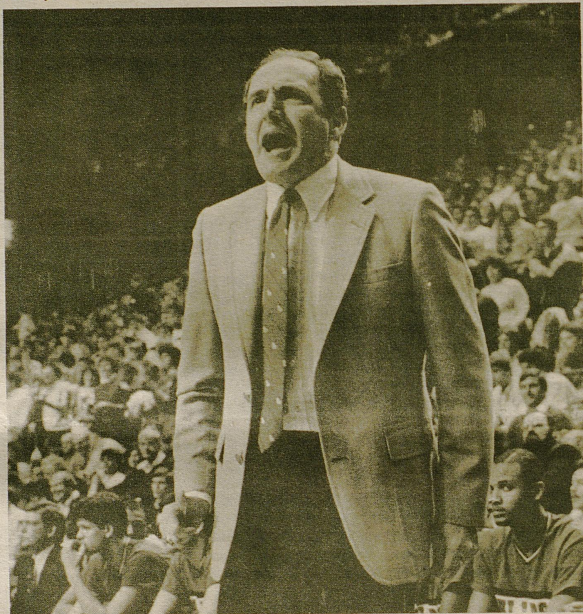
Richard Madison agrees the NCAA's post-season extravaganza does indicate who might have the better league, but he also says that the tournament is always different each season.

"You really can't tell because year in and year out different conferences have three or four teams in there."

Bennett unlike Andrews thinks the tournament does serve as a useful purpose in determining the better conferences.

"You get the opportunity to play different teams from different conferences instead of staying in your own league."

As far as the amount of teams the SEC will send next season, Ed Davender expects the NCAA selection committee to take notice of this season's accomplishments in the tournament.



Hugh Durham

"Maybe when the pairings come out next year they will think four teams from our league were there in the final 16.

No matter what the case may be this season the SEC has certainly made its presence felt in the tournament. In fact, you might even get CBS color commentator Billy P-Acc-ker to admit that fact.

UK Notebook

Wildcat signee **Rex Chapman** has been named to the *McDonald's* All-American basketball team. Chapman, a 6-foot-4 guard, was among 25 of the nation's top high school players selected to the prestigious team. This season Chapman averaged 25.3 points a game and 8.4 rebounds for his **Owensboro Apollo High School** team. The 1986 *McDonald's* team was chosen by two committees of experts spearheaded by former UCLA legendary basketball coach **John Wooden**, and DeMatha High School's **Morgan Wootten**, who coaches one of the top high school programs in the country located in Hyattsville, Md. Chapman will participate in the ninth annual *McDonald's All-American Game* on April 11 at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit, Michigan. . . Former UK center **Melvin Turpin** recently scored a career-high 32 points in leading the **Cleveland Cavaliers** to a victory over the **New York Knicks**. However, Turpin has a new head coach as the Cavaliers' front office gave **George Karl** his walking papers. It'll be interesting to see Turpin's future role with the Cavs since Big Mel's strongest supporter in the pro ranks was George Karl.

Around The SEC

With **LSU** reaching the Southeast semifinals opposite **Georgia Tech**, the contest brought back fond memories for Tech head coach **Bobby Cremins**. Cremins, one of the premier head mentors in the country recalled his first NCAA Tournament appearance when his **Appalachian State** club faced LSU in a first round matchup in 1979. Said Cremins, "I was a young coach wondering where in the world I was," he said. "**Bobby Knight**, a personal friend of mine, came out and talked to the team before the game. Then, we proceeded to get killed (71-57)."

FCA Banquet Set For This Month In Lexington

Two University of Kentucky coaches and four athletes are among the candidates for the 1986 Fellowship of Christian Athletes awards to be handed out at the FCA's annual banquet April 8 in Lexington.

Additionally, Tommy Bell, a UK law graduate and a member of the university's Athletics Board at the time of his death will be honored as the FCA's Christian Man of the Year.

Bell's award will be presented to his widow, Leslie, and son, Bruce Bell.

Speaker for the FCA fundraising banquet, to be held in the Lexington Civic Center, will be Dallas Cowboys Coach Tom Landry.

UK's two coaches who are candidates for the Christian Coach of the Year are Bat Cats Coach Keith Madison and UK assistant Lady Kats basketball Coach Donna Murphy.

Candidates for the Christian Athlete of the

year from UK are football player Steve Mazza, baseball player Alan Yankey and women's track athlete Valerie Coffey.

Coach Murphy is in her first year at UK. She was Kentucky's first "Miss Kentucky Basketball" in 1976 while playing for Newport High and she played her college basketball at Morehead where she earned a degree in higher education.

After college, Murphy was the first forward drafted into the new Women's Basketball League and she played one year with the St. Louis Streaks.

Madison is a native of Edmonson County and is in his eighth year as the baseball coach at UK. He is a 1975 graduate of Western Kentucky University and holds a master's degree from Mississippi State.

The UK athletes nominated for the FCA honors are:

--Roger Harden, a senior from Valparaiso, Ind., who was Indiana's "Mr. Basketball" in 1982, and as a UK Wildcat basketball player this year set a single-season record for assists.

--Valerie Coffey, a senior from Louisville who is majoring in business office education. She participates on the women's track team in the long jump and triple jump events.

--Steve Mazza, a senior from Cincinnati, who played defensive end and is majoring in education. Mazza played his high school ball at Elder High.

--Alan Yankey, a senior from Campbellsville who plays second base for the UK Bat Cats. He played high school ball at Taylor County High.

FCA is an interdenominational group which has local organizations at the junior high, high school and college levels.

The spring banquet is FCA's major fundraising event. Individual tickets to the event are \$50 and may be obtained by calling 606-268-1749 or by sending a check to P.O. Box 1424, Danville, KY 40422.

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Arena, his soon-to-be home away from home.

After finishing the three-point caper with the Maroons leading by nine at the one-minute mark. . .

The bad:

. . . Hanson picked up his fifth foul ten seconds later, thus signaling his exit. "When I put Reggie back in the game I told him, don't get your fifth one; if they've got the layup let'em have it," said Fraley. "But as young men will do he went ahead and fouled where a guy already had the ball in the basket."

The good:

Though he had to leave the contest, Hanson could rest at ease as Clay County, not Pulaski, was eliminated in the first round contest.

Reggie Hanson had conquered on this night of 'good vs bad'. His smile from ear-to-ear as the final buzzer sounded indicated such. . . no matter what his statistics read. "Tonight was no indication on how he could play," said the Maroons' coach, "because he never did stay in the game long enough to get loose. But, I think he's an excellent college prospect and Coach Sutton will make him even better. He'll end up being a heck of a player up here."

Hanson finished with 17 points (6 of 6 from the line) and five rebounds in 26 minutes of work. Although UK onlookers may have been expecting more, the victory in the Sweet 16 was satisfying enough for the senior forward. The important thing to remember here is that he's only 17 years old.

"That kid from Pulaski County, eventually will be well-known throughout the Bluegrass when the Wildcats get ready to tip off next season.

"As far as I know we've never had anybody play for Kentucky from Somerset," remarked Kurk. "We've had a couple from the 12th Region -- Tim Stephens and Paul Andrews -- but as far as in town or in the county he's the first one."

When Hanson and his Pulaski County teammates claimed the biggest trophy of all after the championship game on Friday night, no doubt remained that Reggie Hanson is a definitely a keeper.

Larry Vaught

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would have any other fan who took his seat. He made Chapman move before the start of the third session.

Bet Clem wouldn't have made him move if he had signed at Western.

KENTUCKY BASKETBALL players will continue one tradition April 6 when they go to Danville, Ky., for an annual Little League Day program.

The event always attracts over 2,000 Little League players, cheerleaders, parents and UK fans.

This year Kenny Walker, Ed Davender, Winston Bennett and Leroy Byrd are scheduled to speak at the program.

Here's a look at the Wildcats who have been featured at the program: Rick Robey, 1976; Robey and Jack Givens, 1977; Robey, Kyle Macy and James Lee, 1978; Dwight Anderson and Dwane Casey, 1979; Fred Cowan and Sam Bowie, 1980; Charles Hurt and Jim Master, 1981; Hurt and Master, 1982; Dicky Beal, Master and Walker, 1983; Walker and Bennett, 1984; and Walker, Davender and Bennett, 1985.

The young players and cheerleaders have a chance to meet their favorite players at this event but it is always as much fun for the Cats as the youngsters. And it one of the events that helps make Kentucky basketball so special.

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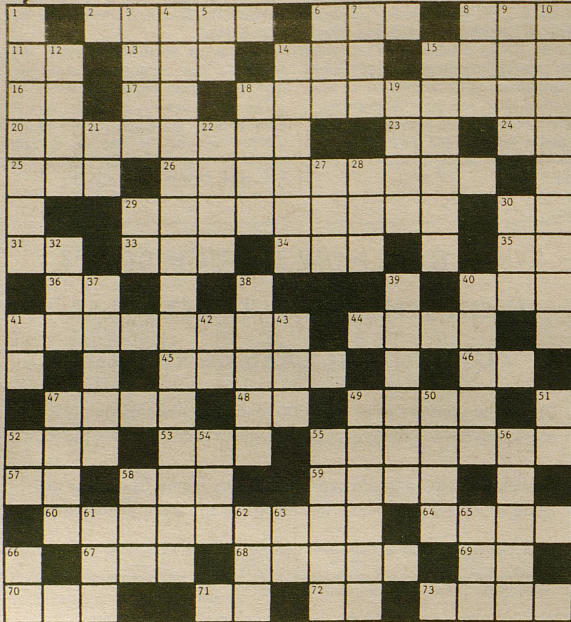
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By Dan Krueckeberg



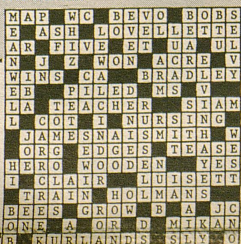
30 YEARS OF KENTUCKY'S "MR. BASKETBALL"

ACROSS

- 2 Namesakes of '82 "Mr. Basketball" May
- 6 '75 "Mr. Basketball" Fucci from Tates Creek
- 8 Face part
- 11 Roman numeral for # of "Mr. Basketballs" from Owensboro
- 13 Sloppy eater
- 14 Body of water
- 15 Make angry
- 16 Initials of 41 Across
- 17 Comparative suffix
- 18 "Mr. Basketball" _____ school was Lou. Ballard
- 20 Wildcat from Marion, IN
- 23 "He hung the rim"
- 24 Abbr. for NCA school of the Orangemen
- 25 Calls 'em as he sees 'em
- 26 '63 "Mr. Basketball" _____ school was 14 Down
- 29 '66 "Mr. Basketball" from Shelby Co.
- 30 Letter addition
- 31 Continent abbr.
- 33 # of "Mr. Basketballs" from Anderson Co.
- 34 Yes
- 35 First two vowels
- 36 Abbr. for a Pac-10 city
- 40 Abbr. for city housing The Omni
- 41 '62 "Mr. Basketball" from Lou. St. Xavier
- 44 '69 "Mr. Basketball" from Lou. Central
- 45 '80 "Mr. Basketball" Stepp
- 46 "He put it _____ at the buzzer"
- 47 '60 "Mr. Basketball" Mullins
- 48 Pronoun
- 49 Star of Covington Holmes in '80
- 52 First name of 44 Across
- 53 Tax people
- 55 '63 "Mr. Basketball"
- 57 Initials of '70 "Mr. Basketball" Brooks
- 58 View
- 59 2 Across was the _____ "Mr. Basketball" from Virgie
- 60 '78 "Mr. Basketball" Doug
- 64 "Off the _____ of the rim"
- 67 Abbr. for "Oxford English Dictionary"
- 68 Requires
- 69 Initials of '80 standout Drake of Owensboro
- 70 '81 "Mr. Basketball" who went to Vandy
- 71 _____ Corner; '71 "Mr. Basketball"
- 72 Initials of '60 Across
- 73 55 Across was the _____ "Mr. Basketball" from Lou. Male

DOWN

- 1 _____ play earned him Kentucky's "Mr. Basketball" for '85
- 3 Old group
- 4 '72 "Mr. Basketball" who later starred with Cats
- 5 Initials of '76 "Mr. Basketball"
- 6 Abbr. for "defense"
- 7 Awkward person
- 8 '67 "Mr. Basketball" McDaniel
- 9 European mountains
- 10 '64 "Mr. Basketball"
- 12 Small island
- 14 School of "Mr. Basketball" in both '63 and '64
- 15 Namesakes of '61 "Mr. Basketball"
- 18 Funny story
- 19 Ore deposit
- 21 Abbr. for "air force"
- 22 First name of 41 Across
- 27 '57 "Mr. Basketball" Billy _____ Lickert
- 28 Compass abbr.
- 29 Big 8 state abbr.
- 30 '59 "Mr. Basketball" Doyle
- 32 Louisville champ
- 37 8 Down played at _____ County
- 38 '68 "Mr. Basketball" Terry
- 39 '74 "Mr. Basketball" from Bryan Station
- 40 Able to move quickly
- 41 Initials of '84 "Mr. Basketball" Miller
- 42 _____ Basketball
- 43 Abbr. for a tourney
- 47 Duties
- 49 '65 "Mr. Basketball" _____ school was Breckinridge County
- 50 Insects
- 51 Initials of '72 "Mr. Basketball" Jerry
- 52 Initials of '58 standout Richardson from Earlington
- 54 Speedwagon
- 55 Extort money from
- 56 '58 "Mr. Basketball" Harry _____ school was Russell County
- 58 The Lady
- 61 '73 "Mr. Basketball" Wesley
- 62 Finish
- 63 Pronoun
- 65 Abbr. for a retirement account
- 66 Initials of Kelly; "Mr. Basketball" 30 years ago



Last Week



Jim Griesch

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Point five. Dick Schultz is the chairman (was the chairman this year) of the NCAA basketball tournament selection committee. While the Southwest Conference was represented by at least the *Texas Christian University* athletic director, no one except the SWC tournament winner made the 1986 tourney. The three teams who tied for the title in regular season play went to the NIT. No one will accuse the TCU athletic director of playing power politics.

Blue Deamons Take It To Schultz' Team

In sharp contrast, Virginia, which is where Schultz happens to be the AD, made the field.

The Wahoons, in fact, were seeded fifth in the East, despite sporting but a 19-10 record. So rosey was the Virginia picture that they were paired with DePaul, a 16-12 team that seemed to be in over its head in the tourney. The Blue Deamons, this year at least, seemed to be the least deserving team in the field.

Yup. You, guessed it. DePaul beat Virginia and Oklahoma, to quickly become the *Kentucky* of the 1986 tourney. (Remember, UK fans, the howling from far and wide in 1985 when UK was put in the West as a 12th seed?)

Schultz couldn't have done a better job of putting his own team in a good spot, unless Virginia had been seeded one through four in a regional. They were as high as a 19-10 team could be. And, its win over North Carolina in early February had to go a long way in their making the field at all.

To be fair, committee members say they leave the room whenever their own teams are discussed. But, the real power is in being on the committee to begin with. Makes you wonder about what happened to the SWC, doesn't it?

The NCAA selection committee is point six.

Any time a group of men gets together to decide on anything, personal opinions and biases will surface. That is only human nature.

But, the placement structure this year is most certainly weird. The SEC and Big 10 were bunched up in certain regionals.

Certainly, that is unfair to those conferences. Especially since media attention in recent years has spent so much time telling the viewers that "this" conference is the first with "x" number of teams to make the Final Four, to make the final 16, the final eight, etc.

To make those free commercials and ads legitimate, then all conferences with enough tourney selections should have them spread out equally, so as to allow more head-to-head competition between member schools from those respective conferences.

I will never believe that all of the pairings in any given year are commanded by computers. No way.

Since this sports tabloid covers Kentucky, let's look at the UK draw for 1986

Certainly, UK deserved a top seed. They had the record, and the ranking.

But, UK was put into a position of having to possibly play teams not advantageous to the Cats. Western, for example, could have been a "psych out" game.

And, playing a lesser seeded team on the lesser seed's "home floor" certainly could not be considered a reward for being the top seed. That's a perk for being top seed — the breaks.

The Omni Is Georgia Tech's Home Away From Home

Georgia Tech can live and smile because of an obscure NCAA definition which says a home floor is one on which a team plays half or more of its home games. Of 13 home games this year, Tech played only six in the Omni, site of the 1986 Southeast Regional.

It is especially galling from the UK point of view after the 1984 tournament.

In that one, UK was seeded first in the Midwest, but had to play one game in Birmingham (against possibly Alabama at Birmingham) to get back to Rupp Arena, site of the Midwest that year.

Since Louisville and Illinois both played UK close that year, the national media allowed a lot of badmouthing by fans, coaches, and media interests of those two schools to claim that they would have won on a neutral floor.

The furor reached such a peak that the NCAA immediately said that in following years, no school would be allowed to play a regional semi-final or final on its home floor.

The rule was broken through modification this year so Tech could stay at home. So much for rules.

Actually, allowing a team to play at home only makes sense.

The school will be much more enthusiastic in putting on the show, plus sellouts ordinarily would be assured.

That makes for a lot of happy money, folks.

But, the furor came only after UK won. The furor did not come after North Carolina had played one of a (seemingly) million early-round games in its home state.

It did not come after a less-known school had won two tough games. It came after UK did it!

The real shame is that at tourney time, very little was said nationally about UK beating both Louisville and Illinois during the regular season.

We all know what happened in 1984, right?

But, some of the problems UK and the SEC may have on the NCAA selection committee may be self inflicted.

Some 20 years ago, UK had Bernie Shively on the committee. He died, and the SEC did not get a replacement. Another conference got a spot on the honor group.

In the earlier part of this decade, the SEC seemed about to have C. M. Newton appointed to the committee. But, before the appointment became official, Newton changed jobs to become basketball coach at Vanderbilt.

The committee is for administrators, not coaches.

But, the SEC did not have the opportunity to place someone else on the committee. Again, another conference, another organization, got the spot.

Of course, about the only way to avoid all of this kind of political by-play would be to find 11 tribesmen from some remote civilization somewhere, have them pick 64 teams out of a hat, and let them set it up.

As long as the system condones such indulgences, then we'll have the sort of thing that has made both the 1985 and the 1986 tournaments such an "item" during the summer "off" seasons.

WKU Would Like To See Another UK Rivalry

Bob's Mailbag Is Stuffed Full

Kentucky and Western Kentucky's meeting in the NCAA last weekend was first class college basketball entertainment. So enjoyable in fact, why not do it again?

Wouldn't it be nice if the Hilltoppers were invited to the UKIT next winter? Jerry West, one of basketball's immortal's was in Lexington two weeks ago, and recalled, "when I played, the Kentucky Invitational was one of the really big time tournaments in the country. Of course it's gone down quite a bit since then."

Indeed so. But if Western were included in the field next year all the money generated from the game would stay in the state.

Kentucky has already reworked its 1986-87 schedule to include a Dec. 29 date with Georgia (replacing VMI) at Louisville's Freedom Hall so why not a date



Bob Watkins
Cats' Pause Columnist

with Western too?

Or, if next winter's UKIT field is already filled with the usual turkey recipe, how about fulfilling one of Sutton's wishes by setting a Western-UK game at Memorial Coliseum with a state lottery for the right to purchase the 11,500 tickets? Then, in 1988 Kentucky could play in Western's Wendy's Classic.

How about it, Cliff?

Testy Eddie

In the middle of the frantic NCAA Tournament Kentucky's coach seemed to be feeling the pressure. Last weekend Eddie Sutton showed some of the wear and tear when he made a couple of gaffs that caught some of us by surprise.

■ First, Sutton blamed the sports media for Moe Iba's resignation as Nebraska head coach, saying we "put too much pressure on college basketball coaches."

A day later Sutton broached the subject once more, pointing a finger at television analysts, suggesting that second guess work by Al McGuire, Billy Packer et al, made fans "just knowledgeable enough to be dangerous."

In Lexington two weeks ago Sutton was asked to comment on one of McGuire's observations and shot back, "I'd never question Al's judgement on anything."

It seems to me that, as Sutton has done a number of times since coming to Kentucky, he has underestimated how much fans—at least in this state—know already about The Game. Too, his latest mis-statement shows how much he has come to take for granted the very favorable media he has received since coming to Kentucky.

Considering the demand for tickets to UK games and the clamor Wildcat fans make to participate in Sutton's radio call-in shows and television programs — all of which helps make him the high paid, hot celebrity he has become — Sutton would do well to restrain himself from telling those same fans they are "just knowledgeable enough to be dangerous."

■ Second, Kentucky's familiar up-tempo style helped the Wildcats build a big lead against Western Kentucky on Sunday. Unexplainably, Sutton waved his club into a down-tempo milk-the-clock offense and zone defense that led to the Wildcats scrambling victory over the Hilltoppers.

It was Sutton's poorest coaching job of the (long) season and leaves one to wonder if, when he arrived back in Lexington Sunday night, the UK coach marched himself to Memorial Coliseum for a "late night workout" to get it back together.

By last week Sutton was backtracking. "You guys (reporters) misunderstood me," he said. "I wasn't getting on the media for getting a coach fired. I was concerned, and maybe I got emotional about it, when coach (Moe) Iba, who is one of the top 25 coaches in the country, takes a team to the NCAA and then he resigns. I couldn't believe it."

And, Sutton added, "If I offended anyone I didn't mean to."

Sun Belt windfall

The Sun Belt Conference was richer by \$1.1 million last week thanks to four of its members playing in the NCAA Tournament. Western Kentucky University, Alabama-Birmingham, Old Dominion and Jacksonville made some hay for commissioner Vic Bubas' league.

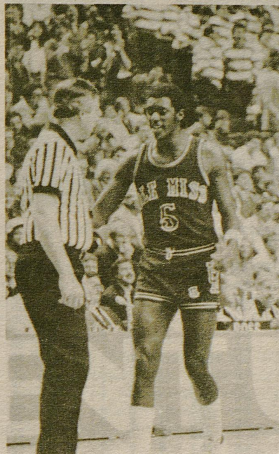
Western's gross take from the Hilltoppers' 2-game stay in Charlotte, N.C. last week was in excess of \$320,000, WKU director of athletics John Oldham said. Half that amount went to the SEC.

The money and Western's 23-8 won-lost record has assured a contract extension for Coach Clem Haskins.

"I don't see any problems for Clem," Oldham said. "But the contract, that's getting ahead of things. There hasn't been any talk about a contract and won't be until May."

While in Charlotte however, Haskins said he would ask Western for a 10-year contract and would settle for nothing less than five. Under the heading 'for whatever it's worth' ESPN's Dick Vitale reported last week that Haskins was a candidate for the Minnesota job.

NEXT SEASON Western has accepted an invitation to the NIT (Big Apple) Tournament. The Hilltoppers will join a field that includes Arizona, Bradley, Brigham Young, Cleveland State, Howard, LSU, Memphis State, Michigan, Oklahoma, Temple, TCU, Nevada-Las Vegas, Villanova and Virginia.



Charles Vacca



Clem Haskins

NCAA officiating

Before the Kentucky-Western game, WKU officials were angry because Charlie Vacca had been selected as referee for the game.

Vacca worked regular season games in the SEC and Sun Belt Conferences, but according to a member of Western's staff, the Hilltoppers were oh-and-7 with Vacca working their games.

"Charlie works a summer (referee) camp at Western and because of that he bends over backwards to show Kentucky that he's impartial," a WKU insider said. "We didn't get a single (borderline) call go our way (against Kentucky)."

Readers write

Rodney Fulkerson from Upton, Ky. writes: "My final four picks are Duke, Kentucky, Kansas and North Carolina. I have to strongly object to your coverage of Kentucky. Whether it be football or basketball, it seems that Kentucky can't do any good. But when it comes to Louisville, they are the greatest thing on earth coming from you. So why don't you just come out and say that you are a Louisville fanatic and just can't stand Kentucky."

Comment: Go big...

Harold Greenfield of Princeton writes: "Why do you sports writers continue to kick on Joe B. Hall? I like Eddie Sutton and I support him. But it is not fair to him or Joe Hall to continue to compare. Of course, they are different (in coaching style). They are two different individuals. God didn't make any two of us alike. Eddie Sutton has done an excellent job with Joe Hall's team. The players at UK did not become good over night. The real test for Sutton will be 1990. That will be his team."

Comment: What comes next is in reference to a column I wrote Mar. 9 about UK's NCAA championship in 1978, dubbed by some writers as a "championship without joy." Afterwards Hall looked out over a throng of fans at Memorial Coliseum in Lexington and asked the rhetorical question, "who's having fun now?"

Greenfield: "Your refer to the 1978 incident. You really don't know who Hall was talking about? I remember it well. The sportswriters were making a big deal about (Duke Coach) Bill Foster and his relaxed and "having fun" attitude. Of course, his career has been less than sensational. He has had health problems (heart I believe) and according to some "sportswriters" he is leaving South Carolina under pressure. Sometimes those who make a career from criticizing others have the most difficult time in receiving criticism. In case you don't know who I am talking about, I mean sportswriters."

Next, some fans did not take kindly to Eddie Sutton's remarks about the media during his stay last week in Charlotte, N.C. One of them was a Hardin Countian.

Virginia Harvley of Sonora writes: "...he (Sutton) comes along and opens his mouth before he puts his brain in gear. No coach has had his feats more favorably written about than has coach Sutton. Many times, in my view, he hasn't earned nearly all the joyous honeymoon he's been given by the media. I listen to all this and read every word of it. I've disagreed with much of it. Good Lord, he's gotten where the Wildcats are with a team I could have coached. They could have coached themselves for goodness sake. Coach of the year? Hardly."

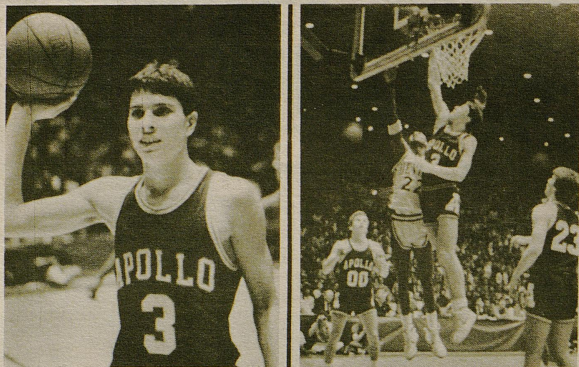
Ms. Harvley goes on, "Roger Harden was MVP of our (SEC) tournament and wasn't named. I didn't hear a word, nor saw a word written about coach Sutton promoting Roger for anything. He was too busy promoting (Kenny) Walker."

And, this UK fan was not happy either when Sutton said he was tired following the SEC Tournament. "We pay the man an enormous pile of pecos to coach, being tired goes with the territory it seems to me."

"It is Sutton's responsibility," she goes on, "to present himself as coach with dignity, honor and good sense. If he can't stand the heat then he should remove himself from the kitchen."

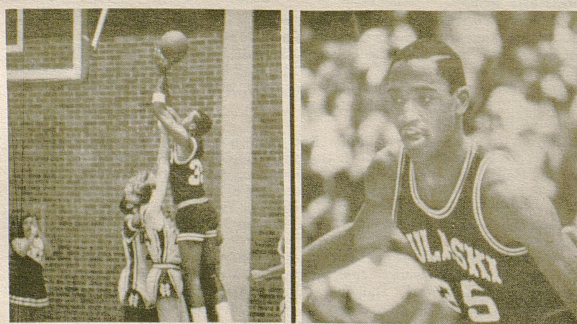
And so it goes.

Tracking Future University Of Kentucky Wildcats



Rex Chapman

Table with columns: Opponent, Score, FGM-FGA, PCT, FTM-FTA, PCT, REB, A, PF, TO, S, TPS. Lists various opponents and their statistics.



Reggie Hanson

Table with columns: Opponent, Score, FGM-FGA, PCT, FTM-FTA, PCT, TPS, OR, DR, TR, TO, S, A, BS, PF. Lists various opponents and their statistics.

1987 DATES & SITES

Table with columns: Site and Host, Date. Lists tournament dates and locations for First & Second Rounds, Southeast, Midwest, West, and Regionals.

FUTURE FINAL FOUR SITES

Table with columns: Finals, Site and Host, Date. Lists future final four sites for 50th, 51st, and 52nd editions.

Oscar L. Combs

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nual games will be held in Lexington. In the preliminary, the girls' state champions of the two states will play . . . On board UK's official team party charter from Atlanta Saturday night after Kentucky's loss to LSU was Kentucky Governor Martha Layne Collins who spoke with each of the Wildcats and complimented them for a great season . . . Despite denials from the governor aides, rumors still persist that the governor is interested in becoming president of the University of Kentucky sometime late next year or early the following year after her four-year term ends. In view of that, don't be shocked if that multi-million dollar coal research grant (which was transferred to the University of Louisville about a year ago) is given back to UK sometime in the near future . . . One inside source said the decision to take the grant from UK really shook some people up On The Hill (term referred to as UK's administrative officials) and they (UK officials) now understand they "don't run the entire state." . . . Don't expect Eddie Sutton to name a replacement for assistant Leonard Hamilton anytime soon, although he hasn't set any timetable. He has already been bombarded with dozens and dozens of applications, but he won't be persuaded or pushed into any decision other than by his own standards. Some say he must hire a person immediately because the national letter of intent signing date is at hand. A new assistant isn't likely to be performing miracles over-

night so that most likely won't be a great concern. Plus, basketball fans shouldn't forget that the real recruiters for a school is first, the program, itself and secondly the head coach. The Wildcats have both of those positions in pretty good hands right now . . . It's been five years since LSU made its only other trip to the Final Four and coach Dale Brown says he has learned a lot and changed a lot since then. Brown also said in Atlanta that he wanted to clear up a misunderstanding with Kentucky fans after some comments he made during the SEC Tournament in Lexington. He said that what he meant about not being a born-again Christian was that he was not a person who is talking one lifestyle and living another. He said he is a Christian and has a strong religious faith. He also said he received hundreds of nice letters from Kentucky fans who thanked him for the letter of congratulations which appeared in the form of a paid advertisement in The Lexington Herald-Leader on the eve of the SEC Tourney . . . One of the touching scenes after Kentucky's heartbreaking loss to LSU was Brown embracing Walker. Brown has always been a big Kentucky fan, where basketball people know it or not. He always admired Adolph Rupp, defended Joe B. Hall often to the media and once wrote a very touching letter to former Wildcat Sam Bowie after he read a Bowie letter to Kentucky fans in a basketball yearbook.

NCAA Embarrassing To Media Products

CBS-Big East Connection A Joke?

Winston Churchill, the late, great prime minister of Great Britain, said of his Royal Air Force fighter pilots during the Blitz of London, "Never have so many owed so much to so few."

Something like that, anyway. After the first big weekend of the 1986 NCAA Tournament, a modern version, a parallel quote could be: "Never have so few had so much egg on their faces."

1. CBS.
2. The Big East.
3. Brent Musburger.



Jim Griesch
Cats' Pause Columnist

4. Syracuse.
5. Dick Schultz.
6. The NCAA selection committee

CBS Made A Boo-Boo

Let's look at these hapless beings in order. Will someone please tell whoever it is who was in charge of the graphics at the Charlotte first round games that it has not been 15 years since Western last played in the tourney?

Over a five-year period from 1977 through 1981, Western made it into the tournament three times. Once, Jim Richard was the coach, twice it was Gene Keady.

One of the biggest Western wins was a two-pointer over Syracuse in a Mideast Regional game in Tennessee. Steve Ashby of Madisonville tossed in the winner at the buzzer.

That bit of information is probably a major surprise to those in-state University of Kentucky fans who live in the Eastern Time Zone, but not to those in the Central zone.

For the second time in two years, CBS has cut away from a game in which Kentucky was ahead late in the contest.

In 1984, CBS cut away from a second-round game in which UK eventually beat Brigham Young by 25 points. The cut-away came suddenly in the second half, with UK running along comfortably.

True, CBS did pick up Indiana's upset of the North Carolina-Dean Smith-Michael Jordan deity, but it was still infuriating to just about every UK fan alive.

This year, with UK hanging on against a solid Western Kentucky rally with about six minutes to go, CBS thought it had a chance to show the end of a real Cinderella game, North Carolina State and Arkansas-Little Rock. Instead, the viewers got caught sitting through a couple of timeouts, then into the first of two overtimes.

True. That was an exciting game, but not to the fans who may have been wondering about Western's rally.

Instead of keeping the nation's viewers at the most exciting game, as it was going, the viewer had his concentration broken, not to mention UK and Western fans getting their dander up, their feathers ruffled.

The sports cable network, ESPN, did a lot of switching around that same weekend, and that was an annoying habit. Many fans want to watch the game they start with. The fans of those two teams from which the nets break away may be keeping score, may be right into the game, and may not have a local station carrying that one game, just for the home folks.

Want to lose fans?

UK fans outside the listening range of Lexington radio station WVLK missed some enlightening remarks in the regular postgame call-in show hosted by personable Tim Smile, after the Western game.

Cutting Away From 'Cats Led To Many Phone Calls

Apparently, many UK fans called the CBS offices in New York City to voice their complaints. One caller to WVLK even read the CBS telephone number on the air over WVLK.

Another fan, a lady, called later to say that the operator who took her call was very apologetic, and explained that those at CBS in charge of such decisions felt that the game was a lock for UK.

Dumb. Dumb. Dumb.

Three or four minutes before the actual cut-away, they would have looked solid in that decision. But, when they actually left, Western was as close as they had been in almost 20 minutes of playing time.

Stupid. Stupid. Stupid.

If you think UK fans were mad imagine those Western fans. They finally could begin

to see their team play, and play hard. They could have been deprived of the school's biggest win in 15 years (since they beat UK and Ohio State in the Mideast Regional to reach the Final Four in Houston).

Of course, outsiders would say, quickly, that UK fans, in particular, are becoming paranoid with the national media.

Maybe that is true. But, it is just one of about a half dozen slights or perceived slights by CBS toward Kentucky, the team, and the state, and maybe Lexington, the city.

Most UK fans certainly believe that CBS championed the cause of the University of Louisville in promoting the "non-rivalry" between the Cardinals and the Wildcats.

The UK-BYU cut-away in 1984 was the only such departure of an NCAA tourney game by the network that year, that those of us living in Kentucky had a chance to see.

There also seems to be some evidence that CBS played a major part in keeping Kentucky out of the 1984 Peach Bowl, which led to UK playing Wisconsin in the last Hall of Fame Bowl in Birmingham.

Remember? UK seemed sure of playing Virginia that year, only to have the rumor (in print) in Lexington that CBS, instead, wanted a Big Ten team, since CBS was televising the game, and CBS had spent all of that season doing Big Ten and Pac-10 games during the regular season.

Purdue played, and lost.

In basketball, Brent Musburger and Billy Packer seem (to the average UK fanatic) to be less generous in their praise of the UK program than they might be.

And, of course, anyone who believes that CBS doesn't want an attractive early-round NCAA game, and exerts no pressure on the selection committee to provide such a match up, is still eligible to watch *Alice in Wonderland*.

Relationships Between Certain Conferences And TV?

Since CBS has had a cozy working relationship with both the Big Ten and the Big East conference, is it any surprise that both had nice placements in this year's tournament?

Remember, CBS and the Big East have just signed a long-term, super-rich contract to do Big East games for the next several years.

Supposedly, it is only the richest college basketball conference contract ever in the TV industry.

Point number two. The Big East figured to be down this year after putting three teams in the 1985 Final Four, with Villanova the surprise champions.

But, St. John's was completely blown away by Auburn, while Syracuse was only laughable at home, against an underrated Navy team.

But, marketing has become the name of the game in modern college athletics. Just check out the tourney's chart, which lists the regional assignments for each team from the six conferences which had at least four teams selected for the 1986 tourney.

Only the SEC and the Big 10 failed to get one representative in each of the four regionals.

The SEC wound up with three of the final four in the Southeast, which was played on the alternate home floor for Georgia Tech of the Atlantic Coast Conference in Atlanta. Tech was the only "outsider" in the regional final four. Nice placement, NCAA.

Of course, cynics can easily point to allowing Louisiana State to play on its home floor, as an eleven seed. How do you think Gene Keady of Purdue and Dana Kirk of Memphis State felt?

The SEC had three teams in its home region, while the Big 10 had no teams in the West Regional, despite having six teams in the tourney field. Three Big 10 teams were put into the home regional, the Midwest. Only upstart, and unheralded Michigan State survived.

But, the Atlantic Coast, the Big East, the Big 8, and even the Sun Belt, had teams in all four regional extravaganzas.

Notice, please, that the ACC and the Big East have the most extensive knowledge of how to use the TV medium in showing its teams, and that the Sun Belt has teams in several major southern TV markets.

Ohhhhhhh.

What About This Musburger Guy?

Point three. Does Musburger really make more than \$1 million a year in salary?

Electronic media people who have worked with him on a regular basis love him. He is capable of talking to the guy in the living room, yet keeping all his instructions clear while listening to the director over his ear phone.

Musburger, apparently, has great on-air presence and technical ability. Too, he supposedly once earned several national honors as a print reporter in Chicago.

Still, he seems to be a joke. He has become less of a reporter, more of a promoter, in recent years.

His credibility with the fans (at least in Kentucky) has sunk to where he could be of more use as a spittoon in a sports bar in Lexington.

Point four. Syracuse, which has had problems winning on the road, seemed to have a trip to the East Regional locked by playing the first two possible games at home, in the 35,000-seat Carrier Dome.

Poor little Pearl and the boys. Navy buried them, and it was frantic to see the Orangemen hanging on, hanging on, desperate at the end of a 97-85 loss.

Louisiana State, at least, made the most of its golden opportunity, playing at home and proved their worth by winning the Southeast Regional on someone else's home floor in Atlanta.

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Kentucky Basketball Statistics

G	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Reb	Avg	PF	D	Ast	To	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
WALKER, KENNY																			
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BENNETT, WINSTON																			
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DAVENDER, ED																			
36	35	1142	31.7	155	354	43.8	104	131	79.4	98	2.7	87	1	121	69	2	59	414	11.5
BLACKMON, JAMES																			
36	36	992	27.6	148	303	48.8	41	71	57.7	143	4.0	85	2	77	43	5	49	337	9.4
HARDEN, ROGER																			
36	36	1121	31.1	109	208	52.4	26	31	83.9	79	2.2	67	-	232	86	1	33	244	6.8
MADISON, RICHARD																			
33	-	486	14.7	62	108	57.4	35	52	67.3	81	2.5	39	-	23	37	7	10	159	4.8
JENKINS, CEDRIC																			
36	-	424	11.8	44	90	48.9	29	42	69.0	82	2.3	56	2	7	11	5	8	117	3.3
LOCK, ROBERT																			
28	-	209	7.5	30	55	54.5	22	46	47.8	50	1.8	39	-	3	24	12	4	82	2.9
ZIEGLER, TODD																			
17	-	70	4.1	14	24	58.3	6	10	60.0	19	1.1	12	-	5	7	1	3	34	2.0
BYRD, LEROY																			
22	1	125	5.7	12	20	60.0	13	17	76.5	12	.5	11	-	21	11	1	14	37	1.7
ANDREWS, PAUL																			
24	-	166	6.9	17	40	42.5	6	6	100.0	17	.7	19	-	14	8	-	7	40	1.7
THOMAS, IRVING																			
19	-	82	4.3	8	16	50.0	8	14	57.1	18	.9	14	-	5	19	3	1	24	1.3
Team																			
36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	64	1.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY WILDCATS

Date	Record	UOFK	Opp	Opponent	Margin	Top Scorer	Top Rebounder	Attendance
Nov. 22	1-0	77	58	NORTHWESTERN STATE	19	18 BENNETT WINSTON	7 BENNETT WINSTON	23,127 (H)
Nov. 26	2-0	89	57	CHAMINADE	32	22 WALKER, KENNY	5 WALKER, KENNY	1,508 (A)
Nov. 27	3-0	98	65	HAWAII	33	33 WALKER, KENNY	10 WALKER, KENNY	6,342 (A)
Dec. 03	4-0	84	54	CINCINNATI	30	26 WALKER, KENNY	7 BLACKMON, JAMES	23,330 (H)
Dec. 07	5-0	63	58	INDIANA	5	22 DAVENDER, ED	5 BLACKMON, JAMES	24,203 (H)
Dec. 14	5-1	66	83	KANSAS	-17	12 WALKER, KENNY	8 BENNETT WINSTON	15,122 (A)
Dec. 20	6-1	86	52	EAST CAROLINA	34	19 WALKER, KENNY	9 BENNETT WINSTON	22,416 (H)
Dec. 21	7-1	88	56	PEPPERDINE	32	21 WALKER, KENNY	10 WALKER, KENNY	22,840 (H)
Dec. 28	8-1	69	64	LOUISVILLE	5	23 BENNETT WINSTON	14 WALKER, KENNY	24,180 (H)
Dec. 30	9-1	93	55	VIRGINIA MILITARY IN	38	18 WALKER, KENNY	10 BENNETT WINSTON	19,450 (N-L'ville)
Jan. 04	10-1	80	71	VANDERBILT	9	25 WALKER, KENNY	14 BENNETT WINSTON	15,626 (A)
Jan. 06	10-2	56	60	AUBURN	-4	22 WALKER, KENNY	6 WALKER, KENNY	11,873 (A)
Jan. 08	11-2	75	58	MISSISSIPPI	17	31 WALKER, KENNY	6 BENNETT WINSTON	22,645 (H)
Jan. 11	12-2	76	52	ALABAMA	24	24 WALKER, KENNY	9 WALKER, KENNY	23,345 (H)
Jan. 15	13-2	64	52	MISSISSIPPI STATE	12	15 WALKER, KENNY	8 BENNETT WINSTON	5,226 (A)
Jan. 18	14-2	72	55	FLORIDA	17	25 WALKER, KENNY	11 BENNETT WINSTON	11,914 (A)
Jan. 23	15-2	74	69	GEORGIA	5	15 DAVENDER, ED	10 WALKER, KENNY	22,810 (H)
Jan. 25	16-2	74	57	TENNESSEE	17	26 BENNETT WINSTON	7 MADISON RICHARD	23,069 (H)
Jan. 29	17-2	54	52	LSU	2	17 BENNETT WINSTON	8 WALKER, KENNY	12,477 (A)
Jan. 31	18-2	81	71	AUBURN	10	24 WALKER, KENNY	10 BENNETT WINSTON	23,320 (H)
Feb. 02	18-3	51	54	NORTH CAROLINA STATE	-3	16 DAVENDER, ED	8 WALKER, KENNY	12,400 (A)
Feb. 05	19-3	73	65	VANDERBILT	8	22 BLACKMON, JAMES	12 WALKER, KENNY	23,070 (H)
Feb. 08	20-3	62	58	OLE MISS	4	15 WALKER, KENNY	13 WALKER, KENNY	7,451 (A)
Feb. 13	21-3	73	71	ALABAMA	2	22 BLACKMON, JAMES	7 BLACKMON, JAMES	15,043 (A)
Feb. 15	22-3	88	62	MISSISSIPPI STATE	26	21 BENNETT WINSTON	7 BENNETT WINSTON	23,115 (H)
Feb. 19	23-3	80	69	FLORIDA	11	23 WALKER, KENNY	10 WALKER, KENNY	23,065 (H)
Feb. 22	24-3	80	75	GEORGIA	5	22 WALKER, KENNY	9 WALKER, KENNY	10,826 (A)
Feb. 27	25-3	62	60	TENNESSEE	2	32 WALKER, KENNY	9 WALKER, KENNY	12,700 (A)
Mar. 01	26-3	68	57	LSU	11	17 WALKER, KENNY	6 BENNETT WINSTON	23,610 (H)
Mar. 06	27-3	95	69	OLE MISS	26	28 WALKER, KENNY	7 BENNETT WINSTON	18,230 (H-SEC)
Mar. 07	28-3	61	58	Louisiana State	3	15 BENNETT WINSTON	13 BENNETT WINSTON	19,215 (H-SEC)
Mar. 08	29-3	83	72	ALABAMA	11	20 WALKER, KENNY	12 WALKER, KENNY	21,700 (H-SEC)
Mar. 14	30-3	75	55	DAVIDSON	20	20 WALKER, KENNY	11 BLACKMON, JAMES	11,666 (N-NCAA)
Mar. 16	31-3	71	64	WESTERN KENTUCKY	7	32 WALKER, KENNY	8 WALKER, KENNY	11,325 (N-NCAA)
Mar. 20	32-3	68	63	ALABAMA	5	22 WALKER, KENNY	12 BENNETT WINSTON	16,723 (N-NCAA)
Mar. 22	32-4	57	59	LSU	-2	20 WALKER, KENNY	12 BENNETT WINSTON	16,453 (N-NCAA)

McGill Always In Right Place At Right Time

Famous Sportswriter Also Outstanding Author

His name was once a household word. He always had a reputation for being in the right place at the right time and always coming up with the big story.

But now former Lexington Herald sports editor John McGill, Sr., has settled back out of the limelight.

And he doesn't mind it one bit.

"I kind of enjoy not having to work until one or two o'clock in the morning," says McGill. "And I like sleeping late. I pretty much do what I want to do these days."

McGill, 72, has been semi-retired for several years now after a career in which he wrote over two million words about sports, mainly the University of Kentucky.

His career actually began at a small weekly, the Carter County Herald, in his

last September.

"My son has improved steadily and really tremendously over the last six years," said McGill. "He has written three or four columns, in particular, and you can't imagine how proud they made me of his writing."

McGill is also proud of his association with the numerous coaches he's dealt with over the years.

McGill Earned Coaches' Trust

"I could always get a straight answer to anything I wanted to know," McGill stated. "I had the trust of some coaches. I know they didn't trust some of the writers. I was very proud of the fact (Coach) Adolph (Rupp) gave me his all-time



Mel Holbrook
Cats' Pause Columnist

native Olive Hill in 1936 when McGill was 22. He then joined the Ashland Daily Independent in 1941, working there until 1962. He was at the Herald, which is now the Herald-Leader, until his retirement in 1978.

"I was fortunate to always be in the right place at the right time," McGill said of his successful career. "When I went to Ashland from Olive Hill, the managing editor called me only two weeks after I inquired about an opening there. The same thing happened at the Herald in 1962. I was at a UK football game and talked to Ed Ashford, who worked at the Herald. He called me a week later and told me the sports editor was resigning to take another job. I was happily surprised."

Has Authored Three Best-Selling Books

But McGill has done more than just run the sports department of the state's second-largest daily newspaper. He has also written three best-selling books, two on sports, and been honored three times as Kentucky's Sportswriter of the Year. He has had feature articles published in the Louisville Courier-Journal magazine and inaugurated the Kentucky high school basketball poll, which has been continued by the Associated Press. He was also regional correspondent for the Courier-Journal for 15 years.

He has witnessed 50 Boys High School State Basketball Tournaments, covering 27 Sweet 16 classics while sports editor for the Herald and the Daily Independent. He also witnessed 22 other tournaments, starting in 1928, when Ashland and Carr Creek staged their memorable four-overtime championship duel.

"I'd guess, although I've never thought about this before, that I've covered over 2,500 sporting events and written about 2,000 columns," said McGill.

His two sports books were "Kentucky Sports" and "A Year At The Top," both published in 1978. His novel, "For Which The First Was Made," was published four years earlier. All three sold out.

"Nearly all of the reviews on my books have been good," said McGill. "That's been very pleasing."

Salaries Have Improved Over The Years

McGill paid his dues through the years to finally earn some decent money for his journalistic abilities.

"When I went to Ashland, the fellow I replaced was making \$14 a week," he said. "They offered me \$17.50. That doesn't sound like a lot of money, but a room and two meals a day was only \$7 a week then. When I went to Lexington in 1962, I started at \$117 a week. Five years later, when I was promoted from assistant sports editor to sports editor, I found out the sports editor was making only \$5 a week more than me. But salaries have gotten pretty good in the last three or four years."

Besides the afore-mentioned events, McGill has been to every World Series the Cincinnati Reds have been involved in, as well as a few others like the Kentucky Derby and the Indianapolis 500. He's been to many other major sporting events, also. And he's interviewed many famous baseball figures like Ted Williams, Pete Rose, Johnny Bench and Stan Musial, to name just a few.

He covered UK sports full-time from 1966-72.

"I had three jobs handled by three different people today," said McGill. "I was the editor, handling a staff of about 10 or 11 people; I wrote three columns a week and I covered Kentucky. I did that for seven years. It could be very draining."

Today McGill writes a column, Time Out for Questions, which appears every Friday in the Herald-Leader. And he travels frequently to conventions and other events.

Meanwhile his son, John McGill, Jr., 38, writes columns for the Herald-Leader. McGill replaced D.G. Fitzmaurice, whom McGill, Sr., had hired in the mid-60s,



John McGill, Sr.

Kentucky squad, in addition to his all-time opponent team. He'd never done that before with anyone else."

McGill's special closeness to the UK program caused him to travel with the 1977-78 national championship team. He wrote his book, A Year At The Top, from the team's experiences.

And he also publishes the Sweet 16 Record Book, which he began after days of research in 1965. His State Tournament history tabloid sells well every year at Lexington's Rupp Arena.

Sports Reporting Has Changed Over The Years

McGill says newspaper reporting has changed since he began.

"I'm more of a factual writer," he explained. "Today's writers are more inclined towards feature stories, using a lot of quotes. Very little is said that amounts to anything. And reporters keep asking those same questions. Most of it is meaningless."

But McGill added that the younger writers aren't burdened down with some of the duties he and others had several years ago. "For example, we've got two reporters covering Kentucky in the NCAA playoffs. And we've got someone covering the University of Louisville. In 1970, that would have been unthinkable."

But McGill isn't bothered by any of that. He's just happy he had a sports writing career.

'Cats Show Off Strength, Speed At UK's 'Pro Day'

By Nick Nicholas



Ransdell On The Move

Tape measure?
Check.
Scales?
Check.
Stopwatch?
Check.

It was an early spring afternoon as Kentucky football coaches and pro scouts from seven organizations had a chance to see just how hard the Wildcats worked during this past winter.

Major league baseball may be underway in Florida but this is a different kind of 'Pro Day', one where UK participants got their chance to show Jerry Claiborne and his staff just what kind of shape they were or were not in.

The players were weighed, measured and had a body fat count taken. Afterwards they participated in weightlifting drills and were timed in the 40 (yards) at Shively Track. Their best times in three attempts are given.

Senior-to-be Mark Logan's time in the 40 was clocked as the quickest Wildcat on this day with a 4.39. Receiver Cornell Burbage recorded a 4.40. Other times of interests -- Ivy Joe Hunter, 4.44; David Johnson, 4.50; Mark Higgs 4.55; Anthony Gardner, 4.56; and Tony Mayes, 4.56.

Prior to his knee injury of last season Higgs was timed in the 40 at 4.52.

Dermonti Dawson, a 6-foot-2, 251-pound center was one of five UK players to bench more than 400 pounds. His 420 lift topped all other Wildcats. Other 400-pound achievers were: Ken Lange, 5-11, 252-pound center (415); Craig Benzing, 6-foot, 207-pound defensive end (400); Greg Kunkel 6-4, 275-pound defensive tackle (400); and Brad Myers, 6-2, 271-pound offensive guard (400).

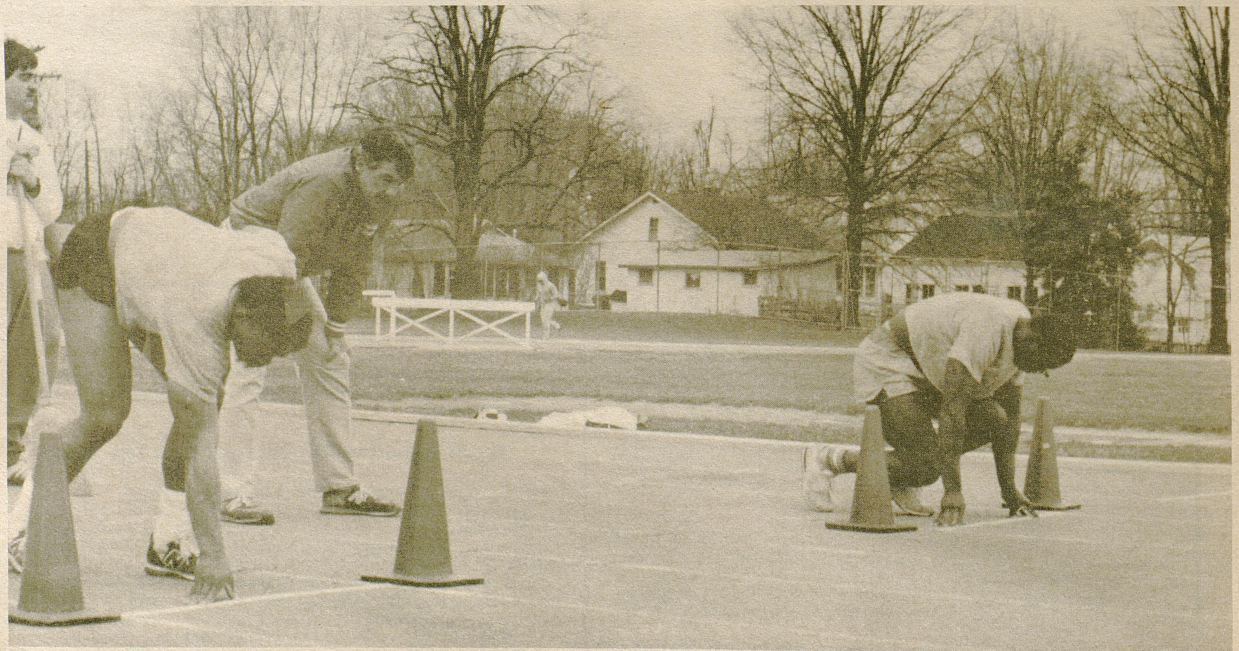
At this time last season eight Wildcats benched 400 pounds or more.

Both Benzing and Dawson turned in times under five seconds in the 40. Benzing blazed the short distance in 4.63 seconds while Dawson turned in an impressive 4.76 time.

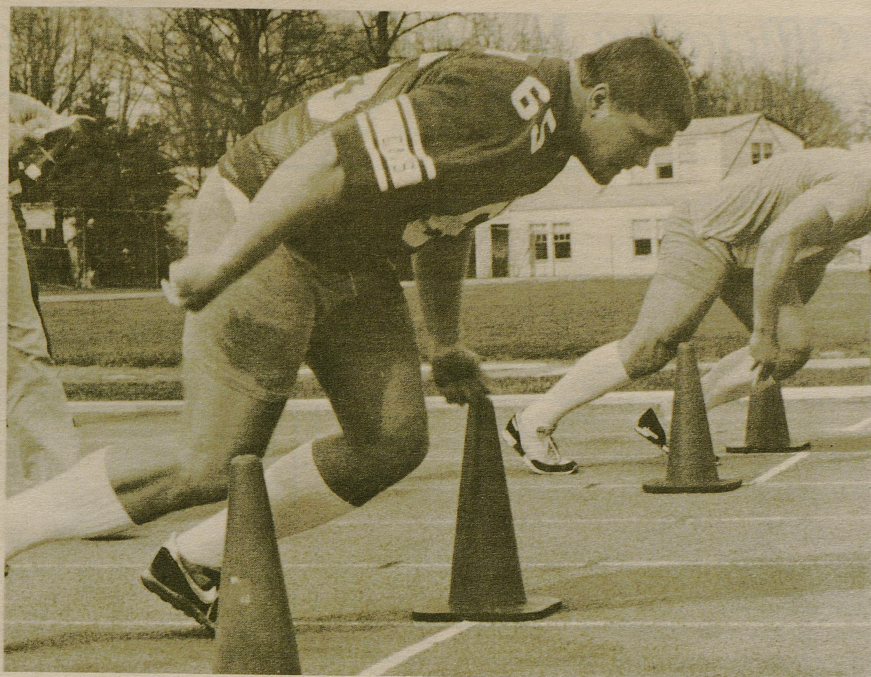
For the scouts it was a time to get a 'feel' of the current UK upperclassmen.

"It's an opportunity for us to come in and weigh, time and measure the seniors," said Rod Graves, eastern regional scout for the world champion Chicago Bears. "We spend the early part of the day watching films and trying to get an idea of what's coming up for the upcoming senior class."

Besides the Bears, representatives from the Detroit Lions, Dallas Cowboys, New England Patriots and the Pittsburgh Steelers were on hand. Also, members of NFL and *Blesto*, 'combines' which represent many of



On your mark, get set . . .



Offensive Lineman Joe Prince

the NFL clubs, were at Shively.

According to Graves many of the schools that participate in spring drills have 'Pro Day' during this time of year.

"This is usually the only time to have contact with the players," said Graves. "Quite a few of the colleges set aside one day in the springtime for a height- and measure-type day where we can get those kind of statistics.

"I'll probably see 30 to 40 schools this spring in trying to be at as many 'Pro Days' as I can."

Some of the schools Graves has or will look at are: Ohio State, Tennessee, Florida, Florida State, Alabama, Auburn, Youngstown State, Boston College, and Maryland.

Here's what Graves had to say about some things of interest to UK fans:

(About Jerry Claiborne): "Coach Claiborne has a fine reputation for his staff and his players that come out of here. You can always depend on good character players coming out of Kentucky. He and his staff have that reputation of turning out the fine solid citizens. Those are the kind of things we like to look for in football players."

(About the 1986 Wildcats): "I think they have a very promising team. They've got a very young squad coming in here. I heard their recruiting went very well. They're (coaching staff) doing a very good job."

(About UK's talented runningback corp): "They've got some young backs that look very good and they do a good job of running the ball. Their running game will be very healthy next year. . . very fruitful."

(About SEC football): "Definitely one of the top conferences across the country. They put out a lot of skill players -- you see quite a few running backs, wide receivers and defensive backs. They have a reputation of putting out a lot of the top people year after year."

(About improving on the Bears' success of last season): "You have to look at it from a point of view that the Bears were very fortunate not to have a lot of crippling injuries. We still feel like we have some people that we can improve upon. We need depth on our squad very badly. We were very fortunate that we didn't have to rely on some of our 'down-the-line' people to bail us out near the end. If we did then we might not have been where we were last year -- the Super Bowl."

After 'Pro Day' was almost over one scout mentioned to a UK assistant, "Do you have a freshman team here?" Another scout responded, "The freshman national champions?"

Although these men were joking around it's obvious they were impressed with the freshman crop which was redshirted last season.

One freshman of interest, Mike Pfeifer checked in at 6-6, 276 pounds. He ran the 40 in 5.0 and benched 370 pounds.



Mark Higgs



Bears' Scout Rod Graves

Officiating Not A Good Way To Make Living

That Kid From Memphis Was A Con Man

So you're, too slow, too uncoordinated or too lazy to play basketball. Becoming a referee looks about right for an old, slow, uncoordinated lazy basketball lover. Besides, the money is good and you only work 40 minutes.

Man, have I got news for you! Too old, too slow, too uncoordinated and too lazy means too bad. Find another way of helping defray your grocery bills.

Refereeing is hard work and no matter how long you've worked at it, when you blow one it sticks in your mind. And you will blow one, or two, or three, or Lord knows how many.

You can't toot that whistle a hundred times in a 40-minute game and not blow a few now and then.



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist

Take my word for it. I did it for 12 years in Memphis, Tennessee, and Miami, Florida, and some of the toughest high school and small college coaches who ever put a saddle on a referee and rode him lived in those two towns.

Referees Cost The Illini?

I thought about that when I read the remarks by Illinois Coach Lou Henson after his recent loss to Alabama in the NCAA Tournament.

Lou said in postgame conference that the Alabama shooter who won the game on a last-second shot had traveled before he pulled the trigger and that he knew it for sure, the kid knew it, in fact the whole world knew it and the referees are why the Illini lost the game.

Maybe so, but it seemed to me that Henson's team shooting 38 percent in the first half did have something to do with the outcome.

Let me tell you how it goes down. In 12 years and hundreds of games, rarely ever did a winning coach fail to make it a point to tell me "nice game." In those same 12 years and hundreds of games, I've got plenty of fingers on which to count the number of times a losing coach would come by and say "nice game."

When you put on that striped shirt and you've done it for a while, you know whether you've had a good night or a bad one. You know whether you've hustled, whether you've been influenced by a crowd or a coach or whether you've been conned.

Yes, conned. Back in the days before freshmen were eligible for varsity competition, universities had freshmen teams and I worked a lot of those games.

I was working a Memphis State freshman game one day and early on I called a foul against the other team, Union University, if memory serves me correctly.

You Must Watch The Con Game

As I handed the Memphis State kid the ball he looked me right in eye and said "Thank you, sir."

What a fine young man, I told myself.

He made the free throws and I moved up to him and gave him the ball for the second shot.

"Thank you again, sir," he said. "I appreciate it."

Hey, this is a heck of a kid! I mean this is a son of whom any parent could be proud. A boy like this just wouldn't commit any kind of foul unless it were accidental. From that point on every time there was contact I'd stick the other guy. No way that nice guy from Memphis State would do anything wrong.

Late in the game Union had a fast break and the angel from Tiger Town caught up with the dribbler. He hacked the boy with the ball so hard he darn near broke the kid's arm, then stood there and laughed his behind off while the Union players cursed him with every four to seven letter word known to man.

Suddenly, I realized I'd been conned. The Memphis State player had done a number on me like a kid does when meeting the parents of his date for the first time.

"Oh, yes, sir, we're just going to a movie and then to McDonalds and I certainly will have your daughter home early, sir," and then after they leave the house, the perfect gentleman in the living room turns out to be a budding Hugh Hefner in the car.

No difference! None at all.

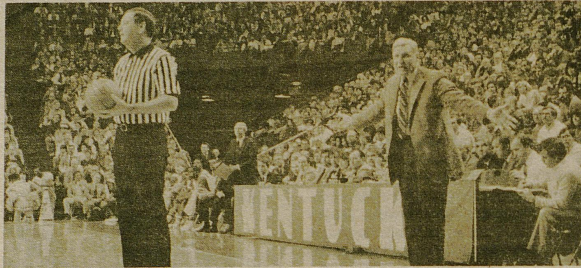
Blowing A Call

I can remember blowing a call from here to there and back again and walking over to a coach whose face was almost purple and telling him "Hey, I missed it, there's nothing I can do about it now but if you keep this up I'm going to have to stick you with a 'T', right or wrong."

And I can also remember that he didn't shut up and I did stick him with full knowledge

that I would never be allowed to walk into that gym again, probably not even if I bought a ticket.

But I also remember long rides home with my partner feeling good because we knew we had called the game well, or meeting other referees at our favorite coffee and ham-



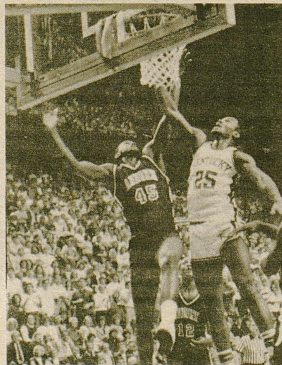
Officiating More Than Mere Work

burger joint telling "guess what happened in my game tonight" stories.

Most of all, I remember friendships with coaches and school people and sports writers and other officials and 12 of the happiest years of my life when I was not too old, too slow, too uncoordinated or too lazy and the money, while not much, did seem good and did pay some grocery bills and damn it was fun and I still miss it.

Not For Broadcast

Alabama Coach **Ray Perkins** was recently named to the *Football News* best dressed list. Others on the list included **Brent Musburger**, **Merlin Olsen**, **Lou Holtz**, **Tex Schramm** and **Hank Stram**. Said the 'News', "Every head coach can learn from him. Ray wears a coat and tie at all times on the sidelines. He commands respect this way." Hold it now! Does Ray get more respect for Hart, Shafner and Marx than he does for Shula, Goode and Bennett? No way, Jose! . . . Example of fuzzy thinking. Excerpt from a recent article in the *Athens Observer* written by retired University of Georgia English professor Robert West. "Making a talented athlete ineligible for his college team because he can't do college work is analogous to keeping a pre-med student out of chemistry courses because he can't dunk a basketball." Funny, I thought those college courses are the reason a university exists. I didn't know basketball dunking trained one for later life. . . To give you an idea of how good **Kentucky's** defense was this year, the Wildcats were first in the league in preventing opponents to get rebounds allowing only **29.6** per game, second against shooting as their opponents averaged only **46.6** percent from the field and first in scoring margin with an average spread of **13.5** points. The 'Cats were also No. 2 in steals, No. 2 in turnover margin and No. 1 in scoring defense giving up only **60.8** points per game. . . The most points scored by an individual in any SEC game this year was 40 by **Chuck Person** in Auburn's contest with Vanderbilt. . . **Auburn's** 13 conference wins (13-5) are the most ever recorded by an Auburn team. Last year the Tigers, despite winning the conference tournament, had only eight league victories in regular season play. . . What was **C.M. Newton's** problem THIS year? **Vanderbilt** had 10 players who averaged 10 minutes playing time per game or more. Of those 10 only had two field goal shooting percentages of 50 percent or better. Their top shooter, **Barry Goheen**, was only **54.2**. **Alabama**, as a team, shot nearly as well as Vandy's individual best. The Tide finished **53.8** with **Derrick McKey** leading the way at **63.9** percent. . . **LSU** recently listed their top 15 Tiger stadium crowds. Interestingly enough, none of the top 15 were against their traditional rival, **Ole Miss**, and in fact, only five of the 15 were against conference opponents.



Chuck Person



Lou Holtz

Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Three Years Ago

*The University of Kentucky Athletics Association board of directors voted to begin negotiations with the University of Louisville for a basketball game. The resolution adopted by the board, against the wishes of both athletics director Cliff Hagan and head coach Joe B. Hall, called for Hagan and Hall to begin negotiations with their Louisville counterparts. The two teams met for the first time in 24 years in the NCAA Mideast Regional a few weeks ago.

*Head basketball coach Joe B. Hall was given a five-year contract that will cover him until July 1, 1988. Terms of the contract were not disclosed.

*The UK Bat Cats split a double-header with the Florida Gators at Shively Sports Center on the UK campus. Florida won the

first game 11-4, jumping out to a 7-0 lead and scored four more runs in the ninth to get the win. In the second game, Jay Ray pitched an outstanding game, allowing just eight hits,



Joe B. Hall

fanning five and walking only one in UK's 5-0 win over the Gators. UK scored four runs in the fourth on Florida miscues and a two-run double by Scott Knox.

*Sophomore Kevin Gothard hit a grand slam home run in the bottom of the 14th inning to give the Wildcats a 7-3 marathon win over visiting New York Tech. The win raised UK's record to 20-7 overall for the year.

*The University of Indiana baseball team broke a 17-game nonconference winning streak by UK, defeating the 'Cats 3-1 at Shively Sports Center. Paul Kilgus took the loss even though he did not allow an earned run in eight innings pitched.

Seven Years Ago

*With their biggest wins of the year, the Wildcat baseball team silenced the Eastern

Division leding Florida Gators with a 6-1, 3-2 sweep at UK. Lefty Tim Brandenburg hurled a five-hitter in the opener and Mark Hredzak drilled a two-run homer. In the second game, Joe Georger threw an eight-hitter and Randy Gibson drove home all three runs with a homer and a single. In the final game UK lost 12-10 after coming from behind to take a 8-7 lead. During the week, the 'Cats swept the Indiana Hoosiers 2-1, 3-2 in Bloomington. Georger hurled a one-hitter in the first game and Tim Terry and Brandenburg combined for a three-hitter in the nightcap.

*On the first day he could sign a prepster to a national letter-of-intent, Joe Hall inked Sam Bowie, Derrick Hord, Charles Hurt and Dirk Minniefield. A fifth signee, Tom Heitz, is expected to sign when he returns from a trip in Germany.

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We'd like to express our appreciation for your support and patronage and hope you look forward to the many exciting issues coming up this spring and summer.

Wildcat Quiz

1. True or False. Kenny Walker has never scored more than 40 points in one game during his Wildcat career.

2. How many games did Kentucky lose in Rupp Arena this season?

- a) none
- b) one
- c) two
- d) four

3. Which SEC team was the only conference member to defeat the Wildcats during the 18-game round robin slate?

- a) Sewanee
- b) LSU
- c) Mississippi State
- d) Auburn

4. This season Roger Harden broke the UK record for most assists during one season. Who previously held this mark?

- a) Kyle Macy
- b) Russell Rice
- c) Dirk Minniefield
- d) Dicky Beal

5. What two head basketball coaches at UK played the round ball sport for the Wildcats?

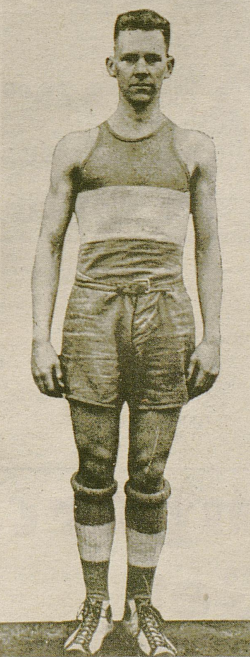
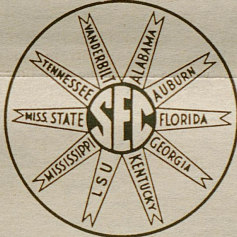
- a) Basil Hayden and Joe Hall
- b) Adolph Rupp and Joe Hall
- c) Harry Lancaster and Dickie Parsons
- d) John Mauer and Adolph Rupp

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

- a) Chaminade
- b) Vanderbilt
- c) UK Dental School
- d) Georgia

7. When UK won the 1949 NCAA Tournament what Wildcat was named the tourney's MVP?

- a) Cliff Hagan
- b) Alex Groza
- c) Bill Spivey



Basil Hayden

d) Johnny Cox

8. What number did former Wildcat Cotton Nash wear during his career at Kentucky?

- a) 32
- b) 33
- c) 44
- d) 55

9. What UK player led the Wildcats in scoring for two consecutive seasons during the 1972-73 campaigns?

- a) Jim Andrews
- b) Tom Parker
- c) Tom Payne
- d) Ronnie Lyons

10. True or False. This season marked the fourth straight time that the Wildcats have at least earned their way to the semifinals of regional competition.



Answers

1. True
2. None
3. Auburn
4. Dirk Minniefield
5. Basil Hayden and Joe B. Hall
6. Vanderbilt
7. Alex Groza
8. 44
9. Jim Andrews
10. True.

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