

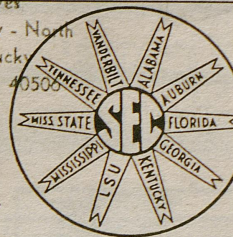
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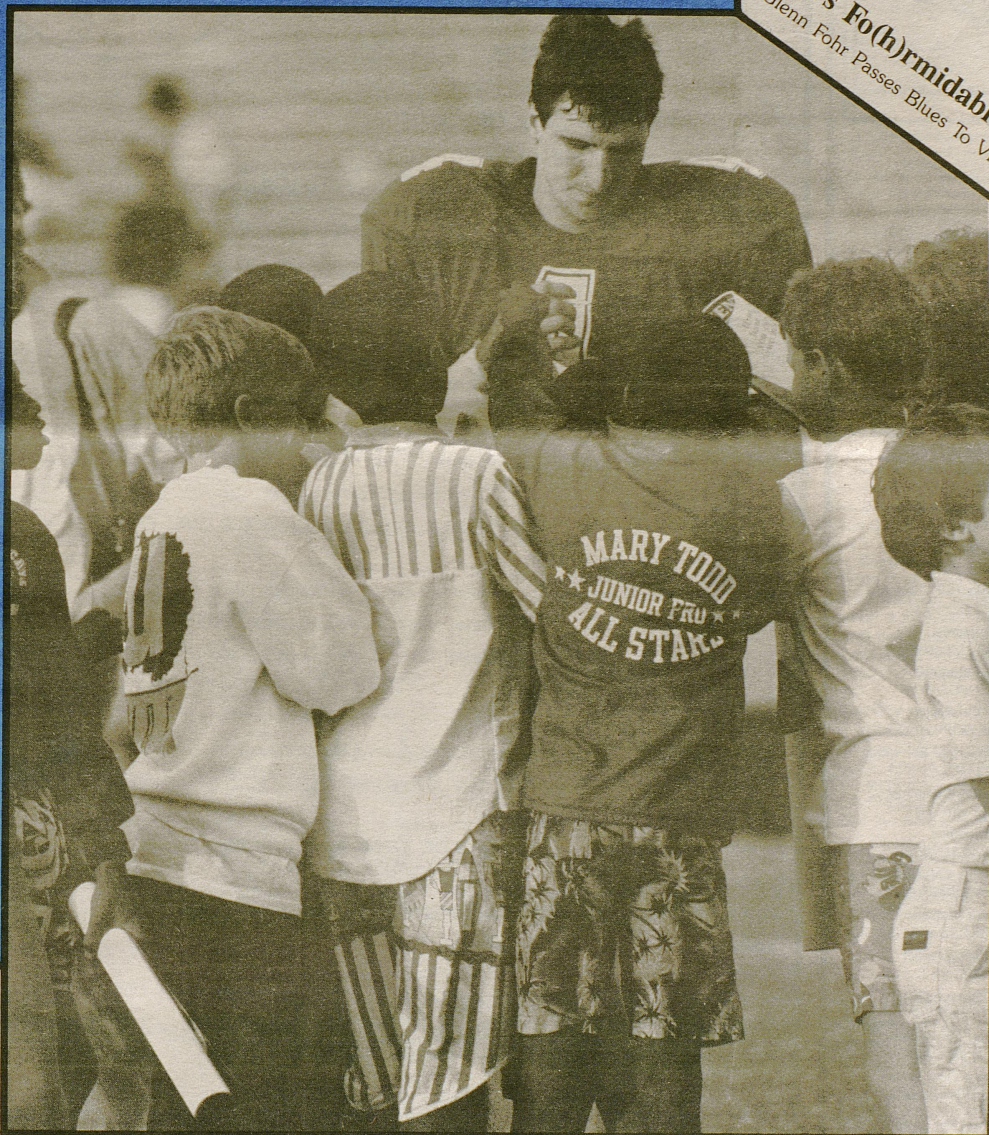


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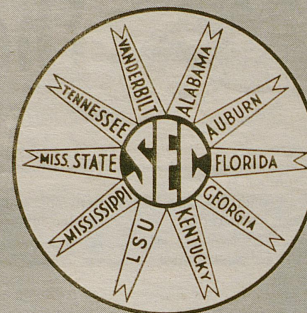
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THURSDAY, May 12

- Game 1 (Noon, CDT) No.2 Kentucky (34-21, 18-9) vs. No.5 LSU (36-19, 16-11)
Game 2 (4 pm, CDT) No.1 Florida (39-15-1, 21-6) vs. No.6 Georgia (27-26, 11-16)
Game 3 (8 pm, CDT) No.3 Miss.State (39-16, 17-10) vs. No.4 Auburn (39-14, 16-10)

FRIDAY, May 13

- Game 4 (Noon, CDT) Loser Game 2 vs. Loser Game 3
Game 5 (4 pm, CDT) Winner Game 2 vs. Loser Game 1
Game 6 (8 pm, CDT) Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 3

*** IF FOUR TEAMS REMAIN AFTER GAME 6 ***

SATURDAY, May 14

- Game 7 (12:30 pm, CDT) Winner Game 4 vs. Loser Game 6
Game 8 (4:30 pm, CDT) Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6
Game 9 (8 pm, CDT) Winner Game 7 vs. Loser Game 8

SUNDAY, May 15

- Game 10 (2 pm, CDT) Winner Game 8 vs. Winner Game 9
Game 11 (8 pm, CDT) Same two teams meet again (if necessary)

*** IF FIVE TEAMS REMAIN AFTER GAME 6 ***

SATURDAY, May 14

- Game 7 (12:30 pm, CDT) Loser Game 5 vs. Loser Game 6
Game 8 (4:30 pm, CDT) Winner Game 4 vs. Winner Game 5
Game 9 (8 pm, CDT) Winner Game 6 vs. Winner Game 7

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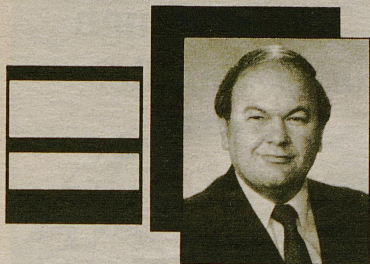
SUNDAY, May 15

- Game 10 (2 pm, CDT) Winner Game 8 vs. Winner Game 9
Game 11 (8 pm, CDT) Same two teams meet again (if necessary)

*** IF THREE TEAMS REMAIN AFTER GAME 9 ***

SUNDAY, May 15

- Game 10 (2 pm, CDT) Winner Game 8 vs. Loser Game 9
Game 11 (8 pm, CDT) Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10



OSCAR L. COMBS
CATS' PAUSE EDITOR/PUBLISHER

Mills/Casey Case Continues To Draw Attention

It's been over a month now since a Los Angeles newspaper reported that a package to the father of Kentucky signee Chris Mills accidentally burst open in handling.

The Los Angeles Daily News also reported that the package, shipped by University of Kentucky assistant coach Dwane Casey, contained \$1,000 cash in it.

A package containing a videotape of Mills in a high school game was being returned to Mills' father, Claud, by Casey. Casey and UK officials have denied any money being put in the package. After the package was resealed by Emery officials, it was delivered to Mills' home where it was accepted and signed for by Chris. His father said the package contained no money in it when it arrived at their residence.

To say those allegations touched off a controversy would be the understatement of the year. Since then, there has been story after another on every possible aspect of the Kentucky basketball program.

There have been threats of law suits and an NCAA investigation is well underway. Because the future eligibility of Mills is at stake, there should be some resolution within the next couple months.

Speculation on the outcome would be foolish. Foolish is something most human beings have a tendency of being in times like this. Most every basketball observer has an opinion on everyone's guilt or innocence in this situation, yet, no one other than the principals know who really is telling the truth.

The latest development in the matter came recently when a federal judge ordered employees of the Emery Worldwide Air Freight firm to submit to recorded depositions to be taken by legal counsel of the University of Kentucky.

If the allegations prove to be truth, you can expect some major shake-ups in the athletics department. If on the other hand, the allegations are false, you can expect some expensive law suits and settlements favoring Casey.

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Basketball fans will have an opportunity to get a first hand report on UK signees Chris Mills, Sean Woods, Shawn Kemp and Richie Farmer on May 14 with a team of USA AAU prep players take on the Soviet National Junior Team at Memorial Coliseum.

The game will tip off at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are on sale at Dawahare's throughout Kentucky and Memorial Coliseum.

Some of the other top stars playing for the USA/AAU are Damon Bailey of Bedford (Ind.) North Lawrence, Pat Graham of New Albany (Ind.) Floyd Central, Travis Ford of Madisonville-North Hopkins, Michael Allen of Lexington Bryan Station, Scott Boley of LaRue County and Notre Dame-bound Keith Adkins of Paintsville.

The Soviet team is composed of players 18 years of age and under. Russia's 1992

Olympic team is expected to have several of the Junior stars on its roster.

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It's summertime and that means summer basketball all-star camps are just around the corner. There are some major changes in the dates this summer because the NCAA has shortened the time period college recruiters can watch prep players work out.

Coaches cannot watch players in the month of June so most of the highly-regarded camps won't be staged until July where the B/C All-Stars, Garfinkel Five-Stars, and Nike's famous All-American Camp will be going head-to-head for all the attention.

Following is a list of some of the major camps this summer:

✓ Nike All-American Camp, July 8-15 (Princeton, N.Y.)

✓ B/C Camp, July 10-15 (Gettysburg, Pa.)

✓ B/C Camp, July 10-15 (Carnesville, Ga.)

✓ B/C Camp, July 24-29 (Carnesville, Ga.)

✓ B/C Camp, July 17-22 (Rensselaer, Ind.)

✓ Cage Scope/High Potential, June 12-17 (Highland Heights)

✓ Cage Scope/High Potential, July 10-15 (Highland Heights)

✓ Cage Scope/High Potential, July 24-29 (Highland Heights)

✓ Prep Stars Camp, July 17-22 (Charlotte, N.C.)

✓ Prep Stars Camp, July 24-29 (Charlotte, N.C.)

✓ Five-Star Camp, July 6-13 (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

✓ Five-Star Camp, July 14-20 (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

✓ Five-Star Camp, July 22-29 (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

✓ Five-Star Camp, July 30-Aug. 6 (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

✓ Five-Star Camp, June 11-18 (Radford, Va.)

✓ Five-Star Camp, June 20-27 (Honesdale, Pa.)

✓ Five-Star Camp, Aug. 27-Sept. 3 (Honesdale, Pa.)

The state's best camps in preparing youngsters for major college ball, the Blue-Chip Camps, will begin June 12-17 with the second week being July 10-15 and the third being July 24-29 at Northern Kentucky University.

On the local front, Madisonville's Eddie Ford will again stage Brown Badgett's Kentucky Prep All-Star Festival on July 15-17.

If last year is any indication to the caliber of competition, it should be one of the best in the country. Last summer such stars as Darrin Hancock, Sean Woods, Shawn Kemp, Chris Mills, Don MacLean, Chris Jent, Damon Bailey, Richie Farmer and Travis Ford were among the top players.

We'll have more on the festival in next month's issue of TCP.

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A must year for Jerry Claiborne and his staff. That's what most everyone is predicting for the Wildcats as they meet head-on with possibly the toughest Wildcat schedule in more than a decade in Big Blue Country.

Kentucky picks up both Auburn and Alabama this fall and must visit LSU in Baton Rouge for a second straight year. The only thing in the Wildcats' favor is a seven-game home schedule.

Yet, many people feel this could be a successful season if the Wildcats should win five games.

To the surprise of many though, Jerry Claiborne's colleagues in the SEC recently predicted that UK would tie Vanderbilt for seventh place in the league this fall.

In the Birmingham News annual spring poll of league coaches, the Auburn Tigers were picked to win the league title. Picked to finish below the Wildcats and Commodore are Mississippi and Mississippi State.

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Congratulations to UK baseball coach Keith Madison and his Bat Cats, who captured second place in the regular-season SEC race.

Hampered all spring with key injuries, the Bat Cats could have chucked it in several times, but kept fighting back and captured second place by pounding Georgia twice on the next to last day of the regular season.

Preseason All-American candidate Chris Estep was hampered early when he suffered a severe gash on his forearm as he made a sensational catch preventing a home run. The end result was a visit to the doctors and over two weeks on the pines as his throwing arm healed from some 15 stitches.

It proved costly in some respects, but the Bat Cats came on strong during the pennant chase and into the league's postseason tournament in Starkville, Miss.

This week, the Bat Cats hope to win their first postseason title, but if they don't, look for them to still have an excellent shot at an at-large berth in the NCAA tournament leading up to the College World Series in June.

Despite some less-than-impressive losses to non-conference foes, Kentucky did play well in the highly-regarded SEC and a second-place finish in the regular season (barring a complete flop in the SEC tourney this week) should be enough to earn UK its first-ever NCAA tournament invitation.

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Kentucky's spring basketball recruiting produced one signee and although Eddie Sutton had hoped for three. Other possible signings were short-circuited for good when the Chris Mills story broke the second day into the national letter signing period.

Richie Farmer, who dazzled fans once

again in the annual KHSAA state tournament, won the MVP honors for the second year in a row and capped his brilliant career with the Mr. Basketball title.

On the first day of national signing period, he inked a letter of intent with UK.

Earlier, Farmer had indicated he would make visits to Vanderbilt, Western Kentucky and LSU before making his final decision.

He paid a moral-obligation visit to Western Kentucky, where he had become good friends with coach Murray Arnold, then decided to pass on the other official visit offers to sign with UK.

Kentucky had high hopes of winning over Don MacLean of Simi Valley (Calif.) High and Maurice Brittain of Hutchinson (Kan.) Junior College.

It's difficult to say if UK would have signed either if the Mills story had not erupted, but it's safe to say the controversy certainly didn't help UK's chances.

Eventually, MacLean eliminated Kentucky from his list of choices before finally deciding on UCLA over Georgia Tech. To me, I have to believe that if MacLean ever wanted to attend Tech, he would have done so back last November. It's no secret that MacLean was hoping that UCLA would lure Larry Brown back to Los Angeles.

When Brown said no, you have to believe MacLean would have been interested in Kentucky. Rumor out of Pittsburgh had it that MacLean had expressed interest in UK as late as the Dapper Dan Classic in Pittsburgh right after the Final Four.

The final recruit to turn away from UK was Brittain who had Kansas, Georgia Tech and Kentucky among his final three choices. Brittain even visited UK after the Mills story broke, but in the end, he chose Georgia Tech.

One has to wonder if MacLean had opted for Georgia Tech, would Brittain still have selected Bobby Cremins' program? Had MacLean gone to Tech, it says here that Brittain still would not have chosen UK. Lexington is too hot a spot for recruits right now, right or wrong.

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HITS AND MISSES . . . Coach Eddie Sutton and his Wildcats are supposed to play in the Great Alaska Shootout, but there are unconfirmed reports that UK officials are trying to get out of the commitment so the 'Cats can make a trip to Hawaii this winter. I'm all for that . . . Should the NCAA determine that UK has violated NCAA rules and hands down a rule which would include sanctions such as a ban on postseason tournaments and live television, it could tremendously affect other schools on the UK schedule. A ban on television would, no doubt, affect the SEC television schedule because no UK games could be shown and that would affect SEC rivals as well. Another question would have to be dealt with.

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'Cats Need To Get Stronger In Order To Tackle Tough 1988 Schedule; Team Accepts Apology From Chandler

By TCP Columnist Nick Nicholas

Notes, Quotes & Observations—following the UK-Bank One Blue-White Spring game:

Almost four months separate the University of Kentucky football program and perhaps its most difficult schedule ever.

Watching last April's Blue-White intrasquad scrimmage, obviously there's a lot of work to be done in the summer months ahead if UK's even to survive a killer schedule that includes Auburn, Indiana, Alabama, LSU, Georgia, Florida and Tennessee. Throw in Vanderbilt, a program on the upswing, and the Wildcats' slate, by anyone's standards, would have to be rated as one of the country's most difficult.

As a team, the players' winter progress didn't meet **Jerry Claiborne's** standards. His latest gripe has been the lack of strength, especially on the offensive line. "We've got to get stronger," he said. "There's no question about that."

Sure, he lost strongmen **Dermontti Dawson**, **Greg Kunkel**. But for any football team to have continued success those second and third-string youngsters must develop into solid first-string players. . .players that one day can be counted on.

Kentucky has failed in this area. Whether it's coaching, recruiting woes, lack of effort on the players' part or a combination of all three, UK's biggest problem today as it was six years ago is depth.

This will be the first summer the Wildcats tone their muscles in the spacious, brand-spanking new **Erv Nutter Training Center**. And with all the talk surrounding UK's lack of strength, maybe some of the players will inquire about taking up residence at the complex.

Claiborne is not upset with his players' overall conditioning. It's upper-body strength that worries the Wildcat coach.

Last season before the start of spring practice, 11 Wildcats benched 400 pounds or more. This year that number shrunk to five. And UK's overall bench-press numbers dipped from 315.09 pounds (Spring of 1987) to 312.19. Nothing drastic, but every coach wants some kind of improvement each season.

The team average also declined in the "cleans" department—293.60 (lbs.) to 284.80 per player. However, there was overall improvement in squats—484.39 in 1987 to 496.81.

"Our people this summer are going to have to get in that weight room on their own, pump those weights and get stronger," Claiborne stressed.

Jerry, can you make sure your kids hit the weights diligently this summer? Or will they possibly dillydally their time this summer?

"No, we can't make sure they will lift," Claiborne answered, noting a hands off policy given to coaches during the offseason. "I hope that our seniors and our leaders (have influence); I hope they have that kind of character, in wanting to work on the weights this summer. This group has worked hard and we've improved since we've started. But they've got to continue to work in the weight room."

"We've got good size. We just need strength!"

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On the positive side, Claiborne had several subjects to be optimistic about:

✓The running of **Al Baker**.

Injuries and a shortage of confidence have had an effect on the sophomore, much like a sparkplug taken from a high-powered engine. This spring, Baker charged into camp ready to be a force in UK's backfield.

"I was watching (**Mark Higgs**) run last



David Johnson Signs Autographs Following Blue-White Game

year," said Baker, who gained 89 yards on 17 carries for the Whites. "I kinda tried to run like he did, instead of running like I used to—with power and speed. The coaches kept getting on me, telling me that I don't need to cut, but just run. So I started watching **Ivy Joe (Hunter)**. He's more of a runner like I am—he run's hard with speed."

More than once in the spring game, Baker broke tackles, something he was known for at Trigg County but not in his first two seasons at UK.

"He ran the ball strong," said Claiborne, "and we're glad to see that."

"I think he has got his confidence back now. He ran strong this spring. He still has a habit (where) in high school he'd bring the ball outside and outrun some people, or break a tackle and go down the sidelines. Sometimes he breaks to the outside too many times. Against a good football team, they'll move laterally."

"He's had a good spring and we think he can have a good fall."

✓Solid defensive play.

On paper, the '88 Kentucky's defense is perhaps the strongest since Claiborne, a former UK defensive back, returned to Lexington. This spring the vacancies created by graduation were filled and then some.

Randy Holleran, a late bloomer last year, and **Craig Benzinger** should make up for the departure of steady linebacker **Jeff Kremer**. Guard **Jerry Bell** and linebacker **Steve Kelley** have raised eyebrows this spring with their enthusiastic play. And with **Doug Houser** and **Donnie Gardner** having proved their worth this spring, the worries of replacing All-SEC tackle **Jerry Reese** have been lessened.

Everything else returns intact, as well as improved.

Oliver Barnett, the Wildcats' top defensive tackle, already is looking forward to working alongside Houser.

"He's learned his plays real good," said Barnett. "We work good together. Hopefully, we'll party back in the backfield just like me and Jerry did."

If the offense can generate its fair share of drives—allowing the defensive unit to catch its breath—then the 'Cats might be able to avoid agonizing defeats like the one they suffered against Georgia last year (17-14). You'll recall that Kentucky failed to score in the second, third and fourth quarters. This was the same unit. . .on the same day that scored two first-quarter touchdowns to take a surprising 14-0. This also was the same offense which rushed for 48 yards in the first quarter, but

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	BLUE	WHITE
First downs	13	6
Rushes-yards	39-126	24-56
Passing yards	149	24
Attempts-completions-interceptions	16-9-0	16-3-1
Total yards	275	80
Return yards	3	0
Punts-average	4-35.0	5-37.0
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-yards	1-15	2-14
Possession time	23:14	16:46

Blue—Pennington 2 pass from Fohr (kick failed)
 Blue—Meece 9 pass from Maggard (two-point conversion)
 Phillips pass from Maggard

Attendance—10,328

BLUES						
RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TDS	LONG
Fohr	1	0	1	(-1)	0	(-1)
Bilberry	17	60	3	57	0	9
Knox	12	59	0	59	0	15
Bolden	1	0	0	0	0	0
Maggard	6	22	12	10	0	8
Winter	2	3	2	1	0	3
TOTALS	39	144	18	126	0	15
PASSING	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TDS	LONG
Fohr	12	6	0	113	1	42
Maggard	4	3	0	36	1	22
TOTALS	16	9	0	149	2	42
PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	TDS	LONG		
Meece	2	51	1	42		
Bolden	2	49	0	27		
Pennington	2	7	1	5		
Bilberry	1	10	0	10		
Knox	1	20	0	20		
Hunt	1	12	0	12		
TOTALS	9	149	2	42		
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	LONG		
Nelson	4	164	35	52		
TOTALS	4	141	35.2	52		
FIELD GOALS	ATT	MADE	LONG			
TOTALS	—	—	—			
ALL RETURNS	PUNTS	KICKOFFS	INTS	NO YDS	NO YDS	NO YDS
Massey	1	3	—	—	—	—
Meyer	—	—	—	—	—	1 3
Phillips	1	2	—	—	—	—
Jerolaman	1	0	—	—	—	—
TOTALS	3	5	—	—	—	1 3

Overall, Claiborne Remains Optimistic

Only time will tell just how far the University of Kentucky football team progressed during the recently completed 1988 spring drills.

After the Blues captured a 14-0 victory over the Whites (April 23) in the UK-Bank One Spring Football game, head coach Jerry Claiborne did believe some improvement was made since opening drills began on March 23.

"I felt this football team progressed during the spring," Claiborne said. "We especially progressed in the offensive line."

Indeed, it was a necessity for the Wildcats to progress in the offensive interior. Four starters are gone from last year's offensive wall as only three players, junior Mike Pfeifer (6-7, 290), senior Tony Mills (6-4, 261) and Dean Wilks (6-3, 282) return as lettermen.

Pfeifer started all 11 games last season and Mills missed spring drills because of shoulder surgery. Wilks earned most of his playing time last season as the team's long snapper.

"We still lack strength up front," Claiborne said. "We have decent size, but we must have better upper-body strength. I'd much rather have a smaller player at 260 pounds that had a lot of upper-body strength than a 280-pounder with little strength."

If Kentucky opened the 1988 season today, Pfeifer and either Bo Smith (6-3, 256) or Mike Nord (6-7, 275) would start at tackle. At guard, Bill Hulette (6-2, 255) and Brian Denham (6-1, 251) would get the starting nod and Brian Cralle (6-1, 271) would get the call at center.

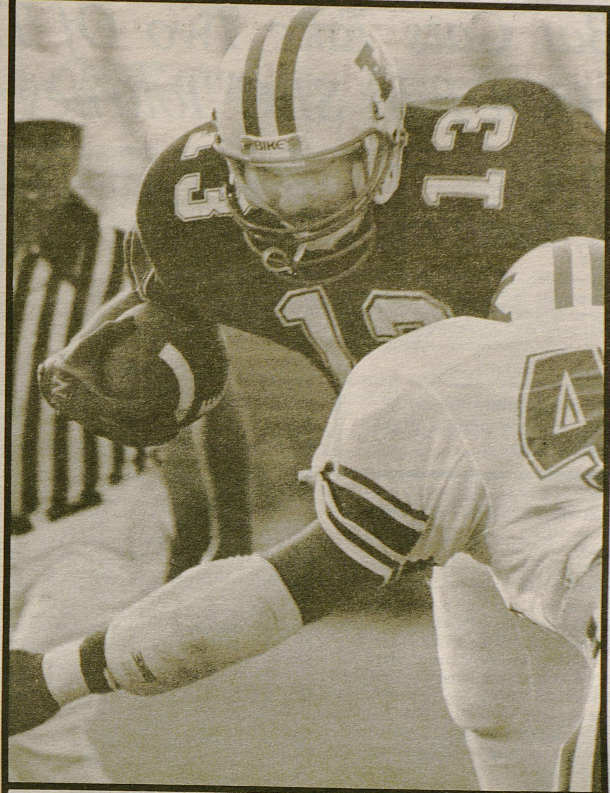
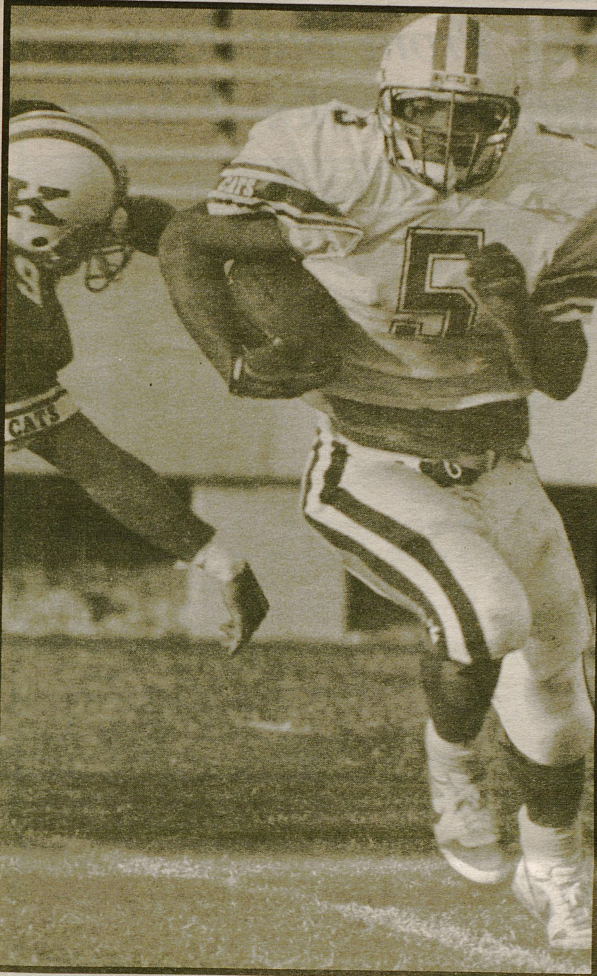
Another area which troubled Claiborne before the drills began was finding a backup to quarterback Glenn Fohr. Claiborne found plenty of help in junior Chuck Broughton (6-4, 223), senior Bill Allen (6-0, 200) and redshirt freshman Freddie Maggard (6-2, 190).

"We feel all four of our quarterbacks will have the opportunity to help us next season," Claiborne said. "Our depth is much better at quarterback than it was a

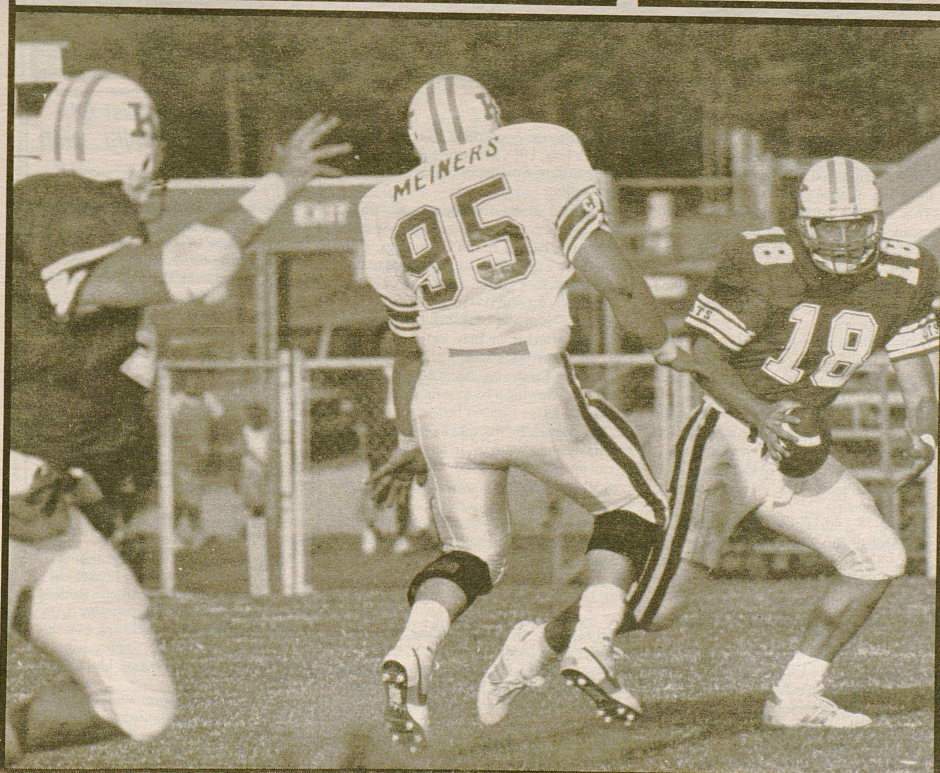
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WHITES						
RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TDS	LONG
Baker	17	89	0	89	0	13
Allen	3	0	35	(-35)	0	(-9)
Houk	2	5	8	(-3)	0	5
Mahan	1	4	0	4	0	4
Bartlett	1	1	0	1	0	1
TOTALS	24	99	43	56	0	13
PASSING	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	TDS	LONG
Allen	9	2	0	21	0	14
Broughton	5	1	0	3	0	3
Houk	2	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	16	3	0	24	0	14
PASS RECEIVING	NO	YDS	TDS	LONG		
Darrington	2	10	0	7		
Gover	1	14	0	14		
TOTALS	3	24	0	14		
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	LONG		
Bianconcini	5	194	36.8	57		
TOTALS	5	194	36.8	57		
FIELD GOALS	ATT	MADE	LONG			
TOTALS	—	—	—			
ALL RETURNS	PUNTS	KICKOFFS	INTS	NO YDS	NO YDS	NO YDS
TOTALS	—	—	—	—	—	—

—Cats' Pause Chart



KENTUCKY WILDCATS



'CATS ON THE RUN
(Top Left, Clockwise) In Last Month's Annual Blue-White Scrimmage, Running Back Al Baker Eluded The Grasp Of More Than One Tackler On This Evening, Turning In A Game-High 89-Yard Effort; Tailback Paul Winter, Recruited As A QB, Tries Out His New Position; And Freshman Redshirt Freddie Maggard Uses His Scrambling Skills In Hopes Of Avoiding A Mike Meiners' Sack.

(Photos By David Sterling)



Bat Cats Take Two Of Three From Bulldogs, Head Into SEC Tourney Action As No. 2 Seed

By TCP Columnist Nick Nicholas

Kentucky closed out the regular season on a sour note, dropping a 9-2 decision to the visiting Georgia Bulldogs at Shively Field May 8.

Nevertheless, UK finished the season with an impressive 18-9 Southeastern Conference tally, along with a 34-21 overall mark. Next up for Keith Madison's Bat 'Cats is an SEC Tournament date with LSU (36-19, 16-11), Thursday at Starkville, Miss.

For complete lineup of SEC tourney action, please turn to page 2.

First pitch is scheduled to be delivered at 1 p.m. (EDT). At press time, Doug Sutton (7-3 overall, 0-1 against LSU) was to get the start for UK.

"It's been a strange season," said Madison, assessing his club this season. "In Southeastern Conference play I've been extremely happy. But we've had a lot of disappointments, in that we haven't played up to our ability in the nonconference games. And that could hurt us as far as getting a bid."

Florida, 21-6 in the SEC, ended the year three games ahead of Kentucky.

When asked if he thought his team already had earned at least an at-large bid in the NCAA Regionals, Madison paused before giving an answer.

"Oh... I say we should be," said the UK coach. "If the Kentucky basketball team finishes second in the regular season, I think they get a bid. I think we should be treated just as fairly as they are."

Of the six teams in the SEC Tournament, only Georgia has a worse overall record (27-26) than does UK.

Last year, you'll recall UK's 40-15 record wasn't good enough to qualify for an NCAA bid. This time around, to clinch a bid in the eyes of the selection committee the 'Cats might need to win at least one game in the double-elimination league tournament.

"The selection committee, they're such sticklers for the nice looking record and we really needed that win (loss to Georgia) to solidify an at-large bid," noted center-fielder Chris Estep. "That kinda hurt us."

On the other hand, "I don't see how they can keep us out," Estep said, whose team swept Saturday's double-header from Georgia—11-0 and 7-2. "But I think with a couple of wins down in Starkville we'll be OK."

As far as looking down the road in the SEC Tournament, Estep said, "It doesn't really matter who we play. Every team has a little bit of everything, except for LSU where the pitching dominates everything. They have great pitching but their hitting lacks sometimes."

"But I'm not taking anything away from them because they took it to us down there."

Early in the season the Bat Cats lost two of three to the Tigers, dropping the first two—3-1, 2-1—before escaping Baton Rouge with a 3-1 win.

Plagued by four errors, UK allowed Georgia to turn a 2-0 deficit into a 9-2 victory on Sunday. UGA's win, along with Vanderbilt's 8-7, 12-inning setback at Florida, catapulted the Bulldogs into sixth place in the SEC and the final spot in this week's tournament.

Errors by UK's Darin Riemann (2), Vince Castaldo (1) and Billy White (1), hampered the return of starting pitcher Matthew

Bat Cat Final Regular-Season Batting, Pitching Stats (55-game totals)

OVERALL: 34-21 SEC: 18-9

*** BATTING Statistics ***

PLAYER	BA	G/ GS	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	SB/SBA	SBA	SO	BB	HBP	S/F	TS/SLUG%	ON BASE PCT.	GWH	HSTY
Erik McDonald	1,900	1/ 0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1/1.000	1/ 1.000	0	1
Joe Welch	.500	4/ 0	4	1	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5/1.250	3/ 5.000	0	2
Jim Dill	.375	7/ 0	8	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3/ .375	4/ 9.444	0	0
Vince Castaldo	.358	55/ 55	201	48	72	52	19	2	4	19/ 25	760	31	41	2	1/ 1	107/ .532	115/ 245.469	5	7
Rick Norton	.357	16/ 8	42	9	15	8	4	0	0	0	1	0	9	2	0	19/ .452	17/ 44.386	1	0
Robbie Buchanan	.352	49/ 44	145	37	51	41	9	0	7	6/ 7	857	20	37	1	1/ 1	81/ .559	89/ 184.484	4	0
John Hampton	.351	26/ 20	74	20	26	12	3	0	6/ 7	857	23	15	0	0	0	24/ .352	41/ 89.461	0	0
Sam Taylor	.346	52/ 50	191	44	66	43	7	0	10	11/ 12	917	14	23	1	4/ 4	103/ .539	90/ 219.411	3	0
Billy White	.341	55/ 55	208	67	79	25	1	4	19/ 24	792	32	38	3	1/ 2	100/ .481	113/ 250.452	3	1	
David Ray	.318	18/ 12	44	7	14	6	0	1	1	0/ 1	0	0	0	0	0	12/ .318	21/ 53.396	1	1
John Marshall	.313	52/ 52	194	34	60	38	13	0	7	0/ 1	0	0	0	0	0	94/ .490	85/ 221.385	2	0
Mark Blythe	.308	49/ 47	169	40	52	50	7	0	12	3/ 6	500	16	11	4	3/ 7	95/ .562	67/ 190.353	7	7
Bobby Olinick	.307	36/ 27	101	23	31	20	5	1	4	4/ 5	800	16	17	0	1/ 1	50/ .495	48/ 119.403	0	1
Chris Estep	.307	51/ 50	176	45	54	34	8	3	11	12/ 16	750	56	27	10	1/ 0	101/ .574	91/ 213.427	0	0
Darin Riemann	.287	52/ 51	181	34	52	34	15	1	8	4/ 5	800	40	35	2	0/ 2	93/ .514	89/ 220.405	4	0
Roger Gum	.250	37/ 24	100	16	25	10	0	0	0	0	1	1,000	0	1	0	1/ .167	2/ 7.286	0	0
Scott Pruitt	.167	18/ 0	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0/ .000	0/ 0.000	0	0
Dave Voit	.000	1/ 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0/ .000	0/ 0.000	0	0
Jon Hudson	.000	1/ 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0/ .000	0/ 0.000	0	0
Kentucky	.323	55/ 55	1843	430	596	383	107	9	70	90/ 116	776	317	292	23	16/ 25	931/ .505	912/ 2181.418	30	-
Opponent Totals	.268	55/ 55	1748	313	468	267	90	5	44	50/ 69	725	334	261	35	18/ 10	700/ .400	764/ 2054.372	16	-

*** PITCHING Statistics ***

PITCHER	ERA	G/ GS	W	L	PCT	SHUTOUT	IP	R	H	ER	SO	BB	IBB	HB	WP	BK	ZB	3B	HR	TS/SLUG%	AB	BAVG.	
Dave Voit	2.21	28/ 0	7	1	.875	6	0	0	53.0	14	36	13	60	19	3	6	4	0	2	49/ .265	185/ .195		
Matthew Coleman	2.56	6/ 6	3	2	.600	0	1	0	31.7	11	22	9	15	12	0	0	0	0	5	0	4	39/ .325	120/ .183
Bruce Wise	3.86	6/ 0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	11.7	9	11	5	12	5	0	3	3	0	2	0	1	16/ .348	46/ .239
Jim Law	4.06	9/ 5	4	0	1.000	0	0	0	37.7	22	30	17	22	14	0	4	5	0	4	47/ .315	149/ .201		
Trev Deller	4.50	16/ 11	4	3	.571	0	2	0	62.0	45	64	31	47	46	0	6	7	0	11	0	4	87/ .367	237/ .270
Doug Sutton	5.13	15/ 13	7	3	.700	0	5	1	79.0	52	82	45	38	48	0	4	9	3	10	125/ .411	304/ .270		
Jon Hudson	5.58	22/ 0	3	3	.500	0	0	0	50.0	36	57	31	58	31	0	9	5	0	10	0	1	70/ .354	196/ .288
Roy Bailey	6.19	11/ 4	2	1	.667	1	0	0	36.3	30	45	25	21	15	0	1	6	0	7	1	7	75/ .484	155/ .290
Vince Pyre	6.58	15/ 14	3	5	.375	0	1	0	52.0	50	74	38	28	40	1	2	8	0	17	2	4	107/ .464	221/ .335
John Ofstun	11.32	10/ 1	1	1	.500	0	0	0	20.7	27	35	26	21	19	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	58/ .637	91/ .385
Steve Dixon	14.90	6/ 1	0	1	.000	0	0	0	9.7	17	12	16	12	11	0	0	3	0	1	0	4	25/ .595	42/ .286
Kentucky	5.19	55/ 55	34	21	.618	7	9	1	443.7	313	468	256	334	261	4	35	52	3	88	5	44	698/ .399	1748/ .268
Opponent Totals	7.22	55/ 55	21	34	.382	8	7	2	437.7	431	596	351	317	291	3	23	60	7	107	9	70	931/ .505	1843/ .323

Coleman.

Heading into the top of the fifth, UK, with Coleman on the mound, held a 2-1 lead. But in their next five times up the Bulldogs dented the lead, highlighted by a two-run eighth and a three-run ninth.

This wasn't a performance an SEC title contender would be proud of.

Even the Bat Cats' ace in the bullpen, Dave Voit (7-1, 2.21 ERA), couldn't get the job done. The Lexington senior gave up three earned runs on four hits, while working the final two frames.

Georgia's hero at the plate was Brian Jester, who went four-for-five on the day, including the game-winning hit and a two-run insurance home run off Voit in the ninth.

UK, batting .326 as a team, was on the verge of sweeping its canine counterpart. Kentucky jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the first off lefty Steve Muh. Mark Blythe then blasted his 12th bellringer of the year, clearing the left-field fence.

After giving up a third-inning single to Estep, Muh (7-6) settled down. The Georgia starter didn't allow another Bat Cat hit until Vince Castaldo's line drive to right-center in eighth.

Muh was relieved in the ninth after giving up back-to-back walks.

"What happened, I think, is that we rested on our laurels," said Estep. "We didn't come out and execute—we made a lot of stupid errors. In the first four innings we had four errors. We really gave the game away."

"It's bad to end on a sour note but it's kinda good to get it out of our system."

If there's one good thing to come out of Sunday's loss, UK's Madison has to be smiling because of Coleman's return to the starting rotation.

Scheduled to go six innings, Coleman, returning after an early-season injury, gave up only one earned run in six-innings. Coleman (3-2, 2.56 ERA) struck out three and walked three.

"We really let him down," said Estep. "We didn't give him the back-hand support he deserved. (But) if we play well behind him then we know it's a win."

The right-hander has been sidelined since March 5, following a broken finger (pitching hand).

"You can see by the way he pitched today that he means a lot to us, in terms of the way he can pitch," said Madison. "He's got a good fastball but he also knows how to use the curveball and change up to his advantage."

"He's a pitcher's pitcher, and that's the kind of guy you need going into this tournament." Madison plans to use Coleman for either game two or three (if necessary). As for how long he can last... Madison says he's not sure.

"He's close," indicated Madison, in regard to Coleman being 100 percent. "He's not 100 percent because his arm is not in shape. Strength-wise and pitching-wise he's 100 percent. But he hasn't pitched enough lately to go nine."

"So, if that means he's not 100 percent, then he's not."

Dawson Heads List Of 'Cats Picked In NFL Draft

Four UK football players were taken in last month's NFL draft.

UK offensive lineman Dermontti Dawson was picked in the second round by the Pittsburgh Steelers. A second-team All-SEC selection (*Associated Press*) last season, Dawson participated in the Blue-Gray and Senior Bowl all-star classics.

Joining Dawson with the AFC Central Division team will be standout defensive tackle Jerry Reese. Reese was picked by the Steelers in the fifth round. As a senior, Reese made the coaches' All-SEC team as well as *UPI's* All-SEC first squad.

Running back Mark Higgs will get a chance at his pro dreams with America's Team, the Dallas Cowboys. The 5-foot-8 speedster was picked in the eighth round.

In 1987 he rushed for more yardage in one season than had any other Wildcat—1,278 yards. He was a second-team All-SEC selection (*AP*).

Rounding out the 'Cats in the draft is offensive lineman Greg Kunkel. Kunkel was a 12th-round pick of the Los Angeles Raiders.

A second-team All-SEC member (*AP*), Kunkel was the Wildcats' Offensive Lineman of the Week last season against Indiana, Rutgers, Ole Miss, Georgia, Florida and Tennessee.

All four Kentucky players were Honorable-Mention All-Americans by *Football News* and *Associated Press*. Already, the players have attended the camps of their respective teams.

Can UK Overcome Loss Of Brittain, MacLean?

Dickey Optimistic About Front Line

Not signing a power forward or center this month disappointed the University of Kentucky basketball coaching staff.

However, the UK staff is not ready to panic or write off the 1988-89 season because it didn't sign another inside player to help replace the four it lost to



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Cats' Pause Columnist



graduation.

"We are disappointed that we didn't sign a big guy but we're not worried," said UK assistant coach James Dickey.

Kentucky may start worrying, though, if 6-11 recruit Shawn Kemp of Elkhart, Ind., doesn't soon meet NCAA academic requirements to be eligible next season. Kemp is rated as one of the nation's top prep centers and could be a dominant force inside for UK next season if he is eligible.

Another UK recruit, point guard Sean Woods, has also failed to score high enough on his college entrance exams so far to be eligible next season.

"We are very hopeful all of our recruits meet the NCAA Proposition 48 academic requirements," said Dickey. "If that happens, we are in good shape. We won't be as well off as if we had signed another big man. We would like to have had more depth."

Kentucky lost center Rob Lock and power forward Winston Bennett, its top two rebounders last season, to graduation. Also reserve forwards Richard Madison and Cedric Jenkins are out of eligibility.

The Cats tried desperately to land 6-10 Don MacLean of California and 6-9 Maurice Brittain of Hutchinson Junior College in Kansas this spring. MacLean picked UCLA while Brittain chose Georgia Tech.

Those decisions didn't stun the UK staff, not after all the allegations the Kentucky program has had to endure the last three weeks. It started when Emery employees claimed they found \$1,000 in cash in an overnight package UK assistant coach Dwane Casey mailed to recruit Chris Mills. Both Casey and Mills denied the package contained money but the controversy all but destroyed UK's recruiting this month.

"We were disappointed over not signing anybody else but it didn't exactly surprise us," said Dickey. "Certainly the controversy hurt."

"We had a black cloud hanging over us the first 2½ years we were here but survived. We are hopeful this is resolved as soon as possible. That's about all I am at liberty to say."

Dickey came to Kentucky in 1985 with UK Coach Eddie Sutton. That's when the Lexington Herald-Leader won a Pulitzer Prize for its series quoting former UK players about improper cash payments and gifts they received while at Kentucky.

The NCAA gave UK a reprimand but imposed no penalties after investigating the matter for over two years.

"We recruited Rex Chapman with that hanging over us," said Dickey. "We signed LeRon Ellis and Eric Manuel last year. And we were very happy with the group we signed last fall and Richie Farmer this spring."

"None of this latest controversy has hurt our current players. They are working hard now preparing for next season."

Dickey doesn't think the controversy will haunt UK in upcoming years. Many UK fans fear Kentucky will have trouble recruiting quality players even if it is not found guilty of any NCAA violations.

"We are prepared to address any questions any potential recruit might have," said Dickey. "We were in basically the same shape the first year here but signed Rex and Reggie (Hanson)."

"Really it's still too early to tell what effect this will have next year. We just have to try and do the same things we have always done. We have to sell our own strengths and provide answers for any questions recruits have."

The NCAA has investigated recent allegations that UK paid for Kemp's mother to visit Lexington and that James Blackmon received \$40,000 from a booster during his senior season in 1985-86. The Louisville Courier-Journal recently reported that both Kemp and Mills got cars from their parents soon after they signed with UK. All that was reported after the Casey-Mills-Emery affair made headlines.

"Kentucky basketball is bigger than any one person or thing," said Dickey. "This program can sustain any setback. This is one of the few places in the country that has had continued success for the last few decades despite a lot of adversity."

"I'm confident we will survive this and continue to have a competitive team. I'm optimistic about next season in spite of all that has gone on. Don't write off Kentucky. That would be a big mistake because this program will survive."

KENTUCKY has always had trouble competing against Southeastern Conference football powers. No matter what the Wildcats have done, they have never been a consistent match for LSU, Auburn, Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia or Florida.

In its last 10 meetings with those foes UK is 1-9 against Auburn and LSU, 2-8 against Florida and Tennessee and 0-10 against Georgia and Alabama.

All six of those teams will be on Kentucky's 1988 schedule. That would be a problem even if Kentucky was expecting to have one of its best football teams. However, the schedule could really be a killer next season because Kentucky has major problems.

"The two things we are missing are experience and strength," said UK Coach Jerry Claiborne. "To be honest, some guys we hoped would be stronger and play more last year just didn't come along the way we hoped."

"We only have one letterman in the offensive line that practiced this spring. That's just not enough. Our defensive personnel is stronger but we are in the same shape with our defensive backup people. We had the fewest people letter last year that we have had in a long time."

"A lot can change in three months. Our guys have to work hard over the summer and come back mentally and physically ready to play. We just have to get stronger to compete in the SEC."

Defensive end Tony Massey, a Somerset product, is one of eight defensive starters returning. Kentucky expects to have one of the top defensive units in the



Tony Massey



Dave Likins

SEC and Massey doesn't think the UK coach is worried about his unit.

"Coach Claiborne is more worried about the offense," said Massey. "That's why he is so pessimistic. You have got to score points to win."

One newcomer who could help the offense is running back Alfred Rawls, a junior college transfer who had to have knee surgery during spring practice.

"Rawls is quick as a cat," said backup quarterback Chuck Broughton. "I think he is as quick as Mark Higgs and not many players can match that. I think he is really going to be a good player."

One offensive player who had a good spring was tailback Al Baker. He was red-shirted in 1986 after breaking his ankle but never showed the combination of speed and power in 1987 that was expected.

"Al was running harder than I have ever seen him run," said Broughton, a junior. "He showed the power and speed we all heard about when he signed here."

Kentucky put in a new offense this spring and will use more motion and deception next season. Quarterback Glenn Fohr, a part-time starter in 1987, likes the new offense that will use his running ability.

"I really don't expect us to throw more, not with the good running backs we have," said Fohr. "But I think we will move the ball better than people expect."

"We know we lack experience and have a tough road to hoe. But if we can get all 11 guys on the same page doing their jobs, we can be successful. If one guy doesn't do his job, though, we will be in trouble. We won't overpower anybody, not with the schedule we are facing."

It's not unreasonable to think Kentucky will go 0-6 against the big boys of the SEC. If that happens, Kentucky could do no better than 5-6 even if it beats both Indiana and Vanderbilt.

If Kentucky hopes to survive next season, and surviving would be 5-6 or maybe 6-5, then its offensive linemen must return bigger and stronger. If they don't, Kentucky could be looking at a three- or four-win season because teams that can't control the line of scrimmage don't win many games.



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Opened Package Stirs Readers, Possibilities

. . .It Also Can Affect Recruiting

Readers write and things.

It is late springtime and Derby Week in the Bluegrass state, but a good (bad?) mystery is never a seasonal thing. The UK-Chris Mills-NCAA thing is still on the minds of a lot of Kentuckians.



Bob Watkins

Cats' Pause Columnist



A sampling of reactions I have received through the U.S. Mail reflects everything from depression to outrage to "Murder She Wrote" script possibilities that are almost as incredible as the Emery Freight-broken-open-package caper itself.

■ **Bob Benningfield**, a native of Marion County, lives in Martin, Tenn.: "I have been in deep depression since reading about recent events concerning the coaching staff at UK. It is hard for me to believe they would do such a thing. I really believed in their program thinking it was one of the cleanest programs in the country. I haven't given up yet, but several things don't add up. I keep thinking some new evidence will turn up to prove it was a frame up.

"If the investigation proves these reports are correct, it will set the program back several years. It will be equal to the scandal in the early 1950s."

■ **Jimmy Britt of Albany, Ky.:** "I can picture in my mind the parties who set up Dwane Casey, Mills and UK. They must be grinning from ear to ear.

"My opinion is a group from UCLA or USC set Casey up. I lean toward UCLA because the school has been embarrassed (losing high school players to schools in the east). I just hope they find out who set Casey up and he can take them to court with a lawsuit they will never forget.

"Whoever says Casey did this can't see the forest for the trees. He was a fine ballplayer at Kentucky and will make a fine coach anywhere. As for Mills I still think he will come to UK."

Britt adds, "I would doubt if (Rex) Chapman does go pro next year."

■ **A.E. Sturdivant of Elizabethtown (who says he is a Louisville fan)** offered three ideas for the price of one.

✓ "Regards to the VCR/Emery Worldwide case — Package leaves Lexington is sorted (in Cincinnati?) for final destination ... New York, Chicago, Los Angeles. Package re-sorted for final delivery. Package handled by persons (not Big Blue fans) or (who) are tired of UK and UofL siphoning off California players — and perhaps knowing some (California) 'fat cat' with money willing to make a contribution towards discrediting UK."

✓ "Package handlers — one story in the newspapers says 80 percent of the labor force at UPS in Louisville is made up of UofL students. What about Emery in California?"

✓ "Casey has received much favorable publicity for his role as a recruiter. by all accounts, he is a fine individual. Was someone on the staff at UK jealous, wishing to cut him down to size, jockeying for position?"

Sturdivant concludes: "Doesn't it seem too coincidental (that his happened) with recruiting season? This whole thing is giving everyone in Kentucky a bad name."

The NCAA has officially launched an investigation into UK's recruitment of Mills. What has been and will be the likely impact points of this whole matter? Here are a few things that have already happened and a few suggestions of what might follow.

■ **Maurice Brittain**, 6-9 center from Hutchinson, Kan. was leaning toward signing with UK, but announced last week that he will attend Georgia Tech.

■ **Don McLean**, 6-10 center from Simi Valley, Calif. considered UK, but signed with UCLA.

Brittain and McLean both said the Casey-Mills-NCAA thing influenced their decisions to go elsewhere. Either could have been an impact player for Kentucky.

■ UK's recruiting for next year must be stunted/frozen at this point. Among the blue chippers strongly considering Kentucky before the NCAA thing are: 6-5 Pat Graham of Floyd's Knobs, Ind., 6-8 Larry Funderburke of Columbus, Oh., 6-8 Orlando Lightfoot of Chattanooga, Tenn., and 6-8 Jimmy Jackson of Toledo, Oh.

Next, if the NCAA finds UK guilty and puts the school on probation...

■ Rex Chapman won't stay around for his senior year. Eric Manuel and LeRon Ellis may well transfer.

■ And Coach Eddie Sutton could be shopping for another job.

Epilogue...

Before leaving the UK-NCAA thing, an item in last week's *The Sporting News* about Charles Barkley sounds like thunder in the distance. The Philadelphia 76ers forward admitted that he received money from agents while he attended Auburn.

"All good college players were getting paid," Barkley said. "I think they should. The colleges use these guys, and the guys get nothing in return."

More Readers (right) write

Next, comes a letter about an item offered in this space last month wondering why it was such big news when a little guy like Richie Farmer signed with the University of Kentucky.

■ **Benny Bowlin of Albany, Ky.** "Dear Mr. Smart Guy. I'm a believer in giving people a chance. Especially little guys like Richie Farmer. I think Murray State had a little guy who helped them almost beat the NCAA champion Kansas.

"If you measured Richie by the size of your mouth he would be big enough. I would appreciate it if you would stop your criticism of native Kentucky players."

Comment: Thank you for writing.

People...

Shedrick Jones of Louisville and Gary West, president of the Western Kentucky Hilltopper Boosters Club, are working on a two-game summer exhibition that would match a collection of former Western and UofL players (Tellis Frank, Rodney McCray, Billy Thompson, Milt Wagner among them). Coaching the ex-Western stars would be ex-Western All-American Jim McDaniels.

"We'd like to play one game in Louisville, say on a Thursday night, then take the guys to Bowling Green for a Saturday game at Diddle Arena," Jones said last week.

If Diddle Arena is not available, Jones said, "we would like to play the game at Allen County-Scottsville."

Of course Scottsville is McDaniels' hometown. NOTE: For Sunday, May 1.

State Tournaments

Receipts and attendance were down for the 1988 boys State High School Basketball Tournament in Louisville last month.

Total paid attendance was 125,528 this year at Freedom Hall. Last year 132,210 paid to see the tournament at Rupp Arena. Gate receipts: \$135,866 this year, \$140,266 last year.

The girls state tournament this spring was ahead of last year's. In Frankfort 22,868 paid \$30,825. A year ago in Bowling Green 22,312 paid \$27,976 at E.A. Diddle Arena.

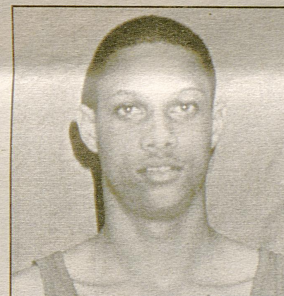
Readers (right) write III

Bill Henniger, Eddyville, Ky. wrote last month to take issue with a view from here that the boys state tournament should be at Rupp Arena. "What you need to do is attend the tournament as a fan and not a sportswriter. Have you ever stayed in one of the Lexington downtown hotels at \$100-plus per night and had your wallet gouged for meals, etc.?"

"Or you could stay at one of the motels at the edge of town for a few dollars less, drive into town seeing people in the residential areas holding placards advertising 'park in my yard', since Rupp Arena does not afford enough parking spaces. If you are fortunate enough to park in the Rupp Arena parking lot for \$4 or \$5, when you



Dwane Casey



Chris Mills

return for the night sessions they will let you pay the same amount again.

"I think you will find that most fans prefer after the night sessions are over to meet at a restaurant for food and drink and replaying the games. Ever try to find a restaurant open in Lexington after a ballgame? Forget it. They gouge you enough during the day so they can close early with the tills full. I have attended State Tournaments for 35 years and I can tell you that Louisville is the best place for the tournament. Louisville is a hospitable city. Need I say more? By the way, I think you will find that Freedom Hall seats 19,500, not 18,000."

Comment Thank you for writing. Following is a response from KHSAA commissioner Tom Mills.

Mills, commissioner of the Kentucky High School Athletics Association, didn't have to wait long for "the question" last when he met with Kentucky sports editors in mid-April.

Since it lost money and the attendance was down at the 41st Sweet 16 at Freedom Hall last month, will the boys' state tournament return to Louisville in 1990?

"Let me ask you in the media that question," Mills replied, "because it's a difficult decision to make."

"Generally, the fans who talked with us said they would like to have it in Lexington," he said.

The complaint heard most often about having the state tournament in Lexington has been "gouging" by merchants and hotel and motel operators, raising their prices during state tournament week.

"One thing we've worked very hard on is trying to encourage them not to gouge people," Mills said. "But prices just kind of slip up anyway."

The KHSAA's board of control is meeting this week to discuss a bid process between Louisville and Lexington, and one of the items will be housing rates.

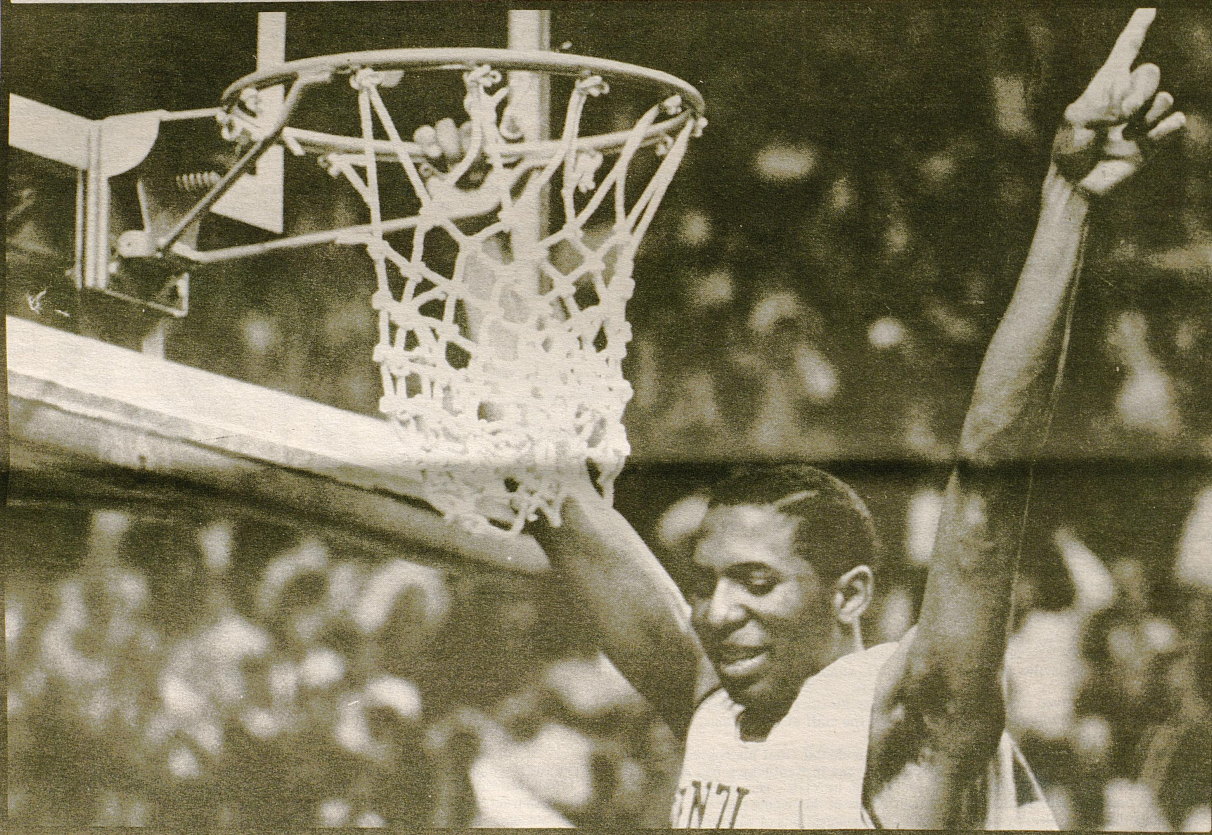
"Bids will be entertained at this summer's meeting at Lake Barkley for the 1990 and 1991 tournaments," KHSAA information director Julian Tackett said.

Parting shot

NFL scouts ask incoming college players to take a 50-question intelligence test. Nebraska defensive end Neil Smith was allowed to retake it after scoring a *four* on his first try. Second time around he made 11. Auburn's Aundra Bruce, picked first in the draft by Atlanta, scored a 12. Meanwhile, Louisville tackle Bruce Armstrong scored a 38, one of the highest scores ever on the test.

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Mr. Basketball, Richie Farmer

Clay County's Richie Farmer Tells Why He Picked Kentucky, And What He'll Do If The Wildcats Should Be Penalized By NCAA

Q&A



Richie Farmer

During the April signing period, Clay County guard Richie Farmer announced that he will play basketball for the University of Kentucky.

Farmer, this year's Mr. Basketball winner and a two-time Sweet 16 Most Valuable Player, picked the Wildcats over Western Kentucky and Louisiana State. He joins next season's Wildcat freshman class, which includes Chris Mills, Shawn Kemp and Sean Woods.

Recently, Farmer and *TCP* editor and publisher Oscar Combs got together for a little one-on-one, and not basketball-style, either.

This encounter was where Oscar asked the questions and Richie fired back answers much like his jumpers for Clay County—on target, Richie Farmer style.

On why he chose Kentucky.

Richie Farmer: One thing about Kentucky, like I've said so many times before, it's always been a dream of mine to play at Kentucky. I think that was really where my heart was. And when I felt they had a genuine interest in me, I just figured it was a good place to get an education, a good place to play ball and I feel that I'll be happy there.

On being recruited so late in his high school career.

Richie Farmer: Some people, they always had questions about whether I could play or not: They might have thought I was too slow or too small or couldn't jump, or whatever. And I think after the state tournament they kinda saw that I could play, and I could shoot over big people. And I'm just glad that people were interested in me, and I appreciate what all those schools did for me.

On Louisville's interest.

Richie Farmer: Louisville, they watched me play, I think coach (Wade) Houston watched me play a couple of times during the LIT. They offered me some tickets to come over and see the game on Saturday if we'd have got beat. But we won so I didn't get to go. But after that they never called me at home or anything and I never really talked to any of 'em.

On Vanderbilt's interest.

Richie Farmer: Vanderbilt is a great school academically. They compete pretty much every year, they're good competition nationwide. And I really like Vanderbilt. But coach (C.M.) Newton, after so long he said he felt that I'd probably have to sit the bench for two years because of the guards he already had. And he told me that he thought I was a better player than that and I could play anywhere, and he just felt it would be better for me to go somewhere else. He just told me that, and that was pretty much all. Coach Newton is a great fella, and I really like him.

On LSU's interest.

Richie Farmer: I'd say I probably like coach Dale Brown as well as anybody I've met during the recruiting process. He seemed to be a great guy. Straight forward with you, he'd tell you anything, any questions you had he'd

answer 'em the best he could. And I really like him. But the only problem with LSU was I felt it was just a little too far from home for me, and I'd just rather stay a little bit closer to home. I really wanted to stay in the state of Kentucky because basketball is No. 1 here, and that's the way I've always had it. And it's not that way anywhere else in the nation.

On Indiana's interest.

Richie Farmer: Indiana called a couple times, and they told me that coach (Bobby) Knight hadn't been pleased with his guard play and he told them to get the best guard available. And they told me that was me and they wanted to start recruiting me. But I think some people kinda heard through the grapevine that Kentucky was recruiting me and I think that caused 'em to back off a little bit.

On Western Kentucky's interest.

Richie Farmer: Coach Murray Arnold is a great person. I went down, I took a visit down there. They have a great program. I guess I like Murray Arnold. . . he's a great guy and I think we'll remain friends right on through life. I really had a good time when I went down to visit, but like I said before, after my family sat down and talked, we just felt Kentucky was the best choice for me.

On what he and his parents talked about when they were weighing the merits of each school involved in the recruiting process.

Richie Farmer: It came down to Kentucky and Western Kentucky were the final two. And it was really a tough decision, especially for a teenager 18-years-old to make. And I think it's one of the biggest two or three decisions that I'll ever have to make in my lifetime, because it affects the rest of my life. So, you just really have to sit down and look at everything from every possible angle before you make a decision. I just hope I made the right one, and I think in my heart I have.

On what it felt like waiting for UK to offer him a scholarship.

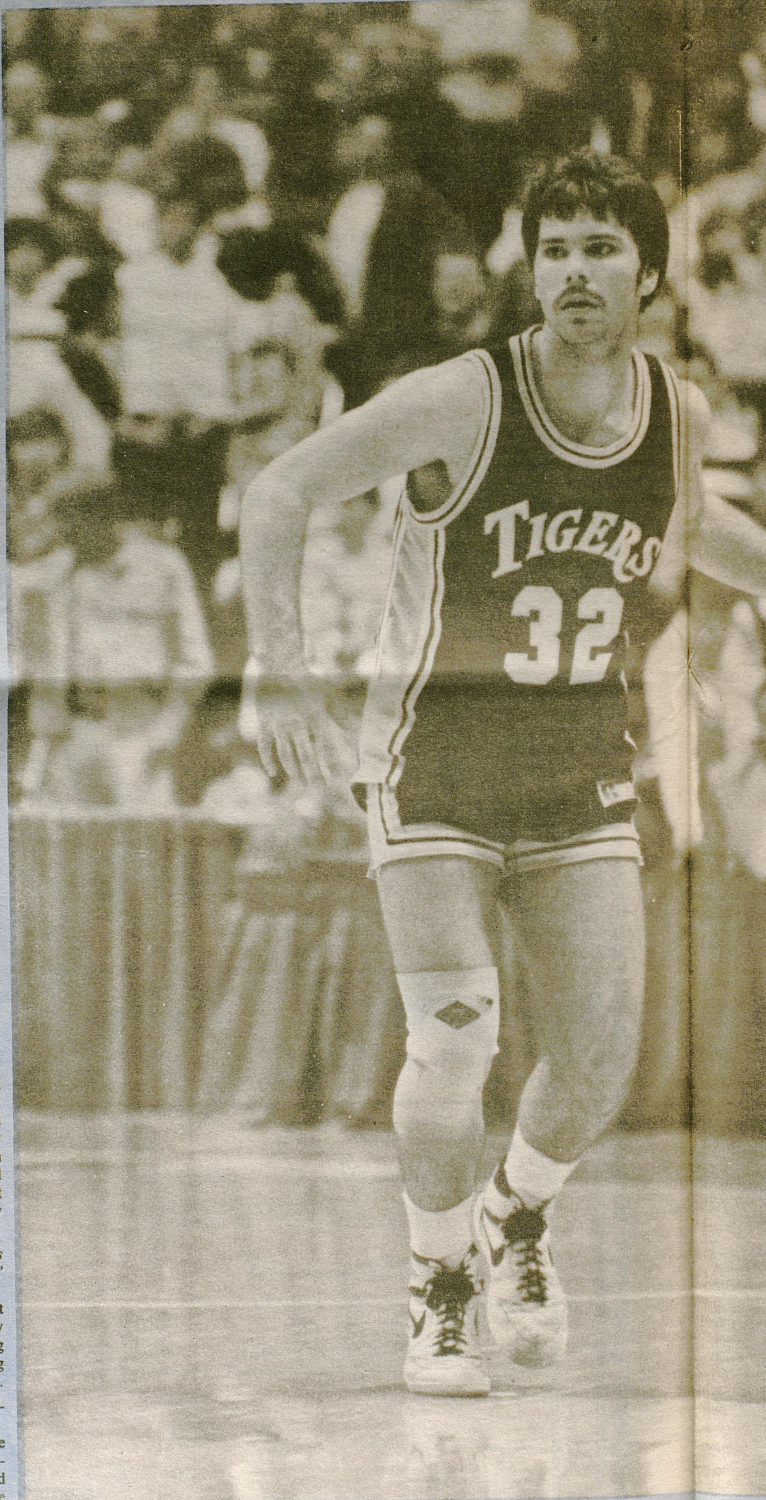
Richie Farmer: I kinda got a little frustrated with it early in the season because they weren't offering me a scholarship, they weren't really recruiting me that hard. I felt that I'd proven that I could play and I just kinda felt that they should be recruiting me. But I put it all behind me and I wanted to concentrate on what Clay County's team did this year, and wanted to win another state championship. So really I put all of it behind me till after the state tournament and then started into recruiting again, and by this time they were recruiting me.

On his initial thoughts once he heard news that Dwane Casey allegedly paid Chris Mills' father \$1,000.

Richie Farmer: I really didn't believe it at all. And knowing coach Casey, I especially didn't believe it of him, or any of the coaching staff at UK. I really didn't think that anything would come of it, and I still hope it doesn't.

On if he will change his mind if UK is placed on probation.

Richie Farmer: I really don't think so. Like I said before, I've grown up loving University of Kentucky basketball, I've always followed it and I really don't think anything will come of this, I sure hope it don't. And I'm just looking forward to having four great years of basketball at Kentucky.



Clay County's Richie Farmer, Who Was Named Kentucky's Mr. Basketball Of

Farmer, Signs With UK

Richie Farmer Stole The Show One More Time

By Jim Pickens

LOUISVILLE — Louisville Ballard may have stolen the title, but Clay County's Richie Farmer once again stole the show.

Scoring 51 points in his team's 88-79 loss to the mega-talented Bruins in the 71st boys' state high school basketball championship game here Saturday, Richie Farmer endeared himself to friend and foe alike as one of the finest high school players to ever lace up his sneakers in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

I mean, please! Are there still doubters out there!?!?

Holy Mountain magic, I would hope not!

Richie Farmer put on an individual clinic of how to play the game of basketball which hasn't been seen in Kentucky since the mid-1950s—when "King" Kelly Coleman was stroking the strings as a one-man show for the wonderful Wasps of Wayland High School.

And, Farmer's point total Saturday night was the best-ever in a title tilt—breaking a record set by Louisville Central's Ron King, who scored 44 points in his team's 1969 victory over Ohio County (101-72). Wow!

So, what can be said about this *wunderkind*? What can we say about Mr. Basketball? The state tournament Most Valuable Player? The greatest thing to hit Clay County since indoor plumbing? What can we say about, perhaps, the most dominant player to hit the Sweet 16 in two decades?

Well, we can say this:

□ **Richie Farmer can play for any college team in the country.** "What," you might gasp. "Well, Kentucky hasn't shown him very much attention. He must not be *that* good."

My friends, if the University of Kentucky makes a final judgment that, in their estimation, Richie Farmer can't benefit the Kentucky Wildcats, I think we should all apply for Eddie Sutton's job.

Richie Farmer can not only play for Kentucky, he can be one of Kentucky's *best* players—if given the chance, I kid you not.

Anyone from Hopkins County who stuck around here long enough to see this guy play even a half must now finally comprehend that he's the King of Hoops, the best of the best, the greatest showstopper of them all. Farmer the Charming.

He can shoot over anybody—including Ballard's 6-foot-6 Allan Houston (size) and 5-8 Mark Bell (speed, quickness) for much of Saturday night's game and he still poured in 51!

He levitates much better than either of those players (or anybody else since Superman, David Thompson and Dr. J) and simply doesn't get his shot blocked cleanly. He handles the ball extraordinarily well (17 assists for two games Saturday). He rebounds. He plays defense. He turns on fans with rainbow three-pointers from downtown Louisville.

What more could Kentucky, or any other team in America want? His height? Six-feet even. . .but he plays 6-5. At least.

□ **Richie Farmer, if he signs with Kentucky, will be more popular than Rex Chapman (if they let him play).**

A lot of you who weren't at the state tournament are probably having a hard time fathoming this one, but those of you who did attend this year's "Sweet 16" certainly know what I'm talking about.

Let's put it this way. The *entire* Freedom Hall crowd fell in love with this guy out of sheer admiration. Here's a guy whose mountain twang and soulful eyes simply endear himself to the blue-collar folks in Kentucky. The girls like him because they say that five-year-old mustache of his makes him look cute as a button.

What's more, everybody is so amazed that this guy can do what he can do at his height. I mean, Richie Farmer jumps center, plays the back end of the 1-3-1 zone, runs the show on offense, is the best shooter in the gym, is the best passer in the gym. . .get the picture? He *dominates* the game, and there's nothing your player or my player can do to stop him.

HE IS UNSTOPPABLE!

Always remember this: "It's Richie's ball. You play the way Richie wants to play, or else you don't play." He is one of the few individuals in the history of Kentucky high school basketball who has exhibited the chemistry to actually *control* the entire game.

Need more solid evidence? OK, try this. He's a better pure shooter than Chapman (Rex is streaky), a better penetrator (no one weaves the paint any better), and a better passer (Farmer sees the *entire* court).

Moreover, Farmer's more popular right now, statewide, than

Chapman ever was in high school. Enough said.

□ **Richie Farmer is an "unnamed" All-American.**

Chris Fowler, who hosts ESPN's "Scholastic Sports America," was in town this week to do a feature on Richie Farmer, for his April 9 show. I sat next to Fowler during Friday night's quarter-final session, and he was amazed that Farmer wasn't more nationally-known.

Fowler said he had followed basketball all over the country for the past four months, and that Farmer, despite his size, stacked up well with the nation's best high school guards.

In fact, Fowler said that Farmer was "probably one of the top four scoring guards" in the entire country. I believe it. When Farmer sets his mind on scoring, much more often than not he accomplishes his goal (with a goal, of course).

I, and several other writers from around the state explained to Fowler that several factors contributed to Farmer's anonymity on the national level.

—First, his size. These "blue-chip" experts are looking for 6-4 to 6-6 guards these days. The little guys often get left out of the national picture.

—Second, Farmer doesn't play in a metropolitan area. Manchester isn't exactly the New York City of eastern Kentucky. That hasn't helped his national recognition.

—Third, UK's unwarranted lack of attention. National writers assume Farmer isn't up to snuff if the Wildcats are only lukewarm to this guy. In this case, though, UK's the one that's missed the boat. . .thus far.

Say what you will, I guarantee there aren't five better guards in America than Farmer. Not for getting the job done with utter consistency and being an absolute winner, there aren't. Ask Chris Fowler. He's seen 'em all.

□ **Richie Farmer is great for the game.**

Just as he did last year at Lexington, Farmer packed 'em in at Freedom Hall last week. He was the talk of the town. The rage of the 'Ville.

Even the NCAA Tournament appearances of UK, Louisville and surprising Murray State couldn't steal away attention from Farmer. But it's not surprising.

He's as nice a kid as you'd ever want to meet. Polite. Courteous. The kind of kid who says "Yes sir" and "No sir" even when it's not necessary. He grins just to grin.

He says little, if anything, on or off the court unless asked a question. He's anything but a showboat. He's a silent, classy, wonder, is what he is. He lets his ability speak for itself. That says a lot.

What says even more, though, is the fine print.

The headlines will talk about the state tournament career scoring record he set (ousting the great Wallace "Wah Wah" Jones' mark) the headlines talk about the 51 points against a super-team like Ballard, the headlines talk about his five state tournament appearances in a row.

But the fine print will show that Farmer, along with Warren East's Jeff Whitney, shared the Sweet 16 academic scholarship award, sponsored by Dawahares. Think of it. He's not only the best on the court, he's the best in the classroom, too? Man, oh, man. . .this guy's *too* much!

Yeah, I'd say he's great for the game all right.

□ **We won't see another of his like. . .for a long, long while.**

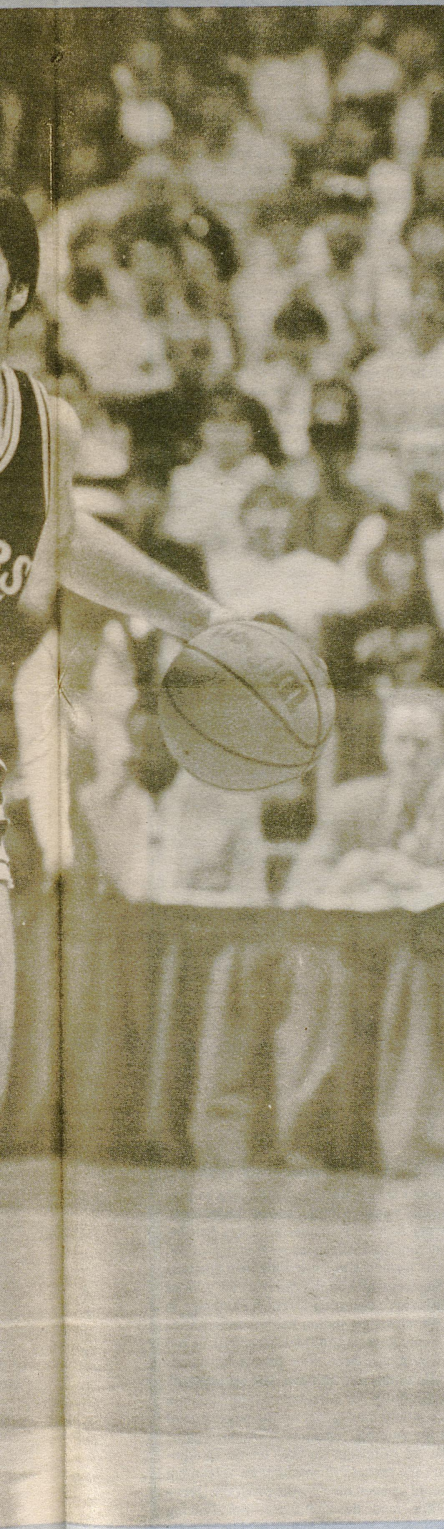
As born-and-bred Kentuckians, we often get spoiled by great basketball. With winning traditions at Kentucky, Louisville, Western and Kentucky Wesleyan, not to mention Murray State's heroic showing this year, we've grown accustomed to great basketball, year in and year out.

Thus, when a tremendous individual talent comes our way, stops for a moment in history, and then passes us by we tend to believe that there's a "wonder boy" just around the corner who will be a suitable target for our infatuations in the seasons to come. We assume that there will always be another Richie Farmer? But will there? Any time soon? I doubt it.

Let the record speak for itself, answer the following questions and then make a decision on how you feel about it. Deal? Deal.

In the near future. . .

- a) . . .will there be a player who participates in parts of five consecutive state tournaments?
 - b) . . .will there be a player who scores 51 points in the state tournament championship game?
 - c) . . .will there be a player who scores 317 points in his 14-game state tournament career?
 - d) . . .will there be a player who memorizes state tournament fans as much as Farmer did with his abilities, smarts and heart?
 - e) . . .will there be another Richie Farmer?
- Like I said. . .I doubt it.

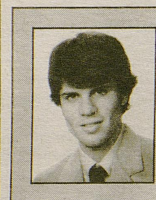


Richie Farmer, Basketball Of 1988, Signed With UK In April

Kicker Ken Willis Hopes To Be On Target

Off On Right Foot With 70-Yard Boot

It will be a tough job to replace Kentucky's all-time leading field goal kicker. Ken Willis is the man faced with such an unenviable task. As the Wildcats first-string field goal specialist heading into the '88 season, he realizes never can he rewrite the accomplishments left by Joey Worley.



Todd Hallum

Cats' Pause Columnist



Following a season of handling UK's kickoff duties, some of the pressure should have worn off.

"That experience is really going to help me this fall," said the UK junior. "I know what it's like playing on the road now. Also, I know what it's like playing under pressure during the game. It really helped me a lot."

Of course, no one can deny the success Worley, who kicked more field goals than anyone in the school's history, enjoyed during his four years at UK. But trying to compare the two is something that Willis doesn't even attempt to do.

"I can't try to compare myself to Joe Worley," Willis stressed. "I just have to be myself and concentrate on what I need to do."

"Joe and I are real good friends. We have learned a lot from each other. We pushed each other last year. With him being out there helped me coming in last season."

The transition the Owensboro native made in selecting Kentucky occurred while being a valuable commodity at Division III school Centre College, located in Danville. Though he enjoyed a somewhat successful career for Centre, Willis wanted something more.

HE KICKED A 52-YARDER WHILE AT CENTRE, SO, WHY not try for something better. After all, there's a lot more adulation and attention to be enjoyed on the major college level as opposed to one where football is considered a recreational club sport on campus.

"I like playing where there is more pressure," admits Willis. "It (Centre) was more of a laid back atmosphere. It didn't mean as much as high school."

"I don't have anything against Centre. It's a good school and I really enjoyed it there. But I wanted to see if I could play on a bigger level."

While at Owensboro Senior, Willis was regarded as an outstanding soccer player. Although he didn't play one of the glamour positions on the soccer field, Willis proved to be a tough defender at fullback.

"My soccer career was OK, I guess you can say," noted Willis, a soccer-style kicker, of course. "I enjoyed playing it to keep in shape to play other sports. Really, all I did was sit back and kick the ball as far as I could."

Yes, Willis can boot a soccer ball out of sight, but more importantly he punishes a football the same way. His only problem lies in consistency.

During spring practice the UK coaching staff was worried about his ability to be on target. Meanwhile, what he lacks in accuracy he makes up for in sheer distance. He's 'wowed' the coaches with his long distance connections.

A couple of weekends ago while in Owensboro he even was spotted kicking a 70-yarder through the uprights. So says Jerry Claiborne's brother, a resident of the western Kentucky town, who called the UK coach to verify this unbelievable feat.

"My consistency needs work," said Willis. "The distance of the attempts is not any problem. I just need to stay consistent and get in the same groove."

He also will have to deal with the advent of pressure field goal situations, which very easily could arrive at any given moment. The life of a field goal kicker definitely has its emotional ups as well as downs.

Take in consideration three Wildcat losses in 1987. The margin of defeats were all less than a field goal. You don't have to be a head coach to figure how important these guys can be.

"YOU CAN FEEL A LITTLE BIT OF THE PRESSURE during those situations," said Willis, who last year earned a spot on the Southeastern Conference's All-Academic team. "You have to love it to be a kicker."

Nevertheless, he has a private goal of avoiding the infamous scapegoat tag—not being able to come through in clutch situations.

"I never want to miss in a loss," said Willis, who like Worley sports an easy-going personality. "I feel if you never do that then you will never hurt the team. I just want to contribute."

Willis won't have to worry about the smooth transition of approaching the ball from an unfamiliar center. He has all the confidence in the world in snapper Dean Wilks and holder Bill Allen.

"They're beautiful to work with," Willis said. "Dean is very consistent and never made a mistake last season or this spring. Bill has great hands. I have no complaints whatsoever from our field goal unit."

Keeping that thought in mind, Willis has been pleased with his progress as the Wildcats' new field goal specialist. Although he started a bit on the shaky side this spring, he insists there's no time for self-pity, only to try and get better with each kick of the piskin.

"I really was pretty happy with the way I played during the spring," said Willis. "I did get down after the first scrimmage, going one for four. But I kept my head on straight

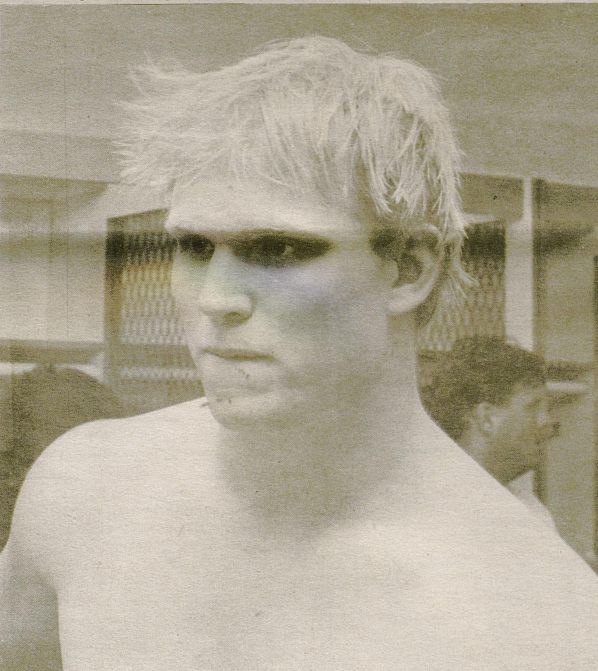
and didn't get down on myself. As it came out I just got better because of it and stayed consistent."

In addition he doesn't want to endure the usual highs and lows that have a tendency to cling to field-goal kickers throughout the course of a season. After all, improved consistency matched with his ability to hit from long distance is something he'd like to accomplish. "You have to get in the groove and stay consistent," said Willis. "The main key to kicking is not to let success go to your head. You are not as good as your good days or as bad as your bad days."

"That's the key to becoming a good field-goal kicker."

UK Notebook

With the White team on the losing side of a 14-0 score to the Blues in the annual spring game, the defeat proved to be the third straight for offensive tackle **Mike Pfeifer**. This means that Pfeifer again has suffered the consequences of eating beans and wienies, the losing team's rations. UK's massive lineman said he's disgusted with his personal losing string (probably sick of eating beans and wienies, too) and vowed to be on the winning side next year. Of course, the winning team traditionally chows down on prime rib, along with shrimp and other scrumptious goodies. . . In attendance for the spring game was former UK running back **George Adams** and **Jerry Reese**, who was the fifth round draft pick



After Three Straight Seasons, Pfeifer Sick Of Beans And Wienies

of the **Pittsburgh Steelers**. Incidentally, when asked which team he would like to play for, on the eve of the draft Jerry told this writer that he wanted to be picked by the Steelers. Pittsburgh obliged his wish the next day. . . Former Kentucky linebacker **Cam Jacobs**, who once was with the Steeler organization, is now running a limousine service in Florida, his home state. Noted for his enthusiastic play, this former 'Cat started his own business with the money he made, mainly by making the Steelers while on injured reserve. . . Word has it that **Auburn** had been in contact with **Kentucky**, requesting a schedule change in regard to the Tigers' home opener (Sept. 10). One television station had made inquiries about switching the game one week earlier for Sept. 3, so it could be broadcast before a national cable television audience. This move could have been done from UK's standpoint because the Wildcats' opponent, **Central Michigan**, had an open date on Sept. 10. However, UK was not too keen on the idea and rightfully so. Although Kentucky could have received national television exposure, it also would have given up the advantage of playing a game before its stern test with league foe Auburn. Thus, a UK-Auburn game on Sept. 3, would have been the first game of the '88 campaign for both teams. In addition, Kentucky possibly would have had to endure the process of reaching an agreement with Central Michigan, too. A television game would've been nice for the program. **Jerry Claiborne** and the Wildcat athletics staff, meanwhile, made the right move—not allowing television dollars to get in the way of the event itself. Sure, the university could have made some extra bucks, but ever since he's been head coach of the Big Blue, Claiborne has been a big advocate of having as much game experience as possible before playing any opponent. Who doesn't?

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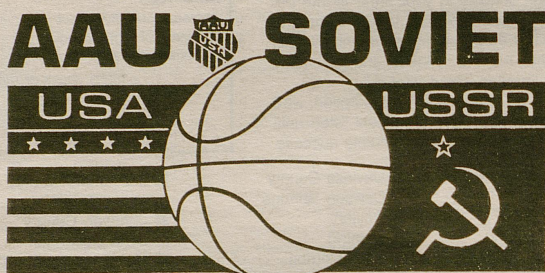
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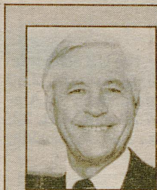
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April Showers Do Bring May Flowers

They Also Rain Out Exhibition Baseball Games

Although April showers may bring May flowers, rain didn't bode well 46 years ago for baseball-minded Kentuckians who were disappointed, but tried to make the best of the situation after heavy showers forced cancellation of a long-awaited exhibition game between the Cincinnati Reds and the Boston Red Sox on the University of Kentucky's Stoll



Russell Rice

Cats' Pause Columnist



Field.

Groundskeeper John McVeigh had the football field in perfect condition on the day before the first scheduled appearance of major league baseball in Lexington and some eager fans motored or rode buses from throughout the commonwealth in order to spend the night in Lexington and perhaps get a glimpse of the players before they donned their gear and went to the playing field.

Sid Yuro, program and publicity director for the Lexington Co-Operative Club, sponsor of the event, enthusiastically announced a pregame sale of 2,000 admissions. He predicted a crowd of 5,000 to 6,000 by the time mayor T. Ward Havelly tossed out the first ball at 2 o'clock the following afternoon.

The entire profits from the game were earmarked for the club's milk fund for underprivileged children. Co-Op president Ben C. Stapleton, in an acknowledgement on Page 1 of the 34-page game program, reported that the club had distributed 100,000 bottles of milk to undernourished children of the City of Lexington and Fayette County schools since adopting that distributorship as its chief project.

PRIOR TO ARRIVING IN LEXINGTON BY TRAIN at 10:20 o'clock April 8, the morning of the game, the two teams had won one game each on their scheduled three-game Kentucky tour. Boston had won, 9-6, at Bowling Green, Cincinnati, 11-2, at Louisville. The Reds were leading the Southern exhibition series, 5-4.

After meeting the teams at Union Station, a delegation from the club escorted the Reds to the Lafayette Hotel, the Red Sox to the Phoenix Hotel, where the teams held up while waiting for the rain to stop. The game was officially cancelled at 1 p.m., one hour before the scheduled starting time. Management checked the train schedules and was able to get passage for both teams on a 3 o'clock train to their next destination. Meanwhile, baseball buffs crowded the hotel lobbies hoping to catch sight of and rub elbows with their heroes.



Reds Pitcher Johnny Vander Meer

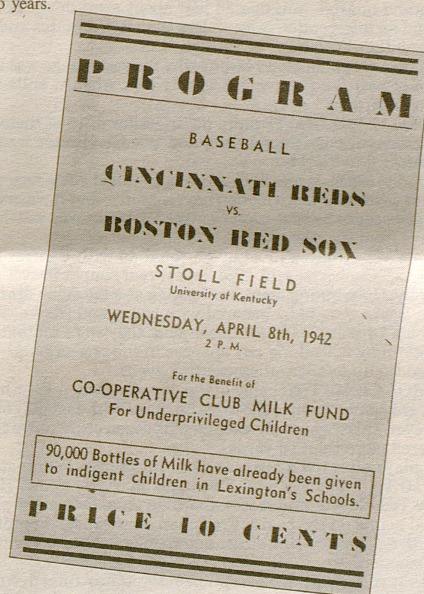
The Red Sox, World Series champions of 1940, were led by future Hall of Famers Ted Williams, Jimmy Foxx and player-manager Joe Cronin. The lineup also included three other feared batters—Bobby Doerr, Jim Tabor and Finney—who had helped the Sox win the American League batting crown. Williams was the 1941 batting king with a mark of .406, the first 400-hitter in the American League since 1923, and also the last in the major leagues. He also had led both leagues in home runs (37) and was third in runs-batted-in. Foxx had hammered out 19 four-baggers while Cronin, Doerr and Tabor had 15 each in

1941. Both Foxx and Tabor went over the 100-mark in RBIs, while Cronin was only five off that figure. The Sox manager probably could have topped that mark easily if he had played out the string, but with second place safely tucked away and no chance to annex the championship, he stepped aside for youth.

Despite the presence of those awesome individuals, the only Sox player profiled in the game program was Dom Dimaggio, a 5-foot-9, 160-pound outfielder whose brother Joe, a New York Yankee outfielder, had set a major league record the preceding year by hitting safely in 56 consecutive games. Joe was destined to compile a .325 lifetime batting average during 13 years with the Yankees while Dom would bat .298 during 11 years at Boston. Another brother, Vince, would spend 12 years in the National League, averaging .249 with Boston, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and New York.

Known as the "Little Professor" because of the thick glasses he wore to correct near-sightedness, Dom possessed a powerful throwing arm and was one of the smartest base-runners in the business, specializing in beating out surprise bunts. Although lacking Joe's power, he did manage to hit eight home runs in each of the past two seasons.

MANAGER BILL McKECHNIE, whose Reds had defeated Detroit in seven games in the 1940 World Series, brought to Lexington a team that in addition to including one of the finest pitching staffs ever assembled, had led the National League in fielding percentage the past two years.



April 8, 1942—Day The Major Leagues Almost Came To Lexington

A Kentucky favorite was Springfield native Paul Derringer, who had played football for Georgetown College. After a fine start, the right-hander had been sidelined by an attack of pleurisy and was not scheduled to pitch in Lexington; instead, McKechnie had selected Elmer Riddle, pitching sensation of 1941, to oppose Boston's Oscar Judd, a 32-year-old southpaw curveballer who had won 13 games while losing five for the Louisville Colonels of the American Association the preceding year.

Shortly after Derringer stepped off the train, he was informed of the death of his six-month-old son Paul L. at Sarasota, Fla., early that morning. The news came as a stunning blow to Derringer, who had no previous knowledge of his son's illness. The boy had been suffering with a cold for several days and was taken to a Sarasota hospital, where he died of pneumonia. Derringer left shortly after noon by plane for Florida.

Bucky Walters and Johnny Vander Meer were the other aces on the Reds' staff. Vander Meer had gained undying fame in 1938 when he pitched consecutive no-hit games, blanking the Boston Bees, 3-0, on June 11 and the Brooklyn Dodgers, 6-0, four days later. He was the first lefty to lead the league in strikeouts with 202 since 1923.

Cincinnati fans also were excited over the return of Ival Goodman, considered just about the best defensive rightfielder in the league. He had missed most of the 1941 season after undergoing a hernia operation. Eddie Joost, ss; Linus Frey, 2b; Frank McCormick, 1b; Gene Haas, 3b; Hank Sauer, lf; Harry Craft or Myron McCormick, cf, and Rollie Hensley or Ray Lamanno, c, were the scheduled starters.

During their short stay in Lexington, players of both teams roamed the fan-crowded hotel lobbies, played pinball machines and accommodated numerous autograph seekers. Rollie Hensley, a catcher recently purchased from Cleveland by the Reds, entertained a couple dozen fans with baseball stories and answered questions about playing in both leagues. Williams was besieged with persons seeking his autograph.

As the fans crowded Union Station to say goodbye to the two teams, club officials announced that the unused tickets could be redeemed through April 20. Many tickets went unredeemed, which meant more milk for needy children.

Tough To Get Grip On 'Cats After Scrimmage

Blue-White Game Was A Real 'Yawner'

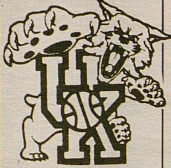
ABOUT THE ONLY thing you could tell from the watching the recent University of Kentucky Blue-White Game was that you really won't be able to tell much about the team that will take the field on opening day this fall.

The contest ended with Glenn Fohr's Blue squad taking a 14-0 yawner over



Dan Brandenburg

Cats' Pause Columnist



a White team that did little all day besides avoid the pass rush of Donnie Gardner and Oliver Barnett.

If you missed the last minute of the first quarter and the first four minutes of the second quarter, you missed just about everything. Both touchdowns passes and an interception came in less than five minutes and the rest of the game was either keep-away or futility.

But there were some good reasons why the scrimmage was much less than indicative of how the team will probably look when it suits up for Central Michigan Sept. 3.

—**FIRST, 17 WILDCATS** were not in uniform; 16 of them were injured, including several possible starters, and Ivy Joe Hunter was attending his father's funeral in Florida.

—Secondly, coach Jerry Claiborne has installed a few new wrinkles in the UK offense — look for more motion next season — but it wasn't evident at the scrimmage because a scout from Central Michigan was watching the teams' every move from the press box.

"We were very limited in what we could do with Central Michigan here watching us," Claiborne said. "We kept it real simple."

—Thirdly, the winning team was looking at a big steak dinner as its prize, while the losers were to be honored with beans and franks. Thus, when the Blues took a 14-point lead at intermission, they were content to simply ride out the storm by not taking any chances in the second half.

It all added up to a less-than-exciting event.

THE MOST EXCITING play of the day came when Fohr hit Mike Meece for a 42-yard gainer down to the three on the next-to-last play of the first quarter. However, there were only about a half-dozen other plays the entire game that covered more than 10 yards.

Three plays after the 42-yarder, Fohr hit Martin Pennington with a two-yard TD strike. Two plays later, freshman quarterback Jeff Houk was intercepted by Todd Meyer and it took the Blue team only eight plays to put the day's final points on the board. Freshman quarterback Freddie Maggard hit Meece with a 9-yard scoring strike and then found Steve Phillips for the two-point conversion.

After that point, with the exception of the Blues' final drive that ended at the White 6 when time expired, neither team got closer than 37 yards from the endzone. B-O-R-I-N-G.

There were, however, some individual performances of note.

LET'S START WITH Maggard, the redshirt freshman from Cumberland who hit on three of four passes for 36 yards and one touchdown. Junior full-backs Mike Knox and Darren Bilberry ran 12 times for 59 yards and 17 times for 57 yards, respectively.

On the White side, the Blue defense was camped out in the backfield most of the night which would explain the four sacks, only 56 net rushing yards on 24 attempts and 3-for-16 passing by the quarterback trio of Bill Allen, Chuck Broughton and Houk.

"Fohr and Maggard were the most impressive quarterbacks," Claiborne said. "Bilberry and Knox ran well and Donnie Gardner rushed the passer real well."

Fohr was ambivalent about his performance.

"I was all right sometimes and not all right sometimes," the senior signal-caller said. "I felt real confident, but I was a little shaky as I expected to be."

HOWEVER, SOPHOMORE TAILBACK Al Baker may have started living up to his press clippings with the kind of performance that everyone has been waiting for since his arrival at Kentucky.

The Trigg County product ran 17 times for 89 yards and may finally be ready to put the shadows of Marc Logan and Mark Higgs and his series of injuries behind him.

"He's had a good spring," Claiborne said. "He's got his confidence back now and he's running much stronger. It's just his technique and what that needs most is scrimmage work."

Claiborne was disappointed in the sparse crowd of 10,328 that made Commonwealth Stadium look a lot bigger than it really is. He blamed it on the weather, which remained warm and sunny throughout the game although

rain was predicted.

That translates into \$3.87 per person for Bank One, which donated \$40,000 to the UK Athletics Association this year to become the scrimmage game's primary sponsor. The financial institution will be giving UK \$45,000 next year and \$50,000 in 1990.

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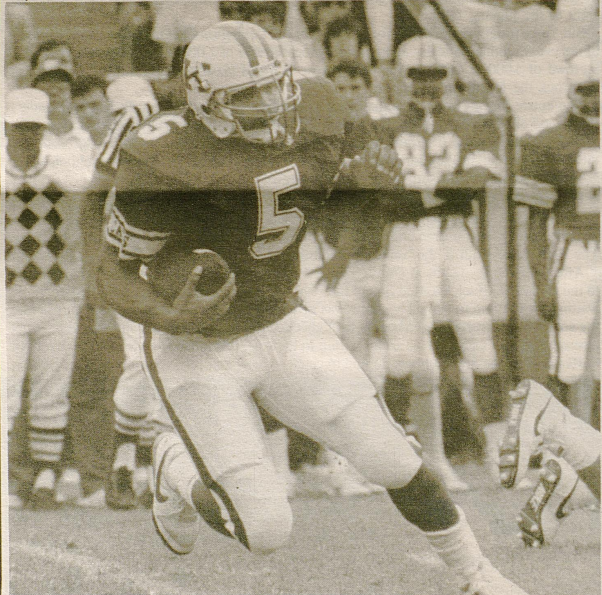
FOR ANYONE WHO might have missed it along the way, the UK schedule for this fall includes: Central Michigan, 1:30 p.m., Sept. 3; at Auburn, 2:30 p.m., Sept. 10; at Indiana, 1 p.m., Sept. 17; Kent State, 1:30 p.m., Sept. 24; Alabama, 1:30 p.m., Oct. 1; at LSU, 8 p.m., Oct. 15; Georgia, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 22; Southern Illinois, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 29; Vanderbilt, 1:30 p.m., Nov. 5; Florida, 1:30 p.m., Nov. 12, and at Tennessee, 1 p.m., Nov. 19.

All times are Eastern and subject to change.

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I RECENTLY HAD the pleasure of meeting and having dinner with two of UK's all-time great basketball players: Lou Tsioropoulos and Dan Issel.

Tsioropoulos, who is now principal of Carrthers Middle School in Louisville, was in Winchester evaluating Clark County schools for recertification by



Claiborne Excited About Al Baker's Spring Performance

the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

He then attended the 10th Region Hall of Fame banquet with his former roommate at UK, George Rogers Clark basketball coach Guy Strong. The 10th Region was inducting four former UK players into its Hall, including another one of Tsioropoulos' UK roommates, Gerry Calvert of Maysville. Tsioropoulos and Strong both played on Kentucky's 1950-51 national championship squad. On the drive through Paris to Maysville, Strong was pointing out Claiborne Farm and Secretariat's barn when Tsioropoulos asked, "Where's Lancaster's farm?" meaning former UK assistant coach Harry Lancaster.

Strong replied that Lancaster didn't have a farm, that he lived in the city. Tsioropoulos said, "Harry always had so much BS that I just assumed he had a farm."

OTHER 10TH REGION Hall of Fame inductees included Basil Hayden, who was UK's first-ever All-American in 1921. Hayden, 89, still resides in Paris.

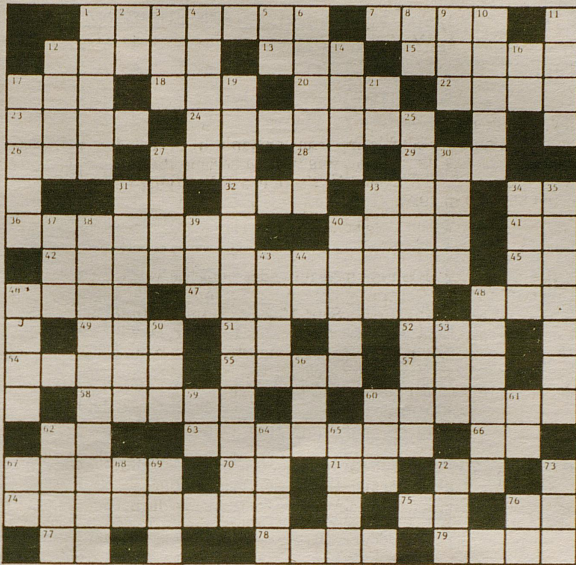
Ronnie Lyons (1972-74) of Mason County, Ned Jennings (1959-61) of Nicholas County and Calvert (1955-57) were all three-year lettermen at UK. Lyons averaged 35.9 points per game in the days before the three-point rule as he led the state in scoring as a senior.

Issel was the featured speaker as the Kentucky Associated Press Sports

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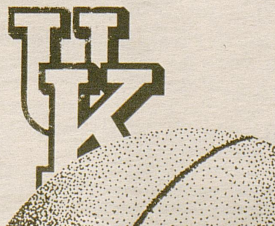
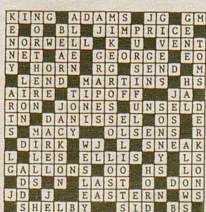
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THE KHSAA HALL OF FAMERS

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- ACROSS**
- Hall of Famer/innovator John Bill Trivette
 - First name of 74 Across
 - Hawaiian food
 - A 3-time first team All-Stater
 - Equip
 - Cry
 - Hospital workers
 - 1st name of gridiron star at Flaget and one of state's greatest
 - Tennis serves
 - Hall of Famer Williamson
 - First KHSAA Commissioner Sanford
 - 15 Across poured in 41 when his Red Devils Lafayette in '49 title game
 - Short form of "easy"
 - Tavern
 - Symbol for "cerium"
 - Bashful
 - St. and rd. mate
 - Initials of Kentucky's winningest high school football coach Garnis
 - Pride of State High in Danville
 - Soft drink
 - Double vowel
 - All-around great Harlan Green Dragon
 - Symbol for "radium"
 - Phone
 - Initial architect of Clay County's great hoop tradition, "Spider"
 - Snake
 - Playing card dot
 - Initials of college coach of 15 and 42
 - Across
 - Cable movie channel
 - Knockout gas
 - Namesakes of Hall of Fame Richmond Madison football coach Kidd
 - Paddle
 - Sweeper
 - 36 Across coached here from '43-'65
 - Coach W.L. ___an's gridiron teams won 225 and hoop teams won 856
 - ___ honors include Kentucky basketball coach of the year in 3 seasons
 - ___ the paint"
 - Clark Co., coached by 63 Across, was able to ___ the state title game in '50 & '51
 - 40 Down ___d Hazard to '32 state hoops title
 - C.S. ___skins starred at Taylor Co.
 - 38 Down starred ___ '45 state hoop champs
 - Coach of the Decade for the '50s
 - Initials of world track star from the state
 - Initials of Valley High coach "Peck"
 - Abbr. for college of 22 Across
 - One of 143 in 655 games for 60 Across coach
 - Had 101-97 football mark at Fort Thomas
- DOWN**
- Old-time hoopsters were ___ by boards around court, leading to term "cagers"
 - Abbr. for "on-line"
 - The ___ competitor is UPI
 - Task
 - "PAT" or "
 - Starred at Horse Cave and coached Caverna's baseball team to '62 state title
 - Initials of Stephanie, star sprinter and hurdler at Stuart High in Jefferson Co.
 - "He tried to ___ it in at the buzzer"
 - Once more
 - Kentucky's best in h.w. sports gain entry into the Hall
 - Coached Highlands High football to seven undefeated seasons
 - School where 24 Across coached hoop team to 7 regional titles in 8 years
 - Symbol for "gold"
 - 15 Across ___ as one of state's best
 - Standout Manual track coach who helped form State H.S. Coaches Assoc.
 - Abbr. for "salvage loss"
 - His ratings gave him the title "Dr. Lit"
 - The pre-game
 - Social register words
 - State's pre-eminent dual high school football/basketball coach
 - Hollywood tattler Barrett
 - Grigaby put hoops back in the girls' spotlight
 - Star swimmer Mary of Sacred Heart Acad.
 - Airline
 - The pride of Male
 - 39 Down became an All-American
 - Coached fabled Carr Creek to '56 state title
 - Prefix for "European"
 - Abbr. for an lith-grader
 - Standout state h.w. hoopster Haskins
 - 48 55 Across was all-state in football here
 - After his Braves career, 22 Across was star in college and ___ football
 - Prohibit
 - Still
 - 42 Across was ___ the '44 state hoops champ
 - Genetic material
 - Indefinite article
 - Famed coach Wm. Lee of Central High
 - Rod and ___ '48 hoop and diamond teams went to state tournaments
 - Coach Joe ___ '48 hoop and diamond teams went to state tournaments
 - Initials of H of F coach at Lafayette
 - Symbol for "chlorine"
 - Not her
 - Long-serving Coaches Assoc. official Joe
 - Based on 35 Down's record in the 100 yds., ___ is still known as "Madam Butterfly"
 - Initials of H of F coach at Paris High



8 Big Blue Spectaculars Coming To A Kentucky Town In Your Area

The University of Kentucky Athletics Association and the UK National Alumni Association have announced plans for eight "Big Blue Spectaculars" throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky during the month of May.

Featured guests at each of the Big Blue Spectaculars include UK president Dr. David Roselle, athletics director Cliff Hagan, football coach Jerry Claiborne and basketball coach Eddie Sutton.

"We're very excited about the Big Blue Spectaculars," Hagan said. "This is something I have wanted to do for the last 10 years. I think it is important that we get around to all areas of the commonwealth and visit with our alumni, friends and supporters because we are the University of Kentucky. This will show our people we do care about them. We're glad the Big Blue Spectaculars will finally take place."

The eight Spectaculars are scheduled for mid-May, beginning on May 11 with the Northern Kentucky Big Blue Spectacular at Turfway Park in Florence. The final event, the West Kentucky Big Blue Spectacular, is set for May 26 at the Hopkinsville Fairgrounds Convention Center.

Roselle, one of the four featured guests at each Spectacular, is completing his first year as president of the University of Kentucky. Roselle, the ninth UK president, came to the university after serving four years as provost at Virginia Tech.

Hagan, in his 12th year as athletics director, is currently guiding the UK Athletics

Association through an era of unprecedented growth. Recent projects under Hagan's direction include the E.J. Nutter Football Training Facility, the Hilary J. Boone Indoor Tennis Center and the Harry C. Lancaster Aquatics Center, bringing the total expenditures in capital expansion projects to nearly \$15 million.

Claiborne, who will begin his seventh season at UK in 1988, is currently fifth in career football victories among active coaches.

Sutton, who recently completed his third year at UK, has guided the Wildcat basketball program to a pair of Southeastern Conference season and tournament titles. Sutton also has led Kentucky to three consecutive NCAA appearances and a 77-21 record during that span.

"Hopefully, this is an event we can continue to have each year," Hagan said. "This type of an event will be good for us and good for the university. I think our fans will also enjoy meeting with our people."

Each of the Big Blue Spectaculars will have a golf scramble which will begin at 1 p.m. A barbecue and the general program, featuring Roselle, Hagan, Claiborne and Sutton, are scheduled for 6 p.m.

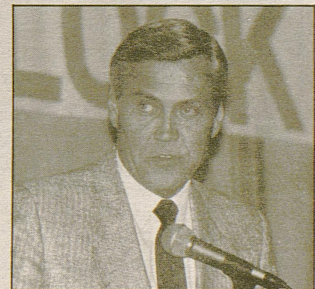
For ticket information, contact any of the UK Alumni clubs. Most tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children. Children under the age of six are admitted free.

The specifics of each Big Blue Spectacular are listed below.

Date	Event	Location
May 11	Northern Kentucky.....	Turfway Park, Florence
May 12	Jackson Purchase.....	Mayfield High School, Mayfield
May 16	Greater Ashland.....	The EL HASA Shrine Temple, Cannonsburg
May 17	Jefferson County...Fairgrounds	Broadbent Arena, Louisville
May 19	Green River.....	Ellis Park, Henderson
May 23	Big Sandy.....	Paintsville
May 24	Cumberland Valley.....	Corbin Civic Center, Corbin
May 26	West Kentucky...Fairgrounds	Convention Center, Hopkinsville



David Roselle



Cliff Hagan



Eddie Sutton



Jerry Claiborne

WILDCAT BASEBALL STATISTICS

(Final Regular Season Stats)

GAME#	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	WINNING PITCHER (IP)	LOSING PITCHER (IP)	RUNS-HITS-ERRORS
1	Tampa	10- 3 W	271 A D	Jon Hudson (3.2)	Dan Maglich (0.1)	10-14- 3 8- 6- 1
2	Tampa	10- 6 W	419 A D	Matthew Coleman (5)	Alan Calvo (5.1)	10-14- 1 6- 7- 2
3	Tampa	10- 4 W	257 A D	Vince Tyra (6)	Sam Militello (5.1)	10-12- 2 4-10- 1
4	South Florida	6- 7 L	273 A N	Mike Peters (0.1)	Jon Hudson (2.1)	6- 8- 0 7-12- 2
5	Louisville	15- 5 W	250 A D	Doug Sutton (3)	Rick Arnold (4.1)	15-15- 0 5-11- 2
6	*Florida	1- 3 L	487 H D	Todd Douma (2.1)	Jon Hudson (3.2)	1- 9- 3 3-10- 1
7	*Florida	7- 1 W	127 H D	Doug Sutton (7)	Johnny Wiggs (3)	7-10- 1 1- 4- 1
8	*Florida	11-10 W	127 H D	Dave Voit (2.2)	Tyson Johnson (1)	11-13- 4 10- 8- 0
9	Middle Tennessee	5- 1 W	64 A D	Matthew Coleman (5)	Jody Tripp (4.1)	5- 7- 1 1- 3- 3
10	Oral Roberts	5- 7 L	150 A D	Anthony Ward (6.2)	Vince Tyra (3)	5-10- 2 7- 8- 4
11	Oklahoma State	3-12 L	526 A D	Pat Hope (9)	Doug Sutton (5)	3- 7- 2 12-12- 0
12	Oklahoma State	0- 4 L	734 A D	Tim Pugh (5.1)	Matt Coleman (5.1)	0- 3- 3 4- 7- 0
13	Stephen F. Austin	2- 8 L	58 A D	Joe Gunn (6.2)	Tom Deller (2.1)	2- 6- 2 8-13- 1
14	*Louisiana State	1- 3 L	2098 A N	Ben McDonald (7)	Doug Sutton (6)	1- 4- 0 3- 6- 1
15	*Louisiana State	1- 2 L	2098 A N	Dan Kite (7)	Vince Tyra (6)	1- 4- 2 2- 4- 1
16	*Louisiana State	3- 1 W	1774 A D	Dave Voit (3)	Russ Springer (10.2)	3- 6- 2 1- 6- 0
17	Morehead State	4- 5 L	750 A D	Scotty Smallwood (3)	Roy Bailey (2)	4-10- 0 5- 7- 1
18	Marshall	14- 5 W	130 A D	Jim Law (5)	Rob Dearing (6.2)	14-15- 2 5- 5- 2
19	Youngstown State	6-10 L	138 H D	Jim Timko (7.1)	Bruce Wise (2.2)	6-11- 3 10- 8- 4
20	*Alabama	3- 2 W	521 H D	Dave Voit (0.1)	Mike Soddors (6)	3- 6- 0 2- 7- 1
21	*Alabama	4- 6 L	521 H D	Tony Pisciotta (2.1)	Vince Tyra (3)	4- 8- 0 6-11- 2
22	*Alabama	9- 5 W	836 H D	Tom Deller (7)	Pete Brown (2.1)	9-10- 2 5- 8- 1
23	Eastern Kentucky	2- 3 L	350 A D	Rusty Clark (9)	Vince Tyra (7)	2- 7- 0 3-12- 2
24	*Tennessee	10- 2 W	433 A N	Doug Sutton (7)	Greg McMichael (4.2)	10-15- 1 2- 4- 4
25	*Tennessee	9- 2 W	433 A N	Tom Deller (7)	Dan Eskew (6)	9-13- 2 2- 6- 2
26	*Tennessee	6- 4 W	237 A D	Dave Voit (4.2)	Allen Halliday (5)	6- 8- 1 4- 4- 4
27	Indiana State	9-13 L	272 A D	Skip Wiley (2.2)	Jon Hudson (2.2)	9-15- 4 13-11- 2
28	Western Kentucky	7- 3 W	200 A D	Roy Bailey (4)	Jeff Ledogar (2)	7- 6- 2 3- 4- 0
29	Youngstown State	16- 7 W	234 H N	John Ofstun (2.1)	Doug Harrah (2)	16-11- 0 7- 7- 4
30	*Vanderbilt	7- 3 W	464 H D	Dave Voit (1)	Kyle Balch (7.2)	7- 9- 0 3- 5- 1
31	*Vanderbilt	12-10 W	464 H D	Jon Hudson (5.1)	Mike McLochlin (0.2)	12-14- 0 10-11- 3
32	*Vanderbilt	6- 4 W	839 H D	Tom Deller (7.1)	Tim Smith (4.2)	6- 9- 2 4- 9- 1
33	West Virginia	10-12 L	157 H N	Dave Perry (2)	Dave Voit (3)	10-12- 1 12-16- 1
34	Ball State	7-15 L	283 H N	Lex Hunter (2)	John Ofstun (3.1)	7-10- 2 15-21- 0
35	Morehead State	22- 6 W	250 A D	Jim Law (7)	Brad Taylor (2.1)	22-21- 4 6-10- 6
36	*Auburn	1- 9 L	825 A N	David Adams (4)	Doug Sutton (6)	1- 7- 2 9- 9- 2
37	*Auburn	0- 2 L	825 A N	Scott Renner (6)	Tom Deller (6)	0- 5- 1 2- 5- 0
38	*Auburn	2- 1 W	760 A D	Vince Tyra (5)	Stacey Jones (4)	2- 6- 0 1-10- 2
39	Morehead State	21- 4 W	110 H N	Roy Bailey (6)	Rusty Cerniglia (2)	21-22- 1 4- 8- 1
40	Morehead State	14- 3 W	110 H N	Jim Law (6)	Aca Ramey (4.2)	14-12- 2 3- 5- 2
41	Eastern Kentucky	10- 4 W	253 H N	Dave Voit (3)	Don Wachsmith (5.1)	10-15- 4 4- 9- 5
42	Western Kentucky	5-18 L	172 H N	Heath Haynes (6)	Steve Dixon (1.2)	5-11- 3 18-17- 2
43	*Mississippi	9- 5 W	403 H N	Doug Sutton (5)	D. Musselwhite (4.1)	9-12- 0 5- 9- 0
44	*Mississippi	7- 6 W	403 H N	Dave Voit (1.2)	Chip Moreland (1.2)	7-11- 1 6-10- 4
45	*Mississippi	9- 4 W	428 H D	Jon Hudson (7.2)	Matt Smith (6.1)	9-14- 0 4-11- 0
46	Louisville	14- 5 W	128 H N	Doug Sutton (1)	Jeff Cook (2.2)	14-13- 1 5-10- 1
47	Louisville	15- 6 W	118 A N	Vince Tyra (2)	Mike Hall (4.1)	15-17- 4 6- 9- 3
48	*Mississippi State	10- 4 W	6093 A N	Doug Sutton (6.2)	Mike Martin (0.2)	10-10- 0 4- 8- 4
49	*Mississippi State	6- 8 L	6093 A N	Terry Ellis (5)	Tom Deller (2.2)	6-11- 0 8-12- 2
50	*Mississippi State	7-10 L	3968 A D	Rob Norman (3.2)	Vince Tyra (0.2)	7-15- 1 10-11- 3
51	Austin Peay	16- 5 W	107 H N	Matthew Coleman (4)	Rick Rodriguez (3.1)	16-23- 4 5- 4- 7
52	East Tennessee	12- 9 W	87 H N	Jim Law (6)	Mike Montgomery (8)	12-12- 4 9- 8- 2
53	*Georgia	11- 0 W	377 H N	Doug Sutton (7)	Dave Fleming (3.2)	11-10- 0 0- 4- 4
54	*Georgia	7- 2 W	377 H N	Tom Deller (4.2)	Jim Potts (3)	7-12- 0 2- 5- 0
55	*Georgia	2- 9 L	389 H D	Steve Muh (8)	Matthew Coleman (6)	2- 6- 4 9-11- 1

* Southeastern Conference

So You Want A Scientific Way To Pick Hoops?

Try Using A Fishbowl Or Dartboard

If you're a sport who likes to wager an Alexander Hamilton or two on college basketball, there are three ways to pick winners:

One, study hard, read everything you can about the teams, the coaches and the players. Go to games. Watch TV.



Stan Torgerson

Cats' Pause Columnist



Two, get a dartboard, put the team names on it and throw.
Three, put the names in a fish bowl, reach in and draw one.
Two and three are every bit as good as No. 1.
Maybe better.

Look at it this way, wouldn't you say people who live in Kentucky should know more about the sport than, say Georgians or Alabamians or certainly Mississippians?

Which team won the conference title and the end-of-the-season tournament?
Why Kentucky, of course.

Which is the only SEC team to ever win the NCAA?

RIGHT YOU ARE, KENTUCKY.

So if Kentucky has the best players and the best teams, they should certainly have the best experts.

Sure they do. . .

One of the papers that carries this fruit of my labors is *The Cats' Pause*, published in Lexington, Ky. *The Cats' Pause* is to Kentucky basketball fans what *National Geographic* is to people who like to travel. It's the bible.

I have only the greatest respect for *TCP* publisher Oscar Combs and his stable of basketball gurus.

I mean, that's their life, man.

One of the features contained therein, is a pick the winner contest.

Oscar and five others each choose the winners of various games. They even give a self-decided point spread.

Hey, these are experts. Make that Experts, capital "E."

In a recent issue the *The Cats' Pause* Experts picked the NCAA Regional tournament.

These guys took on the tough ones. Kentucky-Villanova. Oklahoma-Louisville. Purdue-Kansas State.

They should know. They live for this stuff.

In game one, all six selected Kentucky.

Villanova won.

Next, Purdue vs. Kansas State. Piece of cake. Again the boys voted 6-0, this time for Purdue.

Put the "W" after Kansas State's name.

KANSAS AND VANDERBILT. NO SWEAT. Our Experts went for Vanderbilt. The vote was unanimous.

Look who won the national championship—Kansas.

So it went. Finally it was time to get to the bottom line. Help the man in the street get maximum mileage out of old Alexander when he lays out his money.

The Southeast winner was certain to be Kentucky. Our panel said so. They said it loud. Six votes for the 'Cats out of six cast.

The Wildcats had to watch the regional finals on TV. Sorry about that.

In the East, the choice was Temple four votes, Duke two.

Goodbye Temple!

Now to the Midwest. This was in their own backyard. I mean, they had watched these kids play since they were pups.

Purdue would win it. No doubt.

Everybody said so. Six to oh!

Whoops! Purdue went home early. Kansas State stuck around.

The West was tough. After all the pushovers, this took some thought. A vote for North Carolina. Another for Iowa. Two for Michigan. Two for Arizona.

Oh well, two out of six isn't bad.

Of 24 picks for regional winners, six in each region, the final scorecard showed the Experts with four right, 20 wrong and a winning percentage of .083.

Make that "experts"—small "e."

Anyway, one of my Christmas shopping problems appears to be solved. I can send my dear friend Oscar a dartboard. Perhaps a goldfish bowl. He might want to do another "pick the winners" feature next year.

Not For Broadcast

Eat your heart out other SEC business managers of athletics. Total attendance at **Tennessee's Neyland Stadium** last year was 650,753, an average of 92,965. Translate that into dollars. . . Does any SEC school have more of its graduates on its coaching staff than **Tennessee**? Six of the Vols' staff members graduated from Tennessee. . . Georgia basketball guard **Willie Anderson** completed his career as the 'Dogs' number eight all-time scorer,

despite not becoming a starter until his junior season and playing in only 13 games as a freshman. . . **Tim Mullins**, son of Ole Miss trainer, **Leroy Mullins**, is a student trainer at his daddy's school. . . You've heard of the famous **B.C. Basketball Camps**. **Bill Bolton** and **Bill Cronauer**, who own and operate them, modestly call them "The nation's number one basketball camp" and I suppose maybe they are. Now the two Bills have branched out into the football business with something called the **National All-Stars Football Camp**. It's by invitation only and there will be three sessions, all of which, we are certain, will be filled to the max. . . **Florida's** nonconference schedule includes such heavyweights as **Montana State**, **Indiana State** and **Memphis State**. Not exactly a killer schedule, is it? The **Gators** are not alone in scheduling breathers along the way. **Ole Miss** has **Memphis State**, **Arkansas State** and **Tulane**. It's a misnomer to call **Memphis State** and **Tulane** "breathers" for the **Rebels**, however, since both teams beat **Ole Miss** in 1987. **Kentucky's** lineup includes **Central Michigan**, **Kent State** and **Southern Illinois**. Then there's **LSU** with its diet of **Ohio State**, **Texas A&M** and **Miami of Florida**. Eat your hearts out, **Tigers**. . . If recruiting is the key to future success, and it is, what do you think lies ahead for the **Florida Gators**? They signed three of the nation's top 23 players, five of the top 50 and seven of the top 65. They signed the top-rated defensive back in the nation, two of the top four running backs, and two of the top five quarterbacks. Three of their signees were named **Player of the Year** in their respective states by *USA Today* and 11 of their



McGuire Says Vitale, Packer Can Really Pick'em. . . And Pick'em

incoming freshmen made at least one prep All-America squad. . . Tennessee coach **Johnny Majors** says he still feels the same tingle of excitement at the start of spring practice after 30 years as a coach. "That's something that never changes," he says. . . TV commentator **Al McGuire** took a shot at his fellow TV analysts **Dick Vitale** and **Billy Packer**. In discussing Vitale and Packer, McGuire said, "Those guys need to have only one hand. That way they can stop saying 'on the other hand' when they're asked to pick a winner. They've picked so many national champions this season I can't keep count." . . I'm impressed. **Vanderbilt** lists 16 football players 6-foot-4 or taller. Height is as important as weight in today's scheme of things and Vandy's got some big 'uns. The biggest is freshman offensive tackle **Jim See**, who is 6-8 and weighs 307 pounds. See is only 19 years old. What will he be when he grows up? . . . **Georgia's** berth in the 1988 National Invitation Tournament represented the **Bulldogs'** eighth consecutive appearance in a postseason tournament. Interestingly enough, prior to this string of eight in a row, Georgia had never been to a postseason tournament.

The Last Word: Ole Miss women's coach **Van Chancellor** about his team:

"We have a tendency to run what we call the rope offense. You give us enough rope and we'll hang ourselves."

The Last Word, Part II: Chancellor again on why he doesn't schedule schools like powerhouse Louisiana Tech for a regular season game:

"When you're playing in the Southeastern Conference you don't need to jump out and play schools like Louisiana Tech. I was born at night, but I wasn't born last night."

'Cats Need To Get Stronger For '88

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netted just 38 in the last three.

From the good... to the bad... to the ugly in less than an hour. Not a good sign.

Plenty of quarterbacks.

As TCP reported in an earlier issue, one of Claiborne's top three objectives this spring was to find a capable backup for **Glenn Fohr**. Apparently, as many as three answered the call—**Chuck Broughton**, **Bill Allen** and **Freddie Maggard**. Of the top four quarterbacks, maybe it's a redshirt freshman which pleased the UK staff the most.

"All four quarterbacks have played real good," Claiborne said. "Maggard missed all last year. We put him on defense thinking that we would make a defensive player out of him because we got some people hurt. He started out this spring (at quarterback) and I think he's really improved."

Coincidentally, Maggard was the No. 2 signal caller for the Blue team, behind Fohr. He connected on three of four passes for 34 yards, including a nine-yard scoring strike to tight end Mike Meece in the second quarter.

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All is well in the UK camp, regarding the racial slur of former Gov. A.B. "Happy" Chandler. You may have read that the Wildcats, all for one and one for all, boycotted a day's practice in protest of Chandler's remark in an investment meeting of the board of trustees.

The 89-year old voting member of the board was quoted by the *Lexington Herald-Leader* as saying, "Zimbabwe's all nigger now. There aren't any whites."

Since then student organizations at the university and civil right groups have let it

strongly be known that they want Chandler's resignation from the board. The UK football team followed the same lead—boycotting practice.

Chandler more than once openly apologized for the remark, noting he did not intend to offend anyone. Meanwhile, he said he was not about to give up his seat on the BOT.

After missing one day of spring practice the football team returned to workouts, with some players wearing black armbands in protest of Chandler's remarks.

There was even concern that some of the players would not participate in the Blue-White game or any of next season's games until Chandler resigned. But **Jerry Claiborne**, who supported his players' one-day walkout, released a statement saying the squad had forgiven Chandler.

"The University of Kentucky football team accepts the apology offered by Governor Chandler," said Claiborne, speaking for the entire team. "We know Governor Chandler loves the University of Kentucky and the University of Kentucky football team. He wanted to hurt no one by his unfortunate remark. Governor Chandler's record speaks for itself over the years."

Recently, defensive tackle **Oliver Barnett** told *The Cats' Pause* he didn't appreciate Chandler's remark but said the team may have come closer together because of it.

"The boycott we did, we did it as a team," said Barnett, who is black. "We can't let racial incidents, just like offense and defensive things, come between us. In the past things like that have happened and it could have been a factor in some of our seasons. But this year, what Happy said, and I don't think it should have been said, but it's in the past now."

"What we've got to do is concentrate more on our schedule and play hard. I hope everybody feels that I'll be behind them 100 percent."

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Odds & Ends—If any of the 10,328 on hand at the Bank One Spring Game left for the nearest hotdog stand in the second quarter, those fans stood a good chance of missing the evening's only two scores. Starting on its own 35 late in the first stanza, the Blues reeled off six consecutive passing plays. A 20-yard aerial from **Glenn Fohr** to **Mike Knox** and a 42-yard completion from Fohr to **Mike Meece** set up the game's initial score. After the series' only running play, a two-yard pass from Fohr to tight end **Martin Pennington** successfully completed a nine-play, 65-yard scoring drive for the Blues with 9:49 left in the second quarter. Two plays later, defensive back **Todd Meyer** picked off a **Jeff Houk** pass at the Blues' 33. **Freddie Maggard**, replacing Fohr, drove the Blues 67 yards on eight plays for the game's last touchdown. And following a successful two-point conversion attempt, the Commonwealth Stadium clock showed 6:11 remaining until the halftime whistle. . . The White squad totaled only 80 yards of offense, 56 on the ground. . . Senior-to-be **Ivy Joe Hunter** did not play. UK's top tailback was in Gainesville because of his father's death. . . Central Michigan, Kentucky's first opponent, had a scout in the press box. His presence greatly altered the 'Cats' new-look offense. Not to be caught off-guard, UK assistant **Farrell Sheridan** was in Mt. Pleasant, Mich., checking out the Chippewas' scrimmage. . . **Mike Knox** was perhaps the biggest surprise this spring. Con-

sistent efforts by Knox during previous scrimmages caused high reviews from Claiborne. The junior fullback ended the month-long session on a positive note, rushing for 59 yards on 12 carries. . . The Blue-White scrimmage had all the features of an actual game, with exception of no kickoffs and 10-minute quarters instead of the regular 15. . . Defensively for the Blues, guard **Jerry Bell**, one of the new kids on the block, racked up eight tackles, including seven first-hits. Bell, a 6-foot-3, 260-pound redshirt freshman, is listed as the No. 1 left guard on the final depth chart. Also turning in strong performances for the winners were **Donnie Gardner** (three quarterback sacks) and **Chris Chenault** (five tackles). Tackle **Gary Ralston** led the Whites with a game-high nine tackles. **Vic Adams** also spearheaded a fine performance, credited with eight stops. . . One area that definitely pleased Claiborne was the penalty department. The White team was whistled just twice—14 yards—while the Blues were guilty of one infraction—15 yards. Said Claiborne afterwards: "That's the thing we impressed upon them this spring, because penalties really hurt us a great deal last year." In 1987 UK was penalized 91 times, resulting in 752 negative yards. . . All of the 16 injured players who didn't suit up for the final spring scrimmage are expected back at 100 percent when fall drills get underway in August. . . Lexington's unpredictable sports anchor **Alan Cutler** of WLEX recently challenged 6-foot-3, 278-pound tackle **Oliver Barnett**. At stake? If UK finishes with a losing record in '88 Cutler gets to slam a pie in Barnett's face. On the other hand, if the 'Cats rack up six or more wins than Barnett can turn the trick on Cutler. Barnett agreed to Cutler's bet on the air.

Claiborne Remains Optimistic

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year ago."

Aside from Fohr, who completed six of 12 passes for 113 yards and one touchdown in the spring game, Maggard was the most impressive of the remaining trio. Maggard hit three of four passes for 36 yards, including a nine-yard touchdown strike to tight end Mike Meece.

On the defensive side of the football, a replacement for graduated All-SEC tackle **Jerry Reese** may have been found in junior **Doug Houser** (6-4, 247). Houser moved from defensive guard at the beginning of spring drills. Another junior, **Domie Gardner** (6-4, 225), made some noise in the Blue-White game with three quarterback sacks.

With eight starters returning on defense, Claiborne's main concern is quality depth. "We must find depth at the four down lineman positions," Claiborne said. "We feel

we have a good nucleus to build around but we need some of our younger players to step forward and give us some additional help."

In the kicking game, junior placekicker **Ken Willis** (5-10, 188) likely will replace UK's all-time leading scorer **Joey Worley**. The punting game still is in question, since regular **Jay Tesar** (6-1, 175) and backup **Jeff Nelson** (5-10, 165) both missed spring drills. Tesar had surgery on his left knee just prior to the beginning of spring practice while Nelson took part in an academic internship in Ohio.

Nelson, however, returned to campus on weekends and even punted in the Blue-White scrimmage. Kentucky opens its 1988 season on Sept. 3, when it plays host to Mid-American Conference foe Central Michigan. Next, the Wildcats open their Southeastern Conference schedule on the road Sept. 10, against defending champion Auburn.

Oscar Combs

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Would UK be allowed to play in the SEC tournament? SEC officials would face the same situation which the Metro Conference has the past couple years. And thirdly, what would happen to the **Big Four Classic** in Indianapolis? Everyone knows the financial success of that event is tied to national television from the word go. One way to get around this would be to drop UK from the event and replace the 'Cats with another school, perhaps a **Purdue** or a **DePaul**. Only time will tell. . . Former UK graduate assistant **Wayne Breeden** has been named the new head coach at Lindsey Wilson

College. Breeden, who has a tremendous coaching future ahead of him, has been involved with basketball his entire life and has been active with various portions of the ABA/USA events as well as the 1984 Olympics. Congratulations **Wayne**. . . UK athletics director **Cliff Hagan** and several key members of his staff are making a series of visits around the commonwealth this month to stimulate interest in UK athletics and its Blue-White contribution program. Among those who will make appearances with them are UK president **David Roselle**, Sutton, **Jerry Claiborne** and assistant athletics director **Gene DeFilippo**.

Dan Brandenburg

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Editors Association's spring meeting in Lexington.

After telling about how he got cut from his seventh grade team in Batavia, Ill., and about his first-ever plane trip on his official visit to Kentucky, the former NBA star and Wildcat All-American spun a few tales about the late **Adolph Rupp**.

Issel told about a game in which UK compiled a 42-3 lead at the half. The players were expecting Rupp to cast a happy figure in the locker room, but Rupp was just the opposite after looking at the scorebook and seeing that the same player had scored all three of the opponents' points.

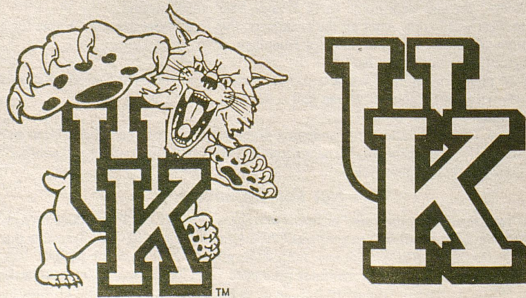
"WHO'S GUARDING 24?," Rupp asked. After one player meekly raised his hand, the Baron continued: "Son, get on him. He's going wild."

Regarding the current UK controversy in which a package sent by assistant coach **Dwayne Casey** to the father of signee **Chris Mills** allegedly popped open during shipment to reveal \$1,000 in cash, Issel said, "I'm going to go out on a limb and say that there's no way a coach would send cash to a player's father through the mail."

However, Issel also said that he thought there were very few programs in the nation that don't violate NCAA rules in one form or another.

"I doubt if there's five programs in the country, if held up to the light, that would be completely clean. Given the way the rules are, it would be difficult to be completely clean."

"But there's a big difference in buying a kid a cheeseburger and sending his father \$1,000."



Back Thru The Wildcat Years

Four Years Ago

★ More than 140,000 applicants had mailed orders to Lexington, all in hopes of being the lucky recipients of tickets to the Final Four next season at Rupp Arena. All told, an estimated \$23 to \$25 million dollars was inside the envelopes. Only 7,000 tickets are allotted to the public—meaning that a person's chances stood at one in 75 that his or her envelopes would be selected. The drawing was held at Rupp Arena. The 140,000 requests almost triples the demand of the previous highest order. "This is a tribute to the city of Lexington and the state of Kentucky," said Tom Jernstedt of the NCAA, who was in Lexington for the drawing.

★ Nine thousand fans came to Rupp Arena to take in the Kentucky-Indiana prep All Stars battle with the United States All-Stars. They were treated to a good ol' fashion shoot out, as the Kentucky-Indiana team prevailed,

119-101. And the performance of three future Kentucky Wildcats—Richard Madison, Rob Lock and Todd Ziegler—didn't disappoint the Rupp Arena audience, either. Madison, out of Memphis, led the U.S. Stars with 15 points, in 24 minutes of action. He also pulled down eight rebounds.

"I wanted to have a good showing," said Madison, dubbed the Master Blaster. "I was beating my man, then trying to guide the ball instead of just shooting. I had good shots, they were just not falling."

Madison finished with a six-of-15 night from the field. Lock, the 6-10 center from Reedley, Calif., netted 10 points, including four of four from the free throw stripe. But as far as Kentucky fans were concerned the man of the night was Ziegler. He surprised the crowd with a 16-point, 10 rebound performance. Afterwards, Ziegler said: "I know there are people who say I can't play at Kentucky and off my senior year, I can see why.

"I was fairly pleased tonight. There was some pressure but I just saw it as another challenge."

"Todd really played well," said Wildcat head coach Joe B. Hall. "He put the ball on the floor, he shot outside and worked hard. He is also an intelligent player who thinks team."

★ Talented back George Adams showed that he didn't mind playing in the mud as he rushed for 170 yards on 32 carries to lead the Whites over the Blues, 14-0. With rain pounding on the Commonwealth Stadium natural turf, the slippery moves of the 225-pound Adams were simply too tough to tackle.

"The elements were about like they had been all spring," said head coach Jerry Claiborne. "The weather dampened things. The players were ready to play and I felt we would have had a big crowd."

However, more than 3,000 fans braved the ugly afternoon to watch their team conclude spring practice.

★ The Kentucky Bat Cats lost nine of their last 10 games, failing to make the Southeastern Conference playoffs. Keith Madison's team finished its conference slate with a 9-13 won-loss record.

Five Years Ago

★ In absolutely terrible weather and in front of a drenched crowd of 1,620 faithful fans, the Blue squad defeated the Whites 26-14 in Kentucky's annual intrasquad scrimmage, thus concluding spring practice. The Blue team scored the opening touchdown on a 65-yard drive under the direction of quarterback Randy Jenkins and never looked back. Jenkins was 13 of 19 for 230 yards and three touchdowns. He had no interceptions. Freshman redshirt quarterback Bill Ransdell threw for 105 yards on nine of 16 passing. In the rushing department, Lawrence "Choo Choo" Lee gained 76 yards on just five carries to lead the ground attack. Junior tailback George Adams gained 58 yards on 12 carries. Coach Jerry Claiborne, in his second year with Kentucky, was overall pleased with spring practice. "We have had a good spring practice. I was pleased with the way they performed tonight, especially with the weather conditions. They have had a good mental attitude the entire spring and I think we will be improved," Claiborne. The Wildcats are coming off a dismal 0-10-1 season.

★ Kentucky traveled to Knoxville to face the Tennessee Volunteers in hopes of keeping its slim SEC baseball playoff hopes alive. Things didn't work out that way, though, as the Bat Cats split with the Volunteers, eliminating the Big Blue. UK lost the first game in an extra-inning affair, 4-3, after blowing a three-run lead. Tennessee scored the tying run in the bottom of the seventh and final inning on a walk, stolen base and a two out single. The visitors lost the game in the eighth when a missed signal by a UK pitcher allowed a run to cross the plate. In the second contest, a grand slam by John Sikes paced the Wildcats to an 11-3 win. Paul Kilgus took the loss in the first game, while Jay Ray picked up the win. The split brought UK's Southeastern Conference record to 4-8.

Eight Years Ago

★ The University of Kentucky track squad placed seventh in the 48th annual SEC meet held at Auburn. Alabama won the meet. Event winners for UK were Hamil Grimes in the 400-meter run, Mark Nenow in the 5,000-meter run and the 10,000-meter run and Marvin Mays in the high jump with a Southeastern Conference record of seven feet, three and one-half inches.

★ The youngest U.S. Olympic men's basketball team in history—featuring three freshmen from the past college season—was selected last week after four days of trials at UK. Included on the 12-man roster is UK's Sam Bowie, who joins a talented club that features Isiah Thomas (Indiana) and Rodney McCray (Louisville). The Olympic team will tour the country, playing NBA All-Stars. Kentucky's Dirk Minniefield and Fred Cowan also were impressive during the trials although they did not make the final cut.

Nine Years Ago

★ The Blue team defeated the White team 17-3 in the annual intrasquad game concluding spring practice. Chris Jones, Shawn Donnigan and Mike Shutt led the Blues to the victory with outstanding individual performances. Jones, in only his fifth practice of the spring, rushed for 99 yards on just 11 carries. Donnigan powered his way for 86 yards on 21 carries while quarterback Shutt hit six of eight passes and rushed for 60 yards. "It was one of our better spring games," commented Wildcat coach Fran Curci. "Usually we play much worse than that."

★ Behind the pitching of Joe Georger and some timely hitting, the UK Bat Cats defeated the Georgia Bulldogs 4-2. The Bulldogs won the first game 3-2. The Bat Cats are battling with the 'Dogs to see who will capture second place in the SEC's Eastern Division. A runner-up spot in the division qualifies the team for the SEC playoffs.

Twelve Years Ago

★ It took 26 years, but at long last the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division baseball title belongs to Kentucky. The Bat Cats settled the issue by whipping Tennessee 8-5 in a winner-take-all showdown in Nashville. Darrell Saunders' 10th homer of the year, a three-run blow, was a key hit for UK.

★ After defeating Auburn 7-6 in a thriller at Shively Sports Center, UK went to Auburn and lost 6-0 and 14-6 in the SEC playoffs, ending the Bat Cats' most successful season in many years.

Thirty-Two Years Ago

★ Kentucky center Bob Burrow was picked in the first round of the NBA draft by the Rochester Royals while teammate Jerry Bird went to the Minneapolis Lakers in the third round. The Lakers picked UK's Phil Grawemeyer in the last round. The Boston Celtics signed two All-Americans. They yielded their regular first-round pick to make a "territorial" selection of 6-foot-7 Tom Heinsohn of Holy Cross. That was permissible because of an NBA rule which gives each team first call of players within its home area. The Royals picked first and surprisingly took Si Green of Duquesne. That left the great Bill Russell of San Francisco to St. Louis, who then traded him to Boston for Ed McCauley.

★ Billy Mitchell sparked Kentucky to an easy triangular meet victory at Stoll Field. The Wildcats scored 68½ points, followed by Eastern Kentucky 43½ and Western 38. Mitchell set a new high jump record of six feet, two and three-fourths inches. He also won the 100- and 200-yard dash. Ray Basingame of UK also was a "double winner."

★ Catcher Jim Morris' two-out single in the ninth scored pitcher Johnny Grigler as UK defeated Tennessee 12-11. The win marks the 'Cats' first SEC baseball win in two years. UK now owns a 2-17 mark on the season.

(Note: In the last issue of TCP, we failed to note that Steve Campassi was among three UK players taken in the 1976 National Football League draft.)

WILDCAT QUIZ

1. True or False? Jerry Claiborne currently ranks fifth on the all-time active win list among active college coaches.

2. Which Wildcat coach has worked his last 15 seasons at Kentucky?
a) Bill Glaser
b) Dick Redding
c) Jerry Eisaman
d) Pat Etcheberry

3. True or False? This season the 'Cats will play six home games.

4. Of the following which has Jerry Claiborne been awarded more than once?
a) ACC Coach of the Year
b) SEC Coach of the Year
c) Sporting News National Coach of the Year
d) Southern Conference Coach of the Year

5. Which of the following statements is true?
a) Jerry Claiborne does not have a winning record at Commonwealth Stadium.
b) Jerry Claiborne's Wildcat teams are 24-3-2 when rushing for 150 yards or more.
c) Jerry Claiborne is from Bowling Green.
d) Jerry Claiborne's overall record at UK is over the .500 mark.

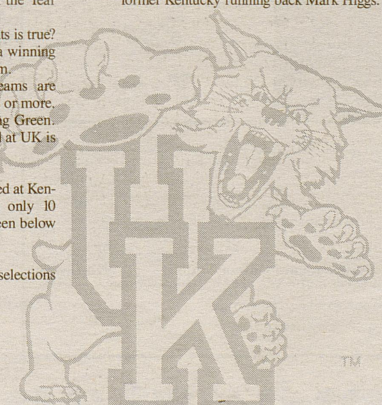
6. True or False? In 93 games played at Kentucky's Commonwealth Stadium only 10 times has the attendance figure been below 50,000.

7. How many Academic All-SEC selections did the 'Cats have last season?
a) three
b) four
c) five
d) six

8. Under Claiborne, Kentucky has recorded 24 victories in 31 game when it has done one of the following:
a) closed practice to the media the week before.
b) held the opponent to 20 points or less.
c) scored 17 points or more.
d) passed 30 or more times a game.

9. Which of the following members of the UK coaching staff did not graduate from Kentucky?
a) Rod Sharpless
b) Pat Etcheberry
c) Jerry Eisaman
d) Greg Nord

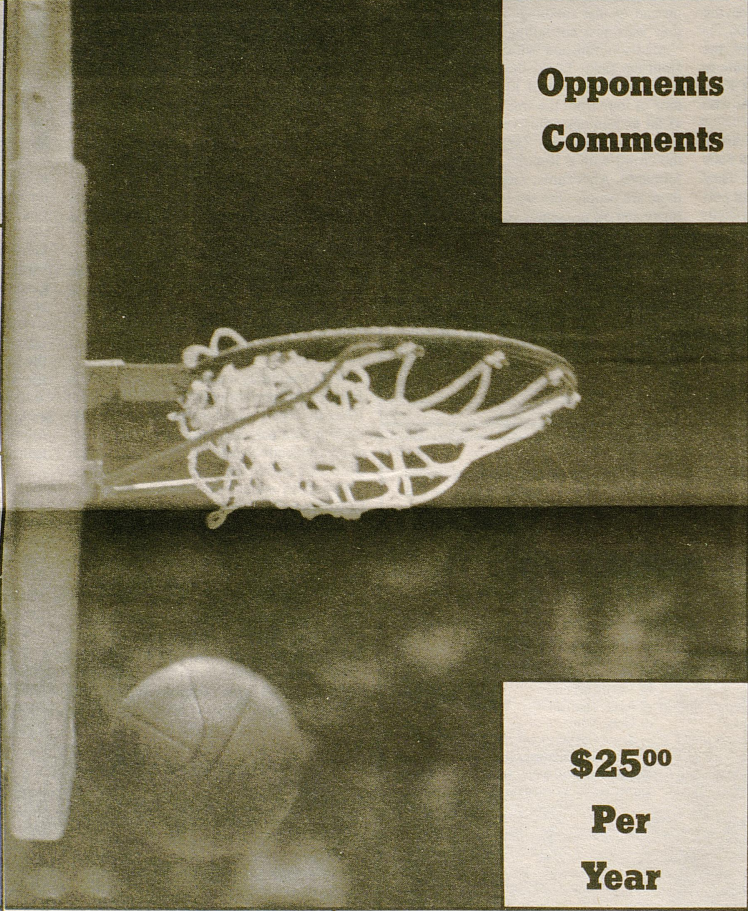
10. True or False? Only 11 Division I players last season had more yards rushing than former Kentucky running back Mark Higgs.



Answers

1. True.
2. Pat Etcheberry
3. False. (Only four have been played before less than 50,000)
4. False. (UK has seven home encounters in 1988)
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6. True. (UK has seven home encounters in 1988)
7. Six. (Kevin Dooly, Ken Willis, Jim Hill, Tim Jones, Brad Myers and Mike Robinson)
8. Scored 17 points or more.
9. Rod Sharpless. (Maryland, '75)
10. True.

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