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Administrative History: Wes Strader, owner of Hilltopper Network, Inc. was the "Voice of the Hilltoppers" from 1964 to 2000 when Commonwealth Broadcasting won the WKU contract to broadcast sporting events. He came back as the voice in 2008.

Description: Audiotapes of Wes Strader's "last broadcast" as voice of the Hilltoppers.

Dates: May 16, 2000

Subject Analytics:
Basketball
Denes, Nick
Diddle, E.A.
Feix, Johnny
Gilbert, Butch
Griffin, Frank
Hamilton, Todd
Haskins, Clem
Hornback, Ted
Minton, John
Murray, Lee
Oldham, John
Pickens, Jim
Rascoe, Bobby
Strader, Wes
Strong, Guy
Temple, Al
Thompson, Kelly
West, Gary
Western Kentucky University

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