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Workers to meet with legislators

By STEVE CARPENTER

A group representing hourly workers here has set meetings with two local legislators, and a third has agreed to meet with them.

Rhonda Harrod, spokeswoman for the Classified Employee Organization, said at a meeting Saturday that the group would meet with state Rep. Jody Richards (D-Bowling Green) at 7 p.m. Friday in the Kentucky Education Association office here.

The meeting is supposed to give employees a chance to discuss their problems at Western.

A similar meeting has been set for 7 p.m. Monday for the group to meet with state Sen. Frank Miller (D-Bowling Green).

Mrs. Harrod said that state Rep. Buddy Adams (D-Bowling Green) has agreed to meet with the employees but that a time has not been set.

Since President Donald Zacharias declined an invitation to meet with the group Saturday, 15 employees who attended used the time to voice complaints.

The employees also submitted written complaints.

Unfair pay, was alleged, and sick-day policies, lack of opportunity for promotion and employee morale were also cited.

One female employee said that she believed the administration thinks classified employees are "something less than human."

Some employees said that supervisors are requiring a doctor's statement to justify a person's sick leave.

Mrs. Harrod said that a doctor's statement costs more than employees would earn in a day.

Another employee mentioned that since some employees have been put on a 37½-hour work week, they have to work 2½ hours extra before earning overtime pay.

During the meeting, an air conditioning technician said he had no complaints and no problem with his supervisors.

The worker said he thought that the housekeeping department was the main target of complaints. After a heated debate between the man and another worker, he was asked to leave the meeting.



Photo by Kim Kolarik

Night moves

Tom Thielen, a senior theater major from Owensboro, does a dance routine with Ann Moore, a Tompkinsville sophomore. The two Western Dance Company members performed West Side Story at Van Meter Auditorium Sunday.

Inside

Today's Herald includes an eight-page Christmas shopping guide, beginning on Page 7.

Included are stories on where to shop in and near Bowling Green, as well as guides to popular gifts this Christmas.

In Sports, men's basketball coach Gene Keady is looking for a permanent starting line-up. The Hilltoppers beat Florida A&M, 87-60, Saturday.

day. Page 17.

Western will have its first invitational holiday basketball tournament next year. Besides Western, the schools involved are Vanderbilt, Iona and South Carolina. Page 18.

The women's basketball team used a pressing defense to help get its second victory of the season, a 69-58 win over the University of Tennessee-Martin. Page 17.

In good shape: Two work, work out at same time

By MICHELE WOOD

Marcia Portman and Joey Natcher, get paid to stay in shape. "We think we have about the easiest job in Bowling Green," Portman, a Hendersonville, Tenn., senior, said about her job at Health World Inc., a Bowling Green spa.

When women first visit the spa, Portman measures and weighs them. Then she instructs them on how to get in shape. She

also leads floor exercise classes, which are called "skinny school."

"Everybody knows everybody in the exercise room," Portman said. "We have contests to see who can bring in the most visitors or who can lose the most inches. We sit around and chat a lot, too."

Portman said that on quiet days she does a lot of studying, especially when the women get used to what they're doing and don't require as much attention,

"Working at a health spa gets you more interested in your body and working out," Natcher said. "It makes you notice what other people look like."

The athletically built Bowling Green senior said most men join the spa "just to stay in shape." He puts them on a program and shows them how to exercise with weights.

Natcher said that about 50 Western students belong to the spa. "Students like to get away,

so instead of punching a wall out they just sit in the sauna. It makes them feel like a new person."

The spa also has a psychotherapist who leads classes in the art of relaxation. Portman said she participates in those classes because it helps her cope with the pressures of school.

But the time most Western students visit the spa is right before spring break. Portman said some girls come in two or

three times a day to "get off their winter fat and get in shape for Florida."

The only difference in the programs offered for college students and older women, Portman said, is younger girls can work out more with less worry about physical problems.

Portman said one of the most frightening experiences she has had while working at the spa was

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Heavenly secrets: 'Angels' anonymously exchange Christmas gifts in women's dorms

By NANCY SALATO

Candy canes, tiny Christmas ornaments and furry stuffed animals will be found hanging on door knobs and beside doors in women's dorms during this week. But nobody will know who they're coming from.

That's the whole idea, said Kathy Watson, student affairs residence hall coordinator. The culprits are "secret angels," and the practice has been going on for years, she said.

Residents of each dorm floor meet after deciding whether they want to have Secret Angels. Names are drawn, and a four-day

process follows.

The first three days consist of giving small gifts, usually worth less than \$1. On the fourth day, larger gifts, usually from \$3 to \$5, are presented in person to a

dorm party is held the night the final gifts are given.

"We gather around the tree in the lobby and sing Christmas carols," said Lisa Lawrence, a third-floor resident assistant.

"It just gets everybody into the Christmas spirit, and everybody gets joined together."

*—Pam Richardson
Gilbert Hall RA*

secret angel. In most dorms a floor party follows.

But the process varies. In some dorms the name drawing is done only on each wing on a floor, and in South Hall, the gifts are given on each floor, but a complete

"The big gifts are under the tree, and we have punch—and things like that."

Yvette Lucas, a seventh-floor RA in Bemis Lawrence Hall, said that giving something "small and silly is a lot of fun." "It helps

take their minds off of finals."

Pam Richardson, a second-floor RA in Gilbert Hall, said the secret angel process helps girls on her floor know each other. "A lot of times you'll draw a name and not even know who they are. After you draw the name, you learn where she lives, and you get better acquainted."

"Nobody forces you to participate," she said. "It just gets everybody into the Christmas spirit, and everybody gets joined together."

"Ye Olde Sweet Shoppe" on the second floor of the University Center, is advertising "Secret Angel Cups" for the week.

Specially designed stickers which say "From Your Secret Angel; Western Ky. University; Merry Christmas, 1979" are placed on containers of jelly beans, peanut M & M's and assorted candies, said clerk Hazel Doughty.

Life Savers books, log cabins containing candy canes, individual candy canes and furry stuffed animals are popular for secret angel gifts, Mrs. Doughty said.

"We're trying to make it as convenient as possible for the girls. Our gifts aren't too expensive," she said. "They sure seem to be enjoying it."

Students work, work out at Bowling Green spa

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when a woman passed out from dieting too much and had to be taken to a hospital.

"When somebody else gets excited about improving their body, you can't help but get excited with them," Natcher said. "People came in who can't do sit-ups, with severe arthritis and too large to get the measuring tape around them."

"It makes you feel like your job is worth it when you help somebody," Natcher said. "It's exciting to see somebody make progress."

"Every once in a while, the Army will bring in somebody who needs to lose three or four pounds to be eligible," Portman

said. Since they can usually lose that much in water weight, we put them in the sauna, take 'em out and put them on a bike and we just put them in and out and in until they lose the weight. Then they leave that night for the Army."

Portman, who had never worked out before she started her job at the health club, got in shape in about a week. She and Natcher work out almost every day to keep in shape.

"I take vitamins but I'm not a health nut," Portman said.

"It makes you not eat as much junk," Natcher said. Then remembering the grape drink in his hand, he laughed and said, "Well, not all the time."

Build up

Ogden College dean resigns after 15 years of expansion

By DOUG MOUNCE

After building Ogden College for about 13 years, Dr. Marvin W. Russell has resigned as dean.

Though a formal resignation hasn't been submitted, Russell made his resignation known to President Donald Zacharias a few weeks ago.

Russell said he resigned as dean to return to teaching and research.

Russell, who came to Western in 1961 as physics department head, became Ogden College dean at its inception when Western was made a university in 1966.

At that time, the college was only the north wing of the Kelly Thompson Science Complex, which was then called Thompson Hall.

Russell began the computer science program and expanded the astronomy department by supplying them with new facilities, including the planetarium and observatory.

Russell also fought for master's degree programs at

Western when only the University of Kentucky was allowed to have them.

Industry in Owensboro wanted the engineering and technology department at Western to begin a master's program so there could be local talent for them to draw from.

He said he had to battle to keep the master's program because it was opposed by UK and The Courier-Journal.

"We kept our powder dry and by the time we applied to the Council on Higher Education, there was enough pressure and everybody realized we needed it."

"It was an embryonic period of the university... a period of great challenge to achieve the pure university status," Russell said. "It was an interesting battle—one that has been mostly forgotten now."

The selection committee is expected to have a new dean chosen by Aug. 1, 1980. Notice for the position has been circulated nationwide.

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Committee trying to fill PR position

President Donald Zacharias has authorized the formation of a committee to find a director of public information. The committee will meet today to approve an advertisement for job applicants, chairman Jim Ausenbaugh said.

The six-person group met Dec. 4 to begin discussions that will lead to recommendations to Dr. John Minton, administrative affairs vice president. The job was created after Don Armstrong resigned in June as public relations director to become executive director of the Kentucky Press Association.

Members of the committee are Ausenbaugh, assistant professor of journalism; vice chairman Paul Just, sports information director; Dr. Peggy Keck, professor of business education and office administration; Lee Robertson, alumni affairs director; Doyle Satterthwaite, assistant professor of communication and theater; and Mrs. Sharon Dyrsen, assistant to the student affairs dean.

The director of public information, according to the committee's guidelines, will be responsible for:

- organizing and directing the collecting of information of immediate public interest about the university.
- preparing and distributing news releases and other forms of public information.
- coordinating news conferences on campus.
- developing news and information programs that would benefit Western.
- supervising distribution of information about sports teams here.
- conducting conferences to improve the news and information system.
- editing the Western Alumnus.
- supervising distribution of information about events on Western's official calendar.
- organizing and managing the office of the director of public information.

Group accepts zoning decision

The Maranatha Christian Center will not appeal the city-county board of adjustments decision last month that denied them a special exception for the house on 1586 Normal Drive, said Jim Lewis, Maranatha director.

The board ruled against the Christian group, citing neighborhood character, parking congestion and noise as reasons.

Maranatha will appear before the board of adjustments Thursday to get special exception for its present location at 1428 Chestnut St. The group has been living there for almost five years, unaware that it needed a special exception, which allows the organization to live in an improper zone.

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Opinion

Workers' problems won't just go away

Recent developments in the dispute between hourly workers and the university administration have put everyone involved on the defensive.

First, the hourly workers in the Classified Employee Organization asked the Kentucky Education Association to represent them in their quest for higher wages and benefits.

Then, KEA representatives asked the Board of Regents to let them speak at the Dec. 1 meeting. This request was denied, and the regents adopted a policy of not recognizing any third-party workers' representatives unless the General Assembly adopts such a policy.

President Donald Zacharias explained that the regents could not have allowed KEA to speak because this would "be tantamount to recognizing a third-party bargaining agent."

This policy seems, basically, a convenient way for the regents and the administration to sidestep the issue of employee grievances, rather than an actual fear that allowing KEA

to speak would automatically make it the workers' bargaining agent.

Martin Glazer, an assistant state attorney general, told the Herald last week that there are no state laws governing collective bargaining for university personnel. "Kentucky statutes are silent" on the subject, he said.

Glazer said a university would be able to talk to employee representatives without bargaining with them or legally recognizing them.

Apparently, the regents are more concerned with giving the appearance of recognizing KEA, as opposed to legal recognition, because there are no specific statutes on speaking with such representative groups.

Of course, KEA representatives have said they are not acting as a collective bargaining group for the employees, but are merely assisting them in trying to get better wages and benefits. The distinction is hard to grasp.

In this case, it would seem the university would have more to gain by

talking to KEA and the workers than ignoring them.

The latest development came when Zacharias refused to talk with members of the Classified Employee Organization at the group's meeting Saturday.

He reportedly refused in order to comply with the regents' policy against meeting with third-party representatives. However, the group's letter does not mention bargaining or negotiating.

It is understandable that Zacharias would be hesitant about meeting with the group. In his first speech to all university employees earlier this semester, he strongly urged personnel to give him a chance to solve their problems rather than going through other channels, which include collective bargaining. But now, the shadow of KEA looms over any discussion between workers and Zacharias.

It is also understandable that the workers would want to make an

immediate impression on a new president. But by bringing a union into it, the workers may have hurt their chances of winning the fight for Zacharias' ear.

The value of KEA might be greater in state issues, in which the group's lobby could be an asset, but KEA's usefulness in Western issues is questionable, especially since Western is under no obligation to recognize the group.

It is clear that both sides will have to make concessions.

Zacharias will have to show a little more concern about all classified workers' grievances, possibly by attending meetings at their convenience and listening to their problems.

And the workers might have to compromise by making it clear that Zacharias will be talking to them, not KEA.

The workers' demands are here to stay, and any more hesitance on the administration's part may be enough to make even more classified employees turn to KEA.

Holiday season: Stockings are hung way too long

By DAVID WHITAKER

I'm glad we don't get out of school until Dec. 21—that's the only thing left to look forward to before Christmas.

The parades were over weeks ago; we've had the hanging of the green, the hanging of the banners and the hanging around of department store shoppers. The TV specials have been running since Thanksgiving, and all the good Christmas trees have been grabbed up, along with the good gifts on sale.

commentary

Someone from another country would probably think that Christmas and winter are synonymous in the United States. Ah, so, that's what they mean by Christmas season.

Even a national movement to decommercialize Christmas started too soon, which seems almost paradoxical. The Herald has been getting letters from this movement, which probably inspired this column. The group is trying to single out organizations that capitalize on Christmas even more than most businesses. It's trying to ridicule things like Santa commodes right out of the store racks.

But this movement should go a step farther. It should also try to convince the rest of us that Christmas lasts one day—not the entire month. This would bring back some of the excitement while taking the anticlimax out of Christmas.

There is a tendency to try to tie Christmas, Thanksgiving and New Year's Day into one big holiday. And within this subseason, we have subholidays, like Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. Of course, most of this is brought on by merchants, who make up for their

regular-season losses during the buying, or Christmas, season.

But I've got to hand it to Western. Maybe the green was hung a bit early this year, but Western's holding off on Christmas.

Most students will get home with just enough time to do some late gift buying.

By the time the clothes are unpacked, the TV is fixed and final preparations are being made for the New Year's party.

Christmas will be here. And then it will be over.

And then comes the worst part—staring at the over-the-street "Joyeux Noël" banners until people start getting fired up about Easter in mid-February.



Yes, hear such favorites as: "Deck the Hall with Electric Santas," "God Rest Ye Merry Businessman," "Angels, We Will Surely Buy," "Santa Claus Is Selling Our Town," and many more!

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Letters to the editor

Quotes scripture

Concerning the article on witchcraft:
"Thus saith the Lord:"
Deuteronomy 18:10-12

"Let no one be found among you who sacrifices his son or daughter in the fire, who practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft, or casts spells, or who is a medium or spiritist or who consults the dead. Anyone who does these things is detestable to the Lord."

Micah 5:12

"I will destroy your witchcraft and you will no longer cast spells."
Revelation 22:14-15

Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city. Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

2 Peter 2:1-3

But there were false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them—bring swift destruction on themselves. Many will follow their shameful ways and will bring the way of the truth into disrepute. In their greed these teachers will exploit you with stories they have made up. Their condemnation has long been hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping.

2 Timothy 4:2-4

Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come

when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.

1 Timothy 3-7

If anyone teaches false doctrine and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching, he is conceited and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and arguments that result in envy, quarreling, malicious talk, evil suspicions and constant friction between men of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means of financial gain, but godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.

2 Timothy 3:16

So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

Brenda Smith

Sophomore

Carmen Henderson

Junior

Cathy Dunn

Sophomore

Agrees about Iran

I would like to thank the writer of the Nov. 29 editorial for summing up most of my feelings about the Iranian crisis. There are some who want war, but this is exactly the sort of rash act that Khomeini is waiting for. Besides, war would probably mean a stand-off with Russia, which might turn into another world war that

Russia just might win.

I'd also like to make a suggestion. Why don't you start something like a Dear Abby column for people who have questions, while keeping "Letters to the Editor" for people who have statements? I believe that such a move would make the Herald much more interesting and helpful and would make it more widely read.

T.J. Ammons

Freshman

Questions concert

In reference to the article in the Dec. 4 Herald about the Spyro Gyra concert losing money, a couple of questions must be asked.

First of all, whose idea was it to have two shows? I think that if there would have been one show that started at 8 p.m., there would have been more tickets sold. Some people I talked to thought that 7 p.m. was too early for such a concert, and that 10 p.m. was too late for a middle-of-the-week concert. This is a university, not a night club. Besides, all the jazz fans in this area would just barely fill Van Meter.

Second, whose idea was it to have Michael Urbaniak without a band? As one of the few people in this area who knows Urbaniak's music, no one was more bewildered than I when Michael and Ursula "the female vocalist" Dudziak, who by the way is Mrs. Urbaniak, showed up without a band.

I had seen Urbaniak twice before with his band and enjoyed them each time, but, needless to say, no one was more disappointed than I in "the first act."

In conclusion, I went to the 7 p.m. show and I really enjoyed it, despite my

surprise. I also thought that the article in the Nov. 29 Herald was well written. But a lyricon is not an electrified flute, but a woodwind synthesizer. And Jay Beckenstein performed his "solo duet" on an alto saxophone and a soprano saxophone, not a clarinet.

Greg Turner

Sophomore

Says letter biased

If ever a biased letter was written, it was the letter by Janice Winter in the Nov. 29 Herald. (Of course, running a close second was her equally nasty anti-greek letter she wrote in last year's Herald).

We greatly resent this type of anti-greek prejudice. Haven't you learned that stereotyping is a sign of the uninformed? Don't tell us that out of a floor of about 35 girls, you couldn't find at least one you could get along with! Did you ever think that possibly your anti-greek attitude stood in the way?

We all come under the label of "greek," but we are still individuals. Did you ever consider each girl as an individual, instead of conveniently blaming a whole group?

Sure, we greeks stick together, and it's true that we are a minority. But, if you didn't know, minority groups are no longer supposed to be discriminated against.

Janice, in the future, if you're going to dislike us, that's fine—but dislike us each as individuals, not simply because we're greeks.

Debbie Dukes

Vicki Phillips

Seniors

Phi Mu



Coming Soon
College Bowl 1980

College Bowl is your chance to receive prizes and recognition for the knowledge you possess.

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intercollegiate play. Teams that advance to the National

level may win scholarship funds for Western as well as for themselves.

This is a quiz game to test your skill. Plan to compete. Sign up now in DUC 230.



Card catalog Photo by Kim Kotarik

Sandra Taylor, a Georgetown senior, picks out Christmas cards for her family at the College Heights Bookstore in the university center.

Zacharias will represent state, not just Western, on CHE panel

As a non-voting member of the Council on Higher Education's executive committee, President Donald Zacharias said he will be representing the entire state, not just Western.

"I'm extremely interested in Western, of course, but my first concern is to higher education in Kentucky while I'm acting as a committee member," he said.

Zacharias was appointed to the committee last month after the council voted to expand the committee by one voting member and one non-voting member. The committee is now composed of three voting members and two non-voting members.

A council spokesman said the committee meets sporadically, basically every month the council is not in session.

One advantage Zacharias' appointment will give Western, he said, is to provide more information on issues facing the council.

"All good decisions are based on information, and you are always depending on the quality of the information you have when you are considering policy questions and program questions," he said.

Zacharias said he wasn't sure how much influence he will have on the committee as a non-voting

member or what type of questions will be brought before the committee because the committee hasn't met since he was appointed.

Writer wins \$400

Herald managing editor Alan Judd has won fourth place in a national newswriting contest sponsored by the William Randolph Hearst foundation.

Judd won \$400 for a story in the Herald last spring that described political interference in the selection of Western's new president and reported threats against the life of one regent.



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Honors program available

For students in the history department who want to learn more than they can get in the regular classes, the history honors program is a welcome addition.

The history honors program is offered in addition to the regular campus honors program. Each semester, four upper-level history classes have optional honors sections, each of which can earn a student one hour.

The program is open to all students with at least a 3.3 grade-point average. The purpose of these sections is to allow students to study subjects in more detail, said Dr. Frederick Murphy, director of the history honors program.

The honors tract for history majors requires taking five

honors sections, and writing an honors essay worth three hours credit, Murphy said.

The honors tract for minors requires taking three honors sections and the writing of an intensive research paper, Murphy said.

The history honors program can be used to help fulfill the 12-hour requirement for the regular campus honors program.

Murphy said the history honors program can be beneficial to students after they graduate. He said participation in the program "shows prospective employers or graduate school committees that students are willing to do more than the bare minimum. And, if they do well, which they usually do, it shows they can handle it."

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Shopping areas here well stocked

By GREG BILBREY

With two shopping weeks left before Christmas, emotions are mixed.

There are always a few who began shopping in September and smugly tell you that all their gifts are wrapped and under the tree.

But for those not quite so organized, the rush is on.

All over the country, Christmas crowds are flocking to suburban shopping malls this year, and Bowling Green now has two of them. The Bowling Green Mall, on Nashville Road at Campbell Lane, is "anchored" by two major stores, Woolco and Castner-Knott. There are 30 other store and specialty shops in the mall.

The new Greenwood Mall, which opened about two months ago, is about six miles from campus on Scottsville Road. Major stores are J.C. Penney Co. and Ben Snyder's. There are also about 60 other stores now open.

If mall shopping is alluring to you and Bowling Green's malls are not enough, you might consider using dollar-a-gallon gas to investigate what Nashville, about 65 miles south, has to offer.

Major Nashville-area malls are Hickory Hollow Mall, 919 Bell Road in Antioch, and Rivergate Mall, on Two Mile Pike in Goodlettsville. Both have a similar selection to the Greenwood Mall but are larger and more elaborate.

If you like to walk and shop, or prefer not to drive too far, there are some possibilities closer to home.

Western Gateway Shopping Center, on Russellville Road, is within easy walking distance from campus, and has several student-oriented stores, such as Headquarters Music and Boutique, Sailin' Shoes, My Friend's Place and Poston Electronics.

Fairview Plaza, at Fairview Avenue and th U.S. 31-W

By-Pass, has K-Mart and about 20 other small stores that sell clothing, jewelry and other items.

Bowling Green Plaza, on Nashville Road just north of the Bowling Green Mall, and King's Plaza on Scottsville Road are smaller shopping centers that might offer gift possibilities. The major stores are Big K and King's, respectively.

Fountain Square in downtown Bowling Green isn't the hub of retailing it once was, but there are still several stores and shops that may offer better-than-average sales to draw customers back downtown.

There are also places away from the shopping centers that

might have the "perfect gift." Deemer's Flowers, 861 Fairview Ave., is one possibility for Christmas plants; Nat's Outdoor Sports, 724 Broadway Ave, has a selection of sporting goods; and Hancock's Books, 936 State St., includes some unusual titles in its hard- and soft-cover collection.

And, of course, there's the College Heights Bookstore on the third floor of the university center. Manager Buddy Childress said there are "gift suggestions" scattered throughout the store, such as jewelry, cosmetics, books and printed shirts. He also said that the bookstore is stocking gift wrap and tree-trimming supplies.

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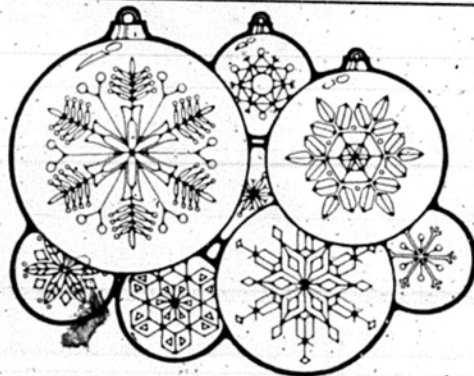
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Amy Hughes of the Zebra Stall in the Bowling Green Mall said that "Aunt Erma's Cope Book," a humor book by columnist Erma Bombeck, is the store's Christmas bestseller this year. Cookbooks are also popular, she said.

Hughes recommended the series of Foxfire books as gifts. "I think Foxfire books make excellent Christmas gifts because there's something in them for everyone," she said.

Candy Shirley of Waldenbooks in the Greenwood Mall said the Bombeck book was also doing

well at her store. She said the biggest paperback bestseller is the book based on "Star Trek—The Motion Picture."

Shirley said boxed sets, such as Erma Bombeck books, J.R.R. Tolkien's "Lord of the Rings" and James Herriot's "All Things Wise and Wonderful", were popular. "The Brethren," a new book on the Supreme Court by Bob Woodward and Scott Armstrong of the Washington Post, and "The Mr. Bill Show Book" from TV's "Saturday Night Live" are also doing well.

But, she said, the most popular item for Christmas gift giving is a calendar featuring The Muppets' Miss Piggy.

Maty Mowery, manager of B. Dalton Booksellers in the Greenwood Mall, said her store's top-selling book was "Throw a

Tomato" by Jim Erskine, a Bowling Green native who has published a previous work, "Fold a Banana."

Mowery said Steve Martin's "Cruel Shoes," Kurt Vonnegut's "Jailbird," a collection of Christmas cards designed by artists, "The New York Times Cookbook," The Foxfire books and "The Brethren" are all selling briskly.

Mowery recommended Tolkien's "Lord of the Rings" trilogy, "Rolling Stone Presents Saturday Night Live," "The Mr. Bill Show Book" and "Jailbird" as good gifts for college students.

For sports fans, there are two new books on Kentucky basketball: "Kentucky Basketball: A New Beginning" and "Adolph Rupp: As I Knew Him."

Stocking stuffers can be hard to find

Santa's helpers have a difficult order to fill. Stuffing stockings with clever, but inexpensive, gifts isn't an easy task.

As a service to shoppers, gift shops and department stores often provide ready-made stocking-stuffer ideas. Many times separate displays are set up

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Some typical items for adults' stockings include key chains, playing cards, candles, jewelry, lighters and paperback books. For children, small stuffed animals, games and puzzles are common gifts.

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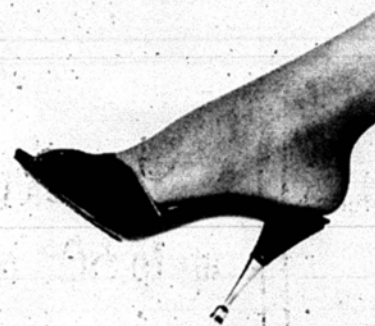
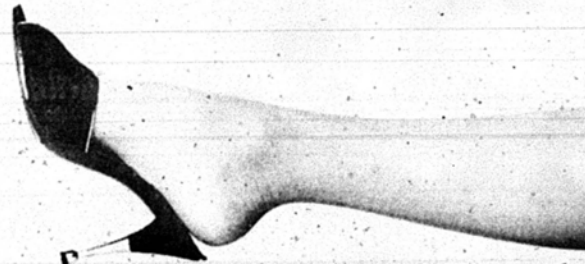
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Particularly popular at Christmas, said Bill Lloyd of The Emporium, are greatest-hits packages and live albums, and several of these have been released in recent weeks.

Greatest-hits packages have been released recently by Chic, the Bee Gees, Rod Stewart, Donna Summer, the Commodores, England Dan and John Ford Coley, Abba and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

Several live albums, which usually contain many popular songs, have also been released recently. Atlanta Rhythm Section and Neil Young and Crazy Horse have just released live albums that are selling well.

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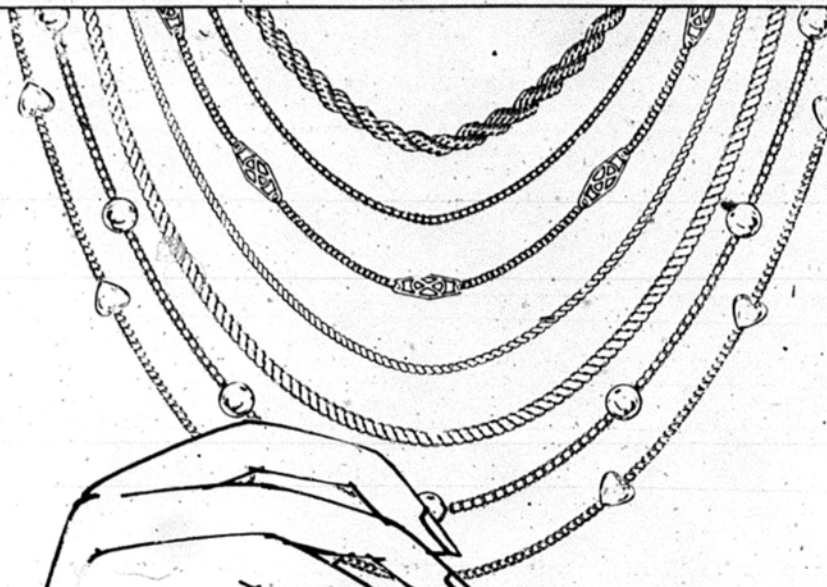
"superstar" groups and performers have been released in time for the Christmas buying season. Very popular right now are the new Eagles album, "The Long Run," and "Tusk," a two-record set from Fleetwood Mac.

Also still popular is the latest album from Led Zeppelin, "In Through the Out Door." The album has an unusual feature; it has four different covers, which are concealed by a paper bag slipped over the album jacket.

Also new and popular are Bob Dylan's "Slow Train Coming," Pink Floyd's double set, "The Wall" and Styx' "Cornerstone."

For record buyers who are looking for a bargain, some area stores stock "cut-outs," which said Tim Fath, manager of Headquarters, are records that have been overstocked by companies. These are sold to stores at the record company's cost, and the savings are passed on to buyers.

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Another important aspect of winter driving is making sure that the car is prepared.

Paul Bunch, public safety director, said that a tune-up is

important this year because of fuel conservation problems coupled with the usual winter driving problems.

Besides the tune-up, Bunch recommends drivers check:

—Heater and defroster systems. They should clear the windshield quickly and keep it clear.

—Windshield wipers. The wipers may have dried out during the summer and need replacing.

Also check the washer solution to see if it has adequate anti-freeze

protection.

—Lights. Check for burned out bulbs and cracked lenses. Road salt and winter grime may corrode sockets and reflectors.

—Brakes. Poorly adjusted, grabbing or failing brakes can force a vehicle to skid under slippery conditions. Have brakes checked by a mechanic.

—Tires. Snow tires are essential for winter weather driving. But studs and chains will be of more benefit on icy pavements.

—Emergency equipment.

Included should be booster cables, sand or rock salt, traction mats, a shovel, safety flares or reflectors, a tow chain, a flashlight, windshield washer solvent, a window scraper, paper towels, heavy gloves, extra winter clothing and a blanket.

Even the most prepared drivers can have problems if they don't take precautions.

Stopping, starting and accelerating should all be done gradually, Bunch said. And if the

car should go into a skid, steer in the direction in which the back end of the car is skidding. Also on skids, beware of overcompensating.

Allow for more room to stop. Under winter conditions, it takes three to 10 times longer to stop, Bunch said. And stopping should be done by pumping the brakes instead of jamming them.

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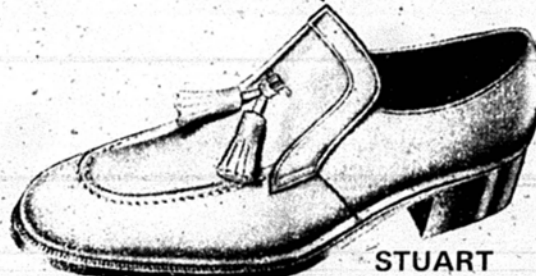
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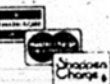
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A \$15 poinsettia, one of the most popular Christmas plants, may have five blooms when ordered in Bowling Green. In New York or California the same price may be charged for only three blooms.

Ms. Buchanan said other popular gifts are Christmas cacti, begonias, Norfolk pines and azaleas.

Many people also send planters with green plants and vines in them, she said, which range in price from \$10 to \$25.

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Many conservation moves needed to reduce cost of heating home

By SUSAN HAYTER

Energy-saving tactics can make a difference in the cost of heating a home. But it takes many conservation moves to make a big difference.

One major way to conserve energy is by installing insulation, which can cut heating costs by as much as 50 percent and reduce cooling costs as much as 30 percent.

But since insulating a complete house can be quite expensive, one may want to insulate only specific areas.

Insulation around heating pipes and ducts that run through unheated areas will help keep the heat in and the cold out.

Also, wrap all hot-water pipes with insulation. This holds in heat, and the water cools slower, which decreases the work load of the hot-water heater and helps prevent freezing and bursting of pipes.

In addition to insulation, there are numerous ways to keep out the chill of winter.

Caulking around door and window frames will prevent any cold drafts.

Also, the use of weather stripping will make windows and doors airtight.

The use of plastic storm doors and windows is one of the best ways to cut heating costs. They are less expensive than glass items. But sturdy plastic can be stapled to the frames instead. Unless there are screen doors, it

will have to be used only on windows. Plastic may limit visibility, but it will help keep the heat in.

A great deal of heat can escape through a window air-conditioner. The cooling unit should be covered or removed for the winter. Air conditioner covers are fairly inexpensive.

Likewise, shrubs, trees and fences will protect the house.

If there is a fireplace in the house, the damper will provide a seal when closed, eliminating heat loss up the chimney.

A glass fire screen will keep the heat from going up the chimney when a fire is burning.

If drafts come under the door, straw dogs may be purchased to keep the breezes out. But an old towel will work just as well.

Besides winterizing the house, there are many ways to save energy.

The thermostat should be set at 68 degrees. With every degree above 68, heating costs increase three percent. For more savings, set the heat below 68 degrees and dress warmly.

Also, either turn off the heat or put it on a very low setting while away from home for long periods of time.

If faucets, especially hot-water taps, are leaky, they should be repaired immediately. In a year, one drop of water per second will waste 2,500 gallons of water, and if the water heater is electric, it will waste 600 kilowatt-hours. (One kilowatt is equal to 1,000

watts or 10, 100-watt light bulbs burning for one hour.)

The hot-water heater could be turned down to 150 degrees and still be hot enough to clean dishes, linens and white clothes.

Washing full loads of clothes, can save in two ways. This means less work for the washer and the water heater. Also, the use of cold or warm water, except on whites and bed linens, will cut down considerably on costs. Most clothes will be cleaned in a cold-water wash.

Another way to save on hot water is to run only full loads in the dishwasher. But if dishes are washed by hand, rinse several at a time—letting the water run continuously will cause extra work for the water heater.

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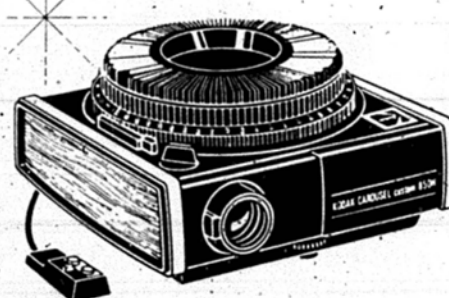
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Alpha Kappa Alpha will sign up entrants for the Miss Black Western pageant from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the university center.

The Horticulture Club will sell Christmas and house plants on the university center patio until Thursday. In case of bad weather, the sale will be at the greenhouse next to the Environmental Science and Technology Building.

Tomorrow

Dogwood, a contemporary Christian-music band, will perform at 8 p.m. in Van Meter Auditorium. Tickets are \$2 per person and \$3.50 per couple and are available at the door. Chuck Beckman and Mike Card will open for the group.

Thursday

Paul Petzoldt will speak on "Wilderness Use and Back Country Education" at 7 p.m. in the College of Education Building Auditorium.

The P.E. Majors Club will have a holiday reception from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the auxiliary dining room of the university center.

The National Press Photographers Association will meet at 3 p.m. in the university center, room 123. Jay Mather and Pam Spaulding of The Courier-Journal and Louisville Times will speak on "Married Life as a Photojournalist."

For the record

Fred Turnbull, 1366 Park St., was arrested Friday on a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol.

A fire in the Pearce-Ford Tower trash chute was extinguished Saturday evening by the sprinkler system.

An AM-FM radio-cassette player, belonging to Ami Peters, Rodes-Harlin Hall, was stolen from her car while it was parked on the third floor of the parking structure. The tape player was valued at \$150.

Joel Gray, Keen Hall, reported Friday that a citizens band radio and a flashlight, valued at a total of \$65, were stolen from a car in the Poland Hall parking lot.

Rita Killingham of Russellville reported Friday that her billfold, valued at \$170, was stolen from her purse on the first floor of the College of Education Building.

A fire extinguisher was reported missing from Smith Stadium on Thursday.

Fernando Lennino, Cherry Avenue, reported Wednesday that a watch and jacket were taken from the fourth floor of the university center. The total value of the items was \$105.

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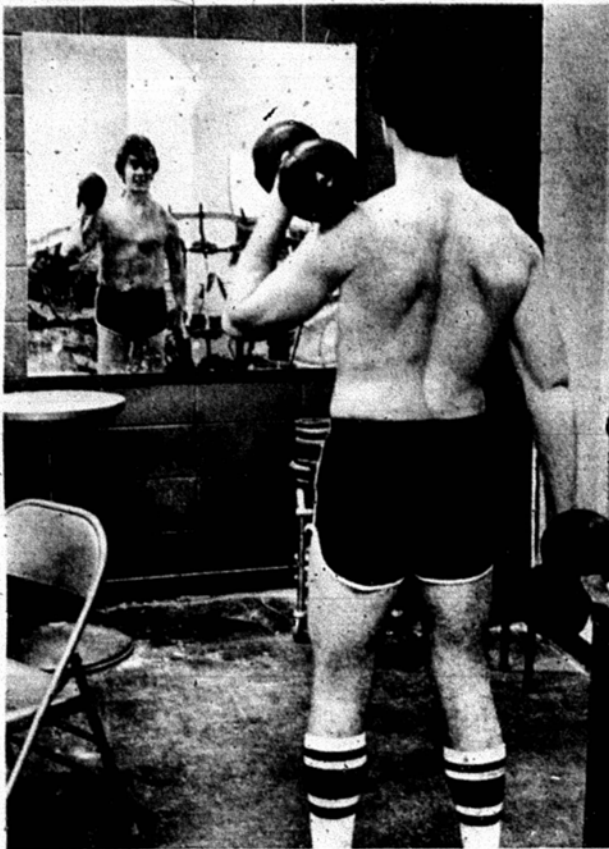


Photo by Bob Skipper

Stronghold

John Brainard, a freshman business major from Somerset, works out in front of a mirror in the weight room in Smith Stadium.

Advance registration increases by about 100

Nearly 100 more people registered in advance this year than last, said Dr. Stephen House, registrar.

House said 2,651 students registered for spring classes in the past two weeks. That is 99 more than last year.

The registration was "very encouraging," House said. Advance registration will continue to be in the registrar's office, he said.

House said most of the students came in on the day they had been scheduled for, and few lines were reported.

"That's what we're attempting to do (remove the long lines)," House said.

There will be a slight reduction in cost because fewer temporary employees were needed, and the computer center did not have to set up in Garrett Ballroom.

House said other savings are hard to put a cost figure on, such as time to set up and move the terminals and having someone from the computer center at the registration.

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Sports

Keady looking for stable starting lineup

By KEVIN STEWART

Gene Keady is looking for five starters and "two or three solid" substitutes. With the opening round of the Louisville Holiday Classic starting Thursday, that request seems reasonable.

Keady made that statement after using this season's third starting lineup in Saturday's 87-60 win over visiting Florida A&M. Although Saturday's starters played 30 more minutes than the eight substitutes did, the reserves outscored the starters by three points.

That fact shows how balanced Western's talent is this year. That balance will have fans guessing who Keady will start in the classic, a tournament that could bring national recognition to Western if the Hilltoppers win it.

Western used its balance to ease to its second homecourt win of the season Saturday against the Rattlers. The Toppers have lost two games on the road. Florida A&M is in its first year as a Division I school and dropped to 0-4 with the loss.

"They (the Toppers) just shot a fantastic percentage," first-year Rattler coach James Giles said.

men's basketball

"I thought we could stop their big people, but we didn't."

The big men were substitute forward Jaek Washington and starting forward Tony Wilson. Washington came off the bench to score a game-high 19 points on eight of 10 shooting, and Wilson grabbed a team-high 10 rebounds along with 11 points.

As for the shooting, the Hilltoppers hit a respectable 52 percent for the game after 57 percent shooting in the first half. Sophomore guard Kevin Dildy, making his first start, led the first-half surge, hitting all five of his shots as Western took a 42-24 halftime lead.

Western jumped on top in the game when sophomore center Craig McCormick hit two free throws for a 4-2 lead that the home team never relinquished. Western took its biggest first-half lead when Washington hit a jumpshot from the right corner to make the score 41-17 with just

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Eastern advances

Murray loss kills hope for an All-OVC final

The Ohio Valley Conference schools have a lot to be proud of. For the first time in OVC history, two schools represented the conference in the Division I-AA football playoffs.

The dream that the championship game would be an All-OVC affair was shattered Saturday.

Conference champion Murray lost to Lehigh, 28-9. While Murray was losing, Eastern edged Nevada Reno, 33-30, on a field goal in overtime.

In the last two years, the OVC has enjoyed some good television exposure, which has made recruiting much easier and brought money to the conference.

Many athletes may have



Monte Young
Sports Editor

bypassed OVC schools before because they wanted to play for teams that would be on television occasionally.

But when Grambling lost its last game of the season after Eastern knocked off Jackson State, the OVC found itself with two schools in the top four

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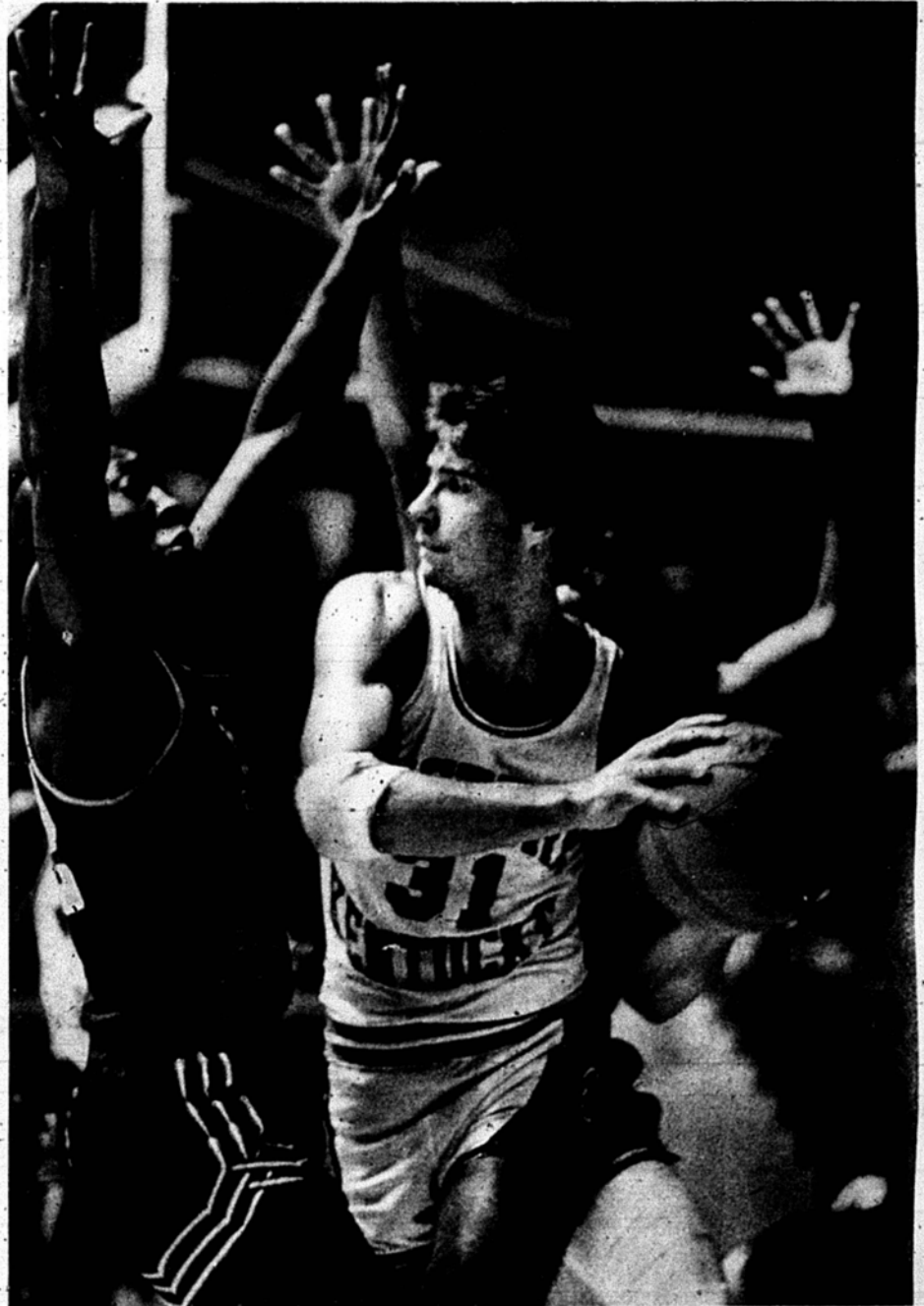


Photo by Lewis Gardner

Florida A & M guard Thaddeus Bruce puts defensive pressure on Western forward Mike Prince (31). Prince scored four points to contribute to Saturday's 87-60 win. The victory even the Hilltoppers' record at 2-2.

Hilltoppers defeat

UT-Martin, 69-58,

despite inconsistency

By LINDA YOUNKIN

The women's basketball team beat the University of Tennessee-Martin Saturday, 69-58, but it was a game of ups and downs.

"We were very inconsistent," coach Eileen Canty said. The inconsistency, she said, has not been from game to game but from minute to minute.

The play was fairly even during the first part of the first half. The team had heard that

women's basketball

Martin coach Judy Southard was planning on starting her second team. "We had planned everything against her second team," Ms. Canty said.

Western began to pull away with 6½ minutes left in the first half. Its largest lead was 35-21 on

a Shari Price layup with an assist by Alicia Polson.

After leading 36-27 at halftime, Western was scoreless for the first 6½ minutes of the second half. In that time, Martin took the lead, 37-36. Polson's two free throws gave Western the lead for good with 13:46 to go.

"We put in personnel to press Martin," Ms. Canty said. The press was supposed to begin after

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Photo by Todd Buchanan

Western's Kenny Ellis shoots a turn-around jumpshot while Florida A & M players move into rebounding position. Western won 87-60.

Keady looking for lineup

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more than two minutes before halftime.

Keady agreed with Giles on the winning factor. "Tonight we came out and started right," Keady said. "We scored first, played actively on defense, and our height really hurt them—I think that's what hurt them the most—height."

Western outrebounded the smaller Rattlers; 54-33. The visitors started no one taller than six-foot-six inches.

The Toppers' only downfall was at the free throw line. They hit 13 of 24 tries for 54 percent. That compares with 82 percent shot two days earlier against Duquesne.

The Dukes remained undefeated at 4-0 with the win, and the loss was Western's second in three games.

Wilson came off the bench to score 21 points, all in the second half. McCormick, with 12 points, was the only other Hilltopper in double figures.

One hundred fifty tickets for the Holiday Classic will be on sale from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. today at the ticket office in Diddle Arena. Tickets are \$3.

Sports briefs

Tournament teams set

Western has found three schools that will participate in its first men's basketball invitational tournament.

Besides Western, the schools in the tournament will be Vanderbilt, Iona and South Carolina.

C.R. Beckerstaff, assistant athletic director at Vanderbilt, said the Commodores are looking forward to the tournament.

"We are pleased to be in the tournament," Beckerstaff said. "We know that Western has a strong tradition of basketball, and with the schools of Iona and South Carolina involved, it should be a very interesting tournament."

The tournament will be sponsored by Wendy's restaurant. The date for the tournament hasn't been decided yet.

Sports book released

Former Courier-Journal sports editor Earl Ruby has written a book summarizing the highlights of Western's sports history—"Red Towel Territory: A History of Athletics at Western Kentucky University."

The 186-page book, which was released yesterday, contains more than 300 color and black and white photographs of Western coaches, players, teams and games.

Ruby's running narrative is

packaged in five chapters covering Western sports from 1910 to 1979. The last chapter is an appendix listing teaching and coaching records and has pictures of all Hilltopper championship teams.

The book is published by American National Bank of Bowling Green and printed by Jostens Printing Co. of Clarksville, Tenn. The book is available at the bank for \$10 or may be ordered by mail for \$10 plus \$1 for postage and handling.

Tops lose home meet

By BOB STONER

Western's women's gymnastics team lost its first home meet to Indiana University Friday night in Diddle Arena by a score of 118.40 to 127.25.

The Hilltoppers were led by Barby Shields, who won the all-around title with 32.90 points.

gymnastics

"On some of the events they (the judges) scored us lower than we should have been," Shields said. Some of her teammates thought that her 7.6 on the beam and 8.65 in the floor exercise were a little low.

"It was a little better this week than last week," Shields said.

Coach Pam Moss said the girls were scared before the meet. Speaking of Indiana, Ms. Moss said, "They look great. I think I am going to have a heart attack."

"I thought they did pretty good," Ms. Moss said. "Their routines are pretty good if they can only get their difficulties down."

Staci Woodson, a Louisville freshman, placed second on the team with 29.3 points. "I feel like I am getting a lot better," she said. "I haven't competed in five years."

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Nobody can do it like McDonald's can

Eastern reaches Division title final

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athletics, along with improving the caliber of OVC basketball.

With Murray and Eastern getting all the glory this season, where does that leave Western? Well, for coach Jimmy Feix, this season didn't go the way he had anticipated it would.

After finishing with a 5-5 season, Western partisans are looking toward next year. In the last three years, the team has bounced around quite a bit.

Next year could have more problems. Football power Akron enters league play. And Division II runnerup Youngstown State has been approved for conference membership.

The irony of it all is that the OVC, which gained what reputation it has mainly through Western's basketball success, is becoming a football conference. First, it was Western playing in the national championship football games in 1973 and 1975 in Division I-AA. Now the conference has had two teams among the final four. At Akron and Youngstown, football is king.

And, though the OVC has become more football-oriented, it may be Youngstown and Akron, not Eastern, Murray or Western, getting to the playoffs in years to come.

Having two of the best teams in the Division I-AA—neither of which was Western—shows that the OVC football has grown up in the past few years. Delaney said he hopes positive feedback for the OVC will result.

"We had two of the best schools to play in the playoffs. This should help give the students more exposure and is good in that it shows we are highly competitive," Delaney said.

Although the OVC has received good exposure for its football programs, Delaney said he is concerned about women's

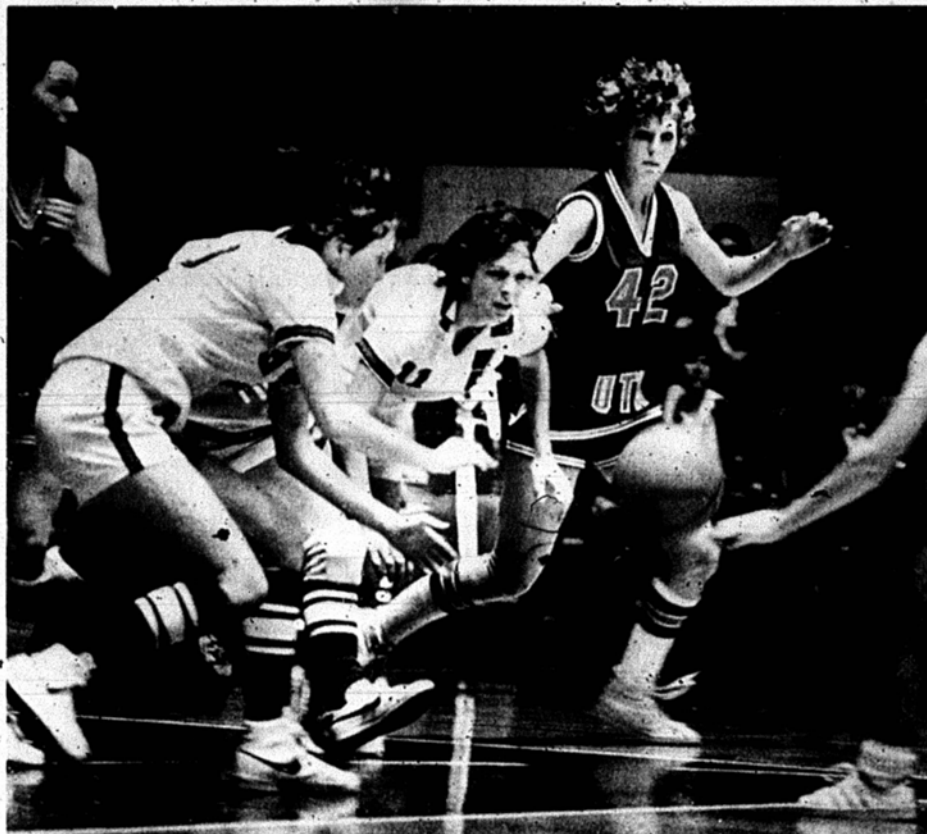


Photo by Todd Buchanan

Western's Shirley Fulkerson (30) and Laurie Heltsley (11) fight Darlene Woods (42) from Martin for a loose ball during Saturday's game. Western won, 69-58.

Hilltoppers defeat UT-Martin

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Western scored its first basket. Instead, Martin scored first and pressed Western. Western's team was "not the best personnel to break the press," she said.

"They played a good defensive game," Ms. Canty said. The Martin team was hurt by fouls near the end of the game.

"I got bored going to the foul line," Ms. Canty said, but "our foul shooting sayed us." Western connected on 33 of 45 free throws, while Martin had 10 of 15.

At the end of the game, Martin had five players with four fouls.

One player, Amy Underwood, fouled out. Western had just one player with four fouls. Renee Taylor fouled out.

Price was the game's leading scorer with 20 points. "She played better than I thought she would," Ms. Canty said, referring to a foot injury Price sustained last week.

Polson scored 14 points, 10 from the foul line.

"I felt like we were sloppy at times," Ms. Canty said. She was concerned by the trouble the team had in making defensive transitions. The passing, she said, was off a split second, and

Martin's press upset the team too much.

"Our defense played better than our offense," Ms. Canty said. "I think our press at the end of the game helped. They made costly mistakes at the end."

The team won without some of its top players.

Vivian Higgs had a virus and was not able to play. Karen Frierson turned her ankle before the season started and hasn't played yet. She began running in practice Friday and may be able to play in this weekend's Pacer Invitational at UT-Martin.

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'Buck' passing

Buckley speaks on economics, says Reagan will be president

By LISA BEATY

"Man is born to be free," William F. Buckley said Thursday night, but the author-editor's speech here had little to do with freedom, unless it was freedom from taxes, socialism and Ted Kennedy.

Buckley spoke on "Some Problems of Freedom" Thursday in the Garrett Conference Center Ballroom.

Buckley, a leading spokesman for political conservatism, was heavily critical of the U.S. tax system.

"Avarice is the root of all our troubles, if you don't count political avarice," he said. "We all engage in taxing everybody for the benefit of everybody."

"Only 9 percent of the money taken from the rich is given to the poor. Ninety-one percent of the money taken from the 31 wealthiest states is given back to those same states. Congressmen are to practice piracy on sister states to bring home booty."

Buckley proposed that the graduated feature of income tax be eliminated. "It is the chief source of the irresponsibility of our society," he said.

Buckley also criticized socialist countries for being unwilling to adopt ideas from democratic countries. "Man does not live by bread alone, but some would choose not to live at all than to live by bread produced by a free man tilling his own soil. A socialist country will not adopt better methods of anything from a free country."

During the question-and-answer session, Buckley was asked what kind of economic imbalance

might occur if the United States went to war with Iran.

Buckley quipped, "It would depend on if we won the war."

He then said he did not believe the Arabs would unite against the United States, because without U.S. support, the Middle East would become a satellite of the Soviet Union.

Buckley said he had "no notion of what is a solution" to the Iranian crisis. He described the Ayatollah Khomeini as "a man who has a visible, palpable death wish. The Ayatollah is not to be thought of as a future force."

President Jimmy Carter is handling the Iranian situation well, Buckley believes.

Buckley said he didn't think the United States would have the power and initiative to exploit the power vacuum in Iran after Khomeini. "The Soviet Union could definitely be expected to try to extend its influence to Iran, and the United States should 'try to make it a top priority.'"

Buckley criticized presidential candidate Sen. Edward Kennedy's plans for socialized medicine. "Kennedy can't guarantee free health without higher taxes," he said. "People will yawn because they've heard this rhetoric before and they know it doesn't work."

When asked who he thought would win the 1980 Presidential election, Buckley replied, "I can't predict the Republican presidential chances any better than the polls, but I predict the nomination of (Ronald) Reagan and (Edward) Kennedy and the defeat of Kennedy by Reagan."



William F. Buckley Jr. discusses problems of American government with faculty at a dinner before his speech Thursday night.

Photo by Todd Buchanan

Ag center should be ready to open soon

The final inspection of the Agricultural Exposition Center on the university farm has been completed, but Western hasn't taken control of the building, said Owen Lawson, physical plant administrator.

The inspection was completed Friday, which makes the building at least seven months late.

Lawson said that a few items,

such as relocating exit signs, control wiring and a final cleanup, must be completed before Western takes control of the building.

Another inspection will not be necessary, and Lawson said that he expects to hear from the contractor this week on the final completion date.

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