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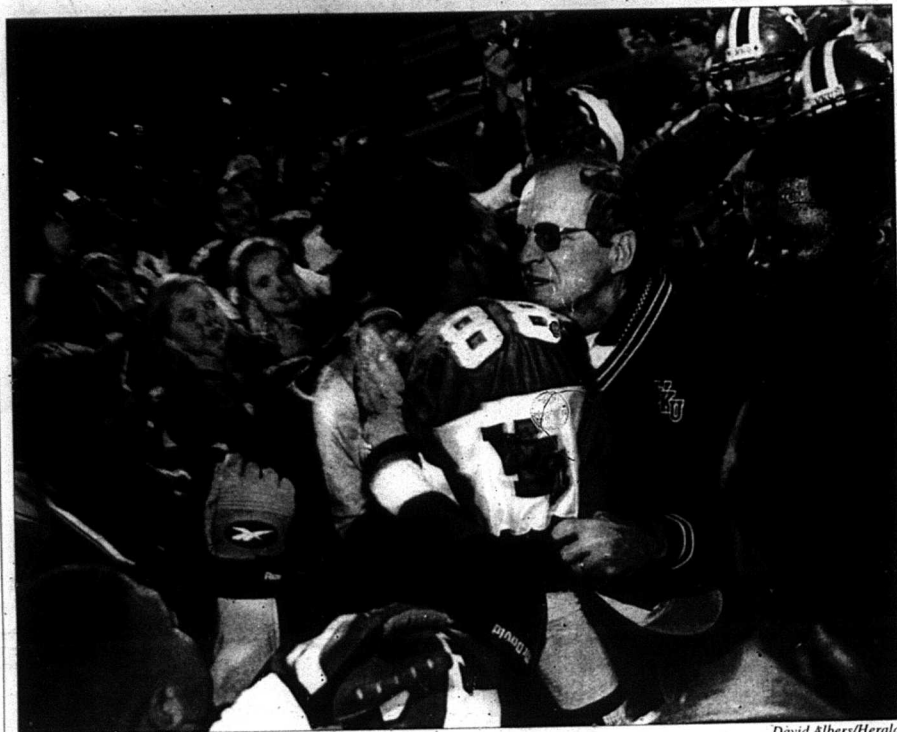


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WESTERN 6, EASTERN 3



As Western's football team crowds around its leader, Coach Jack Harbaugh embraces wide receiver Jerome Reaves after the team beat rival Eastern Kentucky in the last game the two are likely to play until after 2003. See Page 9 for game story.

David Albers/Herald

Insurance committee makes recommendation

Suggests \$100 more from university

BY CAROLINE LYNCH
Herald reporter

President Gary Ransdell will hear the final proposal from the University Health Insurance Committee today that suggests the university raise its health care contribution by \$100 per employee per month.

The increased contribution, which would bring the university contribution from \$215 to \$315 per employee, will cost the university an additional \$1.8 million per year. For an employee making \$20,000 a year, such a contribution increase would equal a 6 percent salary increase.

Ransdell, along with Chief Financial Officer Ann Mead, will discuss the proposal with the committee. After considering the financial side effects, Ransdell will make the final decision.

"I'm not going to make a unilateral decision that ties the hands of the budget council without discussing it with them," Ransdell said, adding

that this decision would affect other aspects of the university's academic budget.

"It's not like you can make this decision in a vacuum," he said.

The university budget committee has called a special meeting for Wednesday morning to discuss the health insurance proposal.

Some committee members expressed concern over what effects the increase in university contribution might have on the budget, but in the end the group voted unanimously to suggest raising it.

"It's time to pay the piper," University Senate President Patricia Minter said at last Tuesday's meeting. "If we don't do it this year then the lucky souls around this table next year will be looking at the same problem."

At that meeting, the insurance committee also decided to eliminate the "high" plan, or Plan C, from the premium choices. Plan B, on the other hand, will offer lower prescription deductibles and co-payments but with slightly higher premium costs. Prescription deductibles in Plan B will go from \$10, \$25 and \$35 to \$7, \$20

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Rape investigation ends without prosecution

Victim declines to press charges

BY REX HALL JR.
Herald reporter

Campus police have ended their investigation of an alleged rape of a female student in Hugh Poland Hall because the victim does not want to press charges.

Capt. Mike Wallace would not say why the victim had chosen not to pursue the matter and said evidence gathered will not be turned over for prosecution.

"We are not taking any further investigative actions," Wallace said. "We have concluded our investigation at this time."

"The matter is closed. No further inquiries are planned."

The alleged rape was reported on Sept. 11 to campus police, who said that week they were interviewing a student suspect. The female student who filed the report declined to comment

yesterday. The Herald does not report the names of rape victims.

Because the investigation has been halted before any evidence could be turned over for possible prosecution, the Warren County grand jury will not hear the details of the case, Wallace said.

Wallace said the two students involved in the incident did not know each other and that the alleged rape was not a case

where a door was forced open into the dorm room.

"Rape is rape," Wallace said. "A rape can occur without someone having to

force open a door or window."

The alleged rape was the second reported on Western's campus since at least 1997. One female reported being raped at a party off campus in the spring of 1999.

Among state universities, Western has had the lowest number of reported rapes in the last three years.

"Rape is rape. A rape can occur without someone having to force open a door or window."

— Capt. Mike Wallace
campus police

Players sentenced to 3 days

BY KYLE HIGHTOWER
Herald reporter

The three Western basketball players arrested Sept. 16 for receiving stolen property got their court date a day early, appearing in Warren County District Court yesterday.

Sophomore guard Raynardo Curry and junior guard Derek Robinson each pled guilty to receiving stolen property under \$300 and were sentenced to three days in jail plus court fees.

Each received credit for one day already served and are scheduled to serve the remaining two days of their sentence Oct. 21 and 22.

"I made a terrible mistake," Curry said in a press release. "And I'm very sorry for letting my teammates, my coaches, our fans and my family down. This has been a difficult time for me, but I know I'll grow from this experience."

"I want to apologize to all of those who follow Western basketball," Robinson said in the release. "It was a dumb thing to do and I feel like I've let my family down along with our fans and supporters."

Freshman guard Golden Ingle pled not guilty and is scheduled for an Oct. 24 court date.

"As I have said before, everyone involved with Hilltopper basketball is taking this situation very seriously," Coach Dennis Felton said. "These three young men have

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INSIDE

Faculty, students adjusting to new class schedule

When the flip-flop schedule was scrapped last semester, many faculty were skeptical about the change. But halfway into the first semester with the new schedule, most seem to be adjusting. Page 6

Balancing act

Jessica Adamson, a building services attendant, has dreams of owning a house. She wants to help her husband and child move out of their mobile home, but obstacles have left her with nothing but uncertainty. But the family has one common goal: to do the best they can. Page 7

Brooks tears ACL in game

Junior running back Keith Brooks tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee in Saturday's conference game against Eastern Kentucky. Coach Jack Harbaugh doesn't know yet if he will have to undergo surgery. Page 9

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Weather forecast

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Cassandra Shie/Herald

Dance: Jeffrey Ximenes, a junior from Brazil, gets a lesson in belly dancing with finger cymbals from Emily Webb of Bowling Green and LeOra Day, Egyptian belly dancing teacher of The Lotus Dancers in Bowling Green, at the International Fair field at Fountain Square Park Saturday. Ximenes has been in Kentucky for seven years.

Crime Reports

Arrests

◆ Chasity Davis, 21, of Hampton, West 12th Street, was charged Friday, Sept. 29 with DUI. She was released the same day from Warren County Regional Jail on time served.

◆ Richard Joseph Wethington, Elizabethtown, was charged Friday, Sept. 29 with alcohol intoxication. He was released the same day from Warren County Regional Jail on time served.

Reports

◆ Tammy Lynn Sizemore, College Street, was charged Sunday, Oct. 1 with failure to use headlights, failure to produce a driver's license and giving a false name. She was released the same day from Warren County Regional Jail on a \$1,000 unsecured bond.

Reports

◆ Evelyn J. Dawson, Topper Café, reported Friday, Sept. 29

a parking permit worth \$60 stolen from her 1985 Chevrolet Blazer parked in Diddle lot between 6 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Friday.

Clearing The Air

The winner of the female division in the Bowling Green 10K was incorrectly identified in Tuesday's paper. Christina Brown Wells was the winner of the female division.

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Campus crime report shows theft most common in 1999

Police say offenses can be prevented

By REX HALL JR.
Herald reporter

On-campus thefts were a common occurrence last year. According to the Crime Report 2000, published by campus police, larceny or theft, was the most common criminal offense reported on campus during 1999. Larceny was reported 188 times to campus police during the year — two fewer times than in 1998, but more than 10 times as frequent as any other crime. Assault, which ranked second, was reported 16 times last year.

Eight burglaries and two robberies were reported during the year. The most serious offense was one forcible rape. There were no cases of aggravated assault or motor vehicle theft during the year.

The high number of on-campus thefts have caught the eye of

campus police and university officials. Capt. Mike Wallace said most thefts occur when a dorm-room door or car door is left unlocked.

"The campus is only as secure as the campus population wants it to be."

— Capt. Mike Wallace
campus police

Cash, textbooks and CDs seem to be the items most often taken from victims, Wallace said.

Gene Tice, vice president of Student Affairs and Campus Services, said high amounts of theft are typical of any college campus, but the risk of theft can be reduced.

"If we are going to reduce (the number of thefts,) everyone must accept responsibility of removing the opportunity by

locking doors," Tice said.

Wallace said he can remember only one incident of theft from a locked room in the years he has been here.

"The average theft from a room only takes about 20 to 30 seconds," Wallace said.

Tice and Wallace agreed that the number of larcenies on campus can be reduced, but only through a group effort.

"This is something that needs to be worked on, and we need the help of faculty, staff and students," Wallace said. "The campus is only as secure as the campus population wants it to be."

Tice said things need to be taken care of on the "front end" by everyone on-campus.

"It takes the efforts of more than the police," Tice said. "We need to make everyone conscious. Take precautions and lock doors and don't leave things visible in cars."

"I think if we could do that we could reduce the number of thefts. It's going to take the entire campus community to do that."

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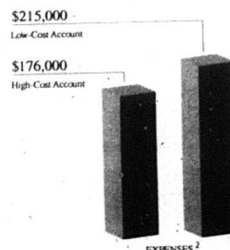
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Insurance debate has been healthy

As Western nears a final decision on how to fix its troubled self-insurance plan, several issues that deserve attention merge into one.

The university health insurance committee has moved into the spotlight, now reporting directly to President Gary Ransdell instead of Human Resources. While we certainly can't require that Ransdell personally sign off on every administrative decision or expect every policy to be gummed over for weeks, it can only be beneficial that the whole community occasionally gets to see the labyrinth of individual interests that must be negotiated by any university plan.

The tremendous uproar over rising premiums should serve to remind the university just how important employee benefits can be — just as important as actual pay, especially for staff on the lower end of the pay scale. That's something that higher-ups, who could easily afford private insurance if necessary, often seem to forget.

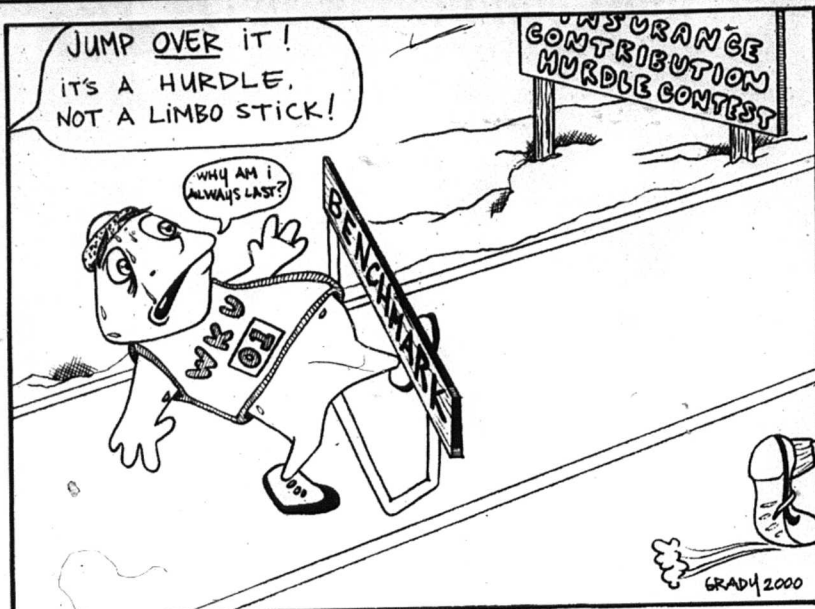
Similarly, the flat premium calculated as percentage of pay should remind the university how many of its employees are barely getting by. The private sector may be booming along, but the national prosperity hasn't reached all of Western yet. In the long term, prosperity won't continue without ever-improving educational standards; in their own way, Western staff contribute just as much to the university's function as do professors.

The insurance committee's coming recommendation to raise the university's contribution to insurance by \$100 per employee is recognition of that; it'll help the people making \$12,000 a year much more than those making \$100,000 a year.

Naturally, the \$1.8 million this will cost must come from somewhere (and may well show up in delayed or lower raises in the future), but at least now Western has another year to search around for other funding before dipping into employee's pay raises.

When calculating how much the university should contribute, everyone needs to remember that the benchmarks Western uses are goals for where we want to be, not the average of our peers. The term "benchmark" has been thrown around a lot in estimating where Western should be (the Herald has been guilty of this, too), but those benchmarks mark our aspirations rather than current ability.

Finally, the insurance issue is the first thing the new University Senate has tackled: It was created to give faculty a louder voice in university affairs, and it's good to see that it's being heeded. It should be commended doubly because this first issue is so complex, yet the senate was in nearly full agreement on what should be done. We hope this will be the start of a long, energetic and effective life for the University Senate.



Letters to the Editor

Haarstad was right

Thumbs up on the excellent article on the U.S. ROTC program. Finally, someone else is standing up and letting the truth be told.

The reasons to avoid participation in the military are obvious. Take the military's human rights record, for example. This country's military has done more to assassinate democracy around the world than any other. Two million dead in Iraq, hundreds of thousands dead in East Timor, millions in Indochina, 100,000-plus murdered by death squads in Guatemala, the list goes on and on. If the U.S. Military isn't doing the killing itself, it's training death squads and funneling them weapons. The only freedom that the military protects is the freedom of multinationals to exploit and brutalize the poor and the powerless. One, of course, should not forget the supposedly "mistaken" bombings of the Chinese embassy and dozens of homes, schools and hospitals in Serbia just last year — in blatant disregard for international law.

Haarstad also describes the conditioning designed to crush the human spirit in its claws and turn a free-thinking individual into an obedient slave to authority. I totally agree with his analysis of this conditioning. I also applaud the courage that he showed in resisting military conditioning in his own country.

If you are concerned about democracy, free thought and human dignity, why

join this undemocratic, genocidal and anti-human organization? The only way to stop this madness is to take action now and bring the American war machine to a halt.

Sean Murphy
Louisville sophomore

Military emphasizes education

Dear Mr. Harvard (sic), welcome to America! In this great country you will find many opportunities. Americans enjoy many rights and privileges that many countries do not. Here in America, I can say what I wish, worship who I wish and choose the vocation that I wish. Americans are very aware, however, that these rights come at a price. A price that the men and women who served in uniform throughout the ages have paid for with their lives. Your poorly-researched article takes for granted their sacrifice, and in doing so,angers many Americans, myself included. To most, Military Science 101 is — a class that fulfills a physical education requirement, lets you rap off the Parking Structure and nothing more. Yet to some, it is the beginning of a proud military career of serving the United States. The "rich white guys" you refer to in your article are elected by the general populace of the United States, yet another right safeguarded by the military. Those same "rich white guys" sent our military to help liberate Europe during World War II and gave you

the privilege to be here in America. In your article you argue that the self-discipline that is learned in the Army is useless in the real world.

Well, I'm sorry Mr. Harvard (sic), but four days in the Norwegian army does not qualify you to give an accurate account on (whether) American military virtues are useful or not. I attended army basic training and learned some of the most important lessons of my life. Attention to detail, pride in oneself, and how to work with people in stressful environments are just some of the things I learned in the army. I would say that you could stand to learn about attention to detail. The sources you list have absolutely no credibility whatsoever. If you want to see how many enlisted members graduate with a college degree, get some real facts. Stop by the Army National Guard and ask the personnel there how many of their men are currently attending college tuition-free because they are serving their country. Call the Veteran's Administration coordinator and ask him how many men's and women's college tuition (are) paid for by the military. The United States military puts a very high emphasis on education and enables the men and women who serve ... to receive an excellent education.

Perhaps the most important thing I learned in the Army is patriotism.

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Quotes & Notes

University Police, Capt. Mike Wallace on dorm security:

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This is not news

Over the last two weeks the Herald has received a dozen letters responding to a commentary about ROTC written by Harvard Haastad for our Sept. 26 issue. We love to see people expressing their opinions—that's what the Opinion and Forum pages are for—but one troubling misconception cropped up in letter after letter. It's like to correct it now, for our readers' information and so that future letter writers won't embarrass themselves.



Jim Gaines
commentary

Not everything in a newspaper is news. Not everything in a newspaper is equally true, or objectively written. We've never claimed that it was.

The Supreme Court has repeatedly affirmed that there is no such thing as a false opinion, yet letter after letter attacked the Herald and Harvard for the "untrue opinions" on the Forum page.

As we say every semester, the Opinion and Forum pages are set aside for people—Herald staffers, students, faculty, etc.—to express their opinions. Anything on those pages is just that: opinion, not news. That means it's not necessarily written with newswriting standards like completeness, fairness and objectivity in mind. Instead, it's the product of personal beliefs (impartial opinion columns would make very boring reading).

Not only are opinions segregated on these two pages, but individual columns are marked with the authors' pictures and the identifier, "commentary." If something is marked as a "commentary," it's not going to be objective.

When our readers pick up the Herald, we hope they'll find everything on the news pages to be fair, complete, and written as dispassionately as possible. We hope they'll turn to the Opinion and Forum pages for a lively discussion in personal voices, unfettered by "news" restrictions on what writers can and can't say.

We also hope they'll recognize the difference.

Jim Gaines, the Opinion editor of the Herald, is a senior print journalism major from Bowling Green.

Financial aid follies are never-ending

I have learned two things on the Hill in my six semesters as a transfer student: more virgins exist here than anywhere else on the planet, and the bane of many students is financial aid. As much as I want to write about virgins and one-night stands, I don't think those thoughts would help anyone get through the red tape engulfing Potter Hall and Wetherby Administration Building.

In August, I thought my problems with paying my fall tuition were solved. How naive of me. Of course, somebody would miss the computer screen showing the second disbursement of my financial aid. I had a small seizure when I received a bill for almost \$2,000. Yikes! So I drove to campus (while panting like a chow from the suffocating heat) to straighten everything out. The balance was narrowed down to \$342. I thought that sounded about right, since I consistently pay a few hundred bucks out of my own pocket each semester.

On an off-chance, I begged and whined my way through a few offices to find out why the \$800 scholarship I had been awarded dwindled into \$400. Oh, lucky me, someone didn't notice my December 2000 graduate status. After a few days of phone tag and praying to all the major gods and fairies of every religion possible, the miracle came through. Andy Wagoner in admissions and Alex Downing at the College Heights Foundation helped secure the other \$400 for me. Alghhh. And they suggested that I might even be getting a few bucks from Western.

Sure, until the mafia in the bursar's office got wind of the plan. I was told to pay \$21.18 or be removed from the class rolls. I had fought hard to get on back in April when a dozen holds came out to ambush my attempts to register. So I gave them the money, happily, since this is the lowest figure I have ever paid Western for the

privilege of wheezing and gasping my way around the Hill.

After all this, I thought, "My mission is accomplished. I can graduate without fear." I must have been delusional, because I forgot to remind myself that having that extra \$400 in scholarship money meant I lost \$182 in a subsidized loan I had been awarded in June. Like I knew the government was cruel enough to yank a student's loan money once it has been disbursed. Uh-huh, it did, and I was, of course, the last person to know.

I found out when I got a bill from the bursar two weeks after I thought I didn't owe any more money to my beloved university. A week before this, the \$182 should have been transformed into an unsubsidized loan, but somehow things got screwy. Imagine that happening. Again, being a December graduate made a mess of things.

So, thinking I owed only \$39.18, I drove to the Hill, parked in a restricted spot (oops—there shouldn't be any tour parking spots in the middle of the Hill anyway) and raced into the financial aid office. I found out in Nancy's office that the \$39.18 had doubled in the time it took me to drive the two miles to campus, and I owed even more.

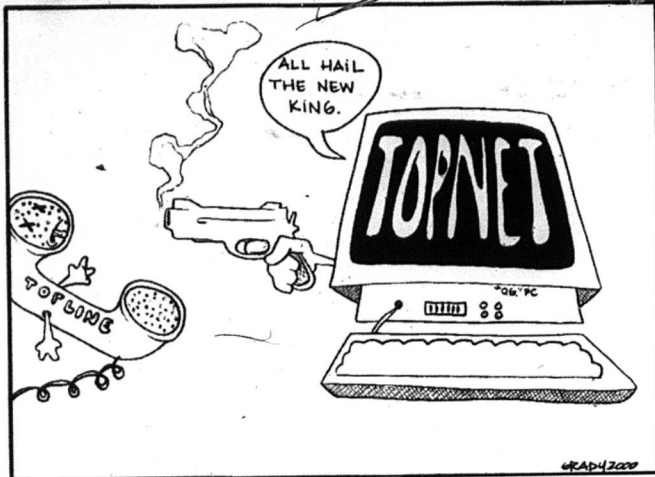
But Nancy, understanding the hysteria of a December graduate, waved her magic wand of protection. In one swoop, my \$182 subsidized loan transformed itself into an unsubsidized loan and she empowered me with a protection code. Now, just in case the government loses all its bearings in the next three weeks and loans never get disbursed, I won't have to panic. I can even go tell the bursar to bite me, because no matter how much money they think I owe them, I can't be dropped from my classes. Ha ha ha.

Finally, after two months of effort, I can stop worrying about being naked at my own graduation since my money can now go to purchasing my cap and gown. I just told them I was a fine one or a fee for telling those at the bursar's office to bite me, or I will be roughing up the couches in the Garrett Center looking for spare change.

Karri Emly is a senior print journalism major from Bowling Green.



Karri Emly
commentary



Letters to the Editor

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The notion that the ideas my country represents (are) so important that I would gladly go to war and die to preserve them gives my life an added perspective. It makes the pride I feel for our Olympic athletes that much greater. It makes the national anthem weigh that much more heavily upon my heart when I hear it. It recently made me fight back tears as I watched my younger brother graduate from his army training and take an oath to defend the constitution of the United States. If ROTC can do the same to other people, then America will be that much better as a result. In closing, I hope you remember whose lives bought you the freedom to say what you want, to come to our country and who even now help safeguard your homeland. I love my university, my country, and I am damn proud to be a soldier in the United States Army.

Alan Thomas
Bowling Green senior

Veterans value ROTC

When I read Harvard Haastad's commentary about the ROTC and the army, all I could do was laugh in disbelief. I'm sorry, Harvard, but you don't have a clue about what it is to serve in the armed forces. I'm sure (that) after your "four days" in your military, you feel you understand everything there is to know about the U.S. Military, but let me tell you how someone who served America for seven years feels about the military. I was in the United States Air Force because I wanted to serve my country, to protect everything that I love about living here (apparently you have some of the same feelings or you would not be here from Norway). As far as being handed a gun and just killing people, that is not all that the military is about. I did obtain excellent leadership skills and learned self-discipline. Had you stayed in the military longer than four days, you (might) have eventually EARNED those responsibilities and privileges as I did. As for sweeping up cigarette butts, I know it may seem worthless, but it does teach discipline by following orders. I did the same thing and I hated every second of it, but that is part of the growing process. As for ROTC being here at Western, hooah! The military needs good leaders, and if Western can provide those, then just should be thanked. It's not just about "the rich white guys in Washington" that care about their

country, it's about all the men and women who sacrifice their time, their way of living, and in some cases, their lives. We do it because we love who we are and where we come from. If someone entered your home and threatened your wife or child, you would protect them with everything you had, so why not do it for everyone else's wives and children as well as your own? The people who serve their country do so for many reasons, but they wouldn't be there if they didn't think it was worth the risk. In the United States, we serve because we want to, and the ROTC, in the big picture, will make our country stronger. If you can't appreciate that, then you shouldn't be writing about the military at all. You are way out of your league with four days experience in Norway.

Jennifer Thier
Bowling Green freshman

ROTC teaches leadership

My first instinct was to ignore the opinions expressed by Mr. Haastad as another instance of a poorly-informed journalist taking pot shots at the Reserve Officer Training Corps and the U.S. Army. In my 19-plus years of army service I've heard and read many similar ramblings by those who will quickly condemn what they do not understand. Over the years, I've learned to take these opinions in stride and learn, whenever possible, from the free exchange of ideas. After all, one of the reasons I became an officer was to protect and defend the right of Mr. Haastad to freely express his views.

As the current head of the military science department at Western, I feel it's my duty and responsibility (two of the many values I learned in ROTC and the military) to respond to Mr. Haastad's commentary. As a Western graduate (class of '81) and a 19-year veteran of army service, I believe I can speak with some degree of credibility. Mr. Haastad's FOUR DAYS of service in the Norwegian Army hardly make him an authority on military service. He further destroys his credibility by commenting on ROTC when in fact he's never taken one of our classes, nor even taken the time to talk to anyone in this department.

Army ROTC teaches leadership skills and develops leaders. It's as simple as that. There is no hidden agenda to build mindless killers, as Mr. Haastad suggests. Quite the contrary. Independent thinking and creativity are valued traits that we try to instill in our

students. Our goal is to develop the leadership skills, attributes and qualities that will make our students successful as army officers—or in any other endeavor they choose in life. The teaching of cadets to maliciously kill, mistreat gays and lesbians or to discriminate against anyone is not part of our program of instruction and never will be. Our instruction is focused on team-building, self-confidence, self-discipline, physical fitness, coordinated staff work, leadership and management, fiscal responsibility, ethics and values. Skills that not only make an effective leader in the army, but in any Fortune 500 company as well. Why do you think so many corporations seek out and hire ex-military officers and NCOs? Not many corporations are looking for killers, but they are all looking for leaders with the motivation, discipline and training to achieve goals and inspire others.

That's what ROTC is absolutely correct with one of his claims. There are no free lunches. When a student accepts an ROTC scholarship or stipend, they do incur a service obligation to this nation. But is that any different than the basketball or football player who accepts a scholarship and commits to playing college ball in return for an education? Each of our students is well aware of the commitment they make, (and of) obligations they accept freely out of a sense of patriotism, pride and a desire to serve their country as much as out of any financial need they might have. Our scholarships are not awarded based on need, but on demonstrated leadership, potential and merit.

To the hundreds of military men and women that have attended Western, Mr. Haastad has done a disservice (to the specifics they've made on behalf of our nation. To the current students and cadets of the Hilltopper ROTC battalion, Mr. Haastad owes an apology—an apology for insinuating (that) they have blindly fallen into some military trap that they did not have the intelligence to avoid. I can assure you that the ROTC students at Western are some of this nation's finest and brightest young men and women, quality students who see ROTC as an opportunity to improve themselves while providing service to their nation. They are here because they aspire to be leaders and to contribute to our society.

Lt. Col. Carl S. Filip
Military science department head

Schedule fine with campus

By SAM YOUNGMAN
Herald reporter

When it comes to class length, most students and faculty members seem to be satisfied — size only seems to matter to some.

Reactions to the new class lengths that were adopted this semester have varied, but most people agree the change will require a period of adjustment.

Administrators say they have heard virtually no dissension from faculty about the new schedule.

"I expected people to line up outside my door, but they didn't," Faculty Regent Mary Ellen Miller said. "No one has approached me and said 'this is the dumbest thing we've ever done.'"

Miller attributes the lack of complaints to acceptance on the part of the faculty.

"Once we had it, we knew we had it and had to live with it," she said.

The change was forced upon Western by the implementation of the new Banner 2000 computer program, which could not read a flip-Friday schedule.

"To alter the software would've been an extremely expensive solution," Registrar Freida Eggleton said.

According to Eggleton, only two other institutions are still using the system formerly used at Western.

"That's how rare our system was," she said.

Provost Barbara Burch said she hasn't received any negative feedback from faculty regarding the new timetable.

"I have not heard a word," she said. "I think that most people have been understanding. I think that people have made some significant efforts to adjust."

Burch said it was important that the shift in class times was conducive to the educational process.

"We want the scheduling system to be one that is the best arrangement for student learning," she said.

Some students said they like this system better than the schedule of the past.

"Fifty minutes just seems like you're in and out," Somerset senior Ron Salutsky said. "Shorter periods allow less time for your attention to wander."

Glendale senior Shana Watkins said the absence of flip-Fridays makes the new schedule less confusing.

"I think it flows better," she said. "I think the consistency is what appeals to people."

Jeff Dyson, a junior from Lafayette, Ind., said he agreed with that assessment.

"I didn't like the every other Friday stuff," he said. "I like having a

set routine, and that's easier to do with the new system."

Some teachers also say they appreciate the new schedule.

"I've enjoyed it," said Patricia Minter, associate history professor. "I do think it's useful to see students three times a week."

Minter added that the shorter classes were still a "very productive length."

However, not all faculty members are enjoying the change in format. English professor Walker Rutledge said the shorter class periods are, in effect, cheating the students.

"If you have a three-credit-hour class, you should meet three hours a week," he said. "And believe it or not, 10 minutes makes a difference."

Geography professor Michael Trapasso echoed similar sentiments.

"I was very, very against changing the system," he said. "But my argument fell on deaf ears."

Trapasso said the new class lengths are constructive for classes that require labs.

"Students lose about 20 minutes of lecture time a week," he said. "As you redesign your lecture, you might have to speed up, slow down or perhaps eliminate stuff."

Trapasso said the change in length would require a "period of adjustment."

PLAYERS: Western still hasn't heard from NCAA

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been suspended for more than three weeks now and have returned to team activities effective today.

"However, additional team disciplinary action will be determined after the legal system and the University have completed their dealings with the matter."

The players were originally scheduled to appear in court

today, but Sports Information Director Paul Just said that the push forward of a court date is not an uncommon practice.

Western is waiting to hear on the status of the NCAA rules violations that may have occurred involving the interpretation of a surety bond that Felton paid in order to release the players from jail pending their arraignments. Just wouldn't comment further on its status.

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One plan eliminated

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and \$30 and co-payments from \$20 to \$15.

Committee Chair Claus Ernst said the changes to Plan B would increase the premiums by 5 to 6 percent on each plan. If the \$100 contribution was approved, the new premiums for Plan B would be free for single plan holders, about \$160 for the employee and spouse plan, close to \$100 for the employee child plan and approximately \$260 for the employee family plan.

Premiums for Plan A would stay the same, other than the difference in university contribution.

Ernst said Plan C was eliminated for several reasons, including to make expected costs more accurate and to follow the trend by companies toward fewer plans.

"Plan C would actually be quite expensive for what you are getting," he said. "Also we got a lot of bad publicity with people quoting only our most expensive plan, so having Plan C around generated a lot of bad publicity for us."

The committee has previously recommended that the university not weigh its contribution more heavily according to family status or income; there will be a flat contribution for every employee. A "cafeteria plan" was also added to allow purchasers to put excess university contribution into a medical spending account to cover other costs not included in their plans.

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Jessica Adamson, a Western building services attendant, is trying to build a promising future for her daughter, Briana, on a limited budget.



Hanging in the BALANCE



Jessica Adamson dreams of owning a house and having another child, but the obstacles she faces leave her future uncertain.



Before Jason takes Briana to the babysitter, Jessica says goodbye to both.

TEXT AND PHOTOS BY
KATHLEEN FLYNN



Louisville freshman Ashley Hild descends the stairs at South Hall while Jessica mops the floor. Adamson hopes to one day take drafting classes at Western.

▲ Jason Adamson makes coffee while 4-year-old Briana gets her bangs fixed by her mother.

Leaning against the wooden railing that trails from her mobile home to the sparse grass below, Jessica Adamson shielded her eyes from the setting sun in an attempt to spot her daughter.

"Briana," she called.

Her voice echoed through the maze of mobile homes and double wides. The mobile home park is etched into the side of a rolling hill in Bowling Green.

The 4-year-old's sun-bleached hair moved from side to side as she rounded the corner of one of the long, rectangular mobile homes and scooted up the hill toward her parents.

"I wanted a piece of land from the minute we moved here," Jessica said. "Our next goal is to get out of this trailer park."

But she said she knows the price of land in Bowling Green can be high, and availability is low.

According to a realtor at Century 21, land in Bowling Green can range from \$10,000 to \$75,000 an acre.

"The hardest part is finding a piece of land," Adamson said.

Five years ago, Adamson began to form goals of what she wanted out of the life she'd made for herself and her new family. 1995 was a year of change.

Sweet Dreams

At 20, Jessica married Jason Adamson, the man she'd been with for four years already. Then she gave birth to her daughter Briana, and the Adamsons bought a mobile home.

Two years later, she started a job as a building services attendant for Western.

Along with the goal of having land of her own, Jessica holds on to another dream. She took drafting in high school and wants to continue studying it at Western.

"I've even had one of my houses built!" she exclaimed.

But this is one more goal that will simply have to wait.

"Every time we turn around, when we finally feel like we're making ends meet, something else pops up," Jessica said.

From the rising prices of rent in the mobile home park to a head-on collision that has been a financial drain for the past two years, they've always lived from paycheck to paycheck.

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BALANCE: 'A matter of money'

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"We just paid off the damages from the wreck, and now this," Adamson said of Western's new insurance plans, which have increased dramatically this year. "I'm not sure what's going to happen now."

Work on the Hill

"Put your socks on," Adamson said to Briana as she sat on the toilet, almost asleep.

It was 5:30 Monday morning and Adamson, putting on her makeup, prepared for work.

Jessica cleans dorms at Western, and said she basically helps where help is needed.

"I love my job," she said. "When I first started there I was real quiet. They kind of opened me up somehow."

Co-worker Caffa Forshee said Jessica was shy when she first joined the Western crew.

"She was just a nice child," said Forshee of her friend. "She'll just be standing in the middle of the room, and out of nowhere says, 'Gosh, I need a hug.' Jessie's just that kind of girl."

It's not just the workers that have noticed Adamson's attitude and dedication to her job.

"I admired her because she seemed so hardworking and did it with a smile on her face," said Keke Vencill, a Western sophomore from Richmond. "I don't know if I were doing that job if I would be as happy and nice to everyone. She would clean the showers like there was no tomorrow!"

Family Matters

"What are we having for dinner, mommy?" Briana asks. Her blue eyes are curious.

"Pork chops, mac and cheese."

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3:30p/a Get Real
6:30p/a Rosetta

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10:50a/p The Waterboy
12:25p/a Erin Brockovich
3p/a The Hurricane
5:30p/a Drowning Mona
7:06p/a Grease

Thursday Oct. 12

9a/p The Cider House Rules
11:10a/p Dragonheart
12:45p/a Scream 3
2:45p/a Evita
3:01p/a Good Will Hunting
5:30p/a Agnes Brown

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taters and peas," Adamson replies as she flips a strand of loose blonde bangs behind her left ear. The kitchen is humid with steam from boiling potatoes. Finally, the window unit kicks on.

"We want to have another kid," she says. "It's just a matter of money."

Yet another dream caught in the balance between finance and circumstance.

Jason comes in from working on his truck to check on dinner.

"It's been the best nine years of my life," he says of their relation-

ship.

Jessica smiles as she glances his way.

She hopes that 30 years from now, she can tell her grandchildren stories of being the first in her immediate family to attend college.

Maybe she'll tell them about building that small, yet stable, house on the hill — the one she drew herself.

The Adamsons say they won't lose hope.

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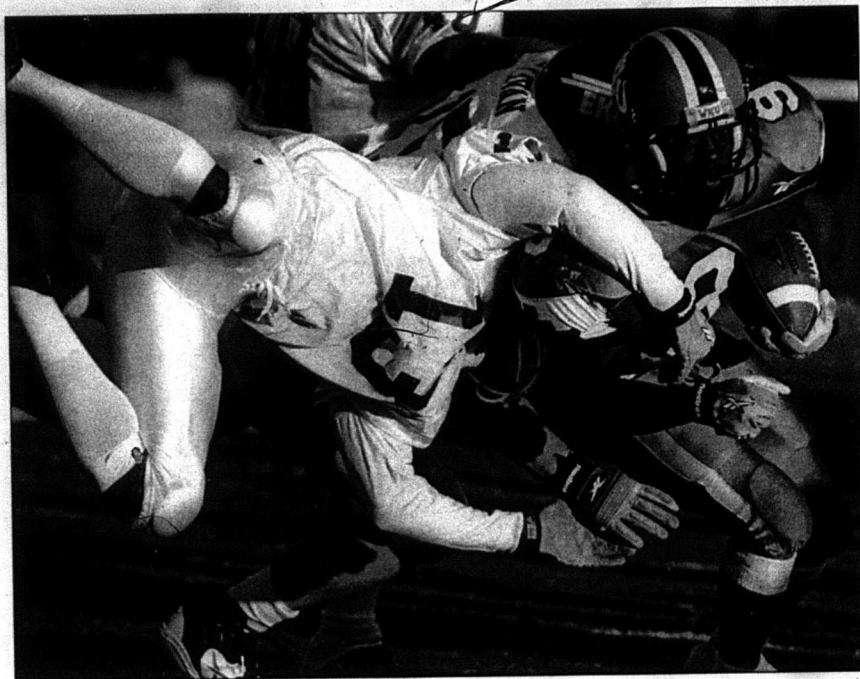
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Western senior running back DeWayne Gallishaw fights for yardage against Eastern junior strong safety J.D. Jewell during the first half of the Hilltoppers' final OVC game against their rivals. Western won the game 6-3 to continue their undefeated season with a record of 5-0.

Steve Coddington/Herald

END GAME

After Saturday's 6-3 victory over the Colonels, the longest-running football series in Kentucky came to an end because Western is leaving the Ohio Valley Conference.

BY BRIAN MOORE
Herald reporter

On Jefferson, on Wisham, on Sippio, on Moffatt ... on an unseasonably cold night, those names and the rest of Western's defense did nothing short of shut down Eastern Kentucky's high-powered offense.

It was a battle for bragging rights between these two ancient rivals. It was for state supremacy. It was, for Western, an opportunity to send a message to the Colonels and the rest of the Ohio Valley Conference: the Hilltoppers don't appreciate being forced to leave the conference they feel they belong in, and they'll do whatever they can to go out on top.

Eastern, which started two true freshmen on an injury-plagued offensive line, was shut down in favorable field position on several drives by Western's defense. It took only two field goals by sophomore place-kicker Peter Martinez to beat the Colonels 6-3 before 10,500 shivering but festive fans Saturday night.

"Our defense was tremendous," said sophomore cornerback Bobby Sippio, who picked off two Eastern passes in the fourth quarter. "We've proven to the OVC we're going, but we're going to make a statement before we leave. We've got the

No. 1 defense, and if they say we don't, then we're going to prove to them that we do. We're going to show them, hey, maybe it's a big mistake who they're letting go."

Western is now ranked 12th in the nation in the ESPN coaches' poll.

The game was a defensive bout from start to finish. Western (5-0, 4-0 OVC) forced Eastern to punt on seven of eight drives in the first half and allowed only one first down in the half. The other drive ended with an interception by junior cornerback Joseph Jefferson.

Western tallied six sacks and has now forced 20 turnovers in five games.

Eastern (3-2, 1-2 OVC) recovered fumbles on Western's first two possessions. The Hilltoppers picked up 10 first downs in the first half, and Martinez's two second-quarter field goals were the only points it could land on the scoreboard.

The post-game hoopla for the home team wasn't merely a celebration. All the men in red and white gathered at midfield moments after time expired and prayed.

The win didn't only signal the continuation of an undefeated season, but the advancement of the team's goal to win

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Brooks tears ACL

Frazier will fill in for injured running back

BY BRIAN MOORE
Herald reporter

Just as Western's bid for an Ohio Valley Conference championship kicked into overdrive with Saturday's win over Eastern, head trainer Bill Edwards' services continue to become increasingly popular around the Hilltopper locker room.

Injuries, for the first time this season, are becoming a factor in Western's bid to keep its undefeated season alive. That means more work for Edwards, who has been examining a key member of the backfield for the last three days.

Junior running back Keith Brooks tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee early in the second quarter of Western's 6-3 win over the Colonels. Brooks is out of action indefinitely, and it hasn't been determined whether or not he'll have to undergo surgery, head coach Jack Harbaugh said.

"He's given us outstanding play, as well as outstanding leadership," Harbaugh said. "His

play will be sorely missed, but we're still counting on and looking for that leadership."

Brooks, in his first season on the Hill since transferring from Ohio, has been widely credited with teaming up to produce Division I-AA's most potent rushing attack. Going into the Eastern game, Western was averaging 360 rushing yards per game. Brooks



Keith Brooks

is averaging 80 yards on the ground a game and leads the team with seven touchdowns.

With Brooks out, Harbaugh and offensive coordinator Bill Mottola will look to sophomore Jon Frazier to carry the ball a number of times this weekend.

Frazier normally plays from the Toppers' Z-back position.

Western's backfield was already shaken by injuries before Brooks went down. Senior

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Felton's actions will speak louder than words



OUT OF BOUNDS

Lyndsay Sutton

Consider men's basketball coach Dennis Felton an artist.

He is trying to sculpt a basketball team into a Mona Lisa-like image, but right now the Hilltoppers resemble a crude Picasso painting, a jumbled mess of talent and mistakes.

The arrests of junior guard Derek Robinson, sophomore guard Raynardo Curry and freshman guard Golden Ingle for receiving stolen property is like intentionally throwing black paint all over the white canvas Felton tries to drape around his squad.

Both Robinson and Curry pled guilty in court yesterday to receiving stolen property. Ingle has entered a not guilty plea and has been scheduled for an Oct. 24 court appearance.

The situation is twofold. First, the thefts taint the image of the men's basketball program whether the players are proven innocent or guilty. Now Felton not only has to finish the season with a winning record, he has to restore faith and belief in the program to fans and administrators.

Secondly, all three players are point guards, the unofficial leaders of the team. Regardless of how the courts evaluate the crimes, the players are probably facing multi-game suspensions from Felton, which is the right move.

Unfortunately, that leaves the Hilltoppers without a proven point guard and few go-to options with just three other guards on the roster. How Felton handles this situation will be a good indicator of his abilities as a basketball coach.

If he suspends the players for at least three games, two exhibition contests and the season opener, he has a chance to prove his versatility as a coaching artist. Wins in any or all of those games without a true point guard will show that Felton is adept at using the tools available to him.

The same goes for the remaining players. If they can ignore the outside distractions, they are in a position to validate Western as a team flexible enough to contend for the Sun Belt Conference title.

The situation is embarrassing and disappointing for Felton. From closing practices to keeping players' listings out of the campus phonebook, Felton has made it clear since he got to Western that he chisels best outside of the public's microscope.

Now he doesn't have a choice.

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Western splits on Arkansas road trip

Lady Tops lose first conference game

BY KYLE HIGHTOWER
Herald reporter

It took a while, but somebody finally got them.

It took six conference games, but somebody finally put the brakes on the Western volleyball machine.

After obliterating its Sun Belt conference foes in the month of September, it took a champion to nudge Western volleyball off the pedestal of its own success.

Western (16-4, 5-1 Sun Belt Conference) split in its Arkansas road trip over the weekend, beating defending conference co-champion Arkansas State 3-1 Friday but falling Saturday afternoon to defending co-champion Arkansas-Little Rock 3-0.

The loss was Western's first Sun Belt defeat of the season, snapping a five-match conference winning streak and seven-match winning streak overall.

"Splitting on that weekend road trip was not the worst thing that could have happened," Western coach Travis Hudson said. "To get a win in either one of those places is a quality win."

The win over the Lady Indians was just the Lady Toppers' fourth in 21 meetings, while the loss to the Trojans left that all-time series at 11-4. Hudson said the Lady Toppers didn't play particularly well in either match, but was pleased with the level at which his team competed.

At 5-1 in Sun Belt play, Western is now in a first-place tie with Arkansas-Little Rock in

the conference standings.

Saturday against Arkansas-Little Rock, Western appeared ready to play early, taking a 5-1 lead early in game one.

The Trojans would quickly turn the tide, however, with an 11-point surge to take command 12-5. Western battled back and scored five of the next six points to close to 13-10.

After an ace gave Arkansas-Little Rock a game point, 14-10, the Lady Toppers fought off seven game points while scoring four consecutive to force a tie at 14-all. But a Western attack error and follow-up Trojan ace gave them the win 16-14.

UALR carried that momentum into game two, taking an 8-0 lead. The Lady Toppers briefly showed signs of life, but the Trojans ran away with the game 15-4.

Western led by one early in game three (3-2), but after a tie at six-all, UALR tallied six of the next seven points. The Lady Toppers got close at 12-10, but the Trojans scored three straight to close out the match.

"Little Rock beat us at the things we do well and beat us at our game," Hudson said. "I am disappointed in our offensive and defensive performance, but I guess I would be more worried if we had played really well and

lost."

Top billing for Western went to junior left-side hitter Tara Thomas and her 14 kills, while junior middle hitter Jessica Willard chipped in 10 kills.

Senior outside hitter Tanja Radovic led the Trojans with a match-high 25 kills and 40 percent hitting average.

In Friday's game against Arkansas State, Western got a 20-20 from Thomas (25 kills and 21 digs, her second of the season), 16 kills from Willard and a season-high 18 digs from senior defensive specialist Beaven Hill in its 3-1 win.

Thomas became the first Lady Topper since Karrie Donahue in 1996 to record more than one 20-20 in a season. The win also broke Arkansas State's 16-match home conference winning streak.

The Lady Toppers get a break from their rugged conference schedule but not a break from competition tonight as they travel to meet defending Conference USA co-champion Louisville at 7 p.m.

The match will be a homecoming of sorts for six Lady Toppers, who played high school volleyball in Louisville.

Sports Briefs

Wisham named National Defensive Player of the Week

Senior linebacker Melvin Wisham was named National Defensive Player of the Week by the Sports Network after the Hilltoppers defeated Eastern 6-3.

Wisham recorded 10 tackles, three for a loss, in the game against the Colonels. He ended the Colonels' final drive of the first half with a third-down tackle.

Wisham was also named the Ohio Valley Conference Defensive Player of the Week for the second time this year.

— Lyndsay Sutton

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FELTON: Players taint image

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The stupidity of these players smears the image of invincibility Felton wants to craft around his team. It also weakens the trust he has in those players.

Felton has a tremendous opportunity this season to finally do what he said he'd do when he was hired at Western: get the Hilltoppers back to their winning ways. But in order to do that, Felton has to punish the players appropriately and reestablish respect and trust.

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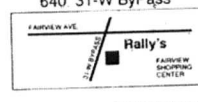
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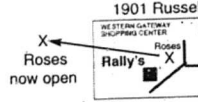
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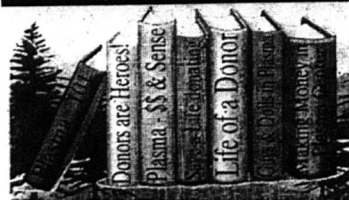
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Western earns fourth win at Drake

Tops fall two days later at Creighton

By MICHAEL COMPTON
Herald reporter

Fast starts played a significant role in the soccer team's weekend road trip.

In-game one, the Hilltoppers bolted out of the gate, beating Drake 3-1. In the second game, the gate broke when two early Creighton goals lifted the No. 16 Bluejays to a 3-0 win.

On Friday, Western (4-8, 2-2 Missouri Valley Conference) took control of the match early when senior forward Steven Brown scored in the game's third minute. The quick goal was exactly what Coach David Holmes had stressed prior to the match.

"Drake is a team that commits a lot of players forward," Holmes said. "We knew scoring early was a key to success against their style."

The Hilltoppers added another goal in the game's 30th minute, when freshman Ron Plute scored his first collegiate goal.

"It felt really good," Plute said. "Donovan [Schultz, a senior midfielder] gave me a great ball. It was pretty easy after that."

Western scored its final goal on a free kick from junior midfielder Tawanda Chitapa following a red card on Drake goalkeeper Zach Brennan. Drake (3-9, 1-3 MVC) added a late goal for the final margin.

The Hilltoppers came out strong again on Sunday, but unlike Drake, Creighton (9-2, 3-1 MVC) held Western in check and took control with two goals in the game's first 13 minutes.

"We came out very strong. The first 10 minutes we had four or five very good chances to score," Holmes said. "We had control, then one mistake and one counter attack, they score."

"Right after the first goal, we got careless and made a sloppy pass. Creighton came in and stuck it in. Playing away from home down 2-0, it killed us."

Plute agreed that mistakes made the difference in the match.

"We really did play strong the entire game against Creighton. It was a really even match," Plute said. "We basically made two mistakes, and it costs us two goals."

The Hilltoppers face Texas Christian and Southern Methodist in a crucial two-game home stand this weekend. While Holmes believes both games are important, the Hilltoppers' main focus is on TCU.

"We have never played TCU," Holmes said. "They are similar to us and seem very capable of playing well. Their win against Southwest Missouri was a very big win."

"SMU should be a top five team after this week's poll comes out," Holmes said. "This

will be the highest ranked team to play in Bowling Green since Evansville was ranked No. 2 in 1990. I think any and all soccer fans should come out and see a very good soccer team and a very good soccer game."

While SMU comes in as the favorite, Holmes believes that his team is primed for an upset.

"I think we are capable of pulling off an upset," Holmes said. "The challenge to the guys is to be safe in the back, be more consistent and eliminate mistakes and unforced errors."

"If we can do that, then we can stand up to the SMU's, the Creightons, the Southwest Missouri. We can stand up to anyone."

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Buerger will redshirt

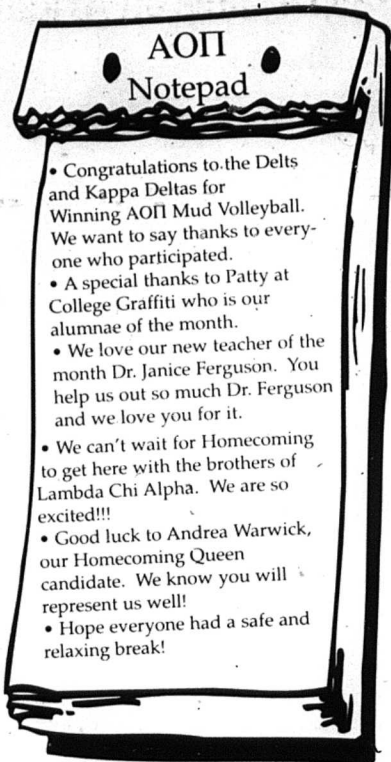
The Hilltoppers have decided to redshirt junior midfielder Ben Buerger. Buerger has been out since the preseason with a stress fracture.

While Buerger had returned to practice, the coaching staff decided that holding him out of games for the rest of the season is the best decision for both Buerger and the Hilltoppers.

"At this point of the season there is no reason to rush him back," Holmes said. "We are lucky that he will still have two full years left. He has been a very influential player to our program."

"It felt really good. Donovan gave me a great ball. It was pretty easy after that."

— Ron Plute
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the OVC championship. The Toppers face Tennessee Tech — also unbeaten in the OVC — in their homecoming match-up Saturday.

"I don't think anything's been determined yet in the OVC," said Harbaugh, noting that his team has three conference games remaining. "We're looking at Tennessee Tech, and they're a very strong club. They beat Eastern at Eastern."

Eastern head coach Roy Kidd, a 37-year veteran in Richmond, credited Western's defense but reiterated several times that his team faltered because they were forced to play two freshmen on the offensive line.

"I think our defense played really good. There isn't any doubt about that," Kidd said. "They gave us good opportunities early in the game with the turnovers we got, but we couldn't take advantage of it."

"I'm not making excuses, but we had to change our whole offensive line around and play two freshmen. That's asking a lot to go against Western who has a good defense. We should have scored more than three points. I'm very disappointed about that part of it."

Penalties down

Acting on weeks of frustration over the large number of penalties Western has received this season, Harbaugh and his staff continued to rectify the problem during practice last week.

The payoff game Saturday. The Toppers lost 13 yards on just three penalties against Eastern. In the team's first four games, it averaged a loss of over 100 yards per game to penalties.

"That's a credit to our players," Harbaugh said. "We've talked about this for four weeks. Players listen to you. I really believe that, and they want to win. When you emphasize something that you have to do to win, they do it. I'm tremendously proud of our players because I think it shows recognition and understanding for the game."

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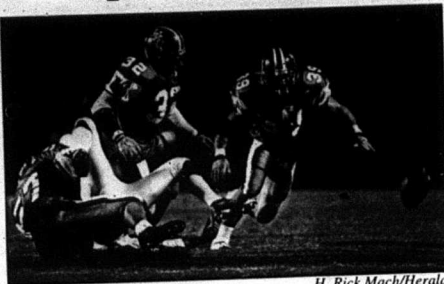
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running back DeWayne Gallishaw played in the Eastern game but was rusty after not practicing several days last week, Harbaugh said. Gallishaw was taken off the field by ambulance the previous week at Murray with a neck injury.

Junior fullback Kevin Crisp, who also sustained a neck injury in the Murray game, did not play against Eastern. Freshman Chris Miller stepped in for Crisp and led all rushers with 75 yards on seven carries.

Crisp's condition has improved, but he will not play in Saturday's homecoming game against Tennessee Tech, Harbaugh said.

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Senior linebacker Melvin Wisham, bottom left, makes a tackle on Eastern Kentucky's Tyrone Browning, causing him to fumble as senior linebacker Hayes Thomas and senior defensive back Kyle Moffatt scramble after the loose ball late in the fourth quarter.

Ogletree, Wisham honored

Senior punter Alan Ogletree was honored by the OVC for the second consecutive week with the conference's Special Teams Player of the Week title. Ogletree averaged 44 yards on seven punts in the game. He dropped five of seven kicks inside the Eastern 20-yard line and kicked a game-best 55-yarder.

Senior linebacker Melvin Wisham was named the conference's Defensive Player of the Week for his 16-tackle performance. He was also named National Defensive Player of the Week by the Sports Network. Wisham had three tackles for a loss including two sacks Saturday. He was also honored with the award Sept. 17 after making 22 tackles at Elon.



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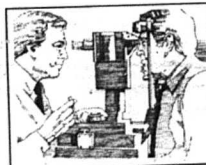
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