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Guthrie foils WKU plan, purchases Warren birthplace

By TIM ROBERTS

Staff Writer

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BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — The birthplace of Robert Penn Warren will remain on a tree-lined street in Guthrie where it stood when the poet was born 82 years ago.

The city of Guthrie has bought the home.

The purchase, recorded in the Todd County Clerk's office Thursday, shocked Western Kentucky University administrators, who had hoped to buy the home and move it about 50 miles to the Bowling Green campus.

"We're very surprised and concerned too," said Stephen D. House, assistant to the president at WKU.

"I'm taken aback," said English professor Mary Ellen Miller, who served on a

committee that raised \$39,000 of the \$60,000 that was expected to be needed to buy and move the house.

Guthrie Mayor John Coke said yesterday that the city signed papers to buy the house for \$29,000, but said that the money will come from a local fund raising committee.

"There is not one penny of taxpayers' money in it," he said.

How Guthrie will use the home is not clear.

"We haven't worked out all the mechanics," Coke said.

But the city accomplished its primary purpose of keeping the home in Guthrie.

"Our objective was to block the move," Coke said. In March the city had threat-

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ened to use its power of eminent domain to take the property if it could not buy it.

"We want to do something for the public," said Jeane Moore, chairman of the Committee for the Preservation of Robert Penn Warren's Birthplace in Todd County.

One possibility, she said, is to use the house as reading room and museum.

The Todd County committee already has raised \$10,000 toward the purchase, she said. The rest of the cost will be paid monthly.

WKU's decision to buy and move the home provoked an enormous controversy that university officials said they never expected.

WKU President Kern Alexander said in March that, because there had been no indication of local interest in buying the house, the university was surprised by the sudden interest in the home.

Warren, a poet, novelist, scholar and winner of three Pulitzer prizes, moved from Guthrie in the 1920s

and now lives in Fairfield, Conn.

The one-story red brick house had been up for sale for two years before its last sale in December 1985 to Carrol Acuff, an Army captain based at Fort Campbell.

Acuff, who bought the house on a Veterans Administration loan, had said she needed to sell it because she is being transferred. The sale price of \$29,000 was \$500 less that WKU had expected to pay.

WKU intended to turn the house into a Warren center or possibly housing for a writer-in-residence.

The university took an option on the house in January that expired March 28. House said the university was merely attempting to work out confusion over the deed and still planned to purchase the home.

"We have to make sure as a state institution that everything is done properly and that we have a clear title," he said yesterday.

The real-estate agent who had been handling the sale said WKU's lawyers wanted Acuff to have the heirs of a former owner sign papers a second time because WKU had

questioned the validity of a notary's statement.

Acuff, meanwhile, was losing money on the home because rent was not covering the cost of loan payments, said Sue Lail the Hopkinsville real-estate agent.

WKU wanted to move the house so it would be available to students and scholars.

But a number of people from Guthrie questioned what value the house would have if it were moved from Guthrie.

Warren announced his support for WKU's plans in a note read by his niece at a public meeting in Guthrie in March.

The university, he said, "has some actual educational use for the building. ... Any comparable use for it where it is now located would be highly unlikely, to put it mildly."

But even Warren, who lived in the house for only a few years before his family moved elsewhere in town, doubted the home's historical value.

In a note to The Courier-Journal in March, he said, "I don't know the house and have no recollection of my having lived there."

WKU loses poet's house

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From Daily News
and AP Reports

The birthplace of author and poet Robert Penn Warren has been deeded to the City of Guthrie, but the tug-of-war battle between the city and Western Kentucky University may not be over.

"Speaking for myself, it would seem to me a suit against the selling is possible," said Mary Ellen Miller, a member of a WKU committee that is seeking to buy the house and move it to Bowling Green.

Committee members were shocked Friday when they learned that the house had been deeded to the City of Guthrie on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Miller said the committee probably will meet soon to discuss what action to take.

"I don't know if we will file a suit, but I assume we would discuss that possibility," said Mrs. Miller, a WKU English professor.

The city council purchased the century-old brick dwelling for \$29,000 from owner Capt. Carrol Acuff, who is stationed at Fort Campbell. The city assumed a

Veterans Administration loan and the citizens group that wanted to keep the home in Guthrie will make the payments, City Councilman Wayne Ezell said.

"We're so pleased, so relieved," said Mrs. Jean Moore, chairman of the Committee for the Preservation of the Robert Penn Warren Birthplace in Todd County.

"We still can't believe it's finally over," Mrs. Moore said. "But we hope we will still have good relations with Western. We hope in the future Western will work with us. We welcome that."

Western, since January, has been trying to acquire the house and move it to campus to use as a place for writers in residence or other scholars.

In late March, the university signed a contract to purchase the house for \$29,500 from Ms. Acuff.

The citizen's group and the Guthrie City Council on March 6 joined forces to fight Western for the house.

Since then, the city council has threatened to condemn the house,

authorizing the city to take possession.

Western officials and attorneys, meanwhile, have been trying for weeks to clear the title to the house before recording the deed.

Alexander said on April 22 that the university wouldn't be able to get state approval for the purchase without a clear title.

"We requested that Capt. Acuff clear the title," Mrs. Miller said. "While we were waiting, she sold the house."

Mrs. Moore said that Ms. Acuff recently became "put out" at Western because she has yet to receive any money from the school's committee, which raised private funds for the purchase.

"She got tired of waiting on Western," Mrs. Moore said. "They still hadn't made any attempt to send her any money or formalize the deal."

Mrs. Miller said Ms. Acuff sold the house to the city because she is being transferred. "That makes

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sense to me from her point of view," Mrs. Miller said.

But, Mrs. Miller said, the WKU committee assumed she was in the process of clearing the title. Problems with the title included questions about the expiration of a notary's commission and some small liens against the property, Mrs. Miller said.

Western's option on the property expired at the end of March, Ms. Acuff said, and she deeded the property to Guthrie.

Mrs. Miller said, however, that the option had not expired.

The committee had moved before the option date to close on the house but had to wait for the clear title, Mrs. Miller said. "We did not let the option lapse," she said.

While the title problems kept Western from buying the house, "it did not prevent the City of Guthrie from buying it," Mrs. Miller said.

Not all those who live in Todd County are pleased with the turn of events.

Joy Boone of Elkton, who headed the WKU committee raising \$60,000 to buy and move the home, thought that the university had used its option.

"This is upsetting," Mrs. Boone said. "We thought we were doing something for the good of all Kentuckians."

Warren, 81, who now lives in Connecticut, agreed with Western's plan to use the house once he determined it was not intended solely as a tribute to him.

The citizens committee in Guthrie will meet Monday to decide what to do with the house now that the city has title. Mrs. Moore said historical preservation professionals will be asked for ideas.

"We want to do this right," Mrs. Moore said. "We've worked too hard for something not to happen

now."

She said her group is somewhat indebted to Western, although it disagreed with the idea of moving the boyhood home of the nation's first poet laureate out of Guthrie.

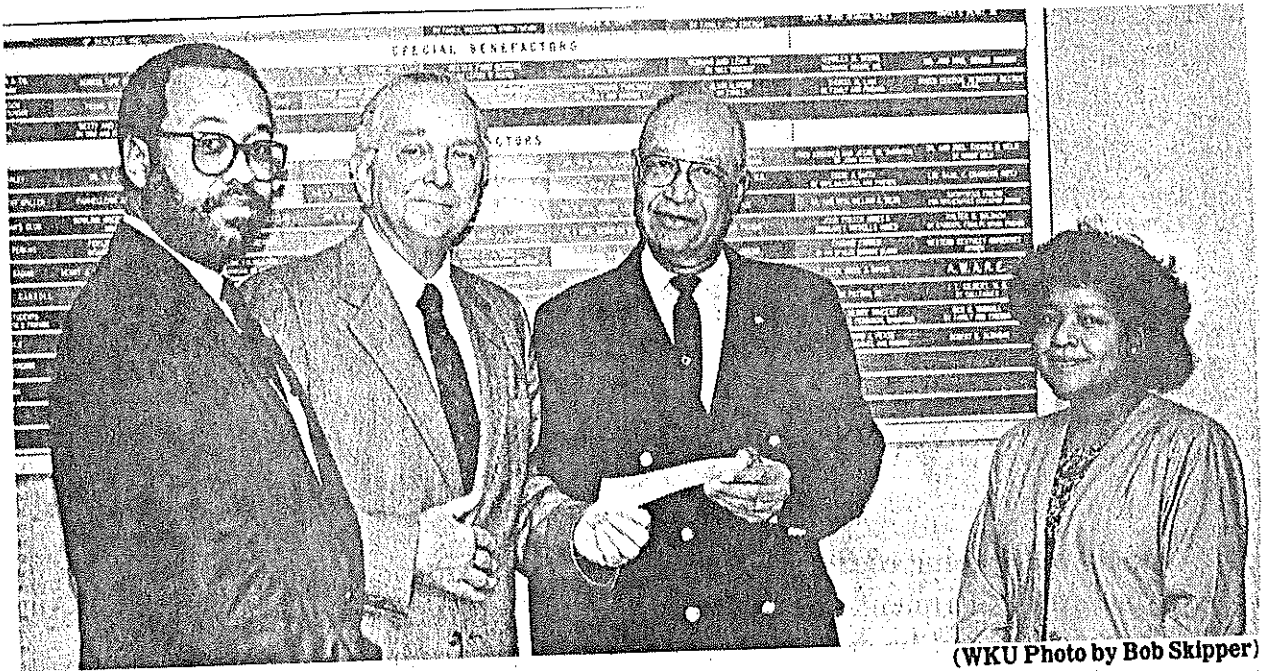
"We're grateful to them for stirring us up to do something," she said.

Junior Scholars announced

Western Kentucky University recently announced the three area high school students who were selected as Junior Scholars for this summer.

Junior Scholars must be high school students between their junior and senior years with outstanding grades and rank in the upper 15 percent of all American students on the national college board exams.

The students selected include Nita Doshi, Laura Roenker and David Kwok, all of Bowling Green High School. They will be taking college-level courses for credit June 9-July 31 and living in a Western dormitory with 23 other scholars.



(WKU Photo by Bob Skipper)

AWARE contributes to College Heights Foundation

AWARE, (Association With Aspirations for Real Equality,) has contributed another \$1,000 to its scholarship fund within the College Heights Foundation. Charles Taylor, Aware treasurer, presented the

check to Dr. Dero Downing. Howard Bailey, AWARE member and dean of student life at Western, and Shirley Malone, AWARE scholarship chairman, attended the presentation. D.N.

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Western out as manager of incubator

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By BRIGGS ADAMS
Daily News Staff Writer

Contrary to original plans, Western Kentucky University's College of Business Administration will not manage the city's small business incubator.

When the \$2 Bowling Green Innovation Center project was announced in January 1986, officials continuously said Western would oversee the day-to-day operations.

Last August, the city obtained a \$500,000 state grant and then borrowed \$1.5 million from three Bowling Green banks to pay for the facility.

Around that time, Western officials decided the business college would not manage the incubator, according to City Manager Chuck Coates, a member of the five-member Small Business Incubator Board charged with overseeing the incubator.

"I think Western was proposed to be the manager when the (grant) application was made with the state," he said. "But after negotia-

tions were made with Western, they decided that they didn't have the expertise to manage the facility."

But Western isn't completely out of the incubator's future, according to Dr. Stephen Lile, who represents the university on the incubator board.

Lile, an economics professor at Western, said the board hopes to hire a manager from the Bowling Green area and "there is a distinct possibility" that the manager could be from Western.

That would be good news for the university, according to Dr. Paul Cook, Western's executive vice president for administrative affairs.

"My only request is that anybody from Western who is interested in the incubator should be considered as a managerial candidate," he said.

Coates said Western "will be very tied" with the incubator as

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individual faculty and staff will be called on often for advice.

While the decision about who will manage the facility will ultimately be up to the incubator board, considerable influence on that decision could come from as far away as Washington or Pennsylvania.

Last month, the board interviewed representatives from two East Coast firms specializing in incubator operation and managerial recruitment.

The board talked with representatives from Pryde, Roberts and Co., a Washington-based consulting firm specializing in incubator operation, and Tec-Nec, a personnel recruitment and training firm headquartered in Pennsylvania.

The results of those interviews were to be announced at 4 p.m. today. Coates said he planned to recommend that the board hire Tec-Nec at a cost of around \$7,000.

Whichever firm is hired, its duties will be to assist the board in hiring a manager for the incubator.

Construction of the incubator, a 70,000 square foot building bounded by the North-South Corridor, Center, Third and Fourth streets, is expected to be completed later this month.

The building will have about 60,000 square feet of light manufacturing space and 10,000 square feet of office space to be used by fledgling or expanding small businesses and industries.

The businesses will pay rent based on the services they need, such as space and technical assistance.

The rent will be below the market rate to give the businesses more of a break. Rents collected will be used to pay back bank notes on the facility.

As the incubator's businesses become established, they will move out on their own, making room for other new businesses. Most of them are expected to stay in the incubator three-five years.

The Bowling Green incubator is the first of its kind in Kentucky.

1987 leadership class participants chosen

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Twenty-five participants have been selected for the 1987 Leadership Bowling Green Class which will assess the community's needs, problems and opportunities and learn how to deal with them.

The program is sponsored through the Bowling Green-Warren County Chamber of Commerce.

To begin the problem-solving program the group will go on a retreat at Mammoth Cave National Park May 15-16. This will be followed by six sessions, one each month, through October.

To study various areas of community life, Oct. 23-24 will be a final retreat.

The program chairman is Dr.

Carl Kell of Western Kentucky University, and vice chairman is Dr. John Erskine of Fairview Chiropractic.

The male class members include James C. Barnett, Ronald Beck, James Harned, Thomas Hunt, Bobby Allen Hunton, Roger Lundin, Kurt Maier, Steve Marcum, Scott Marks, Sidney Monroe, Jim Moore, David Sowders, Ronald Sowell, Rick Williams and Skip Wirth.

The female class members include Sandra Billingsley, Georgia Childress, Marlice Cox, Ann Elliott, Vickie Elrod, Cathy Palmer, Glenda Sharer, Linda Thomas, Neva Whitley and Joyce Wilson.

Sale of Warren house startles WKU

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — A committee trying to move the birthplace of poet and novelist Robert Penn Warren from Guthrie to Western Kentucky University will meet week to decide what to do now that the city of Guthrie has purchased the house.

The university committee was taken by surprise when the property owner sold the house to the Guthrie City Council last Thursday for \$29,000.

"That kind of took the wind out of us," said Western President Kern Alexander. "We plan to meet next Tuesday to look at the approaches we might take from this point forward."

Western has been trying to acquire the house, where the country's first poet laureate was born, since January and move it to campus as a lodging for scholars. It had signed a contract to buy the house in late March.

Capt. Carroll Acuff, who sold the house to Guthrie, said the option expired in March, but the university committee denies it let the option lapse.

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(Staff Photo by Mark Workman)

Textbook buyer

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ED ROBERTS of Knoxville, Tenn., buys used text books Monday afternoon from Sally Wood, a Western Kentucky University graduate student from Kenosha, Wis. Roberts set up shop from his van at 14th and Center streets. Roberts, who is self-employed, said he travels to Ken-

tucky and Tennessee college towns to buy and sell school books. The two dogs lounging near and under Roberts' van just happened to stop by, he said.

WKU group to discuss Warren house

P.N. 5-6-87

Western Kentucky University's committee charged with purchasing and moving the birthplace of Robert Penn Warren house from Guthrie to campus is to meet next

Tuesday.

The committee's attempt to move the house here came to a surprise halt last Thursday when the property owner sold it to the City of

Guthrie.

"That kind of took the wind out of us," said Western President Kern Alexander. "We plan to meet next Tuesday to look at the approaches we might take from this point forward."

Alexander declined to speculate on what some of those approaches might be.

He said he met Tuesday with the committee's chairman, Joy Bale Boone of Elkton, and committee member Mary Ellen Miller, an English teacher at Western.

"All of us expressed our displeasure that the house, through no fault of our own, was sold out from under us," he said.

The Western committee was shocked Friday when it learned that the house had been deeded to the City of Guthrie on Thursday afternoon.

The city council bought the property for \$29,000 from Capt. Carroll Acuff. Western, since January, has been trying to acquire the house and move it to campus as a lodging for writers in residence or other scholars.

In late March, the university signed a contract to buy the house for \$29,500. The option, however, expired in March, according to Ms. Acuff. Western's committee denies it let the option lapse.

Newspaper story labeled insensitive by WKU officials

5-6-87

By THOMAS T. ROSS
Daily News Staff Writer

An article published in Western Kentucky University's student newspaper about a black unwed mother has been labeled insensitive by the school's administration.

Dr. Jerry Wilder, vice president of student affairs, said in a statement to the student body that the article reflected "a terrible insensitivity to the absolute necessity in today's society for all of us, black and white, to avoid promoting and perpetuating stereotyped notions."

The article, published April 28 in the College Heights Herald, told the story of Deborah Terry, a 20-year-old freshman who has one child and recently gave birth to another.

It was seen by Western's black student population, which continues to strongly protest the article, as racist perpetuating black stereotypes.

"I'm the chief advocate for the students on this campus," Wilder said. "I'm concerned with what they have to say. And I felt it was appropriate for me to address this statement to the student body."

But Robert Adams, Herald faculty adviser, called Wilder's statement to the student body a "terrible oversimplification." He said he was unaware of the statement until this morning.

"The article was very sensitive," Adams said. "It was sensitive in that it was a story that tried to portray how one person was trying to overcome problems most of us can't even comprehend."

"She's trying to go to school, she's trying to make a better life for her and her children," he continued. "To me, that's very sensitive. I think, however, it's insensitive to issue a statement purportedly on behalf of the university without talking to myself or any of the Herald editors."

But Wilder said he's not taking issue with the article. Rather, he said, the university now needs to deal with other concerns that have now been raised by black students through their protest of the story.

Since the story hit the stands, the administration has been meeting with black students to hear their concerns. Wilder said a meeting he had Tuesday with four black students was "very positive."

In addition to hearing their concerns about the racial overtones they say were present in the article, Wilder said the students voiced complaints about the low percentage of black students and faculty on campus.

"This is the tip of the iceberg," Wilder said. "This article caused other concerns to surface. And some of them are very legitimate and we plan to address."

For instance, he said, the students said there is a need for a separate office of minority affairs within the administration.

"That might hold some potential," Wilder said. "I told them I saw some drawbacks on having a separate office, but it's something we will study."

President Kern Alexander, who has also met with black students this week, said he has asked the students to help him address whatever "kinds of problems we have on campus concerning race."

"They've indicated to me that the article indicates a racial insensitivity on the part of the Herald," Alexander said. "And I agreed with them."

Alexander said he told the group he recognizes Western has a low percentage of black students, faculty and staff members.

"We're not moving fast enough in this area, not fast enough for me or anyone else," Alexander said. "We have a problem hiring good

black faculty members because our salaries are so low. And we have trouble attracting good black students. But in both areas we're working to remedy the situation."

Meanwhile, Alexander and Wilder said there are no plans to attempt to move the Herald out from under the University Publications Office to the Office of the Vice President of Students Affairs nor the Department of Journalism.

There has been speculation such plans were in the making because of Alexander's continued displeasure with the Herald.

"No, we haven't considered that," Alexander said when asked if the Herald was going to be moved where it could be more closely watched by the administration.

He said it's an academic unit — students earn practicum credits while on staff — and that it couldn't function properly in student affairs.

Adams, however, said he has been told by other people within the administration that such a plan has been discussed.

"There seems to be a lack of communication over there," Adams said. "I think this is being considered. They've also talked about doing away with the Herald."

Adams pointed out that David Whitaker, director of University Publications, retires June 30.

"There hasn't been any discussion about filling his position," Adams said. "And they've taken the money for that position to hire a new advertising teacher."

"To me, that strikes me a little bit strange that they are taking money out of University Publications and placing it in the Department of Journalism."

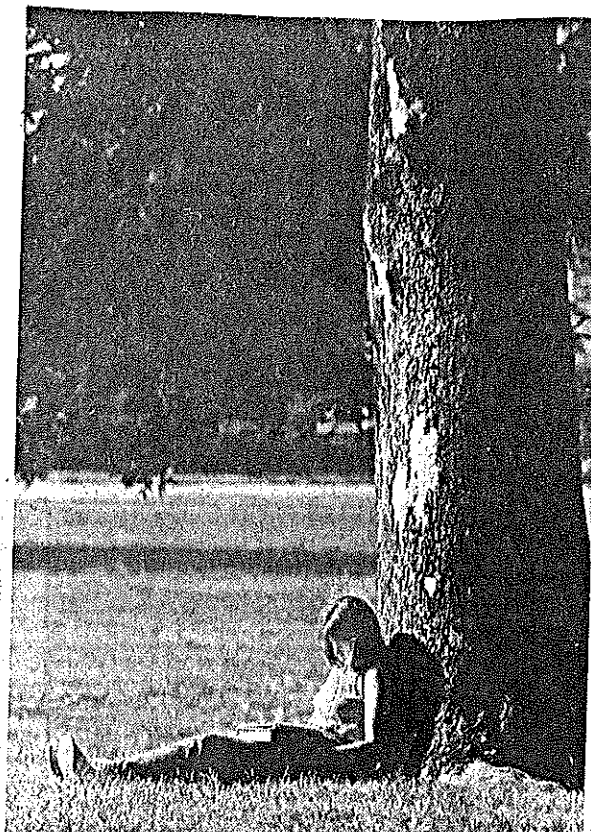
Whitaker couldn't be reached for comment. And Wilder, who said such a plan has never been mentioned to him, added he would advise against any attempt to move the Herald.

Alexander said he has become increasingly displeased with the Herald because it "tends to be too cynical."

"I think it looks internally too much," he continued. "Why not cover the state gubernatorial race, or the presidential race? Those are things students should be made aware of and learn about instead of these unimportant, internal gossipy things."

Alexander, who admits he's shy around the media, also doesn't like criticism. He pointed out to several Herald editorials that were "cynical" towards university programs since he became president in December 1985.

"Anything that comes up gets a negative response from the student newspaper," he said. "I think a good dose of introspection on the part of the student newspaper staff and its advisers would be good at this time."



(Staff Photo by James Morris)

Outdoor studies

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JUDY MANNERS of Lebanon, Tenn., a Western Kentucky University freshman majoring in wildlife ecology, studies for final exams on the lawn beside the Dero Downing Center on Western's campus.

Western readies commencement

CHE's Cox to address WKU's 130th graduation exercise

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Western Kentucky University's 130th commencement exercise will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday in Diddle Arena.

Dr. Gary S. Cox, executive director of the state Council on Higher Education, will give the commencement address.

According to Fred Hensley, Western's public information director, 2,151 candidates will receive their degrees.

He said 1,396 bachelor's degrees, 492 master's degrees and 263 associate degrees will be awarded. Those totals include 1986 August and December graduates.

Following the procession, the invocation will be given by Dr. Paul Cook, Western's executive

vice president.

Dr. Robert Haynes, vice president for academic affairs, is to present the faculty awards.

Hensley also said distinguished alumni awards will be presented to Ray Preston, Wendell Butler and Marvin Dodson.

Preston, of Henderson, is founder and president of PB&S Chemical Co.; Butler, of Frankfort, is a former state superintendent of public instruction; and Dodson, also of Frankfort, worked in the state Department of Education.

Following Cox's address, Registrar Freida Eggleton will recognize honor graduates and scholars of the university's colleges.

Cooper R. Smith Jr., an Ogden

College regent, is to present the Ogden Trustees' Award.

Haynes will then present the graduating classes, including students from Ogden College of Science, Technology and Health; Potter College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences; Bowling Green College of Business Administration; College of Education and Behavioral Sciences; and Graduate College.

The conferring of degrees will then be made by Western President Kern Alexander.

And at 1:30 p.m., in the Russell Miller Theater of the Ivan Wilson Fine Arts Center, the school's Reserved Officers Training Corps

will conduct its commissioning exercise.

According to Capt. Robert Tinsley Jr., 18 Army cadets will be commissioned as second lieutenants.

Tinsley also said an Air Force cadet, Tom Bluhm, will be commissioned as a lieutenant.

Brig. Gen. Julius L. Berthold, assistant adjutant general for the Kentucky National Guard, will give the commissioning address.

Alexander and Col. Kent Kluever, a professor of military science at Western, will present the commissions.

Tinsley said a reception in the theater's art gallery will follow the commissioning exercise.



(Staff Photo by Mark Workman)

Commencement preparation

BILL BARLOW, an electrician employed at Western Kentucky University, works on a floor plug this morning in Diddle Arena in preparation for the school's 130th commencement exercise. The ceremony begins at

10 a.m. Saturday in the arena, where 2,151 degrees are expected to be conferred by Western President Kern Alexander.

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7 colleges in Kentucky mark spring commencement

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From AP and Special Dispatches

Seven universities and colleges in Kentucky held graduation ceremonies yesterday.

University of Kentucky

LEXINGTON — Retiring President Otis A. Singletary, presiding over his last commencement at the University of Kentucky, told graduates that their education is beginning, not ending.

"Learning is an endless process," said Singletary, speaking in Memorial Coliseum at the school's 120th annual commencement. "An education results from a lifetime of learning, studying and reflection."

Singletary, who will retire in July after 18 years as UK president, said he has experienced three distinct eras during his time at UK and on other campuses.

In the late 1950s and early 1960s, he said, schools "could take support for granted" and were primarily concerned with expanding.

During the late 1960s and early 1970s, colleges were places of turbulence, and administrators became crisis managers, Singletary said.

The current period has been a time of slim financial resources, he said.

The ceremony was attended by about 500 of the more than 4,000 graduates in the class of 1987.

The faculty gave the president a campus map highlighting the buildings constructed during his tenure.

His wife, Gloria, received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Medallion for her contributions to UK. Laura Jan Lovelace and John P. Menkhaus Jr., both 1987 graduates, also received Sullivan medals.

Three honorary degrees were conferred.

John R. Gaines, a leader in the thoroughbred industry, received an honorary doctor of letters degree.

Kewal Singh, a native of India, a former ambassador and now a professor in UK's Patterson School of

state's work force is the greatest challenge Kentucky has ever faced, Gary S. Cox, chairman of the state Council on Higher Education, told an audience of 9,000, including 2,151 degree recipients.

Cox focused on the widening economic gap linked to differences in education.

He said that 25 percent of high school graduates who didn't go on to college held low-paying jobs in 1979 and that this percentage has risen to 81 since 1979.

Receiving Ogden College Trustees Awards were Todd Richard Cheever of London, David Louis Gray of Campbellsville, Vicki Ann Gregory of Russellville, Edwina S. Hall of Elkton and Rebecca Jean Frew of Bowling Green.

Thomas Cheatham, professor of computer science, received a teaching award; Rita Hessley, professor of chemistry, a research award; and Mary Ellen Miller, associate professor of English, a public-service award.

Faculty Excellence Awards went to Janet Palmer, associate professor of administrative office systems; Betty Fulwood, associate professor of interior design; Blaine Ferrell, associate professor of biology; and Charles Bussey, professor of history.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award went to Raymond Bart Preston, founder, chairman of the board and president of P. B. and S. Chemical Co. of Henderson, and Wendell P. Butler, a former state superintendent of public instruction.

Campbellsville College

CAMPBELLSVILLE — Arthur L. Walker Jr., executive director-treasurer of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention,

urged 102 graduates of Campbellsville College to "assume their places of responsibility."

Walker and the baccalaureate speaker, Jack Sandford, editor of the Western Recorder, received Distinguished Service awards.

Max Heath, vice president and executive editor of Landmark Community Newspapers, whose headquarters is in Shelbyville, got the Distinguished Alumni Award.

Ruth Lynn Rexroat of Russell Springs was valedictorian and Preston Bradley Baber of Owingsville was salutatorian.

Cumberland College

WILLIAMSBURG — Cumberland College conferred more than 230 undergraduate degrees, five graduate degrees and two honorary doctorates.

U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell delivered the commencement address.

Lisa F. Rakes, of Peru, Ind., received the Gorman A. Jones Campus Leadership Award for Women and Edwin W. Conover of Manchester received the T. J. Roberts Campus Leadership Award for Men.

Honorary doctorates were awarded to John M. Harbert III, chairman of the board and chief executive officer and founder of the Harbert Corp. of Birmingham, Ala., and Elmer Whitaker, president of Whitaker Coal Corp. of Hazard and Whitaker Farms Inc. of Lexington.

Georgetown College

GEORGETOWN — Gary Bauer, a Kentucky native who is President Reagan's chief domestic-policy adviser, addressed 283 graduates.

Bauer spoke about the return to the fundamentals of home and family life, a cause he has championed

while in federal government. Before going to the White House, he was undersecretary of education.

Bauer, of Covington, graduated from Georgetown in 1968. He received the school's alumni award during the ceremony before 3,000 people.

Georgetown presented honorary degrees to Billy Wireman, a 1954 Georgetown graduate and president of Queens College of Charlotte, N.C.; Charles Smith, a 1951 graduate and former president of the Kentucky Medical Association; Clyde Ensor, a Louisville businessman; and the Rev. Harold Kuhnle, who served as a pastor in Louisville, Lexington and Owensboro.

Valerie Stidham, one of the graduates, was given the President's Award for her work and leadership on campus.

Union College

BARBOURVILLE — Union College conferred 160 degrees.

Commencement speaker Don Hutson, division manager of the CSX Corp. at Corbin, told the graduates to participate fully in the life of their community and state. "Don't turn from the problems around you; rather, embrace them and involve yourself in their solution," he said.

Hutson received an honorary degree, as did Alfred Wesley Gwinn Jr., pastor of First United Methodist Church in Winchester, and William Edward Oaks, pastor of United Methodist Temple in Russellville.

Allie Mays of Barbourville received the alumni award.

The top graduates were Jennifer Louise Vansickle of Louisa; John M. White of Gray; Carla Jean Burns of Manchester; and Dawn Elizabeth McQueen of Irvine.

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Kewal Singh, a native of India, a former ambassador and now a professor in UK's Patterson School of Diplomacy, received a doctor of laws degree.

Benjamin F. Roach, a physician who helped found several programs in the UK College of Medicine, received an honorary doctor of science degree.

Murray State University

MURRAY — Graduates at the 64th annual spring commencement were reminded to respect themselves and others as they continue their education through experience.

The advice came from Eric Bandy of Greenville and Lori Webb of Paducah, the 1987 outstanding senior man and woman, before degrees were conferred on 1,180 graduates.

Both Bandy and Webb were presidential scholars at Murray.

Bandy, an agriculture major, received the Ralph Woods Memorial Award for leadership and service.

Webb, who earned her degree in economics and mathematics, has received a Rotary International Foundation Fellowship. She will begin studying at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, in the fall.

Stacey Gwyn Barber, an engineering-physics major from Madisonville, was recognized as the top student in the class; she had a perfect 4.0 grade average.

Six faculty members received \$1,000 Regents Awards for teaching excellence.

The recipients and their colleges: Farouk Umar, Business and Public Affairs; Allan Beane, Education; Vernon W. Gantt, Fine Arts and Communication; Julie H. Lovins, Humanistic Studies; Bennie L. Cooper, Industry and Technology; and George N. Britt, Science.

Western Kentucky University

BOWLING GREEN — The retraining of a large segment of the

son of English, a public-service award.

Faculty Excellence Awards went to Janet Palmer, associate professor of administrative office systems; Betty Fulwood, associate professor of interior design; Blaine Ferrell, associate professor of biology; and Charles Bussey, professor of history.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award went to Raymond Bart Preston, founder, chairman of the board and president of P. B. and S. Chemical Co. of Henderson, and Wendell P. Butler, a former state superintendent of public instruction.

Campbellsville College

CAMPBELLSVILLE — Arthur L. Walker Jr., executive director-treasurer of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention,

ceived the Gorman A. Jones Campus Leadership Award for Women and Edwin W. Conover of Manchester received the T. J. Roberts Campus Leadership Award for Men.

Honorary doctorates were awarded to John M. Harbert III, chairman of the board and chief executive officer and founder of the Harbert Corp. of Birmingham, Ala., and Elmer Whitaker, president of Whitaker Coal Corp. of Hazard and Whitaker Farms Inc. of Lexington.

Georgetown College

GEORGETOWN — Gary Bauer, a Kentucky native who is President Reagan's chief domestic-policy adviser, addressed 283 graduates.

Bauer spoke about the return to the fundamentals of home and family life, a cause he has championed

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Cox outlines challenges to Western graduates at 130th commencement

5-11-87
By ELLEN HOLT REEHER
Daily News Staff Writer

With higher education already a necessity for economic survival, Kentucky's greatest challenge today is providing more postsecondary education for the state's young people, according to Dr. Gary S. Cox, executive director of the state Council on Higher Education.

Cox spoke Saturday to an audience of 9,000, including 2,151 graduating students, at Western Kentucky University's 130th commencement exercise in Diddle Arena.

Drawing upon statistics published in a study entitled "The Great American Job Machine: the Proliferation of Low Wage Employment in the U.S. Economy" and published by the Joint Economic Commission of the U.S. Congress, Cox's address focused on the effect lack of higher education had upon salaries for newly-created jobs, those most likely to be filled by young people.

The study covered two periods, 1973-1979 and 1979-1984, and divided the pay scale for new jobs into medium, low and high pay spectrums. It stated that while there were some high-wage jobs created dur-

ing the period, on a net basis all of the employment increase experienced since 1979 had been generated by the creation of jobs which paid less than \$7,000, the median wage of 1973.

"But that isn't the end," Cox said. "From 1973 to 1979, net new employment of high school graduates in the low pay spectrum was 25.1 percent and from 1979 to 1984 it was 81.2 percent. Over the same period, the participation of high school-only graduates in the middle pay spectrum declined from 66.5

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(Staff Photo by James Morris)

EAGER TO GRADUATE, one senior wears her opinion on her hat at day morning in Diddle Arena. Dr. Gary S. Cox, executive director of the state Council on Higher Education, delivered the commencement address.

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WKU Dinner Theater opens June 12

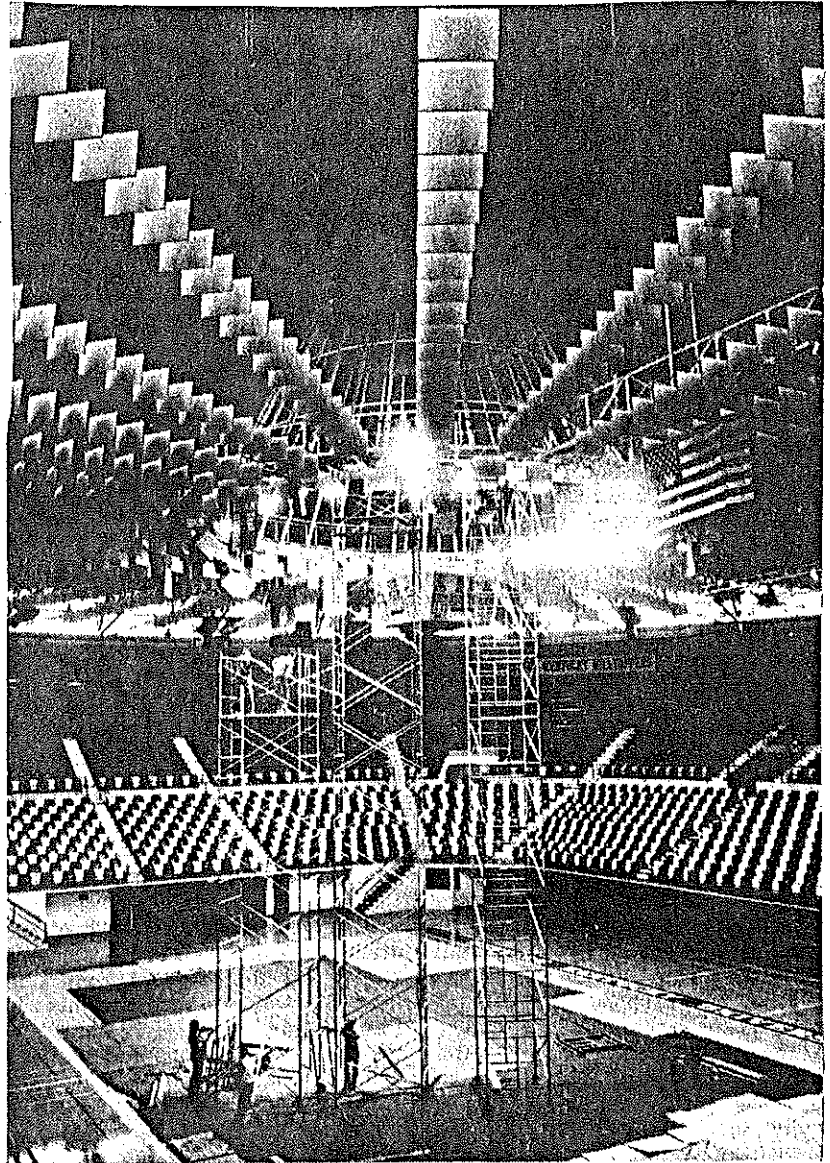
Western Kentucky University's Hilltopper Dinner Theater will begin its fourth season June 12 with "No Sex Please, We're British" in the Garrett Conference Center Ballroom.

The British farce, by Anthony Marriott and Alistair Foot will alternate showtimes Wednesdays-Sundays through August 2 with Neil Simon's "They're Playing our

Song" after its season opening on June 26.

Each performance is accompanied by a dinner buffet. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays and at 12:30 p.m. for Sunday matinees.

Tickets are \$13.50 for adults, \$11.50 for children and may be obtained at the Western Kentucky University Ticket Office, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Ky. 42101.



(Staff Photo by Mark Workman)

Ceiling work

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WORKERS from Sentry Steel Service of Madison, Tenn., prepare scaffolding this morning in Diddle Arena. Once the scaffolding is completed, workers will reweld 145 weak joints in the arena's ceiling.

Warren house legal action unlikely

5-11-87

By THOMAS T. ROSS
Daily News Staff Writer

Legal action will not be considered by a Western Kentucky University committee that had been fighting to buy and move the birthplace of Robert Penn Warren from Guthrie to campus.

The committee is meeting at noon Tuesday with Western President Kern Alexander to discuss its options regarding the house, which the City of Guthrie bought April 30.

"I don't think we would want to consider a lawsuit," said Joy Bale Boone, committee chairman. "We

have some consideration for Mr. Warren.

"He wanted this as an educational project," she continued. "The idea of that is more important than the walls that hold the idea. We wouldn't want to get into a hassle like that."

Western, since January, had been trying to acquire the house and move it to campus to use as a lodging for writers in residence or other scholars.

Warren, a Pulitzer-Prize winning poet and author who now resides in Fairfield, Conn., lived in the

Guthrie house until age 5. He was the nation's first poet laureate.

Western lost its chance to acquire the house, however, when it was sold 12 days ago to the City of Guthrie.

This was done despite the Western committee having bought an option on the house March 22 — an option the owner claimed had lapsed by the time the property was sold to Guthrie.

"We don't have to give up on the whole idea because of this," Mrs. Boone said. "The actual site isn't as important as the whole idea."

Mary Ellen Miller, an English professor at Western and a committee member, said some other ideas that will be considered at the meeting include:

—A Robert Penn Warren Center or Wing, possibly housed in the Kentucky Library on campus.

—A scholarship, in Warren's name, for students interested in studying literature and writing.

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Warren house

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—A special lecture series, in Warren's name, centering on literature and writing.

—OR, establishing an endowed chair in Warren's name.

"We want to design something that would hold the same idea of educational purpose that the house would have served," Mrs. Miller said. "It's the same spirit, just a different shape for the project."

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Boone agreed, however, that the first order of business is to see what the wishes are of the committee's financial donors.

The committee raised \$29,000 in private funds to buy the house and was in the process of raising \$30,000 more to move it to Bowling Green.

"Some of our donors may want their money back, and of course we will have no choice but to return it," Mrs. Miller said. "But others may still be interested in pursuing our other options."

Meanwhile, the Guthrie citizens' group that had formed March 2 to fight Western's plan to move the house met last Thursday to discuss fundraising.

"We have a lot of names, now we just need to approach them to see if they're still interested in making a donation," said Jeanne Moore, chairman of the citizens' committee. "We really need to go full force on this now."

By late April, the committee had raised \$5,000 and had another \$4,000 in pledges in its effort to keep the house in Guthrie.

The committee has hopes of

establishing a small library of Warren's works in a room of the house and open it up to the public.

Capt. Carol Acuff, who is stationed at Fort Campbell, sold the house to the City of Guthrie for \$29,000.

The city assumed a Veterans Administration loan and in turn the citizens' committee will make the payments.

Mrs. Moore also said the citizens' committee is temporary, but a new "permanent" committee will be formed and incorporated to operate the house.

"That committee will then handle all of this business from now on," she said.

Mrs. Moore added the committee will seek the advice of historical preservation professionals for ideas regarding the operation of the house.

Mrs. Moore's committee and Guthrie City Council joined forces in early March to keep the house in Guthrie.

Soon after, Western signed a contract to buy the house for \$29,500 from Ms. Acuff.

Western officials and attorneys worked throughout April trying to clear the title to the house before recording the deed.

Without a clear title, the university wouldn't have received state approval for the purchase, school officials said.

Ms. Acuff, who said she grew tired of waiting on Western to clear the title and that she had received no money from the university committee, then decided to sell the property to the City of Guthrie.

Campus newspaper correct to focus on campus affairs

D.N. 5-11-87

Western Kentucky University President Kern Alexander made a statement recently that he has become increasingly displeased with the campus newspaper, the College Heights Herald, because it "tends to be too cynical."

Alexander may have a point, but I say it's better for a newspaper to be too cynical than not cynical enough. One of the purposes of any newspaper is to keep an eye on organizations — whether they are schools or governments — and make sure they are being run responsibly.

That usually results in a newspaper pointing out the negative more often than the positive. But if a newspaper goes too far and reacts with too much cynicism, readers are likely to recognize that and react to further editorials accordingly.

At least cynicism by the Herald will make people on campus think twice about what's going on around them, regardless of whether they agree with the newspaper's stance. Provoking thought should be the goal of any editorial page, including this one.

Alexander also said the newspaper staff looks internally at Western too much when it could be informing students about such matters as the races for governor or president.

But the Herald has to keep a close watch on what happens at the university. After all, events there directly affect the people reading the Herald, and newspapers are supposed to address the concerns of their readers.

Students can turn to the "CBS Evening" for information about the presidential race, or other newspapers for news about the governor's race, but they expect the Herald to tell them what's going on at the university. Given the number of journalism awards the campus newspaper has won, it must be do-



Hunter's aim

by
Hunter Reigler
Editorial Page
Editor

ing something right.

Alexander is just being too sensitive to criticism. If criticism of the university or its president is legitimate, whether made by the Herald or others, he should accept it. If the criticism isn't justified, he just shouldn't worry about it.

Nursing scholarship winners announced

THE AUXILIARY to the Warren County Medical Society recently awarded \$500 scholarships to three nursing students at Western Kentucky University. Standing, from left, are Debbie Rauh, past president of the society, Joetta Dempsey, scholarship chairman, and Jo Jean Scott, president. Seated from left are Marilyn Decker, awarded the Lena Newman Harris scholarship, and Rhoda Mitchell and Belinda Kirby, both of whom were awarded Maybelle Johnson Funk scholarships.

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WKU plans Warren center

The Robert Penn Warren Committee of Western Kentucky University decided Tuesday to place on campus a Robert Penn Warren commemorative center and sponsor a series of scholarships, lectures and seminars.

The center, which will probably be located in the Kentucky Library on campus, will house Warren materials and memorabilia. It's not immediately known how much the projects will cost.

The projects were the committee's response to its recent loss on a bid to buy and move Warren's birthplace from Guthrie to Western's campus to use as a lodging for writers in residence and other scholars.

"We have decided to continue with the spirit of the Robert Penn Warren project," said Joy Bale Boone, committee chairman. "I am encouraged by the full support of the committee, donors and students."

Dr. Steve House, executive assistant to Western President Kern Alexander, assured the committee during the meeting that the Warren project has the full support of the administration.

"The loss of the house was a temporary setback, but we are going ahead with the spirit and original intent of the educational direction that Robert Penn Warren endorses," Mrs. Boone said. "As a matter of fact, we are working with more enthusiasm than ever."

D.N. 5-13-87

Registration scheduled

Registration for summer school at the Community College of Western Kentucky University is scheduled noon-7 p.m. Monday in Room 316 of the Science and Technology Hall.

The summer school will have two sessions. Term A runs for eight weeks, beginning June 8. Term B runs for 5½ weeks and begins May 18.

Registration for Term A and late registration for Term B will continue in the Community College office noon-7 p.m. May 19-29. Students may also register Term A on June 8.

Late registrants will be charged a \$10 fee.

Courses in business, health, technology and general studies will be offered this summer.

D.N. 5-13-87

Letters to Daily News editor

D.N. 5-13-87

Newspaper doesn't deserve criticism

Editor, Daily News:

You can't advance the cause of racial equality while abandoning the victims of racial inequality. The College Heights Herald's recent story on Deborah Terry, an unwed student mother who happens to be black, has drawn criticism from Western administrators. But when the smoke clears, the critics will be able to see just how much this story advanced the cause of racial equality at Western.

Indeed, if this story is enough to turn Dr. Kern Alexander's attention away from his next flight to Florida and toward the problems of black students, then it surely qualifies as magic.

Western's paper is without a doubt one of the nation's best college papers, and possibly the best over the past decade. But this fact has escaped the administration, and Herald staffers have come to expect gratuitous abuse rather than praise from this administration.

I was editor of the Herald in the fall of 1979, my father, David B. Whitaker is director of publications at Western, and I know several current staff members. So I have my biases, and I hate to see so much misinformation.

Dr. Alexander is wrong when he says Herald staffers receive academic credit for their work. What they receive is a nominal weekly stipend, for which the university gets a phenomenal return on its investment. The Herald is an invaluable recruiting tool for Western, as is the Talisman (the model for college yearbooks).

The president is way out of line when he said the Herald should be covering the legislature in Frankfort, for he knows most state daily papers can't afford that, and he certainly hasn't offered to foot the bill.

The Herald will be there for all students long after this administration packs it in. Unfortunately, so

will racial inequality. Don't kill the messenger because you don't like the message. And don't malign a struggling mother because she perpetuates stereotypes. I question the sincerity of anyone who forgets her in this witch-hunt.

David T. Whitaker
643 E. 11th Street
Bowling Green

THE HOME OF THE PRESIDENT of Western Kentucky University will be featured on the annual tour of homes and gardens.

(Staff Photo by Kim Swift)

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Annual Bowling Green tour of homes and gardens is scheduled for Saturday

By KATRINA LARSEN
Daily News Women's Editor

The Bowling Green Garden Club will sponsor its annual home and garden tour, "Open House in Kentucky 1987," 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

There are six homes and a garden this year, including the home of Western Kentucky University President Kern Alexander at 1700 Chestnut St.

The president's home stands on the original R.C.P. Thomas estate, and was built in 1959 by former Bowling Green Mayor C.W. Lampkin. The architecture is Greek Revival, a mixture of Greek and Roman building idioms, and the house is set on a foundation of rock pillars capable of supporting six stories.

The facade features palladian windows and four Corinthian columns. On the west, a colonnade bordered with topiary connects the house to a its garage. A sculpted, lighted fountain surrounded by molded concrete benches forms a focal point for the garden.

curves of the windows. Two carved oak and Italian marble fireplaces provide focal points for the family and living rooms. Eight-inch picture frame moldings are used in the finish work.

Nearby at 1767 Chestnut St. is the one-story Colonial home of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Simpson.

The foyer of the Simpson home is paved in white marble, which is also used in the homes four-and-a-half baths. The remainder of the flooring is hardwood.

At the rear, the family room has bow windows looking out into a garden surrounded by a brick wall. Between the family room and the brick patio is a screened sunporch.

The home is decorated in blue, peach and teal, colors chosen to enhance the furnishings of antique and French reproductions.

The home of Dr. and Mrs. James Bennett, at 2108 Sycamore Drive, was designed with emphasis on the comfort and interests of its owners. Since they built it in 1965, the owners have changed light and bath fixtures, the front door, and replaced the carpets with hardwood floors, as well as moving a few of

the walls.

The front door is now leaded glass with side panels that create a beautiful play of light in the front hall. The furnishings are traditional, supplemented with family antiques.

The two-story Georgian home of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Ford at 1502 Scottsville Road was designed by the late Steve Roemer. It has the central passage through the home characteristic of that era. The finishing details of the moldings, stairway, mantel, paneling and wainscoting were planned to reflect the period style.

The house has the look of added wings, a common occurrence when English families outgrew their original home. The added wings came to be associated with long tenure in a home; eventually their design proved so functional it was made part of the initial plans.

The home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Anderson is at 1519 Euclid Ave. in Bent Tree. This two-story white frame house is a modern interpretation of country Victorian.

There is a "parlour," that room kept inviolate for visitors and Sun-

days, a dining room, den, sunroom and kitchen, office, and a bedroom downstairs. Upstairs there are three more bedrooms and two baths. It is furnished in a mixture of traditional pieces and antiques.

Finally, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller at 234 Shirley Lane in Drakesborough is built like many a traditional farmhouse with a porch and balcony. It is a home designed for family use, with hardwood floors, a large family room, four bedrooms, and a master suite with a whirlpool.

The rear of the house is landscaped to extend the interior living space with a ground level deck. Careful preservation of mature trees around the home and thoughtful landscaping preserve this house from the "just-built" look common to new houses constructed on treeless sites.

The garden belongs to Dr. and Mrs. Mulford Lockwood. Avid rose gardeners, the Lockwoods have more than 215 bushes, including miniatures, hybrid teas, grandifloras, and climbers. Their garden is at 540 Brentmore Drive.

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5-14-87

Coming Attractions

EDITOR'S NOTE: Individuals or groups are encouraged to submit items concerning happenings and events in Southcentral Kentucky to the Coming Attractions column, which appears every Thursday. There is no charge and items should be submitted at least two weeks in advance of the event. Deadline is noon Wednesday.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Tennessee Performing Arts Center will present the musical "Singin' in the Rain" at 8 p.m. June 2-7 and at 2 p.m. June 6-7 in Andrew Jackson Hall. The stage production is an adaptation of the 1952 film starring Gene Kelly. Tickets are available from all Ticketmaster locations. For more information, contact the center, 505 Deaderick St., Nashville, Tenn. 37219.

The Capitol Arts Center will have a Flea Market 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and noon-4 p.m. Sunday at the old Woolworth's location on Park Row. Items for donations are also being accepted at the store 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday.

St. Joseph School and P.T.A. will have its ninth annual Spring Festival noon-8 p.m. Saturday at the school grounds on Church Street.

The West Kentucky Quarter Horse Sale will be at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Western Kentucky University Agriculture Exposition Center.

The Kentucky Museum Associates will sponsor a trip June 13-14 to visit the Ramesses the Great Exhibition in Memphis. Tickets are \$126 for a round-trip chartered bus transportation, a box lunch enroute to Memphis, overnight hotel accommodations (double occupancy) at the Park Plaza Holiday Inn, admission to the Pink Palace Museum and Planetarium and the Ramesses exhibit and a restaurant meal on the return trip. For more information about the trip, contact the Kentucky Museum.

The Bowling Green Public library's "Tots and Moms Activity Time" will meet at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday in the program room.

The public library's preschool story time will meet at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday in the program room.

EXHIBITS

An exhibit of more than 60 Ivan Wilson paintings is on view at the Kentucky Museum. John Warren Oakes, associate professor of art at Western and a student of Wilson, will be the exhibit's guest curator.

The museum, located Western's campus is open 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Sunday. There is no admission fee.

Midsouth Monotypes will be on display in the Ervin G. Houchens Gallery through June 9. The exhibition includes 35 prints by artists from Kentucky and adjoining states. It is funded in part by a grant from the Kentucky Arts Council. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

"Art posters from the collection of Helen Powell Hooper" will be on exhibition May 19-June 19 at WKU's Ivan Wilson Gallery during regular gallery hours.

Letters to editor of the Daily News

D.N. 5-14-57

Speaker presented wrong information

Editor, Daily News:

This letter is in response to the recent lecture given by Dr. Greer at Western Kentucky University. Dr. Greer, a medical doctor and Nobel recipient, seems to believe he is an expert on nuclear weapons and related subjects. Based on the information he presented at his lecture, he has a long way to go. I would like to comment on a few of his main points for the benefit of your readers.

No one opposes feeding the poor and starving people of the Third

World. The United States has for many years led the way in providing food and other assistance to these people.

How has the U.S. been able to do this? One basic reason rests in our free enterprise system, which creates such large surplus of food that we can export it. Most of the Third World is governed by socialistic methods, which try to manipulate production and thus discourages it.

Secondly, the U.S. has been strong enough militarily to remain free and to deter aggression by hostile elements. The U.S. will not be able to continue to help if it is weakened. To remain strong in today's world requires the possession of nuclear weapons.

Dr. Greer stated that the world spends \$800 billion a year to manufacture nuclear weapons. Based on my research, the U.S. Department of Energy (The U.S. agency who produces our weapons) was budgeted about \$4 billion last year. If we presume that the other nations possessing such weapons, except the Soviet Union and China, spend an equal amount; then Dr. Greer has said that the USSR and China spend \$792 billion themselves, or he has overstated this issue about 40 times.

Dr. Greer also made the point that he felt the U.S. should have a few nuclear weapons to defend against "unstable" nations. Apparently, Dr. Greer does not believe we need any nuclear weapons to defend against the Soviet Union.

For an intelligent person, Dr. Greer, is sadly misinformed. I hope all those who heard or read of his lecture will consider its source. I also hope that Western Kentucky University will have a speaker who will address the other side of this critical issue.

Larry G. Causey
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Bowling Green



The way it was

HERE WAS THE 1931 graduating class of the Western Kentucky Training School, W.L. Matthews principal. Seated, left to right: Anna Lee Hale, Elizabeth Finn, Frances Redd, Leffel Williams, Ferold Gidcumb, Pauline Rhea, Virginia Graham, Edda Mae Miller. Second row, left to right: Mary Schell, Mildred Dawson, Mary Zell Hardy, Jeanette Hampton, Virginia Brunson, Margaret Tatum, Maude Welch, Sara Grace Dunn. Third row, left to right: Walter Martin, Merryl Runner, Raymond Bland, Russell Follis, Paul Street Ferren, Billy Austin, Wilfred Taft, John Wells, Kimbley Smith, Ballard Clagget.

(Photo courtesy of
Jeanette Hampton Davenport)

D.C.N.
5-17-87

Western names three to UDSC

D.N. 5-17-87

Western Kentucky University has named three new members to its University Development Steering Committee.

WKU President Kern Alexander announced the appointment of retired Air Force Gen. Russell E. Dougherty, Raymond Bart Preston and Larry B. Shelton to the committee.

Dougherty retired from the Air Force in 1977 and served as the commander-in-chief of the Strategic Air Command.

Preston is the founder and chairman of the board of PB&S Chemical Co. Inc. of Henderson, and Shelton is the executive vice president of Genesco Co. Inc.

The Development and Steering Committee is part of the fund-raising arm of the university. It helps identify and screen possible fund-raisers, as well as advising the university's president on industrial development.

Wood represents Western

Cynthia Ann Wood, daughter of Ms. Shirley L. Wood of Bowling Green, has been selected to represent Western Kentucky University in the Kentucky Mountain Laurel Festival's Queen's Coronation May 23.

The coronation will be at 2 p.m. at the Pine Mountain State Resort Park amphitheatre.

Editorial

D.N.

5-18-87

Warren effort ended properly

The Robert Penn Warren Committee of Western Kentucky University is smart to bow out gracefully in its quest for Warren's boyhood home in Guthrie.

The committee had planned to use money from its fundraising efforts to buy the home and move it to Western's campus. However, after a tug-of-war over the house by the committee and residents of Guthrie, the house was sold to the City of Guthrie.

Committee members questioned the validity of the sale because they felt they had an option to buy the house in which Warren lived until age 5.

However, instead of pursuing legal action, the committee has

decided to start a commemorative center on campus and sponsor a series of scholarships, lectures and seminars in Warren's name. The center may be located in the Kentucky Library.

We believe this is a proper way to honor the Pulitzer Prize-winning author, who was named the nation's first poet laureate.

The previous battles over the house have done little good for anyone involved. What is important is that Warren's works be preserved and studied, and that apparently will be assured through the establishment of the center.

Western ignores house

5-21-87
By THOMAS T. ROSS
Daily News Staff Writer

Western Kentucky University doesn't plan to get in the market for another house Robert Penn Warren lived in while growing up in Guthrie.

In the first place, the property isn't for sale and in the second place it doesn't hold the significance of the birthplace.

The school recently lost its bid to buy and move Warren's birthplace to campus as a lodging for writers in residence and other scholars.

But Warren, at age 5, moved with his family from his birthplace to another house in Guthrie — where he stayed until he left for college.

Western

Warren went on to become a Pulitzer Prize winning author and the nation's first poet laureate.

So the question arises whether Western is still interested in pursuing its plan, only with the other house.

"There has been no expression of interest in that house from the administration," said Stephen House, executive assistant to President Kern Alexander.

"That's not to say somebody may not bring the possibility up," House said. "It's something we've been aware, but we're just not interested."

Mary Ellen Miller, a member of the Western committee that worked on the Warren birthplace project, said buying the other house was never considered by the committee.

"It's in the hands of a private owner," Mrs. Miller said. "And the owner has made no move to



(Staff Photo by LaMar Weaver)

Bleacher repair

RONALD MILLER (left) of Bowling Green and Roger Hoffman of Louisville spent Wednesday afternoon repairing the bleachers behind the Ivan Wilson Fine Arts Center at Western Kentucky University. The restoration is part of a \$110,000 project that includes revamping Cherry Hall and the colonnade behind the bleachers. Classic Contractors of Pittsburgh, Pa., won the contract.

sell the house. And we've made no move to approach the owner."

The house is owned by the mother-in-law of Warren's niece, Tommie Lou Frey, of Clarksville.

Western's committee had bought an option on Warren's birthplace, but was stunned when the house was sold to the City of Guthrie on April 30.

The city plans to restore a room in the birthplace, and house a small collection of Warren's works and memorabilia for public view.

Meanwhile, Western is planning to organize a commemorative center on campus that will house Warren materials and memorabilia.

The committee also plans to sponsor Warren scholarships, lectures and seminars.

The committee's next meeting is scheduled June 24.

Cassidy graduates

Doodle Cassidy of Warren County was one of 25 graduates May 1 of the second Kentucky Sheriff's Academy at Western Kentucky University.

Commissioner Morgan T. Elkins of the Kentucky State Police was the graduation speaker. The basic training program lasted four weeks.

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5-24-87

Junior scholars chosen

Stuart Hale and Jason Reels of Bowling Green have been chosen to be participants at the Junior Scholars Program at Western Kentucky University June 9-July 31.

Junior Scholars must be high school students between their junior and senior years with outstanding grades and ranking in the upper 15 percent of all students on the national College Board examinations.

Heile on dean's list

Douglas E. Heile, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Heile of Bowling Green, has made the dean's list at Western Kentucky University for the spring semester.

Bar Auxilliary gives awards

The Southern Kentucky Bar Auxilliary recognized three members of Western Kentucky University's Pre-Law Club on May 1 during Law Day ceremonies at the Warren County Courthouse.

Debra Broz of Bowling Green was selected outstanding member of the club for the 1986-87 school year and received a \$100 award.

Ann Gordon of Roanoke, Va., received a \$50 award as first runner-up, and Alan Scott Logsdon of Bowling Green received a \$25 award for second runner-up.

Campus child care will be offered at WKU this summer

Western Kentucky University's Campus Child Care program will offer day care services for pre-school children and a recreation program for school-age children this summer.

Both the day care and recreation service will run from 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. through July 31, and both will meet in room 244 of the College of Education building on campus.

For more information, contact the WKU Campus Child Care Center, Room 344, WKU College of Education Building. D.N.

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WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

1987 Summer Session

Eliminate boredom from your vocabulary

by enrolling in one of the many courses offered by Western during the summer session. Four summer terms are scheduled to accommodate a wide variety of individual needs. The terms are to begin and end on the following dates:

Term A - 8 weeks; June 8-July 31

Term C - Second 5½ weeks; June 24-July 30

Term D - Short courses, workshops, etc.

(Check departmental schedule for dates and times.)

The maximum course load

during the entire summer session of 11 weeks is 12 hours of credit; 10 hours of credit for undergraduates and 9 hours of credit for graduate students during an 8 week term; 8 hours of credit in a 5½ week term; and 3 semester hours of credit in a 3 week term.

Registration fee

for Kentucky residents is \$42 per hour for undergraduates and \$62 per hour for graduates. Non-resident fees are \$120 per hour for undergraduates and \$177 per hour for graduates.

To obtain a class schedule, registration materials and additional information, please write or call:

Office of the Registrar

Western Kentucky University

Bowling Green, KY 42101, (502) 745-3351

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Approximately 200 graduate and undergraduate extended campus classes are offered in 23 community public libraries, schools and other facilities. Numerous degree credit courses are offered each semester by the four academic colleges.

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KET telecourses offer exciting learning experiences in business, psychology, education, geology, anthropology, sociology and health/safety. Six telecourses are offered each regular semester through the Kentucky Educational Television channels as college comes to you. Two telecourses are offered during the summer session, 1987.

WKU After Hours Classes

A wide variety of non-credit personal and professional enrichment courses for adults are offered on campus each semester.

To obtain a class schedule, registration materials and additional information, please write, visit or call:

Extended Campus Programs

Western Kentucky University

Bowling Green, KY 42101, (502) 745-5303/5305, or

WKU Educational Centers: Fort Knox (502) 942-0737; Glasgow (502) 651-6399; Owensboro (502) 684-9797; Russellville (502) 726-2303.

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WKU scholarships mean a great deal

Editor, Daily News:

Much publicity is given to private universities when a student receives a scholarship. The reason seems to be because it costs much more to attend private colleges and universities — the dollar value of the scholarship is what is publicized.

At awards night at Bowling Green High School, Western Kentucky University gave eight academic and two athletic scholarships. Its President's Scholarship was one of those that was presented. This scholarship is equal to other universities' top scholarships

and is better than most in what is made available to the student. I want to recognize and thank Western Kentucky University for providing numerous scholarships to our area students.

John Strode
218 Brandywood Court D.N.
Bowling Green 5-25-87

Two houses occupied by Western Kentucky University fraternity members were burglarized Wednesday night or Thursday morning, city police said.

A member of Sigma Nu fraternity told city police three pictures valued at \$1,930 were stolen from that fraternity's house, 1311 College St., between 6 p.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday.

A member of Kappa Alpha fraternity told city police at 11:30 a.m. Thursday one of the Sigma Nu pictures had turned up at the Kappa Alpha house, 411 E. 12th Ave. City police also learned a charter in a wooden frame, valued at \$200, was stolen from the Kappa Alpha house between 10 p.m. Wednesday and 8:30 a.m. Thursday. D.N. 5-22-87

Universities to feel state budget cut

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From Daily News
and AP Reports

The budget cut for next fiscal year will come heavily from a reserve fund and not require employee cutbacks, according to Collins administration budget officials.

The reduction of about \$130 million in the revenue estimate for fiscal year 1988 had been anticipated because of similar amounts that have been cut from this year.

Budget Director Larry Hayes told the interim Joint Appropriations and Revenue Committee on Thursday that though there will be no layoffs, personnel vacancies in various state agencies will go unfilled.

The budget cuts next year will have the biggest effect on the Cabinet for Human Resources and the eight state universities.

Many of the Human Resources cuts, which will amount to just over \$27 million in 1988, will actually be made up by an increase in federal payments for the Medicaid program.

Higher education will suffer more directly. Most of the \$18 million loss of General Fund appropriations will be from a 2 percent reduction in the formula that funds all of the universities.

That could mean Western Kentucky University could lose roughly \$600,000 from its state appropriated funds for the next fiscal year.

"There's still a great deal of unknowns with this proposal," said Paul Cook, Western's executive vice president for administrative affairs. "And that should be made clear, these are not accomplished things yet."

Cook said through June 30, the school will feel no impact. But if the plan is implemented, Western will be hurting next fiscal year — this after taking a \$581,600 state-ordered budget cut last December.

Western was only able to stave off effects from that cut because of its large increase in enrollment last fall.

A similar cut was made in university budgets when the first cuts were made in October 1986.

The Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, which provides student loans, had \$2 million removed from its budget as part of the overall cuts.

The Department of Education, which provides funds for elementary and secondary, was spared from the cuts.

"The thing that needs to be noted here is that higher education always take the brunt of these things," Cook said. "We keep hearing how important it is to educate the young people who will become our leaders, yet higher education is affected most directly by the cuts. I find that curious."

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State assistance to local governments will be cut by \$9.4 million in the fiscal year that begins July 1.

Lagging revenue receipts from individual income taxes, the sales tax and coal severance levies prompted the reductions in General Fund estimates, according to Revenue Secretary Gary Gillis.

The biggest single chunk cut from the 1988 budget will be \$44.3 million from the budget reserve trust fund. The trust fund was initially planned to include \$100 million by the end of the current biennium in June 1988, but the hedge is now expected to be only about \$30 million.

The budget reserve trust fund for this year, originally planned for \$50 million, was cut in half by earlier budget reductions.

Hayes also outlined the measures taken to trim \$32 million from the budget this year to make up for an earlier revenue shortfall.

The cuts this year will come primarily from Human Resources, capital construction savings, assistance to local government, and the Department of Education.

Human Resources cuts will be made up with federal funds and the education cuts will be nullified by the use of funds set aside for the minimum foundation program that were not needed.

Here is the agency-by-agency listing of where the \$32 million in budget cuts will come during the 1986-87 fiscal year. The figures are rounded.

- \$4.17 million, budget reserve trust fund.
- \$3.08 million, Local Government Economic Assistance Fund.
- \$2.97 million, Commerce Cabinet.
- \$156,100, Corrections Cabinet.
- \$3.44 million, Department of Education.
- \$1 million, higher education.
- \$9 million, Cabinet for Human Resources.
- \$250,000, Justice Cabinet.
- \$200,000, Cabinet for Natural Resources.
- \$650,000, Revenue Cabinet.
- \$117,100, School Facilities Construction Commission.
- \$1 million, Public Protection and Regulation Cabinet.
- \$5.93 million, capital construction.

Here is the agency-by-agency listing of where the \$130 million in budget cuts will come during the 1987-88 fiscal year. The figures are rounded.

- \$44.39 million, budget reserve trust fund.
- \$9.4 million, Local Government Economic Assistance Fund.
- \$105,800, Department of Agriculture.
- \$206,100, Department of Military Affairs.
- \$190,500, Department of Local Government.
- \$1 million, Energy Cabinet.
- \$1.41 million, Finance Cabinet.
- \$2 million, Higher Education Assistance Authority.
- \$27.11 million, Cabinet for Human Resources.
- \$2.65 million, Justice Cabinet.
- \$785,100, Public Protection and Regulation Cabinet.
- \$1.75 million, Revenue Cabinet.
- \$163,100, governor's office.
- \$100,000, Personnel Department.
- \$7.83 million, Commerce Cabinet.
- \$1.35 million, Corrections Cabinet.

- \$6.91 million, Education and Humanities Cabinet, excluding the Department of Education.
- \$16.07 million, Council on Higher Education, including the universities.
- \$50,000, Labor Cabinet.
- \$1.04 million, Cabinet for Natural Resources.
- \$858,100, Tourism Cabinet.
- 137,000, Transportation Cabinet.
- \$2 million, capital construction.
- \$386,900, legislative branch.
- \$1.54 million, judicial branch.
- \$314,300, other government agencies.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky.---Western Kentucky University showed off its claim as the forerunner in energy conservation Wednesday by holding a tour of a new air conditioner that was installed in a campus classroom building a month ago.

About 200 facility/management personnel from public community colleges and universities across the state gathered to see the Retrofit chiller in action before an untimely electrical storm caused a power outage.

However, soon back in action, the new machine was demonstrated to show how energy can be saved in air conditioning such large buildings as Cherry Hall at WKU.

Western is the first public university in the state to have this type of cost-effective air conditioning system, said Owen Lawson, energy conservation coordinator for Kentucky's Council on Higher Education. Lawson retired last year as physical plant director for Western.

The Retrofit chiller and a new motor were purchased from York Equipment, which has regional offices in Louisville, and was installed by Johnson Controls of Louisville. Steve Wesley, service salesman for Johnson Controls, said that the existing tubes were re-used, which also cut down on costs. The new motor and compressor costs between \$65,000 to \$75,000.

The new compressor is two-thirds the size of the old compressor which broke down two years ago, Wesley said. Since then, Western has used a rental chiller during the summer heat.

"I am impressed with it," said Lawson. "All of its characteristics are good."

Lawson told the visitors touring the basement of Cherry Hall that they would be faced with the same problem at their own schools because most of their systems were installed about 20 years ago.

"There is no doubt that this (Retrofit) seems to be the trend to replace old systems with," he said.

The new compressor, components and controls should last about 20 years, Wesley said. Northern Kentucky University is already in the process of installing a Retrofit in their library, Lawson said.

**Western selects junior scholar
Lisa Ann Johner of Warren Cen-**

tral High School, daughter of Wayne and Carole Johner, has been selected to be a Junior Scholar at Western Kentucky University this summer.

Scholars are selected on the basis of grade-point averages and participation in extra-curricular activities.

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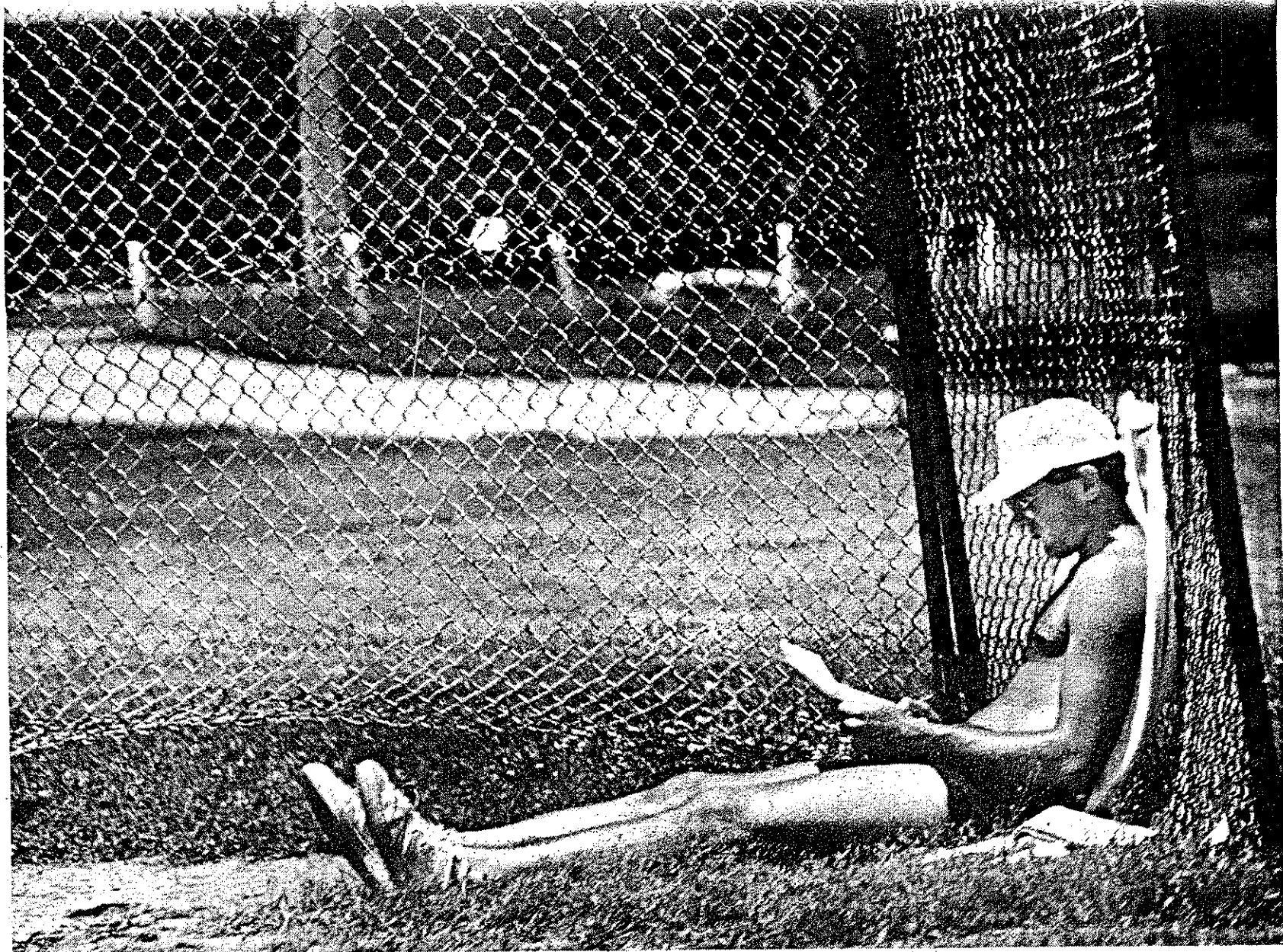
Campus child care is to be offered at WKU

Western Kentucky University's Campus Child Care program will offer day care services for pre-school children and a recreation program for school-age children from 7:30

a.m. until 5 p.m. through July 31.

For more information, contact the WKU Campus Child Care Center, Room 344, WKU College of Education Building.

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Suntan and studies

RANDY BOWMAN, a graduate student at Western Kentucky University from Macomb, Ill., catches up on his studies and his suntan at a ballfield on the university campus Saturday morning. Just hours be-

fore, a thunderstorm cut off power to 10,000 city residents and dumped nearly an inch of rain on the area.

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