Property found for president's home

By BRYAN ARMSTRONG

Western may soon buy property for a new president's home. The regents have since asked the College Heights Foundation to assist in finding and buying the home.

Former President Dero Downing said last fall that in 1968, the foundation set aside $75,000 to help buy the home. The new property would replace the house at 1536 State St., in which Downing and his family still live.

Cole wouldn't say what property the regents will consider Thursday or how much they will spend. "I don't think it's a matter to be considered prior to the meeting."

"Some would like to see it bought, and some wouldn't. Before the board meets, nothing is definite."

"We won't say what the price or how much the regents are willing to pay. I don't want to discuss that at all."

Solar shutdown

A solar eclipse Monday lasted nearly two hours and the moon blocked two-thirds of the sun at 10:50 a.m. Right, Guy Briggs uses a telescope to project the image of the eclipse onto a piece of paper. Below, Donna Armbror views the eclipse through exposed film.

Photos by Scott Robinson

In the running

Professor, dean among choices for president

By ALAN JUDD

An educational leadership professor and a dean at Western are reportedly among the top seven presidential candidates. The Herald learned Friday that Dr. Gene Farley, educational leadership professor, is among the top candidates.

Farley, 57, has been at Western since 1969. He earned an undergraduate degree from Eastern Kentucky and master's and doctoral degrees at George Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn.

Farley, who said he was nominated, said yesterday he hasn't been notified about the presidential selection. "I won't comment at all, because I don't know anything about it."

Another university official still being considered is Dr. Marvin Russell, Ogden College dean, a story in Saturday's Henderson Gleaner reported.

Rushed Sunday night, Russell refused to comment. "I strictly do not feel I should comment at this time," he said.

Russell, 51, a native of Webster County, got an undergraduate degree from Western. He earned master's and doctoral degrees at the University of Florida.

Meanwhile, regents Chairman J. David Cole said yesterday that news stories identifying presidential candidates have been inaccurate and that they have had "a very negative effect" on the selection process.

"Western is in the midst of by far the most open selection process in the state of Kentucky," he said.

"I think you do people harm by naming names, especially when they're inaccurate."

Cole said some stories, including those in the Herald, have been inaccurate. "But I would not say how inaccurate the stories are."

However, a screening committee member who asked not to be identified said, "Most of it (stories identifying candidates) has been accurate."

The member said, though, that he has not been notified of any official action since the committee finished its work in December.

"All we did was give them 20 names," the member said. "They..."

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Race doesn't affect aid, official says

By CHRIS CLARK

Minority groups get a break in getting financial aid at Western, according to A.J. Thurman, financial aid director.

But it's not because of race. The most recent figures show that minorities compose 18 percent of the beneficiaries of the programs handled by the university financial aid office.

John Holder, financial aid staff assistant, said a person's race isn't even asked on Basic Educational Opportunity Grant applications, but he was sure the percentage of minorities who receive BEOG is proportionally higher than for the general student population.

"They just simply don't have the income," he said. Since financial standing is the most important factor in determining who gets aid, Western "must give priority to the economies of the family as opposed to the academic aspect."

Because minorities tend to have lower incomes, "we have 10 percent of the population getting almost 20 percent of the aid," Thurman said. (Enrollment figures for the fall of 1978 show that of 13,305 students, about 10 percent were minority members — non-whites.)

Of the 1977-78 recipients in the National Direct Student Loan program, 23 percent were minorities. In 1978, 36 percent of Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant money was awarded to minority members.

Thurman said, "The supplemental grant is given to the people we think have the greatest need for the money."

But in that same year, only 6.3 percent of the work-study program participants were in minorities. "We have fewer minorities cannot be given special consideration in applying for aid."

"Legislation cannot be structured to benefit any group," he said.

Federal financial aid requirements don't include applicants' races, but independent funds can be established to benefit minority students, Thurman said.

State buys Hub for $98,000

Control board last Feb. 3 issued the beer license. Western challenged the license in Franklin Circuit Court, and an appeal was taken to the state Court of Appeals. The appeal is still pending.

No decision has been made on what the university will use the building for, Rhea Lazarus, assistant to the president, said.

It also hasn't been decided whether the appeal of the beer license will be dropped, Bill Bivin, university attorney, said.

"I'll have to confer with the university officials involved on that," Bivin said.

A new state law could prevent any more problems with restaurants near Western wanting to sell alcoholic beverages. The law requires that the restaurants be at least 200 feet from any building used primarily, instead of exclusively, for classrooms.

Cole: Stories hurt selection system

The Henderson newspaper also said a University of Texas official is in the running. Dr. Donald Zacharias, acting chancellor, reportedly is among the top candidates here.

The Gleaner story, which quoted unidentified, reportedly highly placed sources at Western, also identified these candidates: Dr. Paul Cook, Western's budget director and assistant to the president; Dr. James Davis, Western's academic affairs vice president; Dr. Raymond Hornback, University of Kentucky university relations vice president; and Dr. Kern Alexander, University of Florida interdi-

State Young Democrat head trying to win national post

By LISA BEATY

If things go his way, Dale Emmons may be the first Kentuckian to become the national president of the Young Democrats.

The Young Democrats' purpose is to back Democratic candidates and strengthen the Democratic Party. The group does not take a stand on political issues but does work at elections and helps register voters, according to Western-Warren County Chapter President Susan Purdue.

Emmons was at Western recently to "announce his intentions" to run for national president. He is the national treasurer for the Young Democrats and has served in many other posts, such as Kentucky Young Democrats state presi-

Emmons, a Morehead student, had said he would officially announce his candidacy last Saturday for the presidency.

Emmons is running against opponents from Illinois, New Jersey and Arkansas, but he is confident that his record will convince voters that he is the best choice for president. "I've dedicated myself for a much longer time than my opponents," he said.

Emmons said he will also be aided by the fact that Kentucky is one of the three strongest voting states of the 45 states and two territories that have National Young Democrats chapters.

Emmons said if he were elected, he would work toward ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment, statehood for the District of Columbia and election law reform. He described the present election laws as "dis-

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Daughter plans show; mother to share limelight

By AMY GALLOWAY

Like daughter, like mother. Although usually read the other way around, in Mary Hooker’s case it’s the best possible description. Hooker, a textiles and clothing major, is planning a fashion show, and her mother is one of her models.

The Nashville, Tenn., senior, who is also a model, is organizing the show as a project for her fashion internship class.

Hooker said the internship class requires each student to work at a retail store. “We’re supposed to get a piece of the business.”

She is doing her internship at My Friend’s Place, where she works about 30 hours a week.

Most interns are not paid, but Hooker said, “You get compensated by what you learn, not by money.”

Interns are also required to work on a major project throughout the semester, Dr. Virginia Atkins, who teaches the class, said.

To find good models for the show, Hooker began to observe the people around her. She decided her mother would be a wise choice.

“Older women come into the shop all the time. I wanted people to be able to relate to the models. “She’s thin, so she’ll play the part,” Hooker added.

Hooker also began looking at the models that came into the shop and dorm lobbies as prospective models. She said she really had no problem finding models because most “girls just love the limelight.”

Hooker is concentrating now on promoting the show, which will be Thursday in Garrett Conference Center. The tickets were made by Hooker, her husband, her family and her friends.

Hooker and her friends are going door to door telling people about the show and selling tickets, which are 50 cents each.

Although Hooker hopes to become a buyer some day, her experiences with fashion coordinating and shows have opened up another aspect of the field.

“I’m going to be looking to see how I progress. After this show, I may look into coordinating.”

Hooker will get a grade on her class project, but she said that isn’t important to her.

“Even though I get graded with an ‘A’ or a ‘B,’ the biggest thing is entertaining the girls who attend.”

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**All smiles**

Dessie White (left) jokes with Karrie Chang and Walter Liu—both students from Taiwan. Karrie wanted to drop a class but didn’t know what to drop.

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**Degree regulations changed**

Academic Council voted Thursday to change the residence requirements for the associate degree program.

The new ruling will change the number of hours that must be taken here from 24 to 16 (one-fourth of the required 64 hours)

According to Dr. Faye Robinson, council secretary, a recommendation was “I am not free to comment on that.”

During discussion, Dr. Ronald Nash, philosophy and religion department head, questioned the wisdom of reducing the number of required hours “in this day of declining enrollment.”

Dr. Stephen House, registrar, said the change would simply make it (associate degree program) equitable with bachelor's degree programs.

Nash said, “I think it is admirable to have equity, but we should consider the results.

We’re allowing a student to take one semester here and graduate with a Western associate degree.”

Others members of the council said the change would be in line with residence requirements at other schools and would make Western more competitive.

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Opinion

City officials should seek inspection

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Kentucky Building electrical maintenance men won't be helped much by a decision by the state to discourage conflicts of interest on building projects.

It used to be the state's policy to have inspections done by an engineer on the staff of the consultant who designed electrical work on a project.

Feb. 9, the state fire marshal's office issued an occupancy permit for the recent addition and renovation to the building on Russellville Road. That permit was based on a certificate signed by an employee of Waldron, Bates and Webb Inc., the firm that designed the electrical system for the project.

But city electrical inspector Julian Cash has alleged that there are two serious electrical code violations in the building. Since Cash was not hired by the state, some of his allegations were ignored.

City officials should present Cash's allegations to the state and ask that it rule for an independent check.

Even if these alleged violations are borderline or can be ignored on a technicality, they should be corrected. It would be absurd for the consultant to say that correcting errors would be too costly, considering the renovation has already cost $2.13 million. The original building cost only about $225,000.

Cash has alleged that the main electrical switchgear, where electricity enters the building, does not have the required national electrical code switches, he found the Lord Jesus. It would be dangerous for electricians, Cash said, because there is only 38 inches of working space instead of the required five feet.

The other violation alleged by Cash: that switches for the air-conditioning motors do not have the required clearance and that the switches are behind pipes, making them difficult to reach.

One city electrician said the last design error would make it difficult for workers to shut off power quickly if there was an emergency. He said this could cause serious injury and possibly death.

Warren Circuit Judge William Allender has ruled that Cash and the city don't have jurisdiction to inspect or remove the violations, but that doesn't make the alleged violations, which Cash cited in an unauthorized inspection, any less dangerous.

The new policy to prevent possibly biased inspections doesn't mean that charges of electrical errors in the Kentucky Building will be further investigated. If there are violations, as Cash said, they probably won't be corrected.

The contract between the state and the electrical designer specifically says that the work must meet all building codes—national, state and local—not just those that are convenient to the consultants. If Cash's allegations are true, the contract has not been fulfilled.

City and Western engineers will probably be called on to maintain the electrical system, so they should have some say in inspecting it.

After all, they're the ones who'll have to live, or die, with it.
Turnstiles: Book checkers keep watch on library

By MARGARET SHIRLEY

Gayle Minich sat at his desk in Cravens Library, working a crossword puzzle. Leaning back in his chair, he scanned the contents of a book bag and noticed as the student pulled his way out through the turnstile. Minich, a 69-year-old retired post office worker, is one of 11 persons who work as checkers in the campus libraries. "We checkers aren't librarians," he said, "We have our own specialized duties."

Those duties include checking out books, using the computer system, giving information and directions, reading the meters on the turnstiles every hour and checking book bags and knapsacks for library material that hasn't been checked out. Minich said that students occasionally object when their bags are checked. "I have never had any problems though. If we find anything, the students usually say they forgot they had the material.

"We do have a theft problem, but it's kind of a honor system. We can't always be sure that we catch everything."

Wycliffe Larmon said that students "sometimes try to sneak by or they say 'don't you think I have a good face' or 'you don't know me'. They especially try to get by with backpacks.

Mrs. Larmon has been working as a checker for 14 years. "When I came in '65, there was just the one building, but we soon outgrew it and they built Cravens," she said.

"They also didn't have the turnstiles in the doors or the computers. We checked out books at a circulation desk that has been moved all over this lobby (Heim) until they finally built the desk we use now."

Mrs. Larmon said she prefers working in Helm "because it's busier."

"Sometimes students give me their ID face down because they don't want me to see their picture," she said.

James Sacrey has been working as a book checker four or five days a week for about seven years.

He said that the university hires retired people for the job "because they can depend on us. They know we're going to be here no matter what."

Clifton Hines, another checker, said that he has never caught anyone trying to take materials belonging to the university, "but one girl got half mad at me last week when I wanted to check her books. She said she had already checked them out and didn't think I should look through her bag."

Hines, 74, has been working in the library since he retired from a grocery store 10 years ago. Even on "slow" nights, he said, he never gets bored.

Mrs. Wycliffe Larmon mans her book-checking post at Helm library.

Honors research bulletin papers due Thursday

By SHEILA RILEY

Thursday is the deadline for students to submit research papers for possible inclusion in the Student Honors Research Bulletin.

The bulletin was begun several years ago as a University Honors Committee publication to recognize students enrolled in honors courses.

The bulletin now includes the outstanding work of any student—undergraduate or graduate—regardless of whether he or his course had an "honors" designation.

Walker Rutledge, assistant English professor and bulletin editor, said that changes in the selection of papers have been made to "attempt to deal with the matter of getting students to submit their work...to increase competition and to reflect the diversity of student research being done on campus."

The University Honors Committee and the academic deans council have set the following guidelines for the 1979 issue of the bulletin:

- Each of the five college humanities and the academic deans council have set the following guidelines for the 1979 issue of the bulletin:

- Issues of the bulletin will contain 25 papers—the best freshman, sophomore, junior, senior and graduate research papers from each of the five academic colleges.

- Papers cannot be longer than 25 typed, doublespaced pages, excluding bibliography and footnote pages.

- By April 1, deans will forward the winning papers to the editor. (All papers written since May 1978 are eligible.)

- From the 25 outstanding papers, the University Honors Committee will select one as the year's best.
 Heldman 'promoted' to teacher

English head resigns post

By SUSAN TAYLOR

Dr. James Heldman, who has resigned as English department head, says he's been 'promoted' to a teaching job.

After seven years as department head, Heldman is resigning effective Aug. 15 because, "I'm not the person for the job, and it's not the job for me."

"Because of my work here, I've moved further and further away from books and students. I've had time to realize that those are the things that matter to me," he said.

Heldman said he has been able to teach only one course a semester since he became department head. He will return to full-time teaching.

"Frankly," he said, "I'm delighted with the promotion."

The Crusaders concert set

The Crusaders, jazz musicians, are scheduled to perform April 25 in Diddle Arena, according to Ron Beck, Associated Student Government advisor.

David Carwell, ASG activities vice president, said the concert was confirmed last week. Carwell said the concert is being promoted by ASG and Western, but not by Sunshine Promotions, which has the promotion contract for Western concerts.

Carwell said the Crusaders "probably" will be the concert this semester of interest to black students.

An opening act has not been chosen yet, and ticket prices have not been set, Beck said.

He said there may still be another concert this semester promoted by Sunshine, "if we can find the date, and they have found a program."

Beck would not comment on why Sunshine is not promoting the Crusaders concert.

Steve Sybesma, part owner of Sunshine Promotions in Indianapolis, Ind., could not be reached yesterday.

Lenny and the Squigtones, a musical-comedy act based on characters Lenny and Squiggy from the television show "Laverne and Shirley," is scheduled to play at Western either April 17 or 19, according to Tim Nemeth, assistant university centers director.

Nemeth said the act is part of a tour to promote an album and a new television show, planned for fall starring the two characters.

Nemeth said Western will be one of the first stops on their promotional tour.

The show will be either in Van Meter auditorium or in Garrett Center Ballroom, depending on the date the act is available.

Some students will have a say in the final decision, Mounce said. "They will have an opportunity to meet the various candidates, and their opinions will go into the pot."

Heldman came to Western from the English faculty of the University of Missouri in 1971.

"Day-to-day operations consume enormous amounts of energy," Heldman said. "I can't even begin to list all the jobs."

"The department needs things done that I simply haven't had time to do. Undoubtedly, there's someone who will be better at it (the job) than I am; and I welcome that."

Heldman said that before he came to Western, he had started a long-range research project and a book—two efforts he said he hopes to begin again.

"Going back to the classroom will take a lot of preparation," he said. "I haven't taught freshman and sophomore classes for a long time."

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Anita Orr (the winner) and Carmen Henderson wait in the dressing room before performing in the dance routine.

'A chill'

Anita Orr is Miss Black Western

By CECELIA MASON

"Scared. I got a chill." That was Anita Orr's reaction after being crowned Miss Black Western in the 10th annual pageant sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority. Tears ran down the Nashville, Tenn., sophomore's face as she walked down the runway in the Garrett Conference Center Ballroom Saturday night. The crowning ceremony climaxed an evening of entertainment and competition by the four women entered in the pageant.

Trenton's Miss Black Western was the only other entrant.

About 100 people attended the pageant, which used the Broadway show "The Wiz" as its theme.

During the talent competition, Henderson sang "You Believe," and Orr sang "Home." Both songs are from "The Wiz." Ford performed a modern dance routine to "Everybody Rejoice," also from "The Wiz," and Johnson delivered a dramatic monologue from Langston Hughes' "The Negro Mother."

All four women performed a dance routine to " Ease on Down the Road," from "The Wiz."

Each contestant was also asked to answer the question: "What are the changing roles of the young black woman in today's society?"

Orr said she thinks black women are realizing they can do things as well as men. "It's necessary for us to realize that we are important, too."

Anita Orr is congratulated by Shikelle Peak, president of Alpha Kappa Alpha; Dianne Butts, Miss Black Western for 1978; and Ire'tta Johnson, first runner-up. At left, Gwen Ford models in the bathing suit contest.
Electrical inspection rules changed

BY STEVE CARPENTER

New state electrical inspection guidelines will end apparent conflict of interest, such as that which arose in the Kentucky Building project, according to the technical adviser for the state fire marshal.

For the past two years, the consultants, who design the mechanical and electrical systems for buildings, also have certified their projects, creating what appears to be a conflict of interest. Warren Southworth of the state fire marshal's office said:

The certification states that the building meets all state, national and local electrical codes. Under the new regulations the state fire marshal's office will hire electrical inspectors for state projects to eliminate any conflict of interest, Southworth said.

In the Kentucky Building case, Tommy Waldron of Waldron, Batey and Wade—the electrical consultants certified the electrical system of the building. Julian Cash, city electrical inspector, alleges there are two major violations of the National Electric Code in the building.

Financial aid talk tonight in Garrett

Paul Borden, executive director of the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, will speak tonight at 7 in Garrett Conference Center, room 302.

Borden's topic will be student involvement in financial aid policy-making. He was originally scheduled to speak as part of Financial Aid Awareness Week, but has canceled two engagements.

Borden, a Paris, City native, graduated from the University of Louisville in 1967 with a degree in commerce.

He has worked in the financial aid departments of U of L and Kentucky State University.

What's happening

Today

Zeta Phi Beta will have a sorority display from noon to 5 p.m. in the university center, room 341.

Tomorrow

Harold Planetaryum will be closed through March 2.

Gamma Beta Phi will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the university center, room 306.

The Soccer Club will have an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. in Thompson Complex Central Wing, room 301.

Thursday

Zeta Phi Beta will sponsor "Information Highlights" from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the West Hall cellar.

"The Zoo Story" will be presented at 8:15 p.m. in Gordon Wilson Hall, Theater 100. Admission is free.

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Weekend of upsets leaves 4 teams tied for 3 playoff berths

By KEVIN STEWART

Finding a four-way tie in a college basketball conference is as unusual as finding a four-leaf clover.

But the Ohio Valley Conference has that rare find as four teams tied for second place with 7-5 records.

Tickets for the OVC tournament, which starts Friday at Eastern, will be on sale at the Diddle Arena office until 4 p.m. Wednesday. The price is $3.

Western, Middle Tennessee, Morehead and Tennessee Tech created the logjam behind first-place Eastern (9-3) to scramble the seedings in this weekend's OVC tournament in Richmond.

The four-way tie is the first in the league's 50-year history.

Tech didn't have quite as much luck as its three companions as the OVC by-laws ousted the men's basketball Golden Eagles from the tournament. The by-laws break a tie by comparing the tied teams' records for wins over the teams ranked above and below them.

Western is the tournament's second seed by virtue of its season wins against Eastern. The Hilltoppers will play third-seeded Morehead Friday. Morehead finished third by beating Eastern, 98-91, at home Saturday.

Eastern is host to fourth-seeded Middle in the tournament's other game. Middle and Tech both dropped two regular season games to Eastern, but Middle swept games with sixth-place Austin Peay, while Tech split with Peay. Thus, Middle gained the tournament spot.

Middle earned its spot by defeating Western, 81-76, in Murfreesboro, Tenn. Saturday night.

The Blue Raiders used clutch free throw shooting during the game's final minute to down the Hilltoppers.

After Western guard Tre'y Trumbo hit a layup to pull his team within three at 75-72 with 34 seconds remaining, Middle hit six free throws to ice the game.

Middle guard Greg Armstrong hit four of those free throws and forward Leroy Coleman added the other two, sandwiched around two Western baskets.

"They had the cards stacked against us," Western coach Gene Keedy said. "It was Jimmy Earl's (the OVC's coach) and Greg Joyner's last game. I think we played good considering that.

Earle announced earlier this week he would resign. Joyner, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, is a senior.

Western never led in the

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Western gymnasts gel, but Louisville better

Western gymnastics coach Sally Krakoviak was ecstatic after Saturday's home meet against the University of Louisville and Ball State. Not because the Hilltoppers had won—they were second with a 127.5 score—but because Western had shown signs of recovering from its injuries in one of its best meets of the year.

Preparation for home meets starts days in advance for Ms. Krakoviak. Arrangements have to be made for judges and gym space, girls from her gymnastics class come to give required help, programs have to be typed. A lot of other little things add up to a hectic week.

Saturday morning Ms. Krakoviak and a few helpers started moving the equipment into the gym shortly after the faculty-staff basketball games were through.

In the stands were 80 aspiring young gymnasts from a newly organized private club in Murray. They had come to Bowling Green to see a "real gymnastics' meet."

On the other side of the gym a few parents, with pens and paper to keep track of the scores, waited nervously.

A few curious ROTC members stood around watching, and some members of the baseball team were running through winter training drills.

It wasn't hard to figure out which team was Louisville—ranked ninth in the nation. The Cardinals relied through routines with polished flair, exhibiting the poise and confidence that separates the good from the mediocre. They smiled and practiced, pointed their toes and attempted more difficult moves than either of the other teams.

But Western didn't look too bad itself. Everyone was pulling together; it was the last home meet for three—Libby Goff, Pam Moss and Charlie Farrington.

All of the Tops had been plagued with injuries this year. The latest, Mike Klum- Schreiner, sat on the bench with a cast on his foot.

"They were beginning to question whether they could hit their events after these injuries," Ms. Krakoviak said. "But today was a bonus. They're really pulling their confidence back together.

"I'm so proud of those girls.

Everyone contributed in her own way. Barbby Shields took second all-around with a 33.65. Goff was fourth with a 32.25. Farrington, who is still hindered with a sore shoulder, bore the pain long enough to compile a 7.8 on the balance beam.

Moes is making a comeback after a cyst on her ankle kept her out until three weeks ago. Betsy Terrell gave Western that needed fourth score in the vault.

Kathy Flannary performed well, even though her arm was wrapped and she had to use ice on her inflamed elbow during much of the meet.

"Our goal had been to score a 192," Ms. Krakoviak said afterward. "And they sure did that—seven points better.

"Louisville is a seasoned team: they've competed against the No. 1 team in the nation. That experience pays off."

But it hasn't been all roses for the state titlist Cardinals this year. Three of their best gymnasts aren't on the team anymore, for various reasons. And the casualties include All-American Bonnie Harris, who was invited to try out for the 1976 Olympics but couldn't because of injury.

Nonetheless, Louisville is hanging in there, with its eyes on another state crown and a high finish in the nationals. The Cards won Saturday's meet with a 138.85, six of their members.

After the meet a flood of basketball players took over the floor. The Ball State gymnasts, who were last with a 117.6, quickly changed into their street clothes for the trip back. Louisville's Cindy Treharn, who was third with a 33.46 score, gave her teammates a quick pep talk and reminded them that it would all be over in four weeks (the national March 30 and 31 at Penn State).

And Ms. Krakoviak was ecstatic. Not everybody can win; but they can pull together and give it their best.
Middle wins, 82-63

women's basketball

"I'm keeping my fingers crossed—judging by our performance in the OVC tournament—that we are a pressure club," Western coach Eileen Canty said.

Middle had five players score in double figures while Western had only two: Betty Splawn, 29, and Donna Sutton, 10. Sutton had the most team rebounds with five. Middle had two starters who played here in January. The Blue Raiders shot 58 percent from the field for the game.

Ms. Canty said Western's biggest problem was its passing. "We had 29 turnovers and I bet 19 of those were from trying to catch the ball halffooted. They weren't anticipating at all."

But that doesn't mean Ms. Canty still isn't optimistic about this weekend's tournament.

Kappa Alpha Psi won the fraternity division of men's intramural basketball Thursday by defeating Phi Beta Sigma, 77-61.

The Buzzards won the independent division with a win over the People's Choice, 50-46, Saturday morning.

Phi Beta Sigma will play the Buzzards at 6 p.m. March 5 at 7. Kappa Alpha Psi will play the People's Choice.

The losers of the March 5 game will play a consolation game at 7 p.m. March 6. The campus championship game will be played at 9 p.m.

In women's volleyball, the Goodtime Gang won the championship by defeating Central Hall's team last Wednesday.

Feb. 20 the Goodtime Gang won the independent division against Central. Alpha Delta Pi won the sorority division the 18th by defeating Omicron Pi.

The following six teams are in the interfraternity water polo tournament to begin next week: Tennessee Gang, Water Rats, AOPi, Six Packers, Chitty Moons and Chi Omega. The games are the top two from each of the three leagues.

Western's Mary Tingley won the 200-yard backstroke in last weekend's Kentucky Women's Invitational Swimming and Diving Championships at the University of Louisville. Tingley's time of 2:18-1 was a Louisville pool record.

Western did not compete as a team because some members were not able to attend. Coach Tate Nation said it was Western's last meet of the season.

Linda Meyers was second in the 50-yard breaststroke and set a-Western record with a 2:38.143. Western's 200-yard medley relay team of Tingley, Meyers, Margaret Donaldson and Kathy Nix each finished second. Asmers's 2:39.0 in the 200-yard freestyle leg is a Western record. The same women also finished third in the 800-yard freestyle relay. Donaldson was fifth in the 100-yard butterfly.

Western's relay team will show well enough in last weekend's International Shooters Union sectional to earn an invitation to the regional tournament, according to coach Sgt. John Baker.

Although the results of the ISU sections are incomplete, Baker said his team will probably finish in the nation's top 10 teams and qualify for the nationals.

The team shot a 4,417 full course. Joyce Alexander, followed by Mary Kneecott (1,124), Erick Sack (1,108) and Carol Rupe (1,044).
Western tough in past tournaments

By RICK WOOD

Records don't mean anything; neither do statistics. All that matters is which team wins the Ohio Valley Conference tournament in Richmond March 2 and 3.

As OVC and National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament time draws near, let's take a trip down memory lane.

The OVC came close to losing its automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, but a first round win by Western in last season's tourney and the expansion of the tournament field to 40 teams will preserve the spot for at least a few more years.

If history repeats itself, Western fans could be making the trip to Murfreesboro on March 8 for the first-round game of the NCAA tournament.

Western has won two of the last three OVC tournaments (Western finished second in the conference during the 1974-75 season but was ineligible for post-season tournament play)—and is the winningest OVC team in NCAA tournament play with a 10-10 record.

This year is no different from any in the past—anything can happen.

Last season Western finished third, one game ahead of fourth. In the tournament, the Hilltoppers beat conference co-champion East Tennessee and then disposed of Austin Peay, which had finished second in the regular season standings, 77-69, in overtime to clinch the NCAA bid.

Before last season's tournament, the NCAA announced that it was canceling automatic bids to five conferences with the worst records. The OVC was one of those—it had a 14-28 record in the NCAA tournament and had won only one game in five years.

Western beat nationally ranked Syracuse, 87-86, to give the OVC a hope of hanging onto the tournament spot.

Loss of the NCAA bid for the tournament winner would have probably meant death to the OVC tournament. One concerned individual was conference Commissioner Bob Vanatta. "I'm afraid that the interest we've had in the OVC tournament wouldn't be there if we didn't have the automatic NCAA bid," Vanatta said before last year's tournament.

Now the OVC tournament includes only the top four teams in the standings, but in 1976 all conference teams participated in the tournament. Because of a lack of attendance, that format didn't last long. Western played its first-round game that season against East Tennessee, in front of 1,100 fans. The Morehead-Eastern game attracted only 750 spectators, while Tennessee Tech and Austin Peay played in front of 1,800 fans.

But attendance for the four-team affair has since been good, and the tournament has turned into the OVC's chief source of basketball revenue.

So as the ghosts of tournaments past haunt the 7,500 fans at Alumni Coliseum Friday and Saturday, Morehead, Western, Middle Tennessee and host Eastern will fight it out for the coveted spot in the NCAA Mid-East Regional.

Watkins time 6th best in nation

Western fourth at Tennessee

The women's track team finished fourth of 14 teams and set two records Saturday at the University of Tennessee Invitational. Tennessee, Eastern, and Kentucky took the top three spots.

Toppers drop season finale

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second half but stayed within nine. The Toppers had two one-point leads in the first half, before falling behind, 37-31, at halftime.

Western suffered its second straight loss and was outrebounded by 11 in its last 12 games.

Tech finished its conference schedule last week and dropped a non-conference game to East Tennessee, 107-70, Saturday.

Austin Peay avoided the conference cellar with an 85-84 win at Murray.

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