

Macy, Claytor shine in pre-season play

Williams expected to be okay

University of Kentucky junior basketball forward LaVon Williams, who suffered a fracture of the zygomatic process (a bony arch on either side of the face just below the eye, or a bone of the zygomatic arch forming the prominence of each cheek) during a Friday scrimmage, was back at practice Saturday but participated only in light shooting drills.

Williams originally was scheduled for immediate surgery, but will be re-examined Wednesday or Thursday.

"The doctors say LaVon should be O.K. if his vision is not impaired and if he can get his teeth without pain," said head coach Joe B. Hall. "They also said the injury should not limit his play once he gets over the tenderness around his eye."

Williams was injured when he caught an elbow during a 46-minute scrimmage, one of the few the Wildcats have undergone in four weeks of play that has been dominated by fundamentals.

While Hall feels the Wildcats have a long way to go before reaching their potential, two players showed laser beam brightness and accuracy in the

first prolonged scrimmage. They were starting guards — junior All-American candidate Kyle Macy and senior co-captain Truman Claytor, who led the Whites to a 68-48 margin over the Red team. Macy scored 20 points on nine of 19 shots, while Claytor had 19 of eight of 19 shots for a combined 85.0 per cent marksmanship.

Freshman Chuck Verderter, who replaced Williams early in the workout, was very impressive with 16 points and six rebounds. Deane Casey, 15, and Roy Shidler, 16, and freshman Clarence Tillman, 12, led the Red team, while freshman Dwight Anderson scored six at forward for the Whites.

"Despite some bright spots, we still have not mastered the offense, but we are beginning to show some improvement defensively," said Hall. "Our defense showed more aggressiveness in scrimmages than at any time this year — they showed a little more understanding of team philosophy, so we are pleased in that respect."

"Our fast break is not materializing, and our offense is still sputtering, so we will be working in that direction the

next three weeks. We have not scrimmaged that much and that may be what is needed to bring our offense around." The Wildcats got their first taste of combat in the first of three in-state exhibitions Nov. 15 at Boyle County High School in Danville. Two other games are scheduled Nov. 20 at Shelby County High School in Shelbyville, and Nov. 22 at Bullitt Central High School in Shepherdsville.

Hall has made no decision as to splitting his squad, which will be supplemented by several walk-on players.

Tickets to the Kentucky-Palmetto National Team game, Nov. 20 at Rupp Arena, are on public sale at the U.K. ticket office in Memorial Coliseum, and Rupp Arena. The Poles feature 71" Point Guard, three 6'9" men and five over 6'6".

Couch Joe B. Hall and assistant sports information director Jack Perry will represent U.K. at the annual SEC Basketball Press Conference Monday and Tuesday in Birmingham. A new twist this year will feature one player from each school and the Wildcats' spokesman will be cooing-talking Kyle Macy. The meeting is sponsored by the Southeastern Conference and is under the direction of Public Information Director Elmore "Scoop" Hudgins.



Hunter scores

The referee signals Randy Hunter (41) has crossed the goal line for Nicholas County's second touchdowns in Friday's game against Beechwood. The visiting Tigers rode two first quarter touchdowns by Balle Meritage (21) in dark jersey to a 17-12 win for the Class A Bigges Three Hills. Other Jackets pictured are Jeff Elder (71), Tom Moreland (64), Ron Roer (28), Kevin Gillison (72) and David McGulley (41). —Mercury photo



Double duty

Kathy Lyman has been pulling double duty all season long during Bluejacket football games. After cheering the first half, she takes to the field with the Bluejacket marching band for the halftime show and then returns to the sidelines for a second half of cheering. —Mercury photo.

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Veterans Day, 1978



At attention

MMI cadets stand at attention during Veterans Day ceremonies Friday at the Nicholas County High School football field. Students from both schools took part in the events honoring America's soldiers. —Mercury photo.

Honored vet

J.E. "Doc" Breakshaw was an honored guest at Friday's Veterans Day ceremonies at the Nicholas County High School football field. Breakshaw was present in France with the U. S. Army when the Armistice was signed on Nov. 11, 1918 — 60 years ago. —Mercury photo.



Kentucky Afield

Two Bracken men caught poaching

by John Wilson

Two Bracken County men who pled guilty to deer poaching charges have been fined \$500 each, given six-month suspended jail terms, placed on two-year probation and denied hunting and fishing privileges for two years.

The two could also be made to pay for the deer they illegally killed and could also lose all equipment used in their poaching activities, including a 1976 four-wheel-drive pickup truck. A hearing was held Oct. 31 before District Judge Robert L. Gallenstein to determine what equipment will be declared contraband and whether restitution must be made for the deer. The current value of a white-tailed deer is \$225.

If either is convicted of any fish or game law violation within the probationary period, he could be made to serve the six-month jail term.

W. Smith, 38, were arrested Sept. 30 by conservation officers Jerry Harmoned, Joe Wilson and Atlas Lynn when the officers observed the two men jack-lighting. A nine-point buck was discovered in the back of the pickup truck.

The sentence Smith and Snidlers received were the most severe handed down so far this year. The 1978 Kentucky General Assembly increased the maximum fine for deer poaching to \$1,000, provided for jail terms of up to one year and allowed the courts to revoke hunting privileges for up to three years. Existing laws allowed the courts to confiscate any or all equipment, including boats or land vehicles, used in game law violations.

Wildlife officials believe that these stiffer penalties will serve as effective deterrents to deer poaching, an illegal

activity which biologists say cuts deeply into Kentucky's deer population and is directly responsible for many areas of the state being closed to deer hunting.

"With a few more judgments like this," says Fish and Wildlife Department Commissioner Carl E. Kays, "poachers will begin getting the message that they are engaged in a serious criminal activity with serious legal consequences."

"The days are long past," Kays adds, "when violating fish and wildlife laws was viewed as some kind of 'game' between the poacher and the conservation officer. Our men know that poaching is a major offense and I would like to commend Judge Gallenstein and the many other judges around Kentucky who are handing down sentences which can be of positive value in deterring future poaching."

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