Publisher Bestsellers-University Press of Kentucky

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Having just returned from a great AAUP Southern Presses Meeting in Lexington, Kentucky, I find it a real pleasure to have a column of bestsellers and a best kept secret title from the University Press of Kentucky. The program for the meeting was informative, and the Southern hospitality was outstanding.

Established in 1943, Kentucky publishes over 50 titles per year and currently has over 700 books in print. The press has a strong collection in the area of Kentucky-related topics, the Ohio Valley, the Appalachians and the upper South. It also publishes books in the fields of American history, military history, literature, film studies, and serious nonfiction of general interest to name a few. The journal, Southern Folklore, is one of their publications.

If you are a reader or collector of university press catalogs, you may recall that Kentucky always has a horse on its cover, and that many of the books in its local history series have blue on the cover, representing the Bluegrass State. Lelia Salisbury, Publicity Manager, supplied the list of recent bestsellers and a best kept secret.

**Recent Bestsellers**

*The Winning Tradition: A History of University of Kentucky Wildcat*


*A Rose for Mrs. Miniver: The Life of Greer Garson*, by Michael Troyan ($25.00 cloth, ISBN 0-8131-2094-2). The first biography of the seven-time Academy Award nominated actress who reigned as the queen of MGM during the 1940s.

*Crime Science: Methods of Forensic Detection*, by Joe Nickell and John F. Fischer ($25.00 cloth, ISBN 0-8131-2091-8). Designed for the armchair true crime buff as well as those wanting an introductory study to the field, *Crime Science* explains the science behind the work of firearms experts, document examiners, fingerprint technicians, medical examiners, and forensic anthropologists. Each chapter concludes with a famous case study.

*MASH: An Army Surgeon in Korea*, by Otto F. Apel and Pat Apel ($25.00 cloth, ISBN 0-8131-2070-5). The only published memoir by a MASH surgeon serving in the Korean War, Apel paints a vivid picture of medical innovations on the front lines as well as of daily life in the mobile units.

*Civil War Recipes: Receipts from the Pages of Godsey’s Lady’s Book*, by Lily May and John Spaulding ($22.00 cloth, ISBN 0-8131-2082-9). The cookbook brings together popular nineteenth-century recipes from both North and South, and the instructions have been annotated so today’s cooks can try their hands at these culinary delights.

**Best Kept Secret**

*Short of the Glory: The Fall and Redemption of Edward F. Prichard Jr.*, by Tracy Campbell ($27.50 cloth, ISBN 0-8131-2073-X). The story of the remarkable rise, fall, and redemption of one of the state’s most gifted politicians, a man whom many (including Katharine Graham and Arthur Schlesinger Jr.) thought would one day be president until he was convicted in a ballot box stuffing incident. Prichard went on to become the driving force behind education reform in Kentucky, and his story reads like a Greek tragedy set on the stage of American politics.

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