

Dawahares / KHSAA Hall of Fame Nomination Form

KHSAA Form GE30
Rev. 4/03

Information about Nominee

Name: Billy Chumbler	Basketball player and coach	
Is the nominee deceased? (circle)	YES	(NO)
<i>(if nominee is not deceased, please fill out address information below)</i>		
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Important Information Needed for ALL Nominees. This information is important to the Selection Process in helping to ensure that the desired objectives with regard to the consideration of nominees and the induction process is satisfied. (Application will not be accepted without this information)

Please list the primary category of nomination (circle)–

(PLAYER)	(COACH)	OFFICIAL	CONTRIBUTOR
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Birth Date of Nominee	August 18 1945
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Sex (circle one)	(Male)	Female
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Is the nominee a minority (African American and others) as defined in 2(c)	Yes	(No)
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If this person is being nominated as a Coach, please complete the following additional information-

Coached at which High School(s)	Century High School, Cairo High School, Paducah Tilghman High School and Trigg County High School	
Year of Retirement	2005	
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	Section 1, Regions 1 & 2	

(over for remainder of application)

If this person is being nominated as an Athlete, please complete the following additional information-

High School Attended	Lowes High School	
Graduation Year	1963	
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	Section 1, Region 1	

If this person is being nominated as an Official, please complete the following additional information-

Primary Officiating Accomplishments at the High School Level	
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For persons being nominated in all categories, please complete the following additional information

Please summarize this person's accomplishments as a coach, player, official or contributor at the high school level in Kentucky.

Billy was a basketball player at Lowes High School 1960-1963 School's all-time leading scorer (2080 points) First Team All-State 1962-1963. Street and Smith High School All-American Honorable mention 1963. All Purchase Player of the year 1962 & 1963. Held single game scoring record in the LIT at 42 points. Received scholarship offers from numerous division I schools and chose Mississippi State in the SEC. He led the freshman team with 21 points per game in 1964-65. Led the varsity Mississippi State team in scoring at 13.8 points per game during his sophomore season. Transferred to Murray State University in 1966. He averaged 16.2 points per game for Murray State in 1967-68. Was the Captain of the Murray State team in 1967-68.

Billy began his coaching career at Century High School in 1969 and in three years compiled a record of 49-29 for a team which had never had a winning season. He coached at Cairo High School from 1972-1993, averaging 21 wins per season. He took five teams to the "Sweet Sixteen" and finished 3rd in the state in 1981 and 1991. He coached the Illinois All-Star team in 1993. His Illinois record over 24 years was 492-196. He was also inducted in the Illinois Coaches Hall of Fame in 1993.

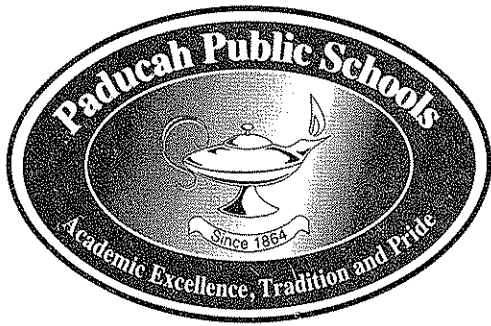
Billy began his coaching in Kentucky in 1993-94 at Paducah Tilghman High School, where he stayed for 8 years. During his stay at Paducah Tilghman he averaged over 26 wins per season. His 80% winning percentage at Paducah Tilghman is better than Bernie Miller and Otis Dinning; both Kentucky Hall of Fame coaches. He won eight straight district championships and had a district record of 54-2. His Paducah Tilghman teams won three regional championships and reached the "Final Four" twice. His team was runner-up in 2002. During the 2000-2001 year his team beat three eventual state champions. (Lexington Lafayette in Kentucky, Keenan in South Carolina and New Madrid in Missouri) In 1996 he was selected as "Coach of the Year" by the Associated press. He was also selected by his peers as Purchase Area "Coach of the Year" three time while at Paducah Tilghman. Bill then moved to Trigg County in the second region and continued his winning ways. His teams were District champs three times. His overall record in Kentucky was 288-93.

Please list any other factors about this individual that you would like for the Hall of Fame Committee to consider.

I certify that I have truthfully completed this information about the nominee with the permission of the nominee, that he/she will accept induction if selected, and I will cooperate with the KHSAA should additional information be needed for his/her consideration.

Signature Tom Ballowe Name (print) Tom Ballowe Ph.D Date October 29, 2008

Attach any relevant press clippings and materials which would verify coaching win-loss records, or other statistical information. Also attach any other letters of recommendation of other information which may be helpful to the committee in making a final selection.



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October 28, 2008

Hall of Fame Committee C/O Butch Cope
KHSAA
2280 Executive Drive
Lexington, KY 40505

Dear Mr. Cope:

This letter is written as a formal recommendation for the KHSAA to consider Mr. Billy Chumbler as a candidate for the Hall of Fame. He has had a distinguished career as a basketball player, coach and educator in Kentucky. Mr. Chumbler is well known in the state and respected for his knowledge of basketball and skills in playing with and coaching winning teams. Educational peers also recognize him as a man who has had a major impact on the lives of thousands of state and area youth through teaching and coaching.

As a player for the tiny Lowes High School in western Kentucky, Billy wowed area, state and national audiences with his shooting prowess, leadership and hustle. He was the all-time leading scorer for the school with 2080 points. Billy was recognized during his high school career as Purchase Area Player of the Year and First Team All-State in 1962 and 1963. He won the hearts of the Louisville Invitational Tournament fans in 1962 by scoring 37 AND 42 (a record for that date) points. Billy was also recognized nationally by the Street and Smith High School All-American magazine as an Honorable Mention team member.

Billy was a very highly recruited high school ballplayer who had the opportunity to play for Adolph Rupp and many other top coaches. He finally decided to play for the Mississippi State Bulldogs of the SEC. During his two years at MSU he led the freshmen and varsity teams in scoring. After the MSU coach was fired, Billy returned to his beloved Kentucky and transferred to Murray State University. During the 1967-68 year, Billy led the Racers in scoring and to a runner-up place in the OVC. After a short coaching stint with the Racer freshmen team, Billy decided to coach in the high school ranks.

As a coach, Mr. Chumbler is among an elite group with his total of 780 winning games. During his coaching career he has turned around programs wherever he has gone. While in Illinois he took teams to the Sweet 16 five times. In 1993 Coach Chumbler was recognized as a member of the Illinois Hall of Fame for coaches. After returning to Kentucky, Coach Chumbler continued a winning tradition with teams at Paducah Tilghman High School. His winning percentage of 80% while at Tilghman is better than two other Tilghman coaches who are already members of the Kentucky Hall of Fame. Coach Chumbler's teams won eight straight district titles and made three trips to the Sweet 16 tournament. During his stay at Paducah Tilghman, Coach Chumbler was voted PurchaseArea Coach of the Year three times and Associated Press Kentucky Coach of the Year in 1996. In his final year at Paducah Tilghman he took his team to the Sweet 16 championship game before losing to a powerful Lexington Catholic squad.

Coach Chumbler then moved to Trigg County where he once again formed a winning tradition for the school in basketball. He had three consecutive years of over twenty wins-a feat never before accomplished at the school. The teams also had three district championships. Coach Chumbler has been a masterful coach in every setting. He is revered and appreciated as a coach and a motivator. His teams always hustled and played both ends of the floor. Many of his players received school, region, state and national recognition.

Mr. Chumbler has also been a dedicated educator in every school where he coached. He was an excellent student himself and always emphasized schoolwork and deportment before basketball. Students having trouble in class did not practice until grades and assignments were up to par. Mr. Chumbler always presented himself and his players in dress apparel with shirts and ties. He was a coach who preached teamwork and often took his entire team to church services together. Mr. Chumbler has excelled on the court as a player, as a coach and as a father figure. Many lives have been forever touched by his presence.

The preceding paragraphs outline some of the major accomplishments of Mr. Billy Chumbler. He is indeed an exceptional person and leader of young men who deserves recognition as a member of the Kentucky Hall of Fame. Please consider this formal request for his induction into the illustrious group.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Ballowe". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Tom Ballowe Ph.D.NCSP
Director of Special Programs
Paducah Independent Schools

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association
Hall of Fame Committee

October 15, 2008

It is with great personal and professional pride that I recommend Billy Chumbler for consideration by your committee for induction into the KHSAA Hall of Fame.

I was Head Basketball Coach at Murray State University from 1958 to 1974, during the early 1960's Billy played at nearby Lowes High School. It was evident from the time he was a skinny freshman that he was going to be an outstanding player. During his high school career he developed into one of the most outstanding prep players in west Kentucky history. He was an amazing perimeter jump shooter, and a fiery redheaded competitor that was as tough on the defensive end the floor as he was on offense. He earned first team All-State honors in both his junior and senior years, 1962 and 1963, and scored 42 pts.in the prestigious Louisville LIT tournament. None of his achievements or awards were a surprise to me for in addition to observing Billy in his high games for four years I also watched him play in the summer league on our campus against some of the best present and past college and professional players from our area including Howie Crittenden a KHSAA Hall of famer, and Adrian Smith University of Kentucky star, who was playing for the Cincinatti Royals at the time. Billy more than held his own in these highly competitive summer games against older more experienced players.

Despite my close relationship with him and my constant attempts to recruit him to Murray State, when he graduated from high school he chose to attend Mississippi State. He led the SEC school in scoring in both his freshman and sophomore years. He transferred to Murray State University in 1965, sat out his transfer year, and played for me the following two seasons 1967 and 1968. Billy without a doubt is one of the most intense competitors I have ever coached, that intense desire along with his great skills made it a great pleasure to coach him. He played on two outstanding teams while he was here and was the leading scorer on the OVC Championship team of 1967-68. He is truly a "winner" in every sense of the word. His coaching career has followed the same pattern, he has won, and won big everywhere he has coached. He is one of the all-time winningest coaches in Illinois High School Basketball history. He has achieved the same stature for his coaching success in Kentucky.

I was very fortunate to be a head coach on the college level for over forty years during that time I have had many players receive Hall of Fame recognition. Billy Chumbler has all the qualities of an outstanding candidate for this honor and I am very proud to highly recommend him to you for this award.

Sincerely,



Cal Luther
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EDDIE FORD
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To: Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame Committee

I would like to take this opportunity to recommend Bill Chumbler for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association "**HALL OF FAME**".

I have known Bill for more than 40 years. The son of a well know high school principal and coach, Mr. W. W. Chumbler, he was a 1st Team All-State basketball player at Lowes H. S. in Graves County. Following an outstanding high school career he played college basketball at Mississippi State University and Murray State University. He was an outstanding player at both of these schools.

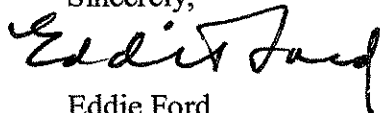
Bill Chumbler's biggest contribution to high school basketball was his tremendous record as a high school coach. He was a high school head coach for 36 years. His first 24 years were spent in southern Illinois (3 years at Century H.S. and 21 years at Cairo H.S.). Because of his coaching accomplishments, he was inducted into the Illinois H.S. **HALL OF FAME** in 1992. Bill began coaching at Paducah Tilghman in 1994 and won over 80% of his games over the next 8 years. He won 7 District championships – 3 Regional championships – and in his 3 state tournament appearances his Paducah Tilghman teams finished in the Final Four 2 times.

After spending 8 years at Paducah Tilghman, Bill coached at Trigg Co. H.S. where his teams became regional contenders each of the 4 years he coached. He retired from coaching and teaching in 2004.

Bill Chumbler had a positive influence on dozens of young men in his years as a basketball coach. He not only developed many outstanding players that went on to play in college and the pros, he had a big impact on the lives of many young men through the discipline and teaching he provided.

In summary, Bill Chumbler won over 80% of his games as coach at Paducah Tilghman – which is the best of all Tilghman coaches. I feel he is very deserving of induction into the Kentucky High School **HALL OF FAME** and ask that you give him your consideration.

Sincerely,



Eddie Ford



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August 28, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

I count it both an honor and a privilege to write this letter to recommend Bill Chumbler for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame. Not only was he a great player and coach, but he is a great individual that truly cared about his players and the game of basketball.

As his assistant coach for four years at Paducah Tilghman High School, I sat under his tutelage and learned as much about my own coaching style as I learned about the game itself. When he recommended me as his successor, my greatest hope was to be half as successful as he was. In my eyes, his success is evidence of the caliber of coach he was. Although he coached in Illinois for over twenty years before coming to Kentucky, he still had a record of 288-93 in 12 years at Paducah Tilghman and Trigg County for a winning percentage over 75%. Bill Chumbler got the best out of each and every team that he coached including leading Tilghman to the State Final Four in 1999 and to a State Runner-Up finish in 2002. Having the opportunity to coach along side him is something I will never forget. Without this valuable experience, following in his footsteps as the head coach at Paducah Tilghman would have been nearly impossible.

Although I do not have firsthand knowledge of his playing days, I have had the joy of hearing from many people about the great high school basketball player he was at Lowes High School in Graves County. He was an unbelievable offensive player especially for his time and achieved many accolades and honors. His offensive skill is a critical factor in his ability to teach offense which he still does graciously whenever I ask him to. After high school, he went on to play at Mississippi State for one year and then finished out his college career closer to home at Murray State University.

Bill Chumber was an outstanding high school ball player and then followed that up with an unbelievable high school coaching career. He's been a consummate winner at everything he's done and is most deserving of this highest honor. Please consider Bill Chumbler for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

Brad Stieg
Head Boys' Basketball Coach
Paducah Tilghman High School

September 24, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

Add me to the list of boosters who are campaigning for Billy Chumbler's election to the Kentucky Basketball Hall of Fame. I can't think of a more deserving, worthwhile candidate. I had the pleasure of broadcasting seven years of Billy Chumbler basketball while he was at Paducah Tilghman.

I won't bore you with his coaching record; it is indeed glistening. However, we must report that in 24 years of coaching in Illinois, he completed a record of 492-196. While at Cairo he took five teams to the Sweet 16. While in Kentucky, at Tilghman and Trigg County, he won 288 games and lost 92, taking Tilghman to the Sweet 16 three times and once to the finals. Now, his total coaching record is 780-288 – and never a losing season.

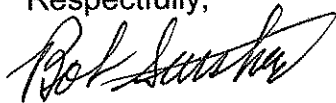
As I said earlier, I watched Billy Chumbler for seven years at Tilghman. His record there is most remarkable. Competing in the four-team second district, comprised of Heath, Lone Oak, Reidland, and Tilghman, Chumbler won seven straight district tournaments and compiled a district record of 54-2, including 53 wins in a row. There has never been anything else like it in the second district and probably never will be.

This complete domination of the second district for seven years is not the only reason I cast a vote for Mr. Chumbler. He was a great high school and college player, and 56 colleges recruited him. It was such fun watching him fire his jump shot, but it was more fun watching him coach a close game. At that point he was Mr. Personality, Mr. In-control, Mr. Coach. As a spectator, one knew he would soon pull out the victory.

This is not to say he was Mr. Smooth. He wasn't; he was anything but. He could be fiery, demanding, and even mad. He was Mr. "You do it my way". And they did; they did it his way 780 times. Maybe they failed to listen only 288 times.

One more thing – Billy Chumbler was good enough to make the Illinois Hall of Fame. Why not Kentucky? Enough said!

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Swisher", written in a cursive style.

Bob Swisher



SPORTALK

'Chumbler Is Best HS Shooter Seen'---Smith

Jim Elkins
Sun-Democrat Sports Editor

BILLY CHUMBLER is the best high school shooter I've seen."

That's the opinion of Adrian "Odie" Smith, the ex-Farmington cager who has seen a lot of players in his basketball travels, which now find him with the pro Cincinnati Royals.

Smith's evaluation was not just made on Chumbler's play at Lowes this past season. It's first hand.

Smitty has been enrolled in summer school at Murray this summer, and Chumbler is now taking a chemistry course at Murray College High.

Both have been working out in the Murray gym on various occasions during the summer, where they end up participating in half-court games.

Chumbler's shooting in these unorganized games has amazed Smith, for besides Smith, the competition has included such players as Howie Crittenden, Ron Greene, John West and the like, and Chumbler has pretty well held his own with this older, more experienced group of players.

It was in summer workouts like this last year that Chumbler improved from just a shooter to a good all-around player last season. He scored a whopping 887 points and was the No. 1 vote-getter on the All-Purchase team.

Chumbler has practically been living in the Murray gym this summer when he's not attending class.

The time and sweat that he is spending on the roundball sport this summer could be quite profitable come graduation time next spring, for the 6-1 Lowes cager will probably be one of the most-sought high school players in Kentucky.

Schools from as far West as the Air Force Academy, as far East as Colgate and as far South as Duke have already shown an interest in him.

Chumbler is also the chief target in Coach Cal Luther's recruiting plans at Murray State during the coming season and the University of Kentucky has already said they'd like to have him.

By graduation time, the red-haired youngster will be attracting more attention than his sister Marcia did in winning the "Miss Kentucky" beauty title last year.



CHUMBLER

● Chumbler's Dad Got Odie Out For Ball

WATCHED BILLY AS KID AT FARMINGTON—This wasn't the first time Smith had seen Billy Chumbler. He remembered him well from his high school days at Farmington when Billy was just a grade schooler.

Billy's dad, W. W. Chumbler, was principal and coach at Farmington back when Odie was in school there and it was the elder Chumbler that got Smitty to go out for ball.

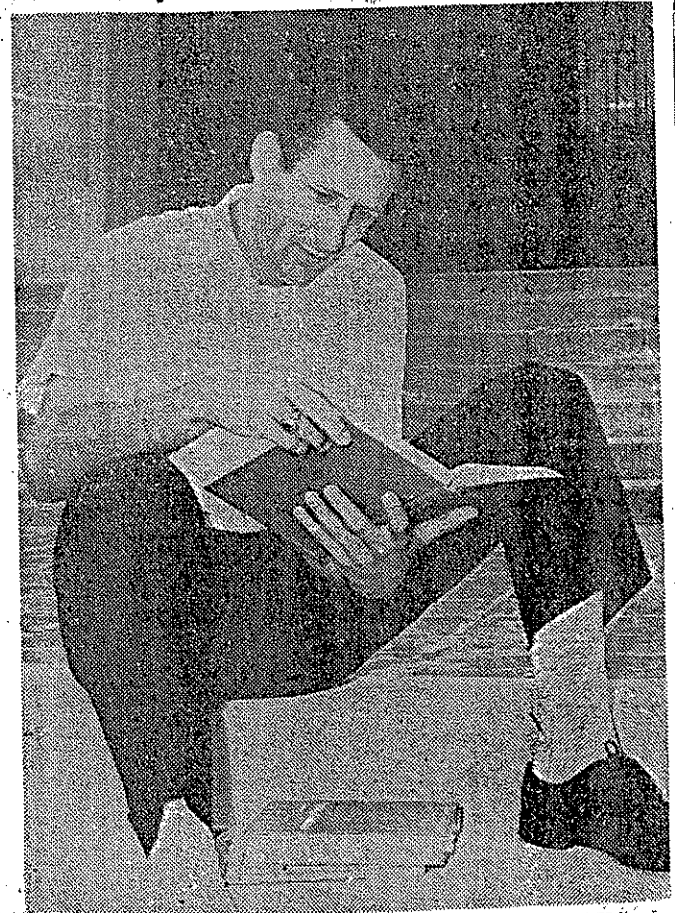
"I wasn't aiming to go out for the high school team," explained Adrain, "because we lived so far out in the country and I didn't have a way to get home."

"Mr. Chumbler told me he'd take care of that, and on the afternoons I didn't have a way home, he'd carry me home in his own car."

"I think I got only six points all that year playing on the 'B' team," laughed Smith, who has probably won more basketball laurels than any other player to come out of the First Region.

Smitty moved up to a starting job on the "B" team at Farmington as a sophomore and was a regular on the varsity his last two years.

The rest of his basketball success story—of how he went on to Northeast Mississippi Junior College, where he filled out his skinny frame; got a scholarship at the University of Kentucky, where he played on a national championship team; performed for the United States Olympic team and was the sixth man for the Cincinnati Royals in his rookie season in the NBA last year—is well known.



ADRIAN "ODIE" SMITH, STUDYING AT MURRAY

Hall of Fame Player & starting guard on Ky's Nat'l Championship in 1958 said America this about Chumbler

Cager Has Offers From 36 Colleges

LOWES, Ky., Feb. 21—The end of the basketball season brings state tournaments, victory celebrations, wakes and swarms of college basketball recruiters.

There are many graduating seniors in area high school ranks who are being wooed, wined (or soda-popped) and dined by college coaches and their recruiters this year, but probably none more so than one Billy Chumbler of Lowes.

Young Chumbler, who has been a standout performer for the Blue Devils during his high school career, has the problem of sifting through basketball offers from 36 colleges to determine where he will continue his basketball career.

In addition to these 36 colleges, most of them big ones, several other schools have contacted Chumbler.

Probably the three schools with the best chance of getting Chumbler's signature to a grant-in-aid agreement are Mississippi State, Murray and Kentucky.

Chumbler and his father, W. W. Chumbler, Lowes High School principal, have visited Mississippi State and like the basketball program there and Coach Babe McCarthy. Billy is very familiar around the Murray State campus and he has a high regard for Kentucky and Coach Adolph Rupp.

Still, he is not ready to say which offer he will take.

Among other schools bidding for his services are Vanderbilt, the Navy Academy, Air Force Academy, Duke, Colgate, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Wake Forrest, Georgia Tech, Tennessee, Florida State, Mississippi, Memphis State, Oklahoma, Tulsa, St. Louis, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Louisville, Cincinnati, Illinois, Davidson College, University of Jacksonville, Western, Eastern Virginia Tech, Middle Tennessee, Tennessee Tech, Rice, The Cr

● Racers Looking For Player Talent

Coach Cal Luther, his staff and players are making a concentrated effort to recruit top-flight players for future Racer teams.

Two of the prime targets this year are Billy Chumbler of Lowes, who is apparently considering Murray along with Mississippi State and Kentucky, and Dwight Smith of Princeton Dotson, who reportedly is trying to decide between Murray and Western.

There are others, but these are two fine examples.

If these two sign or one of them sign or others of their caliber or near ability sign, Murray again would be set with fine prospects for a young team which would stay young.

This is what it will take for the Racers to get back on to and stay there.

Just getting back would make the rest easier. A good player sometimes tends to take a grant-in-aid from a win rather than giving serious consideration to an also-ran.

Murray was a bit of a disappointment this year, maybe because a few people were predicting too much too soon, but wait out next year. This could be one of the best teams ever fielded by the Racers. Who knows, it could start a whole chain react

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY ATHLETICS ASSOCIATION

LEXINGTON, KY.

January
25th,
1963

Mr. W. W. Chumbler,
1307 S. 9th Street,
Mayfield, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Chumbler:

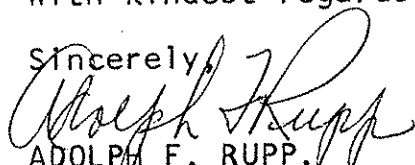
Neil Reed, our assistant coach, has just called me and told me how gracious you and your family were when he called on you yesterday. I want you to know that we here at the University of Kentucky appreciate this tremendously.

We have not tried to be a nuisance and continually bother your son while his loyalty still should be devoted to Lowes High School. We sometimes are criticized for this but we have always felt that if a boy were genuinely interested in coming here that he should not be bothered during his playing days.

We want your son here at the University and we will keep in touch with you as the days go by. We wish for him every success in his games during the remainder of the season.

With kindest regards to you and your family,

Sincerely,


ADOLPH F. RUPP,
Basketball Coach

AFR:JR

By BOB LAPIDUS

THE "WHO'S WHO" OF U.S. HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Despite Bud Wilkinson's gloomy assertion that American youth is physically unfit, BASKETBALL YEARBOOK'S first annual pre-season high school All-America squad does all it can do to disprove Bud's contention. Led by a great player from the great plains of North Dakota, this group of schoolboy basket-weavers should rank with any in the next few years. Chances are that at least two or three will go on to become college All-Americans—and then continue on to the pros.

Because of the tremendous number of outstanding high school stars in the U.S., we've split the nation into four sections, selected the top 18 players in each section, and finally winnowed them down to a first, second and third team All-America. One extra player is added this year—a can't-miss Texan named David Latin, who'll graduate in mid-season.

ALL-AMERICA FIRST TEAM: The real standout—and possibly the finest schoolboy basketball player in America—is 6-5 center Paul Presthus from Rugby, North Dakota. Paul averaged 28.7 ppg last year, and has college scouts drooling from Maine to California. A brilliant all-around athlete, Presthus is also state high hurdles champ.

From Ohio's hoop hotbed comes Eddie Spriggs of Jackson, O., a 6-8, 233-pound center who was "held" to a 30.8 scoring average last year. Right behind Eddie comes 6-3 Bob Lewis, from St. John's High in Washington, D. C. Lewis scored 40 points against Georgetown U.'s powerful freshman team and averaged 25.4 ppg. Another wonderful prospect is 6-6 Eddie Lacey, from Jefferson H.S. in Los Angeles. He seems to be following in the footsteps of another Jefferson star, Billy McGill, who went on to achieve college fame at Utah. Lacey averaged 23.2 ppg last season and won the L.A. area's annual sportsmanship award.

A New York City school rich in basketball tradition provides our fifth first-string All-American. He's high-jumping Vaughn Harper of Boys High in Brooklyn. Harper stands 6-3½ and averaged 18 ppg for Boys, whose coach, Mickey Fisher, rates him with such Boys alumni as Connie Hawkins of the Pittsburgh Rens, Dodger baseball star Tommy Davis, Illinois center Billy Burwell, St. Louis Hawk guard Lenny Wilkens, and Chicago Zephyr star Si Green. Rounding out the team is the previously

AMERICA'S TOP

NEW ENGLAND AND MIDDLE ATLANTIC AREA

Player	Pos.	School	Ht.	'61-'62 Avg.
Joe Harrington	C.	Morse (Bath, Me.)	6-4½	16.0
Steve Sarantopoulos	F.	Brockton, Mass.	6-2	26.8
Bill Hewitt	C.	St. Ridge Tech (Cambridge, Mass.)	6-6	—
Henry Payne	G.	Commerce (Springfield, Mass.)	5-10	17.9
Bob King	C.	Westfield, N. J.	6-10	21.3
Pat Riley	F.	Linton (Schenectady, N. Y.)	6-3	23.4
Charles Hawkins	G.	Monroe (Rochester, N. Y.)	5-10	22.0
Vaughn Harper	F.	Boys (Brooklyn, N. Y.)	6-3½	18.0
Vai Reid	C.	LaSalle, N.Y.C.	6-8	16.0
Art Stephenson	F.	St. John's Prep (Brooklyn, N. Y.)	6-5	—
Willy Wolters	C.	Loughlin (Brooklyn, N. Y.)	6-7	18.0
Howard Furman	G.	New Utrecht (Brooklyn, N. Y.)	6-0	—
Chris Chimera	G.	LaSalle, N.Y.C.	6-0	12.5
Mal Graham	G.	White Plains, N. Y.	6-1	22.0
Charles Coleman	G.	Darby-Colwyn, Pa.	5-11	19.7
Larry Miller	C.	Catasauqua, Pa.	6-5	22.0
Ron Sepic	F.	Uniontown, Pa.	6-4	14.0
Donald Kaull	F.	Rogers (Newport, R.I.)	6-4	17.3

PACIFIC COAST AND ROCKY MOUNTAIN STATES

Player	Pos.	School	Ht.	'61-'62 Avg.
James Dugan	G.	Flagstaff, Ariz.	6-0	20.0
Bob Krulish	C.	El Camino (Sacramento, Calif.)	6-5	16.5
Gary Mykkanen	F.	Hawthorne, Calif.	6-1	—
Edgar Lacey	C.	Jefferson (Los Angeles, Calif.)	6-6	23.2
Elzie Johnson	F.	Fremont (Los Angeles, Calif.)	6-2	12.9
George Lewark	G.	Lakewood, Colo.	5-11	—
Clint Albao	G.	Punahou (Honolulu, Hawaii)	5-8	—
Terry Campbell	F.	Pocatello, Idaho	6-4	15.5
Ray McDonald	C.	Caldwell, Idaho	6-4	—
Mike Lewis	C.	Missoula, Mont.	6-5½	21.4
Dave Romppanen	C.	Astoria, Ore.	6-4½	—
Nick Jones	C.	Marshall (Portland, Ore.)	6-4	—
Gary Hill	C.	Gunnison, Utah	6-3	21.0
Levi Fisher	F.	Garfield (Seattle, Wash.)	6-4	13.4
Tom Workman	C.	Blanchet (Seattle, Wash.)	6-4	14.6
Ben Gillingham	F.	Shoreline (Seattle, Wash.)	6-2	17.7
Theartis Wallace	F.	Richland, Wash.	6-3	18.8
Ken James	G.	Evergreen (Vancouver, Wash.)	6-0	—

963" - Only 3 players from Ky.

THE 1962-'63 HIGH SCHOOL ALL-AMERICA

FIRST TEAM

Vaughn Harper (Boys H.S.) Brooklyn, N.Y.	6-3½
Edgar Lacey (Jefferson) Los Angeles, Calif.	6-6
Eddie Spriggs (Jackson) Ohio	6-8
Paul Presthus (Rugby) North Dakota	6-5
Bob Lewis (St. John's) Washington, D.C.	6-3
David Latin (Worthing) Houston, Texas	6-6

SECOND TEAM

Mike Redd (Seneca) Ky.	6-2½
Gary Hill (Gunnison) Utah	6-3
Jim Burns (McLeansboro) Ill.	6-3
Clem Haskins (Taylor County) Ky.	6-4
Rich Mason (Washington) East Chicago, Ind.	6-8

THIRD TEAM

Terry Campbell (Pocatello) Idaho	6-4
Randy Mehaffey (LaGrange) Ga.	6-5
Larry Miller (Catasauqua) Penn.	6-5
Pat Riley (Linton) Schenectady, N. Y.	6-3
Ed Hummer (Washington-Lee) Arlington, Va.	6-6

cited David Latin, from Worthing High in Houston. Latin can stuff a ball two-handed with ease and led his school to the Texas Negro state title last year. Says Lloyd C. Wells of the Houston *Informer*: "Latin is the type of player with whom you could play four cheerleaders and still win."

ALL-AMERICA SECOND TEAM: Two lads who won All-Kentucky honors as juniors lead the way. One is Clem Haskins of Taylor County, a 6-4 leaper who can rebound with anybody and scored 25 ppg. The other is Mike Redd of Louisville's Seneca High, 6-2½ with a 23 ppg average. Indiana's top schoolboy this year figures to be 6-8 Rich Mason, who took Washington High of East Chicago, Ind., into the finals of last year's state tourney. Gary Hill of Gunnison, Utah, was state low hurdles champ last year. He's 6-3, hit for 21 ppg and will be shooting for an unprecedented fourth straight All-State berth. And last but surely not least is 6-3 Jim Burns of McLeansboro, Illinois. He scored 85 points for his team in the state championships and averaged 22 ppg.

ALL-AMERICA THIRD TEAM: Our third tier is sparked by the only junior on the whole squad. He's Larry Miller of Catsauqua, Pennsylvania. Larry made second-team All-State as a soph, and he could be in the Tom Gola class by the time he reaches maturity. Pat Riley of Linton High in Schenectady, N.Y., is another 6-3 hotshot. He scored 23.4 ppg, and is the best upstate New York has seen since another Linton boy, Barry Kramer (now at NYU) rewrote the record book three years ago. Ed Hummer, 6-6, from Washington-Lee H.S. in Arlington, Va., averaged only 14 ppg. But he did it with a low-scoring, defense-minded team that won the state championship. Another boy who powered his school to a state title was Terry Campbell of Pocatello, Idaho. He's a 6-4 forward who scored 15.5 ppg. Our final choice hails from Georgia, where basketball is still football's stepchild. He's Randy Mehaffey, 6-5, from LaGrange. He's a great football player, too.

As you can see, any coach lucky enough to inherit one of these boys can be sure of some degree of success. If two or more decide on one particular college, a national championship beckons!

SCHOOLBOY STARS

MIDWEST AND PLAINS STATES

Player	Pos.	School	Ht.	'61-'62 Avg.
Jim Burns	F.	McLeansboro, Ill.	6-3	22.0
Dave Dickerson	C.	Paris, Ill.	6-5	—
Tom Niemeyer	C.	Rex Mundi (Evansville, Ind.)	6-8	—
Rich Mason	C.	Washington (East Chicago, Ind.)	6-8	—
Jim Cummins	C.	Regis (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)	6-4	20.3
Mike Putnam	C.	Walsh (Ottumwa, Iowa)	6-4	—
Bill Koski	G.	Champion, Mich.	5-10	30.0
Chet Anderson	F.	Duluth Central, Minn.	6-3½	—
Jerry Newsom	F.	Minneapolis South, Minn.	6-2	14.2
Stan West	F.	Potosi, Mo.	6-4	—
Fred Hare	F.	Omaha Tech, Neb.	6-4	24.7
Paul Presthus	C.	Rugby, N. D.	6-5	28.7
Eddie Spriggs	C.	Jackson, Ohio	6-8	30.8
Ed Couts	F.	Urbana, Ohio	6-3	—
Fred Moulder	F.	Guthrie, Okla.	6-2	23.0
Jack Theeler	F.	Sisseton, S. D.	6-2	—
Dennis Berkholtz	G.	Whitefish Bay, Wisc.	6-0	18.0
Tom Wagner	G.	Shawano, Wisc.	5-11	—

SOUTHERN AND SOUTHWESTERN AREA

Player	Pos.	School	Ht.	'61-'62 Avg.
Larry Grissom	G.	Tuscumbia, Ala.	5-11	18.4
Bob Lewis	F.	St. John's (Washington, D. C.)	6-3	25.4
Bill Butler	G.	Mackin (Washington, D. C.)	6-2	19.3
Ian Morrison	F.	St. Petersburg, Fla.	6-2	—
Randy Mehaffey	C.	LaGrange, Ga.	6-5	—
Clem Haskins	C.	Taylor County, Ky.	6-4	25.0
Mike Redd	F.	Seneca, Ky.	6-2½	23.0
Billy Chumbler	G.	Loves, Ky.	6-0	25.4
Jerry McLaurin	F.	Istrouma (Baton Rouge, La.)	6-3	15.4
Dan McCormick	C.	Many, La.	6-4	33.0
Tom O'Hara	G.	Calvert Hall (Baltimore, Md.)	6-0	—
Dan Talbott	C.	Rocky Mount, N. C.	6-0	—
Don Whitehead	F.	Brookland-Cayce, S. C.	6-3	16.3
Jay Cole	F.	Knoxville South, Tenn.	6-2	28.5
Jim Montgomery	C.	Kittrell, Tenn.	6-4	—
David Latin	C.	Worthing (Houston, Texas)	6-6	—
Ed Hummer	C.	Washington-Lee (Arlington, Va.)	6-6	14.0
Ron Williams	F.	Weirton, W. Va.	6-2	17.0

Lowes Eliminated From LIT

Chumbler Sets Mark With 42

From Wire Reports
LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 19 — A tournament scoring record by sharp-shooting Billy Chumbler failed to pull Lowes out of the fire as the Blue Devils took an 87-78 defeat by Louisville Central to be eliminated from the Louisville Invitational Tournament here tonight.

Chumbler, who bagged 37 points in Lowes' opening game against Louisville DeSales, outshone his first game output by pumping through a record 42 points to give the record books a new mark.

The old individual scoring record was 40 points, made by Ralph Richardson of Russell County in 1958. The 165 points scored by the two teams tonight will also go down in the record books, surpassing the previous record of 161 points set by Louisville Male and Central City in the 1959 tourney.

In the second game, Louisville St. Xavier defeated Louisville Wagoner 69-62. In afternoon action, Louisville Shawnee topped Hazard 79-70 after Louisville Male was upending Virgie 57-48.

Lowes could never gain possession of the lead but remained in contention through the first half. The Blue Devils trailed 29-17 at the first quarter stop and narrowed the gap to two points, 38-36, at intermission.

Chumbler's 42 Sets Record; Tigers Top Waggener 69-62

By EARL COX AND BILL ENDICOTT

With apogees to record-setting Billy Chumbler of Lowes, the 15th annual Louisville Invitational Tournament has been turned into an all-Louisville show.

Today's semi-finals will match Male High and Central at 11:30 a.m. and St. Xavier and Shawnee at 1 p.m. The championship game will start at 8 p.m.

It took upsels to propel all but top-seeded St. Xavier, Kentucky's No. 1-ranked schoolboy basketball team, into the semi-finals. The classy Tigers, with Mike Silliman scoring 32 points, defeated Waggener 69-62 in last night's second game at Freedom Hall.

In the opener, Central survived Chumbler's record 42 points and handed little Lowes its first defeat in 22 games. The score was 87-78.

Central, which hit 13 of 15 shots in the decisive third quarter, speared 53 percent for the game. Five of the yellow jackets were in double figures and another had nine points.

7,000 To 8,000 Watch

A crowd of about 7,000 (tournament officials called it 8,000) saw the night session. It was certainly an L.I.T. record, no matter what the exact figure was.

In afternoon games, Male up-

"You're sick of the game!" Well, now, that's a shame. You're young and you're brave and you're bright. "You've had a raw deal!" I know—but don't squeal, Buck up, do your best, and fight. It's the plugging away that will win you the day. So don't be a piker, old pard! Just draw on your grit; it's so easy to quit. It's the keeping-your-chin-up that's hard.

It's easy to cry that you're beaten—and die. It's easy to crawlfish and crawl. But to fight and to fight when hope's out of sight—why, that's the best game of them all! And though you come out of each grueling bout, All broke and beaten and scarred, Just have one more try—it's easy to die, It's the keeping-on-living that's hard.

Hoopin' It Up

Chumbler Cries As Crowd Goes For His Scoring

By EARL COX AND BILL ENDICOTT

If Lowes and the remarkable Billy Chumbler win the First Region as they are favored to do and return here in March for the State Tournament, they will have a ready-

FROM THE LOWES LIVE IN THE QUARTER, taking an 11-point, 68-57 advantage at the horn. A final bid by Lowes only succeeded in whitening the lead to nine points—the final margin.

Shawnee whipped Hazard 79-70 behind the shooting of Kenny Fitzner, who had 27 points, and Ishman Burks, who scored 25. Hazard was led by Mickey Gibson with 26.

In Saturday's semifinals, Male plays Central and Shawnee meets St. Xavier. The winners play Saturday night for the championship.

Louisville Central 20 38 68 87
 Lowes 17 26 57 78
 LOUISVILLE CENTRAL 67—Mer-
 Hill 9, Hewitt 12, Johnson 4, Wright
 15, Latham 12, Simon 13, Watkins 20.
 LOWES 78—Lok 3, Pickett 7,
 Page 4, Winn 15, Shaffer 7, Chumbler
 24.

shattered team, and Shawnee staggered sixth-rated Hazard in an equally-big surprise.

Male's defensive-minded Bulldogs, led by guards Freddie Greaves and Buddy Pfadt, caught fire in the third quarter and went on to a 57-48 victory over Virgie.

With Kenny Fitzner scoring 27 points and Ishman Burks contributing 25, Shawnee topped Hazard 79-70.

All four semifinalists were seeded, St. X. first, Central second, Male third and Shawnee fourth.

Chumbler beat by two points the record of 40 points set by Russell county's Ralph Richardson in 1958.

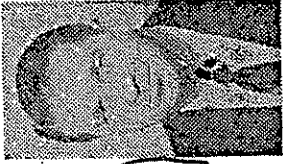
Only in 1958 and 1960 has it been an all-Louisville field in the semis.

Last night's big crowd at the arena loved the Blue Devils—and especially the hustling Chumbler, a 5-11 junior who set an L.I.T. scoring record with 42 points. He received a standing ovation when he fouled out with 49 seconds left. You know what he did? Went to the bench and cried. The record didn't mean a thing—his team was beaten.

Chumbler, who scored 37 in the L.I.T. opener Thursday against DeSales, made 16 of 30 shots from the field and 10 of 14 at the foul line.

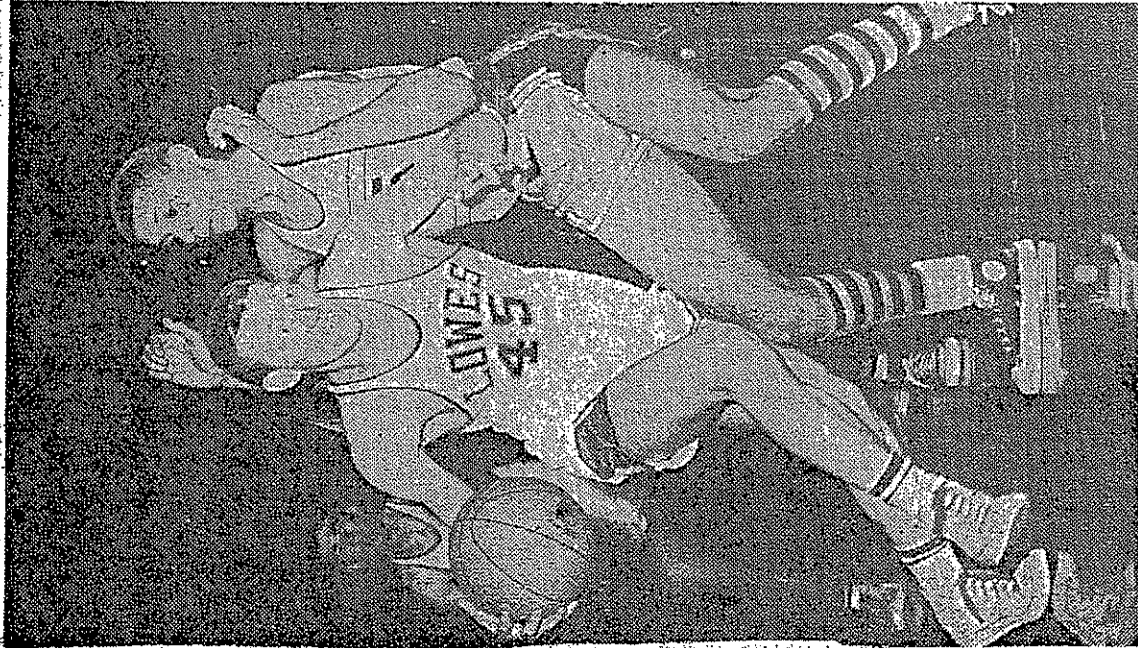
"I'll sign him right now," Harry Lancaster, U. K. assistant, told W. W. Chumbler, Billy's father and the Lowes principal. Mr. Chumbler is understandably one of the most popular figures at the L.I.T.

The new scoring king, according to his father, "has been playing since he was big enough to hold a ball and on a team since he was in the fifth grade." This is his second year as a regular. Last year's Lowes team had a 27-6 record and was runnerup to North Marshall in the regional.

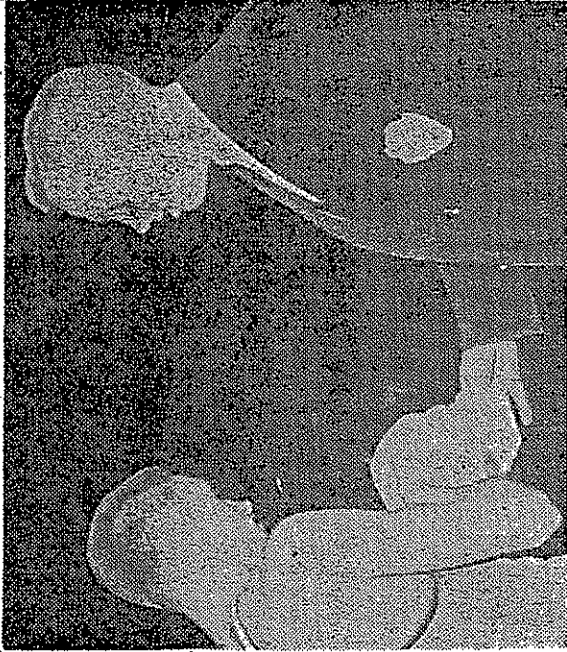


*Two L.I.T. games scored 37 against DeSales - 42 against Louis Central
 U.K. said they would sign him as Jr. - Harry Lancaster assist. U.K. coach*

As Chumbler Bows Out With Record



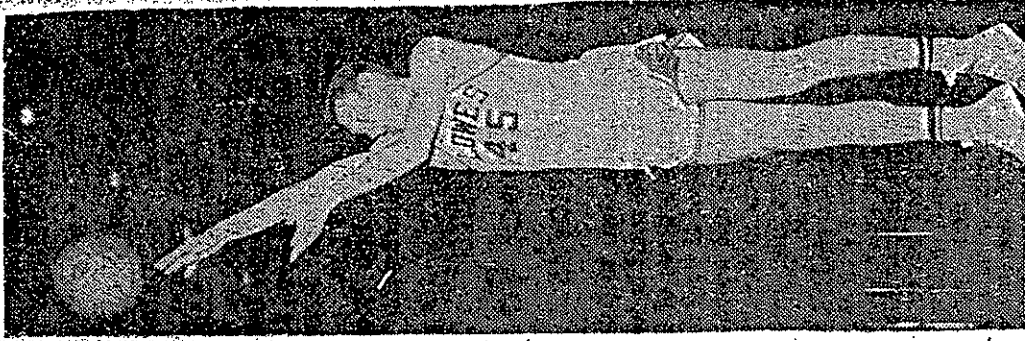
PROJECTED . . . Billy Chumbler of Lowes drives past Central's Ralph Hewitt to score two points en route to a new one-game record of 42 points in the Louisville Invitational Tournament at Freedom Hall last night. A crowd of 7,000 saw his exploits.



EJECTED . . . Chumbler leaves the floor—to a standing ovation—after making 16 of 30 field-goal attempts. He also made 10 of 14 free-throw attempts.



DEJECTED . . . Even though he broke the record of 40 points set by Russell County's Ralph Richardson in 1958, he takes it hard, for his team is behind.



Staff Photo
Coaches gave Billy Chumbler of Lowes a unanimous second in the College Potential Rating. The 7,000 fans attending last night liked him, too, and gave the 5-11 junior forward a standing ovation when he left the game after scoring 42 points, a new Louisville Invitational record. This shot got him two of those points.



L. I. T.'S BEST . . . Eight of the 10 players selected on the Louisville Invitational's All-Tournament team pose with their trophies. Standing (from left) are Lowes' Bill Chumbler, St. X.'s Mike Silliman, Waggener's Paul Long and St. X.'s Jim Kupper. Kneeling (from left) are Male High's John Lawson, Waggener's Keith Thomas, Central's Luther Lathan. Shawnee's Kenny Fitzner. Absent were Victoria's

Staff Photo

Silliman, Chumbler Unanimous All-L.I.T.; Mike Sets A Record

From Yesterday's Late Editions

By EARL COX AND BILL ENDICOTT

Big Mike Silliman last night became only the second player in the 15-year Louisville Invitational to make the All-Tournament Team three years in a row.

The talented St. Xavier center and Lowes' Billy Chumbler, who set an L.I.T. one-game scoring record with 42 points against Central in Friday's quarter-finals, were the only unanimous choices on the 10-man squad selected by vote of coaches, sports writers and sportscasters.

The others: Kenny Fitzner, Shawnee; Tommy Castle, Virgie; Keith Thomas and Paul Long, Waggener; Jim Kupper, St. Xavier; John Lawson and Freddie Greaves, Male High, and Luther Lathau, Central.

Kenny Kuhn of Male is the only other player ever to make the elite squad three straight years. He did it in 1953, '54 and '55. Silliman made it first in 1960 as a sophomore, then again last year as a junior.

Silliman's 89 points in the Tigers three games also broke an L.I.T. record of 85 held by Kuhn. Mike got 32 against Waggener, 31 against Shawnee and 26 against Central.

In just two games, incidentally, Chumbler got 79 points. He fired in 37 against DeSales in Thursday's opening round.

L.I.T. Trail

THURSDAY'S GAMES

First Round

Lowes 80, DeSales 77.
Hazard 84, Manual 40.
Virgie 62, Atherton 57.
Waggener 48, Flaget 44.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

Quarter-Finals

Male 57, Virgie 48.
Shawnee 79, Hazard 70.
Central 87, Lowes 76.
St. Xavier 69, Waggener 62.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES

Semi-Finals

Central 68, Male 64.
St. Xavier 71, Shawnee 53.

Championship

St. Xavier 73, Central 55.

Unanimous choice
for L.I.T. team

Three Players Repeat

Couch, Chumbler, Smith, Hask

By ERNIE COYLE

The 20th annual Courier-Journal All-State basketball team represents an almost perfect combination of speed, power and finesse.

State champion Seneca is the only team with more than one All-Stater. The Redskins are represented by Mike Redd at the top of the list and Westley Unseld who barely made it on the first team.

This is the second straight year that Seneca has been the only school with more than one player on the first squad. Last year Redd and Dave Cosby were the Seneca All-Staters.

Redd, who just finished a fabulous four-year career, outpolled everyone else to earn the honorary captaincy of the team.

Smith Makes It

Joining Redd as repeat All-Staters this year are Billy Chumbler of Lowes and Clem Haskins of Taylor County. Dwight Smith of Princeton

Dotson moved up from the second to the first team, while Lewis Couch of Carr Creek and Charles Taylor of Owensboro made the jump from the third team.

Taylor played for Owensboro Western last year before that school's consolidation with Owensboro.

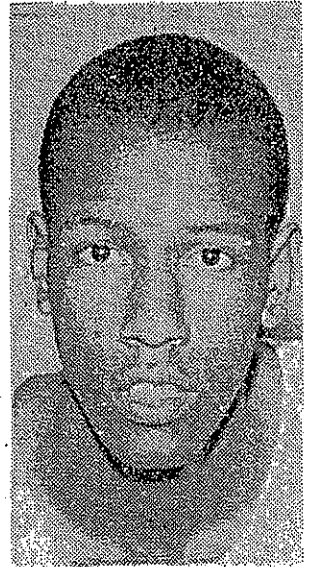
Unseld's selection to the team kept this year's All-State squad from being an all-senior unit. Unseld is the lone junior.

Completing the first team are Tom Hendrix of Elizabethtown Catholic, Wayne Chapman of Daviess County and Jim Hengehold of Erlanger St. Henry.

Here is a thumbnail sketch of 10 first-team All-Staters:

MIKE REDD—Capped a record-breaking season by leading Seneca to the state championship last week . . . Redd does everything well, but scoring always has been his strong suit. During the past season he set a Seneca single-game record of 44 points and scored

a total of 695 points to win the Seventh Region scoring title . . . For his four-year career at Seneca, Redd compiled a total of 2,072 points, an all-time record for the region . . . Coach Bob Mulcahy has been a consistent booster for Redd . . . "best player in the state for his size . . . In fact, I think he is the best I've seen . . . He could have scored a lot more points this year, but sat out the latter stages of many of our games when we had big leads." . . . Redd also has tremendous spring in his legs and scored many of his points on tip-ins . . . The State Tournament was the showcase for one of his greatest performances. He scored 106 points in four tourney games, including one 41-point spurt in the second round against Maysville . . . Redd, who finds the books more troublesome than opposing players, hasn't indicated any preference in colleges. He, however, probably will go to either Kansas or Cincinnati.



MIKE REDD
Seneca

Second Team

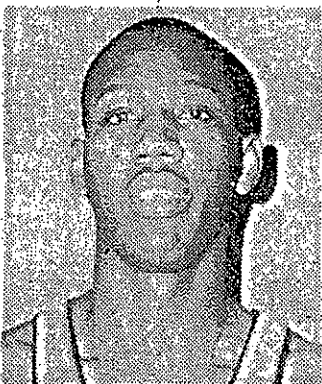
CLEM HASKINS — "Best boy I've ever coached . . . without a doubt one of the state's all-time greatest, and he'll prove it in college." these are the words of Taylor County coach Billy Smith concerning his two-time All-Stater . . . Haskins probably is the most sought after boy in the state this year, but he will probably wind up at one of the state schools. The University of

Billy Warren, Butler Co. Kenny Gibbs, Somerset. Dwight Murphy, Maysville. Wes Coffman, Earlington. Ron Whitson, Harrison Co. David Turner, McDowell. George Wilson, Dunbar. Larry Moody, Georgetown. Jim Sandfoss, Newport Cath. Bob Jenkins, Oldham County.

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The All-State Team

Player, School	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Avg.	Age
Mike Redd, Seneca	F.G	6-2½	175	Sr.	21.7	18
Clem Haskins, Taylor Co.	F	6-4	185	Sr.	26.0	18
Lewis Couch, Carr Creek	F	6-1	185	Sr.	23.5	18
Charles Taylor, Owensboro	F	6-5	185	Sr.	23.9	18
Dwight Smith, Dotson	F	6-4	187	Sr.	28.0	18
Tom Hendrix, E'town Cath.	C	6-5	175	Sr.	18.2	17
Billy Chumbler, Lowes	F	6-1	170	Sr.	21.9	17
Wayne Chapman, Daviess Co.	G	6-4	170	Sr.	17.3	17
Jim Hengehold, Erl. St. Henry	F	6-3	185	Sr.	24.0	18
Westley Unseld, Seneca	C	6-6	225	Jr.	12.1	17



CHARLES TAYLOR
Owensboro



DWIGHT SMITH
Princeton Dotson

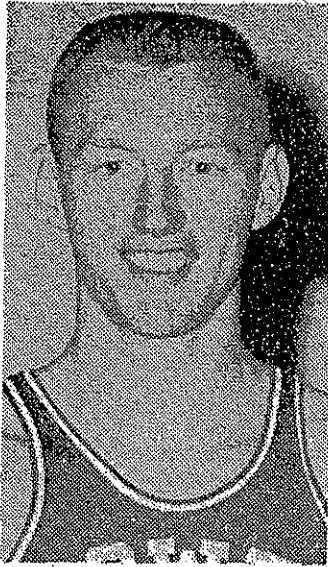


TOM HENDRIX
Elizabethtown Catholic



WAYNE CHAPMAN
Daviess Co.

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BILL CHUMBLER
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Sr. year



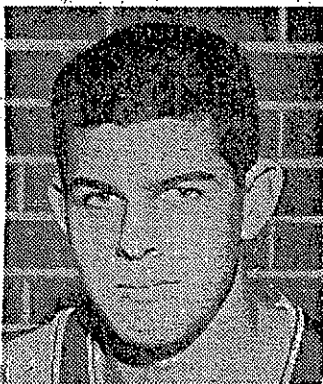
CLEM HASKINS
Taylor Co.

Third Team

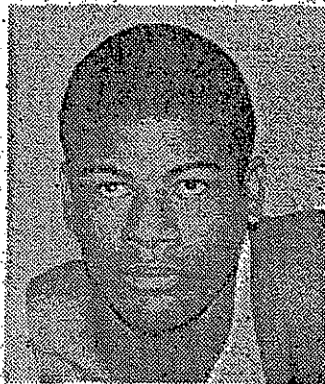
Don Blair, Virgie.
Eugene Britton, Newport.
Don Burnette, Fulton.
Doug Clemmons, Metcalfe Co.
Ted Esders, Ashland Holy
Family.
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Bill Lewis, Blaine.
Mickey Sullivan, Frankfort.
James Turner, Breathitt Co.
Phil Wagner, Harrison County.



LEWIS COUCH
Carr, Creek



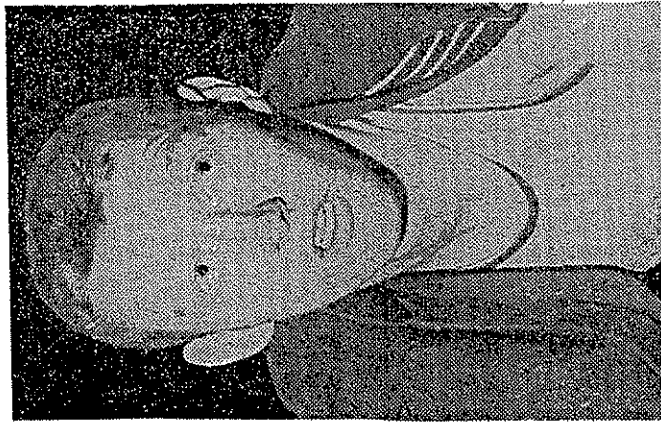
JIM HENGEHOLD
Erlanger St. Henry



WESTLEY UNSELD
Seneca

Murray Host to Emporia Tonight

Fiery Chumbler Whips Pressure



Staff Photo
BILLY CHUMBLER
Murray ace watches action

By DAVID C. ADAMS
Courier-Journal and Times Staff Writer

To the basketball spectator, Billy Chumbler is a fiery competitor who gets a bigger kick out of passing off for a two-pointer than making one.

Inside Billy Chumbler burns a desire to excel that overcomes pressure from the crowd, pressure from the defense and his self-made pressure.

In short, the redhead at Murray State bubbles with basketball enthusiasm. But what makes Billy tick?

The 6-foot guard comes better equipped than most. Some of the equipment is home-made.

Has 20-15 Vision

His vision is a cut above average. Eye specialists say his vision is 20.15, meaning he sees at 20 feet what normal eyes see at 15.

That helps explain his outside shooting success in Murray's six games. But it doesn't entirely explain why he's shooting better on the road . . . and against tougher competition.

Chumbler hit 50 per cent of his outside shots (20 feet or better) in Murray's two

road games—loses to Bradley and Canisius.

"Before each game," Chumbler says, "I want to be alone. After all, it's competition. And there's the enemy. I drill myself over and over for 30 minutes."

He was born with unusual vision but the extra desire comes from the heart. In six games, he's scored 98 points, hitting 40 of 87 field-goal attempts and 18 of 29 at the foul line.

Chumbler proved a cut above the ordinary, too, at Lowes High School where he won all-state acclaim in 1963. During the summer months after his sophomore and junior years—when most kids would be fishing or swimming, Chumbler commuted 20 miles daily to Murray to:

✓ Take advanced chemistry and algebra courses at Murray College High in the morning and

✓ Shoot baskets in pick-up games with college players in the afternoon.

"Those two summers helped me more than anything," Chumbler recalled.

He broke a few Murray hearts when he enrolled at Mississippi State where he grew home sick but maintained a B average.

"They're football-minded down there," he pointed out. "I didn't like slowdown basketball. They ran the shuffle offense. And I couldn't develop my potential where there's no freelancing. Everyone's just a number in the shuffle."

He transferred to Murray after his sophomore season but kept busier than most transfers during his year of ineligibility.

"I could never be a spectator," he recalled. "I really get fired up in practice, too."

So he worked against the Murray varsity, often simulating the opposition's No. 1 player. "You play in practice as well as you do in the games," he's said over and over.

When he does relax, friends claim he gets fired up at the pool table or fishing for bass. Teammates point to three of his five courses this term—two psychology and a graduate course in physical education.

One of 6 Married Players

Chumbler has a special cheering section at Murray. He's one of six married players. The others are Herb McPherson, Rick Miller, Keith Lambert, Gary Quint and Craig Roeder.

"But the wives' favorite is Don Duncan," said Chumbler, "because he's a crowd pleaser, especially when the little guy (5-11) makes a two-handed dunk shot."

Now Billy's on another kick.

"We didn't play much defense at Mississippi State but around here, you pick up your man at mid-court or you're riding the bench."

One thing for sure—Chumbler won't be on the bench tonight when Murray entertains Emporia (Kan.) State.

In other games tonight, Eastern Kentucky tackles Virginia Tech in the nightcap of the first round of the Virginia Tech Invitational. Morehead goes to Kentucky State, East Tennessee State to Arkansas State, Tennessee Tech entertains Texas Wesleyan and Transylvania

invades Berea

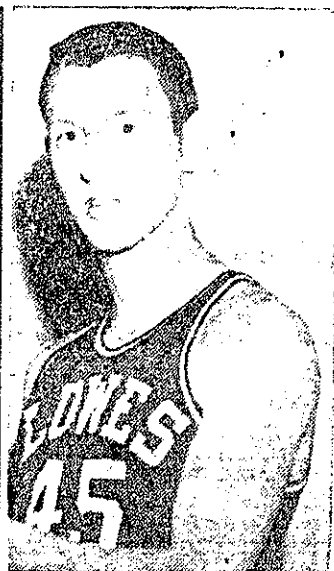


NEWEST MAROON and one of the most sought-after high school basketball players in the South is Billy Chumbler (seated, center), twice all-state at Lowes High in Mayfield, Ky. He has signed a grant-in-aid with Mississippi State, and Coach Babe McCarthy (behind Chumbler) was present for the occasion. Flank-

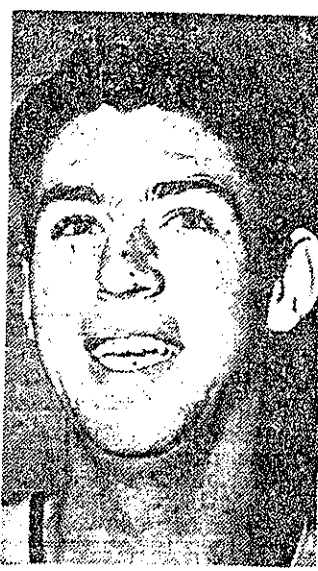
ing Chumbler are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Chumbler, and beside McCarthy are the star's sister, Marcia Chumbler, a former Miss Kentucky, and his high school coach, Gene Mason. Chumbler is 6-1 and scored 2,070 points in three varsity seasons.



DWIGHT SMITH
Area's No. 1 Scorer



BILLY CHUMBLER
In Second, Six Points Back



LARRY CARTEE
Finishes Third

Smith, Chumbler Finish 1-2 In Nip-And-Tuck Point Race

By GENE BAKER
Sun-Democrat Night Sports Writer

It was a heated race right down to the regional tournament but that's when Princeton Dotson's highly-praised Dwight Smith moved out front to become the individual scoring king of the area for the 1961-62 season.

The point-producing Smith, who guided Princeton Dotson to a highly-regarded 34-3 season record, edged past sharp-shooting Billy Chumbler of Lowes by six points to win the scoring crown in the first five districts.

Smith, who is only a junior, compiled a fancy 893 point total for a 37-game stretch that saw the Bearcats roll up one of the all-time best records in Princeton cage annals. His fantastic basket making guided the Bearcats through the district tournament and into the championship game of the regional where Earlington won the right to represent the Second Region in the State tournament.

Calloway's Curd Fourth

Chumbler, also a junior, pushed a whopping 847 points through the nets in 35 games for Lowes before his team failed in its opening test at the regional tournament to

winding up the campaign with 650 margers. Don Curd of Calloway County was the only other player who manager to better the 600-mark, tabbing 610 in a stand-out season effort.

Tommy Ramage of Livingston Central nudged North Marshall's Paul Darnell for the No. 5 position. Ramage bucketed 595 points while Darnell was close behind with 590.

A total of 11 players managed to break into the charmed 500 circle.

Behind Darnell was David Boswell of Livingston Central with 581, Jim Youngblood of Symsonia with 575, David Winn of Lowes with 551, Jerry Page of Lowes with 527 and John Waggoner of Wingo with 510.

Thirteen players were in the 400 group while 36 hit in the 300's for the year.

While Smith's compete total was based on two more games than Chumbler played, it was his superb playing that earned him team additional contests.

The 6-3½ sophomore was under double figures only twice all season and both games came when he had a sprained ankle. His best effort of the season came when he bombed in a whopping

point mark on eight different occasions and consistently hit in the mid 20s.

Smith's average for the 37-game stretch was 24.1.

Chumbler's season record book is just as impressive. He was never under double figures with his lowest output coming against Mayfield in the Third District Tournament when he managed only 14. His best performance, and the one that went into the record books, was a 42 pointer against Louisville Central in the Louisville Invitational Tournament. He averaged 25.3 points per game for the season.

Chumbler finished 6pts behind Dwight Smith but played in 35 games compared to Smith's 37

Top 100 Scorers

1. Smith, Princeton Dotson	893
2. Chumbler, Lowes	847
3. Curd, Calloway County	650
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5. Ramage, Livingston Central	595
6. Darnell, North Marshall	590
7. Boswell, Livingston Central	581
8. Youngblood, Symsonia	575
9. Winn, Lowes	551
10. Page, Lowes	527
11. Waggoner, Wingo	510
12. J. Copeland, Princeton Dotson	477
13. Edwards, Princeton Dotson	467
14. Overstreet, Hickman County	467
15. Brewer, Reidland	456
16. Leseay, St. Mary's	450
17. Alexander, Lone Oak	443
18. Barnett, North Marshall	431
19. Burnett, Fulton City	430
20. Allen, Fulton City	421
21. Bradshaw, Fulton County	417
22. Henson, Livingston Central	417
23. Wilson, Calloway County	414
24. Anderson, Sedalia	406
25. Adams, Wingo	393
26. Muner, Heath	386
27. Holland, Heath	383
28. Hurt, Murray High	383
29. Miller, South Marshall	383
30. K. Lambert, Reidland	381
31. Brown, Reidland	380
32. Elder, Fancy Farm	379
33. Settle, Caldwell County	367
34. Anderson, Benton	358
35. Peck, St. Mary's	358
36. D. Wright, Mayfield	356
37. Gordon, Tullahoma	354
38. G. Smith, Princeton Dotson	354
39. Cunningham, Benton	351
40. Holland, Lyon County	349
41. Vaughn, Carlisle County	348
42. *J. Copeland, Princeton Dotson	347
43. Adams, Fulton County	344
44. Hopwood, Lone Oak	342
45. Henson, Sedalia	341
46. Crittenden, Sedalia	331
47. Farmer, Farmington	329
48. Tanner, Ballard Memorial	324
49. Gibson, Wingo	318
50. Housden, Calloway County	319
51. Warford, Heath	319
52. Wilson, North Marshall	318
53. Sharpe, Mayfield	316
54. Terry, Carlisle County	303
55. Poe, North Marshall	302
56. Taylor, St. Mary's	302
57. Foster, St. Mary's	301
58. Page, Sedalia	300
59. Suiter, Cuba	300
60. Watson, Carlisle County	300
61. Vannerson, Heath	298
62. Shelton, Lone Oak	286
63. Myers, Hickman County	283
64. Colburn, Cuba	288
65. K. Wright, Mayfield	280
66. Wadlington, Cuba	275
67. Connor, Tullahoma	274
68. Morris, Lyon County	273
69. Wear, Ballard Memorial	273
70. Overton, Tullahoma	270
71. Mallory, Caldwell County	263
72. Turbeville, Cuba	259
73. Wilson, St. Mary's	253
74. Mathis, Paducah Lincoln	251
75. Shaffer, Lowes	250
76. Brown, Lone Oak	248
77. Niemi, Benton	248
78. Bogress, Calloway County	244
79. Stone, Mayfield	244
80. *Shadown, Crittenden County	239
81. Shepherd, Fulton County	233
82. Armstrong, Trigg County	231
83. Covington, Fulton City	230
84. Richards, Symsonia	230
85. Mason, Symsonia	229
86. Beades, Fulton City	226
87. Henson, South Marshall	226
88. Berry, Ballard Memorial	225
89. Shumpert, Paducah Lincoln	225
90. Stokes, Fulton City	225
91. Mills, Fancy Farm	223
92. McDaniels, Lyon County	221
93. Dosssett, Fancy Farm	220
94. Puckett, Lowes	219
95. Wells, Murray High	217
96. McKinney, Caldwell County	216
97. Harnice, Livingston Central	215
98. Jackson, Wingo	214
99. Wilson, Sedalia	210
100. Graham, Trigg County	206

*Indicates incomplete record.

Billy Chumbler Leads

By JIM ELKINS, Sun-Democrat Sports Editor

Four juniors were among the top five vote-getters in the Sun-Democrat's 1962 All-Purchase team announced today.

Sharp-shooting Billy Chumbler of Lowes led the balloting as the 6-0 junior forward polled 244 votes.

Larry Cartee of Reidland, the only senior among the first five, was second in the balloting with 207 votes.

Three more juniors—Don Burnette of Fulton City, Jerry Page of Lowes and Kenneth Allen of Fulton City—followed in the voting.

Caddas Beats Alexander For Coaching Honor

Players rounding out the 10-man All-Purchase squad: Don Curd of Calloway County, Richard Hurt of Murray High, Ron Alexander of Lone Oak, Preston Overstreet of Hickman County and Paul Darnell of North Marshall.

Chester Caddas, who guided "darkhorse" Fulton City to the regional championship, was named "Coach-Of-The-Year," beating out Eli Alexander of Murray High.

Caddas polled 93 votes to outdistance the nearest coaches in the voting. Alexander was second with 50 votes, followed by Gene Mason of Lowes and Bill Farris of Benton.

Underclassmen dominated the second team as seven of the 10 players named to the second 10 are either sophomores or juniors.

Just missing the first team by 10 votes and leading the second team was David Winn of Lowes. Jim Youngblood of Symsonia, the only sophomore on the first or second team, was the No. 2 player on the second team.

Others on the second team were: John Waggoner of Wingo, Dwight Smith of Princeton Dotson, Bob Brewer of Reidland, David Boswell of Livingston Central, John Covington of Fulton City, Tommy Ramage and Wayne Henson of Livingston Central and William Wilson of North Marshall.

Players, Coaches Select Team

Winn, Waggoner, Smith, Covington, Boswell and Ramage are all juniors.

Heading the second team was Ed Settle of Caldwell County, followed by Keith Lambert of Reidland, James Gordon of Tilghman, Scotty Edwards of Princeton Dotson, Kenneth Shadowen of Crittenden County, Dan Sharp of Mayfield, Allan Brown of Reidland, Gerald Barrett of North Marshall, Tom Wilson of St. Mary's, Dan Wright of Mayfield and Jewell Copeland of Princeton Dotson. The last two players on the third team tied in the voting, forcing the 11-man third team.

Eighteen players made honorable mention.

The first 10 players and coaches at the 35 schools in the first five districts are eligible to vote on the team. Twenty-seven of the schools participated in the voting.

Balloting was conducted after the district and regional tournament play this year, and the play of several boys in the First Regional Tourney is reflected in the voting.

The first team ranges in size from 5-9½ Page to the 6-6 Hurt. The 10-man dream squad averages 6-1 plus.

The All-Purchase team has scored a combined total of 5,498 points for an average of 540 each, headed by Chumbler's region-leading 887 points.

(Carlos Newman of Paducah did the art work on today's All-Purchase layout. Next week, the Sun-Democrat's All-Little Egypt team will be featured with story and pictures).

Billy Chumbler

The most improved player in the region . . . the best goal shot I've ever seen in high school." Those two statements by Coach Gene Mason of Lowes tells the story on why Chumbler was the No. 1 vote-getter in the region this year after getting only token support and honorable mention honors last season.

Chumbler showed the ingredients this season that will undoubtedly make him one of the region's most-sought college prospects after his graduation next spring.

The red-headed, freckle-faced 16-year-old youngster became almost unstoppable this season as he hit in double figures in every game, ranging from his low of 14 to the record-setting 42 scored in the Louisville Invitational Tournament.

Learning how to drive was the big factor in making Chumbler a terrific scorer. Always a good shooter from outcourt, Chumbler became quite adept at driving the baseline or through the key after working in the gym at Murray State practically all summer while enrolled in summer school there.

Chumbler's amazing accuracy is reflected in his 48.9 field goal shooting mark. He hit 77 per cent of his foul shots in amassing his 887 points for the season. He gathered in 10.4 rebounds per game. As a junior, Chumbler scored 449 points.

Several big-time college coaches have already let it be known that they are interested in Chumbler and if he continues to improve during the 1962-63 season, he will probably be welcomed at just about any college in the nation.

Larry Cartee

This 6-1 Reidland cager closes out his high school career with a fantastic set of basketball credentials that would make him rank alongside the Greyhounds' greatest players of the past.

A regular since his freshman days and a letterman as an eighth grader, Cartee concluded his schoolboy play with a career total of 1,640 points, thanks to a banner 630 point effort this season.

The sure-handed, sharp-shooting Cartee hit on 43 per cent of his field attempts (262 of 612) and connected on 136 of 206 foul tries (66 per cent) in amassing his total this year, which was second only to Chumbler's banner total in the regional point race.

Cartee also pulled down 11 rebounds per game in helping the Greyhounds to the finals of the regional tournament.

A standout student, Cartee hopes to matriculate at an engineering school. He has had feelers from several colleges and universities with the top ones being Murray State, Vanderbilt, Tennessee Tech, and Florida State.

Cartee gained a starting job for the Greyhounds late in his freshman year, scoring 130 points that season. He improved every season thereafter, getting 404 as a sophomore, 448 in his junior year and then his top output this season.

Don Burnette

An All-WKC end in football, a regional track winner in the high jump and now an All-Purchase performer in basketball.

That's the success story which the gangling 6-3 Burnette has already written—and he's only a junior.

"There's no limit to his future," said Coach Chester Caddas with an awe in his voice as he talked about Burnette and his huge hands which saw him snare 19 touchdown passes last year and pull off innumerable rebounds in helping the Bulldogs to the regional championship.

Silliman, Conley And Chumbler



Stevens, Breathitt



Frank Harscher, Henry Clay



Pres Judy, Henry Clay



Larry Conley, Ashland



n, Hazard



Jim Rose, Wheelwright



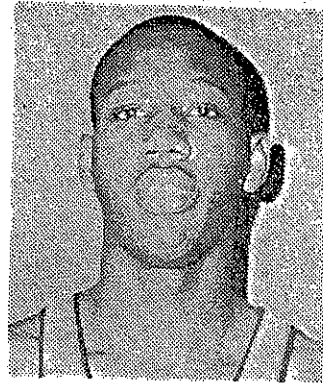
Billy Chumbler, Lowes



Paul Smith, Owsley Co.



Mike Silliman, St. X.



CHARLES TAYLOR **BILLY CHUMBLER**
Kentucky's Two Big Guns

Kentucky's Stars Edge Indiana 90-86

By **BOB WHITE**
Courier-Journal Writer

Indianapolis, June 22.—Charles Taylor, the Owensboro sharpshooter who wrecked Indiana's basketball pride last December, did it again here Saturday night in leading the Kentucky All-Stars to a thrilling 90-86 victory over the stars from Hoosierland.

Taylor, a 6-foot, 5-inch Courier-Journal All-Stater, sank 13 field goals—including six straight in the crucial part of the second half—to take game scoring honors with 26 points.

Taylor's heroics—he missed only four shots—simply amazed the 14,025 partisan Indiana fans who had turned out in

hopes of seeing their team beat Kentucky here at Butler Fieldhouse for the first time since 1959.

Eye Two-Game Sweep

Thus, Kentucky has won here for the fourth straight year and now needs but a victory at Louisville's Freedom Hall next Saturday night to earn the first sweep of this annual two-game summer classic since Indiana won both contests in 1958.

Ironically, Kentucky hasn't won at Louisville since 1959.

This victory—Kentucky's ninth in 30 games with Indiana's best graduating high school players—was most pleasing to coach Jim Morris. This fall, Morris will become a Hoosier coach when he takes over at New Albany. He has been at Louisville Flaget the past four years.

Although the Hoosier fans

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appeared dazzled by Taylor's shooting, it didn't surprise Morris. "No, I wasn't surprised at Taylor's shooting. I knew he could hit like that."

Perhaps, Morris remembered last December when Taylor's 39 points for Owensboro spilled Evansville Rex Mundi—then Indiana's No. 1-rated schoolboy team—71-69 in three overtimes.

Morris, however, did have one surprise. It was the play of Lowes' Billy Chumbler, who had missed most of last week's practice because of the virus and a mouth infection. Showing no signs of having lost 10 pounds, Chumbler scored 15 points to rank second behind Taylor.

KENTUCKY 90						
Player	fg.	fga.	ft.	fta.	pf.	reb.
Redd	3	10	0	0	5	0
Haskins	7	14	0	2	0	14
Hendrix	4	6	1	2	4	9
Taylor	13	17	0	0	1	26
Couch	2	8	3	3	3	7
Chapman	2	5	0	4	1	4
Chumbler	6	9	4	4	0	15
Smith	1	1	0	0	0	0
Hengehold	0	2	1	1	0	1
Hicks	2	4	0	1	2	4
Mattingly	1	1	0	0	0	2
Totals	41	77	8	13	18	80

INDIANA 86						
Player	fg.	fga.	ft.	fta.	pf.	reb.
Jones	1	7	5	7	1	7
Mason	7	12	0	0	3	14
Rolf	7	17	3	17	2	17
Russell	8	14	1	5	2	17
Neimeler	3	7	0	0	2	5
Dampier	4	7	3	3	2	11
Brown	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwood	2	2	0	0	0	4
Joyner	3	5	2	4	1	8
Gee	1	2	0	0	0	2
Totals	36	74	14	26	13	86
Halftime: Kentucky 48-38						

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OVC MEN'S BASKETBALL ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS

1949

Sonny Allen, Morehead State
Jacke Coleman, Louisville
Glenn Combs, Louisville
Joe Hafeele, Evansville
Paul Hicks, Eastern Kentucky
Bob Lavery, Western Kentucky
Chuck Mrazovich, Eastern Kentucky
John Oldham, Western Kentucky
Kenny Reeves, Louisville
Bill Toothman, Marshall

1950

Sonny Allen, Morehead State
Don Brown, Marshall
Joe Hafeele, Evansville
Paul Hicks, Eastern Kentucky
Bob Lavery, Western Kentucky
Harold Loughary, Murray State
Bill Martin, Morehead State
Chuck Mrazovich, Eastern Kentucky
Charley Snow, Murray State

1951

Harry Axford, Evansville
Jim Baechtold, Eastern Kentucky
Jack Baker, Morehead State
Bob Barnett, Evansville
Garrett Beshear, Murray State
Gene Garrett, Murray State
Rip Gish, Western Kentucky
Don Miller, Morehead State
Bernie Purchell, Murray State

1952

Jim Baechtold, Eastern Kentucky
Garrett Beshear, Murray State
Roscoe Bivin, Evansville
Jim Lamb, Marshall
Tom Marshall, Western Kentucky
Bernie Purchell, Murray State
Gene Rhodes, Western Kentucky
Flavius Smith, Tennessee Tech
Art Spoelstra, Western Kentucky
Walt Walowac, Marshall
Elza Whalan, Morehead State
Dick White, Western Kentucky

1953

Bill Bales, Eastern Kentucky
Garrett Beshear, Murray State
Linda Castle, Morehead State
Rich Gott, Murray State
Paul Hughes, Tennessee Tech
Tom Marshall, Western Kentucky
Art Spoelstra, Western Kentucky
Elmer Tolson, Eastern Kentucky
Ken Trickey, Middle Tennessee
Elza Wahlen, Morehead State

1954

Jack Adams, Eastern Kentucky
Lynn Cole, Western Kentucky
Howie Crittenden, Murray State
Tom Holbrook, Eastern Kentucky
Tom Marshall, Western Kentucky
Sam Smith, Middle Tennessee
Art Spoelstra, Western Kentucky

Dan Swartz, Morehead State
Ken Trickey, Middle Tennessee
Jack Turner, Western Kentucky

1955

Forest Able, Western Kentucky
Jack Adams, Eastern Kentucky
Howie Crittenden, Murray State
Ralph Crosthwaite, Western Ky.
Dick Culbertson, Eastern Kentucky
Steve Hamilton, Morehead State
Ronnie Pellegrinon, Eastern Kentucky
Doug Sharder, Middle Tennessee
Kenny Sidwell, Tennessee Tech
Dan Swartz, Morehead State

1964

Henry Akin, Morehead State
Eddie Bodkin, Eastern Kentucky
Steven Cunningham, Western Ky.
Clem Haskins, Western Kentucky
Stewart Johnson, Murray State
Lee Lemos, Eastern Kentucky
Herb McPherson, Murray State
John Namicu, Murray State
Dave Pratt, Tennessee Tech

1965

Eddie Bodkin, Eastern Kentucky
Wayne Chapman, Western Ky.
Steve Cunningham, Western Ky.
Clem Haskins, Western Kentucky
Tommy Head, Austin Peay

Stewart Johnson, Murray State
Henry Jordan, Tennessee Tech
Dwight Smith, Western Kentucky
Dennis Synder, Austin Peay
Bill Walton, Eastern Kentucky

1966

Richard Arnold, East Tennessee St.
Wayne Chapman, Western Ky.
Dick Cunningham, Murray State
Clem Haskins, Western Kentucky
Bruce King, Morehead State
Herb McPherson, Murray State
Jim Sandfoss, Morehead State
Dwight Smith, Western Kentucky
Bobby Washington, Eastern Ky.
Tommy Woods, East Tennessee St.

1967

Frank Battleson, Tennessee Tech
Willie Brown, Murray State
Wayne Chapman, Middle Tennessee
Billy Chumbler, Murray State
Dick Cunningham, Murray State
Larry Jordan, Morehead State
Butch Kaufman, Western Kentucky
Tom Moran, Murray State
Jim Sutton, Tennessee Tech
Harley Swift, East Tennessee

1975

Steve Peeler, Middle Tennessee (MVP)
Charlie Fishback, Austin Peay
Otis Howard, Austin Peay

TOURNAMENT FACTS

OVC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS

1948-49	Western Kentucky	1985-86	Akron
1949-50	Eastern Kentucky	1986-87	Austin Peay
1950-51	Murray State	1987-88	Murray State
1951-52	Western Kentucky	1988-89	Middle Tennessee
1952-53	Western Kentucky	1989-90	Murray State
1953-54	Western Kentucky	1990-91	Murray State
1954-55	Eastern Kentucky	1991-92	Murray State
1963-64	Murray State	1992-93	Tennessee State
1964-65	Western Kentucky	1993-94	Tennessee State
1965-66	Western Kentucky	1994-95	Murray State
1966-67	Tennessee Tech	1995-96	Austin Peay
1974-75	Middle Tennessee	1996-97	Murray State
1975-76	Western Kentucky	1997-98	Murray State
1976-77	Middle Tennessee	1998-99	Murray State
1977-78	Western Kentucky	1999-00	Southeast Missouri
1978-79	Eastern Kentucky	2000-01	Eastern Illinois
1979-80	Western Kentucky	2001-02	Murray State
1980-81	Western Kentucky	2002-03	Austin Peay
1981-82	Middle Tennessee	2003-04	Murray State
1982-83	Morehead State	2004-05	Eastern Kentucky
1983-84	Morehead State	2005-06	Murray State
1984-85	Middle Tennessee	2006-07	Eastern Kentucky

OVC TOURNAMENT TEAM RECORDS

Akron (1978-87)	4-2
Austin Peay (1962-)	32-29
East Tennessee (1957-78)	3-6
Eastern Illinois (1996-)	4-7
Eastern Kentucky (1948-)	34-28
Evansville (1948-52)	1-4
Jacksonville State (2003-)	1-2
Louisville (1948-50)	2-1
Marshall (1949-52)	2-4
Middle Tennessee (1952-00)	23-24
Morehead State (1948-)	19-35
Murray State (1948-)	55-29
Samford (2003-)	3-4
Southeast Missouri (1991-)	6-8
Tennessee-Martin (1992-)	0-5
Tennessee State (1986-)	8-17
Tennessee Tech (1949-)	19-36
Western Kentucky (1948-82)	34-7
Youngstown State (1980-88)	3-5

Present OVC Members in Bold

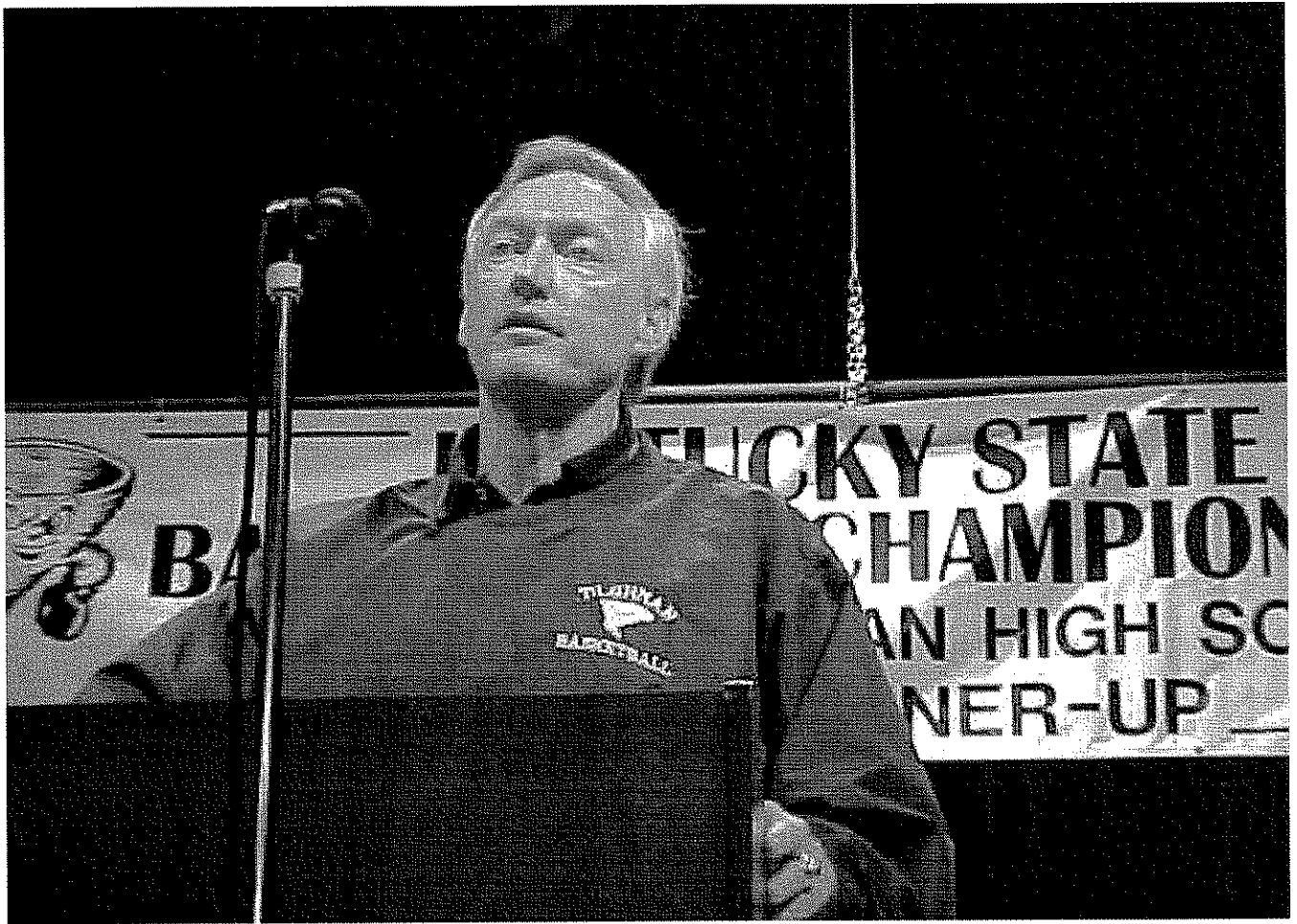
OVC TOURNAMENT TITLES

Murray State	13
Western Kentucky	10
Eastern Kentucky	5
Middle Tennessee	5
Austin Peay	3
Morehead State	2
Tennessee State	2
Akron	1
Eastern Illinois	1
Southeast Missouri	1
Tennessee Tech	1

Present OVC Members in Bold

CURRENT COACHES' RECORDS IN OVC TOURNAMENT

COACH	SCHOOL	RECORD	TITLES
Dave Loos	Austin Peay	20-15	2
Mike Miller	Eastern Illinois	0-0	0
Jeff Neubauer	Eastern Kentucky	3-1	1
Mike LaPlante	Jacksonville State	1-2	0
Donnie Tyndall	Morehead State	0-1	0
Billy Kennedy	Murray State	0-1	0
Jimmy Tillette	Samford	3-4	0
Scott Edgar	Southeast Missouri	8-3	2
	with Murray State	8-2	2
	with Southeast Missouri	0-1	0
Bret Campbell	UT Martin	0-5	0
Cy Alexander	Tennessee State	0-4	0
Mike Sutton	Tennessee Tech	7-4	0



Coach Bill Chumbler



Interview with coach Chumblor
before state championship game
2002



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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of Bill Chumbler. My name is Taylor Sparks and I am the former Athletic Director of Trigg County High School in Cadiz, Kentucky. Coach Chumbler was hired as our Men's Basketball Coach in the fall of 2002. Our program at the time had endured several losing seasons and had experience a very controversial coaching termination. Coach Chumbler had just completed a very successful year at Paducah Tilghman High School resulting in a runner-up finish in the 2002 State Tournament. Coach Chumbler decided to leave Tilghman and through mutual friends we began conversations pertaining to him coaching at Trigg County. I explained our situation to Coach Chumbler and that I felt it would be a very tough situation to be successful. Coach Chumbler felt this would be a tremendous challenge and became our head coach.

I cannot express what an inspiration he brought not only in coaching but with his leadership role with our athletes. He immediately turned our men's basketball team into winners, both on and off the court. He gave our athletes a sense of pride and determination that we had lacked for several years. He brought our community back together in their support of our team. He demanded the best from each and every player both in their athletics and in the classroom as well.

Coach Chumbler's teams won more than twenty games each year he was with our program. Trigg County won or was runner-up in the Fifth District each year he was our coach advancing to the Second Region Tournament each year.

I am sure that you have been provided with Coach Chumbler's won-loss record and his many accomplishments. My recommendation far exceeds the wins, championships, and the accomplishments but address the tremendous effect his tenure at Trigg County had on the community, coaches, students, and most of all the players that he coached. It is my honor to recommend Bill Chumbler for induction into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

Taylor Sparks

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Athletic Director
Trigg County High School 1994-2006