

Wahares / KHSAA Hall of Fame Nomination Form

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Information about Nominee

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Please list the primary category of nomination (circle) -

<input checked="" type="radio"/> PLAYER	<input type="radio"/> COACH	<input type="radio"/> OFFICIAL	<input type="radio"/> CONTRIBUTOR
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Birth Date of Nominee	MARCH 31, 1947
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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)	
Year of Retirement	
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	

(over for remainder of application)

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

High School Attended	BRISTOW	
Graduation Year	1965	
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	4	

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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.

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 Wendell Strode Name (print) Wendell Strode Date 10-13-03

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.

October 13, 2003

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Attention: Nominations
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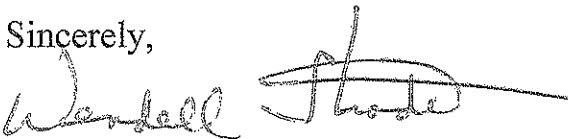
I am pleased to nominate Rich Hendrick for the Dawahares/KHSAA High School Sports Hall of Fame as an "Player" from Section 1 (4th Region). As a high school All American his athletic achievements were extraordinary. Rich exemplifies the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct and moral character.

Enclosed please find the following:

- Completed Official Nomination Form.
- Letter of Recommendation from Lowell G. Hammers.
- Various newspapers clippings and a copy of an article that appeared in the February 7, 1965 Courier Journal magazine.
- 5x7 photograph.

Should additional information be needed, please advise and I will provide it promptly.

Sincerely,



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August 10, 2003

Kentucky High School Athletic Association
2280 Executive Drive
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please consider this letter as a recommendation for Richard (Rich) Hendrick for the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall-of-Fame. I coached Richard during his junior (63-64) and senior (64-65) seasons at Bristow High School in Warren County. This high school was consolidated in 1969 along with Richardsville and North Warren. The new school became Warren East High School.

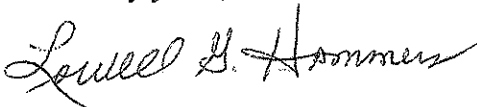
Below is a list of Richard's accomplishments as a student athlete at Bristow High School:

63-65—First team All Southern Kentucky
Averaged over 42 points per game
Selected to Kentucky All-State Team
Lead all scorers in the Nation

64-65--Southern Kentucky Player of the Year
Averaged over 42 points per game
Scored 65 points against Adairville to break Darrell Carrier's school record
(64 points)
Played in the Kentucky-Indiana All-Star Game
Played in the Damper Dan Classic (scored 18 points)
Scored over 3,000 points in his career at Bristow High School

Please consider this great high school basketball player to be inducted with the next group into the Kentucky High School Hall of Fame.

Sincerely yours,



Lowell G. Hammers
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ALL-AMERICA CERTIFICATE from Coach And Athlete magazine was presented to Bristow High's Rich Hendrick during a school convocation yesterday. At right is WKCT sportscaster Wes Strader. Hendrick, who averaged over 42 points a game his final two seasons, has signed a grant-in-aid with Western.

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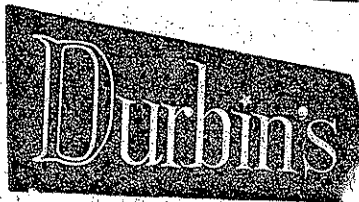
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Clippings from
Rich Hendrick's
Senior Year

Bristow's Rich Hendrick Is Southern Kentucky's Basketball Player Of The Year

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

For as long as basketball is played in Southern Kentucky, they'll be talking about Southern Kentucky's 1965 Player Of The Year — Bristow High's Rich Hendrick.

They'll tell how he scored a record 65 points in one game as a junior, a record 1,135 in one season as a senior and how he destroyed the law of averages by scoring 40 or more points 35 times in his last 53 games!

The 6-1 guard, who made a rag strip out of every court he played on, will graduate this spring the owner of every single Fifth Region regular-season record.

And the only reason he didn't re-write the tournament book as well is that, like Bristow's two-time Player Of The Year Darel Carrier, he never was able to play in it.

The Comets' superstar earns Southern Kentucky's top scholarly accolade from the Daily News today and captains this newspaper's All-Southern Kentucky team.

On the dream five with him are seniors Rich Travis of High Street, Ken Rigdon of Allen County, Lawrence Curd of regional champion Glasgow and sophomore Clarence Glover of Caverna.

The five combined for 3,311 points and present an incredible team average of 116.2 points a game.

And their five teams posted a composite record of 111 victories and 35 defeats.

The 6-1 Hendrick gunned off 1,135 points for a 42.0 average.

The 6-1 Travis hit 742 points for a 23.9 mark.

The 6-2 Rigdon crashed 565 points for a 20.2 average.

The 6-7 Glover averaged 16.0 433 points.

And the 6-2 Curd hit 436 points for a 14.1 mark.

Rebounding?

Glover and Curd picked off most 900 between them. Glover clutched 460 boards and Curd hauled away 402.

Hendrick had a single-game high of 55 points this season, Travis bombed 43, Rigdon 38, over 35 and Curd 28.

Glover picked off 35 rebounds in one game and Curd pulled down 24 once.

Hendrick is the only repeat from last year's first team. Rigdon and Travis both were

All-Southern Kentucky

PLAYER	SCHOOL	Hgt	Class	Avg.
Rich Hendrick	Bristow	6-1	Sr	42.0
Rich Travis	High Street	6-1	Sr	23.9
Ken Rigdon	Allen County	6-2	Sr	20.2
Lawrence Curd	Glasgow	6-2	Sr	14.1
Clarence Glover	Caverna	6-7	Soph	16.0

Second Team	
J. S. McDaniel	Park City
Billy Hunter	High St.
Gary Horne	Allen Co.
Steve Corbitt	Bowling Green
Joe B. Webb	Glasgow

Third Team	
Terry Stice	College High
Jim Flener	Butler Co.
Malcolm Crump	Richardsville
Jerry Dunn	Gamaliel
Fred Rather	Scottsville

up from the 1964 second team.

It was extremely difficult to leave High Street's 6-7 Billy Hunter off the first team.

The big, bespectacled boy apparently broke all Southern Kentucky records by hauling away a phenomenal 623 rebounds in 31 games!

His scoring average was a solid 14.9 per game on 478 points and he bombed an impressive 25 in the regional championship loss to Glasgow.

Hunter displayed spectacular improvement over his junior season's play and is certain to earn a solid college scholarship.

Hunter heads up perhaps the finest second five in Southern Kentucky's history. On this team with him are J. S. McDaniel of Park City, Joe Billy Webb of Glasgow and little dynamos Gary Horne of Allen County and Steve Corbitt of Bowling Green High.

Horne is just 5-7, but he scored 530 points for an 18.3 average. He was fabulous in a 3-point loss to Louisville Male, posting 28 of his team's 48 points.

Corbitt is just 5-9, but he averaged 12 points and added 7 or 8 assists and 500 pounds of dynamite to every BGH performance.

McDaniel scored a towering 598 points for a 26.0 average. The 6-foot Webb parlayed an unbelievable 437 rebounds with his 365 points and missed the first team by an eyelash.

The third team is solid enough, also.

There is Gamaliel's fabulous 6-2 freshman Jerry Dunn, who booked 692 points and 423 rebounds.

And College High's Terry Stice, who averaged 18.3 points a game.

And Butler County's Jim Flener (22.2 points a game).

And Richardsville's Malcolm

And Scottsville's Fred Rather (15.7).

Here is a quickie look at the First Five:

—RICH HENDRICK—
Hendrick was barely nosed out of Player Of The Year honors last season by Allen County's Norm Weaver, who led the Patriots to the State Tournament's semifinals.

Glasgow was the area's top team this year. But the Scotties emphasized balance and had no superstar.

Hendrick had to be the pick, if for no other reason than this: His reply to the critics who said he left nothing for an encore after scoring 1,110 points last season was to score 1,135 this time around.

An able rebounder, a superb outside shooter and without a peer in this area as a driver, Hendrick departs owning these major regional records:

—Most points in one game with 65.

—Most points in one season with 1,135.

—Most points in two consecutive seasons with 2,245.

—Most times scoring 50 or more points with 12.

—Best one-season scoring average with his 42.3 mark of last season.

Hendrick hit right at 500 percentage from the field in his last two seasons and around 750 from the foul line. He also averaged right at 12 rebounds a game for the 53 contests during those two seasons.

An All-American? You bet! Coached by Lowell Hammers, Hendrick is sought by literally scores of colleges. Western appears to have the best chance to land him.

—LAWRENCE CURD —
You can't get much better

balanced team in the crucible of March's tournament days.

In his last six games — district, regional and state tournament ones—"Lemon" powdered 106 points and picked off more than 75 rebounds.

Curd was at his very best in the Fifth Region championship game with High Street, scoring 28 points (13 of 18 shots from the field) and securing 16 boards.

Some college scouts called him the best baseline performer that they had seen in Kentucky all season. His coach, Jim Richards, doesn't see how his fine hands and great leaping ability can miss making him a college star.

Tennessee Tech is the latest school talking to him, but Oklahoma City may have the inside track.

Curd scored 20 or more points nine times and twice bombed 28. The Scotties simply could not have won the Fifth Region championship without him.

—RICH TRAVIS—
Travis had the greatest season of any High Street Mustang since Bobby Joe Parrish was pouring 'em in during the 1958 and '59 campaigns.

Many felt he was the greatest jump shooter from the circle area in the region's history and the scorebook bore them out.

Eight times he scored 30 or more points, including 32 artful ones in the district final against Bowling Green High.

To get an idea of his shot-making ability, consider his performances in four consecutive tournament games:

In that span he hit 45 of 86 shots from the field, nearly all of them from the 15-20-foot range.

His single-game high was 43 against Bristow.

Travis' 742 points are just 38 shy of Parrish's school record against KHSAA competition.

He scored 125 points in six tournament games, taking High Street to the regional final.

Coached by Frank Moxley, Travis is sought by Western, Eastern, Kentucky State, Oklahoma City, Western Michigan, Austin Peay and some eight other colleges.

—KEN RIGDON—
To appreciate the gap Rigdon is leaving, consider that he has been a starter on three Allen County teams which won 77 of 92 games and captured

two Fifth Region ships.

In four State games as a sophomore, this brilliant shooter booked 7

There was no fence against his range as he dispensed of the two-ha jumper and the

Although opponent past season staccato fenses outside, he hit 565 points for a game average.

Coach Jimmyphasias a controllable still Rigdon booked 386 points in his career as a starter as a sophomore junior.

Allen County had no business finishing 24-5 record this season was the least starter. He saw Patriots again we top teams in Kentucky.

With a strong cast that emphasizes it, it is almost that Rigdon would win all Allen County season.

As it was, he better four times single-game high Rigdon is sought from Florida to Tennessee Tech in

—CLARENCE —
Before he's thru sophomore may be all-around basketball Southern Kentucky Already, he can well.

His 433 points in game high of 35. bounds include a 0 of 35. He has blocked as 12 shots in a situation

And when foes jump on Caverna, you brings the ball Right! Glover!

And he performs perhaps consistent opposition than any member of the first team

He is better right Wes Unsel of Scott was as a sophomore He is a little erratic At times, it appears pacing himself to

But he may add inches and he will put on 40 more before he becomes the college "draft" Then watch 'em He's coached by

All-America Rich Hendrick Signs Grant With Western

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor
Western got Rich last night.

Bristow High's fabulous Rich Hendrick, two-time All-America schoolboy who averaged better than 40 points a game his last two seasons, signed a basketball grant-in-aid with the Hilltoppers.

Spurning 40 other offers from coast to coast, Southern Kentucky's all-time scoring champion reasoned simply: "My good friend went to Western and made a big success."

The good friend was ex-Bristow bomber Darel Carrier, who wound up his career on the Hilltop by being named to the Helm's Athletic Foundation All-America team in 1964.

Western coach Johnny Oldham regarded the recruiting of Hendrick as a "must" in his plans for the future and he was elated at the signing.

"I saw Rich play about 10 games the past season and he showed me all the qualities needed to produce a truly great basketball player.

"Naturally, his shooting would impress anybody. But I also like his quickness, his ball-handling and his great desire to excel.

"I saw him against regional champion Glasgow when he was cut around the eye and it took nine stitches to close the wound. He still played a terrific ball game.

"Certainly we are indebted to



ON THE DOTTED LINE — Bristow High's All-America Rich Hendrick signed a basketball grant-in-aid with Western last night while a happy coach John Oldham and mem-

bers of Rich's family looked on. At left is his mother, Mrs. Annie Hendrick. At rear, from left, are Marvin Hendrick, Oldham, Rodney Hendrick and Leon Hendrick.

Mr. Diddle (Western's retired coach Ed Diddle). He was a great influence in Rich's deciding to come to Western."

Hendrick is the third high school ace signed by Western

and all three have been named to play in Kentucky's East-West All-Star game. The others are Henderson County's 6-6 Daryl Hallmark and Hart Memorial's 6-2 Johnny Russell.

Hendrick scored 3,080 points in 101 games in his freshman, sophomore, junior and senior seasons for a 30.5-point a game career average.

The 6-1, 165-pound guard bombed a record 1,135 points in 27 games the past season for a 42.0 average to lead the state.

He led the nation in scoring as a junior with 1,110 points in 26 games for a 42.7 mark.

He busted 523 points in 24 starts as a sophomore for a 21.7 average.

And he scored 312 points in 24 games as a freshman for a 13.0 mean.

Hendrick set the Fifth Region single-game mark with a 65-

point volley against Adairville as a junior.

He scored 50 or more points 12 times during his career.

Named by his classmates as "Mr. Bristow", Hendrick also was Mr. Freshman, Mr. Sophomore, Mr. Junior and Mr. Senior.

He twice was named to All-State teams and was picked on Dell Magazine's and Clair Bee's All-America teams.

In the first National Dapper Dan Prep Classic at Pittsburgh last month, he led the National All-Stars in scoring with 18 points while playing only about half of the game.

"Western offers the academic and athletic opportunities I am looking for," said Hendrick, who had postponed his decision only because he had promised other colleges he would

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all of them on field goals. But Hendrick not only connected for 18 fielders, but hit 11 of 12 free throws as well.

Hendrick now owns 418 points in 10 games for a 41.8 average.

Bristow led by just 38-26 at the half. But Hendrick hit a torrid streak after intermission, canning 18 points in the third quarter and 13 in the final heat.

The 6-1 senior ace personally outscored the entire Park City team the last half by 31 to 27. McDaniels got 20 of his team's

Nichols fashioned 23 points and McGuffey strung 22 for Scottsville, which posted its seventh win in 10 games.

Game honors, though, went to North's Larry Richey who hit 26 points. David Hatcher added 15 and Hal Meisel had 14.

Scotts'le 79	71 N. Warren
McGuffey 22	26 Richey
Starks 4	15 Hatcher
Rather 14	7 Whitley
Nichols 23	14 Neisel
Hancock 2	7 Watt

Subs — Scottsville: Kelly 10, Hobdy 4. North Warren: B.

Bristow's Hendrick Dandy At Basketball Or Milking

By JOHNNY CARRICO

Bristow, Ky. — Around the barn or around the gym, Rich Hendrick is well known for a pair of good hands.

His talent on the basketball floor has brought him national attention, while his skill at milking probably is considered a more valuable asset at home.

The Bristow High School senior compiled the highest prep school scoring average—42.7 points per game—in the nation last season, a national magazine reported. All that fame doesn't count for much though, at six o'clock on a cold winter morning when there's milking to be done.

Rich is a farm boy, one of four brothers who help their widowed mother operate a 90-acre farm five miles from Bowling Green. The chores come first—milking, feeding the livestock—before Rich changes to his other personality of high school athletic hero.

And a hero he certainly is to the few hundred souls who inhabit this community. The Warren County hamlet shows on only a few maps, but Rich has put it on many, figuratively, with his basketball deeds.

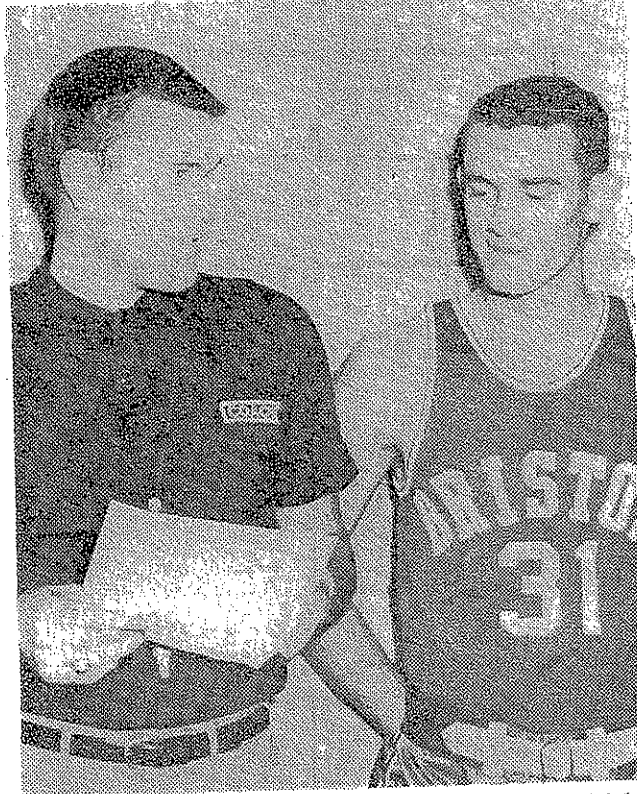
AMONG HIS dazzling offensive eruptions are these spectacular displays:

- ✓ 65 points in one game, against Adairville last season;
- ✓ 50 points in a game nine times in his career;
- ✓ A 28-point average for his varsity career of 82 games;
- ✓ Scored 50 points or more in four straight games.

An average of over 42 points a game would be sensational even against sandlot competition, but Rich's figures have been achieved against some of the strongest teams in the Fifth Region. This season, with more attention from defenders, he is averaging 41.2 in nine games, seven of them Bristow victories.

"He's for real, all right," Western Kentucky College coach John Oldham answered in reply to a query on Hendrick's credentials. "He's high on our list of prospects, I can tell you," Oldham continued. "He's one of the best I've ever seen for readjusting after being fouled on a shot. It means he gets a lot of three-point baskets.

"WITH HIS RECORD, he



Bristow Coach Lowell Hammers and Rick Hendrick.

naturally gets a lot of attention from the defense. No matter how he gets roughed up, he keeps his composure—and I like that. He's a real poker-face. He's a terrific guard prospect and we'd sure like to have him."

Says his coach, Lowell Hammers, a former Kentucky Wesleyan player:

"He's one of the finest outside shots you'll see, but it's those hands of his that do it. They're tremendous. I've seen him snatch a ball away from an opponent with his left hand, scoop it up with his right hand and go for the basket in almost one motion.

"He's almost the complete player, as far as I'm concerned," Hammers observed. "He's our leading rebounder—averaged 13 last year and our best defensive player."

Richard Milton Hendrick, born March 31, 1947, would stand out in the Bristow senior class if only because he scarcely could get lost in a group of 35 many of whom are girls. (The enrollment in the upper four grades at Bristow is only 126).

A slender six-foot-one, 165-

RICH'S personal hero is Darrel Carrier, also a school-boy whiz at Bristow who scored over 3,100 points. Rich modeled his moves after Carrier and got personal help this summer when the former Western Kentucky star worked with him.

"Mostly he improved my footwork," Hendrick says. "He also got me working more with my left hand and making my moves smoother. But just associating with him is bound to help a lot."

Rich practices about two hours daily in the small (capacity 400) Bristow gym that has asphalt tile flooring instead of the customary hardwood.

"It's really different going from one to the other," he says.

He sharpens his eye with shooting for 20 to 25 minutes before Coach Hammers begins the special tutoring for the team's next game.

Hendrick's offensive talents were paid the ultimate compliment a week ago when College High of Bowling Green used a four-man box zone defense with a chaser against Bristow. Four men guarded Hendrick while the fifth was assigned to the other four Bristow players. It could be regarded as only moderately successful since Rich bombed 50 points.

SOME 25 COLLEGES have expressed an interest in him, but Rich says a decision on college will come after high school basketball is over this season. Western Kentucky appears to be his most likely choice with physical education as his major.

Basketball isn't Hendrick's only talent. He won a tobacco auctioneering contest during the 1964 State Fair and he plans to compete as a high jumper for the Bristow track team next spring. He also pitches and plays third base for the Bristow baseball team.

Among his numerous honors were selection to the all-district team twice and to the All-State team last season. Dell Magazine placed him on its All-American second team.

How does all this acclaim affect Hendrick? He's not indifferent to it, of course, but it's hard to feel heroic in a cold barn at 6 a.m. among a bunch of cows.



Hendrick's Hand Spread

pounder, Rich has been playing basketball since he was six years old. It was almost impossible for him to do anything else, since his brothers—Leon, Marvin, and Rodney—all played for Bristow, too.

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In Pittsburgh Tilt

Hendrick's 18 Tops For U. S. Stars

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

"I was tight as a jug the first half. But I loosened up after that and really enjoyed myself."

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It was Rich Hendrick talking after he put tiny Bristow, Ky., firmly on the map by leading the scoring for the first U. S. High School Basketball All-Star team ever assembled in its 89-76 loss to the Pennsylvania All-Stars at Pittsburgh Friday night.

Hendrick scored 18 points, picked off 4 rebounds and has five scoring passes tied for high on the U. S. team, which was composed of the finest players from nine Eastern and Southern states.

The 6-1 All-America star hit 6 of 14 shots from the field and 6 of 8 free throws.

Even though he was tight as a jug, Hendrick scored 7 points in the first quarter to stake the U. S. Stars to a 16-14 lead.

He and most of the other starters sat out most of the second and third periods when Pennsylvania took command of the game.

But Hendrick managed to gun home 11 more points in the last half.

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The game's top scorer was Sim Hill of Midland, Penn. The 6-5½ star, who led his team to a perfect 28-0 record, fired 28 points.

The only member of the U. S.

Stars in double-figures besides Hendrick was guard Bernie Williams of Hyattsville, Md., who posted 15 points and had 10 rebounds.

Hill and Williams received the two Most Valuable Player awards. The voting was done at halftime, or before Hendrick developed his typically hot hand.

"I can't tell you how proud I was of him and how proud Kentucky should be of the way he represented the state," said Bristow coach Lowell Hammers, who made the trip.

"Rich ran the team most of the time while he was in the game. And in an all-star game, as you know, they have to let all of the boys play quite a bit, so he sat out about half of the game.

"Rich hit two of those long jump-shots from about 25 feet. He drove in for three more short jumpers. And he got one basket on a rebound."

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"It was a lot different," said Hendrick, "from any game I ever played in. There were 10,300 fans there and I have never played before a crowd anywhere near that big."

"All of the boys who played underneath were real giants and it was awfully hard to drive against them."

"The idea behind the game is a great one. All of us felt really honored to have been

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it says here...
by Bert Borrono
DAILY NEWS SPORTS EDITOR



Hendrick's Record Makes Him Top Attraction In National Cage Classic, Sponsors Say

The East-West college all-star game will be played at Lexington tomorrow. But do you know where the nation's college coaches will be tonight? Right. At Pittsburgh.

More than 100 coaches, about four times that many scouts and 10,000 fans will be on hand to watch Bristow's Rich Hendrick and 19 other All-America prep candidates perform in the first Dapper Dan Club Roundball Classic at Pitt's Civic Auditorium.

Virtually every school-boy ace in the Eastern half of the U. S. will be on display — except 7-foot Lou Alcindor of New York's Power Memorial High.

And Alcindor's nemesis will be there. He's 6-8 Bob Whitmore who led his De Matha High team of Baltimore to a victory that snapped a 71-game winning streak for Alcindor's club in January. Alcindor got only 16 points and 13 rebounds before a crowd of 13,000 in Baltimore.

Although boys from 10 states will be on display, Dapper Dan officials told me that none comes in with the reputation of Hendrick from tiny Bristow. His feat of averaging 42 points a game or better the last two seasons makes him the No. 1 attraction, they said.

The lone Kentuckian selected, Hendrick will have help from Florida, Ohio, Louisiana, West Virginia, Missouri, Maryland, New York and Massachusetts.

Hendrick & Co. are listed as the "National All-Stars". Their foes will be the Pennsylvania All-State team members.

The most widely heralded performer besides Hendrick are De Matha's Whitmore, Cincinnati's 6-6 Dick Haucke and 6-9 Ron Texeira of Roxbury, Mass.

During his career for LaSalle High, Haucke even surpassed the fabulous record compiled by Middletown's Jerry Lucas.

The top Pennsylvanian is 6-5½ Sim Hill, who paced his Midland High club to a perfect 28-0 record, has been named to Parade Magazine's 1965 All-America team and is sought by 60 colleges.

Another standout is 6-10 Marion Savage of Philadelphia.

The igloo-shaped Civic Arena, which has a retractable dome, is a sellout. Tickets were scaled from \$3.50 to \$1.50. The Dapper Dans expect to net some \$18,000 for charity.

Hendrick, Bristow coach Lowell Hammers and Western's Gene Rhodes flew to Pittsburgh yesterday afternoon. Hendrick and Hammers will return tomorrow. Rhodes will continue to hunt ivory.

Now don't expect Hendrick to score 42 points tonight. He will be fortunate to get 10 with the control-style basketball which will be in effect.

Rich Hendricks Has 3,000 Points

Kentucky Scoring Ace Enters DD Roundball

A 6-1 Kentucky flash with an unbelievable shooting eye has been added to the National All-Star team for the Dapper Dan Roundball Classic, Chairman M. B. (Buck) Gefsky announced today.

He is Rich Hendricks of Bristow High School in Bowling Green, Ky. He was named to the first team, High School All-America, and to Kentucky's All-State team for two straight seasons! Here's why:

- ▶ He has a career total of 3,000 points.
- ▶ He has averaged 42.4 points a game this season.
- ▶ He logged a single game high of 69 points.
- ▶ He has scored 50 points in 11 different games.

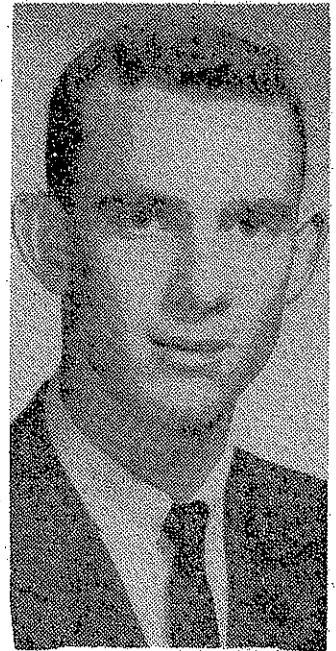
Coach Lowell Hammers, whose club has a 19-3 won-lost record, considers Hendricks the best high school player in the nation. And no wonder. Hendricks has piled up that fantastic scoring total on a 50 per cent shooting average.

Hendricks, who has received more than 40 college offers thus far, will join the National team against the Pennsylvania All-Stars in the Classic at the Civic Arena Friday, March 26, at 8 p. m.

Tickets for the benefit

game are priced at \$3.50, \$2.50, and \$1.50. They are available by mail order to the Dapper Dan Club, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, 50 Blvd. of Allies, Pittsburgh 15222. Use a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Tickets also can be purchased at the Civic Arena, Horne's, Gimbel's, the lobby of the Penn-Sheraton Hotel, and at Goldstein's Restaurant, 1002 Fifth Ave., Uptown.



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Hendrick Guns 65 Points To Set 5th Region Scoring Mark

By BERT BORRONE

Daily News Sports Editor

The Fifth Region's single-game scoring record is in good hands today. Quick and strong ones, too.

Bristow High's Rich Hendrick came out of the game against Adairville last night owning 65 points with six minutes still remaining to be played.

He had already broken the school, 17th District and Fifth Region records. Former Comet ace Darel Carrier had held them all with a 64-point blast against Sunfish in 1957 when he was a freshman.

Then somebody remembered that the Southern Kentucky mark of 72 points, held by old Sunfish High's Walton Key of the Fourth Region, still had not been smashed.

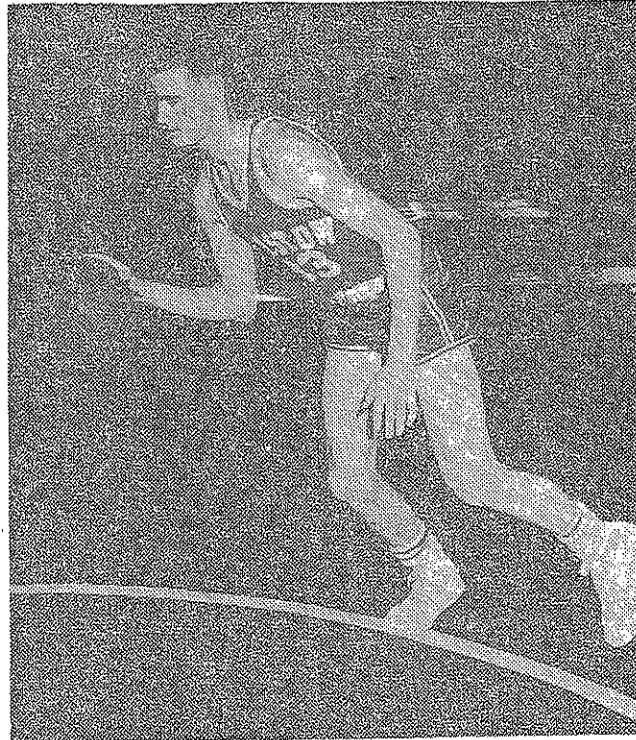
"We want Rich!" chanted the crowd. It was obvious that Hendrick still had time to get the eight points needed to break the last of the records that he does not already own.

"I didn't want to send him back in, but he has earned his records and I didn't want to be the one to deny him this last one," said coach Howell Hammers, who is in his first season as a prep skipper.

"So I told him to go back in. He shook his head. 'Not with the score like that, coach,' he told me. So we watched the rest of it together on the bench."

The final score was: Bristow 128, Adairville 48.

The performance was an early climax to an incredible month for the 6-foot-1 junior



(Daily News Photo)

BRISTOW BOMBER—Busy Rich Hendrick fakes off on one of his patented drives for the basket for Bristow High. The 6-1 junior broke the Fifth Region record last night by scoring 65 points against Adairville.

guard. In his last six games Hendrick has manufactured 56, 53, 51, 51, 47 and now 65 points. That's a six-game average of 53.8 points.

Hendrick now owns 644 points for 15 starts this season. He's averaging 42.9 per game.

In addition to breaking Carrier's regional scoring record, Hendrick also broke Darel's

field goal mark. Rich hit 29 of 40 shots from the field. Carrier's mark had been 28 fielders.

Hendrick hit on 7 of 9 free throws and picked off 14 rebounds.

Adairville employed a 1-3-1 zone defense.

"We struck Rich underneath the goal and he was set up

beautifully with scoring passes from Jimmy Wingfield and George Fields," said Hammers. "Our passing was really sharp."

"After Adairville adjusted in the last half to keep Rich outside, he began hitting his medium jumpers."

Hendrick canned 20 points in the first period, 18 in the second, 19 in the third and then eight in the first two minutes of the last quarter before exiting.

The other four Comet starters also were in double-figures. Wingfield sank 16 points, Russell Wilson and Fields got 11 apiece and Darrel Grimes scored 10.

It was the 10th victory in 15 starts for the Comets.

Hendrick now has scored more than 50 points in six games this season.

He needs only 220 more points to wipe out the single-season regional mark of 863 points, set by Cumberland County High's Larry McDonald in 1955.

At his current rate he'll get that record in four or five more games and then take dead aim on 1,000.

AT BRISTOW:

Bristow 128	Adairville 48
Fields 11	12 Barker
D. Grimes 10	7 Costello
Wilson 11	8 Richardson
R. Hendrick 65	10 Davis
Wingfield 16	7 Kirtley
Subs — Bristow: G. Grimes 2, Miller 2, Whitaker 4, K. Hendrick 4, Howell 1, Jones, Garrett 2, Adairville: Dockins 2, Harlan 2, Price.	
Bristow	38 29 30 31—128
Adairville	15 11 9 13—48

Hendrick Hits 47

Comets Bomb Saints 103-67

January is over and the opponents of Bristow and Rich Hendrick couldn't be any happier.

The Comets averaged 95.6 points a game for eight starts during the month. And Hendrick accounted for 50.7 points a game.

The 6-foot-1 Hendrick gunned 47 points Friday night as Bristow broke a 35-all halftime tie and bombed St. Joseph, 103-67.

It was the seventh straight game in which Hendrick has scored 47 or more points. His average for the season now is a torrid 43.2 points a game for 16 starts.

Hendrick got 28 of his points in the last half as the Comets

turned to a zone press which triggered a 68-point volley in the final 16 minutes.

Three other Comets also were in double-figures. Russell Wilson collected 22 points. Darrell Grimes got 18 and Jimmy Wingfield speared 14.

Center Mike Hawkins fired 28 points for St. Joe, while Joe Fischer cashed 12 and Neal Garrison got 10.

Hendrick connected on 18 field goals in 34 shots and hit 11 of 15 free throws.

Coach Lowell Hammers' Comets now have an 11-1 record. Coach Roy Davenport's Saints show a 3-18 record.

Bristow 103 St. Joe 67

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ALL-DISTRICT TOURNAMENT players, 13 of them, were named following last night's 17th District Tournament final. From left, in front, are Rich Travis of High Street, Lee Steers of Franklin-Simpson, Don Price of Alvaton, Jerry Everley of College High and Bob Brizendine of F.S. Back row, from left: Russell Wilson of Bristow, Kerry Page of

Lincoln, Rich Hendrick of Bristow, Jim Carter of Alvaton, Luther Lawrence of North Warren and Eddie Martin of North Warren. Richardsville's Malcolm Crump and St. Joseph's Gary Broenneke were named to the team also but were absent when the picture was taken.

Scores 1,026 For 42.7 Average

Hendrick Wins Scoring Title By Record Margin

Bristow High's Rich Hendrick not only won Southern Kentucky's prep scoring championship with a record score and average, but by a record margin as well.

The 6-1 junior finished regular-season play with 1,026 points in 24 games for a 42.7-point a game average. The championship is based on average per game for regular-season play only.

Hendrick's margin over runner-up J. S. McDaniels, a Park City High sophomore, was a whopping 17.3 points a game.

McDaniels finished with 499 points in 20 starts for a 24.9 average.

He nosed out North Warren senior Luther Lawrence, who fashioned 660 points in 27 games for a 24.4 average.

Trailing were Eddie Whitlow of Austin-Tracy with a 23.6 average; Bob Brizendine of Franklin-Simpson, 22.9, and Rich Travis of High Street, 20.9.

The previous records for regular-season play were held by ex-

Bristow ace Darel Carrier, who scored 777 points for a 32.2 average in 1958-59.

So Hendrick broke Carrier's total by 249 points and beat his scoring average by 10.5 points a game.

Hendrick also set single-game Fifth Region records by busting 65 points and getting 29 field goals against Adairville on Jan. 28.

Carrier had held both of these marks with 64 points and 28 field goals against Sunfish in 1957.

For the season, Hendrick canned 382 field goals in 734 shots for a fine .520 percentage.

He connected on 262 of 367 free throws for .714 accuracy.

Hendrick scored more than 50 points in 7 games and hit better than 40 in seven other contests.

His low for the season was 26 in the season opener at Auburn. In only one other game did he get less than 30. That was against Allen County in Bristow's fourth game of the season when he was held to 28.

THE BALL —The follow-up on the presentation of the game ball to Hendrick at Fordsville Friday night when he scored his 1,000th point:

In sheer exuberance, Rich hurled the ball against the wall as he entered the dressing room.

Alas, it hit a metal spike used to hang clothes on — and burst.

"He's having the ball repaired," said coach Lowell Hammers. "He wants his teammates to autograph it. It should be quite a memento for him."

LEADERS — The area's top six scorers:

	Pts	G	Avg.
Rich Hendrick	1026	24	42.7
Bristow High			
J. S. McDaniels	499	20	24.9
Park City High			
Luther Lawrence	660	27	24.4
North Warren High			
Eddie Whitlow	473	20	23.6
Austin-Tracy High			
Bob Brizendine	504	22	22.9
Franklin-Simpson High			
Rich Travis	501	24	20.9
High Street High			

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DAILY NEWS SPORTS EDITOR



Bristow's Hendrick, Who Has Opponents And Fans Fagged Out, Has Gained 5 Pounds This Season

Bristow High's basketball fans are understandably verging on nervous exhaustion these days.

Not only are they trying to root their Comets, who average just 5-foot-11, home a winner twice a week. But they also must sweat out junior Rich Hendrick's fantastic assault on 50 points every night.

What effect has his record of scoring better than 50 points in four straight games had on Hendrick himself? It the pressure getting to him? After all, no other Southern Kentuckian had ever scored as many as 50 more than once in any season.

"Gee, I feel fine," the 6-1, 160-pounder said today. "I've gained 5 pounds since the season started!"

The reply sort of summed up the philosophy of this farm boy from a famed Bristow basketball family. He seems entirely oblivious of the stir he has created in the community and the considerable attention he has attracted elsewhere in the state. In fact, he can best be described as shy in the face of praise.

A mature young fellow for a junior, Hendrick dismisses his exploits by saying: "I just set myself a high goal every week. I think if you do that, you'll keep busy at what you're doing."

Hendrick has been busy at basketball since he was 6 years old. In recent years, though, he has devoted no more time to the game than many other teen-agers. His spare hours are occupied with helping his widowed mother operate a 90-acre dairy and grain farm.

"Last summer I worked out on Sunday afternoons and sometimes at night with Darel Carrier (Western senior star and former Bristow ace)," Hendrick said. "He helped me an awful lot. He's really a terrific shooter. I've tried to pattern my shooting after him."

How did Hendrick's unparalleled bombardment get underway? (He's averaging 40.9 points a game on the season.) Did new coach Lowell Hammers plan it this way? How do the rest of the Comets feel about the immense publicity accorded to one player?

"You can't score like Rich has this season unless you are very popular and highly respected by all of the players," Hammers said. "Naturally, I have to take advantage of his talents. But our offense is not just a 'Hendrick offense'."

"It's true that he takes close to 40 per cent of our shots in each game. But his quickness and his great second-effort earn him a lot of them."

"He has hit better than half of his shots this year (.536 percentage, to be exact). But our other boys shoot well, too. Take the Glasgow Bunche game. (The No. 3 team in the Fifth Region, Bunche fell to Bristow, 78-73, in late December as Hendrick scored 36.)

"Rich hit 16 of 32 shots from the field. But Russell Wilson made 7 of 11, Darrell Grimes hit 4 of 6 and Jimmy Wingfield made 3 of 7. George Fields, our other starter, is mainly a hustler, who scoops up loose balls and knocks down passes.

"I feel that Hendrick's aggressiveness and hustle have been contagious. I believe all of our players have

Anybody in the news as much as young Mr. Hendrick attracts critics.

"He'll never score like that in college," one opposing fan complained. Well, not even Oscar Robertson did.

"It's exciting, sure, but it's not basketball when one player scores 70 per cent of his team's points," another critic said during a coffee break. You can't argue seriously with a 9-won, 4-lost record even if one player scores 100 per cent of the points.

"He shoots too much," was the lame complaint of another observer. That's like telling Mickey Mantle he hits too many homers. When you're sinking goals at a .536 percentage pace, you can hardly be shooting too much.

Western's Nick Denas saw Hendrick for the first time Tuesday night against North Warren.

Rich took the opening tip-off, whirled around two defenders, canned a layup and was fouled. All in just four seconds.

"Gee, that would have been a terrific move even if nobody was guarding him," said Nick, who skippered Corbin to the state cage championship in 1936.

Busy referee Bob Gour was asked for a comment on Hendrick.

"I've officiated over a good part of the state this season and he's the best I've seen," said Gour. "A lot of stars are primadonnas. But I've never seen Hendrick question a decision and I respect him for that."

"The thing that impresses me most about him is his second-effort. He not only is a fine shooter, but he's always follow-

ing that shot on in for the rebound in case he misses.

"I was amazed when they told me after the Scottsville game that he had scored 39 points. He scattered them out so well. I figured he might have had 20-odd."

Allen County checked Hendrick with his second lowest total of the season, 28 points.

"He didn't have an overly impressive night against us," said coach Jimmy Bazzell. "But the tip-off on how fine a player he is came when he got 56 against Bowling Green High. You just don't get 56 points against a Buck Sydnor coached team."

As North Warren skipper Bob Burres said before Tuesday night's battle, virtually every kind of defense has been tried against Hendrick.

A stall on offense appears to be about the only way to really check him. He can't score when his team doesn't have the ball.

Does coach Hammers expect a stall some night?

"No, I really don't," he said. "I think stopping Rich while playing a normal game has become a challenge for other teams now."

So far this season Hendrick has canned exactly 200 field goals in 373 shots. He has connected on 132 of 190 free throws. And he is averaging around 13 rebounds a game, although he operates outside on offense.

It is an oddity that Hammers played his first year of college basketball as a teammate of King Kelly Coleman at Kentucky Wesleyan. Coleman was Kentucky's all-time prep scoring champion at Waylands High, averaging 46.3 points a game his senior season.

Hendrick Bags 48;

Bristow's Rich Hendrick scored 47 or more points for the incredible eighth straight game, bagging 48 as the Comets thundered past Munfordville, 92-75.

Hendrick manufactured 21 field goals in just 30 shots, hit 6 of 7 free throws and picked off 14 rebounds. He was checked with just 16 points the first half, but battered 32 in the final two periods.

Hendrick now owns 739 points for 17 games this season. The 6-1 junior is averaging an unheard-of 43.4 points a game.

Russell Wilson came through with 22 points for the Comets, who lofted their record to 12-5.

Munfordville had five performers in double-figures, with James Smith's 21 points leading the way. Millard Bradway had 19.

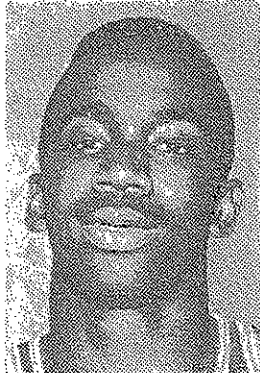
Bristow hosts Munfordville in a battle of brother coaches. Ray Hammers skippered Munfordville and Lowell Hammers coaches Bristow. And Warren County invades North Warren.

Bristow's Richard Hendrick appears a cinch to shove his total for the season well over the 700-point mark. He owns 691 points for 16 starts. That's a fantastic 43.2-point a game average.

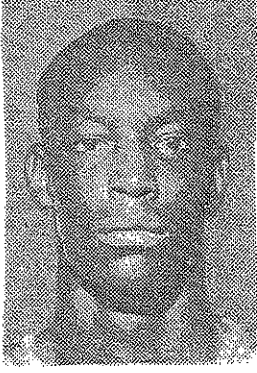
With eight more regular-season games remaining plus tournament tilts, the 6-1 junior has a good chance to reach the 1,000 plateau this season.



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Seneca



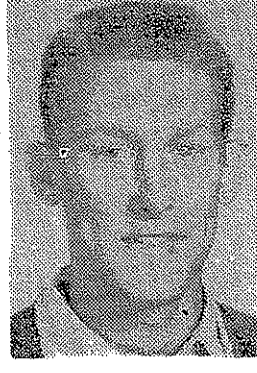
GEORGE WILSON
Lexington Dunbar



DALLAS THORNTON
Male High



RICH HENDRICK
Bristow



BOB TALLENT
Maytown

Wilson, Hendrick, Porter,

By BOB WHITE

Westley Unsel, perhaps the greatest big man to ever play high school basketball in Kentucky, heads the 21st annual All-State team. The Courier-Journal proudly announces today.

Unsel, the 6-foot, 8-inch, 235-pounder who was mainly responsible for Seneca becoming the first school in 30 years to win two straight state championships, is joined on this 10-man honor squad by some fabulous shooters.

Among them is Rich Hendrick of Bristow, the state's leading scorer with a 42.4 points-per-game average. Also, there's Bob Tallent of Maytown, who averaged 40.5 points a game and Inez Orville Stepp, who had a 32.0 mean.

Rounding out the select group, picked by the state's coaches, are:

George Wilson, Lexington Dunbar; Dallas Thornton, Male High; Jim LeMaster, Bourbon County; Phil Wagner, Harrison County; Tommy Porter, Christian County, and Butch Beard, Breckinridge County.

Five of the All-Staters are the first ones their schools have produced. They are Tallent, LeMaster, Wagner, Porter and Beard.

Unsel, the only repeater from the 1963 All-State squad, is this year's honorary captain. It is the second consecutive season a Seneca player has received the most number of votes. Last year, it was Mike Redd.

Wilson moves up from a second-team berth last year while Wagner jumps from the third team. Hendrick and Beard are the only juniors. The other eight are seniors

and the target of many college talent scouts.

Here's a thumbnail sketch of the All-Staters:

WESTLEY UNSELD—His coach Bob Mulcahy states flatly that Unsel is the best big boy Kentucky has ever produced. "The only one that would compare with him is Cliff Hagan," says Mulcahy. "Cliff was a fantastic scorer, but he wasn't as good on defense or in rebounding as Westley is." . . . What makes Unsel so good? . . . "He probably works harder in practice than most players," answers Mulcahy. "He's had the best attitude anyone could have. He's very agile and easy to coach. . . ." As a shooter, he hit 58 percent of his shots and made only 1.6 errors a game.

In three seasons, Unsel collected 1,289 points, 758 of them coming this year when he aver-

aged 24.5 to lead the Seventh Region. He also averaged 21 rebounds a game. . . . His career high was 50 points against Fairdale, a school record. . . . In four State Tournament games, Westley totaled 105 points and 87 rebounds. . . . An "A" and "B" student, Westley is the most highly-sought cager in Kentucky's history, having 110 colleges after him. Kansas ap-

pears to be leading the chase, but Kentucky wants him as its first Negro. Ohio State, Purdue, Indiana and U.C.L.A. are also mighty interested.

GEORGE WILSON—One of coach S. T. Roach's better boys in his 20 years at Dunbar, Wilson is the Lexington school's third All-Stater. Roach believes Wilson is Kentucky's

best cager, even better than Unsel. "I'd rate George above Unsel," says Roach. "He moves better and shoots better from outside. But he's not as good under the basket."

Wilson averaged 19.5 points and 16 rebounds this season in attracting some 22 colleges. Among those seeking him are Cincinnati, Drake, Kansas, Tennessee A. & I., Morehead, Eastern and Kentucky State. . . . Wilson made the All-State Tournament team twice and played in the big meet as a freshman. He has started three years.

DALLAS THORNTON—Male's best cager since three-time All-Stater Kenny Kuhn (1953-55), Thornton is called by coach Gene Rhodes "pound-for-pound and inch-for-inch the best rebounder in Kentucky." Thornton averaged 14 rebounds on a Male team that

had other strong board men. A tremendous leaper, Thornton was a thrill to watch. "He's crowd-pleasing type that gets the job done," says Rhodes.

Much improved as a shooter since his junior year, Thornton averaged 16.5 points on a Male team noted for its defense. . . . A "C" student, Thornton most likely will go to Kentucky Wesleyan where his first Male coach, Guy Strong, is. Murray and Wisconsin have approached him.

RICH HENDRICK—Bristow's second All-Stater, Rich worked with his school's first one, Darel Carrier (now at

Western) during the summer. . . . It paid off as Rich has scored 1,696 points at Bristow and has another year to go.

As a junior, Rich totaled 1,120 points for the state's highest average of 42.4 a game. . . . Rich hit 51 percent of his shots, led Bristow to a 19-7 record and was the team's top rebounder (14 a game) and a defensive whiz. . . .

"Rich, besides having a great amount of ability," says coach Lowell Hammers, "has tremendous desire to correct mistakes. Offensively, he gets a lot of three-point plays, because we press a lot and Rich steals the ball constantly."

Six times, Rich scored over 50 points in one game, including his season high of 65 against Adairville. . . . He had 56 against a good Bowling Green team. . . . In baseball, he's a pitcher.

JIM LEMASTER—"The best player I've ever had," says Jim's coach, Bob Barlow. "A leader, wonderful passer, great defensive man. He has no weakness, except he could stand to improve his shooting," says Barlow.

Still, LeMaster averaged 24 points a game for Bourbon County and hit 40 percent of his shots. . . . A four-year starter, LeMaster finished his prep career with 1,617 points. . . . In rebounds, his average this season was 12 a game. . . . A straight "A" student, LeMaster has decided to attend Kentucky, one of 30 schools that sought him. . . . Jim's other sports are football (he's a terrific quarterback), baseball (a good hitter) and track.

Fifth Region

1. Rich Hendrick, Bristow
2. Norman Weaver, Allen Co.
3. Bob Brizendine, Franklin
4. Floyd Simpson
5. Richard Brides, Glasgow
6. Richard High
7. Street

Kentucky's Basketball Player Of The Year

By BERT BORRONE
Daily News Sports Editor

Allen County High's jolly giant, 6-foot-4 Norman Weaver, is a photo-finish winner of Southern Kentucky's School Basketball Player of the Year award today.

The brilliant senior center led the long-range scoring led the Patriots to their straight Fifth Region championship and to a record-g appearance in the State tournament semifinals to win Daily News' top school-boy award.

As outstanding as Weaver with his 19.6 points and his bounds a game against out opposition, he barely out Bristow's recording 6-1 junior Rich Hendrick and Franklin Simpson's 5-9 Bob Brizendine for honorary captaincy of the Southern Kentucky team today.

Joining Weaver, Hendrick and Brizendine on the first team Glasgow Bunche's Floyd Bridges and North Warren's Luther Lawrence.

In a normal year, Hendrick would not have missed the Player of the Year award. He merely scored 1,110 points for a 42.3-a game average. Both were blasted to smithereens all-time area records. A just couldn't ask a high school boy to do much more Brizendine did in shooting passing and sparking and joining Franklin-Simpson all way to the final of the regional tournament.

The little guy set a new 17th District Tournament scoring record in the process by bombing 119 points in four games.

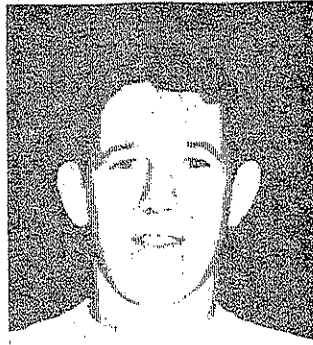
No fifth Region team had three straight championships in almost 20 years and no Region team had ever led the semifinals of the Tournament.

And Weaver, one of the bright-wo-year stars in coach Jim Bazzell's fabulous career, led the reason Allen County scored those goals.

Bazzell calls him simply "the big boy I have ever loved." That can be translated to read: Best all-around player in the area.

Weaver was agile enough to pick the ball outside against pressing defense. He showed soft touch on taps under-neath. He was strong enough to command both boards against almost any opposition the Patriots faced.

What Weaver did best shoot — not from the 8 to 10-foot range a big boy usually shoot from, but from 15, 20 and 25 feet. His overhead jumper was indefensible and he was accurate on it right around 50 per



NORM WEAVER
Allen County



RICH HENDRICK
Bristow High

cent against simply the best opposition Bazzell could sign.

In the climactic game of his career, against No. 1-ranked Lexington Dunbar in the quarterfinals of the State Tournament, Weaver parlayed 22 points with 14 rebounds to lead a runaway 61-46 victory.

Weaver, Hendrick, Brizendine, Bridges and Lawrence form the finest offensive All-Southern Kentucky five ever assembled.

They combined for 3,545 points the past season. Their aggregate scoring average is an incredible 129.1 points a game!

Hendrick, of course, was the scoring leader, hitting a region-

All-Southern Kentucky

PLAYER	SCHOOL	Hgt.	Class	Avg
Norman Weaver	Allen Co.	6-4	Sr	19.6
Rich Hendrick	Bristow	6-1	Jr	42.3
Bob Brizendine	Fr'lin-S'on	5-9	Sr	23.1
Floyd Bridges	Bunche	6-5	Sr	19.7
Luther Lawrence	North Warren	6-2	Sr	24.4

SECOND TEAM		THIRD TEAM	
Rich Travis	High St.	Jim Flener	Butler Co.
Ricky Carver	Allen Co.	Kerry Page	Lincoln
Ken Rigdon	Allen Co.	Karl Skoog	Bowling Green
Barry Perkins	Auburn	Jerry Everley	College High
Mark Riggins	Fr'lin-S'on	x—Bob Keeton	Cumberland Co.
		x—J. S. McDaniels	Park City

(X—Indicates tie for fifth place on third team.)

al record 65 points in one game and scoring more than 50 seven times.

Weaver busted 589 points for a 19.6 average.

Brizendine bombed 671 points for a 23.1 average and set a school scoring mark with 41 points against Russellville.

The 6-5 Bridges, called by some the top college prospect in Southern Kentucky, rang up 492 points for a 19.7 average with a deadly long-range one-hander.

The 6-2 Lawrence, Mr. Everything at North Warren, busted 683 points for a 24.4 average, was the best rebounder for his size by far in the area, brought the ball downcourt, passed off for goals and, in short, was a tall version of Brizendine.

Each of these players ranks with the very finest in his school's history.

In addition to Hendrick's single-game record of 65 points and Brizendine's school mark of 41, Lawrence had a one-game high of 48 points, Weaver gunned 36 and Bridges powdered 33.

High Street's Rich Travis, a junior who has the deftest jump shot in the area, was nosed off the first team by an eyelash as was Allen County's Rock of Gibraltar, Ricky Carver, and they head up the second five.

Also on this team are Allen County's superb junior, Ken Rigdon, Auburn's Barry Perkins and Franklin-Simpson's Mark Riggins.

This team combined for 2,412 points.

Travis averaged 20.1 points a game, Carver 11.0, Rigdon 14.8,

Perkins 15.1 and Riggins 16.0. A tie for the fifth spot resulted in six players being named to the third team.

They are Butler County's Jim Flener, who averaged 17.4 points a game, Franklin Lincoln's Kerry Page (19.0), Bowling Green High's Kark Skoog (13.5), College High's Jerry Everley (13.8), Cumberland County's Bob Keeton (16.0), and Park City sophomore J. S. McDaniels, whose 24.9 average was second only to Hendrick in the area's scoring race.

Bristow's Russell Wilson barely missed a berth on the third team.

—NORM WEAVER—

Western wants this Player Of The Year from Allen County and may well get him, although a lot of others want him, too.

The fun-loving 6-4 star made Allen County one of the most relaxed teams around—until the horn sounded. Then coach Bazzell's troops were all business — winning business, too.

Weaver was at his very best in the tough games.

He got 24 and 25 in two tests with Bunche, 36 and 26 against Auburn, 24 against Caldwell, 21 against Elizabethtown Catholic 19 against St. Xavier.

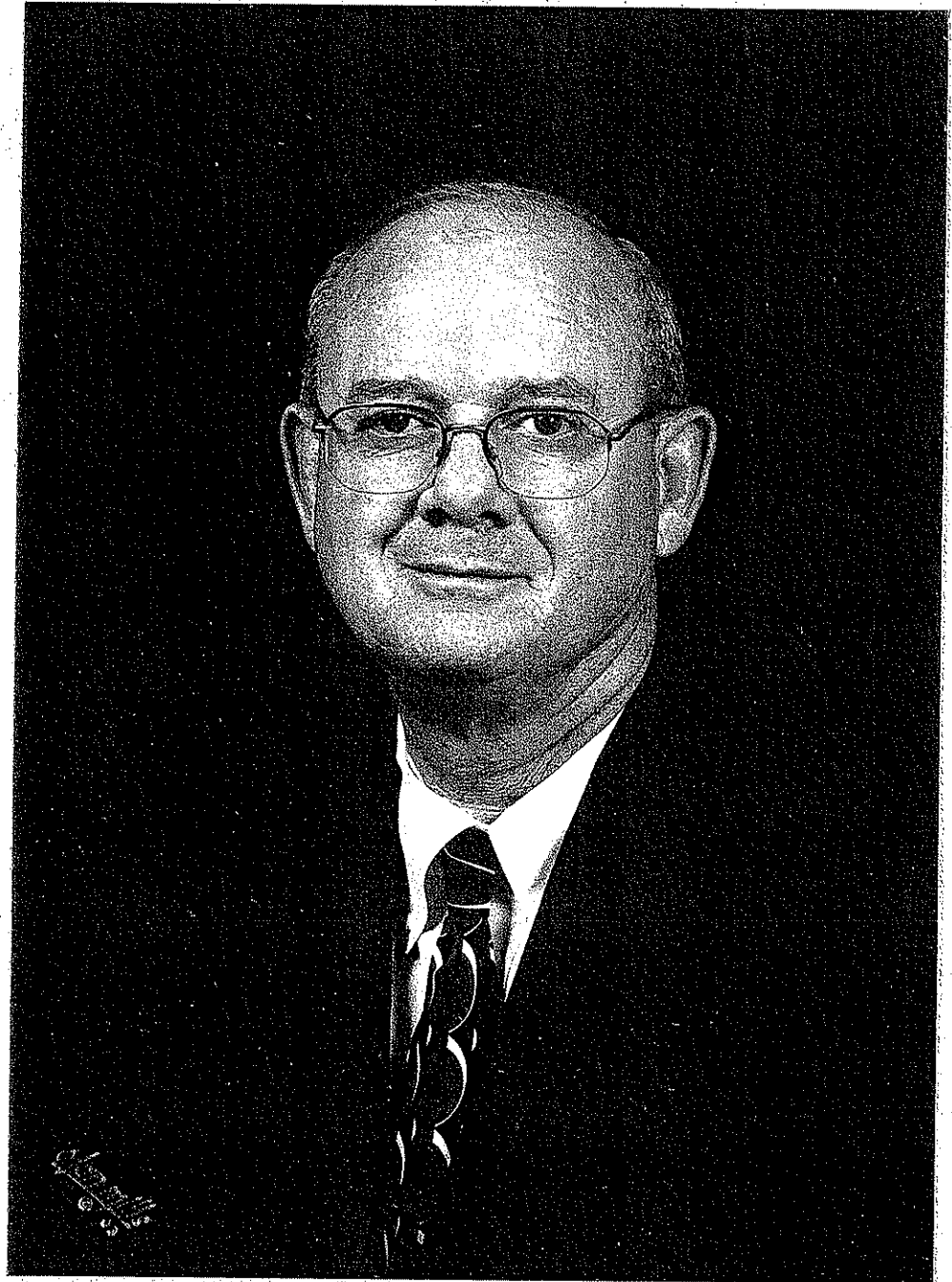
And he averaged shooting barely 16 times a game from the field.

His statistics in the amazing 61-46 conquest of Lexington Dunbar are revealing. Weaver hit 8 of 16 shots from the field, 6 of 8 free throws and picked off 14 rebounds in a game in which there were not many rebounds.

"I really believe he could have averaged over 30 points a game if we had set up our offense to make him the No. 1 shooter," Bazzell said in late season.

"I watch him every day, of course, and he has some moves which simply amaze me."

Weaver's turn-around jumper, often from 20 feet, was one of the season's classic shots. He is so quick there was no defense



High-School High-Pointer

A Kentucky farm boy wins wide basketball acclaim

By Jim Morrissey, Staff Writer

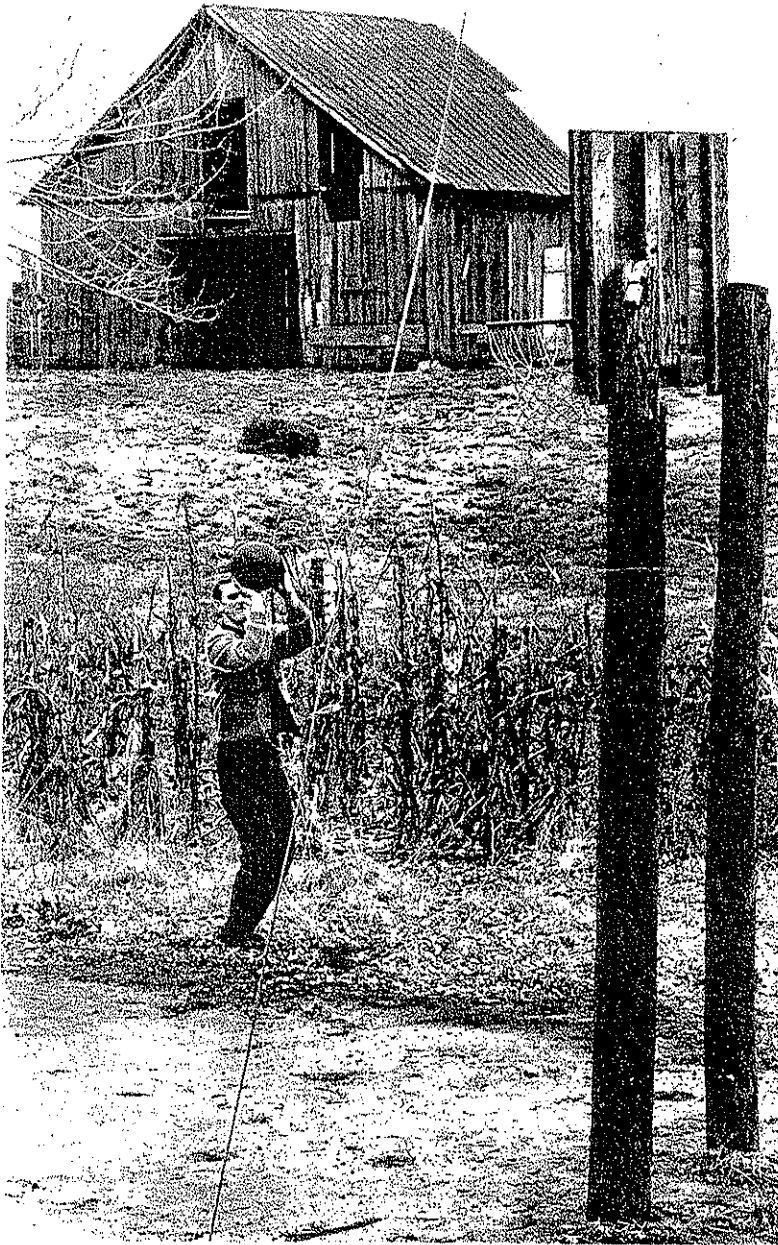
THERE isn't much to Bristow, Ky. Few motorists give more than passing notice to the deteriorating 12-grade school that locates the farm community some five miles from Bowling Green. There is no main street. There is no town—not even a general store.

But there are ingratiation specialists—traveling college salesmen with unique specifications—who know exactly where Bristow is. These specialists represent the University of Kentucky, Wake Forest, Duke, Tulane, the United States Naval Academy and—so far—some 20 other seats of higher learning.

The reason for their consuming interest is a shy 17-year-old named Richard Milton Hendrick.

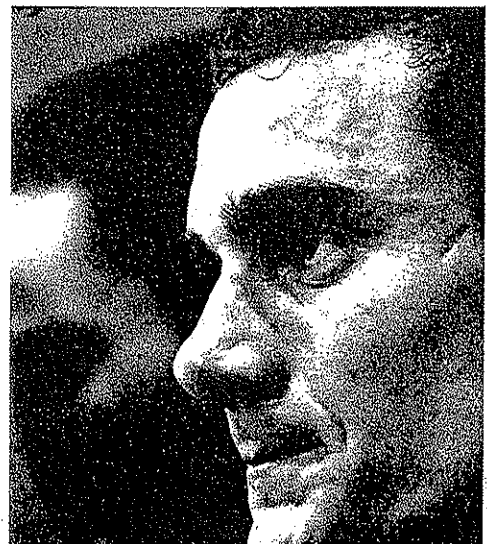
The quiet farm youth's spectacular talent for sticking a basketball in a goal oftener than most any high-school senior in the land has college coaches in a dilly of a dither. Hendrick is being courted casually now. Almost daily he receives college brochures and telephone calls urging him to "come see our campus and a game at our expense." The

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Staff Photographs
By Bill Strode

RICH HENDRICK has a wealth of natural talent for basketball, but to reach the zenith of the hoop



His 42-point scoring average led the nation



hard-core recruiting will come with spring and graduation time.

Last year Hendrick led all high-school scorers in the nation with a 42.7 points-per-game average. So far this year, with most opponents double- or triple-teaming him on defense, he again is hitting at a 42-point clip.

Here are some more statistics from the Amazing Rich Hendrick Fact Sheet:

He hits about 50 per cent of field goals attempted, 85 per cent on free throws. So far this season, Rich has hit a 50-point high in four games. Last year he reached the 50 mark in four straight games, and just to prove it wasn't a fluke racked up that many in three other games.

The 6-foot-1, 165-pound guard last year set a one-game Fifth Region record with 65 points, eclipsing the 64-high set by Darel Carrier, also a Bristow star who was a standout at Western Kentucky State College and now plays with the Phillips Oilers.

Something To Shoot At

As strong as Hendrick is, he will have to close out the season at a torrid pace to top Carrier's high-school career record of 3,148 points. Hendrick's career total now is about 2,700. Way out of reach is the best Kentucky high-school career mark of all—4,263 set by "King" Kelly Coleman in the 1950's playing for Wayland, a mining-camp town in Floyd County.

Rich scored his 1,000th point of the 1963-64 season on Feb. 28 last year, coincidentally on the birthday of his coach, Lowell Hammers. The Hendrick point production is an ever upward spiral—312 in 24 games as a freshman, 504 in 22 games as a sophomore, 1,026 in 24 games as a junior.

In the first 19 games of this year he tallied 809 points for 42.6 per game, one-tenth off last year's final average, and only nine points less than in his first 19 games of 1963-64.

Scoffers claim that Hendrick's phenomenal scoring reflects "easy competition." Coach Hammers, a Kentucky Wesleyan graduate and basketball player, has this answer:

"Richard's poorest night last year was 28 against Allen County. This year he got 40 in the game with Allen County, which is rated fifth or sixth in the state.

"If that isn't enough, here's something else—the Western Kentucky College freshmen couldn't stop him in practice games. We rarely face a man-to-man defense. Our opponents use a zone so they can put two or three men on Rich. None of this has been very effective. He still scores."

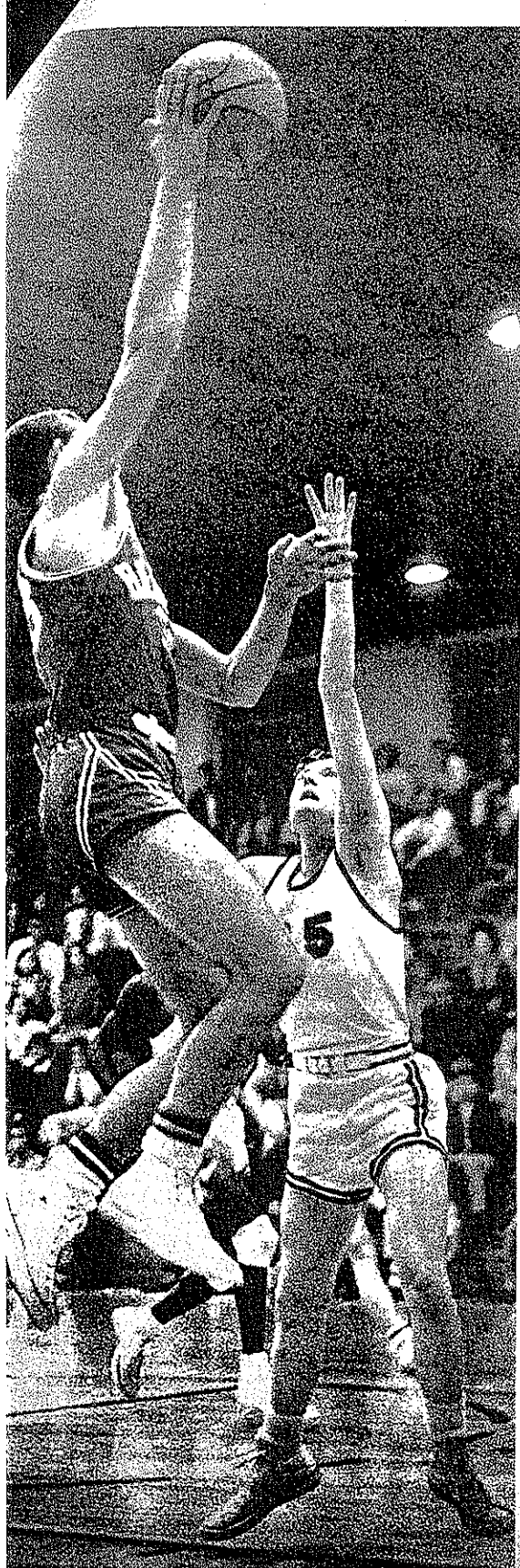
Rich is an athlete of few words. He prefers to let others talk for him.

There are plenty of people to do it.

Pre-Game Preoccupation

Rich feels plenty of pressure. On the day of a basketball game, whether at school, going about his farm chores, or sitting in the audience during a preliminary game, he finds it difficult to live in the present. All his thoughts are directed toward the game coming up that night.

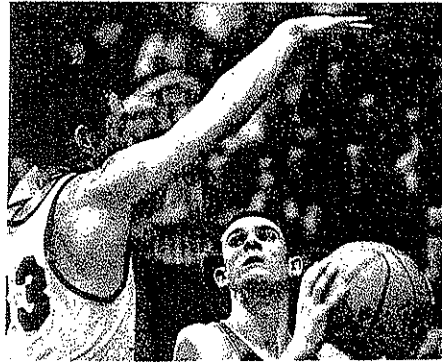




The Game



HIS MOTHER is a knowledgeable fan. Three other sons also played basketball at Bristow.



OPPONENTS have a rough time on defense. This year as many as three guard Rich at once.



A TIME-OUT finds Rich (center) listening intently to Bristow's coach, Lowell Hammers.

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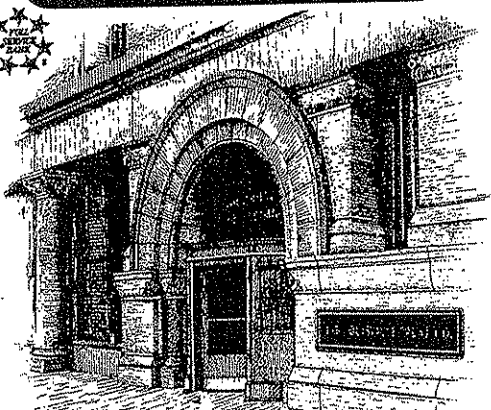
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RICH HENDRICK *Continued*

He started when he was 4, tossing a red ball into a milk bucket

worker. His father died in 1961 and Rich, with the help of three older brothers, keeps the family farm going."

Hendrick gave no early indication he would develop into such an outstanding shooter. As a freshman he averaged 13 points a game; he had a 23 average his sophomore year.

Last year everything jelled for him. The least surprised of his stalwart fans were his mother and brothers, Marvin, Leon and Rodney. (The three brothers played basketball at Bristow High, too.)

Mrs. Hendrick explained: "He started with basketball when he was 4 years old. I hung a milk bucket on the kitchen door knob and Richard threw a red ball at it. Next he used a cedar churn to shoot at and then we bought a little goal for the door."

Her eyes softened as she looked at her son and recalled: "One winter, Richard had pneumonia five times. I tried to take the red ball away from him. But he would use wadded up newspaper or anything for a ball to throw at the goal. I gave up. He got his red ball back."

Practice, Practice

From that time on Rich Hendrick has had an insatiable appetite for practice. All summer long he sandwiches two or three hours of practice into each hard-working farm day.

"I try to duplicate the shots I think I will get in a game," Rich explained. "I work fast and try to follow game conditions."

Hendrick's success, in the opinion of those who know him best, comes from a combination of practice, natural ability and good coaching.

"Darel Carrier, my best friend, taught me a lot of moves, and Coach Hammers improved my footwork and helped me in many other ways," Rich said.

Carrier's parents live near the Hendrick farm and Rich and Darel have spent long hours working out around an outdoor goal and in the Western college gymnasium.

time. The fans think I can get 50 points in any game. One even said, 'I want you to get 90 tonight.'

"As soon as one game's over, I think of the next one. In class I can hardly think about the lesson for thinking of the game."

"He Has The Answers"

Bristow teachers reported Hendrick is a C to C-plus student. His grades are better this year, Rich explained, because he's working harder to be ready for college entrance exams.

"Richard is a good student," said his English teacher, Miss Carolyn Broderick. "When I ask him to do something, I know it will be done."

Rich has an easy-going relationship with members of the Bristow basketball team and the student body. (There are 500-plus students in the 12 grades.) A fan said: "The others on the team don't resent Richard's publicity. They throw the ball to him as often as they can. He averages shooting 35 times a game. That's no 'gunner.'"

Hendrick's best shot is a right-hand jump. He hits from almost any spot on the floor and can hit with a right-side hook shot too, but not as consistently. He is agile, graceful and has quick reflexes. He often steals the ball and goes in for easy "crips."

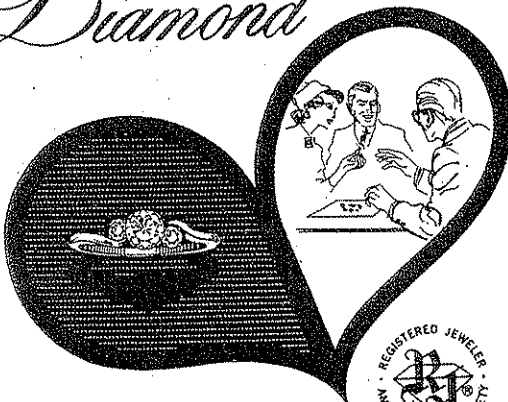
His coordination is amazing. In a recent game, he was out in front on a fast break. The pass to him was behind. Rich had to twist in mid-air, recover and shoot in a split second. Rack up two more points for Bristow.

Rich has another talent. He's a good tobacco auctioneer and won a State Fair Future Farmers of America competition last fall.

This year he sold his own tobacco at a Bowling Green warehouse and got top prices. He was offered an auctioneering job with a North Carolina tobacco company (at a reported salary of \$15,000), but he said he turned it down because he wants a college education first.

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RELAXATION AT LAST, and smiles too, come when the game is over and the Bristow basketball team boards a bus for the ride back home.

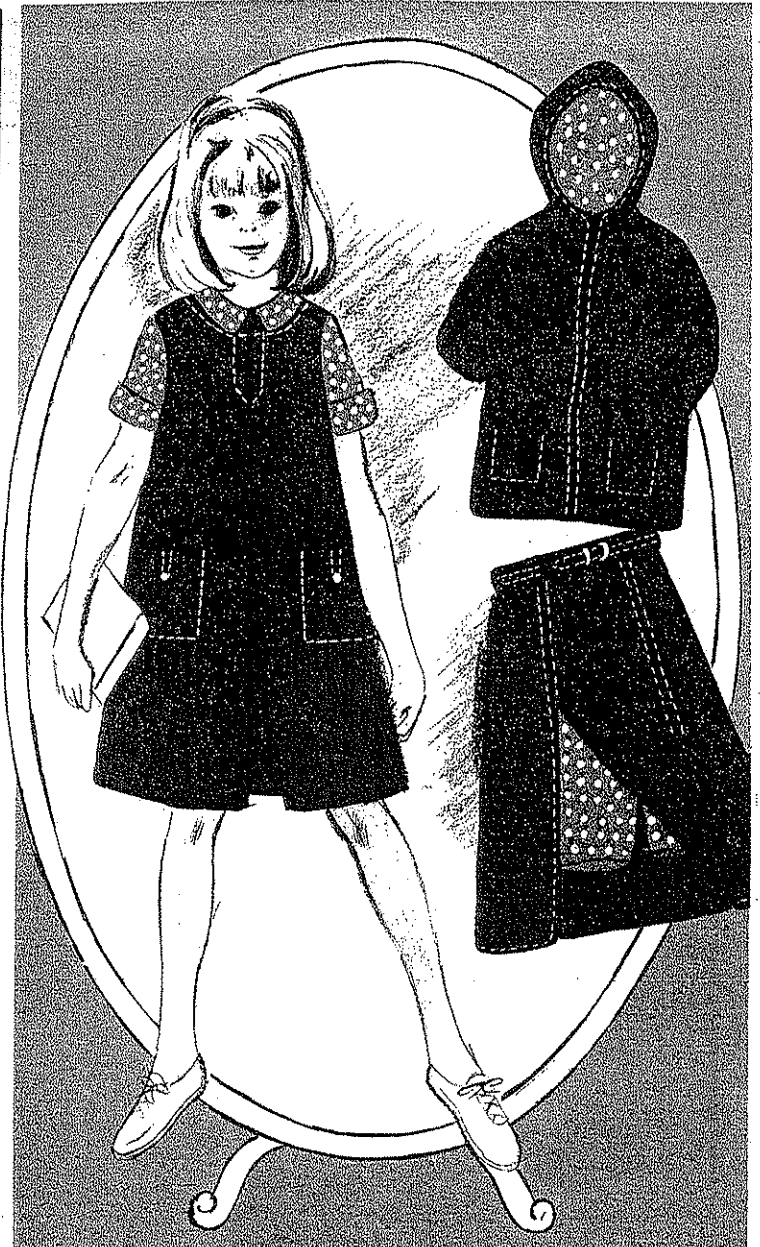
and a necessity to get at least eight hours sleep each night preclude Rich from any involvement with girls. "You can't be interested in girls and play basketball," Rich commented. "Anyway, I'd rather have my sleep."

Bristow lost out in the district tournament last year. Rich Hendrick and company may not make it to the State High School Tournament this year, either. One problem is, Bristow doesn't have much scoring punch other than Rich and center Russell Wilson. Another major difficulty is that always-strong Allen County is in the same region.

Regardless of how far Bristow gets, Richard Hendrick will be long remembered. "He does everything," a rival player said. "He hits from anywhere and he's a master at drawing a foul while hitting a field goal. That means he gets a lot of three-pointers."

Bristow's Hammers, only in his second year of basketball coaching, has much to be thankful for. No. 1 on his list: "I'm glad Richard's playing for me. I'd hate to have to try to defense him."

The State Board of Education wants the Bristow school closed in the cause of economy through consolidation. This probably will be done within the next few years. But Richard Milton Hendrick, the almost perfect player every coach dreams of, has assured Bristow a perma-



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