

# Dawahares / KHSAA Hall of Fame Nomination Form

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## Information about Nominee

Name:	ROBERT STOUT
Is the nominee deceased? (circle)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<i>(if nominee is not deceased, please fill out address information below)</i>	
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City, State, Zip	
Phone (list day and night)	

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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)-


<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	1-17-33
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Sex (circle one)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Male	<input type="radio"/> Female
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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	Whitesburg High School	
Graduation Year	1951	
Primary KHSAA basketball region as defined in 2(b)	141 <sup>th</sup> Region	

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.

He was the tallest player in that year's state tournament. Also, the team was the smallest team in the tournament with ONLY 565 total students!

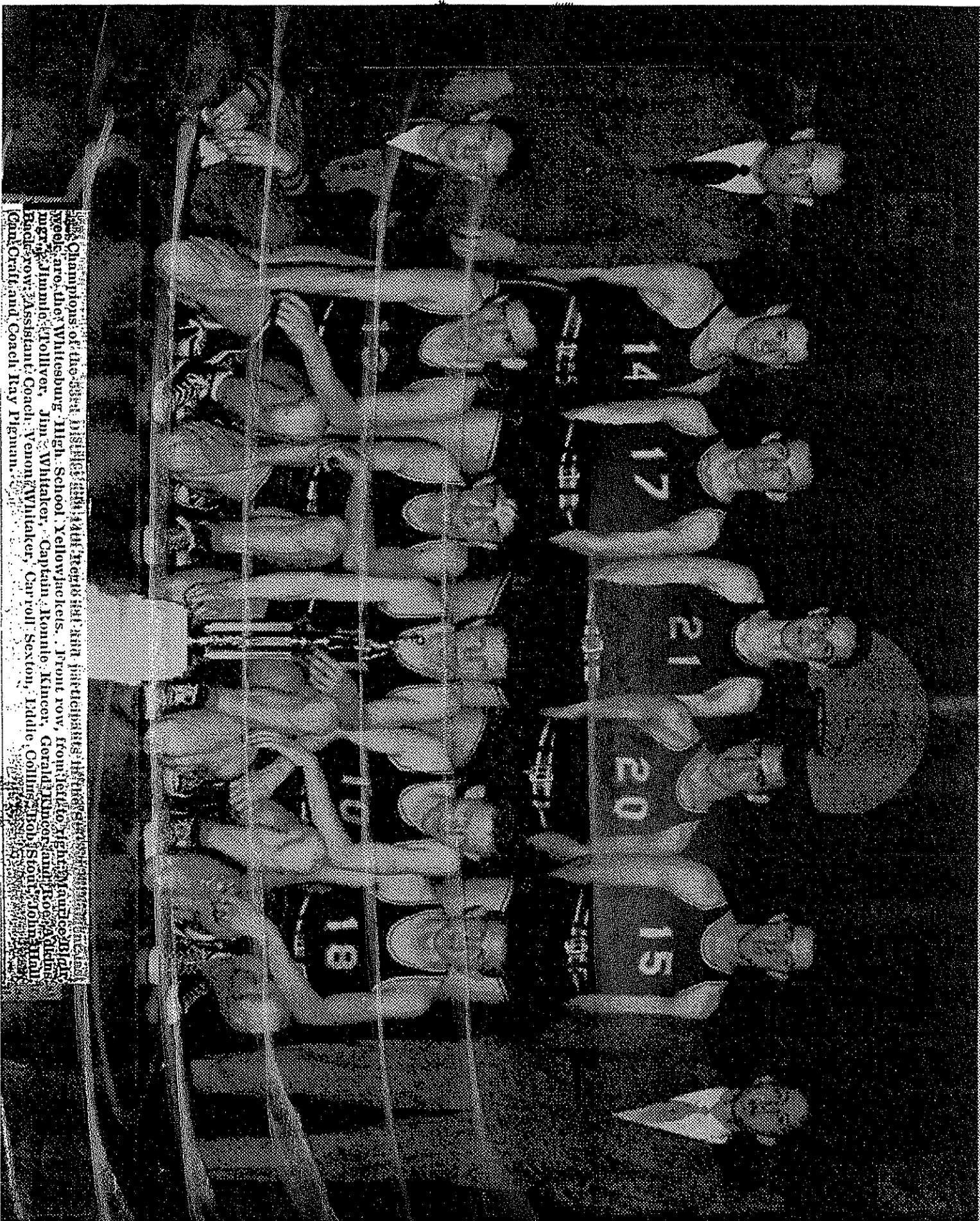
Please list any other factors about this individual that you would like for the Hall of Fame Committee to consider.

As a 141<sup>th</sup> region official, we want to keep the memories alive of something that may never happen again since they are combining the schools in Whitesburg. As far as we know there is no-one from that team even been nominated as a player or coach.

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 David Caudill Name (print) David Caudill Date 2-28-04

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.



State Champions of the 1954 District 141 Regatta and participants in the 1954 Regatta are the Yellowjackets High School Yellowjackets. Front row, from left to right, Maurice Miller, Jerry Jimmie, Toller, Jim Whitaker, Captain Ronnie Kinney, Gerald Kinney, Sammie Boe, Alf King, Back row, Assistant Coach, Vernon Whitaker, Captain Sexton, Middle, Collins, Bob Stewart, John Ann, Ann, Crill, and Coach Ray Peman.

High for Whitesburg was Carroll Sexton with 18 points while Bulldog honors went to Barker with 12 points, on two field goals and eight free throws.

WHITESBURG		
Tolliver	F	17
Sexton	F	11
Stout	C	1
Collins	C	1
Kincer	C	8

HAZARD		
Stidham	F	7
Moseley	F	9
Barker	C	12
Bush	C	4
Keffler	C	11
Shackleford	C	4

High for the locals was Tolliver with 12 points followed by Carroll Sexton with 10. Ray Goff with 11 and Earl Howington with 9 paced the Cavaliers.

WHITESBURG		
Tolliver	F	12
Sexton	F	10
Stout	C	9
Collins	C	0
Kincer, G.	C	2
Kincer, R.	C	4

JINKINS		
Huffman	F	2
Collier	F	3
Goff	C	11
Tucker	C	6
Howington	C	9

1951

# Jackets Capture 14th. Meet Redhounds In State Test Today

Who produces the sweetest honey for their fans was decided Saturday night as the Whitesburg Yellowjackets stuffed their comb with the 14th Regional championship resulting from a 51-42 victory over the Hindman Yellowjackets.

WHITESBURG		
Tolliver	F	15
Sexton	F	18
Stout	C	11
Collins	C	4
Kincer, R.	C	3
Kincer, G.	C	0

HINDMAN		
Combs	F	2
Gibson	F	1
Conley	C	11
Holliday	C	8
Watts	C	10
Engle	C	7

Whitesburg, 58—Jenkins, 41.  
In the finals of the 53rd District Tournament.

Receiving the championship trophy for the Yellowjackets was R. Kincer, captain of the current five and a senior. The runner-up trophy for Jenkins was presented to Earl Howington, Cavalier captain and also a senior.

Presentation of the trophies and gold and silver basketballs was made by Roger Wilson, principal of Jenkins High School and tournament manager.

Gold basketballs went to Capt. Kincer, Tolliver, Sexton, Stout, Collins, G. Kincer, John Hall, Can Craft, Jim Whitaker and Roe Adkins.

# 'Jackets Top Eagles, 59-20

Whitesburg's Yellowjackets walked into the finals in the 53rd District Tournament last week with ease as they soundly defeated Stuart Robinson, 59-20.

WHITESBURG		
Tolliver	F	13
Sexton	F	18
Stout	F	17
Collins	G	5
Kincer, R.	G	2
Kincer, G.	G	4
STUART ROBINSON:		
Haynes	F	2
Fields	F	5
Blair	F	9
Ison, D.	F	2
Adams.	F	2

WHITESBURG		
Tolliver	F	17
Sexton	F	15
Stout	C	12
Hall	C	0
Collins	G	2
Kincer	G	7
Kincer, G.	G	5
JENKINS		
Hiliman	F	4
Collier	F	2
Goff	C	14
Tucker	C	6
Blevins	G	9
Howington	G	6

# Burg Comes From Behind To Edge Corbin, 60-59, In Upset

## Other Victories Go To Wayland, Manual And Danyville Fives

By Bob Adair  
Special Assistant Sports Editor

Whitesburg provided the first major upset of the 34th annual State High School basketball tournament yesterday afternoon, coming from 10 points behind at one stage of the third period to nip highly rated Corbin, 60-59, in a whirlwind finish.

With the Memorial Coliseum crowd of approximately 8,000 cheering them on, the 14th Region champions outscored the favored Red Hounds, 12 points to two, in the last four minutes of a struggle that Corbin apparently had already locked up.

The victory moved Whitesburg into a quarter-final berth opposite Danyville's Admirals, who also surprised, but mildly, by scoring a 47-42 triumph over the Caverna Purples in the preceding opening-round contest, first in the lower bracket.

In the upper bracket, where first-round action was completed yesterday morning, powerful Louisville Manual and Wayland joined Clark County and Auburn, winner at the inaugural tournament on Wednesday night, in the quarter-finals.

Manual mashed Owensboro 76-34 to seal a new individual game scoring record and Wayland clubbed Lyon County, 62-47, to break it in the succeeding clash. Clark County and Auburn will collide in the first quarter-final struggle at 2 p. m. today, with Manual meeting Wayland in the other matinee tilt at 3:45. Danyville and Whitesburg are paired for the opening nocturnal clash at 7:30 p. m.

### Hounds Make Lead

Corbin, with Rob Terrell and six-foot, five-inch Jerry Bird providing the spark, utilized a 1-1 knot at the outset and ran up a quick lead over Whitesburg, whose own six-foot playman, Bob Stout, was hampered by early foul and eventually brought the limit with two minutes left in the third quarter.

The fast-breaking Red Hounds compiled a 15-11 edge at the first stop and ran the count to a seemingly safe 31-17 at halftime, but Whitesburg narrowed the gap to three points at 40-37 before Bird and Terrell combined to give Corbin a 50-43 advantage going into the fatal final frame.

The second indication that Whitesburg wasn't through came when Jimmie Tolliver and Carroll Sexton staged a five-point spree that shaved the gap to 54-48, but even then Bird spun one in and Frankie Jervis fished one of two free throws to make it 57-48 with four minutes to go. Then, with Tolliver and Sexton each notching six points, Corbin Bay Pigman's charges forced into the lead, 60-57, minute and 14 seconds before the clock ran out.

### Freeze Falls

The freeze failed to work as Johnny Hall fouled Terrell, but Terrell missed one shot and waived a second. Whitesburg then gained possession again but this time Tolliver shot and missed and Corbin got the ball for one last basket by bespectacled Jerry Perkins. With one second remaining, Coach Harry Taylor called time-out for Corbin, but the horn sounded on Whitesburg's inbound pass.

Corbin's championship of Region 13 and a state title in 1936, when 25 field goals in 38 tries for 44.3 per cent, with Whitesburg gathered 26 on 75 leaves for only 34.6. The losers converted nine of 75 free throws and the winners flipped in eight out of 12.

### Admiral's Height Tells

Danyville had to touch around height for the diminutive Caverna sage, whose starting center, Bobby Stuart, accumulated four personal fouls in the first half and fouled out after five minutes of the third quarter.

The Admirals went on top, 11-0, as Robby Fowler cashed two free throws at the close of the opening period.

rest of the way, although the Purples reversed their breathing on a clutch key in 27.30 at halftime and 46.46 at the three-quarter mark after Caverna had narrowed the gap to a single point, 28-29, after three minutes of the second half.

Each team connected for 16 field goals, but 10 fouls against Coach K. Dansey's Region 14 titlists played Danyville to convert 11 of 10 free tosses. Caverna got just 12 frantic tries off nine Admirals foul and cashed only six.

Most of the rebounding, off both boards, also copped individual scoring honors on a 15-point output for Beltsco Innan's LKC twin-tet, Big Jack Farmer and Warren Millon each added 12 markers to the winning total, while Gerry Sidwell and Danny Woodward got 13 apiece to pace the Purples.

Danyville, playing without a substitution, took 68 fouls and hit 28.4 per cent, while Caverna attempted 73 and floundered with a percentage of 24.6.

### Reds, Wasps Set Marks

All the record-setting morning sessions, attended by some 5,000, Manual's 76-point total eclipsed the mark set by Schmeissel in triumphing Hughes-Hick 75-44 in 1949 and equaled by Lafayette in 1948. The game, Wayland's 22 points topped the Manual record.

Coach Dale Barns' snail's pace working Crimmons ran up an 8-40 count over Owensboro and bopped a 19-8 advantage at the first quarter as Dan Whitehouse marked the high point. The margin narrowed to 49-17 at the half and to 52-25 after a comparatively slow-opening third period. The record-breaking flourish was in the air at the final whistle.

Whitehouse, with 20 points, was top scorer for the foot-thrilling champs, who hit 35 of their 94 third-quarter attempts for 37.4. Triumphantly Walkley added 12 markers and Phil Graymeyer, who hit 10 of 20, was top man for Corbin. Even points by John Kregel, eight by Roscoe Hivin and seven by Reuben Ford led Coach Lawrence McMillin's Red Devils, who established a turnout record themselves by appearing in the event for the 33rd time. The 1949 champions hit 14 out of 65 field-goal attempts for 21.5 per cent.

Wayland's wasp never trailed in thoroughly outclassing Lyon County on an aggressive team performance. With Bill Griffith and Ed-Felix leading the well-organized assault on the house with 29 and 20 points, respectively, Coach "Copper" John Campbell's well-conditioned bigton, King, led by 21, 43 in and 60-36 at the quarter intervals at the start of scoring.

the 1951 fabric with the winning ject three points by four minutes left, but another game would by Griffith, answered the plea, for the crowd to see the record topped for the second time.

Best efforts for the Lyons of Coach Russ Hallow were the 24 points of Jim Parsley and eight points of Roy Hively.

Perforations in this contest were 35 for Wayland, which banked 87 of 100 thirg, and 24 for Lyon County, with 117 for '07.

### 1951 State Tournay Summaries

Team	Score	Points	Reb.	Fouls	Shots Made	Shots Attd.	Free Made	Free Attd.	Assists	Blocks	Steals	Time
Wayland	75-44	22	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30
Manual	76-34	12	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30
Schmeissel	75-44	12	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30
Lafayette	75-44	12	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30
Wayland	75-44	22	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30
Manual	76-34	12	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30
Schmeissel	75-44	12	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30
Lafayette	75-44	12	14	24	14	22	12	11	1	2	1	25:30

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# U-High Stock Climbs In Lower Bracket, But Cuba Folk See Better Show Coming

By JERRY WINCH

An impressive display of finesse and teamwork has caused University High's stock to soar today as the state schoolboy hoop tournament entered the quarterfinal rounds.

Many of Memorial Coliseum's spectators were giving the Purples the best chance of coming through in the lower bracket into Saturday night's final, but Cuba homefolk were warning that a better show was coming from their Cubs.

Although they were put to no serious test in swallowing Hughes Kirkpatrick by 68-48 in their first-round game Thursday night, the Purples during the first half gave an adroit performance of shooting and ball-handling that moved many backers behind U-High.

It took the fluttry game by Cuba, however, to boost the Purples' prestige to such heights. The feared Cubs (34-2) gave only a promise of power while slipping past Covington Holmes 33-27.

The setting up and carrying through of well-learned plays and strategy by the Purples, say the spectators, is what could crush Cuba when the teams meet in tonight's last game.

Evidence of the same opinion, the Purples demolished Hughes-Kirk in the first half and then devoted the third period to a mere offensive scrimmage session, the Tigers being allowed to shoot and hit or lose the rebounds. Reserves carried the final period as the regulars rested for their second tournament test.

**Wile's Absence Hurts**

A fly in the soup, however, could be the absence of Joe Wile. The U-High regular, guard, was felled by flu before the first game and it is doubtful that the clever playmaker will see any tournament action.

While visitors from the Purchase region of the state asserted that Cuba played the most miserable

**Ticket Sales**

All tickets are sold out for the final session Saturday night in the state schoolboy basketball tournament, but 800 to 1100 tickets remain for the sessions tonight and Saturday afternoon.

A few more may become available as eliminated schools turn in unneeded tickets.

game of the campaign, they were of the opinion that opening-night flyers before the crowd of some 13,500 almost brought the downfall of the Cubs.

"They'll come through yet," said a coach whose team lost twice to the Cubs during the season.

Still the Cubs had a tough outing against Holmes, which dominated the rebounding and floor play but just could not cash in on easy-point opportunities. Free-throw work gave the Cubs their margin, Cuba hitting eight of 15 and Holmes three of nine.

One impression the Cubs gave was that of trying to show off before the gathering that included most of the state's college coaches, but the behind-the-back dribble master of Howard Crittenden could be most for the

Whitesburg (68)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Tolliver, J.	11	8	5	2
Sexton, J.	1	0	3	2
Halt, J.	1	0	3	2
Stout, G.	2	2	5	2
R. Kincaid, E.	1	0	0	2
Collins, G.	0	0	1	2
G. Kincaid, E.	2	0	4	2
Totals	18	10	25	10

Field Goal Pct.—34.7 on 18.  
 Free throws missed: Whitesburg—Tolliver 2, Collins, G. Kincaid, Corbin-Perkins, Terrell 4, Bird 4, Vermillion 4, Jarvis.

Corbin (29)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Perkins, J.	4	0	1	2
Terrell, J.	1	1	1	2
Bird, G.	4	1	1	2
Vermillion, G.	1	2	3	4
Storm, G.	1	1	4	1
Jarvis, W.	0	1	1	1
Totals	11	6	15	12

Field Goal Pct.—36.4 on 30.  
 Halftime score: Corbin 21, Whitesburg 17.

Danville (47)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Million, J.	4	4	4	12
Powder, C.	3	2	1	8
Farmer, G.	3	2	1	8
Thomas, B.	2	3	1	8
Totals	12	11	6	36

Field Goal Pct.—33.3 on 36.  
 Halftime score: Danville 22, Covington 19.

Caverna (32)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hawkins, J.	3	3	4	8
Byers, G.	1	2	4	5
Stuart, G.	1	2	4	5
Burke, C.	0	0	1	2
Sidwell, G.	1	1	1	2
Woodward, G.	0	1	1	2
Hendry, G.	0	1	1	2
Totals	6	10	18	32

Field Goal Pct.—23.1 on 26.  
 Halftime score: Danville 22, Caverna 19.

stealing ability of U-High's Keith Moore.

Meeting in the other quarterfinal tonight will be Danville and Whitesburg, the latter a surprise winner over Corbin by 40-39 Down 23-17 at the half, the Yellow Jackets reduced the Corbin advantage to 37-35 in the third period. When their 8-3 center, Bob Stout, fouled out at that point it appeared that the rally was over.

Jimmy Tolliver and Carroll Sexton, who made 10 and seven fielders, respectively, in the last half, then took charge and put in the final points that downed the Redhounds. A 25-foot set shot by Sexton put Whitesburg in front 58-57 and a steal and lay-up by Tolliver sealed the decision.

While Danville didn't look like a world-beater in downing Caverna by 47-42, the Admirals could well come through into the semifinals Saturday afternoon if Whitesburg suffers a letdown tonight following its thriller.

Top game of the afternoon session matched Manual against Wavland, and Manual Coach Dale Barnstable was visibly worried about the Wasps.

"They don't seem to have any set plays. They just break in any direction and you never know what's coming," he said, indicating that it was downright inconceivable of the Wasps to run such an unorthodox game.

Ralph Carlisle of Lafayette and Arkie Sale of Harrodsburg have taken opposite stands on the sub-

U-High (66)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Harper, J.	4	1	3	13
Plynn, J.	4	1	4	18
Movey, J.	3	1	0	8
Alexander, J.	0	0	1	0
Tilton, G.	2	2	2	12
Johnson, C.	2	0	3	14
Hirshick, G.	1	0	1	2
Moore, G.	3	1	2	11
Dorroh, G.	2	2	0	8
Totals	27	12	15	66

Field Goal Pct.—39.4 on 68.  
 Halftime score: U-High 33, Hughes-Kirk 11.

Hughes-Kirk (44)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hector, J.	2	5	4	6
Parsons, J.	0	1	0	0
Miller, J.	0	0	1	0
Force, J.	2	2	1	8
Sullivan, J.	0	0	0	0
Ewing, C.	4	1	4	2
Gaston, C.	0	2	1	0
David Shutt, G.	2	2	2	12
Corra Shutt, G.	2	2	1	8
Totals	18	12	16	46

Field Goal Pct.—22.9 on 78.  
 Halftime score: U-High 33, Hughes-Kirk 11.

Cuba (28)	FG	FT	PF	TP
McClure, J.	3	0	1	2
Webb, J.	4	0	1	2
Ward, J.	1	0	1	2
Moyd, C.	1	0	1	2
Jones, G.	1	0	1	2
Crittenden, G.	1	0	1	2
Totals	12	0	6	12

Field Goal Pct.—21.4 on 56.  
 Halftime score: Covington Holmes 21, Cuba 15.

Cov. Holmes (21)	FG	FT	PF	TP
Wincher, J.	1	0	2	4
Conerty, J.	1	0	1	2
McGenee, C.	1	0	1	2
Parra, G.	1	0	1	2
Evans, G.	1	0	1	2
Totals	5	0	6	12

Field Goal Pct.—17.9 on 56.  
 Halftime score: Covington Holmes 21, Cuba 15.

Free throws missed: U-High—Plynn 2, Mcvey, Tilton, Harwood, Hughes-Kirk, Hinton, Parsons 4, Pogue 2, Ewing 2, David Shutt 2.

Free throws missed: Cuba—Floyd 1, Jones, Crittenden, Covington Holmes, Wincher, Conerty 2, McGenee 2.

Free throws missed: U-High—Plynn 2, Mcvey, Tilton, Harwood, Hughes-Kirk, Hinton, Parsons 4, Pogue 2, Ewing 2, David Shutt 2.

Free throws missed: Cuba—Floyd 1, Jones, Crittenden, Covington Holmes, Wincher, Conerty 2, McGenee 2.

gestion of Maysville Coach Earle Jones to reduce the state tournament field to eight.

Jones' proposal was to cut down the number of teams in the big meet by playing off first-round games between champions of adjoining regions at a site close to both schools. Those winners then would come to the state tourney for quarterfinals, semis and the championship game.

"I think Jones is 100 per cent right," said Carlisle, coach of 1950's state champs. "I don't see how we can talk about education as we do and then disrupt it for a week with a tournament like this. And Jones is right in saying the kids and their elders aren't here for basketball alone."

"However, I don't think the plan will ever go through," he added. "Too many people want this vacation."

Sale, coach of Harrodsburg and a former all-America cager at the University of Kentucky, takes the extreme opposite stand. "If anything, I'd be in favor of dividing the state into 20 regions and sending all the champions to the state tournament," he said.

"That would give more even representation, and the plan of playing off the first region against the second, and so on, is no attraction."

"They may say the tournament

disrupts school," he said, "but there are a great many boys who wouldn't even be in school after they are 18 if it wasn't for basketball and the chance to play in a BIG state tournament."

Whitesburg, up-setter of vaunted Corbin in the opening round, experienced little difficulty downing Danville's Admirals, 71-44, in the double-header opener and moved into today's semi-finals in the bracket opposite Cuba.

Clark County and Manual, winners in the upper bracket yesterday afternoon, will collide in the first semi-final tilt at 1:15 p. m. with Whitesburg and Cuba meeting in the second at 3 p. m. The consolation game for third place in the annual classic will start at 8 p. m., and the championship contest is billed for 8:45.

**Wile Missed**

University High, successor to 1950 state titlist Lafayette as 11th Region king, already was hampered by the absence of Guard Joe Wile, who also missed the opening-round victory over Hughes-Kirk because of illness, and suffered further when the tricky Cuba cagers purposely drew fouls against the Purple stars.

Lanky Frank Tilton, Alex Harper and Keith Moore each accumulated three personals in the first half, although U-High set a fast pace throughout that period, and Harper fouled out after six minutes of the third quarter with the Purples still leading, 41-39. Tilton, the only man capable of handling Charles (Doodle) Floyd, Cuba's brilliant hook-shot artist, sat out six minutes of the second half with four and was ineffective when he returned to action along with a host of subs.

Moore, who eventually also was charged with four personals, did a great job of guarding hotshot Howie Crittenden, the Cubs' other ace, holding him to a three-point production for the first half when U-High built up a 18-3 advantage and then blew it.

Floyd, the big gun in the triumph, finished with 23 points to van all scorers, while Raymond McClure of the Cubs and big Jimmy Flynn of the Purples shared second-ranking honors with 13 each. Crittenden notched 11 when Moore finally was forced to lay off and Moore himself, whose accurate set shots drew a lot of praise, tabbed 10.

Flynn and Harper each tallied for the Purples at the outset, sending them into what proved to be a lasting and growing lead. Floyd's first hook shot, on which he was fouled and sank the point, but from gap to a single point, but from there U-High ran up a 18-3 advantage before the Cubs tallied again on a free throw by McClure.

This four-minute scoreless siege was followed by another Floyd hook and a free throw by Jimmy Jones before U-High broke a stalemate of its own on a set shot. By Moore and upped the ante back 20-18 points, 19-9, at the close of the quarter.

Cuba, whose object seemed to be to make the Purples commit fouls, more than matched the U-High output in the second period which closed with the Purples suffering another drought of more than two minutes. A one-hander by Joe Warren was in the air as the gun sounded and out the U-High lead to six points, 31-25, at the game intermission.

**Trade Baskets**

The teams traded two baskets each at the start of the second half, but then Cuba hit three in a row to tie the score at 33-35. The crowd was knotted again at 39-39 and U-High led, 45-43, at the close of the third period.

McClure tied it with a close-up toss to start the final frame and then Floyd sent the Cubs ahead for the first time on a tip-in. After three minutes of the period Cuba boasted a 54-43 advantage as the Purples' reserve corps failed to keep up the work started by the regulars.

Tilton, who re-entered the game shortly thereafter, got the next U-High bucket with nearly half of the quarter gone. Frank McVey, big reserve center and forward, tallied the next.

A nifty shooting performance by little Jimmie Tolliver, who swished the nets from all angles much to the crowd's delight, paced Whitesburg to its easy victory. Tolliver counted 29 points, and Bob Stout, the Yellow Jackets' 6-5 pivotman, accounted for 18 as the Region 14 champs advanced to the semi-finals on their first trip to the tourney.

**Tolliver Difference**

Danville efforts to cope with Tolliver, Stout and six-foot Carroll Sexton, another accurate singer, were centered around big Jack Farmer and rangy Aubrey Thomas, who accumulated four fouls apiece, as did teammate Fowler. Thomas, with 15 points, led the Admiral scoring, while Paul Million added 10 and Farmer got eight.

Whitesburg was out front by 21-9, 40-26 and 63-30 at the quarter

stops and was threatening the scoring record entering the final frame. But there the red-hot Yellow Jackets attack cooled off and the winners used up the final few minutes freezing the ball for practice. Danville, which garnered only four points while the Cubs were hitting 25 in the torrid third period, collected 14 to their six in the closing canto.

Percentages last night were 40.3 for Cuba, 38.1 for Whitesburg, 80 for U-High and 24.1 for Danville. The afternoon marks were 28.5 for Clark County, 32.3 for Manual, 22.5 for Auburn and 19.4 for Wayland. Summaries:

Cuba (87)	FG	FT	PF	FF
Webb, J.	0	0	1	0
McClure, J.	8	3	4	12
Warren, J.	3	0	2	4
Floyd, C.	1	1	1	11
Crittenden, H.	1	1	2	6
Jones, J.	2	1	2	6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>37</b>

U-High (59)	FG	FT	PF	FF
Flynn, J.	5	1	2	10
Harper, J.	1	0	3	2
McVey, J.	1	0	1	9
Tilton, F.	4	1	4	9
Johnson, D.	0	0	0	0
Moore, K.	3	0	4	12
Harbeck, J.	1	0	1	2
Derrick, J.	0	0	0	0
Alexander, J.	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>33</b>

Halftime score—U-High 31, Cuba 25.  
Free throws missed—Cuba—Webb, McClure, Floyd, J. Crittenden. U-High—Flynn, McVey, J. Tilton.  
Officials: Tommy Bell and Travis Cambi.

Whitesburg (71)	FG	FT	PF	FF
Tolliver, J.	13	1	4	27
Sexton, J.	4	1	3	9
Whitaker, J.	0	0	0	0
Craft, J.	3	0	0	0
Acklin, J.	1	2	2	14
Cullins, J.	2	4	5	2
R. Kinser, J.	2	0	3	2
O. Kinser, J.	0	0	0	0
Mal, J.	1	0	1	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>44</b>

Danville (44)	FG	FT	PF	FF
Jackson, J.	1	1	2	5
Million, J.	1	0	0	0
Cooper, J.	4	2	10	10
Cize, J.	3	0	0	0
Fowler, C.	1	2	4	4
Blount, C.	3	0	3	9
Thomas, J.	6	3	4	13
Farmer, J.	2	4	4	12
Davis, J.	0	1	1	2
May, J.	0	0	0	0
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Halftime score—Whitesburg 45, Danville 25.  
Free throws missed—Whitesburg—Tolliver, Blount, R. Kinser, O. Kinser, Davis, Million, J. Fowler, Thomas, J. Davis.  
Officials: Vincent Jackson and Gus Gater.



# Cuba Edges Whitesburg To Enter Tourney Finals

## Cardinals Capture One-Point Verdict; Cubs Rally Again

By Rob Adair

Original favorites to reach the finals, Clark County and Cuba, came through with colors flying in the semi-final round of the 34th annual State High School tournament yesterday afternoon, but not until two furiously fought battles had caused an estimated 12,500 fans to writh in gasp through 64 minutes of basketball.

Mixed reactions were noted in the bellows as the game ticked and corner of eight every round and heartbreak on the one hand. Clark County filled out the first half with a 48-44 edge over Whitesburg, but Cuba, the little drossroads team from where, followed with a last-second 65-62 squeak over Whitesburg.

Both games were decided in the closing minutes. Clark County decisively prospecting a one-point lead through the last two and a half minutes and Cuba rallying for four points in the final 50 seconds.

The Clark County Manual team, led by coach Tom Clark, eventually wound up No. 1 and No. 2 in the playoffs. Clark County in 1941 conducted a throughout the season, was tied seven times and the lead changed hands six times before Whitesburg's substitute guard, Larry Thornberry, calmly drove in under the basket for the winning shot.

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ured to reach the tournament, found they were knocked out of the first round by Cuba, 51-33.

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Summaries: Clark County (48) defeated Whitesburg (36) 48-36 in the first round of the 34th annual State High School tournament yesterday afternoon. Cuba (41) defeated Whitesburg (34) 41-34 in the quarterfinals of the tournament.

Team	Points	Rebounds	Assists	Steals	Blocks	Turnovers	Field Goals	Free Throws	Total Points
Clark County	48	35	12	8	5	20	28	12	88
Whitesburg	36	22	10	6	4	18	22	8	58
Cuba	41	30	14	7	6	16	24	11	83
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# Whitesburg Loses To Cuba In State Semifinals In 1951

Ray Pigman's Whitesburg Yellowjackets of 1950-1951 just may be the greatest team the Letcher County school has ever had. After all, they won the 14th Regional crown and went on to the state tournament to past victories over Corbin and Danville before losing in the remaining seconds of the semifinals to Cuba High. And no other Whitesburg team has done that play in a state tournament that is.

Led by the fine play of Jimmie Bert Tolliver, an All-Stater as a junior, Carroll Sexton, Ronnie Kincer and Bob Stout, the '51 Yellowjackets roared to a 26-6 seasonal record and two quick District Tournament wins over Stuart Robinson (59-20) and Jenkins (58-41) to advance to the Regional.

In regional action, Whitesburg downed Hazard 57-47 in its opener and came back to bump Jenkins again 37-31 to reach the finals against Hindman. Hindman, under Pearl Combs, disposed of Carr Creek in its opening game and then defeated Powell County in the semifinals. Whitesburg took the title, though, with a 51-42 win and now faced 13th Region Champion Corbin in its first ever state tournament appearance.

Corbin, highly rated to make

the finals, played like it in the first half and went to the dressing room sporting a comfortable 31-17 advantage. But the Jackets, behind Tolliver and Sexton, fought back from 16 points down late in the third quarter to overtake the Red Hounds 60-59 in the tourney's major upset. Tolliver scored 27 points and Sexton had 19. Corbin's Bob Terrell and Jerry Bird had 23 and 16 points respectively.

The Yellowjackets scored an easy victory in the quarterfinals over Danville to advance to the state semifinals. The score was 71-44. Tolliver swished the nets for a gamehigh 29 points and big 6-5 pivotman Bob Stout accounted for 16 points to pace the Whitesburg assault.

Pigman's crew led after every stop and broke the contest open by outscoring the Admirals 25-4 in the third quarter.

Cuba High provided the opposition in the semifinal round and the Yellowjackets lost the game in the final seconds after leading from the start.

Whitesburg jumped to a quick first quarter lead 16-12 and held on to lead at the half 32-29. It was 47-45 at the end of three quarters with the Letcher Countians holding the edge, and with only a minute remaining the

Jackets lead 62-59 and everything appeared to be under control, as they began to freeze the ball.

But Cuba stole the ball and capitalized with a basket to make the score 62-61, and then pass which was turned into a point by Doodle Floyd when he was fouled by Tolliver. That locked the score at 62-62.

Whitesburg had the ball with 40 seconds left, but threw it away on a length of the court pass. With 32 seconds showing, Floyd, who was voted to the All-State squad, took a pass from a teammate and scored to give Cuba its first lead of the game 64-62. The Yellowjackets failed to score on their next trip down the floor and Cuba rebounded. Only seconds remained when Sexton intentionally fouled Floyd, who iced the game with a free throw, making the final score 65-62.

Whitesburg finished out the season by losing the battle for third place to Louisville Manual 83-37. The Yellowjackets were emotionally down and could do no right. Tolliver, who had scored 76 points in the previous three games, was held to only seven by a tenacious Manual defense.

Clark County, after a 45-44 win over Manual in the semifinals, won the 1951 state title by blasting Cuba 69-44.

16) CLARK COUNTY	49	CLARK COUNTY	59	CLARK COUNTY	45	
10) PARIS	42					
5) AUBURN	54	AUBURN	46			
8) SHELLBYVILLE	47					CLARK COUNTY 69
7) MANUAL	76	MANUAL	77			
3) OWENSBORO	34			MANUAL	44	
15) WAYLAND	82	WAYLAND	45			
2) LYON COUNTY	47					
(12) DANVILLE	47	DANVILLE	44			
(6) CAVERNA	42			WHITESBURG	62	
(13) CORBIN	59			WHITESBURG	71	
(14) WHITESBURG	60					CUBA 44
(9) COVINGTON HOLMES	37					
(1) CUBA	38	CUBA	57			
				CUBA	65	
(4) HUGHES-KIRKPATRICK	48					
		UNIVERSITY HIGH	50			
(11) UNIVERSITY HIGH	66					

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**BACK ON THE FIRE TRUCK** — Fifty years after reaching the Final Four of the boys' Sweet Sixteen state basketball tournament in Louisville, these members of the 1951 Whitesburg Yellowjackets and three of the school's cheerleaders got an encore ride atop a fire truck through Whitesburg Saturday as part of the 2001 Mountain Heritage Festival Parade. From left are Ed Collins, Katherine Auton Roberts, Roe Adkins, Jan Combs Trospen, Jimmie Whitaker, Shirley Fields Hall, Gerald Kinser, Steven Carroll Sexton, Cann Craft and Ron Kinser. More Mountain Heritage Parade photos are inside. (Eagle photo)

## Non-coal permits blocked on Pine

## Local preparations made for chemical, biological attacks

Local officials and residents haven't made many new or different preparations for the possibility of a chemical or biological weapons attack.

But that's partly because some preparations had been made before the September 11 terrorist attacks. Medical facilities already exist to clean up persons doused in chemicals or bacterial agents, disinfected officials already practice what to do in case of a major chemical release, the state of Kentucky already conducts drills with local emergency crews that simulate a terrorist attack.

Whitesburg Hospital's new emergency room, which opened one year ago, was designed with a decontamination chamber for dealing with patients covered in chemicals, administrator Dyanne Fields said. The ceramic tile-lined room is located next to the ambulance entrance of the hospital and includes ventilation to the outside air, a shower, and a self-contained drainage system that collects and treats fluids from the patients.

attacks, but the added precautions probably wouldn't be noticeable anyone from outside the hospital. "We did start locking the doors more at night and security is increasing more rounds," he said.

The Letcher County Health department also had plans in place deal with chemical disasters, director Lana Mullins said. She said the department is making sure that staff is updated on those plans, nothing else has changed.

"The district health department reviewing what we have in place," she said.

Emergency workers have made many changes either. Part (Continued on Page 16)

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# Yellowjackets made trip to state tourney in 1951

By JERRY TOLLIVER

For the first time since 1979, the Whitesburg Yellowjackets made it to the finals of the boys' 14th region tournament before losing 63-57 in overtime to Perry County Central.

Because an appearance by the Yellowjackets in the regional finals has become such a rare event, local fans, perhaps dreaming of a berth in the Sweet Sixteen, were uncertain about the school's last appearance in the state tournament.

The answer was found by researching *Mountain Eagle* files.

Whitesburg's last trip to the state tournament was in 1951.

The Yellowjackets defeated Jenkins 58-41 in the finals of the 53rd district that year to reach the regional tourney — hosted by the school that year in its new gym.

In the upper bracket opening round of the regional tournament,

Hazel Green (16-14) lost 39-36 to Jenkins (10-16) and Whitesburg (19-4) defeated Hazard (12-7) 57-47.

In the lower bracket opening round, Powell County (25-5) defeated Viper (17-15) 74-62 and Carr Creek (21-5) lost to Hindman (16-12) 52-42.

In the semifinals, Jenkins nearly upset Whitesburg before losing 37-31 and Hindman downed Powell County 44-42.

Whitesburg defeated Hindman, the defending 14th region champion, 51-41, giving coach Ray Pigman his first regional title. Whitesburg's assistant coach was V.E. Whitaker.

In the state tournament at Memorial Coliseum in Lexington, the Yellowjackets entered their opening round match-up with Corbin as a 12-point underdog. Whitesburg trailed Corbin 31-17 at the half and 50-43 after three quarters but came back and upset the Redhounds 60-59. Junior forward Jimmie Bert Tolliver led Whitesburg with 27 points and Carroll Sexton added 19 points.

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In the semifinals on Saturday morning, Cuba came from behind to defeat Whitesburg 65-63. Cuba's only leads of the game were 1-0 and at the end. Four Whitesburg players fouled out with Tolliver and Ronnie Kincer saddled with four fouls midway of the second quarter and on the bench. Both players returned late in the third quarter but fouled out mid-

way of the last quarter.

Whitesburg led Cuba 16-12 after the first quarter and 32-29 at the half. The Yellowjackets built a 10-point lead late in the third quarter but Cuba rallied to trail just 47-45 entering the last period.

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In the consolation game on Saturday night, Louisville Manual established a tournament scoring record by blasting lackluster Whitesburg 83-37.

John Hall came off the bench to lead Whitesburg with 14 points. Sexton tossed in 12 points and Tolliver eight.

After that game, the Manual coach told the press that his team was trying to establish a new tournament scoring record.

In the finals, Clark County edged Cuba for the championship.

Jimmie Bert Tolliver, Bob Stout and Carroll Sexton were named to the All-Tournament team. Tolliver was named later that month to the All-State team — Whitesburg's first All-Stater in basketball.

The other players on the 1951 team were: Can Craft, Roe Adkins, John Hall, Ronnie Kincer, Eddie Collins, Jimmie Whitaker and Gerald Kincer.

The team was met at the Isom Stockyards on Sunday afternoon, Mar. 18, 1951, by a 200-car motorcade and more than 500 fans and escorted the remaining six miles into Whitesburg. The players and coaches received numerous small gifts from the city businesses and made brief comments to the gathered crowd.

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## SCHOOLS' CATS MIDPOINT PERFORMANCE

School	Baseline	Mid-point Index 2001	Difference	2002 Required Accountability Index	Assistance Point	% Novice
Arlie Boggs	52.3	53.5	+1.2	61.9	50.9	45.1
Beckham Bates	49.1	54.2	+5.1	56.0	47.8	44.5
Cowan	64.9	66.5	+1.6	71.3	63.9	28.22
Fleming Neon Elem.	54.6	57.5	+2.9	62.7	53.8	40.94
Kingdom Come	55.4	64.8	+9.4	55.8	53.9	23.61
Letcher Elem.	58.0	62.3	+4.3	63.9	57.1	34.62
Martha Jane Potter	54.8	56.7	+2.9	63.9	53.8	42.38
West Whitesburg	63.1	67.5	+4.4	67.1	62.0	29.08
Whitesburg Middle	61.9	67.7	+5.8	64.9	60.9	27.21
Fleming Neon High	52.3	58.9	+6.6	58.0	51.3	34.91
Letcher High	53.8	53.0	-0.8	65.4	52.6	42.10
Whitesburg High	56.0	60.1	+3.9	63.1	55.3	31.9

# Letcher Schools Show Improvement

## *1951 WHS BASKETBALL TEAM GATHERED FOR 50th REUNION*

The 1951 Whitesburg High School state tournament final four team got together for breakfast at the Pine Mountain Grill on Saturday, September 29, 2001. This team was the last Letcher County boys' team to win the 14th Region during the 20th Century. The team was coached by Ray Pigman. His assistant was Venon Whitaker. Both are now deceased.

Attending team members were captain Ronnie Kincer, Eddie Collins, Steven Carroll Sexton, Gerald Kincer, Roe Adkins, Cann Craft and Jim Whitaker. Cheerleaders attending were Jan (Combs) Trosper, Shirley (Fields) Hall, Katherine (Auton) Roberts. One team member, Bob Stout, is deceased. Two other team members, Jim Tolliver and John Hall, were unable to attend as was cheerleader Carolyn (Minton) Garrett.

Master of ceremony for the event was captain Ron Kincer. He and his wife Connie (Combs) prepared a booklet entitled "IT IS GOOD TO REMEMBER OUR YESTERYEARS" which was

given to each team member and cheerleader. The booklet contained a team picture as well as articles about the victories over Stuart Robinson and Jenkins in the 53rd District, over Hazard, Jenkins (again) and Hindman in the 14th Region, and over Corbin and Danville in the state tournament before the run ended with a loss to Cuba in an extremely close game in the semi-finals.

Steven Carroll Sexton provided copies of the 1951 State Tournament Program and copies of articles about tournament games gleaned from the Lexington Herald and the Lexington Leader (which were morning and afternoon papers at that time). Team members and cheerleaders shared many memories about the championship season.

The reunion concluded with a ride on a Whitesburg fire truck in the Mountain Heritage parade. This was very fitting since the 1951 team, on their return trip from Lexington, were met at Isom by a Whitesburg fire truck, the county sheriff, and a huge motorcade.

# Seattle's 'Little Unit' out for 2nd season

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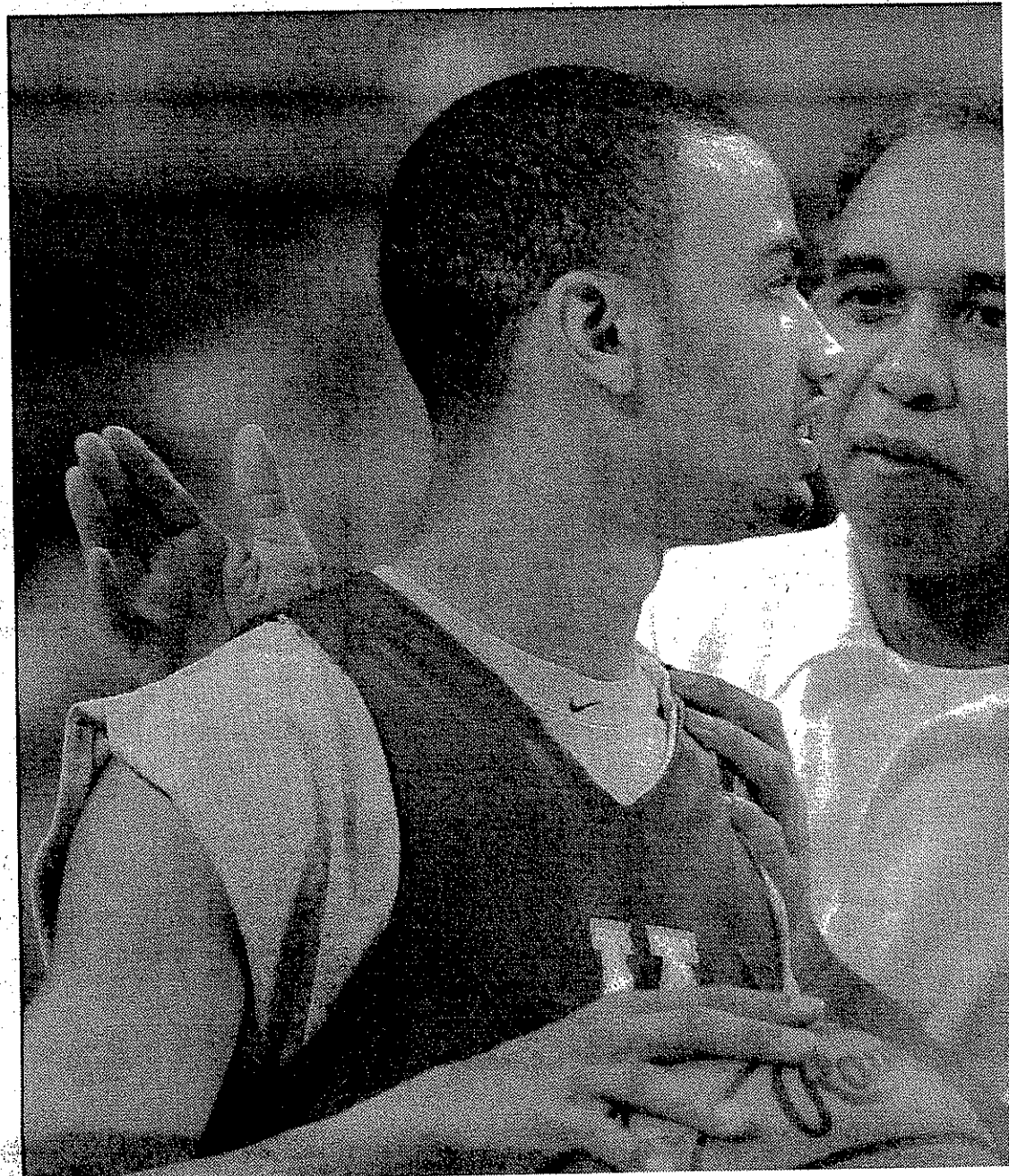
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Gerald Fitch has served three suspensions in the last month, but Coach Tubby Smith will have him back in the

## Valpo's nice-guy coach finishing far from last



**JOHN CLAY**  
HERALD-LEADER  
SPORTS COLUMNIST

**ST. LOUIS** — In the insufferable effort to promote the Sunday slice of bad television that was ESPN's *Season on the Brink*, Brian Dennehy was constantly on our cable screens, spitting out some bombastic bromide.

One was this: "Nice," growled Dennehy, supposedly portraying Bobby Knight, "is for losers."

Oh, really? Well, in the

same state where Knight once spread his darkness, there may just be the nicest coach in all of college basketball. And Dr. Homer Drew is no loser.

When Valparaiso meets Kentucky today in the NCAA Tournament here, it will mark Drew's sixth trip to the NAAs in the past seven years.

Drew has won 504 basketball games. He has won six Mid-Continent Conference and six tournament titles. He has been to 16 post-season tournaments. He has earned a doctorate in educational administration. All without screaming,

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Valparaiso Coach Homer Drew checks Stovall practiced yesterday in Saint

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By Rick Bailey  
HERALD-LEADER STAFF WRITER

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** — "Where it all Began ..." adorns the logo at center court of Municipal Auditorium, the ancient edifice that is home to the NAIA Tournament for the first

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By Maryjean  
HERALD-LEADER RACING  
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# f WHITESBURG | Town still celebrating team's feat

From Page D3

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The 1951 trip to Lexington was such a big deal for the team that they celebrated the 50-year anniversary of the event with a reunion in September. Kincer was still able to wear his team sweater. It was a tad tight, but he wore it the whole day.

"Somebody asked, 'Will Whitesburg ever make it back there?'" Kincer, 69, recalled from the reunion. "We weren't sure the time would ever come."

Sexton said getting there is important to the community and the school.

"We've been looking forward to this for so long," Sexton said. "We've come so close so many different times. We finally got back."

So many years apart, there are still similarities.

"The character of their team is a lot like ours," Sexton said. "All the individuals have such a high standard, good community support, good kids."

Other things have changed, including the style of play.

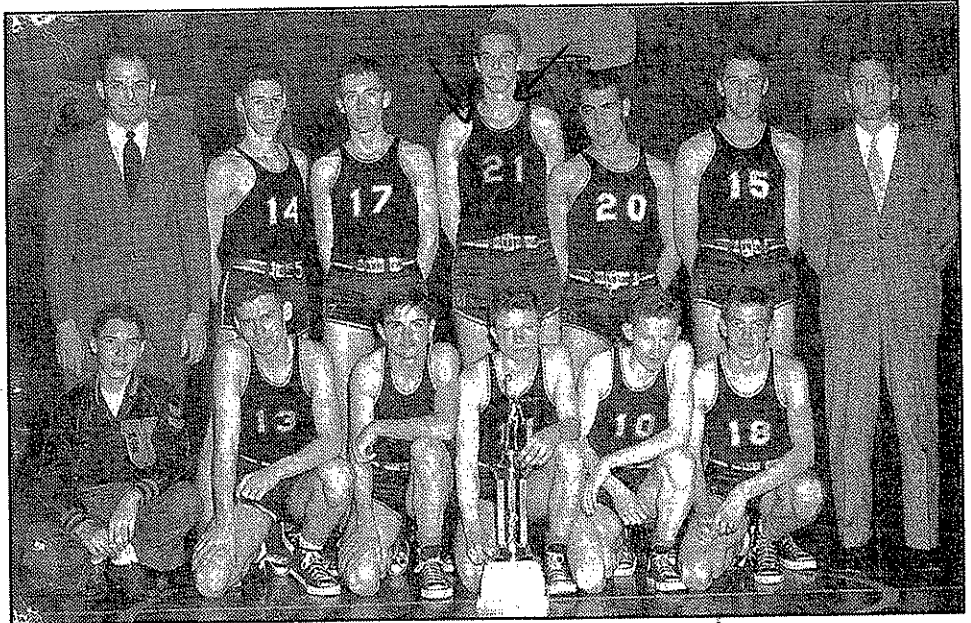
"Very slow, very slow, very, very deliberate," Kincer said. "We all had a two-hand set shot. The one-handed jumpers you see now, we didn't do that."

Sexton remembers it a bit differently.

He says the Jackets played an up-tempo style like the current team. "A controlled fast-break," he calls it.

But arguments over style of play don't lessen the experience. And it won't change what it means to Whitesburg.

When the players returned from their defeat at Memorial Coliseum, the players



COURTESY PHOTOS

At top, the 1951 Whitesburg team. Back row, from left: Coach Vernon Whitaker, Steve Sexton, Eddie Collins, Rob Stout, John Rufus Hall, Cann Craft, coach Ray Pigman. Front, from left: Manager Maurice Blair, Jimmie Burt Tolliver, Jimmie Whitaker, Ronnie Kincer, Gerald Kincer, Roe Adkins. Bottom photo: 1951 teammates reunited in 2001. Back row, from left: Steve Sexton, Eddie Collins, Cann Craft, Roe Adkins. Front row, from left: Jimmie Whitaker, Ron Kincer, Gerald Kincer.

on the bus thought there was a terrible accident.

When they approached the little town of Isom, cars were backed up as far as the eye could see. It was a motorcade three miles long, with fire engines and cars.

The players each got to give speeches on the courthouse steps, Kincer said.

Another line formed this week: people waiting to claim tickets for the game tonight at Rupp.

Sexton expects the entire town of Whitesburg to be there.

"You know that saying, 'Last one to leave, turn the lights out?'" he asked. "Well, somebody will be turning the lights out in Whitesburg."

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