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To Hall of Fame Committee:

This is a letter of support and recommendation for Tom Finnegan (Flaget High School, 1960) to be inducted into Dawahare's Kentucky High School Basketball Hall of Fame.

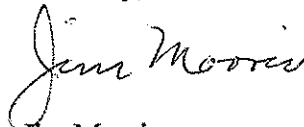
I am aware that there are various categories of qualification, and Tom had an illustrious career as both a player and coach. He not only led the 1960 Flaget team to the state championship as a player, but also later coached three Moore HS teams to the state tourney, two of them to the final four.

It is as a player that I promote his induction. He was probably the best shooter I ever coached in a 42 year career, possessing an unguardable fall away jumper and shooting a career 48% from the field as a marked man by all opposing defenses. He led all Louisville scorers as a junior with a 21 point average and was second as a senior with a 20+ average. In his high school career, he totaled 1300 pts. He was all-city twice, all region twice, all LIT twice, first team all-state as a senior and played on the 1960 Kentucky All-Star team. He also went on to a fine college career, playing two years at Notre Dame and starting for two years at the University of Louisville.

Tom is additionally a Hall of Fame person. He has always been deeply religious, owner of a strong faith, which inspired and gave confidence to those around him. His confidence as a player was contagious on our teams, making other players believe. He had a great work ethic, enthusiasm, and love for the game both as a player and a coach. He has contributed much to the game and the many people with whom he has come in contact.

There are certainly many outstanding players in the Hall, but Tom's achievements seem comparable and worthy of attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Morris". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jim Morris  
Coach - Flaget HS  
1958-1963

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Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame  
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October 26, 2004

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS



Dear KHSAA Hall of Fame Committee,

I am writing this letter in support of Thomas Finnegan's nomination for inclusion into the Kentucky High School Hall of Fame. Jim Morris, his coach at Flaget High School in Louisville, Kentucky, has placed Tom's name in nomination. Tom and I were both classmates and teammates at Flaget High School and members of the 1960 Kentucky High School Championship team. Tom was selected by the coaching staff and fellow teammates to serve as co-captain of our team.

I am in total support of Tom's nomination not only because of his basketball accomplishments at Flaget and the University of Louisville, but also because of Tom's character and his dedication to making a difference in the lives of others. Tom's athletic accomplishments include:

- High School starter his junior and senior years at Flaget
- Co-captain of 1960 state championship team
- Leading scorer on Flaget's 1960 State Championship team
- All State Team, 1960
- Plus numerous high school records as documented in his nomination
- Athletic scholarship to Notre Dame, and the University of Louisville
- Coached three teams from Moore High School to the Sweet 16

As mentioned above, Tom is deserving of this honor not only because of his basketball skills and accomplishments but because he cares about kids and dedicated his life to building his players skills and helping them to grow as young people. Many of his players went on to play college ball and most if not all successfully transitioned to being successful and contributing members of our community.

As a teammate of Tom's, I looked to him as a leader. He set the example in terms of work ethic, teamwork, and Christian behavior. Today, I continue to see Tom as a role model for his daughter and wife as he now fights Lou Gehrig's disease. He maintains a positive attitude and demonstrates courage on a daily basis.

Your consideration of Tom's nomination for the Hall of Fame is greatly appreciated. I can think of no better person that exemplifies the characteristics of this elite group.

Sincerely yours,

Don Kalmey  
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# Too Much Finnegan For 15 Other Teams In Ky. State Tournament

## Flaget Wins Over Monticello In State Finals

If 15 of the state high school basketball teams out of the "sweet 16" who participated in the state tournament in Freedom Hall, State Fairgrounds, Louisville last week learned anything it must have been never to book a team playing an Irishman during the week in which St. Patrick's Day falls.

The series of competitive games opened Wednesday evening when Campbell County met highly rated Monticello and went down to defeat before the Trojans 59-76. The next game played the same evening saw Bell County and Harrodsburg in a tie and tuck affair not indicated by the closing score 66-54 Bell Co.

The long day Thursday opened with Eymsonia defeating Meade Memorial, expected by many to top the tourney, by 69-60. Thus the first Eastern Kentucky team lost in an exciting game, one of

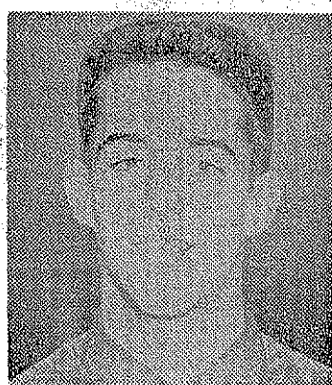
the best in the entire tournament Owensboro edged Lincoln Institute, one of the two Negro Schools competing, by 77-75.

In another game, also very close, Ashland went down to Maysville 61-58. Thus another Eastern Kentucky team folded.

Flaget, team which the Irishman, met Breathitt County, the hope of the 14th Region in which Lee County High School is located, walked off the floor at the end of the game with a 75-59 victory. It was shoot again, rebound again, shoot again Finnegan for the Flaget Braves almost all the way over the 14th region champions, as the fired-up Braves led by 29-10 at the quarter and never let the Bobcats get closer than 14 thereafter. At the end of the half it was 48-24 as the Braves led by Finnegan and McGill, outscored and outplayed the Bobcats.

Breathitt County, entering the tournament with 34-5 record outscored the Braves 17-13 during the third quarter and 18-15 in the fourth but the Braves lead was too great to overcome.

The Bobcats entered the tournament as the top-ranked team in the Litkenhous ratings and should have won the tourney according to that. But they lost three men on personals, Doug Allen in the third quarter, Earl Stevens in the final period and Bobby Dunn also in fourth quarter. Finnegan bucketed 23 points for the Braves who hit 27 of 68 tries from the field for a 39.7 percentage. Clair, Breathitt County center, had 22 and Allen 14 for the Eastern Kentucky hope which hit 22 out of 69 shots from the floor for a percentage of 31.9. Thus another hope of Eastern Kentucky fell out but Monticello was still in the running and so remained till Saturday turning back Owensboro 61-55. The same day Flaget downed Hopkinsville Attucks, (the other all Negro team) 96-72. Saturday evening saw the consolation and championship game with the Owensboro taking third place over the Attucks 68-51. Flaget had to come from behind in the last quarter to overcome the Monticello Trojans to post a 65-56 victory and gain the tournament laurel. Again it was all to much Finnegan and McGill. But the



Tommy Finnegan  
Makes All-Star Team

## Finnegan No. 2 Choice On All-Stars

Sharp-shooting Tommy Finnegan of state champion Flaget yesterday was named the No. 2 player on the Kentucky All-Star basketball team.

Lexington Lafayette's Jeff Mullins was selected last week as the No. 1 player and thus earned the accolade of "Mr. Basketball" and will wear the No. 1 jersey when the Kentuckians oppose Indiana's best graduating players in their annual two-game mid-summer series.

First game is scheduled June 18 at Indianapolis, second June 25 here at Freedom Hall.

Finnegan—first Flaget player ever to make the All-Star team—had a nifty 20.4 scoring average last season as he led the Braves to their first state basketball championship. He is a 6-2 forward who weighs 165 pounds.

## No Conflict

### East-West Cagers O.K. For Indiana Tilt

Special to The Courier-Journal  
Pikeville, Ky., May 2.—The date of an East-West All-Star basketball game has been changed so that boys also can play for Kentucky against Indiana.

The Kentucky players must report in Louisville on June 11, original date for the East-West game here. However, the game will be played here on June 10. Other games will be played at Jackson June 7 and at Wheelwright June 9.

# Flaget Five Seeking End To Meet Hex

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had the Louisville team in a frenzy before it was over.

Flaget, ordinarily a hot-shooting, high-scoring team, didn't make field goal in its five-point final quarter. Four of these free throws were by John McGill who atoned for the many mistakes he had made. Tommy Finnegan got 18 points.

Darrell Hill and Charles Hall each made 16 for coach Woddy Crum's Tenth Region team. Another fine performance was turned in by Herman Smith.

Maysville had a chance to tie the score with five seconds remaining but Buddy Weihe stole the ball and was fouled on the play.

Walter Gee again led Hopkinsville Attucks' scoring with 21, giving him 53 for the two games and an excellent chance of making the all-tournament team.

## GAY'S SAY

By MARVIN N. GAY, JR.

If you were a college basketball coach, which players in the State high school tournament would you sign to a scholarship? Careful now, there are angles to study.

The coaches' choices depend on many factors, including number of scholarships available (some have 25 and others only 5), whether a playmaker guard or a big man is the prime necessity, ability of the prospects in the classroom, etc. and etc.

To put it bluntly, some boys in the school-boy classic have received better coaching than others. College coaches search for that diamond in the rough, possibly a big boy with speed who hasn't been taught the correct moves. They try to anticipate what a boy will be as a junior in college.

The coaches must guess right most of the time. If not . . . well, they end up doing something else. The best concede they cannot win without good players.

As a favor, a successful coach in the South allowed me to see his check list of boys playing in the current tournament. These are the seniors he would like to sign to build a powerful club of the future:

Lee Lemos, 6-3, Campbell County.  
Gene Pendleton, 6-2, and Don Frye, 6-4, Monticello.

Jim Rhew, 6-6, Symsonia.  
Tom Finnegan, 6-2, Flaget.  
Cecil Clair, 6-4, Breathitt County.

This coach expressed belief that Pendleton and Finnegan were the best shots in the meet and closer to being ready for college play than any others.

Deeken Called A 'Sleeper'

## College coach reveals recruiting check list

cottons to Phillip Hoskins, 6-3, of Bell County. . . . Midway coach Ed Allin, visiting the tourney, thinks recruiters are overlooking a good prospect if they don't grab the Bluejay's 5-9 guard, Larry Wheeler. Wheeler averaged more than 20 points a game and enjoyed his best nights against such strong clubs as Lexington Lafayette and Pikeville.

Bobby Watson, the Owensboro coach, looks so young he probably could insert himself in the lineup and get away with it. But a few more cliff hangers (the Devils won their first by 2 points and the second by 1 in an overtime) and he will lose that boyish appearance . . . after the squeaker over Symsonia he said "we played so poorly I'm not even excited." All the while he paced the dressing room without touching the floor.



Marvin Gay, Jr.

# Flaget Seeking End To 'Sad Saturdays'

By KELLY COCANOUGH

Louisville Times Staff Writer

If the Seventh Region had a complex in the State Tournament today, it had good reason. Since 1951 when the tournament hit the big time, Louisville and Jefferson County fans have experienced many "Sad Saturdays."

It was this final day frustration Flaget was trying to avoid as it went against Hopkinsville Attucks in the lower bracket semifinals. Monticello and Owensboro were to meet at 12:15.

Flaget and Monticello were favored to gain the 8:45 championship game tonight. But don't try telling a Seventh Region fan his team is favored.

In the first place, the visiting team was going to have the "home team" advantage. State tournament crowds have never taken well with teams from the larger cities like Louisville and Lexington. This is not a peculiarity to Kentucky but typically American where the "little fella" always has the moral support.

**THIS WAS GOING** to be a tremendous factor today. K.H. S.A.A. officials were anticipating that Freedom Hall would be filled to its 16,971-seat capacity for each session.

Flaget's semifinal appearance made the sixth time since 1951 a Louisville team had been around for the Saturday showdown. Yet, only once in those years has one taken the big trophy. That was in 1958 when St. Xavier won.

In 1951 Manual was beaten in the semifinals by one point by Clark County. That was nothing compared with the following year when the same Manual team was beaten in the championship game by Cuba, a team it had beaten handily twice during the season.

In 1957 Eastern lost to Lafayette in the final. After St. X. won in '58, Manual came back a strong favorite in the final last year, only to lose to North-Marshall.

**SO FLAGET** was bucking a trend today—and the crowd. Since Flaget has been exposed to State Tournament situations only twice, it was probably strange to Blue and White fans that a crowd in their own hometown could be so riled up against them last night as they struggled to a 59-56 victory over Maysville.

Owensboro, another big city school, had the same experience as it needed an overtime to turn back little Symsonia 48-47. However, Owensboro, with the backing of a peppy cheering section and a big lively band, has done a good job rootin' for itself.

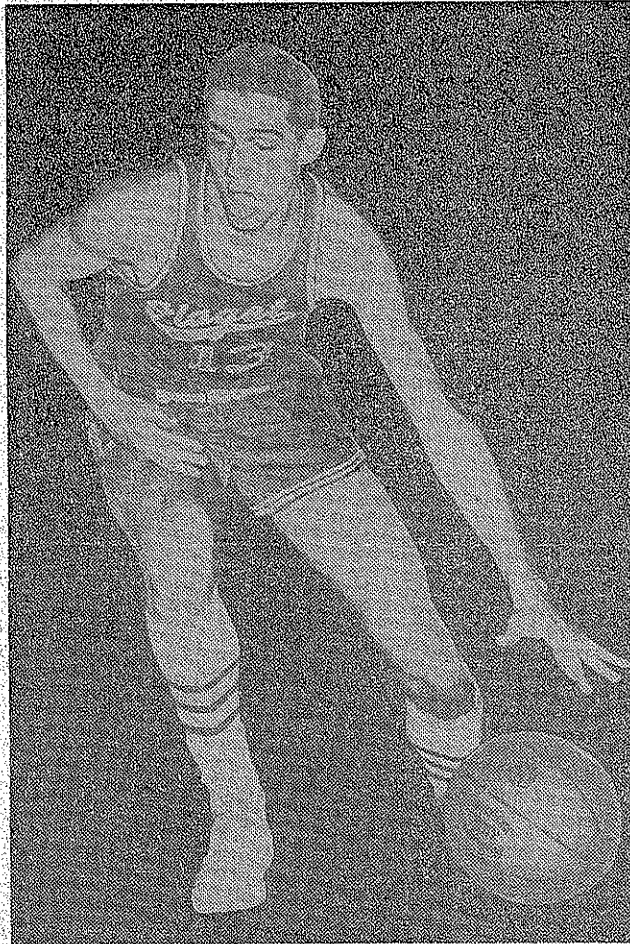
score indicates. Hopkinsville Attucks wound up the quarter-final session with a 73-60 victory over Beaver Dam as Walter Gee and Bill Torian, two Fancy Dan guards, treated the crowd of 16,000 to some fancy dribbling and shooting.

**AFTER GIVING** its finest games in the first round, Fla-

get presented a much milder effort against Maysville. A big first quarter in which the Braves ran up a 23-12 lead was all that saved them.

Then they started handing it back. Maysville's defense and its rebounding, best in the tournament for a team its size,

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Staff Photo

## Has Made The Seventh Proud

Regardless of how Tommy Finnegan fared today, the slender Flaget sharpshooter had made Seventh Region fans proud of him in the State High School Basketball Tournament at Freedom Hall. Finnegan is in action against Maysville, which Flaget defeated 59-56 to gain today's semifinal against Hopkinsville Attucks.

# Recruiting Wild As Rodeo—Jordan Coach of Irish, Here For Fete, Has Signed But Two Cagers So Far

By LARRY BOECK

Johnny Jordan posed with a blown-up photo of a rodeo cowboy struggling to tie a cantankerous calf. The Notre Dame basketball coach agreed that trying to rope and secure a high school prospect is just as challenging—or tougher.

"Here it is July and I'm still recruiting like mad," said the coach, who is legalizing paid visits by prospects to as many schools as they have the time or the inclination to tour.

As a result, high school kids are taking their time to sign. This keeps coaches in the recruiting rat race so much longer.

While here yesterday, Jordan didn't confine himself to speaking at the Irish club's dinner. What else did he do?

Recruited, naturally. He went to the home of Tom Finnegan, graduated Flaget star.

"When I got in the living room, Finnegan's father said, 'There have been a lot of coaches here—but you are welcome.'"

"Gosh, I knew there were a lot of coaches who dropped by but I was glad to hear I was welcome."

Finnegan didn't sign with Notre Dame. "He said he was very much interested," said Jordan.

What has helped make re-

# Finnegan Bound For Notre Dame

By EARL COX

Tom Finnegan, one of the finest shooters in Louisville prep basketball history, has decided to do his collegiate playing at Notre Dame.

Finnegan, a star on Flaget's state champions last season, and his parents will go to Notre Dame tomorrow to sign with the Irish of Coach Johnny Jordan.

"I decided Sunday before Hasenour Trophy, emblematic last to attend Notre Dame," Finnegan said. "He made 45 per cent of his shots that season."

Finnegan, who is playing in a "y" league this summer, is the fourth member of Coach Jim Morris' state champs to line up with a college. Center Ted Deeken, like Finnegan a Courier-Journal All-Stater, has signed with Kentucky, and guard John McGill and forward Don Kalney have signed with Bellarmine.

Guard Buddy Weihe, fifth member of the starting line-up, will attend Virginia Tech, it is reported, on a football grant-in-aid.



Tom Finnegan

per cent from the field last season, averaging 20.4 points per game. In 1958-59 he averaged 21.6 and won the

(Finally!)

# Hasenour Trophy Won By Finnegan

Tom Finnegan of Flaget wound up the season with a 21.6 scoring average to win the 1959 Hasenour Trophy for the City's top point-maker.

He totaled 518 points in 24 games to compile his average which just shaded Shawnee's Faurest Coogle and Central's William Bradley. They tied for second with 20.6 marks.

County scorers were led by Jerry Lawson of Fern Creek, who had 362 points in 20 games for an 18.1 average. Second was Charles Long of Eastern with a 15.8 average on 396 points in 25 games.

## City

Player and school	G.	T.P.	Avg.
1. Tom Finnegan, Flaget	24	518	21.6
2. Faurest Coogle, Shawnee	21	433	20.6
2. William Bradley, Central	26	535	20.6
4. Dale Reeves, Shawnee	20	356	17.8
5. Ben Monhollen, St. X.	25	417	16.7
6. Larry Holt, Central	27	441	16.3
7. Melvin Green, Male	23	352	15.3
8. Leland Melear, Manual	33	477	14.5
9. Henry Jones, Male	23	333	14.3
10. Ronnie Siers, Manual	31	433	13.9
11. Marshall Abstain, Shawnee	21	292	13.8
11. Everett Stallworth, Male	23	318	13.8
13. Harold Head, DeSales	20	273	13.7
14. Ron Vermillion, DeSales	21	266	12.7
15. Jim Bersot, Atherton	20	248	12.4
16. Stan Chandler, Central	27	313	11.6
17. Bill Heller, Ahrens	22	249	11.3
18. Gerald Glur, Manual	33	360	10.9

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1. Jerry Lawson, Fern Creek	20	362	18.1
2. Charles Long, Eastern	25	396	15.8
3. Dick Peloff, Eastern	25	352	14.1
4. Larry Elmore, Butler	25	350	14.0
5. Jerry Clay, Durrett	14	188	13.4
6. Chick Bloodworth, Trinity	23	306	13.3
7. Hugh Webb, Valley	19	246	12.9
7. Bobby Dotson, Valley	18	233	12.9
9. David June, Southern	20	255	12.8
10. Bill Campbell, Trinity	23	292	12.3
11. Joe Druga, Valley	19	220	11.6
12. Mike Gambill, Waggener	21	240	11.4
13. Ken Willis, Butler	25	279	11.2
14. Moe Miller, Durrett	22	240	10.9
15. Denny Cardwell, Trinity	23	245	10.7
16. Billy Mayfield, Southern	20	209	10.5

# State King Dominates All-City

By KELLY COCANOUGHER

Louisville Times Staff Writer

As state high school champion, Flaget supplied the most players for The Louisville Times annual All-City basketball team.

Coaches who participated in the poll named three Braves—Tommy Finnegan, Ted Deeken and John McGill. Central, Male and St. Xavier had two each and Manual one.

**FOR THE SECOND** straight year, however, coaches went to Manual for their "Coach of the Year" in again naming Jim Casillo. This might have been a surprise aspect of the poll since Jim Morris led Flaget to the state title in his first year of coaching. Pollsters explained their vote by saying they thought Casillo got the "most out of the least."

Representing St. Xavier were Mike Silliman, 6-5, 15-year-old sophomore center, and Lucian Raque. Central had Victor Bender and Larry Holt; Male placed Everett Stallworth and Ronnie Phelps, and Manual had Sherman Lewis.

McGill and Lewis also made the All-City football team.

Finnegan, Holt and Stallworth are repeaters from the 1959 All-City basketball team. They came back to be unanimous choices, along with Phelps and McGill. Deeken,

All-City  
(Louisville)  
1960

School	Pos.	Ht.	Class
Flaget	F	6-2	Sr.
Manual	G	5-10	Sr.
Central	F	5-11	Sr.
Male	G	6-2	Sr.
Flaget	C	6-3	Sr.
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St. Xavier	C	6-5	So.
Central	C	6-4	Jr.
St. Xavier	G	6-1	Sr.

Harold Head, De Sales, forward. Garner center. Bob Stewart, Central, forward. Judge er, forward. Ronnie Catlett, Shawnee, guard. wing votes—Larry Holman, De Sales; Steve 1 Schulten, De Sales; Don Brown, Manual. es receiving votes—Jim Morris, Flaget; Guy Q. Adams, Central.

## All-City County Squad

Coach: Bob Mulcahy, Seneca.

School	Pos.	Ht.	Class
Butler	C	6-7	Sr.
	C	5-11	Sr.



# Finnegan Wins Hasenour Cup; Creekers' Lawson Tops County



Tom Finnegan Posts 21.6 Average

By BILL ENDICOTT  
Tom Finnegan, a 6-2 Flaget whiz kid, is the winner of the 1959 Hasenour Trophy, given annually to the leading individual scorer among City high-school players.

Finnegan posted 518 points in 24 games for a 21.6 average, one point better than Shawnee's Faurest Coogle and Central's William Bradley, who tied for second with 20.6 marks.

In the County, Jerry Lawson of Fern Creek took top honors with an 18.1 average on 362 points in 20 outings. His closest rival was Charles Long of Eastern with a 15.8 mean on 390 points in 25 games.

### Reeves Is Fourth

Coogle's teammate Dale Reeves finished fourth in the City with a 17.8 average. Rounding out the top 10 are Ben Monhollen, St. Xavier, 16.7; Larry Holt, Central, 16.3; Melvin Green, Male, 15.3; Leland Melear, Manual, 14.5; Henry Jones, Male, 14.3, and Ronnie Siers, Manual, 13.9.

A run-down on the County's first 10 includes Lawson, Long, Dick Peloff, Eastern, 14.1; Larry Elmore, Butler, 14; Jerry

12.9; David June, Southern, 12.8; and Bill Campbell, Trinity, 12.3.

All-Stater Melear posted 68 points in four games in leading Manual to the final of the State Tournament last week. Siers, also named to the All-Tournament team, fessed in 44. Best individual performance

during the regular season in the City was Coogle's 39 scored against Bagdad early in the year.

Bloodworth's 31 against Good Shepherd in February was the best individual performance in the County. His also was the only 30-point game turned in.

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# HERE THEY ARE:

# NATION'S TOP PREP CAGERS

# SPORTS

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Player	Height	Weight	Year	School	Coach
GARY GARRISON	6-7	215	Sr.	Christian Bros., St. Louis, Mo.	D. C. Wilcutt
BILL CHMIELEWSKI	6-10	220	Sr.	Redeemer, Detroit, Mich.	Joe LaScola
JOHN THOMPSON	6-10	220	Sr.	Carroll, Washington, D.C.	Bob Dwyer
TOM FINNEGAN	6-2	165	Sr.	Flaget, Louisville, Ky.	Jim Morris
GEORGE LEBTWITH	6-0	180	Sr.	Carroll, Washington, D.C.	Bob Dwyer

## SECOND TEAM

JIM MANHARDT	Elizabeth, N.J.	St. Mary's
BILL GERNER	West Haven, Conn.	Notre Dame
FRANK CORACE	Philadelphia, Pa.	Msr. Bonner
JOE KOSCIUSZKO	Worcester, Mass.	St. Mary's
DICK FAGLIANO	Oakland, Calif.	O'Dowd

## THIRD TEAM

JIM FIRTH	Akron, O.	St. Mary's
JOHN GUNNEEN	Kansas City	Redemptorist
BOB PELKINGTON	Ft. Wayne, Ind.	Cent. Catholic
SHANNON BROWN	Riverton, Wyo.	St. Stephen's
WAYNE PETRI	New Orleans	De La Salle

## FOURTH TEAM

MICHAEL FRELOW	Port Arthur, Tex.	Sacred Heart
GENE HARDMAN	St. Paul, Minn.	St. Thomas
DICK McCLORY	Bronx, N.Y.	All Hallows
CHARLES WOOD	Racine, Wis.	St. Catharine
BILL CONNOLLY	Long Beach, Calif.	St. Anthony

## FIFTH TEAM

FRANK RICHICHI	White Plains, N.Y.	Stepinac
CHARLES SLADOVNIK	Omaha, Neb.	Holy Name
MONT HIGHLY	Shawnee, Okla.	St. Gregory
TOM SPIES	Eugene, Ore.	St. Francis
PETER ROZNOWSKI	Bay City, Mich.	St. Stanislaus

## SIXTH TEAM

KEN SOKOLOWSKI	Trenton, N.J.	Catholic High
STEVE MILLER	Oxnard, Calif.	Santa Clara
BILL SORONSON	Denver, Colo.	St. James
AL CECH	Chicago	De La Salle
BOB BUKVICS	Bethlehem, Pa.	Catholic High

## SEVENTH TEAM

DEAN SCHREINER	Menasha, Wis.	St. Mary's
PAUL SPISOK	Danville, Ill.	Schlarman
	South Bend, Ind.	St. Joseph
		St. Agnes

1959 - Jr. Years

# \*Deadly Shooting Is Strong Point Of City's Squad

By KELLY COCANOUGH  
Louisville Times Staff Writer

Unlike most star aggregations, the 1959 All-City high school basketball team is not very big and not very fast. But it can shoot with the best.

Deadly accuracy would be the forte of the annual 10-player team selected today by The Louisville Times on ballots cast by the nine city coaches.

Appropriately, Manual, the team that will represent the Seventh Region in the state tournament this week, heads the team. A big reason for the Crimson's success was pointed up as it placed both guards, Leland Melear, was a unanimous choice and Tommy Milton was not far behind. Ronnie Siers, a rugged 6-4 forward whose primary asset is rebounding, was the third honored Manual player.

And to this Crimson domina- and Faurest Google, Shawnee's tion the name of Jim Casillo, high-scoring forward who was who was voted "coach of the year" near unanimous selection, fill out Year." (See Dean Eagle's col- umn). Jerome Keifner of Shaw- nee was close second as the re- sult of his team compiling the best season record of any Seventh Region team.

Three juniors made the team, headed by Tommy Finnegan of Faurest. This talented forward who makes a one-hand shot from around the foul circle his spe- cialty, led city scoring with a 21.5 average. William Brady, another of phenomenal shooting accuracy, had a 20.5 average. Siers and Finnegan also were unanimous choices along with Ben Monhollen, a hot-kicker cen- ter from St. Xavier's state cham- pionship team last year.

Other juniors, in addition to Finnegan, were Larry Holt of Central and Everett Stallworth of Male. Melvin Green of Male.

## ALL-CITY SQUAD

Player	School	Ht.	Pos.	Class
Leland Melear	Manual	6-1	G	Sr.
Faurest Google	Shawnee	6-3	F	Sr.
Ben Monhollen	St. Xavier	6-4	C	Sr.
Melvin Green	Male	6-2	F	Sr.
Ronnie Siers	Manual	6-4	F	Sr.
*Tom Finnegan	Faurest	6-2	F	Sr.
William Brady	Central	5-9	G	Sr.
Larry Holt	Central	5-9	G	Sr.
Everett Stallworth	Central	5-11	F	Sr.
Tommy Milton	Male	6-3	C	Jr.
*Unanimous choice.	Manual	6-1	G	Sr.

**HONORABLE MENTION**—Ronnie Phelps, Male; Gerald Ray Central and Everett Stallworth Old Head, Desales; John McGill, Faurest; Larry Holman, Desales; Stan Chandler, Central; Henry Jones, Male.



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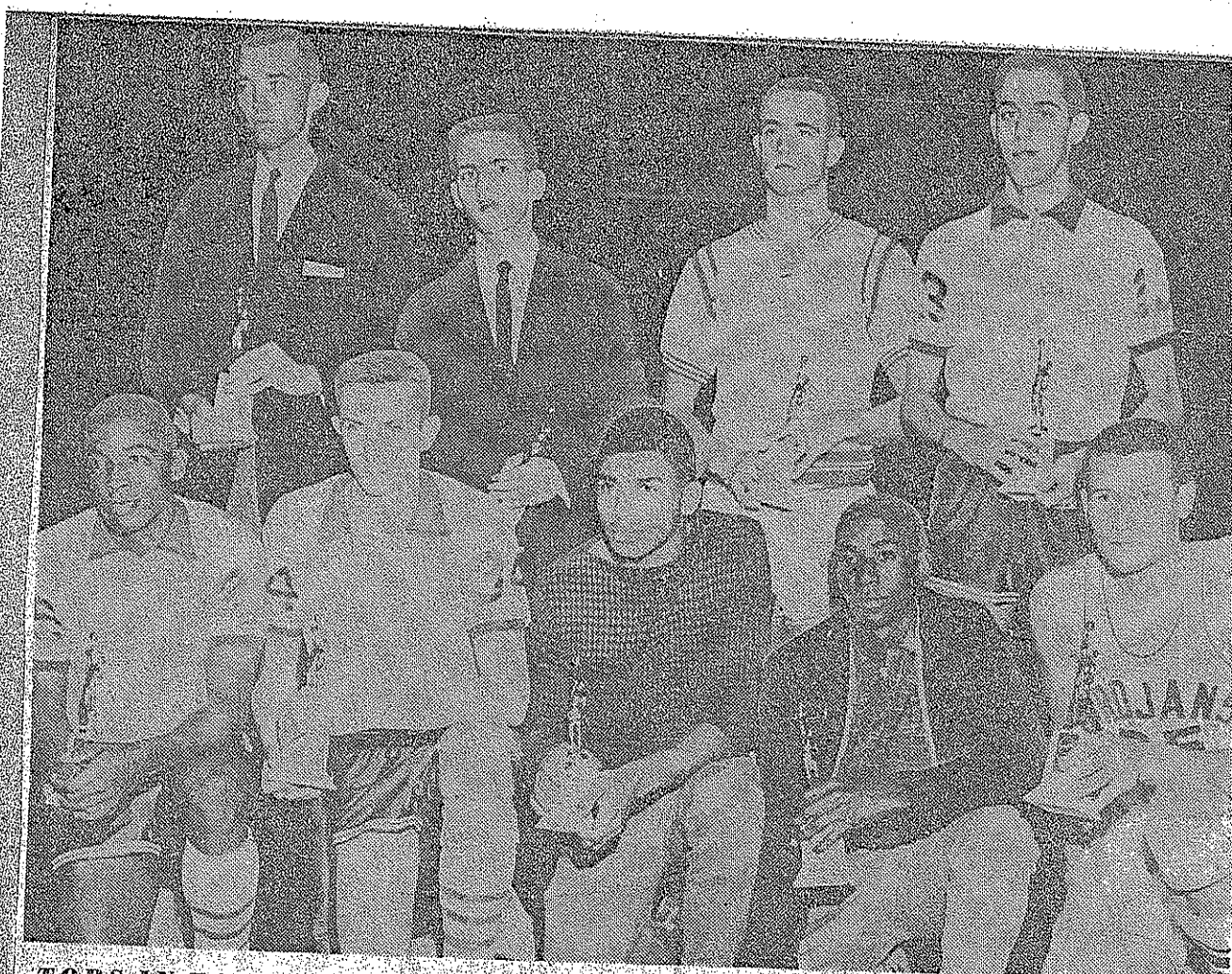
**TOM FINNEGAN** — An extremely fine marksman, Finnegan led all scorers in Louisville last year and was runner-up to Central's Larry Holt his year. Although he played forward throughout his brilliant prep career, the 6-2 Finnegan is expected to be shifted to guard

in college. "He'll make the switch all right," says his coach at Flaget, Jim Morris. "His defense has improved 100 per cent this season and he's fast enough."

Although almost frail looking, Finnegan battles with the most rugged players and seldom comes off second best. Confident and poised, he is a good student who probably will attend a Catholic college, maybe Xavier University. He can just about take his pick, however.

## All-State Cage Team

Player	School	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Avg.	Age
Jeff Mullins	Lafayette	G	6-3½	182	Sr.	26.1	18
Don Frye	Monticello	C	6-4	195	Sr.	21.0	19
Tom Finnegan	Flaget	F	6-2	165	Sr.	20.4	18
Tom Harper	Clark Co.	F	6-1	165	Sr.	25.7	18
Darel Carrier	Bristow	G	6-3	180	Sr.	31.2	19
Gene Pendleton	Monticello	G	6-2	178	Sr.	17.0	19
Randy Embry	Owensboro	G	5-10	165	Jr.	16.7	16
Ted Deeken	Flaget	C	6-4	175	Sr.	16.5	18
Ronnie Phelps	Male High	G	6-2½	175	Sr.	16.4	17
Wm. Smothers	Lex. Dunbar	C	6-7	195	Sr.	18.0	18



**TOPS IN TOURNEY** . . . Here are the members of the 43d annual Kentucky High School Basketball Tournament all-star squad, chosen by coaches and denizens of press Saturday night at Freedom Hall. Front row, left to right: John McGill and Ted Deeken of Flaget; Chuck Hall of Maysville, Walter Gee of Hopkinsville Attucks and Don Frye of Monticello; back row: James Rhew of Symsonia, Randy Embry of Owensboro, Gene Pendleton of Monticello and Tom Finnegan of Flaget. Russell Miracle of Bell County was the other pick.

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STATE ALL TOURNEY 1960

# Champ Braves Place 3 Players On All-Tourney

By BILL ENDICOTT

Tom Finnegan, Don Frye, Randy Embry, Gene Pendleton, Walter Gee, Jim Rhew, Chuck Hall, John McGill, Ted Deeken and Russell Miracle.

That is the cream of the 1960 State Tournament crop, as named on the all-tournament team by vote of coaches, sports writers and sportscasters.

Finnegan, McGill and Deeken represent Flaget, Frye and Pendleton runner-up Monticello, Embry third-place Owensboro, Gee fourth-place Hopkinsville Attucks, Tom Finnegan Rhew is of Symsonia, Hall of Maysville, and Miracle of Bell County.

Miracle, it will be remembered, set what is believed to be a tournament record when he hit 14 of 16 attempts from the field in the Bobcats' two games, seven straight in the opener against Harrodsburg.

Owensboro's vivacious cheerleaders were awarded the Kentucky Association Pep Organization Sponsors trophy, given annually to the cheerleaders who display the best cheers, sportsmanship and behavior during the tourney.

Second place went to Ashland and third to Harrodsburg.

The pretty Red Devil boosters are seniors Diana Adkins, Bess Snyder, Ann Mattingly and Naci Shuck and juniors Jane Baize, Cissy Snyder, Charlotte Reid and Linda Jagos. Their sponsor is Miss Nancy

Bertram, physical education instructor at Owensboro High.

Gee wound up as the meet's top scorer with 104 points in four games for a 26-point average. His best effort was 32 in the first round against Clinton County.

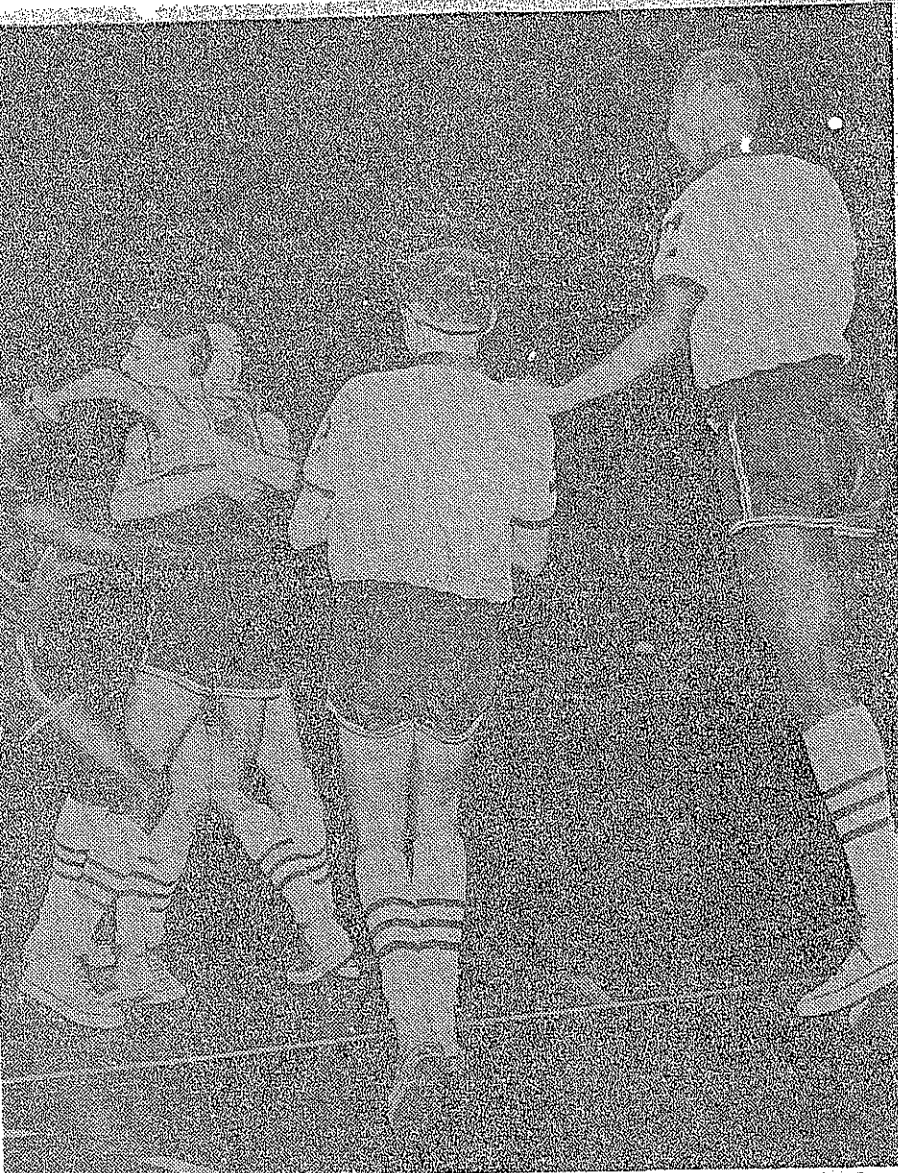
Embry, as good a shooter as there was in the tournament, turned in the best individual-game performance with his 34 in Owensboro's opener against Lincoln Institute. . . . He had 95 in the Red Devils' four games. . . .

Flaget's 96 points in its 96-72 victory over Attucks in the semi-finals was the best team offensive show. . . . Symsonia's 47 in its 48-47 loss to Owensboro in the second round was the lowest team output.

Shortest player in the tournament was 5-5 senior Dick Patton of Campbell County, the tallest 6-6 senior Rhew of Symsonia. . . . Most coaches and those along press row agreed that the officiating this year was the best it had been in several years—a credit to George Conley, Warren Cooper, Doc Ferrell, Charlie Irwin and Milford Wells.

Where are the members of last year's all-tournament team?

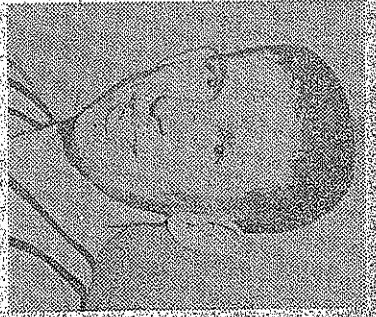
Julius Berry (Dunbar) is at Dayton, Pat Doyle (North Marshall) at Kentucky, Lance Gish (Central City) and Don Ringstaff (Livingston Central) at Vanderbilt, Bert Greene (Olive Hill) at Morehead, Leland Melear (Manual) at Virginia Tech, Tom Thacker (Covington Grant) at Cincinnati, Ronnie Siers (Manual) at Lindsey Wilson Junior College and Jim Lampley (North Marshall) at Paducah Junior College.



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**CTORY WAR DANCE . . .** Flaget's victorious Braves put on a dance of their own after winning the state high school basketball crown. From left are Don Turner, Tom Finnegan (back to camera), Bobby Doutaz (hugging Finnegan), Roddy Mc Nerney and Jim Montgomery.

ALL-STATE TEAM - 1960



Jeff Mullins  
Lafayette, Guard



Don Frye  
Monticello, Center



Tom Finnegan  
Flaget, Forward



Tom Harper  
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Male High, Guard



William Smothers  
Lex, Dunbar, Center

# ... To Newport Today

The ball is going next and to have a man there to get it. I'd almost as soon play in the Louisville Invitational as I would the State Tournament."

Trivette brought a smile to Casillo's face when he told him "Anyone that beats Manual will have to go to war." There are those who are saying that if last season's Manual club hustled like this present Crimsons, it would have made a shambles of the race for the state title. As it was, they were runnerup to North Marshall. Donnie Brown is the guy who charges up the Reds.

Grant "Hooker" Phillips, Pikeville postmaster, was hospitalized at Lexington's St. Joseph's Hospital last week for ulcer treatment. He's the father of Bobby, who played football at U.K. and of Larry, football and basketball player now at Georgetown College.

both college and prep coaches as lecturers. Golf and swimming are also on the agenda and it'll all be for a nominal fee. More about this later.

Bob Wright, the new coach who moved from Vanceburg, is doing a good job. Ronnie Stiner, a son of Sandy Hook Coach Len Stiner, is a regular guard for the Lions...

"Congratulations on your fine coverage of sports and on the publicity you are giving the smaller schools, especially on the High School Page on Sunday," writes Mrs. C. D. Harmon, principal at Pine Knot.

Roland Turner, brother of U.L. star John Turner, is a promising sophomore on Newport Public's team. Remember the name of Larry Sprinkle, a 5-11 sharpshooter from Newport Public. He's a

# pin' Finnegan Praised; Flaget Ho

By EARL COX  
 more boys I see play basketball scout for a college. The better Finnegan of Flaget to me."  
 known for his superb g. Finnegan is proving reason that he can re- and handle the ball an, at 6-2, isn't big to be a major college l. the position he now. The only thing scouts tried about is his speed. ve fast enough to play a n college," they all ask. plenty fast enough." the scout referred to

the top 25 in the Litkenhouse Ratings this week. First, however, they must hurdle a tough obstacle this afternoon. They'll tangle with highly-regarded Newport Catholic at 2 o'clock at St. George Gym.  
 Shortly after his Panthers had been defeated by Flaget in the championship game of the Pikeville Invitational, John Bill Trivette predicted that his team will be better by tournament time than the 1957 Panthers, who were beaten by state champion Lafayette in a semifinal game of the State Tournament.  
 Earlier, the Pikeville major domo was holding court with

secret is," said Don Bales, coach of Munfordville, and an ex-player at Pikeville High and Eastern Kentucky. "It's hustle."  
 That question answered for him, Trivette next was asked about the type of boys it takes to use a press.  
 "It takes a bunch of boys that'll make physical sacrifice," said Trivette. "They must take care of their bodies. We require our boys to be home by 10 o'clock."  
 Stan Arzen, coach at Newport Public, then almost broke up the gathering with laughter when he said, "So help me, I watched some Pikeville fifth-

Coach Jim Casillo, "I saw them, too."  
 Trivette wouldn't admit that he has his youngsters working on the press, but he did say verify that Pikeville boys start playing organized basketball when they are in the fifth grade. With coaches, yet.  
 Getting back to the press, Trivette agreed with someone that it takes strong, stocky boys to play his demanding pet defense.  
 "You'll notice that our kids have strong arms and legs," he said. "You know, all five of our starters played football." And then, very unlike many basketball coaches, Trivette said, "We try to get all of our

said the Pikeville coach have to convince him of destructiveness.  
 "The press is worth a us as a psychological we Trivette thinks. "Some we sink back on a team expecting the press and don't know what to do then some teams are tick death just to get the across the mid-floor strip.  
 Other Trivette items:  
 "Our defense is our of. We can't play a lick either. No, I didn't g press from anyone I thol up and used it 10 years. Other teams resort to the only late in the game.

Second Team		All-State Cage Team				Third Team				
Player	School	Player	School	Ht.	Pos.	Age	Class	Avg.	Player	School
Lance Gish	Central City	Pat Doyle	N. Marshall	6-2	F	18	Sr.	17.0	Dale Barker	Olive Hill
Bummy Lampley	N. Marshall	Tom Thacker	Cov. Grant	6-3	C	19	Sr.	25.0	Larry Castle	Ashland
Jarrel Carrier	Bristow	Julius Berry	Lex. Dunbar	6-5	C	19	Sr.	23.0	Don Frye	Monticello
Berry Smith	Corbin	Bert Greene	Olive Hill	6-2	F	19	Sr.	22.3	Jon Speaks	Lafayette
Tomnie Siers	Manual	Leland Mclear	Manual	6-0	G	18	Sr.	14.5	Jadie Frazier	Henry Central
Jack Conley	Oli Springs	Don Ringstaff	Liv. Central	6-3	F	17	Sr.	25.0	Kenneth Cobb	Hazard
Verrett Stallworth	Male	Bob Rice	Sandy Hook	6-5	F	17	Sr.	30.0	Alan Bane	Maysville
Joe Gold	Benton	Louis Stout	Cynthiana	6-4	C	19	Sr.	30.9	Wm. Bradley	Lou. Central
Immis Brown	Beaver Dam	Bobby Barton	Cov. Holmes	6-0	G	18	Sr.	27.2	Mike Ridley	Dawson Springs
Berry Parker	Taylor Co.	Ken Dalton	Fancy Farm	6-3	F	17	Sr.	22.0	Tom Finnegan	Flaget







