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The 1930 Corinth Braves

The Story of the Corinth High School State Championship Basketball Team

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THE 1930 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Seated, left to right: Dave Lawrence, William Howard Jones, Captain Frank (Bear) Lawrence, Roscoe Rogers, Wilbur Odor

Standing: Coach Ted Hornback, Hugh McClintock, Dallas True, Eugene Ogden, John Groves, George Hayden, Principal E. B. Whalin

1930 CORINTH HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY

Seated, left to right: Buell Wilson, Catharine Foreman, Kathryn Melton
Standing: Principal E. B. Whalin, Ted Hornback

FACULTY AUTOGRAPHS

E. B. Whalin, Superintendent, May 5, 1900

Principal

TEACHERS

Teddy Hornback

Catharine Foreman

Katharyn Welton

Buell Wilson

Ted Hornback

Coach Ted Hornback graduated from Western Kentucky State Teachers' College in 1929 and came to Corinth to teach and coach in the fall of that year. As a star forward for the Western Kentucky Hilltoppers, he had been coached by the famous Ed Diddle, and at the finals of the state tournament in the spring of 1930, Ed Diddle was present to witness Ted's success with his first coaching job.

To give his team experience against tough competition, Mr. Hornback scheduled games against some outstanding teams of larger schools. The squad made one road trip to Western Kentucky, where they played several games, including one with the Western College Freshmen.

On the warpath in 1929-30, Corinth engaged various palefaces in 42 minor skirmishes or major battles and collected 35 scalps.

From Corinth, Ted Hornback went to Ludlow High School as coach, and from Ludlow to Bowling Green, where he coached the Western Kentucky College Freshmen before he became the Athletic Director.

"Prof" Whalin

E.B. Whalin, age 26, arrived in Corinth in the fall of 1926 with his wife Lula Belle and their six weeks old son Wallace Eugene.

"Prof," as he was affectionately called, gave his full support to the Corinth school and its activities. He supported the ball team one hundred per cent, and when Corinth won the state championship in 1930, he had missed only one game in four years.

A graduate of Western Kentucky Teachers' College, now Western Kentucky State University, he was joined on the high school faculty by other teachers from Western: L.B. Woosley in 1927, Ted Hornback and Kathryn Melton in 1929. He also influenced several Corinth graduates to attend college at Western Kentucky.

The story of the 1930 Championship team actually began with the 1929 team, coached by L.B. Woosley. With the exception of Hubert Odor, all the players were members of the 1930 team.

THE 1929 STATE B-CLASS CHAMPIONS

Left to right: Captain Hubert Odor, Wilbur Odor, Dave Lawrence, Frank Lawrence, Roscoe Rogers, William Howard Jones, John Groves, Coach L. B. Woosley, Principal E. B. Whalin

L.B. Woosley

L.B. Woosley, also from Western Kentucky, coached the Corinth High School basketball team in 1927-28 and 1928-29. In 1929, his team was runner-up in the State Tournament.

The first five players on the 1930 team had been regulars in 1929 and had gained valuable experience in playing under tournament pressure.

Mr. Woosley, who stressed physical fitness and imposed strict discipline, preferred to schedule games against strong teams. One of his favorite slogans was "Brave men are weakened by victory rather than by defeat."

In 1930, while elated over the championship, the fans never forgot the part played by L.B. Woosley in the development of the champions.

In 1955, at the Anniversary dinner, Ted Hornback spoke of his "debt of gratitude to L.B. Woosley who laid the foundation for a winning team."

"CORINTH HAS WON ! CORINTH HAS WON ! CORINTH HAS WON THE STATE TOURNAMENT !"

That was the exciting cry of Corinth fans after the championship game Saturday night, March 22, 1930. Although telephones were almost non-existent in the Corinth vicinity at that time, the news traveled swiftly.

When Tom Simons returned from Lexington, he made a Midnight Ride to the house called the old Simons Place to inform the parents of Dave and Bear Lawrence.

Yes, Corinth had won the state tournament in what Neville Dunn, Sports Editor of The Lexington Leader called "PROBABLY THE MOST AMAZING FINISH EVER MADE IN A HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL GAME IN Kentucky."

With only one minute and forty-five seconds left to play, Corinth was trailing by four points,20-16. In those days, four points was a big lead. Sometimes a team did not score four points in an entire quarter. The game was not the swift moving sport that it is today. Players concentrated on defense, and after each goal, both teams went to the center circle to jump again.

The Tall Pines of Kavanaugh had led all during the game; with less than two minutes to play, many fans had already started to leave. They thought the game was over, but the Braves did not.

Left-handed Rogers made a hook shot-then back they went to the center. Wilbur Odor managed to out jump his taller opponent and got the tip to Rogers, who immediately scored again. Now the game was tied at 20-20, and the crowd began pulling for the underdog.

With only a few seconds left, Kavanaugh got the tip but lost the ball out of bounds. A Corinth player tossed in the ball to Jones, who made the winning shot and became the high point man of the final game with seven points.

(Fifty years later, the people who saw that game still talk about the excitement and the reaction of some of the fans. One story is that John Juett, who lived at Corinth at that time, threw down his expensive made-to-order hat and jumped up and down on it.)

When the trophies were awarded, William Howard Jones was given the basketball with which he made the winning shot. The team, led by Captain Bear Lawrence, received not only the Championship trophy, but also the Sportsmanship Cup. Each player was given a miniature gold basketball, and Ted Hornback received a silver regulation size basketball for coaching the championship team.

The following write-up was in The Lexington Leader, Sunday, March 23, 1930.

Corinth Boys

Grant County Youths Make Amazing Finish

hey Shot Three Field Goals in Little More Than a Minute to Conquer Kavanaugh Quintet 22 to 20; Woodburn Lassies Lose, 23 to 18

OGERS AND JONES SHOOT THE WINNING POINTS FOR B CHAMPS

d Then Their Team Carries Off Sportsmanship Trophy As Well; Class A Comes Through in the Girls Division

Sports Editor

Probably the most amazing finish ever made in a high school basket ball game in Kentucky was pulled by Corinth, Class B champion, in defeating Kavanaugh, the Class A representative, 22 to 20, Saturday night in the finals of the 12th annual Kentucky State tournament.

In just a fraction more than a minute before the final gun, Corinth shot three field goals to transform what seemed to be certain defeat into a glorious triumph. And in making those three field goals within a space of time that astounds one because it seems impossible, Corinth tried just three shots—just three.

Prior to this spectacular climax to one of the most successful tournaments sponsored for the high school teams the breadth and length of the State by the University of Kentucky, the Hazard girls ran true to form by bringing home the feminine championship to the Class A division. They conquered a scrappy quintet of misses from Woodburn, a small town near Bowling Green, 23 to 18.

But as exciting as the girls' encounter was—the lead see-sawed all the way—the crowd of approximately 4,500 fans who witnessed the final contest for the twin championships, forgot its thrills in the tumult of the Corinth-Kavanaugh battle. They were dazed, as a matter of fact, when that winning shot sank through the net but the pause was almost too slight to be noticed. And then what a roar!

Two Are Heroes

Two youngsters today know how it feels to be heroes. Roscoe Rogers and William Howard Jones are the marvels who fired the shots that rocked Kentucky basket ball. Rogers made two of the three—the first two that tied the score—and Jones shot the third that won the game. Rogers is a southpaw who gets in the center hole on the offense and his first heave was made on a left-handed hook delivery. The ball rolled right over the edge of the hoop almost on a straight line. There were about a minute and 15 seconds of time remaining and Kavanaugh was on top 20 to 16 when Rogers sank that goal.

Odor, Corinth's center, probably never stretched more in his life than he did on the next tip-off and he got an even break with James Houchin, Kavanaugh pivot man, who had been outjumping him all evening. The ball fell into Rogers' hands, he turned and shot—releasing the ball before his eyes had time to focus on the basket—and the ball went through without touching anything but the net. That tied the score at 20 to 20 and only 40 seconds or so remained.

Fought Like Demons

Corinth was fighting like a demon then and the crowd yelled its approval in a roar that shook the gym. Kavanaugh got the ball but lost it out of bounds. A Corinth player tossed it to Jones, he dribbled once, gathered the ball into his arms and shot. The sphere hit the center of the basket squarely. The most amazing game in the history of the Kentucky State tournament was over.

Kavanaugh looked as if it were a sure winner all the way through until that last minute and 15 seconds. It started with such a rush, it was on top 6 to 0 at the end of the first quarter and it broke through with goals thenceforth every time Corinth threatened. In the third quarter, Corinth overcame the 8 to 3 lead Kavanaugh enjoyed at the half and went to the front 12 to 10 by making nine points in rapid succession. But Kavanaugh let out another notch, so it seemed, and was out in front again. It remained there, 20 to 16, until Rogers and Jones took their sudden notion to go into a scoring frenzy.

Later

SPORTSMANSHIP CUP WON BY CORINTH TOO

In addition to carrying off the handsome silver trophy that designated them as the 1930 champion boys' team of Kentucky, the Corinth boys were awarded the trophy given annually by the State Y. M. C. A. for the best sportsmanship displayed in the State basket ball tournament.

The trophy, as well as the other awards, was presented to Captain Frank Lawrence, of Corinth, by Prof. Ralph Hill, secretary of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association right after Corinth defeated Kavanaugh for the State title.

CORINTH HIGH SCHOOL WINS CHAMPIONSHIP GAME AT LEXINGTON

1930.

Taken from
The Grant County News

Rated As "Dark Horse," They Come From Behind In Final Period To Defeat Kavanaugh By Score Of 22 To 20

Corinth people turned out in large numbers, and many basketball fans from all parts of the county went to Lexington Saturday night to root for the Grant county team. Their efforts were not in vain. Kavanaugh took the lead in the first period and was ahead until the game seemed practically won. But Corinth staged a last minute rally and nosed out the strong Kavanaugh team by a score of 22 to 20.

Corinth, Ky., March 23—All Corinth stood in front of the Post Office today, pointing with beaming pride to a shining silver basket ball, with its miniature basket ball player crouched on top, on display in the window.

A stranger couldn't have been in this little Grant county town of 400 souls for more than five minutes today without having been led to the window and shown what eight of the town's boys and their coach had brought home with them from Lexington early this morning.

That big silver basket ball belongs to Corinth High School's Braves, victors in last night's contest with Kavanaugh High of Lawrenceburg for the state title.

And that wasn't all the boys brought home with them. On one side of the championship trophy in the window is the tourney sportsmanship cup—on the other the University of Kentucky's trophy for the tourney's best coach. And then each one of the squad is wearing a gold basket ball.

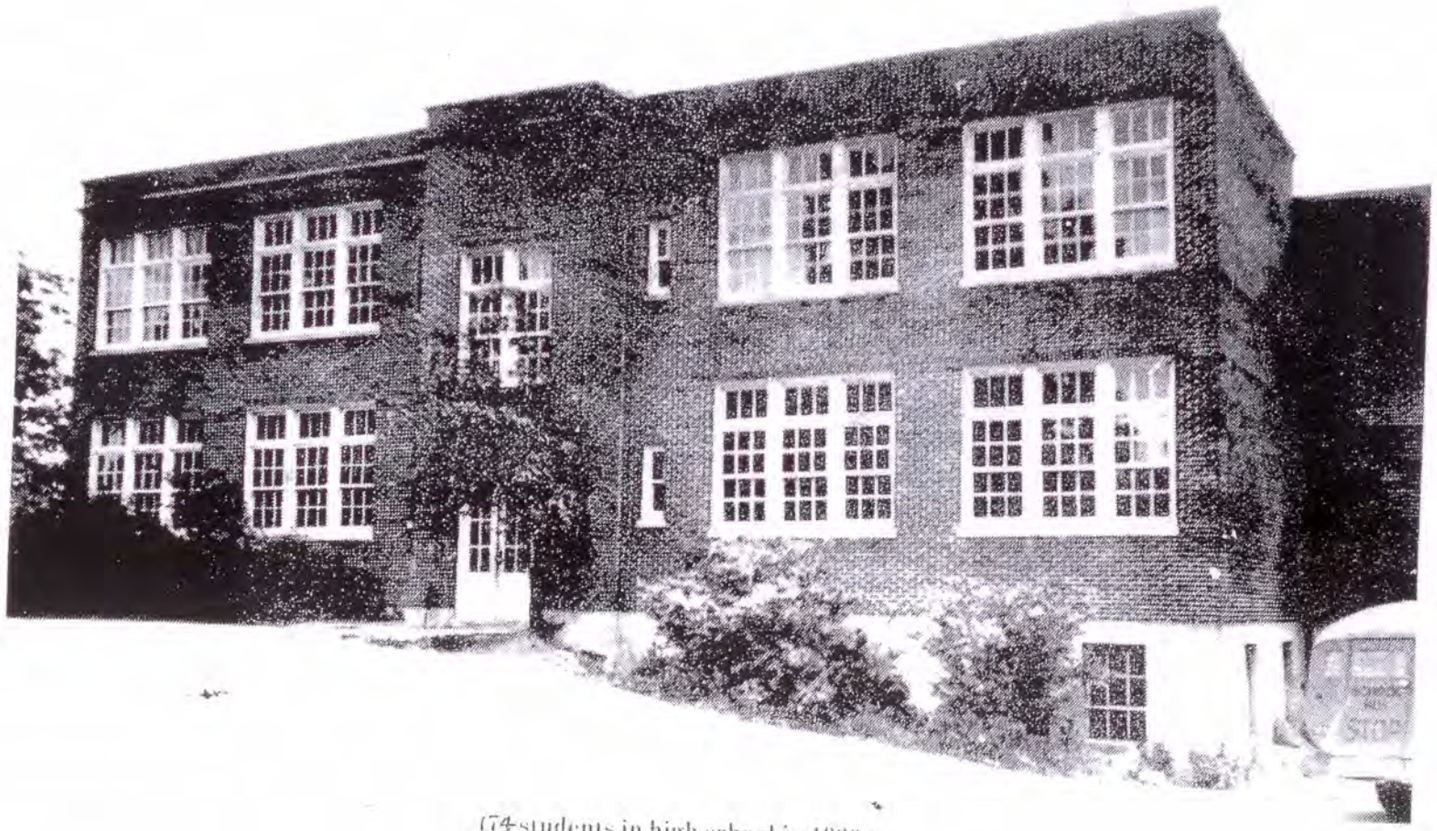
It was the most dramatic and sensational finish that has ever been staged in the final game of the state tournament in the 12 years of its history, and left a crowd of 5,000 people stark mad, waving their hats, screaming and fighting to congratulate the winners.

Corinth forever will cherish the memory of a slim youth named Rogers, who shot two field goals in less than 10 seconds time to overcome a 20 to 16 lead which Kavanaugh had amassed, and tie the score at 20-all. And Corinth should erect a monument to Jones whose magic tough resulted in two more points for the brave Braves with only a few second to play.

1930 CHEERLEADERS

MARGARET LEE and FRED KELLY LEE

CORINTH CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL



(74 students in high school in 1930.)

Corinth Will Play in National Tourney Coach Hornback Says

Before the 250 inhabitants of Corinth and vicinity were back to normal, the Braves were invited to play in the Twelfth National Basketball Tournament in Chicago-April 1-5.

Immediately a group of fans began the task of soliciting (or donating) funds to send the state champions to Chicago. A complete list of the men who took on the responsibility is not available, but the list would include Tom Simons, Elmer Alcoke, Kenneth Childers, Harry Bailey, John Juett, Frank Craig, and Audrey Rogers, who had driven from Detroit for the state tournament.

Several members of the same group had furnished cars and served as drivers for both girls and boys' teams throughout the season. Elmer Alcoke had even loaned his new Chrysler for the road trip to Western Kentucky.

Barely a week lay between the team's return from Lexington and their departure for Chicago, but by the end of the week, the fund-raisers had collected more than five hundred dollars. Prof. Whalin decided that the amount was sufficient to take along George Hayden as tenth man. George and Hugh McClintock had alternated in going to the previous tournament games, and it was George's turn to be left behind. George was informed of his good fortune, and Mr. Whalin remarked, "Today there are two happy boys in Corinth and both of them are George Hayden."

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During the week after the state tournament, the fans discussed or replayed the games that led up to the final frenzy. There was the game with Carr Creek that no one except the Corinth fans expected the Braves to win; there was the semi-final game with Tolu in which Corinth had come from behind to win by one point, but one game that cannot be left out of the 1930 championship story is the game with the Walton Bearcats in the semi-finals of the regional tournament at Paris.

Walton had clobbered Corinth twice during the year. Their players were good shots, especially Jimmy Vest and the tall "Frenchy" Demoisey, who later played for Adolph Rupp at U.K. Everybody knew that Walton was THE OBSTACLE between Corinth and the state tournament.

(Note: In 1929, 1930, and later, Kentucky schools were classed as A or B according to size and enrollment. A and B schools were placed in separate tournament brackets and met only in the finals of the district, region, or state. The runner-up in the district participated in the regional, and the runner-up in the regional also went to the state. The game with Walton was extremely important because that was the game that determined whether Walton or Corinth would go to the state, no matter who won the finals.)

Prof. Whalin bought green paint and sent a student to paint the words "Go To Paris and Help Beat Walton" in numerous places on the sidewalk in Corinth. "Go to Paris and Help Beat Walton" became the war cry, and the tribe responded. Not many people were left in Corinth the Saturday afternoon of the Walton - Corinth game.

Coach Hornback, knowing that the Braves could not outrun or outshoot the Walton Bearcats, planned his strategy with care. He stressed possession of the ball and no wasted shots. Whenever a Corinth player managed to get the ball, he hung on to it or made sure passes until a teammate was open under the basket. The strategy worked. At the end of the first quarter, the score was 10-2 in favor of Corinth, and the Walton team was already rattled. Corinth was leading at the half, at the third quarter, and at the end, 16-14.

That loss was a bitter blow to Walton, and a few weeks later, when the Corinth fans put up the sign "Home of the 1930 Kentucky State Basketball Champions," Walton put up a sign "Don't Mention Basketball In This Town."

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Accompanied by Coach Hornback and Prof. E.B. Whalin, the Braves left Corinth before daylight Sunday morning, March 30,1930, and traveled to Chicago on a Greyhound bus.

They arrived in Chicago that night and stayed at the Windermere Hotel. Many fans followed in cars, and others went to Chicago during the week as the team continued to win.

A complete list of those who went to Chicago for all of part of the games was not available, but the list would include the following; Mr. and Mrs. P.L. Sidebottom, Julian and Rose Foree, Lawrence and Nola Wright, Earl and Blanche True, Ruby Wilson Buell Wilson, Georgia Rose, Catharine Foreman, Kenneth Childers, Harry Bailey, Robert Whitaker,

Bob Alcoke, and Mrs. Frank Lawrence (for the two Saturday games). Audrey Rogers went to Chicago from Detroit.

Corinth Scores 24-15 Over Northwestern

GAME I

In the original tournament drawing, Corinth had been paired with St. John's Military Academy for one o'clock Wednesday afternoon, but when Caspar, Wyoming, wired that they could not get to Chicago in time to play Northwestern Military Academy, Lake Geneva, the tournament decided that Corinth should take Caspar's place. The decision caused Corinth to play an extra game in the tournament and was the only winning team who did not get a day of rest.

Northwestern had lost only one game out of twenty during the season, but Corinth defeated them by a score of 24-15.

Roscoe Rogers and Dave Lawrence tied for high point man with nine points each.

KENTUCKY AND MONTANA CHAMPS PLAY TONIGHT

Braves Will Clash With One of Favorite Quintets at 9 o'Clock

By EDWIN ASHFORD

GAME II

Wednesday evening at nine o'clock, Corinth faced Chinook, Montana, the team favored to win the tournament. Chinook had won thirty games in a row, and not one of the games had even been close. Reporters commented on that point after Corinth defeated Chinook by fifteen points. The score was 35-20. Again, Rogers and Dave Lawrence tied for high point man with nine points each.

TITLE HOLDERS TRIM UNBEATEN CHINOOK, 35-20

Anderson Quintet Eliminates Waterloo, N. Y., 26 to 12, to Advance Into Third Round

KAVANAUGH TO PLAY THIS MORNING, CORINTH TONIGHT

Dave Lawrence Takes Leading Role in Trouncing Western Five

By EDWIN ASHFORD

CHICAGO, April 2.—Coach Teddy Hornback's Corinth High school Braves staged one of the biggest upsets of the 1930 national high school basketball tournament in the last game here tonight by eliminating the heavily favored Chinook, Mont., outfit by a count of 35 to 20.

With Corinth trailing, 10 to 4, at the end of the first quarter, the game was changed from what at first seemed to be an easy win for Montana to an overwhelming victory for the Kentuckians. Creeping ahead at the half, 14 to 13, Corinth took a comfortable lead in the third quarter and won eased up.

It was the first defeat of the season for the Chinook lads, who had won 31 straight games previous to tonight, during which time they scored 1115 points to 496 for the opposition.

Chinook's boast was that it had not participated in a close game this year, and it can still make that boast, for Corinth ran wild as soon as the boys got settled down after a poor start.

The victory sent the Kentuckians into the third round, and gave the Blue Grass state two representatives still in the running, as Kavanaugh High of Lawrenceburg defeated Waterloo, N. Y., 26 to 12, in a second round game this morning.

Corinth will meet the Linsly Institute team, from Wheeling, W. Va., Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Linsly has one of the biggest and fastest teams in the tournament, having won two impressive victories over Reagan High, of Houston, Texas, 33 to 20, and Spartanburg, S. C., 25 to 22. Linsly, like Chinook, has not been defeated this year.

Kavanaugh plays Braselton, Ga., Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, and will again be the underdog.

Dave Lawrence, Corinth star, stamped himself All-American caliber, hitting the irons for 11 points, most of his tallies coming [illegible] Lawrence got eight, while Rogers scored 10. The Chinook team had it over the Braves in size, but the Kentuckians had possession of the ball most of the time.

Lineup and summary:

CORINTH 35

Player	FG	FT	FM	PF	TP
Rogers, f	4	2	2	1	10
D. Lawrence, f	6	2	2	0	14
Odor, c	0	2	0	2	0
F. Lawrence, g	4	0	0	0	8
Jones, g	1	3	1	1	3
Totals	15	9	5	4	35

CHINOOK 20

Player	FG	FT	FM	PF	TP
Zimmerman, f	4	0	0	2	8
Overcast, f	2	3	2	0	6
Proctor, c	2	3	2	3	6
Sackett, g	0	0	0	1	0
Moore, g	0	0	0	1	0
Riser, g	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	6	4	9	20

Explanation, FG—Field goals; FT—Free trels; Fm—Free throws made; PF—Personal fouls; TP—Total points.

GAME III

The next pin to fall was Linsly Institute of Wheeling, West Virginia. Like Chinook, Montana, Linsly had not lost a single game during the current season and had lost only four games in the past ten years. The game ended 35-25 in favor of Corinth.

Corinth Wins

GAINS FAVOR BY DEFEATING WEST VIRGINIANS, 35-25

Dave Lawrence Leads Comeback Attack Which Results in Downfall of Hitherto Unbeaten Team

KAVANAUGH IS DEFEATED BY BRASELTON, GA., 29-26

Corinth Will Play Savannah, Ga., This Afternoon at 3 o'Clock

By EDWIN ASHFORD

CHICAGO, April 3.—Those doubting Thomases who didn't think Corinth High school was a capable team to represent Kentucky in the national tournament should have seen Coach Teddy Hornback's Braves tonight. The boys from Grant county looked like a million dollars in eliminating the Linsly Institute team, of Wheeling, W. Va., 35 to 25, in the third round of the national meet now in progress at Bartlett gymnasium.

Overcoming an early Linsly lead, the Braves tomahawked their way to a 16 to 13 advantage at the half, increased the lead to 21 to 14 in the third quarter, and pulled away easily in the final period. Eleven of Linsly's points were scored late in the last quarter after the Braves had assumed an insurmountable 31 to 14 lead.

Dave Lawrence, Corinth's demon all-around star, showed the way with 11 points tonight, in addition to playing a great defensive and floor game. Corinth used a substitute for the first time, True being sent into the game in the third and last quarters. He tallied twice from the field and handled himself well.

Eight teams are still in the running following today's games. In the bracket with Corinth are Savannah, Ga., New Brunswick, N. J., and Jena, La. In the lower bracket are Athens, Texas, defending champions; Braselton, Ga., conqueror of Kavanaugh; St. John's Military Academy, of Delafield, Wis., and Wheatland, Wyo.

Rogers Opens Scoring

GAME IV

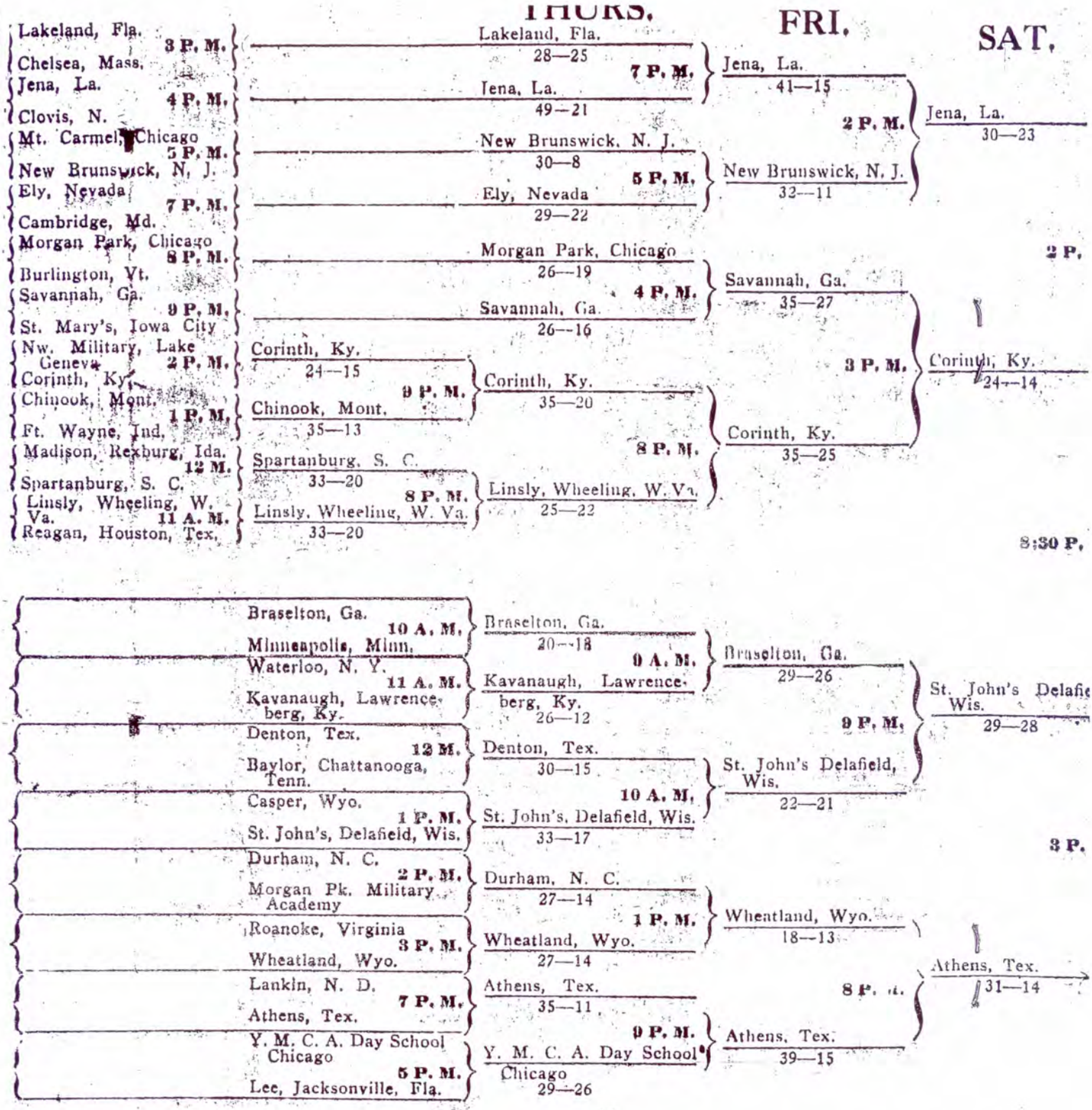
Friday afternoon, April 4, Corinth's opponent was Savannah, Georgia, the team that had eliminated Kavanaugh in Kavanaugh's third round. The Braves had become a favorite with the tournament crowd, and many added their support to that of Grant County fans.

In the Savannah game, neither team scored during the first four minutes, and the first quarter ended 3-2. In the second quarter, Rogers, Jones, Dave Lawrence, and Odor all scored, and Bear Lawrence made one of his favorite long shots.

In the beginning of the last quarter, Rogers, Odor, and Dave Lawrence scored before Savannah made a single point. The final score was Corinth 26, Savannah 14. D. Lawrence and Rogers scored 8 points each.

Edwin Ashford, reporter for the Lexington Herald wrote that Corinth fans were beginning to wonder how good their team really was.

CORINTH ENTERS SEMI-FINALS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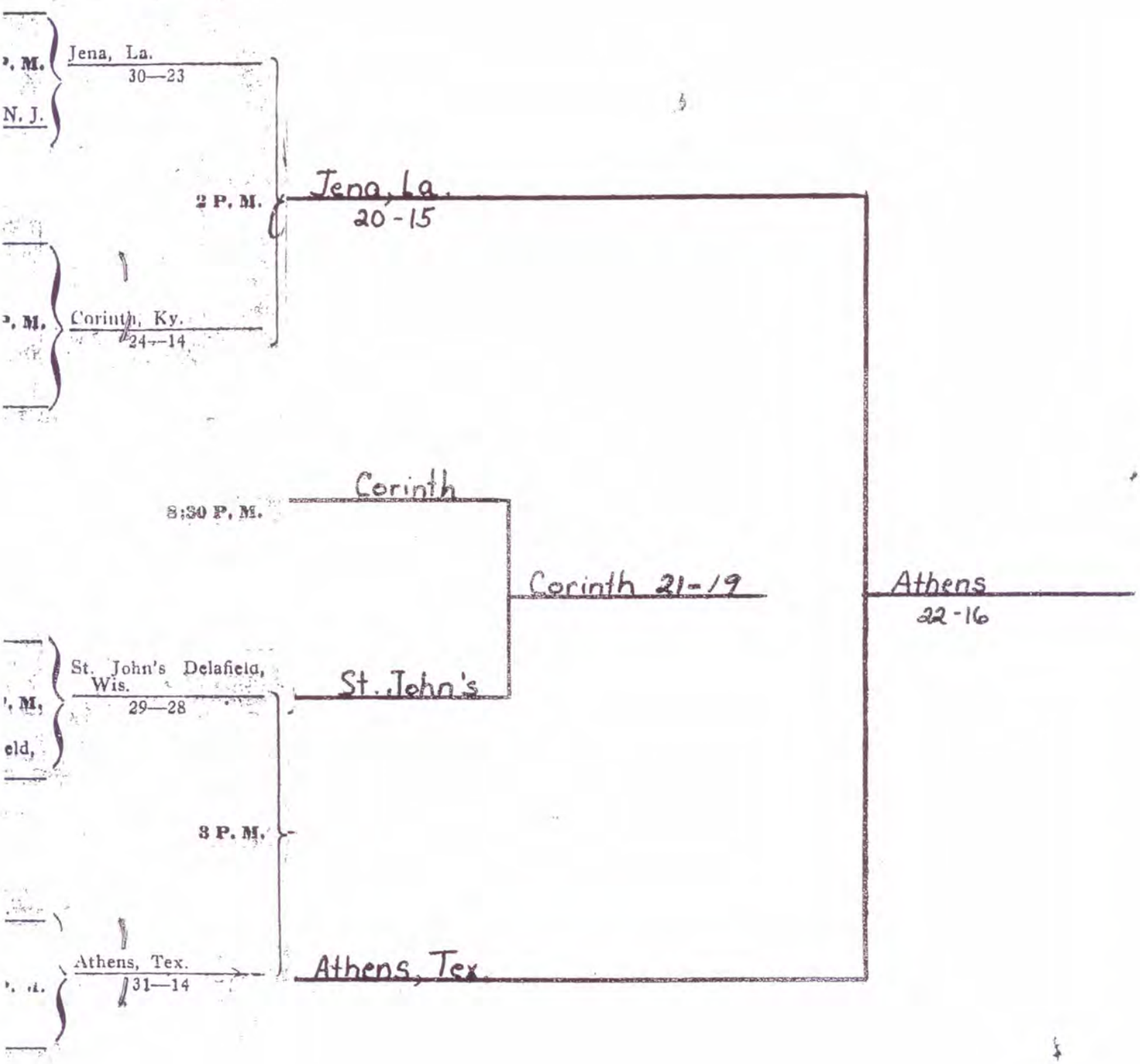
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TRIMS GEORGIA CHAMPS, 26-14, IN NATIONAL MEET

Kentuckians Have Good Chance to Defeat Jena, La., in Fight for Right to Enter Finals Tonight.

TWO TEAMS WILL MEET AT 2 O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON

Dave Lawrence Is Hero Again; Rogers, Jones Suffer Slight Injuries

By EDWIN ASHFORD

CHICAGO, April 4—Page Ripley—here's one for the book. Those Corinth High school Braves, who didn't win their district or regional championships back in Kentucky, and captured state tournament honors by the closest of margins in the recent state meet at Lexington, are sitting on top of the world right now after their fourth straight easy victory in the national interscholastic basketball tournament now in progress at Bartlett gymnasium here.

Kentuckians in Chicago are wondering just how good Coach Teddy Hornback's team really is, following the Braves' 26 to 14 win over the Savannah, Ga., team in the quarter-final round this afternoon. The victory sent the Kentuckians into the semi-finals and assured the Blue Grass state of at least fourth place in national ranking.

the Braves will take the court against the Jena, La., team which downed New Brunswick, N. J., without much trouble this afternoon, 30 to 23. If victorious, the Braves will go into the finals against the winner of the other semi-final game tonight, but even if they lose, the Corinth boys will not yet be through with basketball. Saturday night, just previous to the final game, the two semi-final losers will battle for the third place trophy.

Kentuckians Tired After Game

The Kentuckians were a little tired following today's victory. Rogers and Jones are suffering with slight injuries, but if they can get a good rest tonight should be in fair condition for the battle with Jena. Jena, like Corinth, has had easy sailing so far in the meet, having won three games by impressive margins.

Corinth is the only team left in the meet that has had to play every day, all the remaining fives having enjoyed at least one day's rest.

Corinth's wins have been over the Northwestern Military and Naval Academy of Lake Geneva, Wis., 24 to 15; Chinook, undefeated champions of Montana, 35 to 20; Linsly Institute, hitherto unbeaten Wheeling, W. Va., champions, 35 to 25, and Savannah, Ga., Interscholastic Athletic Association title holders, 26 to 14. Jena's high-powered team has eliminated Clovis, N. M., 49 to 21; Lakeland, Fla., 41 to 15, and New Brunswick, N. J., 30 to 23. The Louisiana school has a big team composed of the most deadly shots of the tournament, and has averaged 40 points a game in the Stagg meet. Jena eliminated Heath, Corinth's predecessor, last year in the Chicago tournament, and has a much better team this season. In 1929 the Louisiana champions went to the quarter-finals, where they were eliminated by Joes, Colo., third place winners.

Jena Called Giants

The Giants, as the Jena team is called, had an average advantage of almost 20 points a game over their opponents in the Louisiana state meet. In the regular season Jena scored 853 points to 423 for the opposition, winning 21 straight

GAME V

Corinth was the only team in the semi-finals that had played every day without a day of rest. The other three teams were playing their fourth game, but for Corinth, it was the fifth.

At the end of the first quarter, Corinth was leading 7-3; the teams were tied at the half; Corinth was trailing by a point at the end of the third quarter and by five points at the close of the game. They lost to the Jena Giants 20-15

GAME VI

Although they lost to Jena in the semi-finals, the Corinth Braves were not yet finished. They still had to compete with St. John's Military Academy for third place in the nation.

Battered, bruised, and blistered from five straight days on the war-path, the Braves still managed to collect one more scalp. The final score was 21-19.

In the first quarter of the game, Rogers made a hit with the fans by making a crip while completely surrounded by his opponents and by tossing in another goal soon afterward.

Dave Lawrence surprised the spectators in the third quarter by making an 80-foot shot without the ball touching the rim. A Louisville reporter called it "by far the most flabbergasting shot of the tournament."

Dave Thrills Fans

But it remained for Dave Lawrence to thrill the fans like they had never been thrilled before. During the third frame Dave held the ball way down in his territory. He made a motion to shoot and the stands tittered. That must have irked him, for he waited a moment and did shoot. The ball soared down past the center of the floor, was in the floodlights at the top of the gym and came down through the nets without touching them. The shot was by far the most flabbergasting of the entire tournament. That shot and his all-around work in all other games, his pointage, which is second only to one other lad in the meet, brought to Dave the honor of a forward position on the consensus All-American. His total points of the closing contest was nine.

Dave wasn't the only shining light however, for Mr. Jones, Capt. "Big Chief" Frank Lawrence, Roscoe Rogers and Wilbar Odor all performed with injuries, sore feet and aching muscles as if their lives depended on the outcome of the game.

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EVELN MCGEHEE.

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CONGRATULATIONS WE ARE ALL WITH YOU ROOM IN WINDOW FOR NATIONAL TROPHIES=

BENNIE ROBINSON..

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C235 16=BOWLINGGREEN KY 3 601P

COACH TEDDY HORNBACK=
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ALL KENTUCKYS BRAVES KENTUCKYS ONLY HOPE TO NATIONAL CROWN WE BELIEVE IN YOU GIVE YOUR ALL=

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BRAVES OF CORINTH HIGH SCHOOL, CARE TED HORNBACK
COACH CORINTH H S=

CARE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO GYM=KY IS WATCHING YOU UNIVERSITY HS IS PROUD OF YOUR SUCCESS AND IS EXPECTING YOU TO BECOME NATIONAL CHAMPIONS GIVE IT TO THEM=
UNIVERSITY H S..

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C62 12=ASHLAND KY 5 221P 1930 APR 5 PM 1 35

TEDDY HORNBACK CORINTH BASKETBALL TEAM=
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KEEP ON WINNING FOR OLD KENTUCKY ALL ASHLAND IS PULLING FOR YOU=

VENTURA DRUG FANS.

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C58 9=VANCOUVER WASH 5 1104A 1930 APR 5 PM 2 16

CORINTH KENTUCKY BASKETBALL TEAM=
BARTLETT GYMNASIUM=

LETS GO CORINTH WE ARE PULLING FOR YOU FIGHT

BOB PULLIAM.

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C66 7=CYNTHIANA KY 5 155P APR 5 PM 2 14

THE CORINTH BASKET BALL TEAM
=CARE BARTLETT GYM=(

COME ON BRAVES WE'RE PULLING FOR YOU

=GROWERS TOBACCO WAREHOUSE CO LUTHER HUMPHREY.

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

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C4C 35=GEORGETOWN KY 5 959A 1930 APR 5 AM 11 03

COACH TEDDY HORNBACK=

CORINTH KENTUCKY TEAM BARTLETT GYMNASIUM=

GEORGETOWN COLLEGE ITS STUDENTS FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION ARE ALL VERY PROUD OF THE SPLENDID SHOWING OF YOUR TEAM CONVEY OUR CONGRATULATIONS TO YOUR MEN AND TELL THEM WE ARE PULLING FOR THEM TO THE LIMIT=

PRESIDENT M B ADAMS.

CORINTHIANS WIN THIRD PLACE IN NATIONAL BASKET BALL TOURNEY

Lose One Game Out of Six After Long Struggle in Chicago. Dave Lawrence Is Given Unstinted Praise in Press Dispatches

Kentucky Champions Win Five Games In Six Starts.

DAVE LAWRENCE ALL-AMERICAN

Remarkable Record of Small Grant County School Team.

Dave Lawrence, Corinth's sensational forward, was picked by unanimous vote of the sports writers as first choice for All-American forward, while his brother, Frank Lawrence, was picked as third choice for All-American forward.

The ALL-AMERICAN

The All-American tournament squad selected by the sports writers was as follows:

Forwards—D. Lawrence, Corinth, Ky., Doughty, Jena, La., and McDevitt, St. John's Military Academy, Delafield, Wis.; centers—F. Tompkins, Athens, Tex., and Johnson, Jena, La.; guards—Wade, Jena, La., B. Tompkins, Athens ex., and Frank Lawrence, Corinth, Ky.

Dave Lawrence, Corinth's scintilating floorworker, was the unanimous choice for a forward position.

Doughty, of Jena, La., who was held scoreless by Oder of Corinth this afternoon, was the only other unanimous choice.

When the awards were presented, the Corinth team received the Third Place Trophy, and each player was given a silver miniature basketball. The team was also given the five basketballs that had been used in the five games they won. Dave Lawrence was named Captain of the All-American Team.

When the team returned to Corinth, Mr. Whalin supervised the pleasant task of preparing the trophies for display. The five basketballs were coated with shellac and placed on the shelves with the other awards from the County, District, Regional, State, and National Tournaments.

The trophies have remained prized possessions of the Corinth Alumni Association for fifty years.

CORINTH SCHOOL APPRECIATES ATTITUDE OF GRANT COUNTY PEOPLE

It is with the warmest appreciation that we acknowlege the attitude and interest of Grant county people in our recent success in the State and national basket ball tournament. We are glad that our achievements have not only brought honor to the Corinth High school, but to the entire county of Grant. It makes us very happy that so many of Grant count people have rejoiced in our success.

With the exception of one or two contributions, the entire sum necessary to send the team to Chicago was raised in or near Grant county. It had been our intention to publish the list of those who had a part in this work, but it is so long that time and space make it rather difficult. The sum raised was in excess of five hundred dollars. By economical management we have a part of it left, but we assure those who had a part in this work that it will all be spent on the Braves and their activities. Once again we want to thank every one who had a part in making their trip to the Windy City a successful and happy one.

E. B. WHALIN, Principal.

E. B. Whalin,

After the excitement of the State and National tournaments, it was not easy for students to resume the regular schedule. But Prof Whalin, a school man first and a sports fan second, insisted on that very course of action.

School work was resumed, spring activities were completed, and graduation exercises were held as usual. The following items are submitted as proof.

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APRIL 1930 -:- -:- CORINTH, KY.

BRAVES WIN THIRD PLACE IN NATIONAL MEET

DAVE LAWRENCE CHOSEN ON ALL-AMERICAN TEAM

"BEAR" LAWRENCE AND "MAMMY" ODOR CHOSEN ON ALL-AMERICAN SQUAD

The Braves now have the honor of being not only the best team in Kentucky but the third best in the UNITED STATES.

They returned from Chicago with a beautiful gold-bronze regulation-sized basket ball for winning third place in the nation. They also brought back the five basket balls with which they won their five games. Each of the balls has on it the scores of the game and the date. The Braves won as many games as Athens, Texas, the team which won the National Tournament, since they were placed in a bracket which forced them to play an extra game. They played six games and won five of them. They were the only team in the tournament which played six games.

Each player won a small sterling silver basket ball with the letter C in onyx on it. They were also given a small charm which indicated that they were contestants in the national tournament.

We are quite proud of our "Warriors" and feel unable to really show our appreciation of their good work. It is with regret that we realize the basket ball season is over. This has been a very enjoyable as well as a very successful season. We do not like to remember that our brave Braves of 1930 have played their last game. Each of them has become deeply embedded in our hearts and it is with regret that we see three of them leave our doors this year not to return. Our best wishes go with them in what ever they may do and we hope they will keep up the high standards which they have set this basket ball season and will prove to be as good sports and as true, honest fighters in battles of life as they proved

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TROPHIES AND HONORS WON BY BRAVES THIS SEASON

Silver Basket Ball ----- County Championship.

Silver Loving Cup ----- Runners-up in District Tournament.

Silver Loving Cup ----- Runners-up in Regional Tournament.

Regulation-sized Silver Basket Ball ----- State Champions.

Silver Loving Cup -----Sportsmanship in State Tournament.

Regulation-Sized Bronze & Gold Basket Ball----- Third place in National Tournament.

INDIVIDUAL TROPHIES WON THIS SEASON

Silver Basket Ball ----- Winning Coach in State Tournament --- Coach Teddy Hornback.

Sterling Silver Basket Ball ----- Member of the all-regional team --- Dave Lawrence.

Small Bronze Basket Balls ----- County Championship --- Each of the Braves.

Small 10 Karat Gold Basket Ball ----- Winning State Championship --- Each of the Braves.

Small Sterling Silver Basket Ball ----- Third place in National Tournament --- Each of the Braves.

Gold Plate Medalette with maroon enameled background and a white enameled "C" ----- Contestants in National Tournament ---Each of the Braves.

HONORS WON

All-County Team: "Bear" Lawrence, Dave Lawrence, Roscoe Rogers, "Mammy" Odor.

All-District Team: Dave Lawrence, "Bear" Lawrence.

All-Regional Team: Dave Lawrence.

All-State Team: Dave Lawrence and Wilbur Odor.

All-American Team: Dave Lawrence, unanimous choice.

"Bear" Lawrence and "Mammy" Odor mentioned on all-American Sqaud.

BRAVES' BASKET-BALL GAMES FOR THE ENTIRE SEASON AND THEIR RESPECTIVE SCORES

Braves	36	Broadway Christians	9
Braves	45	Mason	12
Braves	35	Burlington	12
Braves	40	Dry Ridge	14
Braves	77	Burlington	9
Braves	30	Mason	12
Braves	16	Owenton	11
Braves	40	Williamstown	19
Braves	20	Midway	0
Braves	32	Dry Ridge	8
Braves	39	Williamstown	18
Braves	46	Sonora	22
Braves	55	Alumni	21
Braves	17	Highlands	19
Braves	12	Walton	19
Braves	44	Sonora	7
Braves	32	Western Freshmen	20
Braves	12	Woodburn	11
Braves	33	Dry Ridge	9
Braves	23	Owenton	15
Braves	20	Walton	15
Braves	36	Williamstown	21
Braves	15	Ashland	16
Braves	27	Dry Ridge	6
Braves	51	Falmouth	8
Braves	36	Butler	16
Braves	30	Williamstown	19
Braves	38	Jolly	20
Braves	32	Highlands	36
Braves	32	University Hi	14
Braves	16	Walton	14
Braves	17	Lexington	24
Braves	31	Woodburn	16
Braves	17	Carr Creek	11
Braves	26	Tolu	25
Braves	22	Kavanaugh	20
Braves	24	Northwestern Military Academy, Wis.	15
Braves	35	Chinook, Mont.	20
Braves	35	Linsly Institute W. Va.	25
Braves	26	Savannah Ga.	14
Braves	15	Jena La.	20
Braves	21	St. Johns Military Academy Wis.	19
Total	1292		661

WE THANK MR. SKEGGS

The Corinth High School wishes to take this opportunity of expressing to Mr. Hugh Skeggs, of Chicago, Illinois our deep appreciation for the many kindnesses shown our Warriors while they were in Chicago. No one could have been nicer to our boys or more thoughtful of their comforts and pleasures then he. In fact we doubt if another team in the National Tournament was treated as royally as Mr. Skeggs treated our boys. He entertained them at a lovely dinner on Sat. evening; he put his Packard at their disposal at all times, and performed numerous other kindnesses which will never be forgotten by the team.

We want Mr. Skeggs to know that all of this was greatly appreciated not only by the Braves but by the entire student body and faculty.

CAPTAIN BAIRD ENTERTAINS BRAVES

At the beginning of the basket ball season the two captains made an agreement on a sportmanship contest. It was agreed that Sponsor Wilson, Coach Hornback and Professor Whalin would judge the teams and decide which had shown best sportsmanship during the season. The winning team would be entertained by the Captain of the other. The boys won the contest so Captain Baird will entertain the letter men in the near future.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR BRAVES

On Tuesday, April, 16, the State Champions were entertained in Lexington by the Kiwanis Club. A splendid luncheon was served and a hearty welcome extended to each and every member of the squad.

Wednesday of this week the Boosters Clubs of Williamstown invited the Warriors to attend their noon-day luncheon. A delightful luncheon was enjoyed by all. The Williamstown business and professional men assured the Corinth team that they rejoiced in thei: achievements in both the State and National Tournament.

A third invitation from the Paris Rotary Club has been accepted by Coach Hornback on behalf of the Corinth Braves. This luncheon will be attended on Wednesday April 30.

The State Champions of Kentucky appreciate immensly every token of interest shown in their achievements. It is with gratitude that they accept these invitations to meet at the luucheon hour with these leaders in the different communities which have extended to them such invitations.

PROGRAM

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FOR SENIOR CLASS PLAY

THURSDAY, MAY 13, AT 7:45 P. M.

"NOBODY BUT NANCY"

NANCY KING, Just Nancy	Isabelle Baker
SARAH ANDREWS, Who looks after Nancy	Myra Lou Wilson
SUE ANDREWS, Sarah's niece	Blanche Baird
ADELINE PERKINS, The Town Old Maid	Loyd Switzer
LUELLA CRAWFORD, Sweetest thing in Sweet Springs	Myra Marshall
FANNY, The hired girl	Fred Lee
LARRY WILSON, an unexpected visitor in Sweet Springs	Roscoe Rogers
TED PORTER, a much abused young man	Hugh McClintock
ADAM KING, Nancy's peppery uncle	Gayle Denny
JIMMY McCABE, from back alleys	Howard Wright

SCENE Living room in the home of Sarah Andrews.

PLACE Town of Sweet Springs.

TIME Spring. The present.

PROGRAM

CLASS NIGHT EXERCISES
MAY 15, 1930 7:30

Presentation of Class	E. B. Whalin
Salutatory Address	Myra Wilson
Duet	Hugh McClintock, Isabelle Baker
President's Address	Gayle Denny
Class History	Myra Marshall
Class Statistician	Roscoe Rogers
Address to the Faculty	William Howard Jones
Class Artist	John Groves
Class Grouch	Loyd Switzer
Giftorian	Blanche Baird
Class Optimist	Eugene Ogden
Class Poet	Frank Lawrence
Presentation of Key to Junior Class	Howard Wright
Response	Mary Betty Ireland
Class will	George Hayden
Class Prophecy	Fred K, Lee
Valedicory Address	Charles Morgan

PROGRAM

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COMMENCEMEMENT EXERCISES

WEDNESDAY EVENING

7:45 O'CLOCK

Vocal Solo "If Winter Comes"	Isabelle Baker
Invocation	Rev. J. R. Bachman
Saxophone Solo "A Perfect Day"	Vinton Strong
Address Principal of the Bowling Green High School, Bowling Green, Ky.	Prof. L. C, Curry
Presentation of Diplomas	Supt. OrieP Gruelle
Benediction	

The 1930 Graduating Class

Bottom row, left to right: Myra Lou Wilson, Myra Marshall, Principal E. B. Whalin, Blanche Lee Baird (d. 1979), Isable Baker
Middle row: Charles Morgan, Eugene Ogden (d. 1979), George Hayden, William Howard Jones, John Groves, Roscoe Rogers (d. 1968), Gayle Denny. Top row: Frank (Bear) Lawrence, Lloyd Switzer, Howard Wright, Fred Kelly Lee (d. 1978), Hugh McClintock

Seated, left to right: Dave Lawrence, William Howard Jones, Captian Frank Lawrence, Roscoe Rogers, Wilbur Odor

Standing: Principal E.B. Whalin, Dallas True, Eugene Ogden, Ted Hornback. (Not shown, but present-L.B. Woosley)

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By coincidence, the first Annual Athletic Banquet held in the new Grant County High School building was also the 25th anniversary of the 1930 state championship team. Members of the team, the two coaches, and Mr. Whalin were guests of the Grant County Athletic Club.

When the four high schools in the county were centralized in 1953, the Grant County High School basketball team adopted the name Braves and the colors Blue and Gold in honor of the 1930 Braves.

The 1980 Grant County Braves, Namesakes of the 1930 Corinth Braves.

Standing, left to right: Freshman Coach Donnie Martin, Coach Carl Wenderoth, Jonathan Jones, Kevin Wright, Mitchel Jones, Robert Pfister, Mitchel Welsh, Terry Perkins, Steve Simpson, Doug Hoover, Jim Simpson, Lonnie Roy, Assistant Coach Fred Money

Middle row: Scott Shipp, David Parks, Todd Simpson, Shane Knight, Jerry Poore, Rod Kellam

Seated: David Lewis, Dale Howard, Calvin Crupper, Kirby Owens, Tim Thornton

GRANT COUNTY BRAVES
CHAMPIONS OF 8th REGION 1979

First Row: Jonathan Jones, Larry Kenner, Scott Shipp, Mark Livingood, Joe Justice, Kevin Wright
Standing: Lance Kinsey, Steve Simpson, Chris Simpson, Steve Howe, Bill Tepe, Kenny McCain, Guy Hubbard, Bob Pfister, Mitchel Welsh

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