







## With Malice Toward None

By Tom Kuback

Morehead almost pulled a major upset at the O. V. C. games when it came within 11 points of victory.

The loss of Lindie Castle and Big Ed Mobley hurt the charges of Coach Johnson when they fouled out of the game in the early stages of the last period. Had they remained in the game and continued their fine defensive play, Morehead would have entered the finals against Eastern.

The Western-Morehead scramble was by far the most thrilling game of the tournament.

Congratulations to Capt. Elza Whalen and Lindie Castle. They were elected to the All-O. V. C. team. This is the second time Whalen has been honored by the O. V. C. committee. Well, he and Castle deserve this high honor. Both played terrific ball throughout the season and during the two tournament games.

Seems a pity that Morehead didn't have a portion of the armory for their cheering section. This was due to the very few fans from Morehead that journeyed to Louisville to see the tournament.

My guess is that the fans from Morehead will flock to Louisville to see next year's ball club.

With the addition of Dan Swartz and Jim Duff to the Morehead roster, Coach Johnson will give Western a tough time for top honors in the O. V. C. next year. Both are 6' 4" in height and high scorers as well as good defensive players.

You sir, Morehead should have many avid fans next season. I understand Tennessee State and Morehead were the only two O. V. C. colleges that did not have cheerleaders at the tournament. I can't understand why M. T. S. C. didn't have any yellers but I can't see why Morehead didn't.

Exact distance from Louisville and I imagine the school could finance the cheerleaders' suit. Pressing duties and studies must have kept our four good looking girls away from the tournament.

Well, baseball is a game, and a comparatively new major sport has started here—track.

Coach Nolan Fowler is working very hard hustling his track men into shape in preparation for inter-collegiate competition.

Asking nothing and devoting practically all his spare time to track, Fowler has scraped, borrowed, and bought equipment for his team.

Fowler, Nick Merlino, Don Kardok, Jim Reed, Jack Slatery, and all of the track team dig pits, build everything from cement circles to jumping stands, and take care of all the lay-outs.

One cannot help but admire such a man as Mr. Fowler. Since he believes so enthusiastically in this sport, it is no wonder that track has finally gotten on here at Morehead.

Where Mr. Fowler finds so much time to devote to track and to the development of Morehead's first track team is a mystery to all faculty members as well as to students.

Men, the net too late to develop into a top star in track! Individual initiative is all you need to succeed.

Jack Slatery and Don Kardok are co-captains of the track team. Along with spring comes the spring football practice and the additional weight picked up by the heavier during their long lay off.

Coach Elza Johnson and Stan Radjman are working the football players trying to work up a good squad for the coming season. Under the new one-club N. C. A. A. rule the Eagles have a good chance to win more games this year than in the previous two years combined.

## Robin Reports On Women's Sports

By Robin Goodpastor

Whew—w—w! That was close! Yep! or at least that's what the score board tells us—and now for a little history behind that 13-12 upset.

This historical event took place in the Dark Ages or place of chivalry, but in the present Atomic Age. Battling in this rivalry were the Town Team and the Out of State Team.

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Now that we've read the headlines, let's look for the acts behind the facts. As those who witnessed the fight could tell it,

was a mighty close game with two evenly matched teams, and probably if it had not been for Ohio's Doris Ewaw who connected with the only foul shot of the battle, a thrilling overtime would have been witnessed and maybe a different outcome would have been recorded. However, that's a dangerous "if" since Pat Glascock was hitting variety shots from all angles to sink 12 of the 13 winning points.

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## Whitehouse-Whalen High As "Big Blue" Battles Western

### Crowd Pleased With MSC Spirit

All the glamour, thrills, and beauty that enfolds during tournament games was presented to more than 20,000 enthusiastic basketball fans at the OVC games.

Everything, that is, except an upset. Coach Johnson's hot and cold Eagles surprised a capacity crowd at the semi-final contest played against the nationally ranked Western Hilltoppers of Bowling Green.

The Eagles played their best game and their latest of the campaign. The huge crowd adopted the underdog Eagles and the eagles from Morehead, who were quick to take advantage of a stunned Western five and who pulled within four points of their foe as the first period ended.

Cheering every Eagle bucket, the crowd really went wild as Morehead pumped in four quick goals to go ahead of their taller enemy from the hills.

Western led at the half by four slim points 32-28.

During the first half, Morehead looked like the future OVC champions, as they outran, out-fought, and at times out-bounded Western.

Elza Whalen collected 12 of his 21 points in the first half to keep the Eagles on the tail of Western.

Morehead had trouble getting started after the half and fell 15 points in arrears in less than three minutes.

However, the Eagles got hot once again and were only nine points away from a deadlock.

Don Whitehouse and Whalen got hot and cut deeply into the Hilltoppers lead and everyone thought the smaller Morehead team would pull an upset and gain the finals.

Ed Mobley and the wizard on defense, Lindie Castle, rapidly deflated their personal foul and Morehead's defense collapsed and their chances for an upset were gone with the loss of their two tall players.

Don Whitehouse with 22 points and Elza Whalen with 21 led all scorers.

Whitehouse ripped the cords of the 16 points in the second half leaving the fans talking about his sensational driving lay-ups.

The box score:

Morehead	FG	FT	Pts.
Harris	2	2	16
Whalen	7	1	21
Mobley	4	1	9
Castle	2	2	6
Whitehouse	0	1	0
Ashton	0	0	0
Gaunce	0	0	0
Totals	21	23	65

Western	FG	FT	Pts.
King	8	1	17
Marshall	6	3	15
Spolstra	3	2	8
White	1	3	13
Kole	1	1	3
Smith	0	1	1
Greer	0	1	0
Vest	0	2	4
Totals	31	14	76

Western... 17 15 20 46  
Morehead... 28 15 15 72-46  
Free throw... Western...  
Cole, Spolstra 3, White, Marshall, Greer, Vest... Whitehouse... 3, Whitehouse... 3, Castle 3, Harris.

Hazel Bradshaw To Be Chairman For WYCA

Hazel Bradshaw was elected co-chairman for the 1954 WYCA conference at this year's meeting held in Lexington February 17 through March 1.

Miss Bradshaw was a member of the planning committee for this year's conference.

Other Morehead students who attended the meetings were Phyllis Bolling and Hazel Welch.

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## Why Participate In Track?

By Nolan Fowler

Just how good is Bevo Francis, the "TV" center on the Big Grande College's basketball team who has compiled an average of 30 points per game in some 30 contests? The Associated Press thought he was so good that he was placed on its third All-American team for 1953. A judge, most greatly at variance with this was rendered by Tommy Fitzgerald, sports writer for the Courier-Journal. After witnessing Bevo and his teammates in action at Cincinnati, Fitzgerald and other experts allowed that Bevo was a very ordinary player who would have great difficulty in making the grade with a good major college team.

Is Bevo Hall the top college basketball team in the nation? The Associated Press thought so for most of the season. Even the United Press with coaches on its board generally placed it in second place. Placed on their own or neighboring floors, the Setonians rolled to an all-time

victory string of 27 straight. And then what happened when they visited the "land of the hinterland"? Two defeats out of three engagements against teams that had not even been rated in the first ten!

Are the modern basketball players as good as the old timers? No, thundered Ty Cobb himself, one of the greatest of the old timers, in a series of articles in Life a few months ago. Of all the players now in the major leagues, he thought that less than a half a dozen could have made the grade in the old days. Quickly the rescue of the modern day players galloped Rogers Hornsby by one of the greatest right-handed hitters of all time. "Nonense and tommyrot," was his characterization of Cobb's remarks.

How would the football players of yesterday fare against the "college men of today"? Proponents of the fabric of teams and players of the past insist that heroes would make mince meat out of the modern day pickinners. Yet one of the starriest of the old stars, Harold "Red" Grange, who was the "Galloping Ghost of the Gridiron" for 11 years, insisted in a recent magazine article that he would be hard put to make the varsity of a present day big college team!

What are the causes or reasons for the above controversies? The reasons are two in number. One, the above sports have no objective standards of measurement; and, the rules and regulations of their sports are changed too frequently.

So, if we consider the second point briefly. In baseball it is hard to compare the old timers with the present stars because they are not playing the same game. In the old days they used the "dead" ball; today we have the "rabbit" ball. Back yonder the sacrifice was considered a hit; today it is recorded only as a sacrifice. In yesterday they left the outfield fences alone; now they are shortened in order to get more home runs. The old timers played all their games in daylight; now night ball is the rage, a condition which operates greatly to the advantage of the pitchers. And so on.

Because of these rule changes and for other reasons there can be no objective standards of measurement in the above sports. For example, are all 400 hitters of equal value? Not at all. A dearth of good pitchers, infielders, or outfielders in the league during some particular year may aid a person to reach the magic 400 who would not otherwise have made it. It is extremely doubtful that Ted Williams would have hit 400 in 1941 if the "Boudreau shift" had been used against him then, or in half of

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## Whalen, Castle On All-OVC Squad



ELZA WHALEN

Morehead, Eastern, Western, and Murray placed two men each on the OVC tournament squad, and Middle Tennessee and Tennessee Tech each contributed one.

Morehead contribution to this high OVC honor are senior Elza Whalen and junior Lindie Castle. Whalen, team captain, turned in an excellent game against Western as well as Tennessee Tech. Elza scored a total of 36 points for the two games, highest for the Eagles. Two seasons ago he was also elected to this honor.

Lindie Castle well deserved this honor as he was by far the best all-around guard at the tournament.

In the first game Castle had to sit out a few minutes due to an ankle injury and the Tech team narrowed the Morehead lead. Castle was called upon and with his good ball handling and quick thinking enabled his team to check the Tennessee drive.

Lindie was at his best in the Western game. His quick hands broke up many Western drives. Castle fouled out in the fourth

quarter and with him went the Eagles' chances for a major upset.

Having two players chosen to the all-OVC from a team that just completed a mediocre season is quite a feat.

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Paul Fry continued to rip the score with unerring accuracy scoring 16 points. However, his Hustlers lost a one point victory to the Bobunks. Bill De Forrest gathered in 14 points for the winning Bobunks.

The smooth working Wonder team made it two victories in a row when they beat last year's champions, the Ramblers, 44-10. Big Dan Swartz led the point makers with 16 points.

The Hot Shots bounced back from their opening game loss to the Wonders to register their first triumph with a thrilling win over the Dynamos 35-33. Mokros with 13 points was high for the Hot Shots. Hugh Stumbo with 13 points for the Dynamos was best man for the evening.

Vets' Village outlasted a smaller Mountaineers' club 27-26. Roy Walton with 10 points was high for the Villagers.

Don McKenna's 8 points led the losing Mountaineers.

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Faculty members, college students and others who served as models were: Mrs. Walter Pratt, Miss Mary Rung, Misses Barbara Hyden, Frances Bellamy, Patty Crutcher, Margaret Vincent, Geraldine Litton, Ruthanne Fennin, Mrs. Tommy Dugan, Mrs. Kenneth Vencil, Mrs. Calvin Hunt, Mrs. Jack Helwig, J. L. Miller, Mrs. C. U. Wallis and Mrs. A. L. Miller.

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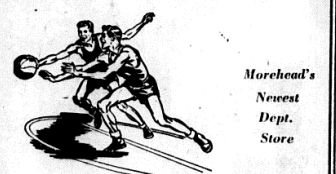
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## Why Participate —

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his group had not been played at Morehead. Instead of playing with Boston he had been playing with the St. Louis Browns and had to bat against the admittedly better Boston pitchers.

Performances in the above sports depend largely on the position — and the opposition varies from school to school, section to section, year to year, and even controversy does not exist in a precision sport such as track or swimming. Those sports do have objective standards, and those sports do not change their rules every season or every few years.

Performances in those sports are measured by the coldly impartial stopwatch and steel tape. There is no doubt here concerning the best athletes of all time and the various events. When young John Landy, the great Australian miler, recently hit 4:02.4 for the mile it was only a matter of minutes until it was known all over the world that here was the third fastest mile of all time. It was as simple as that. No arguing, no disputing, no ifs, ands, or buts about it. Had Bevo Francis tossed the shot 45 feet, it would not even have been reported by the A. P., for as everyone knows, is a medium distance and he, however, hit 56 feet his deed would have been heralded all over the world, for no college or freshman, very, very few college seniors have ever done that.

If you compete in track, you will know at all times just how good — or how bad — you are. This will be true at the local, state, national, or international level. The stopwatch and the steel tape will not lie to you. And you can compare your accomplishments with the great athletes of the past, for the rules rarely change in track. Ninety-nine per cent of the rules in this sport were standardized by the turn of the century (1900). Of course, techniques and methods of coaching and training change, but the rules themselves practically never change.

When you set a record in football, basketball, ice hockey, baseball, lacrosse, soccer, or any other team sport, you don't really know how good or how bad it is. You are writing your name in water, so to speak. When your record is broken, you cannot really tell whether the new recordholder is better than you are or not. His opposition will be different, and in all likelihood he will be playing under different rules than you did. This will not be so in track. Records set there are fixed forever in the sense that we'll always know exactly how good they are. When they are set, we'll know exactly how much you have surpassed the opposition, and when your marks are overturned, we'll know exactly how much better the new recordholder is than you are or were. Neither you nor your track team will need one of those famous Dr. Littenhouse or Dunkel rating scales, on the A P or U P polls to indicate how superior, or how awful you are.

At times his voice seemed strained, but his enunciation was good, and his attempts to attract attention were enjoyable.

Lois Thornbury was an extremely graceful and charming. She handled her lines well and displayed good control of facial expression.

As the elderly Shallowder, Don Holloway revealed considerable talent. His gestures were good, his voice well-controlled.

Robert Bach, who never had no choice but to cast in a superior manner with which he played the role of Master Page. A certain naturalness in his gestures conveyed the impression of realism.

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Since the original version of the play was written for five actors, the Morehead Players III, deserves special commendation for the manner in which he reduced and combined the numerous scenes into two acts. Perhaps the elimination of several other minor scenes would have been warranted as the play dragged somewhat at times.

As the last-acting Falstaff, Bill Boy succeeded in delivering his lines with great understanding. His gestures were excellent. Although he seemed a little unsure of his lines, on the whole Jesse Hogg's performance as Master Ford was of a superior quality. His soliloquies were well delivered and well received.

Fredy Perlman played the part of the dull-witted Slender well. At times his voice seemed strained, but his enunciation was good, and his attempts to attract attention were enjoyable.

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