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## Bloomington, Cloquet Top Meet Choices

IT IS TOO LATE TO BE THE FIRST TO SAY THAT the winner of the first round game between Cloquet and Bloomington will win the state basketball tournament.

But, for full enjoyment of the action, one should go there committed to an opinion; so that's the opinion repeated here.

Between these two Bloomington has the advantage of having played the floor several times recently, but no other perceptible advantage.

Cloquet may counter that by presenting a style of aggressive defense beyond anything Bloomington has had to cope with this season.

This has to be a great game.



### CULLUM'S COLUMN

by Dick Cullum

## DIETZEL WILL SPEAK AT COACHES FETE SATURDAY

One of the big events of state tournament week will be the annual luncheon of the Minnesota High School Coaches Association with an expected attendance of more than 1,100 at the Leamington Hotel at noon Saturday.

Paul Dietzel, head football coach at the United States Military Academy, West Point, will be the principal speaker. Cliff Hansen of Glenwood, president of the coaches group, will preside.

The coaches also will hold their annual smoker at the Leamington Hotel Friday night following the semifinal games.

Included on Saturday's program will be Minneapolis Star and Tribune 25-year coaching awards to 25 more coaches.

The list includes William Adam of Southwest, Wayne Courtney, Jerry Sullivan and Wendell Benson of Roosevelt; Arthur Avis, Hutchinson; William Brockemeier, Cass Lake; John Haigh, Owatonna; Wilmer Hansen and Willard Pierce, Moorhead; Edward Keefe, Owatonna; Ted Miller, Chisholm; Phil Minelli, Granite Falls; Cliff Monsrud and Evar Silvernagle, Rochester; Milt Osterberg, Worthington; Albert Pagenkopf, Mounds View; Jerry Richey, St. Louis Park; Dan Ruoff, Ada; Archie Sailer, Frazee; George Saunders, Pine City; James Sipes, St. Peter; Paul Sokol, St. Paul Wilson; Ab Strommen, St. James; Frank Studley, Little Falls and Lloyd Stussy, Wells.



Dietzel

## Marshall Fitting Member of State Champion List

THE 51ST EDITION of the State High School Basketball Tournament has been committed to the archives of memories. Marshall is a very fitting addition to the lore.

There should be little room for quibbling about the abilities, desires and all-out efforts turned in by both Marshall and the losing Cloquet players. The 75-74 finish was a stem-winder.

There were some points of interest Saturday which are worth reviewing:



### BILL \* HENGEN

Roaming Around

● **Marshall's decision** to play Cloquet at its own game of hustle was a calculated risk. For two previous nights Cloquet had resembled a relay team and the fast pace over three straight games finally provided a miniature crack in the offense which Marshall capitalized upon.

● **The shooting** was uncanny. Tom Porter and John Nefstead hit for 60 per cent or better for the winners; Dave Meisner and Mike Forrest, at 53 per cent, made it an appropriate last-second finish.

● **When it was over**, the rebounding abilities of Nefstead, the lone starting senior, became all-important. It was his work under the basket which, as the saying goes, "made all this possible." Like Marshall winning its first basketball title in the school's history.

● **The ghost of all tournaments**, the shrill sound of a whistle, for a while threatened to haunt the final game. Meisner was handicapped by his fourth foul 17 minutes after the contest started. But Cloquet's 12 missed free throws also hurt.

● **The plaudits deservedly** go to the winner. Yet with the closeness of the outcome even Marshall would not begrudge the feeling that it was an "either-way" finals.

● **The basketball coaching fraternity** can embrace the performances by both Ben Trochil of Cloquet, in his first season as head coach, and Marshall's Glenn Mattke.

● **The best summation** rests in Trochil's after-game statement: "We didn't lose, really. I guess Marshall won, but we didn't lose."

### Average, good, best

IT NOW MUST be about time to retire the old phrase which is dusted off and used about State tournament time that "this doesn't look like a good tournament."

It is a rare year in which it rings true. Yet the prep playdowns never have been advertised as perfection.

The fact that year after year a game or two is not the best played has little to do with the over-all picture. Take a team of youngsters who are unaccustomed to 18,000-plus screaming fans, a big floor like Williams Arena and the pressure of three straight days of play if fortunate enough to reach the finals and consider the difference in situations.

This is one small vote for the abilities of the players who can take all things considered almost in stride and provide the entertainment that they do.

## SIZEUPS OF REGIONAL CHAMPS

By BILL McGRANE  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

ROCHESTER, Minn.—The word for Austin is "run."

Time was when Ove Berven's state tournament-wise Packers (this is their 14th appearance as Region One champions under Berven) played a precise game of patterns hubbed around a big man.

That time, in fact, ran 23 straight seasons — and with solid success.

It is significant, then, to consider the

1962-63 Packers, who figure that the best way to get there is on the gallop. Berven's reasons for such a radical style change are as sound as you would suspect:

"We don't have the one big man this year. We have a couple of boys with fairly good size (Al Berg and Bruce Miller, both 6-foot-3), but not the big pivotman.

"We also have a couple of good movers at guard (Dave Hartman and Harry Musser). They like to look for the fast break."

The current Packers have also been boldly experimenting with defensive changes. Their regional championship victory over Plainview came on a mixture of zone and man-to-man—with far better results from the latter. Also, Austin plays a good press.

The Packers' fortunes will be decided on the boards. If Miller and Berg find rebounding room, Austin can run and a running Austin will be hard to beat. But the over-all outside shooting is a cut below Berven's usual level and the big man is gone. Big Nine followers feel the Packers will lose to a team that can whip them on the boards.

Austin's fifth starter is 6-foot forward Wally Osterholt, another flyer on the fast break. Hartman, a junior guard, is left-handed and good.

Austin may have changed offenses, but Berven is still on the bench . . . and no coach in the state has been his equal in firing up a team at tournament time.

By MERRILL SWANSON  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

WORTHINGTON, Minn.—

Wells will rely on balance and experience in an effort to improve on its third-place finish in the State Tournament last year.

Coach Lloyd Stussy of the Region Two champions has seven members back from his tournament team of last year.

"Anybody can score," Stussy said. "We can play any offensive or defensive style or pattern. We have

pretty good height (only one starter stands less than six feet) and we are reasonably strong on re-

bounds." Wells' tournament squad will be made up of starters Tom Schultz, 6-0; Chuck Schultz, 5-11; Richard Wanzek, 6-4; Alan Redman, 6-1 and Gary Feist, 6-2, plus reserves Mike Miller, 6-1; Dave Stussy, 5-8½; Steve Alger, 5-11; Larry Sonnek, 6-1; Gary Whitcomb, 6-0; Greg Alger, 5-4, and Steve Prescher, 6-3.

Here is Stussy's appraisal of his starters:

Alan Redman, guard — "He can do it all, even play center. He was a center on the sophomore team. Offensively he can shoot long, drive and rebound; and he's a standout defensive player as well as the team leader."

Tom Schultz, guard — "He's got good hands, which makes him a good playmaker and fine shot. He can shoot from any place, and fool a lot of people with his passing."

Richard Wanzek, center — "He plays good defense for a tall kid. He's an all-around basketball player who can score if we need him to. He has good spring, is a high jumper in track."

Chuck Schultz, forward — "Even though he's not too tall, he's a good, strong rebounder. He also has a good shot."

Gary Feist, forward — "He's fast for a big kid, and uses his size well for rebounding. He can shoot if we need him to."

By DWAYNE NETLAND  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

You'll get a kick out of watching Anoka in the state tournament this week.

It plays basketball the way the purists meant the game to be played — setting up plays with a deliberate offense, sticking close to the other fellow in a man-to-man defense and pursuing every rebound as though the final score hinged on possession.

THIS IS NOT to imply the Tornados are a super team. They lack an individual who can hit 20 points consistently, and at times they appear to dip into some unexplainable trance for several minutes.

"I don't know if it is inconsistency," offered coach Bill Wanamaker, "or the belief we can't seem to play well unless the game is close. We went through some bad periods in both our Region Four victories — bad enough to nearly cost us the game."

For all that, however, Anoka is a pleasure to watch. It is a well-balanced team, illustrated by the fact that every player led the team in scoring at least three times this season. It can run if the opening develops, or play a controlled offense.

"DEFENSE IS really our strong point," says Wanamaker, who has won the district and one regional title in his four years as head coach. "I thought we played well defensively all season."

Forwards Jerry Hayes (6-foot-1) and Phil Johnson (6-4) are good shots from anywhere within range. Center Tom Erickson (6-4) is a hard working, able rebounder who also can score. Guard Bill Erickson (6-1) is a fine playmaker and shot, while the other guard, 6-1 Rich Syring, contributed one clutch basket after another in the regional tournament. Hayes is the leading scorer with a 12-point average. Syring has averaged 11.

Anoka's record is 18-6, including six tournament victories.

## 'Eating With Tears in Eyes'

### STATE TOURNEY HUNGER AWESOME

By HERM SITTARD  
Minneapolis Star Staff Writer

"I've seen girls stand at our counter eating to beat the band—with tears running down their cheeks because their team lost," the man said.

Speaking was Lyle Griggs, who for years has handled the food concession at Williams Arena during state high school basketball tournaments.

Griggs was on hand again at 2 p.m. today for the resumption of that annual epidemic of enthusiasm—with Austin meeting Marshall before more than 18,000 screaming fans in the tourney opener.

"The tournament," observes Griggs, "is the county fair, the state fair, the carnival—all rolled into one.

"I think the basketball tournament outruns university events for excitement—so does my staff."

After screaming, yelling, cheering and stomping awhile in the stands, the teenagers—and they occupy most of the arena's 18,023 seats—suddenly discover that they are hungry, and head for one of Griggs' 10 food counters.

Griggs had a crew of 80, most of them university students, on hand today serving hot dogs, hamburgers, coffee, milk, soft drinks, candy,

peanuts—and cigarettes if the customer has a beard.

"If the customer has a beatnik beard," Griggs comments with a grin, "he'd better have some grey in it.

"We feel that we have to keep cigarettes on hand for coaches and other adults. Last year we sold only 1,000 packs. It's just a convenience for the adults."

Griggs says the hunger that afflicts the screaming teenager is an awesome thing. Take hot dogs, for instance. At the 1962 tournament, Griggs' hungry customers consumed some 16,000 hot dogs.

Now the hot dog served over Griggs' counters isn't just an ordinary hot dog. It's a plump, juicy wiener nearly six inches long and an inch in diameter.

Unfortunately, Griggs' hot dogs do not come linked together. If they did, some enterprising students could link Williams arena to the Minneapolis city hall—with hot dogs, end to end.

The menu of the tournament-goers will consist of a total of 16,000 hot dogs, washed down by 10,000 cups of coffee, 32,000 soft drinks, 10,000 candy bars, 10,000 bags of peanuts, 18,000 ice cream sticks and 8,000 cartons of milk.

All this, mind you, does not dissuade them from working their way through some 13,000 boxes of popcorn—enough to fill three trucks with the white morsels.

# Austin, Wells, Anoka Figure Title Chance

## Austin Takes Region Title In Stride—16th in 33 Years

By BILL McGRANE  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

AUSTIN, Minn. — If the basketball emotions in this southern Minnesota city of approximately 30,000 seem a bit mixed, you must pardon them.

Ove Berven's Packers won their 14th Region One high school basketball championship over the weekend, defeating Plainview. The feat was greeted in Austin without much of a flourish.

You see, that meant Austin had won the region title for the 16th time in the 33 years that there has been a Region One.

At the fire station, observers said that the 1962-63 team bears markings suspiciously similar to those of the '34-35 bunch.

"YOU HEAR talk that this is a weak Austin team," said one fellow. "And I guess they've been up and down."

"Well, that '35 bunch started slow . . . darned near didn't make it into the tournament. And they won it all."

The firehouse crew pointed out a trophy that stood above the television set.

"City baseball championship team. Dave Hartman won that trophy for us with his pitching when he was 12 years old."

Hartman, now 17, is a junior who plays guard on Berven's state tournament-bound basketball team.

HE IS A BRIGHT, handsome young man who stands 6-foot-2 and shoots a funny,

little "off-the-hip" jump shot, like Indiana's Tom Bolyard, a Big Ten star.

"I'm not much good on a regulation jump shot," admits Dave.

Mrs. William Hartman, Dave's mother, is proud of her son's basketball (and baseball, softball and football) skills, but is equally pleased that he is a district officer in the Fellowship Methodist Church.

Dave's father holds the distinction of playing on an Austin team that did not go to a state tournament—1936-1937.

Julie Ann Hartman, 8, dotes on her older brother, but gets a bit peevisish at basketball games, says Mrs. Hartman.

"HER FEELINGS are hurt when she sees David out on the floor and he doesn't come over to talk to her."

The tournament assignment has caused a shuffling of the work schedule at the Nelson Grill, an Austin restaurant. Second fry cook Harry Musser has drawn temporary leave of absence to continue his work as regular guard on the basketball team.

Harry's a senior, but he's playing his first year at Austin. The Mussers lived in Mason City, Iowa, last year, where Harry was No. 6 man on a team that this year is favored to win the Iowa title.

Before that they lived in Wells, Minn., the Region Two representative in this year's tournament.

Alan Redman, the star of

the Wells team, is an old ninth-grade pal of Harry's.

"HE CALLS him on the phone all the time," says Georgiann Musser, Harry's older sister. "You should see the phone bill!"

Georgiann is one of the few attractions in Austin that can break the concentration of Berven's basketball team. She is 20 years old, a sophomore at Austin Junior College, and very lovely. She is the reigning "Miss Austin."

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While Harry cooks and Georgiann waits table, their father, John, manages things from behind a bristling beard.

"DADDY GREW that thing for the Civil War celebration when we lived in Iowa," said Georgiann. "Now he wouldn't think of parting with it."

Aside from Harry Musser, the rest of the Austin team grew up together.

"There's always been a friendly rivalry in athletics," said the mother of Wally Osterholt, a regular forward.

"The boys are very close." Bruce Miller and Al Berg, both 6-foot-3, are Austin's big boys. Bruce's brother, Tom, played on the 1959 tournament team.

IF AUSTIN has a foresight award, it must go to Dave Hartman's mother.

"Now that we're in, I can brag about it," she laughed. "We made our hotel reservations in Minneapolis last September."

That's Austin for you.

## It's a New Season Again

By TED PETERSON  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

Austin, Wells and Anoka—the first three teams to qualify for the state basketball tournament opening Thursday in Williams Arena—all have a common denominator.

That would be not only a desire to win the title in the 51st annual title classic, but also a good chance to achieve that goal.

All three coaches, veterans Ove Berven of Austin and Lloyd Stussy of Wells, who have been directing prep teams for 25 or more years, and Bill Wanamaker of Anoka, a considerably younger member of the fraternity, are quick to point out the state tourney brings up "a new season."

They said the same thing at the conclusion of regular season campaigns as they readied their teams for a win or else existence in district and regional eliminations. All three are happy with the response of their teams to the situation.

BERVEN, who has his 14th team in the tournament in 24 years, says, "A reputation is a fine thing to have, but it is absolutely worthless once you step on the state tournament floor to play a school that has every bit as much right to be there as you do."

Austin, entering the tournament with a 16-3 record, has a team different than past Berven entries. Somewhat lacking in height, Austin has more speed than any other Berven team.

And speaking of speed, the fast break offense and pressing defense could well be a vital part of the three day state meet from the time Austin opens the state meet at 2 p.m. Thursday against the Region Three entry.

Bruce Miller, 6-foot-4, handles the center position for Austin with Al Berg, 6-4, and Wally Osterholt, 6, at the forwards; Harry Musser, 5-11, and Dave Hartman, 6-2, at guards.

If experience is going to be a factor, Wells could be a potent entry since all of Stussy's primary performers were members of last year's state tourney squad. The Wells season mark of 18-5 also is a bit misleading since four of its losses were by a total of just six points.

GARY FEIST, 6-foot-2 center, was a regular last year and so were Alan Redman, 6-1 forward and Tom Schultz, 6-foot guard. In fact Redman gained all-state tourney honors. Charles Schultz, cousin to Tom; Dick Wanzek, Mike Miller and Dave Stussy, the latter son of the coach, were reserves last year. Wanzek, a junior, is tallest Wells cager at 6-4.

Wanamaker, coach at Anoka since 1959, is right at home at that school since he was a former star there in his prep days.

The Anoka starting average height is just under 6-foot-2, with Bill Erickson, 6-4½ at center the tallest. Jerry Hayes, 6-1; Phil Johnson, 6-2½; Bill Erickson, 6-1, and Rich Syring, 6, are other starters. Anoka enters the tournament with an 18-6 record.

All teams will be in Minneapolis by Wednesday for the annual Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce welcoming luncheon in the ballroom of the new Capp Towers Motel at noon. Sports, radio and television figures will interview coaches of the eight participating teams.

## Strategy Session Over Coffee



AUSTIN COACHES DICK SELTZ (LEFT), OVE BERVEN, OSCAR HADDORFF JR. Bruce Miller (behind, left), Dave Hartman get some tournament tips

## Rain? Who Cares in Austin



Minneapolis Tribune Staff Photos by John Croft

TOURNEY-BOUND PACKERS ARE A HAPPY GROUP  
L to R: Tom Grimley, Tom Nelson, Steve Schmitt, Wally Osterholt



**Oh, Boy, Food!** Peeking to see what was on the menu at the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce welcoming luncheon for the state tournament teams at Capp Towers Hotel Wednesday was this pair of Austin performers, Bruce Miller, 6-foot-4 center, at left, and Harry Musser, 5-11 high scoring guard.



**Look Pretty!** A camera and a chance to see their teammates photographed at the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce luncheon for the state high school tournament basketball teams, brought together Tom Otterdahl of Bloomington, left, and Dave Meisner of Cloquet. They'll be opponents in the 7:30 clash tonight at Williams Arena.



**Flagged Down** That pennant held by Gerry Suman of Bemidji isn't the only souvenir that school's team hopes to pick up in the state basketball tournament opening today at Williams Arena. And willing listeners to such a suggestion at the civic welcoming luncheon at Capp Towers hotel Wednesday were, left to right, Bill Rabe, Dennis Aguiar and Marv Hanson.

Minneapolis Tribune Photos by John Croft

# Ready or Not, State Tourney Opens Today

## Bloomington Coach Glum

By TED PETERSON  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

Reactions of the coaches of the eight teams participating in the 51st annual State High School Basketball Tournament opening today in Williams Arena ran the gamut of everything from "tongue-in-cheek" pessimism to effervescent optimism Wednesday.

Most pessimistic was Don Snyder of Bloomington, who has been vociferous for weeks in striving to shake off a label as the state title favorite. At the other extreme was smiling Bill Wanamaker of Anoka, a relative neophyte in state coaching ranks who was completely enthused over his team's chances.

**BUT NONE COULD** leave anything less than an impression they had high hopes of pulling through today's first round of play that starts with Austin and Marshall at 2 p.m. Anoka and Bemidji will be matching shots at 3:30 p.m., with Cloquet and Bloomington dueling at 7:30 p.m., following which the Sauk Centre, Wells contest completes the first day of play.

"We're scared to death," said Snyder. "Cloquet is the quickest, fastest five man team, plus three reserves, coming out of the north country in 25 years. I'll pick Cloquet by 15 points and hope it isn't more. They just overpower you—run you right back into the locker room. But, we'll show up."

The personable, poised Wanamaker in speaking of his Anoka team said, "You know we have worn a 'dark mofce' label in at least the last five of our games and we're still in there. So look out for Anoka. Bemidji has a real fine team, but we think we can go all the way . . . if we play good ball, of course."

**OVE BERVEN** of Austin, bringing a team into the state tournament for the 14th time in the 24 years he has been at that school, had an interesting observation.

## Marshall 65 Austin 63

The Tigers opened up the state tournament against the many-times winner of Region one and familiar entry in Williams Arena, the Austin Packers. Marshall was forced into overtime for the first time this season but beat the Packers 65-64, thanks to a field goal and a couple of clutch free throws by Terry Porter.

**After Al Berg had sank a field goal to move the Packers ahead 63-61 in overtime, Terry potted a jumper to tie it up and then proceeded to sink two free throws to hand the game to the Tigers.**

The Bengals had little trouble before the latter part of the second half. Marshall led 21-12 at the end of the first quarter and maintained the leading margin at the half 42-29.

Austin still trailed at the sound of the horn ending the third period, 54-45, but came up strong in the last quarter, hitting seven field goals out of 13 chances as well as sinking all four attempts from the line to tie it up 61-61.

Scoring was well balanced on both clubs. Al Berg (16), Bruce Miller (21) and Dave Hartman (16) paced the Packers in their losing effort.

**Porter, Johnson and Nefstead were the high men for Marshall with 25 points, 17 points, and 15 points respectively.**

Austin was a little cool from the floor, sinking only 25 field goals out of 63 chances for 38 per cent. The Tigers were close to their average potting 24 chances out of 51 tries for 47 per cent. The six additional fouls by the Packers probably cost them the game giving Marshall 26 chances from the line out of which they made 17. With only 13 fouls called against Marshall, Austin had only 19 attempts from the line out of which they sank 13.

### MARSHALL: 65

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Porter	6	13	3	25
Johnson	8	1	1	17
Nefstead	6	3	2	15
Schroeder	4	0	2	8
MacDonald	0	0	5	0
Webb	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>65</b>

### AUSTIN: 63

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hartman	3	0	3	16
Musser	3	2	5	8
Berg	7	2	3	16
Osterholt	1	0	5	2
Miller	6	9	1	21
Grimley	0	0	2	0
House	0	0	0	0
Granholm	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>63</b>

## Marshall 61 Anoka 35

The Anoka Tornados were Marshall's second victim. The Tigers had no trouble eliminating Anoka 61-35. The Tornados had only one man in double figures and he picked up most of his points at the line.

Anoka, who had bumped Bemidji 54-48 in the first round of the tourney, were cold from the floor, hitting only 23 per cent of their field goals. The Tornados were just as frigid from the line, sinking only seven free throws out of 21 attempts for 33 per cent. Jerry Hayes, 6-foot senior forward,

was the only rager to hit double figures for Anoka and he barely did so. Hayes tallied six of his 10 points from the free throw line.

Marshall showed quite a contrast in comparison to their opponent. The Bengals sank 43 per cent of their field goals (21 out of 49) and missed only six chances at the line for 76 per cent. Porter, Nefstead and Johnson were high scorers again with 17, 14 and 12 points respectively.

The closest Anoka came to the Tigers was at the end of the first quarter, 14-13. Marshall led 33-15 at the half and doubled Anoka's output the 3rd period 54-26.

### MARSHALL: 61

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Porter	5	7	2	17
Johnson, L.	1	2	0	12
Nefstead	4	6	2	14
Schroeder	4	1	1	9
MacDonald	1	0	2	2
Webb	0	3	3	3
Otten	1	0	3	2
Larson	1	0	0	2
Murphy	0	0	0	0
Paradis	0	0	1	0
Kirscht	0	0	0	0
Markell	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>61</b>

### ANOKA: 35

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Erickson, B.	2	0	1	4
Syring	3	0	4	6
Hayes	2	6	1	10
Johnson, P.	1	1	1	3
Erickson, T.	3	0	2	6
Tobin	0	0	3	0
Vetsch	0	0	2	0
Fenwick	2	0	4	4
Alferness	1	0	0	2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>35</b>

# Anoka Coach May Have Tipped His Hand In Pre-Game Warmup

BY JACK COOK

Glenn Mattke thinks Anoka coach B. Wanamaker may have "tipped his hand" in the warm-up session before the Anoka-Marshall semi-final game last Friday night.

A lot of basketball fans have been wondering what prompted Mattke to come out with a 1-2-2 zone defense against the Tornadoes, after playing man-to-man almost all year. Mattke detailed his line of strategy in a conversation Monday afternoon.

"I watched the Anoka team warm up before the game and thought I could notice a couple of things," he said. "Sometimes you can watch a team warm up and get a line on what an opposing coach may have been working on."

"I watched the Tornadoes, and they looked a little fired. Also, when they were taking their shots they were lining up and shooting from outside -- and they weren't coming close. I didn't think they'd be missing those shots on purpose, unless they were trying to pull my leg."

Mattke said he got the impression that Anoka was looking past Marshall at Cloquet, which would have been their foe if they had beaten Marshall.

"Now I don't know that this is true," Mattke said, "but this is the way I figured it or guessed it or whatever you want to call it: I figured that Wanamaker was looking right by us and had worked his boys out against a pressing defense, that Cloquet used all the time. The boys looked a bit ragged, as if they'd been working pretty hard."

"And I thought 'Well, if he wants to show me that his kids aren't hitting on outside shots I'll just try a zone on him and see what happens.' Our boys don't like to play a zone but we can when we decide to do it. I knew we could always go back to the man-to-man if the zone didn't work."

So the Tigers came out in that tight zone defense. Did it work? Here's how well it worked:

The Tornadoes didn't score a field goal in the entire second quarter. They made two free throws and those with over 5 minutes gone in the quarter. During that stretch Marshall made 10 points without a return. Where the first quarter had ended at 14-13 for Marshall, the Tigers held a 33-15 edge at halftime -- and the fat was in the fire.

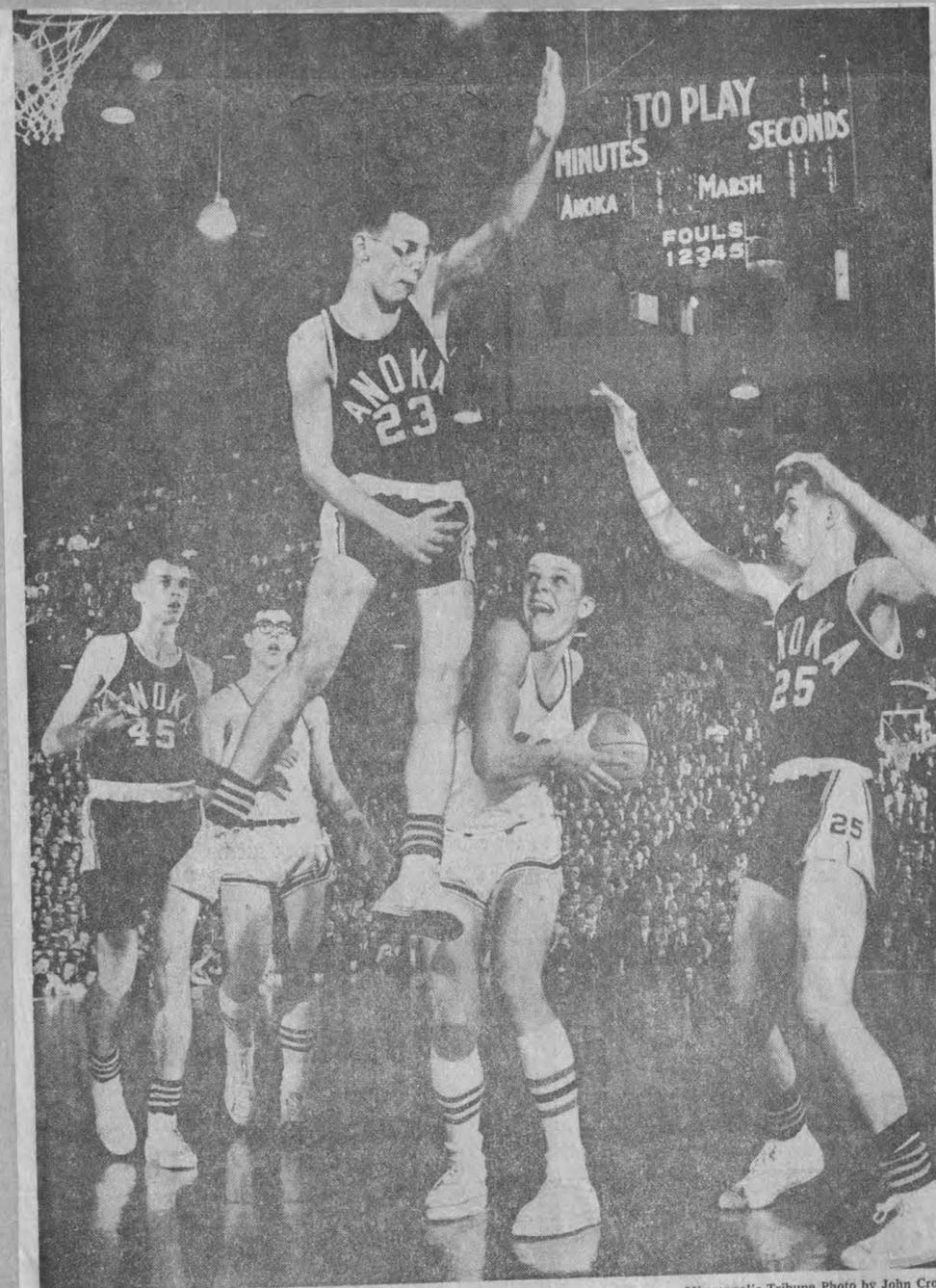
It should be pointed out--and has been--that Anoka posted the lowest field goal percentage in recent years, with a 20.3 per cent mark. But it should also be pointed out that a good part of that poor shooting was the

result of the zone that surprised and shook the Anoka team. And the zone also forced the Tornadoes into numerous technical errors.

So the zone worked so well that Mattke was able to rest his regulars a good share of the second half, which may have been a factor in their superb play against Cloquet.

And what a job those reserves did!

"What pleased me was being able to put the bench in there," Mattke said. "They deserved a chance to play and they looked real good. All but one of them got at least a shot at the basket. And it was the only tournament semi-final game I can remember where a coach was able to play all 12 of his men."



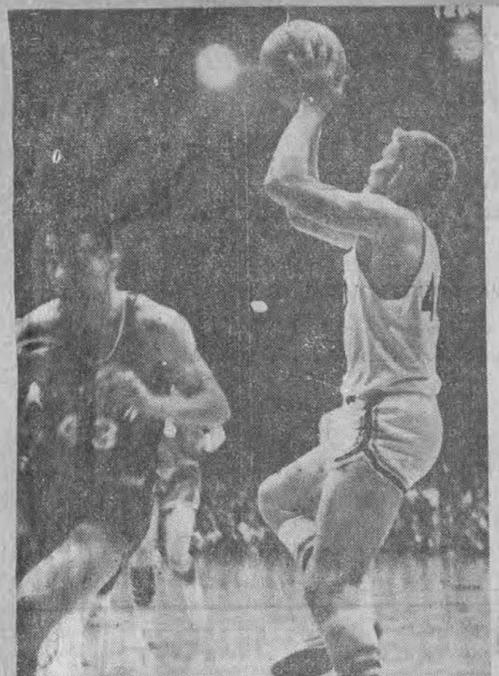
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Marshall's John Nefstead expresses smug satisfaction as Anoka's Jerry Hayes goes for fake



Marshall's Dennis Schroeder shoots; teammate John Nefstead blocks Cloquet's Mike Forrest from basket

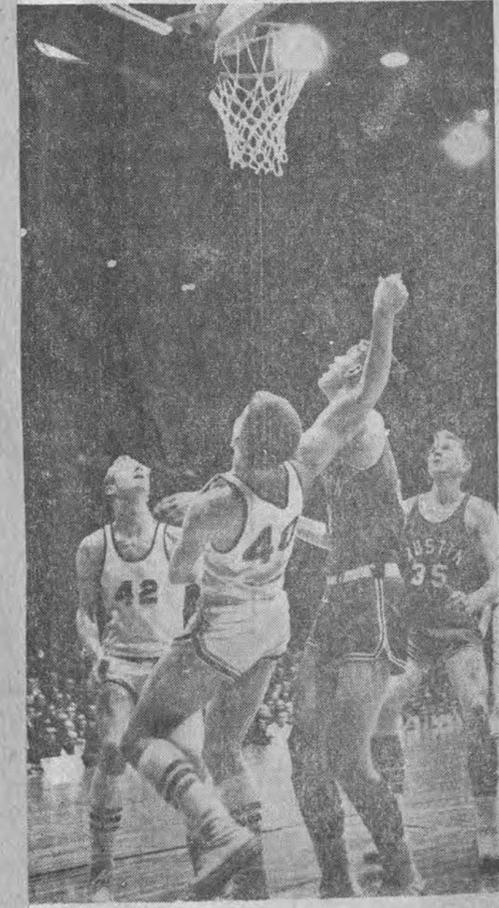
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NEFSTEAD GOES UP IN THE AIR  
Osterholt faked out



JOHN NEFSTEAD (40) DRIBBLES IN  
Austin's Walt Osterholt (43) comes up



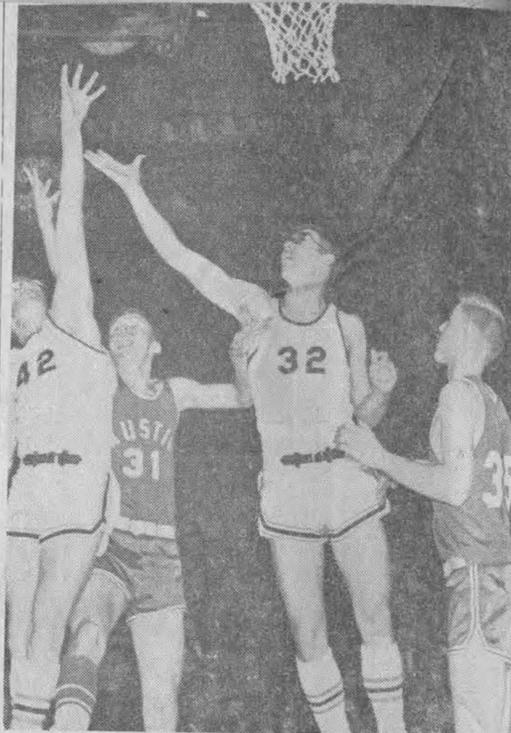
THE BALL'S IN THE HOOP  
AND MARSHALL GOES ON TO VICTORY



Dennis Schroeder (42) of Marshall and Harry  
Musser (11) of Austin watch



Where'd he go? Terry Porter, 10, has just faked Gary Weldon of Cloquet into a flying leap that left Porter open for a pass-off.  
Photo by Duane Rose



Red Schroeder, 32, and Sandy MacDonald, 42, both go for a rebound in the Austin game.  
Photo by Don Moon

## Marshall 75 Cloquet 74

By Dan Simpson  
The championship game favored Cloquet after the Lumberjacks had whipped Bloomington 82-67 and Sauk Centre 87-31. However, Marshall had a slim edge throughout most of the contest.

The Tigers started off right the first quarter with cool-headed play and balanced scoring. Nefstead (6), Porter (7), Schroeder (4), Johnson (3) and Webb (2) kept the Cloquet defense honest the first period and Marshall led 22-21 at the sound of the horn. Mike Forrest (12) and Dave Meisner (6) were the power of the Cloquet attack.

The second quarter left the Lumberjacks with the edge, outscoring Mattke's cagers 22-21. Marshall's scoring still was spread out evenly. Yogi potted five points and Schroeder added two more field goals. Porter (6) and Johnson (6) kept the Lumberjacks busy in the backcourts.

Forrest added seven more points and Gary Welton tallied five for Cloquet. Meisner got in foul trouble and, consequently, only had two free throws. Jay Gildemeister, Richard Boyer and Dennis Breitbarth tallied eight more points to help tie it up 43-43 at the half.

The Tigers got the edge again in the third period 61-59. Marshall's ace scorers carried the load. Nefstead, Porter and Johnson each tallied six points. Forrest kept Cloquet alive with points, Meisner (2), Gildemeister (2) and Welton (4) added the other eight points for the Lumberjacks.

Free throws gave the championship to the Tigers in the last quarter. They sank four out of five attempts from the line while Cloquet hit only one free throw out of four chances. The Lumberjacks outdid Marshall from the floor, however.

Cloquet sank seven out of 19 chances from the field. Marshall had five accurate shots out of 13 tries.

Red Schroeder was the big hero despite the fact he was the lowest man in double figures for the Bengals. Red sank two free throws for the winning one point edge, with 15 seconds to go.

Nefstead, Porter and Johnson were the other Tiger cagers high in double figures. They had 21, 22 and 19 points respectively. Yogi was a real Tiger under the boards, snagging 13 rebounds for Marshall.

Marshall was hot from the floor sinking 30 field goals out of 64 attempts for 47 per cent. They missed only seven free throws (15 for 22) for 68 per cent.

Cloquet hit 29 out of 60 attempts from the floor for 48 per cent but fell behind at the line. The Lumberjacks hit only 59 per cent of their free throws (16 for 27). Forrest (29), Meisner (16), and Boyer (10), were high men for Cloquet.

### MARSHALL: 75

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Porter	8	6	1	22
Johnson	3	3	3	19
Nefstead	9	3	3	21
Schroeder	4	3	3	11
Webb	1	0	2	2
MacDonald	0	0	4	0
Otten	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	30	15	16	75

### CLOQUET: 74

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Meisner	7	2	4	16
Welton	3	3	3	9
Breitbarth	2	2	0	6
Boyer	3	4	3	10
Forrest	13	3	4	29
Gildemeister	1	2	1	4
Hunter	0	0	1	0
TOTALS	29	16	16	74
Marshall	22	43	61	75
Cloquet	21	43	59	74

## EARLY DECISION

# Cloquet Coach Chose Speed

By DWAYNE NETLAND  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

The first decision Ben Trochil made as the new Cloquet head basketball last December shaped the course of his state tournament season.

Trochil had a choice of whether to stress height or speed. He chose the running game, and because of it, Cloquet's tallest players, 6-foot-4 Keith Hunter and 6-3 Jay Gildemeister, were consigned to the bench.

"I wasn't sure which style of play to use," Trochil recalled Wednesday. "As I was walking from home over to the gym for our opening game against Duluth Denfeld I made up my mind to let the kids run again this year."

Hunter and Gildemeister still see occasional action, but Cloquet's tallest starter is 6-1 Dennis Breitbarth.

Cloquet shot 53 per cent this season... Trochil has

scouting reports of Bloomington, his first round foe tonight, from three games. Two of them were turned in by an old college chum who watched the Bears in District 18....

Bloomington re-activated four members of its coaching staff in preparation for Cloquet. "We wanted our kids to get a stiff workout against the press," Coach Don Snyder explained, "so we had D. L. Smith, Shorty Cochran, Buster Radebach and Charlie Nelson running against our first team. Those coaches were in great shape..."

Nelson claims Cloquet is the fastest high school team he has seen in 25 years of basketball...

Bloomington's players showed up at the tournament luncheon yesterday at the Capp-Towers with

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Albert Hanson now



Hanson in 1913

## 50 YEARS LATER

# Fosston Ace at Tourney Again

By DICK GORDON  
Minneapolis Star Staff Writer

"Yes," agreed basketball fan Albert Hanson regarding the Saturday's state tournament finale, "that was quite a barnburner. But then we had a pretty good barnburner, too."

In fact, Hanson and his contemporaries may have begun the tourney's tradition for championship thrills 50 years ago.

One of two surviving members of the team which won the initial title, Hanson centered Fosston to a 29-27 victory over Mountain Lake in the 1913 finals at Carleton College.

The closeness of that game rivaled what happened the other night when Marshall edged Cloquet 75-74 to become the 50th successor to Fosston. But otherwise few similarities were noted by Hanson who watched another thrilling final.

The crowd, of course, was a far cry from Williams Arena's 18,580 packed house. "And I guess they are better shots now," conceded Hanson, "although they certainly shoot a lot more. Back then there was a lot more contact and the defense made it hard to get off your shots."

Hanson recalled the uniforms of cotton jerseys and pants were home-made by a woman in Fosston, that the team equipment consisted of one basketball and that only five players saw action in the four tournament victories over William, Plainview, Luverne and Mountain Lake.

The regulars, in addition to Hanson, were Larry Rue, now living in Germany, Carl Fogelberg, Ralph (Curly) Movold and Charlie

Quarness. Movold's brother, Leo, was the only sub.

Fosston made the state meet, then an invitation affair, three times while Hanson was in high school. But only the first was good for the title and the honor of a hayride celebration when the squad brought home the 1913 bacon.

"They talk a lot about high posts and low posts in basketball these days, said Hanson, now 68, retired and living in Bemidji. "The only posts we had then were the ones which held up the ceiling in the gym."

# Shortenders Beat Tourney Regulars Out

PRIOR TO THIS YEAR'S State High School basketball tournament Austin had sent 22 teams into the event and Bemidji had sent 21.

Prior to this year's tournament Anoka had qualified

one team and Marshall two.

So what happened yesterday afternoon? The two strangers, and decided shortenders, knocked the only tournament regulars in this year's field into the consolations.

Upstart Marshall eliminated highly favored Austin in overtime and upstart Anoka outfinished equally favored Bemidji.

There is no town left in the tournament which had previously been here more than twice and no one which has ever won a championship.

## COACHING EXCELLENT

AN IMPRESSION OF THE EARLY STAGES of the action in Williams Arena is that the coaching is excellent, the execution no better than average.

The boys had been told what to do but the playing personnel lacked some of the sparkle of other years.

The afternoon games could not have been more thrilling to the spectators; but they were somewhat less interesting to college recruiters.

## TWO GOOD GUARDS

THE CLEVER PERFORMANCE OF Marshall's two little guards, Terry Porter and Loren Johnson, illuminated the afternoon action, Porter for his scoring, and both for their effective floor play.

Marshall nearly cut it too fine by starting too early to protect a lead instead of continuing the kind of aggressive play which had made the lead seem safe. Consequently they had to survive in overtime.

Now Anoka vs. Marshall in the semifinal round offers some mighty interesting speculation.



## CULLUM'S COLUMN

by Dick Cullum

## Anoka 54, Bemidji 48

Bill Erickson, a 6-foot-2 guard, proved a take-charge performer for Anoka's Tornadoes in felling the Bemidji Lumberjacks 54-48 in a late-game rally.

WITH the score deadlocked 46-46 with 1:47 remaining, Erickson popped in a pair of free throws for the go-ahead points.

Then he slashed in through the Bemidji array for a clinching fielder at 1:17 and added still another field goal with 28 seconds remaining for a 52-46 lead.

Thus it took Erickson just one minute, 19 seconds to count six of his eight points in the game. After Erickson's performance, a John Warford field goal for Bemidji was offset by two free throws by Anoka's Dick Syring for the final margin.

Bemidji held a 15-13 first-period lead, but Anoka tied 29-29 at intermission on Syring's last-second field goal from mid-court.

It was tied 33-33 when Bemidji ran off five straight points on a Warford long shot and free throw and a side shot by Gerry Suman.

Bemidji led 38-34 into the final quarter, then pulled into a six-point advantage on Bill Rabe's shot.

Anoka roared back with six straight points on baskets by Tom Erickson, Syring and Jerry Hayes to tie the score 40-40 with 5:11 remaining.

The teams traded baskets until Bill Erickson hit his hot streak to clinch things for the Tornadoes.

**ANOKA** played its five starters without substitution as Syring contributed the top total of 17. Suman sparked Bemidji with 20.

In shooting, Anoka made 23 of 47 shots for 48.8 per cent, Bemidji 20 of 47 for 42.3. Anoka outrebounded Bemidji 24-22.

Anoka (54)		Bemidji (48)	
Player	fg ft of 10	Player	fg ft of 10
Hayes	3 2 8	Suman	8 4 20
Johnson	6 1 3	Warford	5 1 11
Erickson	4 0 7	Rabe	2 3 11
Syring	7 3 12	Aswior	2 0 2
Erickson	3 2 8	Hansen	3 0 3
		Dow	0 0 0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>23 8 54</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>20 8 48</b>
Anoka	23 14 7	Bemidji	20 11 10
Free throws missed—Johnson, 7; Erickson, Syring, Suman, Rabe, Hansen.			
Officials—Tom Minhave, Sulo Lundgren.			

## TOURNAMENT TAUNTS

# Officially, They Came to Lose

By JIM KLOBUCHAR  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

At 2 p.m. Thursday a referee named Lefty Gilleland flipped the ball for the opening tipoff of the State High School Basketball Tournament.

Ten seconds later, a voice from the balcony identified Gilleland, impersonally but raucously, as "a cabbage head official."

**LEFTY** THUS won the referees' honorary earplugs for drawing the first insult of the state tournament.

Before the chaos was over for the day in Williams Arena:

**Cloquet** loosed a whirlwind on Bloomington for an 82-67 victory; Marshall survived a 65-63 overtime battle with Austin and Anoka survived a 54-48 tangle with Bemidji.

The referees simply survived.

But it was a struggle. It always is.

For better than two quarters of the opening game, Gilleland and his striped-vest partner, Dick McWaters, in relative serenity, were spared all but the harmless garden variety catcalls and sneers.

"**HOW CAN** you call Harry for traveling," screamed Bonnie Majerus from the Austin rooster section. "He hardly EVER travels."

Gilleland and McWaters looked dispassionate.

"Stop evening up those calls," howled a Marshall moppet.

McWaters and Gilleland were undisturbed.

But it got sticky in the screeching final moments when Austin flung the game into overtime. And then, with four seconds remaining of the extra period, McWaters made the decision from which mere mortals might shrink.

**HE CALLED** a foul on Austin's Tom Grimley, and the dams broke.

High in the upper balcony, fireman Lawrence LeBlanc of Minneapolis, assigned to maintain order, tucked his ears into his collar.

"Nobody," he said, "could pay me enough to wear a whistle on a day like this."

Marshall's Terry Porter went to the line, scored on both free throws and won the game.

McWaters and Gilleland retired to seclusion.

"**IN THE TRADE**," mumbled the University of Minnesota's Pat Mueller, "you describe that as a 'guts call.' A lot of people might have let that one ride and took the easy road. McWaters saw it and he had to call it."



McWaters Gilleland  
It got sticky



DICK McWATERS  
Marshall-Austin game

## A SPECIAL REASON

# Anoka Eases Sting of '48

Anoka had a special reason for wanting to win Thursday's first-round game against Bemidji.

"We've set an Anoka record now," explained forward Phil Johnson after the game. "The last time our school was in the state tournament (in 1948), we were eliminated in the first round. So we wanted this one."

And what about Marshall in one of tonight's semifinals? "They are pretty good shooters," said Johnson.

"I hope we can play a little

tougher defense (than Austin did) against Marshall," said Bill Wanamaker.

The Anoka coach said he told his team to keep playing the way they were when Bemidji had a six-point lead in the third quarter. "I told them they were playing good ball and that the law of averages would work out, and our shots would start to drop."

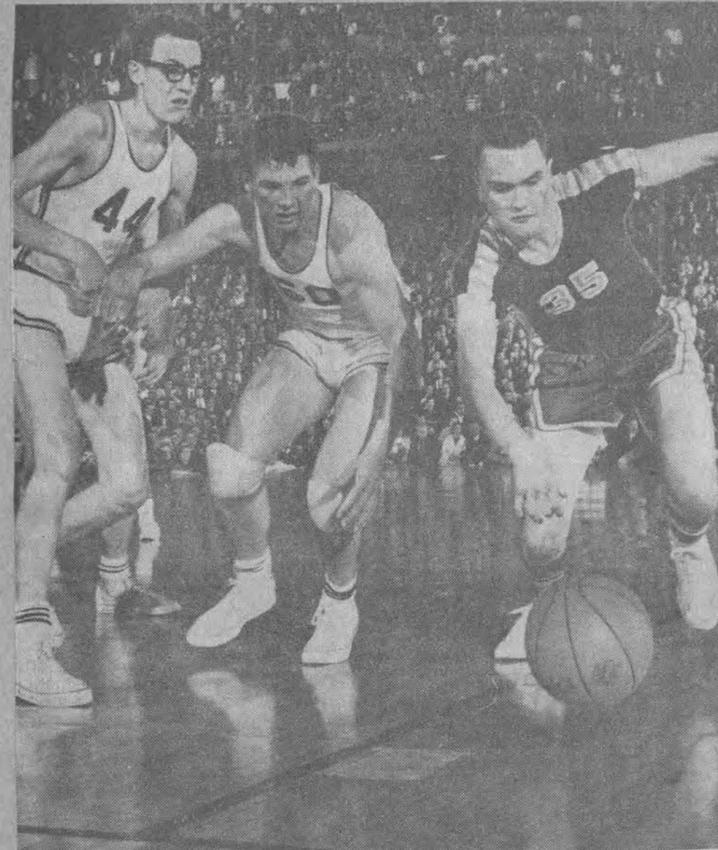
Wanamaker had high praise for "quarterback" Bill Erickson who didn't score until the final minutes and then came through with the six points which broke the final tie.

No one was prouder of Bill than his older brother, Dick, who is an assistant freshman coach for the Gophers. "He

scored when it counted, didn't he?" said Dick.

Of tonight's semifinalists only Marshall ever made the finals — and that was back in 1942. Sauk Centre, in its previous tourney appearance two years ago, won in the first round and then lost to eventual champion Duluth Central.

Cloquet has been here twice before, in 1948 and 1962, and lost both times in the first round. So 1963 could be a different story for everyone.



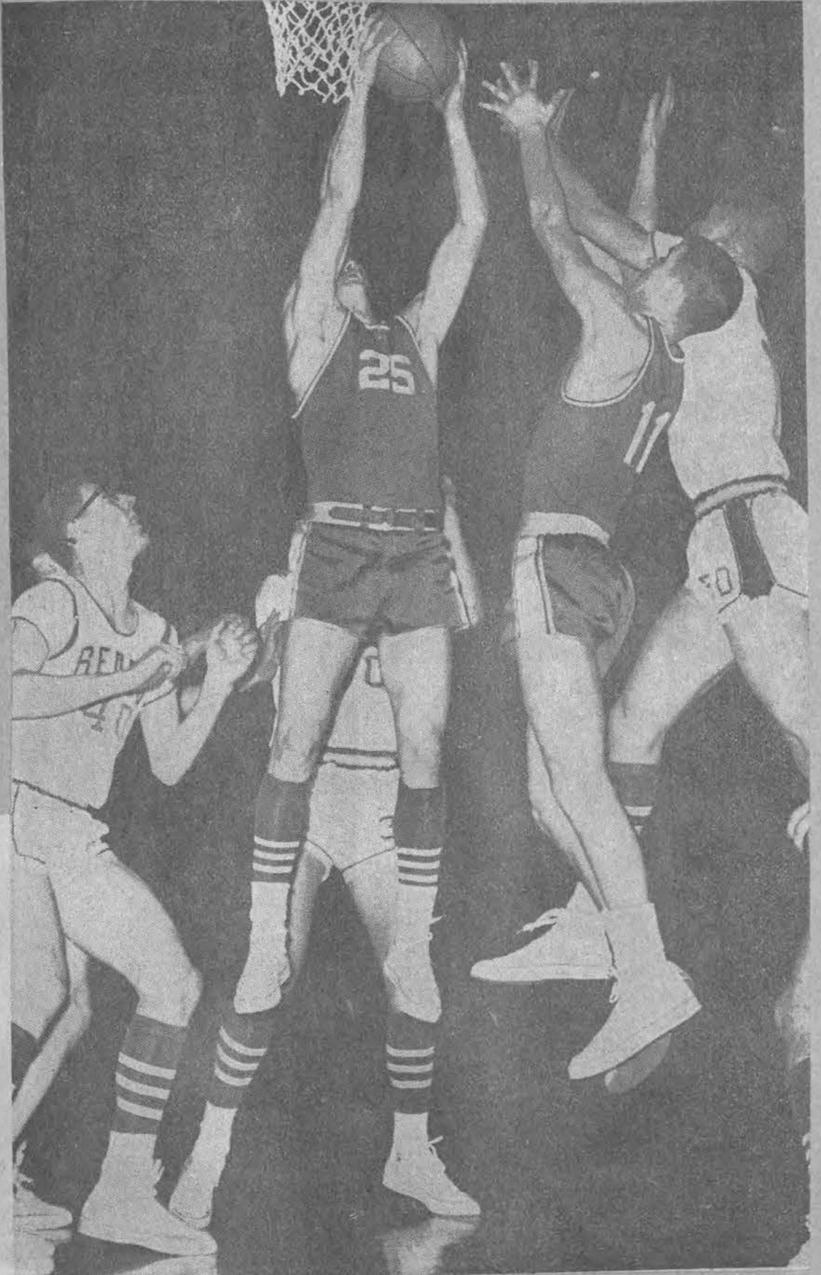
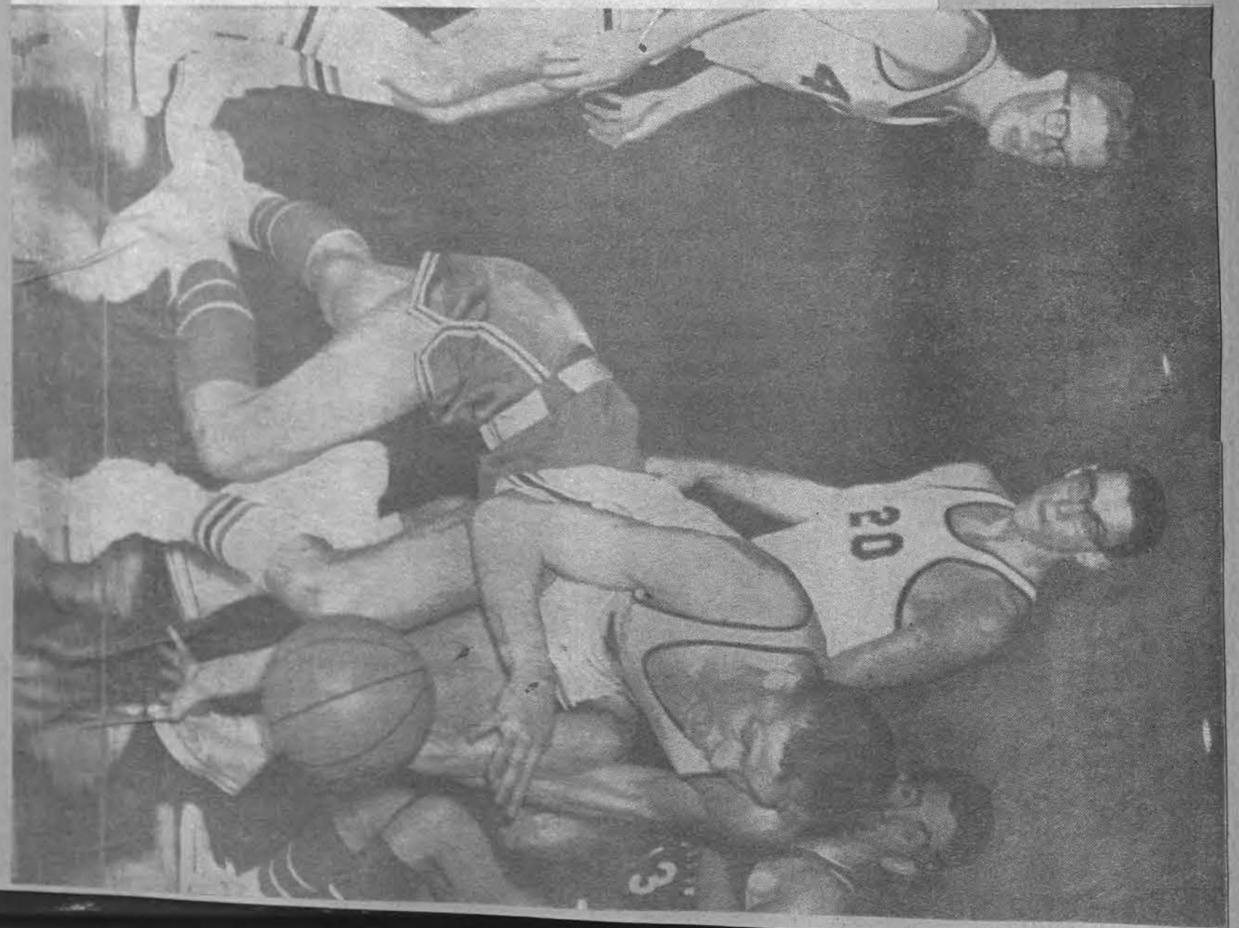
**DRIBBLING DOWN THE FLOOR** is Alan Redman (35) of Wells, guarded by Sauk Centre's Tom Trutna (44) and Joe Schmieging (50) in Thursday night's State High School Basketball Tournament action

Star Photo by John Croft  
at Williams Arena. Sauk Centre came from behind an early deficit to win 64-58 after beating back a furious last period Wells rally.

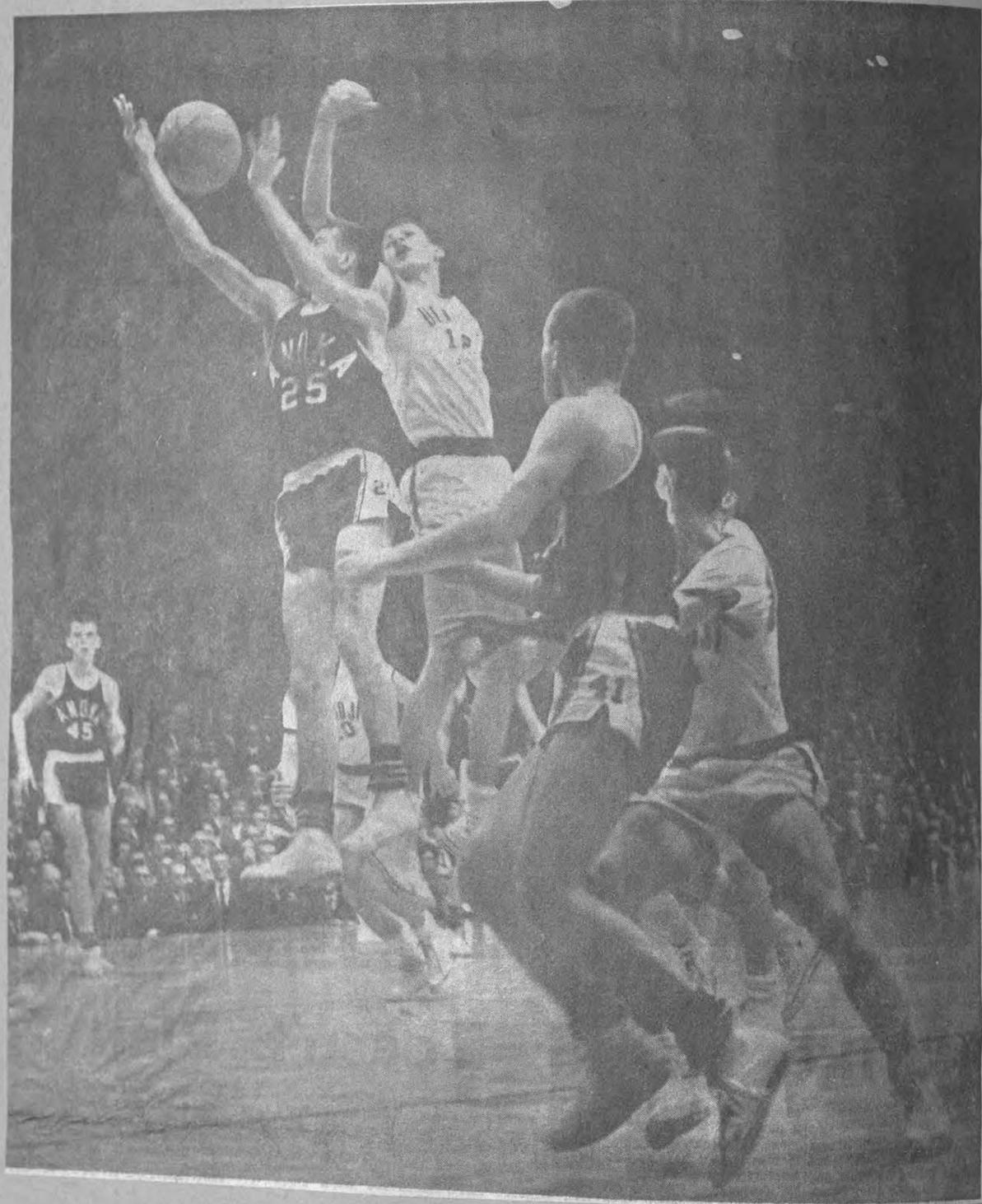


**AT LEFT**  
It's Suman again as he goes up for jump shot, leap apparently catching Anoka's Phil Johnson (45) and Bill Erickson (41) by surprise.

**AT RIGHT**  
Out of a scramble in Austin-Marshall game comes John Nelstead as teammates Dennis Schroeder (42) and Dave Webb (20) watch admiringly.—Staff photos.



**AT RIGHT**—Cloquet appeared to be giving away no height at all here as Lumberjacks' Mike Forrest (25, hands on ball) and Dick Boyer (11) controlled rebound. Bloomington players are (left) Joe Yager (4) and, jumping at right, Ken Last.—Staff photos.



ABOVE  
 Bemidji's Gerry Suman looks as though he is trying to pull off head of Anoka's Dick Syring in this high-up action. Camera freezes others ready to move.

### Drummer's Drama



HAPPY IS JANE HART  
 While Wells team is in front.



THINGS GET NO BETTER  
 And Jane's blues are bluer.



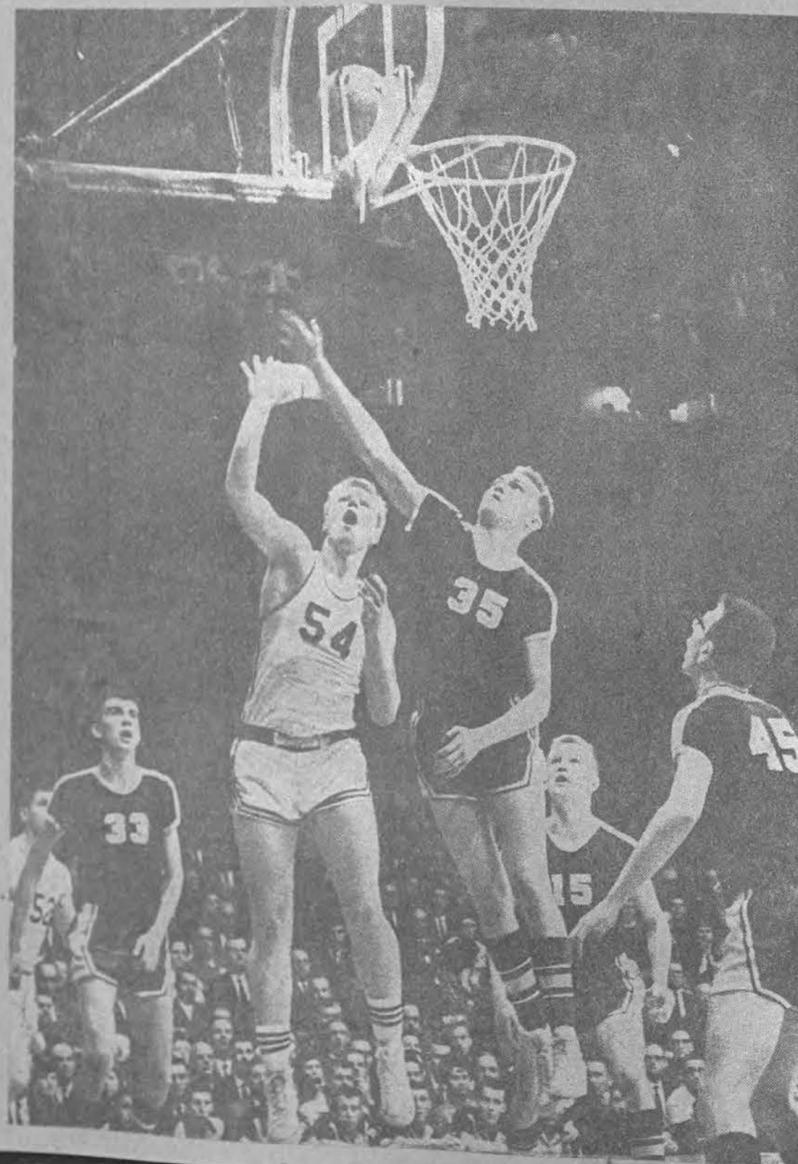
BRASS DRUMMER'S BLUES  
 Tide is turning against her team.



UNTIL THE SAD CLIMAX  
 Sauk Centre tops Wells, 64-58.



WELLS—Front row (from left), manager Chuck Loering, Tom Schultz, Larry Sonnek, Steve Alger, Dave Stussy, Greg Alger, manager Don Saucke. Back row, coach Lloyd Stussy, Gary Whitcomb, Mike Miller, Steve Prescher, Dick Wanzek, Gary Feist, Alan Redman, assistant coach Wayne Unke.—Staff Photo.



### BATTLES FOR REBOUNDS

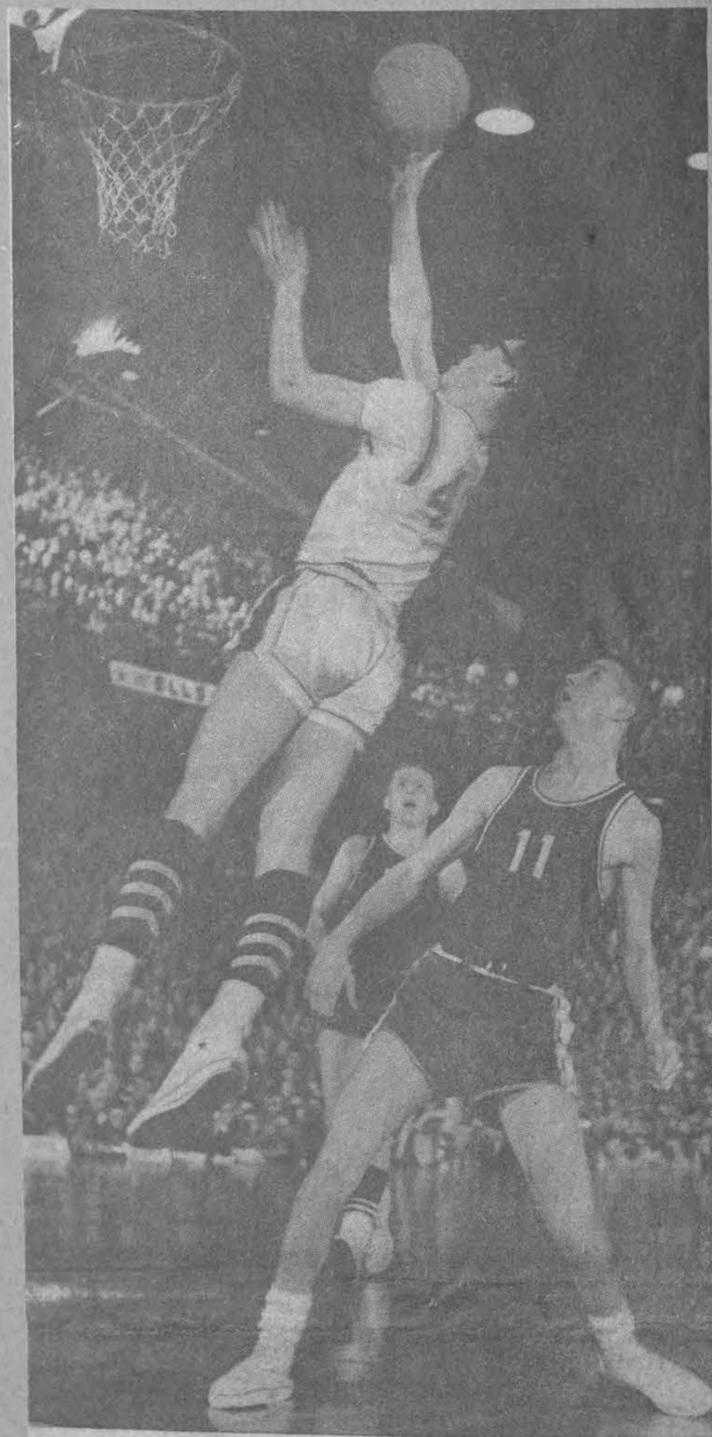
AT LEFT—Sauk Centre's Allen Mickelson (54) gets off shot as Alan Redman (35) of Wells attempts to block it. Others (from left) are Dick Neal of Sauk Centre (52) and Dick Wanzek (33), Charles Schultz (15) and Gary Feist (45), all of Wells, which lost.



BEMIDJI—Front row (from left), Wally Peterson, Bob Sager, Roger Johnson, Marvin Hanson, Dennis Aquier, Bob Fortier, manager Darrell Heggie. Back row, assistant coaches Jack Louma and Phil Buhn, John Dow, John Warford, Bill Rabe, Gerry Suman, Dennis Birgess, Dick Fortier, coach Bun Fortier.—Staff Photo.

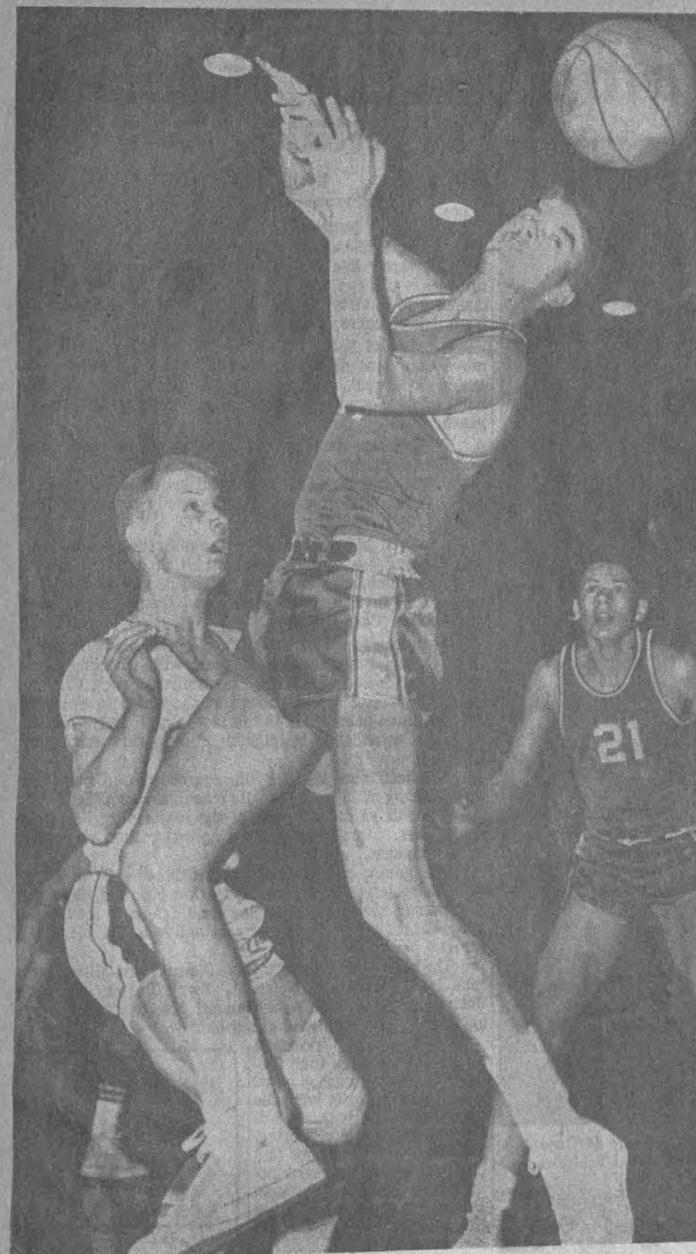


AUSTIN—Front row (from left), manager Bill Orcutt, Harvey Nusser, Tom Nelson, Wally Osterholt, Mike House, Steve Schmitt, manager Chuck Cranholm. Back row, assistant coach Dick Seltz, Tom Grimley, Dick Yonke, John Baudler, Al Berg, Bruce Miller, Dave Hartman, assistant coach Oscar Hadorf, coach Ove Berven.—Staff Photo.



**Up to the Task** Joe Yager, Bloomington forward, pushed the ball in for one of his five field goals against Cloquet in this jumping action at Williams Arena Thursday night. Richard Boyer (11) of Cloquet was ready in case Yager missed. Cloquet took the lead midway in the first quarter, went on to defeat Bloomington, 82-67. (Other basketball color pictures, Page 1B; tournament details starting Page 9B.)

Minneapolis Star Photo by Wayne Bell



**LOST HIS HEAD?**—Dick Boyer, Cloquet's 6-foot forward, seems to feel the ball is something of his own as he tries to reach back over his shoulder for it. Others in action are Tom Otterdahl of Bloomington (white jersey) and Boyer's teammate, guard Gary Welton (21).

—AP Photo.

**SELISKER NOTES DETERMINATION**

# Tournament Tough Grind

The pressure, physical and emotional, of the three-day state basketball tournament was reflected by coaches of teams in preliminary games Saturday night at Williams arena.

Coach Don Snyder of Bloomington, whose team won the consolation title over Bemidji, said, "I think both teams were tired out there . . . but it's nice to wind up with a winner, you bet!"

Snyder, who gives up the Bloomington basketball job to concentrate on his role of athletic director, said, "It's tremendous working with a group of boys."

Bill Selisker, whose Sauk Centre Mainstreeters beat Anoka, capped his third year as the Sauk Centre coach with the third place trophy.

In comparison with Snyder,

who drops the coaching reins at Bloomington, Selisker plans to continue coaching for a long time. He's only 27. But he quipped, "Maybe I won't last very long if they are all like this!"

Selisker credited "good desire and good determination" for the success of his team this year. Selisker felt it took a while for his cagers to get rolling against Anoka. After losing an 87-81 thriller to Cloquet in semifinals the night before, Selisker said, "I expected a letdown, but not that much!"

Selisker credited Sauk Centre's press with its rally from a 45-33 deficit with seven minutes to play. "We kept Anoka from their pattern plays, kept the pressure on them," he said.

Bloomington, finished with

a 23-3 log, while Sauk Centre, third place winner over Anoka, closed with a 21-4 record.

Four of Snyder's five starters are seniors. "I believe Ken Last (6-4 Bloomington center) will be a good Big Ten football player . . . and Joe Yager—he's an A student—will be a fine guard for some team . . . of course, Bobby Kelly, another outstanding college prospect, is only a junior . . ."

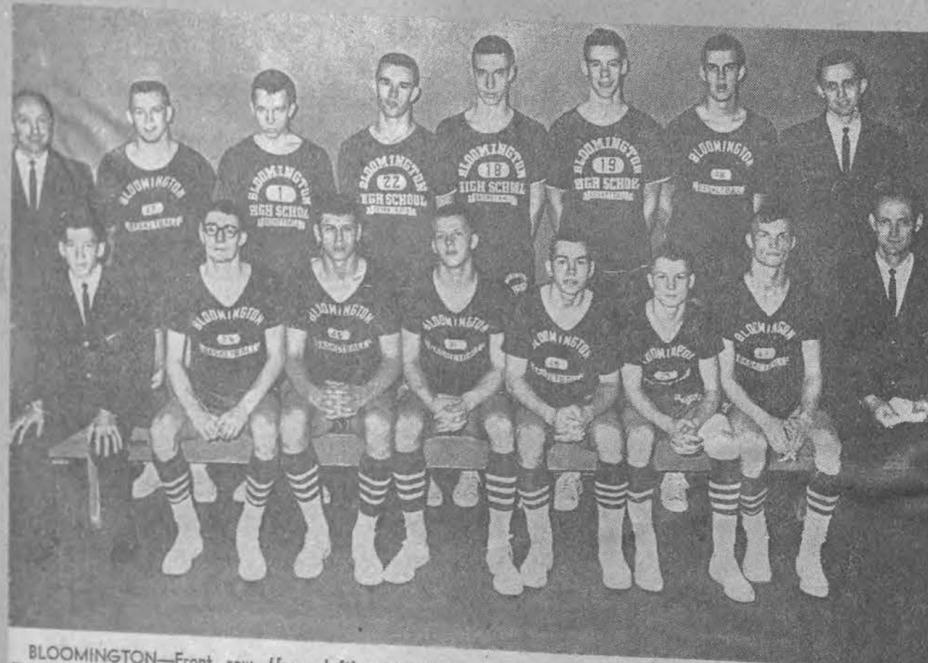
Snyder's 20-year coaching career included the Wisconsin State championship at St. Croix Falls in 1950 . . . He had teams in the Wisconsin and Minnesota State tourneys twice each . . . St. Croix Falls in 1950 and 1954 in Wisconsin, and Winona in the Minnesota tourney prior to this year's Bloomington team . . .

Losing coaches Bun Fortier of Bemidji and Bill Wanamaker of Anoka looked almost as tired as their ball players as they talked about their set-backs after the games.

"It was not a well-played game," said Fortier. "Bloomington, like us, made a lot of mistakes. We lost to them by 10 at Bloomington in February but should have won this one. We lose our tall players, so it could be quite awhile before we get back to another state tournament."

Wanamaker said: "Better luck next year, I guess. We were way ahead and let them off the hook. I know one thing—our kids were dead tired at the end—it has been quite a grind for them."

Bemidji ended its season with a 22-4 record while Anoka, which came into the tournament with the poorest record in the field, ended 19-8.



BLOOMINGTON—Front row (from left), manager Tom Ochs, Joe Yager, Ken Last, Tom Otterdahl, John Dover, Bob Kelly, Jim Kelly, coach Don Snyder. Back

row, assistant coach Chuck Nelson, John Soucek, Steve Robey, Mike Thorson, Roger Hubbs, Bob Kerr, Robin Carlson, assistant coach D. L. Smith.—Staff Photo.



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ANOKA CHEERLEADERS' ARMS FORMED VICTORY SIGNS AFTER BEMIDJI GAME  
Anoka's 54-18 win pleased Jane Deurr (left) and Sue Ziegler

## WHAT THEY SAID

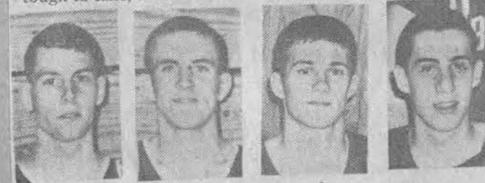
### BEMIDJI

Gerry Suman, forward: "I just hope Anoka goes all the way now. I guess that's about all I can say about that game."

Dennis Aguiar, guard: "They moved the ball and kept an eye open for the open man."

Bill Rabe, center: "We lost . . . I don't know how, but we lost. I guess there isn't much else to say."

John Warford, forward: "They're a good team . . . They kept hustling. I hope they keep going now. It's just tough to take, that's about all."



Syring B. Erickson Aguiar Suman

### ANOKA

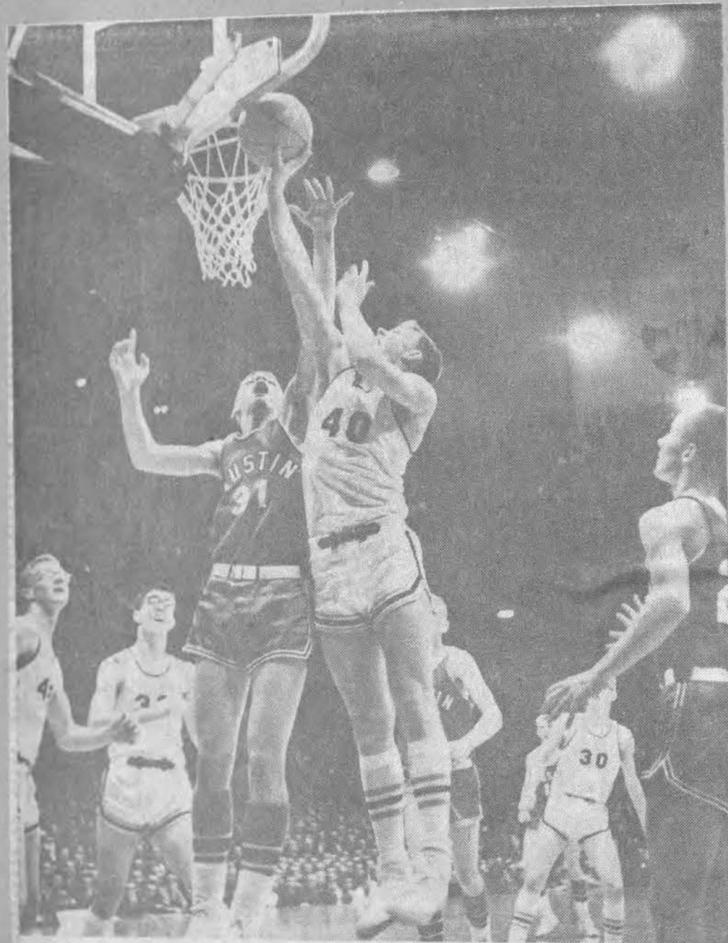
Phil Johnson: "Gerry Suman is the finest high school player I've ever competed against. He had every shot. I'm glad I don't have to meet him again."

Bill Erickson: "The last basket I scored, that one which gave us a six-point lead, came on a perfect pass from Jerry Hayes. That pass won the game for us."

Jerry Hayes: "Once we caught up to Bemidji I felt we could win. The problem was catching up."

Tom Erickson: "Bemidji did a better job on the boards than Ramsey (in the Region Four tournament), and Ramsey was a good, strong rebounding team."

Rich Syring: "That long shot just before halftime? I was just across the mid-floor mark. I think it was the first time I've tried a two-handed shot all season."



MARSHALL'S JOHN NEFSTEAD (40) DRAWS COMPETITION ON LAYUP TRY  
Austin guard Al Berg (31) leaps in attempt to block shot

## Marshall 65, Austin 63

Terry Porter's pair of free throws with four seconds left in an overtime period carried Marshall's Tigers to a 65-63 victory over valiant Austin.

Marshall had built a lead of as much as 16 points only to see it vanish in face of a brilliant Austin rally that was capped by Dave Hartman's drive-in shot with seven seconds left in regulation time to knot the score at 61-61.

IT WAS the first time Austin hadn't trailed in the entire contest. The Packers got their first lead with 2:14 left in the overtime when Al Berg connected from in front of the basket.

Porter, a tremendous outside shooter for Marshall, tied at 63-63 with 1:55 to go.

Porter, who paced his team with 25 points, tried another shot with four seconds left and was fouled to set up his winning free throw situation.

Firing at a 57 per cent clip in the first half, Marshall worked into a 21-12 first period lead and held a 42-29 advantage at intermission.

Austin outscored Marshall 16-12 in the third period to slice its deficit 54-45.

Loss of starting forward Wally Osterholt on fouls with 6:33 to go was to damage Austin, but it still managed to pull within 57-55 on a Bruce Miller jump shot with 46 seconds left.

John (Yogi) Nefstead upped the Marshall margin again with a drive-in shot and Porter made another pair of free throws for a 61-55 lead with 1:23 left.

HARRY MUSSER'S two free throws at 1:09 and Dave Hartman's fielder with 28 seconds to go put Austin right back into contention to set up Hartman's game-tying shot.

Marshall made 24 of 50 field goal attempts for 48 per cent, Austin 25 of 79 for 32.4. Austin had the rebound advantage with 38 to Marshall's 33.

Austin (63)		Marshall (65)	
fg	ft	fg	ft
Berg	5-2	Nefstead	6-3
Osterholt	1-0	Schneider	4-0
Miller	8-9	McD'niel	0-0
Hartman	8-0	Johnson	8-1
Musser	3-2	Webb	0-0
Grimley	0-0	Porter	6-13
House	0-0		2-22
		Totals	24-17
Totals	25-13		43-53
Austin	.....	12	17
Marshall	.....	21	21

Free throws missed—Osterholt 2, Miller 3, Musser 2, Nefstead 2, Johnson 3, Porter 2, Webb 7  
Officials: Richard McWaters, Wayne Gilleland.

# State Basketball Tournament Scores

## SEMIFINALS

Marshall 61, Anoka 35  
Cloquet 87, Sauk Centre 81

## CONSOLATION

Bloomington 69, Wells 56  
Bemidji 71, Austin 53

(DETAILS in Sports Section)



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THE REV. GERHARD MUELLER AT BEMIDJI GAME: 'WAY TO HUSTLE, BABE'  
He's followed Bemidji team from border to border

## Pastor's Booming Cheers Invoke Tournament Win

By JIM KLOBUCHAR  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

The jolly preacher loosened his tie Friday and rumbled in his best fire and brimstone bellow:

"Atta boy, bay-bee, way to hustle; come on, babe, all the way."

Churchgoers from Blackduck to Ten Strike would have recognized immediately the bell tones of the Rev. Gerhard Mueller, a North Woods Lutheran minister who has trailed Bemidji's basketball team from border to border.

HE SAT gleefully through Bemidji's 71-53 consolation victory over Austin in the State High School Basketball Tournament at Williams Arena yesterday, booming encouragement to players like little Dennis Aguiar ("his dad used to pick me up on a country road when I had to hitch-hike to church").

Toward Bloomington's 69-56 victory over Wells in the other consolation game, he was polite and neutral. And he was not particularly excited about Marshall's 61-35 drubbing of Anoka.

The basketball-loving minister is a stout, ruddy-cheeked man of 57 with a

breezy manner and a voice from the drill field or the baseball dugout.

"IT'S REALLY not that strong, though," he admitted. "I had to cut out going to Saturday night basketball games. They just couldn't hear me from the pulpit the next day."

Mr. Mueller's wanderings have carried him from Blackduck, Ten Strike, Sebeka and Frazee to Penseford and Height of Land, the latter two his current ports of call.

"I took to going to baseball games in Bemidji, got to know some of the players and then followed them in basketball. That's when I learned that pep talk."

"Atta way to hustle, bay-bee."

"TWO YEARS ago the coach asked me whether I was going to the state tournament to root for the team. I said I didn't think I could. But he said he was going to insist, and do you know, the players and coaches raised money themselves to bring me here."

Bemidji's Gerry Suman seized a rebound and scored.

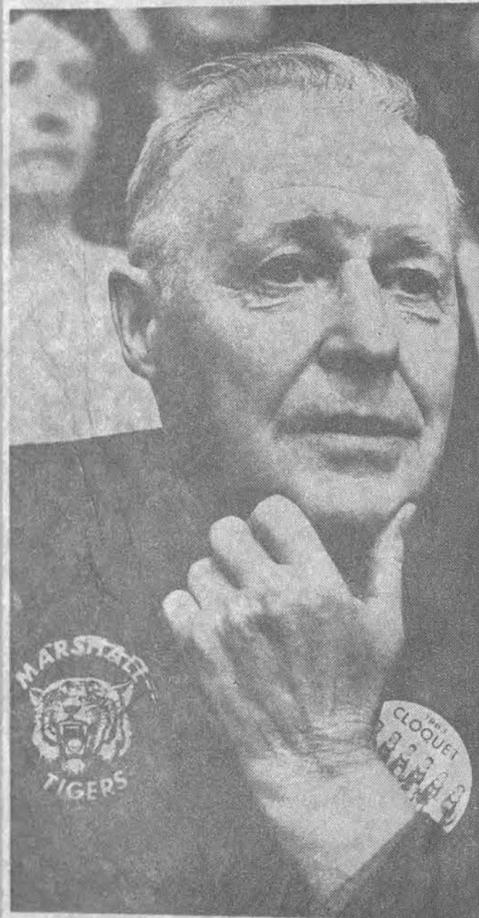
The preacher's face glowed again. "Atta way to hustle, babee."

# Marshall Wins Cage Title

Sauk Centre Rally Edges  
Anoka, 56-54, for 3rd Place

Bloomington Tips Bemidji,  
43-42, for Consolation Title

(DETAILS in Sports Peach.)



Minneapolis Tribune Photos by Gerald Brimacombe  
RETIRED COACH MARTIN AT TOURNAMENT  
He has coached Cloquet and Marshall



'IT PAINS ME ...



... TO SEE EITHER LOSE'

Archer Martin squirmed in indecision. In a sea of wild partisanship at Williams Arena Saturday night, the retired Minneapolis school teacher was an island of neutralism.

Forty-eight years ago he coached a high school team at Morton, the snug Minnesota River valley town that reared Cloquet's Ben Trochili and Marshall's Glenn Mattke, rival coaches in the tournament finals.

"IT PAINS ME," Martin said, "to see either one lose."

But to get a winner—Marshall—there had to be a loser—Cloquet—and Martin had to admit it.

Martin's first move was to get pinned with middle-of-the-road ornaments, a Marshall button on one lapel and a Cloquet button on the other.

But it was complicated.

"Marshall is not far from the little town where I hung up the first playground basket in 1916 after I left Morton," he said.

The town? Martin smiled sprightly.

"Well, it was Lind—where they've played

a little basketball themselves."

A bystander moved over to Martin, impressed.

"By the way," Martin was asked, "what was your record at Morton?"

"We won 22 in a row," he replied, "and then lost to Willmar in a playoff. It was the last game I coached."

"I WAS BEGINNING," he explained slyly, "to get some heat."

It seemed obvious, then, that Martin would have to steer his loyalty to Marshall.

"It's not that easy," he hedged.

"How do you mean?"

"I was born in northern Minnesota. Played for Deer River as a kid."

The situation seemed hopeless.

"Only one thing to do," Martin said, forthrightly.

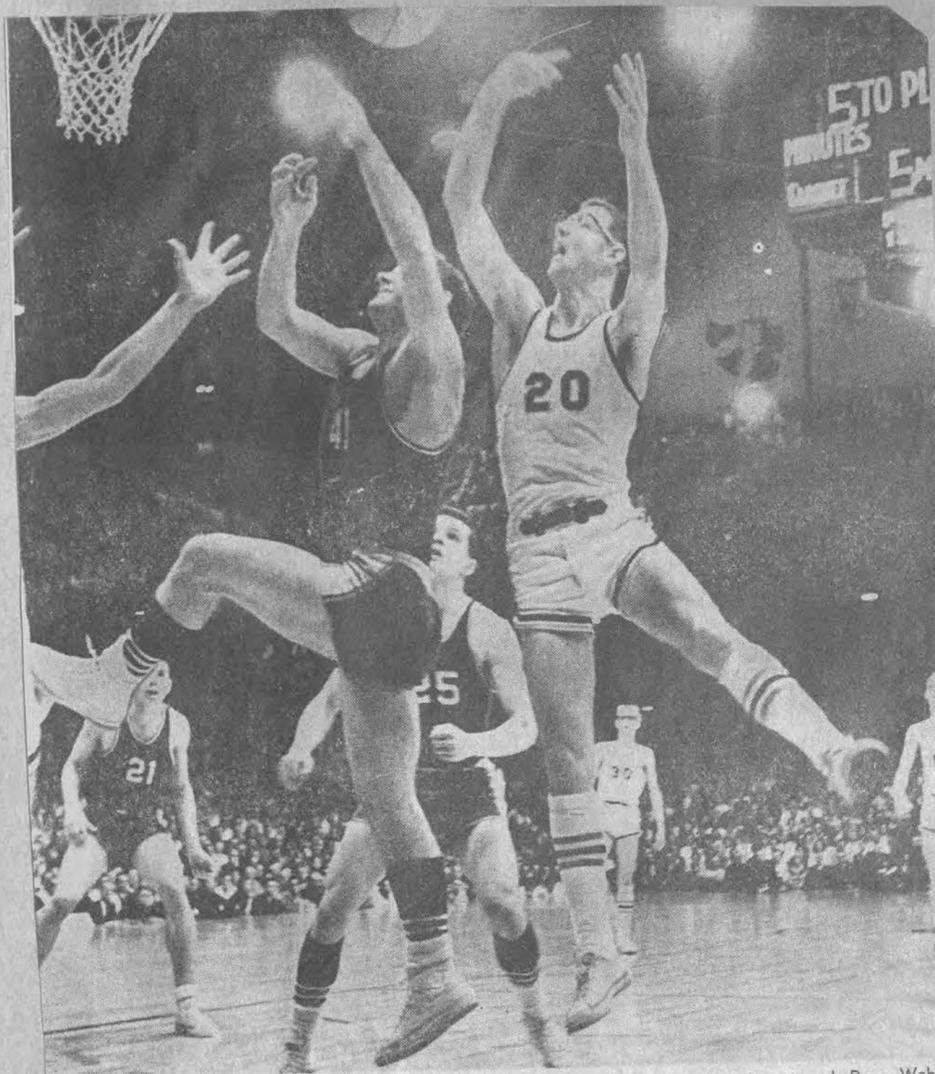
Marshall scored.

Martin cheered.

Cloquet scored.

Martin cheered.

As it turned out, he had an absolute ball.



NEW DANCE STEP? Scrambling for a rebound early the championship game of the 51st annual State High school basketball tournament are these players from Marshall and Cloquet. Reaching for the loose ball are

Dennis Breitbarth (41) of Cloquet and Dave Webb (20) of Marshall. Directly behind them is Mike Forrest of Cloquet. Marshall won the title game, 75-74.

—Staff Photo by Buzz Magnuson.

## Marshall Wins State Title, 75-74

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tied 43-43 at the half.

Marshall trailed twice by three points early in the third quarter before the deadeye shooting trio of Porter-Nefstead-Johnson countered to push Marshall in front 59-53.

It was Forrest again with two quick baskets and Welton with a brace of free throws to tie it before Porter's jumper had it 61-59 Marshall at the third quarter.

The shooting by the big guns was sensational. For Marshall, Porter hit 8 of 13, Johnson 8 of 19 and Nefstead 9 of 15 while Cloquet's Forrest hit 13 of 25 and Meisner 7 of 13.

For the third straight game Cloquet was outbounded, this time 39-26 and in the last half down the stretch the rebounds were 23-13 for Marshall.

For the speed and pressure of the game, it was exceptionally well played, Marshall losing the ball 10 times on errors and Cloquet seven. Marshall's regulars played through three games with only 17 mechanical errors.

# Cloquet Loses In Final, 75-74

By KEN MURPHY  
Pioneer Press Sports Editor

Red-haired Dennis Schroeder, one of the least feared of Marshall's poised basketball team, calmly stepped to the free throw line with 15 seconds left and sank two free throws on the one and one situation to lift Marshall to a stunning 75-74 victory over Cloquet and the 1963 Minnesota High School championship.

A crowd of 18,580 sat in disbelief as Marshall, its first move of a zone defense crumbling under outside shooting and a fast break, chose to shoot it out with the deadliest band of field goal producers this tournament has seen in years.

No one had dared try this but John Nefstead inside and Terry Porter and Loren Johnson on the outside, accepted the challenge and in the end had it within reach of the redhead, who dropped them as coolly as in a practice session.

It was a bitter blow for a magnificent Cloquet team, which brought a tireless, jet-like unit in quest of the title and one which, with sheer speed and deadly long shooting had ousted favorite Bloomington and then whipped an inspired Sauk Centre team.

Cloquet used all of its weapons—press, long range attack, Dennis Breitbarth on the post with wheeling layups and tremendous speed. But Marshall met each challenge and kept pace and had enough at the finish to erase two Cloquet three-point leads in the last minute and a half that had been established by digging in with that some extra in speed.

Marshall, now 25-1 for the season, closed out things with a string of 23 in a row. Its march through the state to the title will go down as one of the major surprises in recent years. Marshall was rated no better than an outsider with a chance.

The game, one of the fastest title clashes in history and one which roared along on terrific shooting, floor play and maneuvers which crumbled good defensive moves, saw Cloquet hit 29 of 63 for 46 per cent and Marshall hit 30 of 67 for 44.9 per cent.

The heroics of Cloquet's Dave Meisner and Mike Forrest and Marshall's John Nefstead, Terry Porter and Loren Johnson will go down as a standoff. No two finalists ever gave more. Both finished exhausted.

Marshall's cool, pressure play, a slower pace than Cloquet's explosive dashes down the floor, seemed to have the lid clamped on with a 66-59 lead with 5:18 left. Porter, Nefstead and Johnson had built it carefully and convincingly at the start of the fourth period. Not once during that time did they let the Cloquet fast break loose.

Then, like lightning from the blue, Cloquet broke with a loose ball recovery. Dick Boyer hit on a lay up with 4:47 to play.

Meisner, harnessed part of the night, stole a dribble and went in for a lay up. Twenty seven seconds later he stole another dribble and hit Boyer with a pass for a lay up and Marshall's lead was down to 66-65.

Johnson hit a long set shot and Breitbarth hit a free throw as Marshall held to a precarious 68-66 lead. Schroeder's free throw widened it to 69-66.

Cloquet chose to hit Breitbarth on the post and he wheeled for a basket but missed a free throw. Nineteen seconds later the brilliant Meisner hit a long jumper and Cloquet was in front 70-66—its first lead since it had been in front 69-48. It had tied the score after that at 59 by wiping out a six-point Marshall edge.

Meisner literally flew under the basket for a layup on a fast break with 1:14 left and a 72-69 lead but the unruffled Porter hit a pusher to get Marshall back within a point.

Forrest, who hit on 13 of 25 shots, six from the outside, ripped the nets from the corner and a 74-71 lead. Nefstead hauled in one and chucked it in and Marshall was back within a point.

Cloquet had the ball with 39 seconds to play and Forrest missed a free throw with 19 to play. Schroeder got the ball and was fouled. He cashed them both for the deciding points.

Cloquet, behind in the early moments, grabbed a 10-6 lead on two quick baskets by Forrest midway in the first quarter and held three to five point margins until late in the quarter when Schroeder hit a jumper, Nefstead a rebound basket and a foul and then a tip in for a 22-19 Marshall lead which Forrest cut to 22-21 at the quarter.

# Cloquet Applauds Marshall Tearfully

By RALPH REEVE  
Staff Writer

Bennett Trochil, the 29-year-old Cloquet coach was sitting behind his players while the victorious Marshall Tigers were being introduced as state champions amid the confetti-strewn hard-court of Williams arena Saturday night.

Only moments before his Lumberjacks had brought back the runner-up trophy, and when Marshall was introduced, with tears in their eyes, the Cloquet players clapped loud and hard, the tribute of a gallant band of warriors to the team which had won the biggest trophy

of all. Then, after the cheers for Marshall subsided, Mike Forrest, a Forrest of solid oak, straight and taller than his 5 feet, 10½ inches, turned to Trochil.

"This trophy is big enough, isn't it?" Forrest asked. "You bet," Trochil answered. "We'll settle for it."

Trochil's coaching philosophy is simple. "It's great being with the kids," he said. What did he think, as he took over the reins of the Cloquet team this season, after serving as assistant coach?

"We thought we'd have a good season, but as far as

tournaments, well, we felt the odds were against us." (Cloquet had won the Region 7 title twice in the previous four years).

Trochil continued, "You can't find a nicer bunch of kids: I'm proud of them." The game itself? "We were hurt without Meisner . . . We had to have him."

Cloquet guard Dave Meisner, a great defensive player and shooter, had three fouls with only three minutes gone in the second period—sat out the rest of that quarter and got his fourth foul only nine seconds after he started the second half.

"Meisner missed half the game," Trochil said. "We took some long shots . . . not bad shots . . . and we missed a lot of good shots . . ."

Later, in the dressing room, Meisner said to Forrest—"We're second; we're proud . . . How many schools are there who get here . . . I guess the odds were 60-1 against us in the regional . . ."

Forrest said, "Those Marshall players were wonderful; I'm telling you, nice guys . . ."

Meisner agreed, "Yeah, you know, my name is 'Mouse.' Well, the Marshall fellows didn't call me 'Rat' or anything like that . . ."

Forrest to Meisner—"Mouse, we're still champs . . . Say, let's go see Lloyd Stein (tournament trainer) . . . He's a nice guy . . ."

Forrest was surprised over his nine-for-nine shooting on field goals the first 17 minutes of the game. "Is that right?" . . . then a pause, and he said, "I was getting real nice shots, though . . ."

Trochil summed it up, as his players left, heads up like the champions they were in defeat, "before the game I talked to Glenn (Marshall coach Glenn Matke and fellow native of Morton, Minn.) . . . We both said we hoped it would be a good game."

"Well, the fans wanted some thrills . . . I guess we gave it to them."

## First Region 3 Win Since '31

Marshall's victory gave Region 3 its first state high school basketball champion since 1931.

It was the Tigers who came the closest for Region 3 between those years when they bowed in the 1942 finals to Buhl, 30-29.

"I was sure we'd hold our end up as far as representing the region," said Marshall coach Glenn Matke, "and we did."

## Attendance Falls 477 Short of Mark

A crowd of 18,474 Saturday night at Williams arena brought attendance for the 1963 Minnesota state high school basketball tournament to 87,474, but the three-day total was 477 short of the record of 87,951 established last year.

Here's comparative figures for the 1962 and 1963 tournaments:

	1962	1963
Thursday afternoon	18,699	18,552
Thursday night	18,602	18,720
Friday afternoon	12,229	12,674
Friday night	19,212	18,948
Saturday night	19,208	18,474
Totals	87,951	87,474

## Scoreboard Basketball

HIGH SCHOOLS	
Minnesota State Tourney	Marshall 75, Cloquet 74 (championship)
Bloomington 43, Bemidji 42 (Consolation)	
Sauk Centre 54, Anoka 54 (3rd place)	
NCAA Major Colleges	
Chicago Loyola 60, Cincinnati 58 (Overtime, championship)	
Duke 85, Oregon State 63 (third place)	
COLLEGES	
National Invitation Tourney	Providence 81, Canisius 66 (championship)
Marquette 66, Villanova 58 (2nd place)	
National JC Tourney	Burlington (Iowa) 70, Chicago (Fla.) 68 (3rd place)
Muskegon (Mich.) 90, Wilson (Chicago) 85 (5th place)	
NBA PLAYOFFS (Eastern Division)	
Syracuse 121, Cincinnati 117 (Syracuse leads best of 5 semi-final series, 2-1)	

Marshall (75)	
Nefstead	18
Schroeder	12
MacDonald	10
Porter	10
Johnson	10
Otto	10
Wagon	10
Totals	75
Cloquet (74)	
Forrest	18
Boyer	12
Breitbarth	10
Meisner	10
Walters	10
Gildemester	10
Hunter	10
Norus	10
Mangan	10
Totals	74
Cloquet	21
Marshall	21
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# Long-Shot Tigers Win It All At State Tournament; First Title For School

BY JACK COOK

The Marshall Tigers went to the state basketball tournament last week almost completely unheralded among the "experts" who establish the favorites.

They came home Sunday afternoon to the roaring welcome of more than 5,000 jubilant citizens of southwestern Minnesota, bringing with them the big trophy emblematic of high school basketball supremacy in Minnesota, in the biggest high school tournament in the country.

They did it with cool poise and the soundest game in the tourney, beating three of the state's finest opponents in what many observers termed the best tournament in recent years.

All this is not news anymore. Actually, it was not news a few minutes after the titanic championship game ended Sa-

turday night, because those Tiger fans who were not among the more than 18,500 screaming spectators in Williams arena were glued to their televisions or radios.

It is no longer news but the story of the Tigers' surge to the state title must be told, and will be told over and over, with sidelights and comment and photos. It won't be told in one story, because there are too many angles to it, many of them complete stories in themselves. (See Dan Simpson's game stories in the sports page).

As everyone knows, and knew last Thursday afternoon, Marshall beat Austin, the perennial entry from Region 1, in their opening game, in a spine-tingling overtime session. It was the Tigers lone overtime game of the entire season.

They saw a 13-point halftime lead melt away under a scor-

ching Austin drive that caught the front-running Tigers in the closing seconds of the regular game and sent it into overtime at 61-61. Then after each team had scored a two-pointer in the overtime, Terry Porter dunked two free throws for the paper-thin victory. It was Porter who also made the overtime field goal.

With that one in the record books, the Tigers went up against a big Anoka club that had ousted Bemidji, one of the tourney favorites, in their first round game. In that Friday night semi-final, Coach Glenn Matke made what a lot of the coaches watching the tourney, called the shrewdest move of the meet.

### ZONE DEFENSE

Matke sent his team out in a tight zone defense, one of the few times the Tigers had used it all season. It apparently

caught the Anoka team by surprise because they came completely apart.

The first quarter was close enough at 14-13 Marshall. But facing the zone, and unable to connect from outside, the Tornados subsided to a gentle breeze. They did not make a field goal in the second quarter while the Tigers were canning 19 points for a 33-15 lead. The game was a walk-away from there on and Matke was able to rest his regulars as he swept the bench to get everybody into the act. The final score was 61-35, with the reserves carrying most of the load in the final quarter.

That big one, which opened a lot of spectators' eyes, set the stage for the final between Marshall and Cloquet, who had routed Bloomington in the first round and turned back a courageous bid by Sauk Centre in the semi-final. Pre-tourney favorites, the Lumberjacks were firmly established as the class of the tournament.

But there were many basketball-wise observers who did not agree. One man, an assistant in the Minnesota athletic department, called the Tigers the "soundest team in the tournament and perhaps the best coached. They play that sound, basic basketball that pays off if you have the players who will stay with it."

### DRAMA

It would be hard to imagine a game with more drama and tension. Marshall's coach Glenn Matke and Cloquet's Ben Trochil come from the same little town of Morton, near Redwood Falls. They are good friends.

Cloquet, the darlings of the tournament, were the speedsters and shot-making wizards, while the Tigers depended on deliberate pattern play and rebounding, and great shooting, both in close and from outside.

Again the Tigers went into a zone defense but the Cloquet sharpshooters, Dave Meisner, and Mike Forrest, cut that to ribbons with their uncanny marksmanship. Marshall went back to their man-to-man.

In the first quarter, Cloquet sprinted to a 16-9 lead but Marshall played it cool. With Porter, Johnson, Nefstead and Schroeder doing most of the scoring, the Tigers pulled into a 22-21 margin at the end of the scorching first period. It was all knotted up at 43-43 at halftime and the spectators realized they were seeing a classic.

### MEISNER FOULS

In the third period Meisner drew his fourth foul and went to the bench, a break that may have been the turning point in the ball game.

The Tigers went to work and built up an edge of six points at one time in the third quarter, only to see the Lumberjacks come firing back to knot it at 59-59. But Porter swished one just before the end of the quarter to make it 61-59 for Marshall.

From there on it was tooth and nail all the way. Marshall hit beautifully in the first few minutes of the final period and with a bit more than 5 minutes to go held a lead of 66-59.

But at that point Cloquet scored six straight points, two of them on steals by Meisner, to bring it back to 66-55.

The Lumberjacks actually took the lead at 70-69 with a little over 2 minutes to play. And with 15 seconds left, and Cloquet leading at 74-73, it looked dark for the Marshall chances.

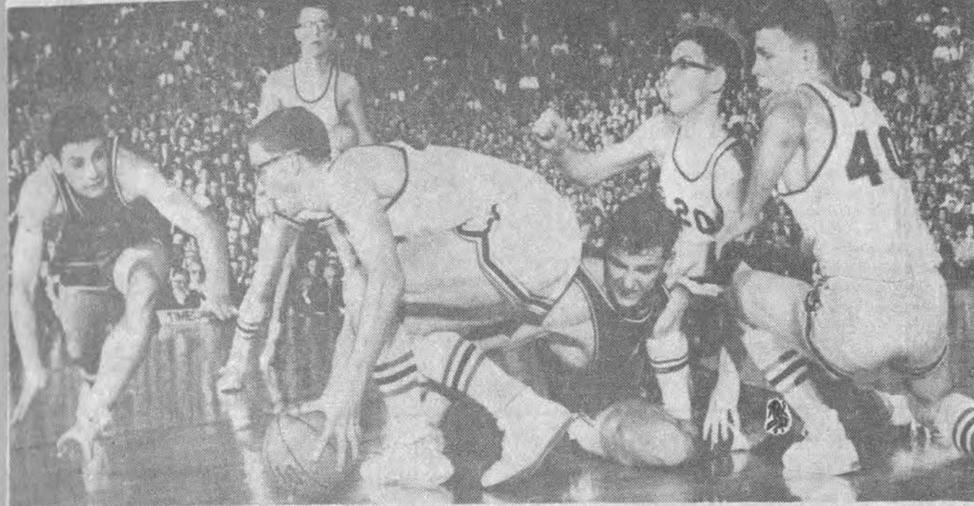
### SCHROEDER HITS

But big Dennis Schroeder drew a one-and-one foul under the bucket. With the tension so thick it could be sliced with a knife, and the arena almost silent, the red-headed lefty walked to the line for the make or break.

His first shot was off a trifle, hit the rim and bounced back through the hoop. His next one swished the nets for as fine a pressure performance as anyone is likely to see.

But Cloquet was far from finished. They immediately called time out and set up a play. They had 15 seconds to make it work.

### THIS WAS KEY PLAY TO MARSHALL'S STATE CAGE TITLE



Star Photo by John Croft

THIS SITUATION provided the key to Marshall's 75-74 victory over Cloquet in the thrill-packed finals of the state basketball tournament in Williams Arena Saturday night. Dennis Schroeder of Marshall is picking up the loose ball and a moment later was fouled with 15 seconds of the contest remaining and Marshall trailing 74-73.

Schroeder pumped both of his free throws to produce the 75-74 victory. Charging in at the left in the dark jersey is Gary Welton of Cloquet. Mike Forrest is the other Cloquet player on the floor. Other Marshall players are John Nefstead (40), Dave Webb (20) and Terry Porter standing at rear.



Here's the way the Tigers looked when they lined up for photographers at Williams arena last Saturday night after winning the state championship.  
Photo by Duane Rose

### Marshall Tiger Cheerleaders Were Also Winners at State Tournament



### Forrest Averaged 27.3 Points in State Tourney

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Cloquet's Mike Forrest claimed the individual scoring championship in the 1963 state high school basketball tournament with an average of 27.3 points for his three games.

Teammate Dave Meisner was the runnerup with a 22.0 average, while Terry Porter of team champion Marshall was a close third with a 21.0 average. Then came Bemidji's Gerry Suman at 19.3 and Wells's Alan Redvan at 19.0.

Marshall and Cloquet each placed three men on the all-tournament team picked by the state's prep cage coaches.

The Tigers landed Porter, Loren Johnson and John Nefstead, while Cloquet had Forrest, Meisner and Dennis Breitbarth on the dream team.

Also picked were Suman, Redman, Anoka's Bill Erickson, Bloomington's Bobby Kelly and Sauk Centre's Joe Schmiesing and Gary Gilbert.

Meisner and Redman were repeaters from the 1962 all-tourney team.

The top scorers:

Player	School	G	FG	FT	TP	Avg
Forrest	Cloquet	3	34	14	82	27.3
Meisner	Cloquet	3	26	14	66	22.0
Porter	Marshall	3	19	25	63	21.0
Suman	Bemidji	3	19	20	58	19.3
Redman	Wells	2	17	4	38	19.0
T. Schultz	Wells	2	16	4	36	18.0
Hartman	Austria	2	16	3	35	17.5
Nefstead	Marsh	3	19	13	51	17.0
Johnson	Marsh	3	22	6	50	16.8
Miller	Austin	2	10	10	30	15.0
Otterdahl	Bloom	3	17	9	43	14.3
Gilbert	Sauk	3	19	2	40	13.3
Schmiesing	Sauk	3	14	9	37	12.3

### Cloquet's Aces Tops In Scoring

Cloquet didn't win the state High School Basketball Tournament and left Minneapolis Sunday with the second place trophy.

But the Region Seven champions, who lost to Marshall in the last 15 seconds of the game Saturday night, had the two leading individual scorers in the tourney.

They are Mike Forrest and Dave Meisner who finished with 82 and 66 points, respectively. Terry Porter of Marshall was third with 63.

Before the two finalists went opposite ways from the Curtis Hotel Sunday, the Cloquet cagers had warm wishes for the Marshall champs and the new winners were gracious to the Cloquet cagers.

In fact, Forrest and Meisner led a Cloquet player delegation into the Marshall dressing room Saturday night after the game for congratulatory purposes.

Although Forrest and Meisner are seniors along with Dennis Breitbarth, Cloquet has some outstanding underclassmen. They are Dick Boyer, Gary Welton and Steve Mangan. Boyer and Welton are regulars.

Cloquet undoubtedly will have its share of honor in the knife and fork league up home. This team was the first from Cloquet to reach the state tournament finals.

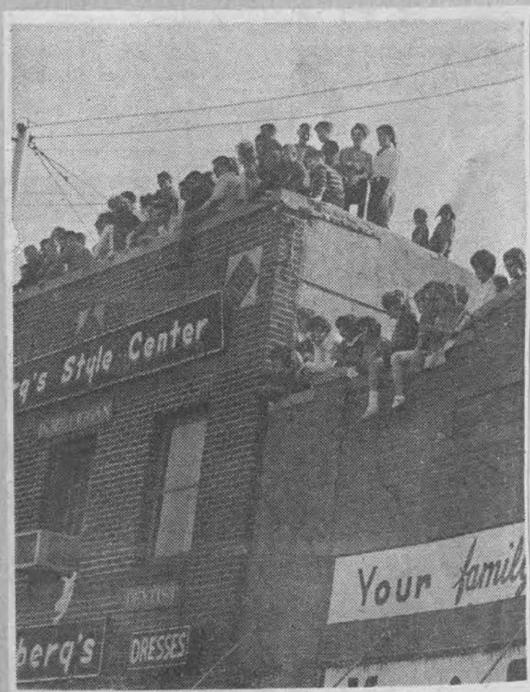


PRIDE was the key to this situation as a vast segment of the population of Marshall turned out Sunday to welcome home its state high school championship basketball team and Coach Glenn Mattke. It is the first state title

Star Photo by John Croft  
team for Marshall and it was accomplished with a 75-74 victory over Cloquet in a rousing state tourney windup in Williams Arena Saturday night.



Clapping Hands Were Symbol of Great Day



Marshall Got 'High' for Homecoming

## Here's Your 1963 State Prep Champ



MARSHALL: Front row, left to right, Brian Murphy, Dave Markell, Marion Paradis, Jay Wilttrout, manager, John Kirscht, Loren Johnson, Terry Porter, Daryl Otten, Back row, left to right, Coach Glen Mattke, John Nefstead, Dick Larson, Dennis Schroeder, Sandy McDonald, Dave Webb, assistant coach George Korver, faculty representative George Rindelaub.



**CHEERLEADER CHAMPIONS.** Marshall's feminine sextet of cheerleaders today were named winners of the Pioneer Press-Dispatch cheerleader trophy by a committee named to judge the various groups on routines, originality and enthusiasm. The trophy is given annually

to recognize the work these groups do each year in helping the overall athletic program at the schools. Left to right, front row, Susan Hedenstrom, Sandy Peterson, Susan Rehkamp. Back row, left to right, Dana Mercie, Eleanor Rose, Lynne Peterson.—Staff Photo.



**THE REDWOOD FALLS** Fire Department sent one of its trucks to the east city limits to wait for, then escort, the Marshall basketball team through town. Also along the Tigers' route, the Belview and Tracy fire departments waited. **BELOW,** Marshall coach Glenn Matke hitched up his trousers moments after getting home, as a WCCO-TV camera watched. A six-mile caravan of cars followed the team into town. (Photos by Pete Mohn)



# Marshall's Road Home Paved With Glory

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## CHAMPIONS ARE CHEERED BY ENTHUSIASTIC CROWDS

Special to the Minneapolis Star  
MARSHALL, Minn. — The penalties of popularity delayed the state championship basketball team for its own homecoming celebration here Sunday.

Residents in a burst of enthusiasm had started decorating the community at 1 a.m. Sunday, but enthusiasts in other communities along Hwy. 19 made plans for roadside celebrations as the Marshall team rode home in four sedans properly decorated by their rooting section at Saturday night's winning game.

The team started home at noon. Word was flashed to the local celebration committee, and hurried plans were made for a celebration to start at 2:30 p.m.

At Morton, hometown of Coach Glenn Mattke; Redwood Falls, a regional rival; Belview and Milroy, good will spilled over onto the highway.

Fire trucks, police cars and caravans of citizenry met the team outside each community and escorted it into an improvised stage area where the team was cheered, members were introduced and flowers or other souvenirs presented.

Cars from each community stayed with the party and by the time the Marshall cagers reached the edge of their own hometown there were 119 cars threatening to crowd the local Marshall parade away from their heroes.

At 4 p.m. the team reached home to find virtually every resident on hand to cheer them. Seven convertibles awaited the team at the head of a parade that had been formed on the edge of Marshall by local committeemen.



Marshall went all out to welcome home its state high school basketball champions Sunday. Michelle Henle wore 'champs' sign; Other pictures, Page 2A, Cloquet details Page 9A



The players were placed in the open cars. Two fire trucks, two police cars and the high school band broke the way through the crowd for them, and then almost every automobile in Marshall fell into line and the caravan that had been made up on the highway followed.

More than 5,000 persons lined the streets and stood in clusters on roof tops along Marshall's main business street.

Marshall looked different

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somehow to the seven young men who had left home just before the weekend to seek fame and glory at the state tournament.

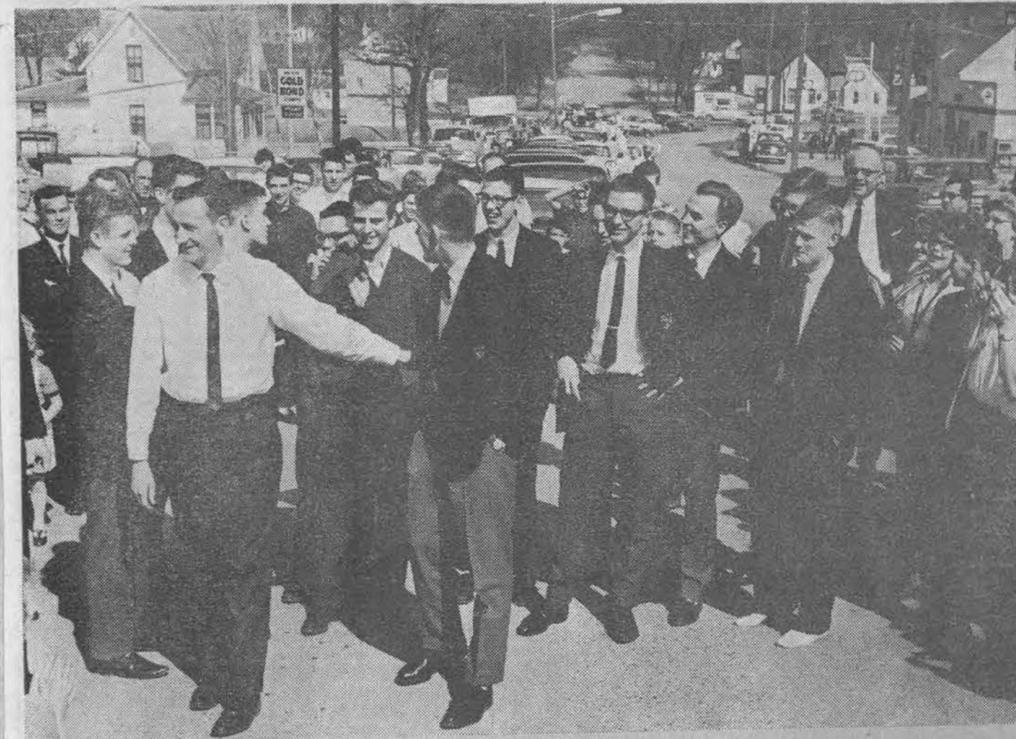
Since 1 a.m. a huge orange flag bearing the letter M had been waving from the top of the municipal water tower. A 50-foot banner, hastily painted, proclaimed their championship at the major intersection in the business district. Every store, business

CHEERS

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# Region 3 Welcomes Home its Champion



BOTTOM'S UP goes Red Schroeder, one of Marshall stars who tossed the game-winning free throws, has a bottle of pop to quench thirst on happy occasion.

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Journal photos by Pete Mohn and Dick Hudson.



**LARGEST CROWD** — Pictured above is a part of the crowd that helped welcome Marshall's championship basketball team home. A 10-mile caravan of cars met the squad at Redwood Falls. All along the route were welcome signs,

fans from dozens of towns, bands and best shall the largest crowd to gather since the War II stood in the summer-like sunshine their team. M

## Open House Will Honor Mattkes Sunday at Chalet

Friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mattke plan to honor the coach of the state high school basketball champions and his wife at an open house reception Sunday afternoon, March 31, at the Chalet Club. Open house hours will be from 2 to 4 p.m.

"We know that Coach Mattke and the basketball team will be honored at some sort of community affair a little later," said one of the sponsors. "But some of their friends and neighbors thought we'd like to have an open house just for Glenn and Darlene."

No cards or invitations have been issued and all friends of Mr. and Mrs. Mattke are cordially invited to call at the reception during the afternoon.



Minneapolis Tribune Photos by John Croft  
**COACH GLENN MATTKE, WIFE, ACKNOWLEDGE OVATION OF CROWD**  
*Marshall mentor holds trophy, wife displays gift roses*

MORTON cheered a local boy who made good, Coach Ben Mattke, in white shirt. Behind him strung across Highway 19 is his team, the state high school basketball champions from Marshall.

All the way from Minneapolis, to Marshall, the new champs got a big reception. Winthrop, Gibbon and Fairfax had up signs also. The turnout got heavier as the team rolled through Redwood County and neared Marshall.

One of biggest turnouts was at Redwood Falls. Coach Mattke and his wife mounted a truck, right, to talk to Redwood admirers.

Below, Marshall players hold high the trophy riding through hometown as confetti floats down from rooftops.

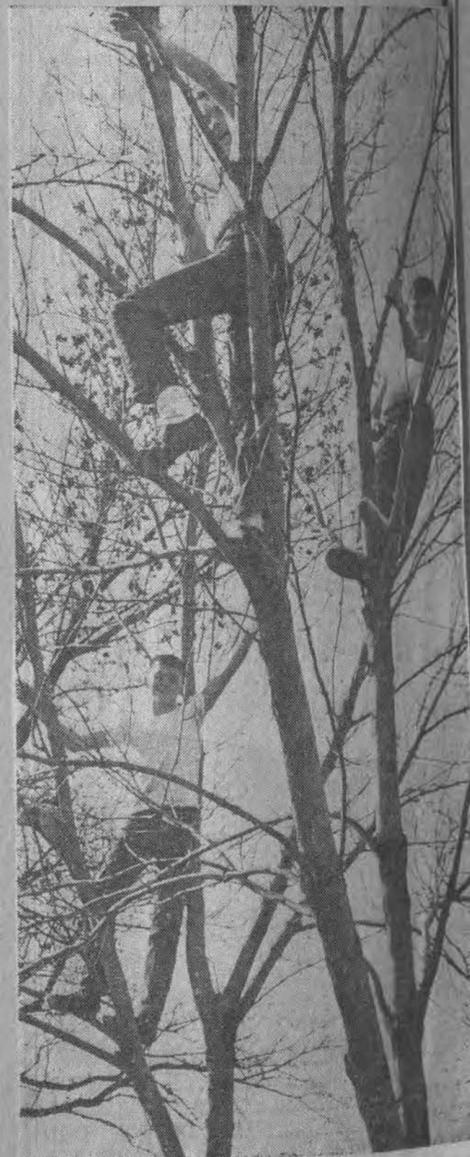




Minneapolis Star Photos by Jack Gillis  
 Jim Ahmann (above) 12, bounced a basketball on the sidewalk at Marshall while waiting for the team to return Sunday. Wanda Klaassen, 4, Minneota, Minn., brought along her doll to get a look at the state champions. About 5,000 fans welcomed the high school champions at Marshall.



Charlie (Tennis Shoe) Latham, 80, one of Marshall's staunchest fans and unofficial mascot, was among those who cheered the state champs.



These Marshall kids climbed a tree to watch the Marshall Tigers come home to the big celebration Sunday.  
 Photo by Duane Rose



TIGERS ALL-STATE PLAYERS — PORTER, NEFSTEAD and JOHNSON

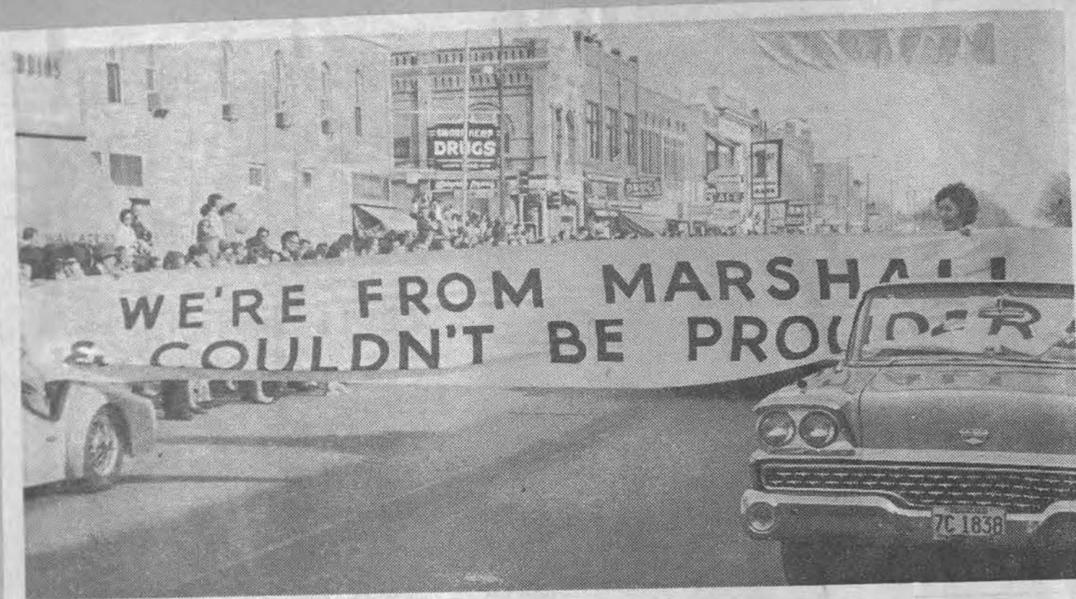


TOP ATHLETIC AWARD IN STATE OF MINNESOTA



PRIDE was the key to this situation as a vast segment of the population of Marshall turned out Sunday to welcome home its state high school championship basketball team and Coach Glenn Mattke. It is the first state title

Star Photo by John Croft  
 team for Marshall and it was accomplished with a 75-74 victory over Cloquet in a rousing state tourney windup in Williams Arena Saturday night.



**KING-SIZED SIGN** was carried between two cars during the parade through Marshall about 3:30 p.m. Sunday as town embraced its Minnesota High School cage champions. Left, town was all smiles, including this Marshall High cheerleader. More pictures on Page 6. (Journal Photos by Pete Mohn)



## Marshall Students Get Morning Holiday

**MARSHALL, Minn. (AP)** — Marshall and Coach Ben Trochill of Cloquet.

There was no school in Marshall this morning.

Nobody in this town of 7,000 can remember not having school on Monday morning, except occasionally in winter when a heavy snow left the community immobile.

There was bright sunshine and a temperature of 72 degrees Sunday, no snow.

In fact the conditions were perfect for what 5,000 people jammed the downtown area to do—honor the high school's basketball team.

The Marshall High Tigers returned home in late afternoon from Minneapolis where Saturday night they won the Minnesota state high school basketball championship by edging Cloquet 75-74.

Supt. L. M. Frey proclaimed a school holiday this morning, and announced a 10:30 a.m. convocation to honor the team.

It took the team almost four hours to drive the 145 miles in private cars from Minneapolis to Marshall, but nobody griped about the frequent delays.

In virtually every southwestern Minnesota town and hamlet through which the Tigers' caravan passed there were signs on display paying tribute to the all-conquering champs.

At Morton, a tiny community of 624 on the Minnesota River six miles east of Redwood Falls, some 3,000 persons gathered to hail the team. Morton claimed its spot in the glory as the town that produced both Coach Glen Mattke of

Redwood had its band out, and a fire truck too, as some 5,000 came out to see the team there. A lot of Marshall fans met the team in Redwood and ushered it back home in a horn-tooting procession of autos.

It was Marshall's first state championship in history and Sandy Sanderson, chamber manager, noted "nothing promotes civic motivation like the state basketball championship." Mayor C. F. (Bud) McQuiggan gave Mattke a large gold key to the city, something else that had never before been done here.



Coach Glenn Mattke takes over the microphone for television appearance. That's Gene King of KSOO-Sioux Falls with him. Photo by Duane Ross



Coach Glenn Mattke gets a handshake and the key to the City from Mayor C. F. McQuiggan at Sunday's homecoming celebration. Photo by Larry Henle



At Morton, Coach Mattke's hometown, a huge crowd was on hand to welcome the returning Tigers. Morton had a hard job in the tournament, because Ben Trochlil, Cloquet coach, also grew up there. Citizens hung a wreath on Mattke. If Trochlil had been there they'd probably have hung one on him too. Photo by Don Mean



Pop wasn't taking any chances of losing these two youngsters in the crowd at the welcoming celebration for the Tigers Sunday. The affair attracted one of the largest crowds in Marshall's history, from a wide area of southwestern Minnesota. Photo by Duane Rose

## Composure Made Champ of Marshall Team

By DON BRAND  
Journal Sports Editor

Probably the most significant thing about Marshall's state high school basketball championship team is the vote of confidence it gave to Region Three. This region hadn't won the state title for 32 years.

In the previous 50 years of the state high school tournament, Region Three had won but two times, Gaylord in 1926 and Glenoc in 1931.

With eight regions in the state, the average is one state title in eight years; so Region Three has been four times below the average in the past three decades as far as turning out state championship basketball teams.

Marshall went into the state meet with no great press clippings. But steady, determined play brought the state trophy to Tigertown. With the enthusiasm of Region Three now stirred up, this area may have procured the vote of confidence it needed. The region has turned out some good teams in the past that fizzled at the state meet.

Marshall's players went into the tourney with confidence. Some team members said five years ago in grade school that they would go to the state tourney. Once they got there, the Tigers displayed a coolness under pressure that few teams have.

A sound team fundamentally, Marshall made only 17 mechanical mistakes through the entire state tournament. Many teams will average that many in one game. Marshall displayed good ball handling and above average shooting.

Some scribes marveled when Marshall was shooting consistently around 50 per cent in district and regional play. Coach Glenn Mattke pointed out that the Tigers shot that well all season.

A basic part of Marshall's offense was the "pick" or screen play. The forwards or center would screen the player guarding Porter or Johnson out front. Usually, it led to an open shot for the guards. Nefstead would roll off the pick and take a lob pass from Porter under the basket.

This Nefstead was the outstand-

ing rebounder under the offensive basket. He was hemmed in several times by opponents but managed to push the ball through a maze of hands and into the bucket.

If you like superstitions, Marshall had one that really worked. The Tigers wore the white uniforms in every district, regional and state tourney game.

Marshall ended the season with 25 wins and only one loss, a 72-41 pasting from Luverne. That came in the fourth game of the season. Marshall wasn't playing well that night and Coach Mattke had the regulars sit out most of the second half. Since that time, the Tigers rolled up 22 straight wins.

The tournament didn't have one really outstanding big man but many good "small men." The outside shooting in this state tournament was the best in some time. Marshall had Nefstead, Porter and Johnson; Cloquet had Meisner and Forrest and there were a half dozen others who were fine marksmen from the outside.

Cloquet made it to the finals with only one six-footer. This should spur other small clubs into positive thinking that "it can be done."

If the referees in the state meet were the best in the state, it's a sad state of affairs. People come to see the kids play but too much whistle tooting was observed. Officiating was inconsistent also.

Sauk Centre might have spilled Cloquet Friday except for foul trouble. And fouls had Cloquet in hot water Saturday with Meisner sitting out one quarter on a very questionable fourth foul.

The foul called on Cloquet in the last 15 seconds that netted the two winning free throws was another questionable one. It was a free for all scramble for a loose ball.

If you haven't attended a state tournament in person, you miss all the color of being one among 19,000. It's a great show unmatched in athletics. Even the World Series doesn't have the drama of a state cage tourney. Many people who don't follow basketball all year are avid TV fans at tourney time.

Like many others, I found myself rooting for both teams Saturday night. I had picked Cloquet to win but at the end was pulling more for Marshall because the

Tigers represented Region Three — our representative.

Except for the "big bad Bears" from Bloomington, the sportsmanship among the players was excellent. Cloquet. Cloquet players had tears in their eyes as they congratulated Marshall. Dave Meisner had a hard time getting off the floor after the final buzzer. However, the sun shone Sunday on both teams and life continues. Both teams are richer for the experience they gained in battling tough situations.

Bob Kerr, New Ulm's gift to Bloomington, scored three points Saturday as the Bears, the pre-tourney favorite of the metropolitan scribes, barely finished fifth. Kerr played a little more than one quarter when Ken Last developed early foul trouble.

I wonder if Kerr still feels that

the Twin Cities area is so much tougher than the out-state teams? He was quoted to that effect in a Minneapolis newspaper two weeks ago. The out-state boys showed Bloomington and Anoka few things about the hectic game of basketball.

After a string of missed predictions in the state meet, I may turn the prognosticating chores over to managing editor Bill Macklin, who writes poetry like Cassius Clay. Macklin had Marshall picked over Cloquet in the finals. My pre-tourney choice was Cloquet. It was very close, though. A Cloquet shot bounced off the rim with eight seconds left. That's the way the ball bounces.

In 1942, Marshall lost to Buhl by 30-29 in the finals. This time, the one point edge was on the right side of the ledger.

## Here's How Tigers Won 1st State Basketball Title

By Dan Simpson

Marshall won the Minnesota state high school basketball tournament for the first time in the school's history in a thrilling 75-74 triumph over Cloquet last Saturday evening at Williams arena.

Only two other Marshall clubs had ever gone to the state tourneys. They were the 1923 and 1942 clubs. The 1942 team came the closest to winning the crown before this year, losing to Buhl, the region seven representative, 30-29.

The Tigers had more than the honor of being the part survivor of the 489 schools that

took part in the tourneys. Three of Marshall's starters were named on the all-tournament squad.

John Nefstead, Terry Porter, and Whitey Johnson received the honor along with nine other players on the other seven clubs that participated in the state tournaments. Bill Erickson, Anoka; Dennis Breitharth, Cloquet; Robert Kelley, Bloomington; Gary Gilbert, Sauk Centre; Mike Forrest, Cloquet; G. Suman, Bemidji; Joe Schmiesing, Sauk Centre; Dave Meisner, Cloquet; and Alan Redman, Wells, were the other members selected on the all-tournament team.

The championship was quite an accomplishment for Coach Glenn Mattke also. After winning the district crown, everything was a first for Mattke, who had never won a district crown in his 10 years of coaching. Mattke, by the way, has a 66-40 record in his five years of coaching at Marshall.

Getting to the state tournament was a great accomplishment for the school too. Before this year, the Tigers had only gone to the state twice before winning two regional championships, and had captured the district crown, only 8 times prior to this season.

# Frey Tells Students: Assume Responsibilities of Champions

BY JACK COOK

At a convocation held at the Marshall high school auditorium Monday morning, Supt. L. M. Frey, addressing the student body and the honored members of Marshall's state basketball champions, told his young lis-

teners: "All of us must assume responsibilities as well as the honors that go with a championship. We are proud of our team and our school. Let's have every reason to continue not only to be proud, but grateful and true sportsmen."

What followed after that was received with appreciation by the student body and the faculty as well. Supt. Frey, probably recognizing that it had been a rugged four days immediately before, closed the school for the rest of the day. But classes took up as usual Tuesday.

There was a great deal of happiness and pride apparent among students and teachers as the team and Coach Matke were presented.

There was also considerable horseplay, with the unofficial prize going to Courtney Housmann for his part in a skit. Housmann had chaperoned a student bus to and from all tournament games, with about 40 youngsters in his care on every trip.

He was carried in on a stretcher, apparently worn to a frazzle (and he may not have been kidding much.) Asked why he had done so much, he brought down the house when he replied in a weak, quavering voice: "I did it for the school."

Supt. Frey, in his brief address, reminded students that with the state championship, they have also accepted the responsibilities that go with the champions. And he had high praise for the manner in which all students and team members had conducted themselves at the tournament -- and all season.

"I have always thought of our student body as one of the best in the state in attitude, character, behavior, cooperation, and accomplishment," he said. "And you, the students, certainly proved it by your conduct as well as the support you gave to your team throughout the tournaments of the past three weeks. I can tell you this--we not only won the state basketball championship but we also won statewide recognition for the character, attitude and the sportsmanship of our fans as well as of our team."

"To our championship basketball team I can only say we are tremendously proud of your accomplishments, both on and off the basketball floor. You have brought fame and recognition not only to yourselves, but to your school and to your community as well. We are proud of you and grateful to you. You are now the 1963 Minnesota State High School Basketball Champions. You have also been champions all year and during all the tournaments, in your character, poise and sportsmanship. I am sure you will

## Principal Merrill Olson Thanks Marshall People

Dear Marshall People:

Marshall high school wishes to extend their sincere appreciation to the people of Marshall for the tremendous reception given to the team Sunday, March 24. Words cannot express the thrill of this reception. To the planners go special thanks. To our papers for the splendid coverage. To KMHL for coverage, plus ticket information.

To our people who have completed three weeks of basketball madness and who have supported us every inch of the way. For those three weeks of selling tickets I should like to extend my sincere appreciation to the people of Marshall for their patience and courtesy.

Our first responsibility was to the students in school, then our season ticket holder, parents and faculty made up the second group. The third group included the men and women who were steady goers to all our basketball games and who had failed to purchase season tickets. We tried to list these in order to take care of ticket requests in that order.

After completing the three tournaments and in some cases having an over supply of tickets and in some cases an under supply, we are grateful to the people of Marshall for their understanding and acceptance of what we were trying to do. If you will recall, there were eight solid days of securing

tickets by every means possible so our fans could be supplied.

We would like to extend our appreciation to the parent who took care of their youngsters and others at the tournament. Over half of the band remained in the Cities and were always on hand when needed.

There is no way we can give individual thanks to all our people for there were so many who pitched in to help--the only statement that covers it so well will be repeated. As I watched our cheerleaders carry that sign "We're from Marshall and Couldn't Be Prouder" around the floor after the victory, I watched people stand and applaud and as they went past the Cloquet cheerleaders they too stood and applauded--I know with tears streaming down their faces, for there was a lump in my throat and tears in my eyes as I said "That's my team and that's my town."

Now we are back trying to pick up the loose pieces and get the youngsters back to work. Your letters, telegrams, and words of encouragement are deeply appreciated.

As I tell our youngsters -- "Champions know when it's all over and time to return to work."

Sincerely yours,  
Merril W. Olson



### THERE'S AN EXCUSE

If this edition of the Independent seems to be mostly concerned with basketball, I hope readers will understand why. It just about HAS to be. Basketball has monopolized a lot of Marshall people for two weeks or more.

It was 21 years since Marshall had placed a team in the big show at Minneapolis and only the third time in the history of the school.

When the Tigers latched onto the state title for the first time, it is only natural that the tremendous feat should be No. 1 in the news.

So bear with us, please. We'll all be back to normal in a short time. Maybe.

### WILL HE DO IT?

A story in the Minneapolis Tribune last Saturday morning reported that Coach Glenn Matke might resign from coaching after this season. Subsequent stories and reports appeared to deny this and on a radio broadcast Matke had a terse: "No Comment" when asked about the reports.

I have not talked to Glenn about the reports. I take the

position that he has had more to do than to discuss future plans. Maybe he will leave the coaching profession, and if he does he will certainly do so while riding the top.

I am not at all convinced that Glenn will resign. It does not sound like him, competitor that he is. He has four of his championship first five back next year and it probably would be hard not to see if he could do it two years in a row.

If he does resign after this season, it will be a grievous loss to Marshall high school, the community and to basketball. And to boys.

I expect we'll have to wait for Glenn's decision in his own good time.

### GREAT PHOTOS

I believe there were two really GREAT photos out of the state tournament, both of them in the Minneapolis Tribune.

One was the color shot by Wayne Bell in the March 22 Trib, showing Yogi Nefstead and Red Schroeder, with a couple Austin players. It was a terrific action picture and more striking because it was in color and six columns wide.

Perhaps the best photo of the whole show appeared in the Sunday Tribune, on the front page of the peach sports section. It was taken by John Croft of the Tribune.

It showed Dave Meisner, Cloquet's "Mighty Mouse," sobbing uncontrollably with his head on Yogi Nefstead's shoulder, and Yogi's arm around him. I could write a volume on that picture.

### THE COMPETITOR

Dick Enroth, WCCO's ace sports announcer, handled the tournament games under pretty difficult conditions.

Dick's mother died Thursday afternoon, and that evening, on his sports round-up, he paid her a moving and impressive tribute.

She had been severely crippled for many years but had raised Dick and a brother. Dick eulogized her as a "wonderful competitor." As he did so his voice broke and he left the air abruptly.

Despite his loss and grief, Dick handled all the broadcasts, and the thought occurred to me that not all the competitors were on the basketball floor, and that his mother, a "wonderful competitor" herself, had raised a pretty good one, too.

### PARTIAL TO MARSHALL

A lot of Marshall fans showed up in Minneapolis wearing big orange tags reading "We're Partial to Marshall."

And the Marshall cheerleaders won the hearts of a lot of spectators when they paraded completely around the Williams arena floor, before the start of each Marshall game, bearing a huge banner which read: "We're From Marshall and We

Couldn't Be Prouder." As things turned out, it was pretty prophetic.

And it must have helped because the Marshall cheerleaders won the award as the best group at the tournament.

TWO champions, eh? And late Saturday night, after some of the uproar had subsided, there was a small sign posted in a flower bed in the courtyard of the hotel: "Marshall Tigers, 1963 Champs."

HEADQUARTERS HASSLE The Curtis hotel was tournament headquarters and everybody gravitated there after the games.

Saturday night, Les Frey was holding court, with the huge state championship trophy ensclosed on a table for everybody to admire. Dozens of Marshall fans came up to touch the big trophy. Several ecstatic chicks even kissed it.

Larry Kienholz, shop instructor, was close by with a grin as wide as his chest, and said: "Jack it looks like I'm going to have to build a new case for it. We haven't got a case big enough to hold that one."

When the Marshall champs and Coach Matke showed up, they were swamped by jubilant admirers. Matke fled quickly to his room, probably to escape for just a few moments from the turmoil and tension in which he had lived for four days. Glenn looked a little beat -- and small wonder. Every coach in that tourney looked beat Saturday night.

### JOTTINGS AT LARGE

Most of this column was written in a hotel room in Minneapolis. I had to borrow a typewriter.

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## State Title Means More Than Glory and a Trophy

When the Marshall Tigers were ready to go to the basketball regional wars at St. Peter, Coach Glenn Matke made a little speech to a pep rally. With an apology to the English teachers, Glenn said: "We ain't goin' down there to lose!"

Just before the Tigers left for the state tournament, Glenn made another speech to the pep rally. And again he said, apologizing to the English teachers: "We ain't goin' down there to lose"

Matke's Tigers didn't lose, as the whole state knows. They proved what many of their supporters had maintained since the Marshall team took their district title--that the Tigers were good enough to go all the way. They proved it under fire, with courageous poise and superb play. They did it under the hardest kind of circumstances, before screaming crowds in the biggest high school tournament in the country.

What does all this mean to Marshall, wonderful as it all is?

It means a great deal. First it means a great deal to Marshall high school and its students. A deservedly proud school now stands considerably prouder. It is established as a power in the state. Never again will a sportswriter ask, in his metropolitan daily column: "Who are these people?" The whole state knows who "these people are."

Will it mean more than basketball glory and supremacy? Of course it will. Every mention of Marshall high school, in no matter what endeavor, will

be tied in, in some manner, with that state championship. If not obviously, then subconsciously. And every Marshall student, in whatever activity, will strive to emulate the surpassing performance of their basketball team.

What about the entire school system? The state title proclaims to anyone interested that Marshall schools maintain a vigorous, well-administered program that encourages the attainment of excellence in athletics as well as scholastic achievements.

And what will this championship mean to the city of Marshall itself? There are those, probably, who will take a luke-warm attitude about the whole thing. After all, they will say, it is only a game, exciting for a few days but of little lasting meaning.

This is not true. If anyone can think of more valuable publicity for a community than to have the state championship basketball team, with all that goes with it, we would like to know what it is. And publicity like this can not be bought.

There is more to the state title a great bunch of kids brought home from Williams arena than just the trophy and the glory. And Marshall will realize it in the future.

But for the moment, perhaps it is enough that the Tigers are the champs. Let's savor that for the time being. And later we can accept what other benefits accrue.

And we have only one thing to say here to the Tigers and their coaches: "You are the best--the very best!"

# Spring Has Added Zest in Marshall

By JIM BYRNE  
Minneapolis Star Staff Writer

Suddenly it was spring in Marshall Sunday and all southwestern Minnesota for that matter.

Only last Tuesday the Marshall High School basketball team left early in the wake of a heavy March snow to arrive in Minneapolis safe

and sound for the state tournament.

When the team returned home late yesterday afternoon with the state championship trophy, the temperature was 72 degrees and over 5,000 shirt-sleeved fans welcomed the party.

"This welcome has been tremendous," exclaimed

Glenn Mattke, the popular coach. "There isn't a sour face in Marshall."

Not only were the natives of Marshall on hand but also many from the surrounding communities.

As the champions rolled away from their tournament headquarters at the Curtis Hotel, it seemed that people just beyond the city limits began cheering for them again.

En route to the home of the champs the boys were cheered all along the way. There was a particularly peppery celebration at Morton, where Mattke had played before going to Gustavus Adolphus College.

Marshall never had won the state championship before, and a Region Three entry hadn't worn the crown since 1931.

So it was a new kind of spring in Marshall yesterday and an unusual one for the beautiful farm lands of Southwestern Minnesota.

L. M. Frey, the superintendent of schools there, called Mattke a "great guy and a great coach."

With Terry Porter, Loren Johnson, Sandy MacDonald and Dennis Schroeder, all juniors on Marshall's starting five, things look pretty bright for next season.

State tournament followers were scratching their heads trying to remember a team which has won the state title with four juniors in modern times.

But do you know the first thing Mattke asked Johnny Kundla after the championship game Saturday night as the smiling Minnesota coach greeted Mattke and congratulated him?

"John, have you any criticism for our team?" Mattke asked Kundla.

Kundla seemed very surprised at the question and responded with an immediate, "No."

"Your championship is a great thing for high school basketball in the state," John added with a smile.



Above are the trophies won by the Tigers in tournaments this year. They include the District 9 award, Region 3 trophy and the big one in the center is the state championship trophy.

Photo by Duane Rose



Minneapolis Tribune Photo by John Croft

Marshall's John Nefstead, left, Terry Porter match grins with Coach Glenn Mattke

## WHAT THEY SAID

### MARSHALL

John Nefstead: "I thought my shot just before the gun ending the fourth quarter would be good. It was off by just a fraction."

Dennis Schroeder: "It's tough to see the other team cutting your lead away like that. I'd almost rather go into the halftime rest tied than with a 42-29 lead."

Sandy MacDonald: "We were a little nervous at the end, but that was nothing new. Our last four games have gone right down to the wire."

Terry Porter: "We weren't trying to hold the ball in the second half. It's just that we had that lead, and we wanted to make sure the shot was a good one. We got a little too cautious."

Loren Johnson: "Austin executed its press very well. But it was one defensive man against the dribbler. And in that situation the guard should beat his man. Porter helped by breaking away near midcourt for the pass."



Johnson MacDonald Miller Hartman

### AUSTIN

Bruce Miller, center: "We were outbounded badly in the first half. Marshall got the inside position and held onto it. We outbounded them in the second half, but it wasn't enough."

Dave Hartman, guard: "Marshall scrapped awfully well. Their guards killed us with outside shooting." On the jump shot he took with 40 seconds left in regulation time that might have won it for Austin: "I had a good block and a clean shot. I just missed it, that's all."

Harry Musser, guard: "We fell too far behind. Did we play well? Not well enough, I guess."

Wally Osterholt, forward: "We were terrible . . . we've never fallen behind like that all season."

Tom Grimley, reserve who was charged with the foul that provided Marshall's winning margin: "I wanted to lay clear of him (Terry Porter) as he shot. I thought I did. I didn't want to foul him."



HERE is the all-state high school basketball tournament squad named after the 51st annual title classic in Williams Arena Saturday night was won by Marshall in a 75-74 thriller over Cloquet. Front, left to right, are John Nefstead, Terry Porter and Loren Johnson of Marshall; Dave

Associated Press  
Meisner, Dennis Breitbarth and Mike Forrest, all of Cloquet; back row, Bill Erickson, Anoka; Gary Gilbert, Sauk Centre; Bob Kelly, Bloomington; Gerry Suman, Bemidji; Joe Schmiesing, Sauk Centre, and Alan Redman, Wells.

## Cloquet Greeted 'Champs,' Too

Cloquet Coach Ben Trochil received a kiss from Susan Gillespie, a Cloquet cheerleader, when the team returned to Cloquet Sunday. Although the team lost the Minnesota high school championship by one point, 75-74 to Marshall, townspeople welcomed their "champs" with a large turnout.



### WHAT THEY SAID: SEIKKULA: CLOQUET FASTER THAN IN 1962

#### CLOQUET

**Mike Forrest:** "I think Aurora-Hoyt Lakes had a better all-around team than Bloomington. When we played them in the regional it was the same type of game, but Bloomington didn't have the team speed that Aurora did."

**Dave Meisner:** "I was No. 6 man on our team last year, but I'd rather be a starter. It was tough coming in cold off the bench. I felt if I didn't hit the first couple of shots I took I wasn't helping the team. This year I'm more relaxed, and maybe shooting little better because of it."

**Dennis Breitbarth:** "We can run even better than we did tonight. Rather than really turning it on we concentrated more on patterns against Bloomington, and it paid off."

**Dick Boyer:** "Putting two men on (Bobby) Kelly as he was trying to get the ball in play really helped. We knew we'd have to stop his floor play to win."

**Gary Welton:** "We've never really forgotten that opening-round loss last year to South St. Paul. The team made a vow to come back this year and make up for it. In the state tournament that first game means so much."

**Bob Seikkula,** who coached Cloquet at the State Tournament a year ago and then resigned to take the Minneapolis Henry job, said Thursday night the Lumberjacks are faster than they were last year.

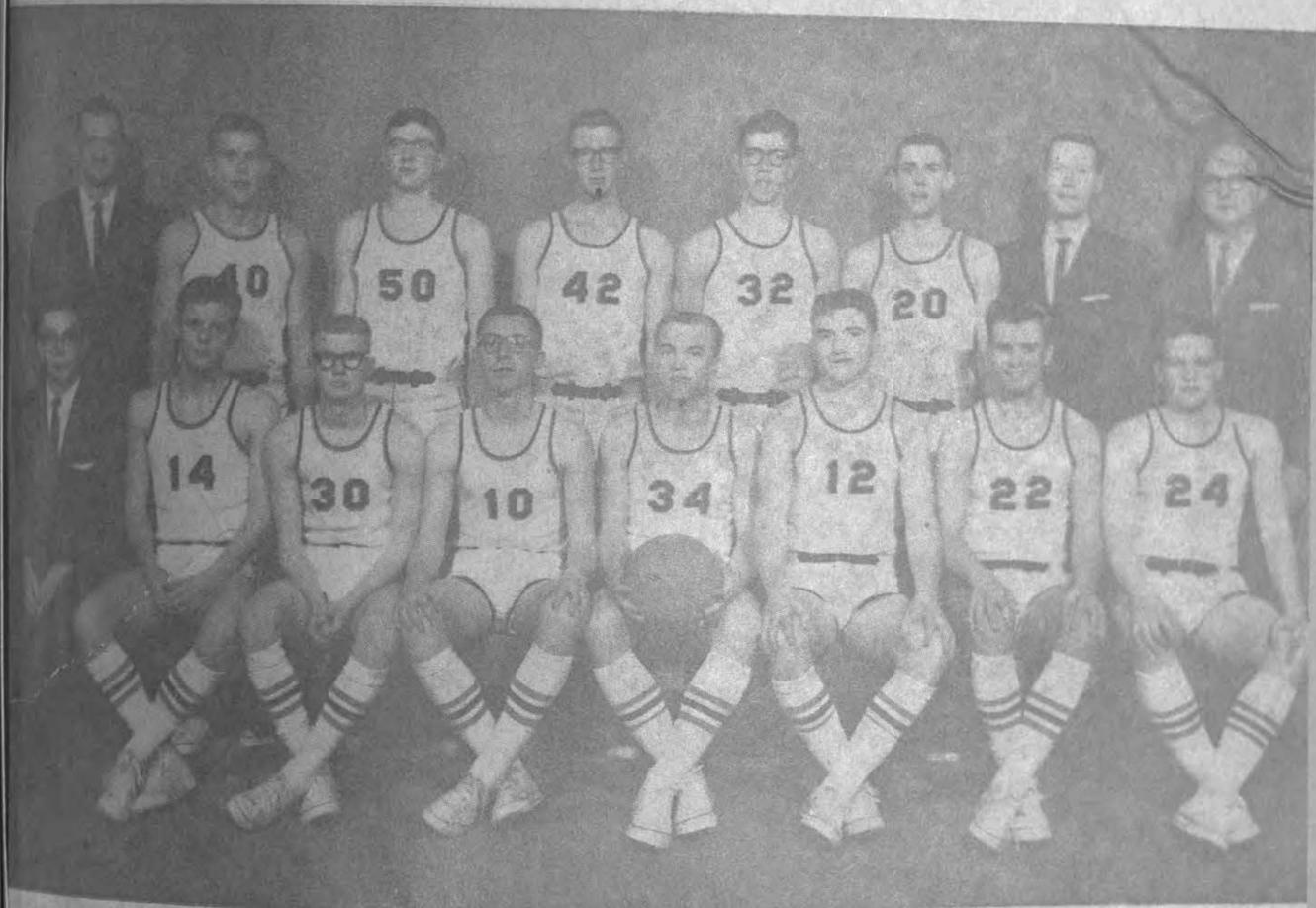
"The juniors we brought down here in 1962 are a little more mature, and they've added some speed," said Seikkula after he watched his old team whip Bloomington 82-67.

"Dennis Breitbarth and Dave Meisner are playing about the same. Mike Forrest looks much better. He is more effective around the basket than he was for me. Meisner is great, of course."

"I wanted to start Meisner last year, but he gambled a little too much on defense. He was more valuable to us as a pinch-hitter."

Seikkula obviously enjoyed Cloquet's victory. "It was a pleasure to watch them," he said. "It's like seeing your own sons after a year's absence. They played some great basketball tonight."

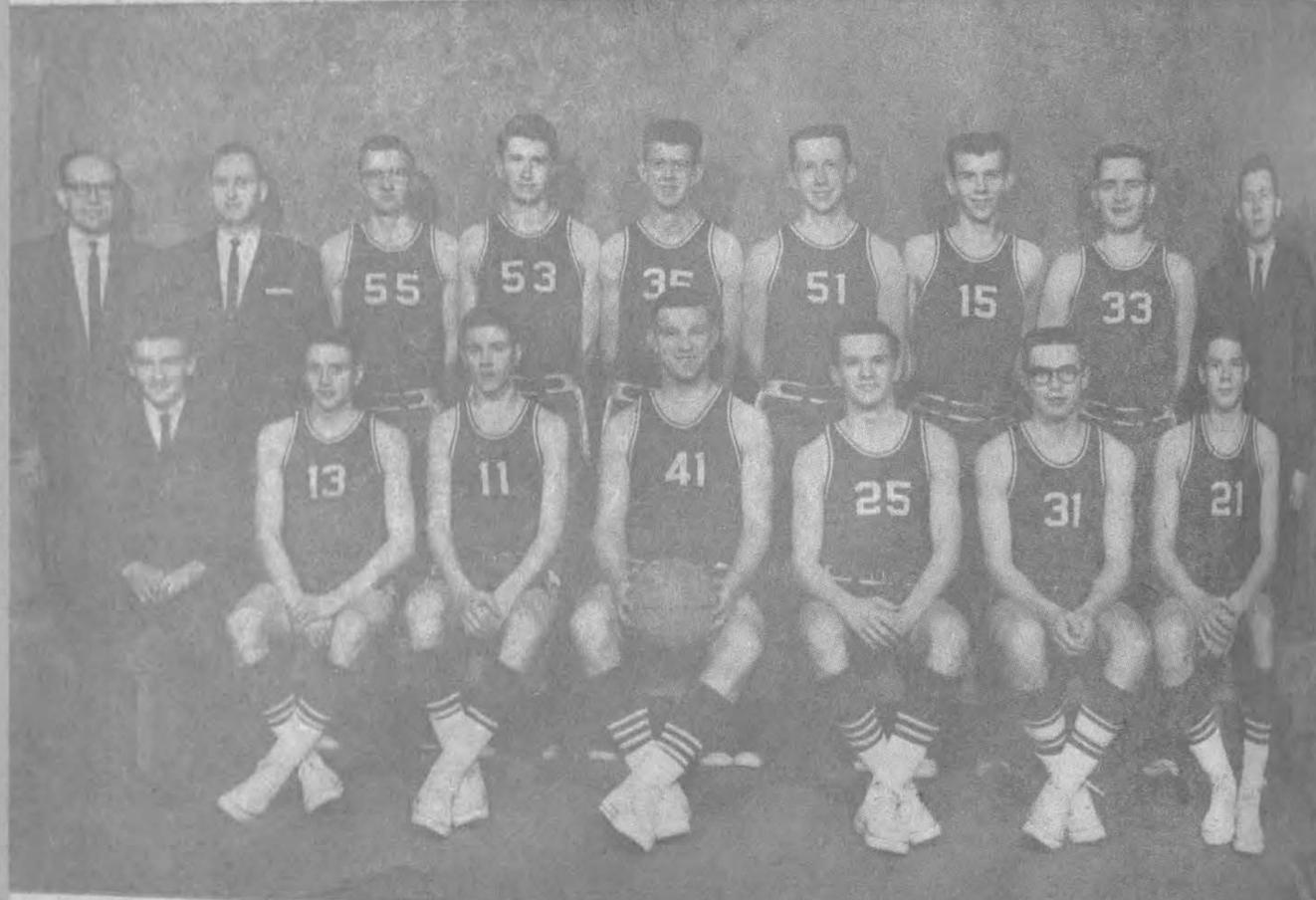
# The Champ-Marshall



**MARSHALL** players, coaches and manager are, left to right, front row: Manager Jay Wiltout, John Kirscht, Loren Johnson, Terry Porter, Daryl Otten, Dave Markell, Marion Paradis, Brian Murphy; back row: Coach Glenn

Mattke, John Nefstead, Dick Larson, Dennis Schroeder, Sandy MacDonald, Dave Webb, Assistant Coach George Krover and Athletic Director George Rindelaub.

# The Runner-Up—Cloquet



**CLOQUET** players, coaches and manager are, left to right, front row: Manager Bruce Rimstad, Dave Meisner, Dick Boyer, Dennis Breitbarth, Mike Forrest, Steve Mangan, Gary Welton; back row: Assistant Coach Larry

Urbanski, Assistant Coach Bob Erlach, Bill Erickson, Bill Norseus, Keith Hunter, Jay Gildemister, Tom Price, Craig Zeien and Coach Ben Trochlil.

# Mainstreeters Capture Third

Sauk Centre, down as much as 13 points twice in the first half and behind 12 points with seven minutes to play, roared from behind to edge Anoka 56-54 for third place in the Minnesota High School championship tournament Saturday night in Williams arena.

It was a wild finish to a game which had rolled along without too much excitement with Anoka seemingly in full control. But all season the Mainstreeters have rallied from big deficits and they saved one of their best for the final game.

Anoka, much sharper than against Marshall, brought Sauk Centre out of a zone

early with good shooting and then handled a man-for-man and a press without too much trouble until the final seven minutes.

Dick Neal, Gary Gilbert and Tom Trutna ignited the Sauk Centre rally after the opening minute of the fourth period during which Anoka had scored three points to push the lead to 45-33.

Neal and Gilbert hit jumpers and Trutna hit two set shots as the Mainstreeters rallied to cut the lead to 47-41. Anoka, with fiery little Bobby Fenwick handling the attack managed to hold a five-point edge as the score went to 50-45.

Trutna hit again from the corner, Don Schwanke recovered a loose ball and drove in for a layup and Anoka's lead was down to 50-49 with 2:41 to play.

Joe Schmiesing hit on a layup for a 51-50 Sauk Centre lead with 2:14 to play but reserve Jay Wellberg put Anoka back in front with two free throws.

Schmiesing tied it with a free throw and then hit Gilbert with a perfect pass as he cut down the middle for a lay up basket that put the Mainstreeters in front 54-52. Neal hit a pair of free throws and Tom Erickson's lay up with 43 seconds cut the final margin to 56-54.

Bill Erickson and Jerry Hayes, with some help from Fenwick, were the key men in Anoka's early leads, leads which saw the Tornados in control with margins from 7 to 13 points much of the time.

Sauk Centre hit 32.8 per cent from the field and Anoka hit 38.2 per cent. But the story of the Mainstreeter rally is found in rebounds. In the final period, Sauk Centre outrebounded Anoka 14-3 and had a 29-24 edge for the game.

Sauk Centre (56)		Anoka (54)	
Player	pts	Player	pts
Schm'sing	4	Hayes	3
Trutna	3	Johnson	3
Mickelson	2	Erickson	3
Neal	2	Spring	2
Gilbert	1	Breitbarth	2
Denschwike	1	Tobin	1
Denschwike	0	Wellberg	2
Mayer	0	Fenwick	2
		Wellberg	2
		Lundgren	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19 18 24 56</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>13 28 16 54</b>
Sauk Centre	8 19	Anoka	6 23
Anoka	19 15	Officials	7 13-34
Officials	Dana Powers and Sulo		
Lundgren			

# The Mainstreeters

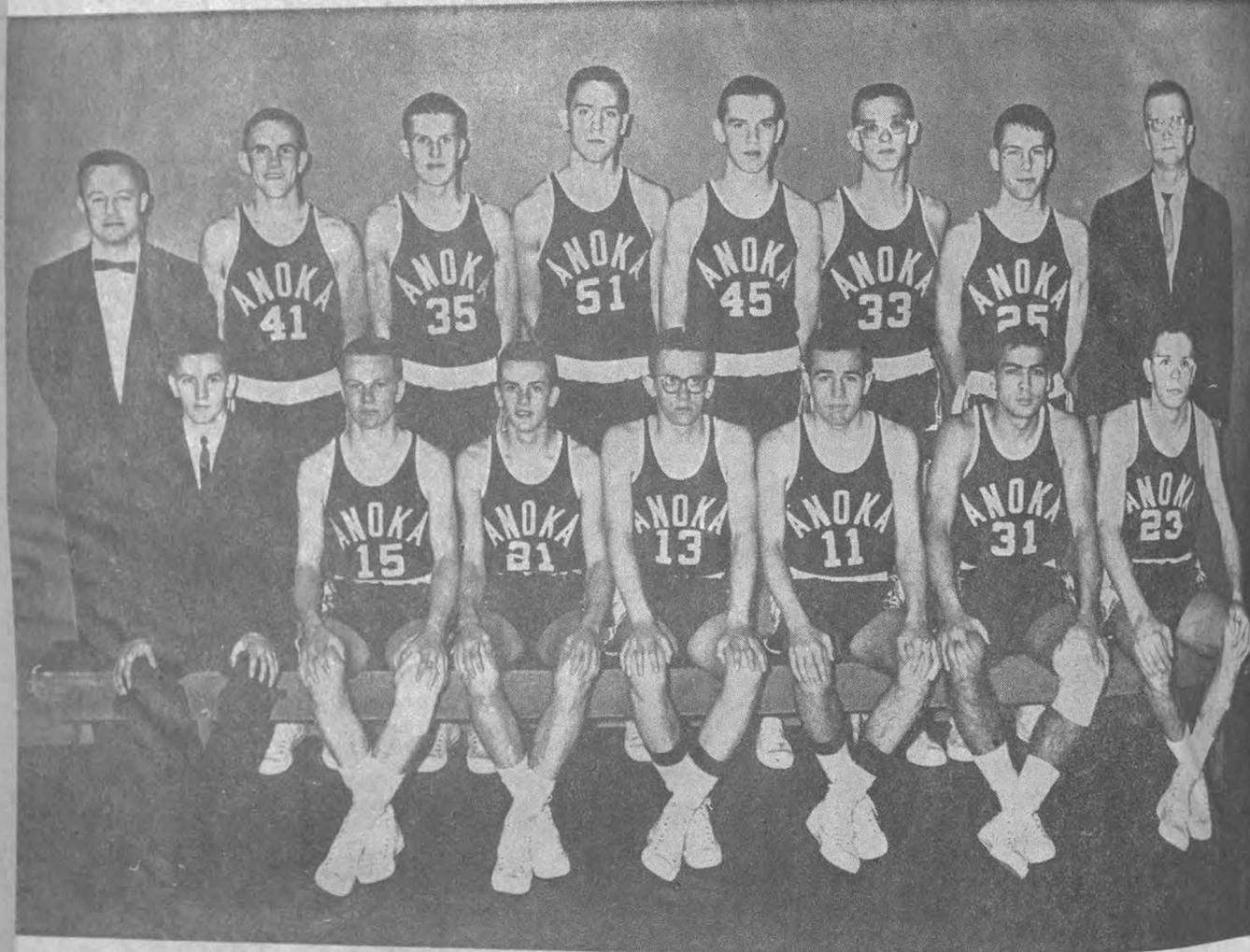


**SAUK CENTRE:** Front row, left to right, Dick Neal, Dave Deferman, Tom Mayor, Tom Kane, Bill Henry, Gary

Gilbert, Jim Ripka, Ken Borgmann, manager. Back row, left to right, assistant coach Harry Hanson, coach Bill

Selisker, Dave Schwanke, Al Mickelson, Joe Schmiesing, Don Scheanke, Tom Trutna, faculty representative Dick Schmitz.—Staff Photo.

## The Tornadoes



ANOKA: Front row, left to right, manager D. Boock, Bob Fenwick, Jerry Hayes. Back row, left to right, coach Phil Johnson, Jim Tobin, Dick Syring, assistant coach Rod Alferness, Jay Wellberg, Ron Peterson, Larry Vetsch, Wanamaker, Bill Erickson, Rod Tooley, Tom Erickson, Gordon Nelson.—Staff Photo.

## These Stars Named on High School

### All-Tournament Team



JOE SCHMIESING  
Sauk Centre



GARY GILBERT  
Sauk Centre



GERRY SUMAN  
Bemidji



MIKE FORREST  
Cloquet



TERRY PORTER  
Marshall



JOHN NEFSTEAD  
Marshall



LOREN JOHNSON  
Marshall



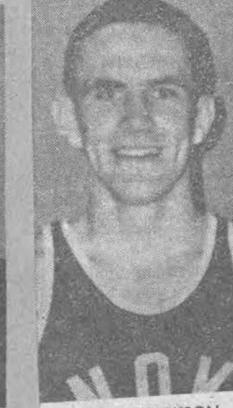
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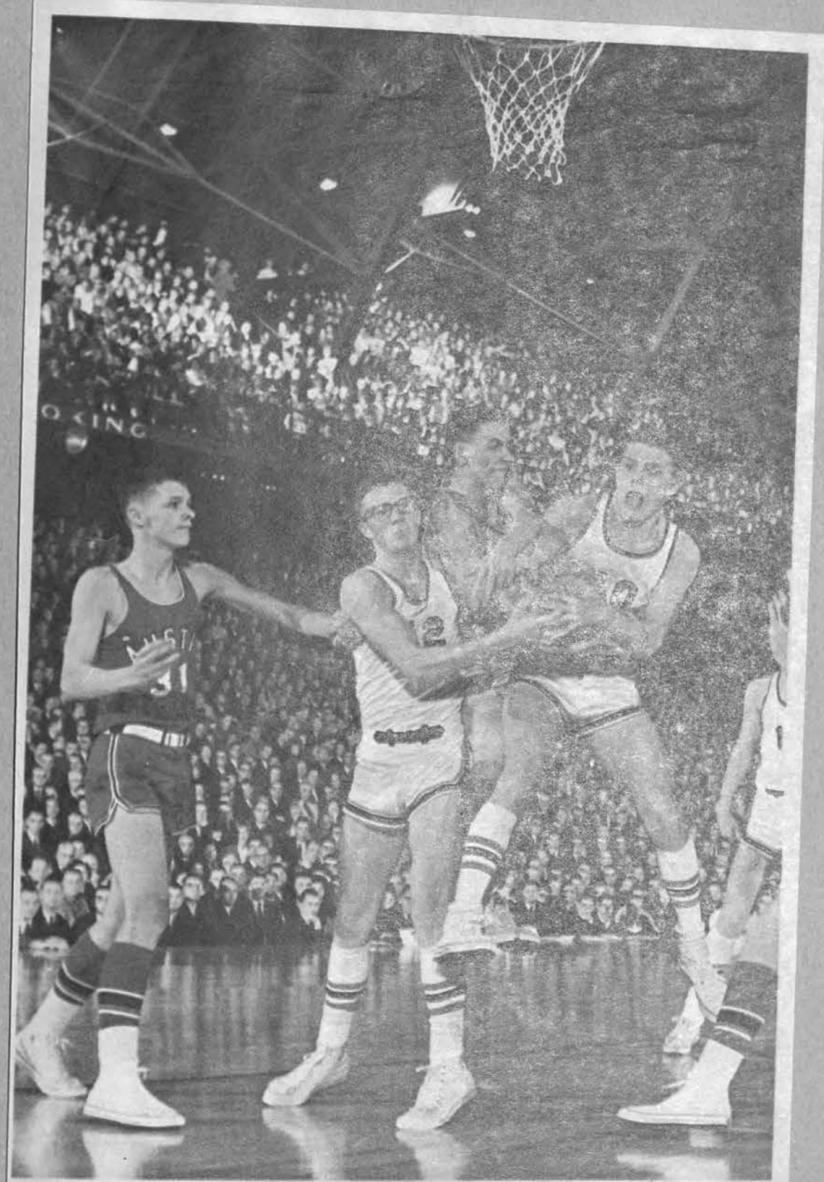
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BILL ERICKSON  
Anoka



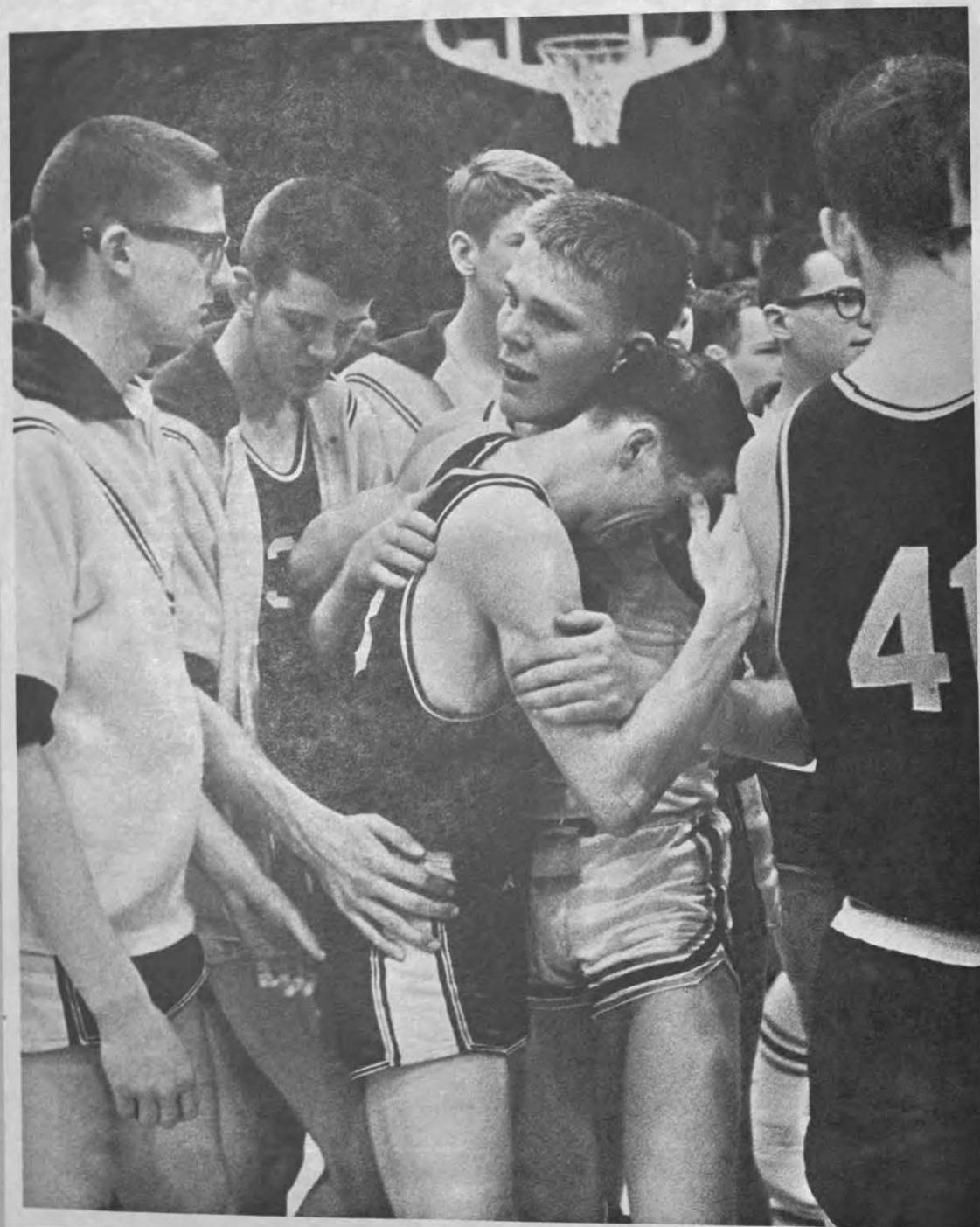
ROBERT KELLY  
Bloomington



This color picture of basketball action was taken by Wayne Bell March 21 during the thrill-packed opening game of the 51st annual Minnesota State High School Basketball Tournament at Williams Arena. While 18,552 screaming fans watched, Marshall edged Austin 65-63 in overtime and went on to win the title. Marshall's John Nefstead (right) and Dennis Schroeder are shown snaring a rebound from Austin's Walter Osterholt.



Bell

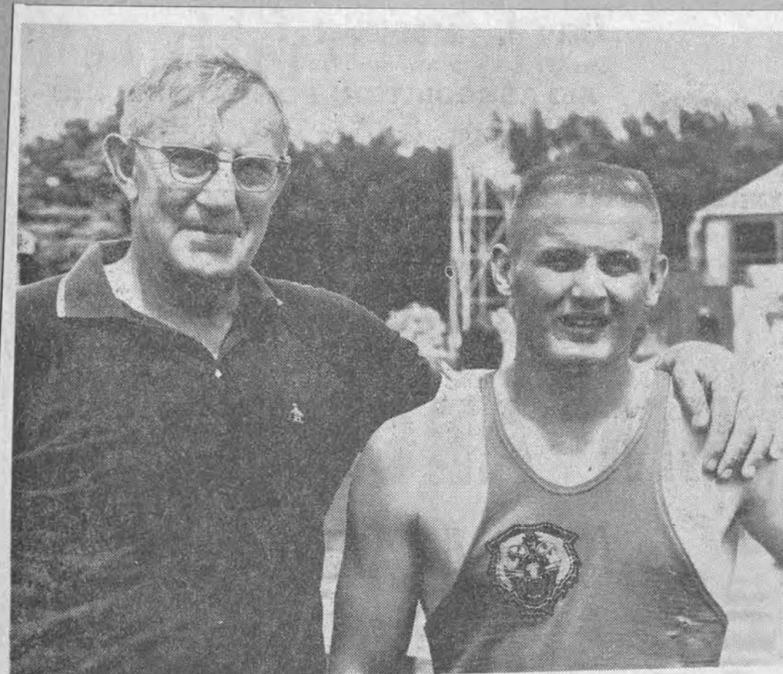


Croft

Victor comforted vanquished after Marshall eked out a 75-74 victory over Cloquet March 23 in the final game of the Minnesota State High School Basketball Tournament. John Croft pictured Cloquet's Dave Meisner weeping on the shoulder of Marshall's John Nefstead after the thrilling finish on the floor of Williams Arena. It was the first time Marshall won the state basketball title.



Above is the finish of the 220 yard dash at the Region 3 track meet run off here last Saturday. Tom Wyffels of Marshall, fourth from left, won the event by a stride. This is a close finish all the way, with no more than two or three strides separating the first and last place runners. Photo by Jack Cook



Tom Wyffels, Marshall dash man, gets a friendly arm from Coach Larry Kienholz after winning the 220 yard dash at the Region 3 track meet here last Saturday. Tom also took second in the 100 and ran a leg of the winning Marshall 880 yard relay team. The Tigers tied for third in the region with 18 points, behind Montevideo and Hutchinson. Photo by Jack Cook

# Tiger Runners Tie for 3rd In Region 3 Track Meet Behind Montevideo, Hutchinson Teams

Marshall high school's track team, admittedly a bit thin in spots, produced a fine effort last Saturday in the Region 3 meet held here and grabbed a tie with Madison for third place in the big competition.

Montevideo's strong young team, most of whom will be back next year, barely managed to stave off Hutchinson for the regional team title, with 26½ points against 24 for Hutch. Marshall and Madison tied for third with 18 points each.

The next 10 places were taken in the following order: 5, Gibbon, 13 points; 6, Buffalo Lake, 11; 7-8, Redwood Falls and Tyler, 10 each; 9, Olivia, 8; 10, Hector, 7. There were 27 schools represented in the meet.

Marshall copped two first places, a performance that surprised a few experts. Tom Wyffels, the Tigers' top dash man, won the 220 yard dash in 24.5 sec. Tom also finished second in the 100 yard dash behind Tod Macik of Hector, who won it in 10.7 sec.

The Tiger 880 yard relay team also won that event in the good time of 1:38. Running on the team were Red Schroeder, Jerry Smith, John Kirscht and Tom Wyffels.

Dennis Schroeder also copped

a few individual points as he ran 5th in the 120 yard high hurdles and 3rd in the 180 yard low hurdles.

No records were broken in the meet and few were even threatened. A stiff wind cut down times in many events. The meet was exceptionally well handled and run off with a minimum of delay and confusion. Except for the wind, the weather was good and the track was in good shape. A good crowd of spectators was on hand to watch the top track and field athletes in Region 3 do their stuff.

From Marshall, the 880 yard relay team, Wyffels in two dash events and Schroeder in the low hurdles will compete in the state track meet at the University of Minnesota.

Following are the meet results, through the first five places, in all events:

**SHOT PUT:** Huhnerkoch (Redwood Falls), 50'6"; S. Peterson (Madison), 49' 11½"; Ken Cravens (Cottonwood), 46' 6¼"; Redetzke (Echo) and Ashburn (Montevideo, tie, 46' 4".

**120 YARD HIGH HURDLES:** Bob Peterson (Hutchinson), 16.2 and Jim Hopp (Gibbon), 16.3; Tom Albrecht (Montevideo) 16.4 and Larry Pavlish (Lester Pra-

irie); Dennis Schroeder (Marshall).

**POLE VAULT:** Al Karels (Ortonville) 11'; J. Hiepler (Madison); Terry Sorenson (Tyler); Pettis (Gibbon); Jeff Hoelt (Hutchinson).

**880 YARD RELAY:** Marshall, 1:38 (Dennis Schroeder, Tom Wyffels, Jerry Smith, John Kirscht); Buffalo Lake, Madison; Gibbon.

**DISCUS:** Huhnerkoch (Redwood Falls) 142'6"; S. Peterson (Madison) 130'9½"; Bill Meier (Morgan) 129'11½"; L. Ochsendorf (Canby) 124'1½"; Halvorson (Montevideo) 117'11½".

**880 YARD DASH:** Dave Arneson (Montevideo) 2:05.6; D. McNellis (Glencoe); Jeff Hoelt (Hutchinson); Juni (New Ulm) and P. Syltie (Canby).

**MILE RELAY:** Hutchinson 3:38.8 (Allen Plath, Randy Maks, Mike Pribyl, J. Peterson; Montevideo; Canby; New Ulm).

**HIGH JUMP:** Scott Dirks (Olivia) 5'11"; Bill Manthei (Danube) 5'10"; Lynn Hagman (Ruthton) 5'9"; Tom Mundt (Russell) 5'9"; Daitenbach (Morgan) 5'8".

**100 YARD DASH:** Tod Macik (Hector) 10.7; Tom Wyffels of (Marshall); Charles Anderson (Montevideo); Tom Hubin (Buffalo Lake); Gerald Dastyh (Ivanhoe).

**MILE RUN:** Roger Anderson (Montevideo) 4:43.6; Gary Schumacher (Wabasso); Jerry Sanvold (Renville); Jerry Bahn (Cottonwood); Meyer (Sleepy Eye).

**440 YARD DASH:** Jim Peterson (Hutchinson), 52.2; Jerry Sorenson (Tyler); Rich Enga (Madison); Kieper (Springfield); Greg Gropel (Ivanhoe).

**180 LOW HURDLES:** Bob Peterson (Hutchinson) 21.6; Tom

Albrecht (Montevideo); Denny Schroeder (Marshall); Hopp of (Gibbon); S. Yackley (Canby).

**220 YARD DASH:** Tom Wyffels (Marshall) 24.5; Tom Hubin (Buffalo Lake); Jerry Sorenson (Tyler); James Macik (Hector); Wick (Montevideo).

**BROAD JUMP:** Tom Lee (Tracy) 19'3¾"; Hopp (Gibbon) 19'4½"; Scott Dirks (Olivia) 19' 4"; Dave Mueller (Buffalo Lake) 19'3¾"; R. Enga (Madison) 19'1½".

**TEAM TOTALS**  
1. Montevideo 26½  
2. Hutchinson 24

3-4 Marshall and Madison 18  
5. Gibbon 13  
6. Buffalo Lake 11  
7-8 Redwood Falls and Tyler 10  
9. Olivia 8  
10. Hector 7  
11. Canby 6  
12 - 14. Ortonville 5, Cottonwood and Tracy 5.  
15-18. Danube, Morgan, Wabasso, Glencoe, 4  
19-21 New Ulm, Renville, Ruthton 3  
22-25. Russell, Lester Prairie, Ivanhoe, Springfield 2  
26. Echo 1½  
27. Sleepy Eye 1