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# MARSHALL (Region Three)



**Marshall** Front row, left to right, Dan Simpson, Coach Glenn Mattke, Larry Drager, Jay Wiltrout; back row, Brian Murphy, John Kirscht, Marion Paradis, John Nefstead, Dave Webb, Sandy MacDonald, Dennis Schroeder, Dick Larson, Terry Porter, Daryl Otten, Loren Johnson and Dave Markell.

## Horseshoe

A YEAR AGO Anoka fans presented their Region Four champions with a horseshoe shaped flower arrangement. It helped morale, but not the score in the first round of tournament play. Anoka players, who roomed next to Marshall's competitors, passed along the horseshoe with the usual "good luck."

It might have helped, at least Marshall won the title 75-74 from Cloquet. And now the same horseshoe is due back in the tournament.

"I understand," says Coach Bill Wanamaker of Anoka, "that the Marshall players (out this year) plan to ship us the horseshoe all decked out in new flowers prior to our appearance at Williams Arena tonight."

Forming friendships such as these perhaps gives the tournament its real significance.



Wanamaker



# State Tournament

## MEMOIRS

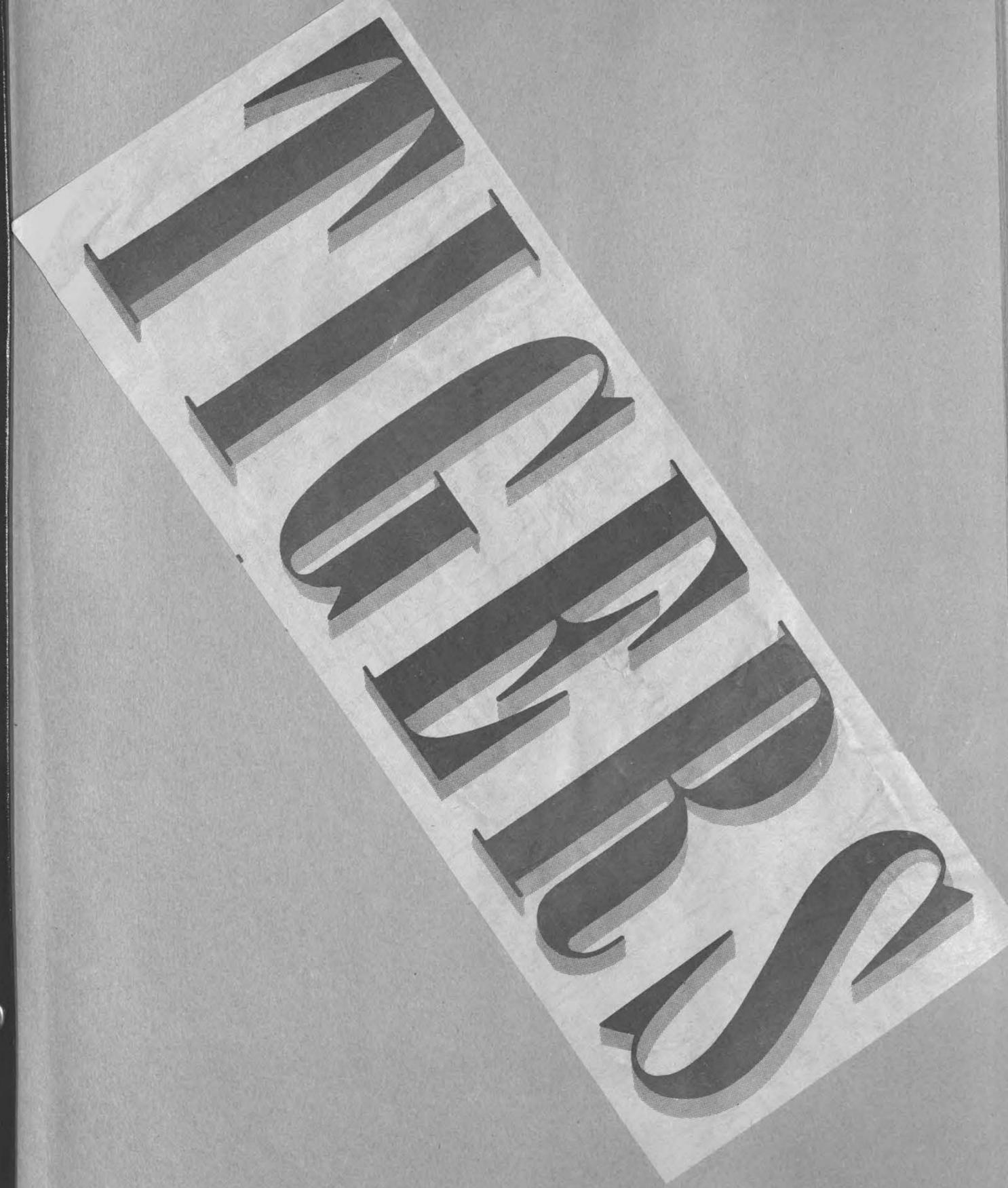
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**PANDEMONIUM BREAKS LOOSE** — After Marshall won the 1963 State High School basketball championship at Williams Arena, Tiger fans and players literally erupted off the bench and expressed their emotions. At the left Capt. John Nefstead wraps his arms around Dana Mercie

while, at the right, Susie Rehkamp embraces fellow cheerleader, Susan Hedenstrom. In front, appearing to do a lindy, are Terry Porter and Eleanor Rose. Marshall's cheerleaders were judged to be the best in this year's tournament and they also received a trophy. *Loey photo*

# TIGER PRIDE



# MINNESOTA STATE CHAMPIONS



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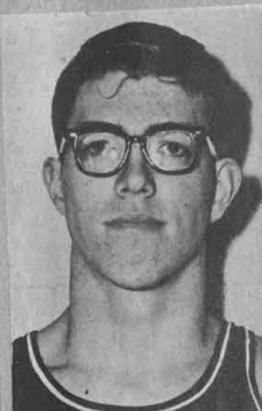
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Head Coach



Dennis Schroeder  
6' 2" Forward  
Junior



John (Yogi) Nefstead  
6' 1" Forward  
Senior, Captain



Sandy MacDonald  
6' 2½" Center  
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Daryl (Butch) Otten  
5' 11" Forward  
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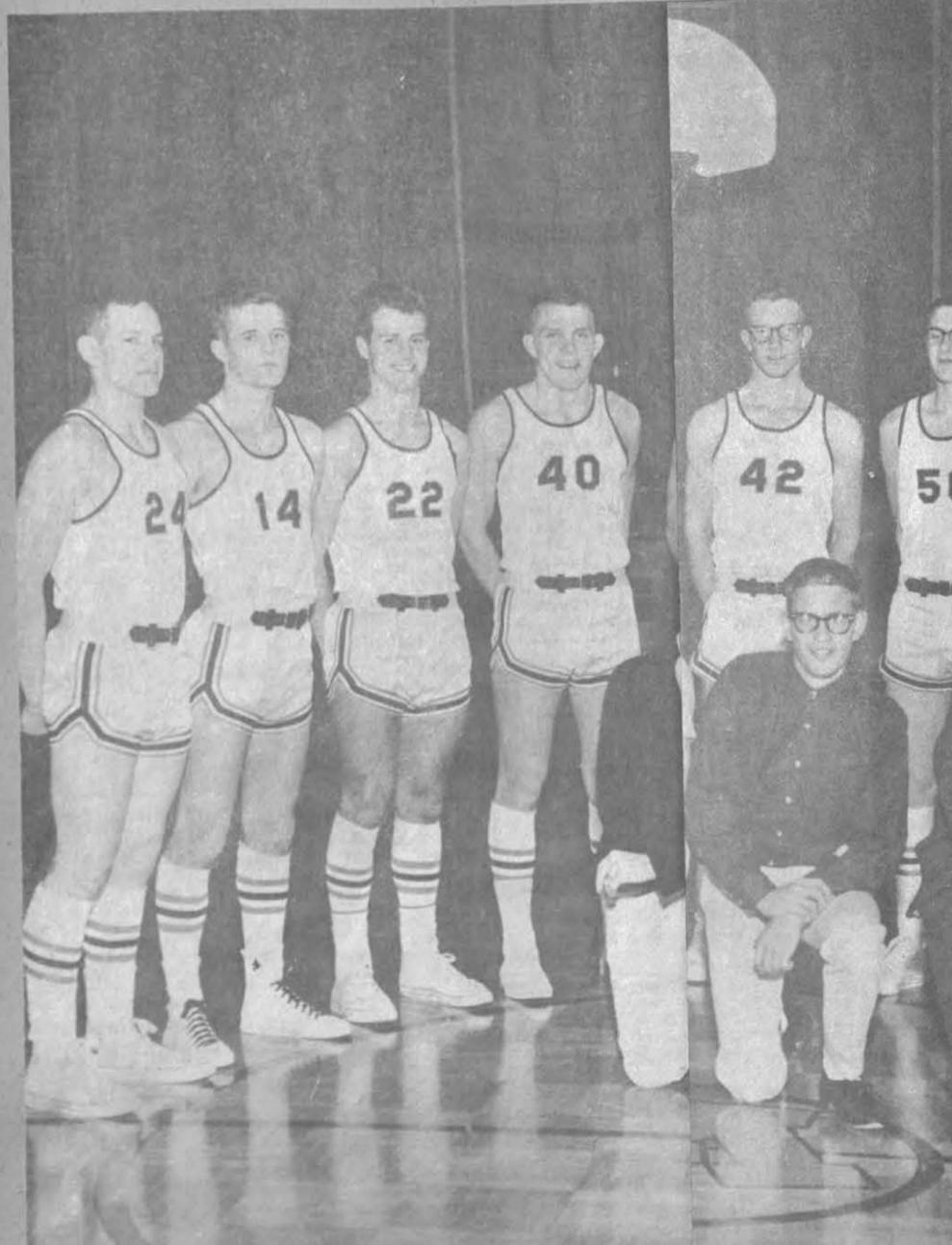
Terry Porter  
6' 0" Guard  
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Loren (Whitey) Johnson  
5' 9" Guard  
Junior



Dave Webb  
6' 0" Forward  
Senior



**TRAINED** — National Guard Pvt. Rolland E. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Johnson of rural Tyler, completed eight weeks of advanced individual infantry training under the reserve forces program at Fort Polk, La., yesterday. Johnson is assigned to the Marshall National Guard unit where he will complete his military obligation.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**IN MEMORIAM**—In loving memory of my brother Marlowe Larson who passed away March 22nd, 1960. You have left this world of sorrow brother dear, and are free from pain and harm; and now rest in peace and comfort in the blessed Saviour's arms. Sister, Mrs. John Budnick. 59-1tx

We wish to thank all friends and relatives for gifts, cards, phone calls received during our illness. Thanks to the doctors and the nurses for their care. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Fifield. 59-1t

**MR. CORN GROWER:** Money meeting: You can control Grass and Weeds in Corn for \$1.00 per acre with Dow's directed spray method. Demonstration meeting will be held at Marshall at Club "59", 2:00 p.m., March 27th. All Corn growers invited. Free coffee. Your Dow Dealers. 59-1tx

**JOIN WOMEN OF St. James'** Episcopal church in Tuesday slack session at 9:15

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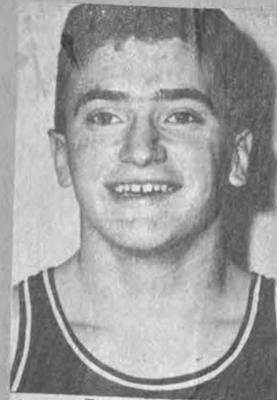
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Jay Wiltrout  
Manager

# TIGERS WIN STATE

BY MORGAN BRANDRUP  
Messenger Sports Editor

MINNEAPOLIS — Marshall high school is the champion basketball team for 1963.

That was decided at Williams Arena on the University of Minnesota campus here last night when they tipped an excellent Cloquet club, 75-74, in a game that had 18,580 fans gripping the edge of their seats with sweaty palms.

"This is the greatest game I've ever seen two finalists play here," Otis Dypwick, University of Minnesota Sports Publicity Director said after the touch-and-go battle.

It was forward Denny (Red) Schroeder's two free throws on a one-and-one situation, pressure-packed all the way, with 15 seconds left that brought the championship trophy back to Marshall

for the first time in history.

Schroeder was fouled in a melee under the Tigers' basket after Cloquet's Mike Forrest missed a similar one-and-one that could have salted away the victory. Players fell down trying to get the ball and the Lumberjacks' Gary Welton pushed Red from behind in the scramble.

Red's first free throw — and the one he had to make

in order to get the second — bounced around the lip of the orange ring and fell through. His second effort cut the cords cleanly and Marshall led, 75-74.

But Cloquet wasn't out of it yet. Taking time out after the pass-in, the Lumberjacks set forward Mike Forrest up from the outside. His shot, a 15 to 20-footer, rolled in and out.

The final seconds clicked

off in a wild scramble for the ball . . . and then pandemonium broke loose as a happy bunch of Tigers congratulated themselves and their coach Glenn Mattke along with extending their hand to a gallant team of Cloquet Lumberjacks.

It was a game where neither club could gain much of an advantage. The lead changed hands 11 times. There were nine ties along

the way also. Marshall's biggest lead was seven points (66-59) with 5:18 left in the game. Cloquet also compiled a seven-point lead of 16-9 with 2:21 left in the first quarter.

The Tigers, in winning the cliff-hanger chalked up their 23rd consecutive victory and 25th success against one loss. Cloquet took their third loss in 28 starts.

It was the first win for a Region Three team since the

regions were rearranged in the early '30's. Glencoe was the last winner under the old setup in 1931.

And it was the Tigers' free throwing ability that snatched victory from an Iron Range team after the 1942 MHS team lost on a free throw to Buhl in the closing seconds, 30-29.

Marshall's free throwing — particularly in the second half — aided them in their Cloquet

conquest. The Bengals made six of seven chances and kept down 15 of 22 for the game (68 per cent).

The Lumberjacks went to the free throw line frequently in the first 16 minutes and made 13 of 21 attempts. The Tigers fouled less in the second half and Cloquet's first — and only — one-and-one situation came when Forrest missed that free throw with 19 seconds left.

Cloquet led most of the first quarter but, after getting their seven-point lead at 16-9, Porter and Johnson each hit from long range to cut the margin to three.

Mike Forrest, who had a tremendous start where he sank his first nine shots on his quick maneuvering (eight straight in the first half), hit one of his rapid-motion drives and the Lumberjacks led by five. Porter, on a one-and-one, made two free throws and it was now 18-15. Forrest gave his club another point with a free throw.

Schroeder, jumping higher than ever, hit a turn-around jumper after a missed free throw and Nefstead, following a missed shot, laid one in for a 19-19 tie. He was fouled and also added the free throw for a three-point play. Moments later he tipped one in for a three-point Marshall lead at 22-19. However, Forrest's jumper cut things down to the quarter score of 22-21.

The Tigers showed their excellent balance in the second period with Johnson and Porter getting six apiece, Nefstead, five; and Red, four. Two consecutive individual efforts by Schroeder — he followed up his own missed set shot and drove in from the right corner — jumped the Tigers to a 28-23 lead with 6:36 left before intermission.

Coch Kundra Says —

## Marshall's Guards Are Tops

"Marshall's guards (Terry Porter and Loren (Whitey) Johnson) are among the best set — if not the best — ever to play in the State Tournament."

This was Minnesota basketball coach John Kundra talking about the Tigers' two junior backcourtmembers whose outstanding play won them All-Tournament berths.

"Marshall had a fine ball club," Kundra said before he went down to the dressing room to congratulate coach Glenn Mattke on the tournament victory.

"They (Marshall) are among the best balanced

clubs ever to play in the tournament. They can hurt you from any spot on the floor.

"Marshall placed three men on the All-Tournament squad and it is too bad that redhead (Denny Schroeder) couldn't have made it. He did a terrific job all through the tournament.

"The tournament field was among the best ever. Every game, save a couple, was close right down to the wire. It was a fine meet."

# 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 on 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-

ing 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 Matkke made what a lot of the coaches watching the tourney, called the shrewdest move of the meet.

#### ZONE DEFENSE

Matkke 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 Tornadoes 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 Matkke 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.

# Battling Cloquet Five Bows in Finals

## Marshall Wins Title By 75-74

BY DICK GERZIC  
Of The News-Tribune Staff

MINNEAPOLIS — Two free throws by red-haired Dennis Schroeder with 15 seconds remaining deprived Cloquet of a miracle-finish State High School Basketball championship in Williams Arena Saturday night.

Schroeder's free throw gave underdog Marshall a 75-74 victory in the finals before 18,580 near-delirious fans over the Lumberjacks, who had become the darlings of the tournament.

Thus, realization of their fondest dream slipped away from the mighty-mite 'Jacks who had hoped to place the "little guy" at the pinnacle of Minnesota prep basketball.

Unheralded, Marshall came up with an awesome attack of its own. The Tigers were unawed by Cloquet's speed, shot at a better clip and ran step for step with the Northland speedsters.

The contest was exactly what it was meant to be—a battle between the two finest high school teams in the state. And it could have gone either way.

Marshall, representing Region 3, happened to be out in front when the final buzzer sounded after the Lumberjacks had failed in a couple of attempts to win with one more basket.

Remarkable Mike Forrest, no doubt the outstanding performer of this season's tourney, dropped to the floor in grief when it ended. He had missed a free throw 10 seconds from the finish and later the Lumberjacks' last shot of the game.

Forrest personally guided the Lumberjacks throughout the hectic battle, and he was truly spectacular. The 5-10 forward arched jump shots, he drove, and he fired set shots for a 29-point total.

His great little running mate, 5-8 Dave (Mouse) Meisner was the unfortunate victim of foul problems, and he was forced to sit out much of the contest.

Had Meisner been around all the way, it might have been a different story. The "Mouse" still managed to score 16 points, and he keyed a late Cloquet drive that wiped out a seven-point deficit.

Marshall wasn't to be denied, however, and today reigns as a worthy champion. It failed to crack when the 'Jacks applied the pressure. And for every break that came their way, the Tigers obliged by taking advantage.

Schroeder, cool throughout although he too was in foul trouble, wasted little time tying and winning the contest.

His first shot hit the back lip of the rim, bounced off the front and split the net. A deafening roar filled the arena when his next still was in the air. It was evident the ball would hit home.

Schroeder had been fouled in a melee under Cloquet's basket when Forrest missed his free throw. Cloquet's Denny Breitbarth had gained control of the rebound, lost it, and in a scramble, Schroeder was fouled.



Marshall's Dennis Schroeder (42) and John Nefstead, center, box in Cloquet's Mike Forrest (25), who shoots and is fouled.

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 Matkke 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.



### Being a Generous Winner is Part of Being a Champion

The dramatic scene above may have been the best photo of the state high school basketball tournament. It was taken by John Croft of the Minneapolis Tribune, just seconds after the final buzzer of the final game. It shows Dave "Mighty Mouse" Meisner of Cloquet, weeping bitterly with his head on the shoulder of Marshall's John Nefstead. Both are near exhaustion and with the release of the terrific tension, Meisner has broken into tears. And Nefstead has taken a few seconds from the impending victory explosion to comfort a gallant and defeated opponent. In

To set the cause above reknown,  
To love the game beyond the prize,  
To honor as you strike him down,  
The foe who comes with fearless eyes.

this photo may be found much of what is best in amateur athletics—the intense desire to excel, the character to be a "good" winner as well as a "good" loser, the comradeship of clean young men who have learned how to be both.

The English poet, Sir Henry Newbolt, who died in 1938, wrote a poem entitled "Clifton Chapel." Two stanzas from that poem were for many years (perhaps still are) the creed of the Minnesota High School League and appeared in the league's handbook. Looking at Croft's great photo the lines come to mind:

To count the life of battle good,  
And dear the land that gave you birth,  
But dearer yet the brotherhood  
That binds the brave of all the earth.



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



### "20 Eyes in the Bifocal Brigade" Were Better Than 10

Are 20 eyes better than 10? It would appear to be true, judging by the performance of the Marshall Tigers. Five of the first six on the Marshall squad wore cheaters and it didn't seem to bother them much. The team shot at around a 50 percent clip all season. Whitey Johnson didn't start wearing glasses until this season. They seemed to improve his shooting almost immediately. He says he wears them only

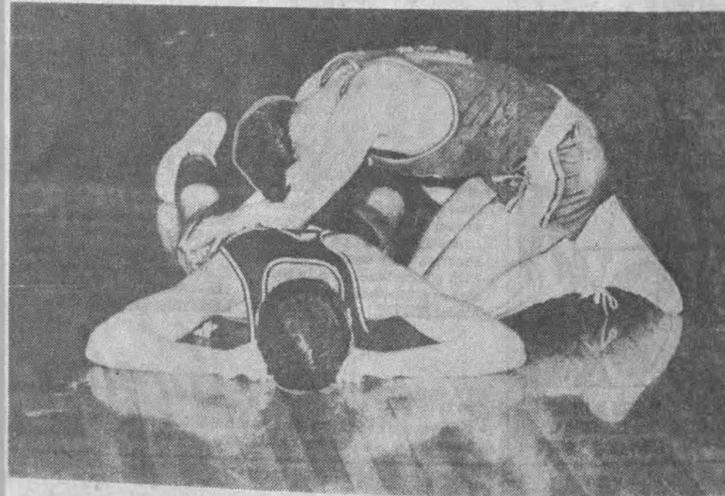
when playing basketball. John Nefstead is the only regular who does not wear glasses. And he is the exception that proves the rule because Yogi led the team in scoring this season. Seated in photo above is the "bifocal brigade," left to right, Whitey Johnson, Terry Porter, Sandy MacDonald, Dennis Schroeder and Dave Webb. At rear, with no specs, is John Nefstead.—Photo courtesy of Minneapolis Star.

## As Marshall Celebrated its Reign in



Minneapolis Tribune Photo by John Croft  
Sandy MacDonald, left, Dennis Schroeder give coach Glenn Mattkke post-game shower

## ...Cloquet's Kingdom Crumpled



United Press International  
Mike Forrest sobs on back of Cloquet teammate Dave Meisner

Cloquet Star Says —

## We Lost to Better Club

"We just lost to a better ball club," Cloquet's Steve Forrest said after the Lumberjacks' heartbreaking 75-74 loss to Marshall for the 1963 State Tournament championship.

Forrest, despite being saddled with three fouls in the first half and four midway through the game, did more than his share. His 29 points was the high total for both teams and he justly de-

served the All-Tournament selection that followed the championship contest.

Mike, an All-State football player (halfback), was immensely disappointed, naturally, because Cloquet didn't win. He fell to the floor in tears after the game.

But Forrest put on a tremendous shooting exhibition in keeping Cloquet in the ball game. He made his first nine shots in the struggle and for

the full 32 minutes sank 13 of 23 shots (57 per cent).

"That Forrest went right on by us like he was propelled by a motor," Loren (Whitey) Johnson of the Tigers said.



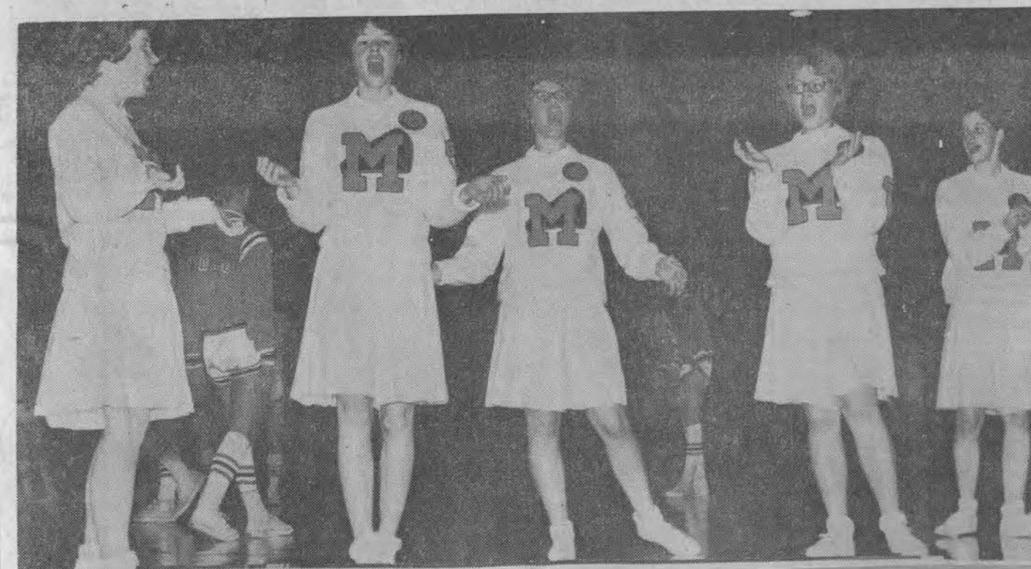
## Tiger Cheerleaders Are State Champions Too

Marshall's great basketball team was not the only Tiger tournament entry to bring home a trophy from the state tournament. The Tiger cheerleaders were awarded the St. Paul Dispatch-Pioneer Press trophy for the outstanding group at the tourney. The award was based on originality, enthusiasm and routines. The St. Paul newspapers make the award each year to encourage cheerleader groups who contribute a great deal to the athletic program all year. The Mar-

shall cheerleaders didn't get their trophy immediately but it will be presented Thursday at a convocation at the school. A representative of the Dispatch-Pioneer Press will be on hand to make the award. In photo above are front row, left to right, Susie Hedenstrom, Sandy Peterson and Susan Rehkamp. Back row, Dana Mercie, Eleanor Rose and Lynne Peterson.

Photo courtesy of the St. Paul Sunday Pioneer Press

## Marshall Tiger Cheerleaders Were Also Winners at State Tournament





**OUTSTANDING CHEERLEADERS** — Bill Boni, executive sports editor of the St. Paul Dispatch-Pioneer Press (left) presented Marshall's high school's cheerleaders with the trophy signifying them as the outstanding cheerleading group in this year's State High School Basketball Tournament. The cheerleaders (left to right) are Susan Rehkamp (receiving the trophy), Sandy Peterson, Lynn Peterson, Susan Hedenstrom, Eleanor Rose and Dana Mercie. A committee of St. Paul sportswriters each year selects the outstanding group of cheerleaders (not necessarily from the school that wins the state title) and the girls are judged on originality, enthusiasm and routine. Messenger photo.

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



**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.

Star Photo by John Croft

## Cloquet is a Winner at Home

### ★ ★ ★ ★ SPIRIT TOPS SCORE THERE

cial to the Minneapolis Star  
CLOQUET, Minn.—The welcoming crowd would have been smaller if Cloquet High school's basketball team had won the state basketball tournament, civic leaders said today.

More than 2,500 persons cheered the team as it returned home yesterday after-

noon. Mayor Roy Ranum said, "They conducted themselves like gentlemen and played like sportsmen. That means more to us than a one-point ball game."

The speakers on the welcoming program said adversity has never bothered this community of 9,000. Cloquet survived total destruction by

fire, the loss of its once dominant sawmill industries and now a loss in the state finals.

"It's part of the Cloquet spirit to ignore a downward bit of luck," said Ranum.

Formally welcoming the team home, besides Ranum, were John Hovanec, a Chamber of Commerce leader; Bernard Simmer, a labor leader, and Fred Wolner, high school principal.

The team and coaching staff will be guests at an American Legion dinner tonight.

## 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.

## 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' Alan Redman 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	24	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, Austin	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

## Wells' Redman Fifth In Tourney Scoring

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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	24	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, Austin	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 Centre	3	19	2	40	13.3
Schmiesing, Sauk Centre	3	14	9	37	12.3

### 'NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF'

## Cloquet Holds Head High

By MERRILL SWANSON  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

It was easy to pick out the Cloquet basketball players in the hotel lobby Sunday morning — they were the ones who held their heads especially high.

Granted, they smiled little. But they were proud of their accomplishments, and said so.

"Certainly we're proud — we have nothing to be ashamed of," said All-State-Tournament player Mike Forrest. "Marshall beat us — but only by one point. That's all, one point."

"We went farther in this tournament than any Cloquet team ever has. Getting into the tournament is an honor itself."

Forrest looked fresh and ready to play again despite the rugged grind of three fast and furious games in three days.

"Everybody says we were tired," said teammate Dave Meisner, also an all-tournament selec-

tion. "We could go out and run through another game right now. We weren't as quick against Marshall Saturday night as against Bloomington Thursday night, but we still could run."

"If anybody was tired, it was Marshall."

Both Cloquet hotshots, however, admitted their disappointment at not winning the state championship.

"I felt bad — real bad

right after the game," Forrest said. "But then somebody put that second-place trophy in front of me. It's darn big, you know. Maybe it's not the biggest, but it's darn big."

Then Meisner cut in: "You know, Mike, I hate to see it end. It's been a lot of fun."

"That's right," Forrest answered. "There was only one better way for it to have ended."

# Night Practice Session Was Marshall Key

By DWAYNE NETLAND  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

MARSHALL, Minn.—An extra practice which Coach Glenn Mattke squeezed in last Wednesday night was the key to Marshall's state high school basketball championship.

Mattke made that observation while relaxing at home Sunday after his state champs had been honored by a downtown civic fete before 5,000 persons.

Marshall took its additional practice at Centennial High School on the eve of its opening game with Austin.

"We'd already worked out 45 minutes at Williams Arena in the afternoon," Mattke said. "But that wasn't enough."

"We had missed our Tuesday practice since we had to leave that day for Minneapolis. The weather was so bad I didn't dare to wait until Wednesday morning to make the trip."

"The thing we had to do was get our defensive assignments straightened out for the Austin game. The Wednesday night drill enabled us to do that. Without it, we would have had to go into that first game rather unprepared."

Two other important factors in Marshall's drive to the title were its poise under pressure and the fact it could rest its regulars for much of the semifinal game Friday night.

"I wasn't particularly surprised by the poise the kids showed," Mattke said. "We had it through the district and regional tour-

naments, too. When Hutchinson had us down 34-20 I was rattled, but my players weren't."

Getting an early jump against Anoka enabled Mattke to rest his starting five of John Nefstead, Dennis Schroeder, Sandy MacDonald, Loren Johnson and Terry Porter through much of the second half.

"I knew we'd be up against it in the finals," Mattke said. "And I wanted them to be as fresh as possible. I believe that Sauk Centre took a lot out of Cloquet in their semifinal game. Cloquet had no chance to rest its starters."

Mattke was particularly happy over the play of Schroeder, whose two free throws in the final 15 seconds beat Cloquet 75-74 in the finals.

"That boy should have made all - state," Mattke said. "Johnny Kundra (Gopher coach) thought so, and I agreed with him."

During their three tournament games, the Tigers

committed only 17 mechanical errors.

"Our theory is that if we can stay under 10 a game that we'll win it," Mattke said. "Making only 17 in three games was almost unbelievable."

The championship was more than the coaching pinnacle of Mattke's career.



Johnson



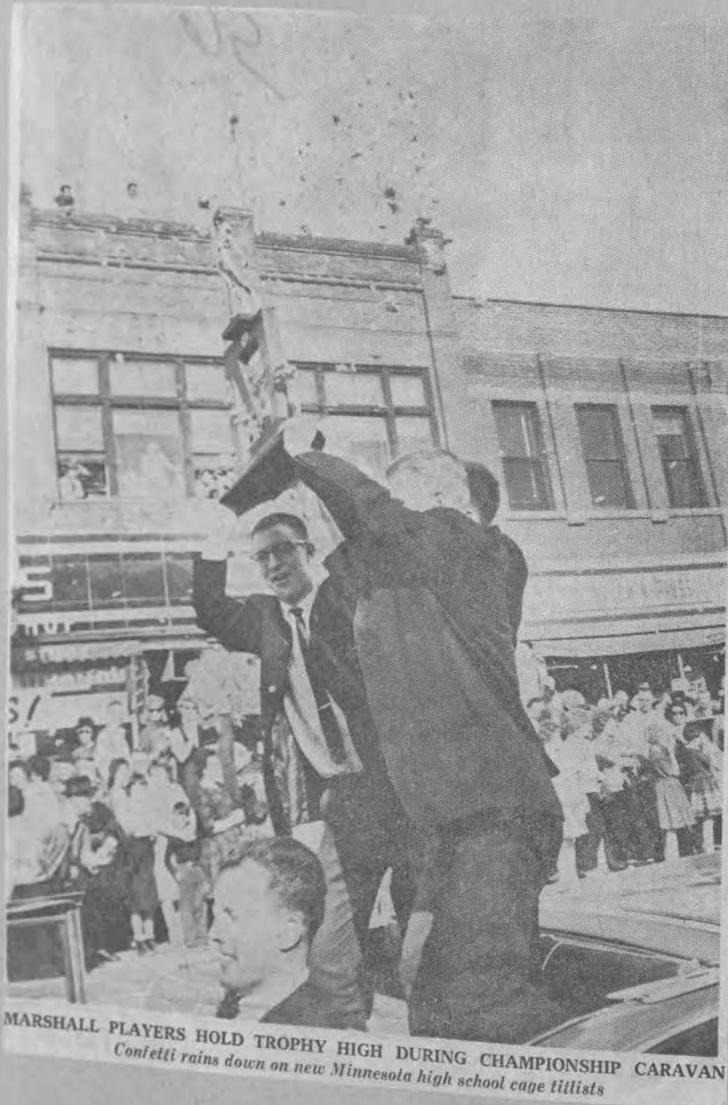
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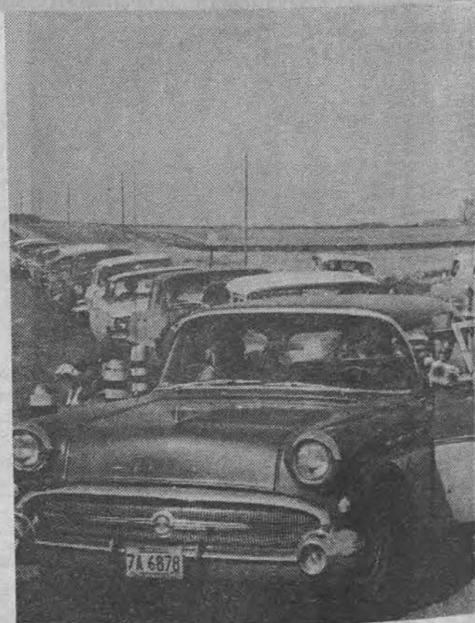
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MARSHALL PLAYERS HOLD TROPHY HIGH DURING CHAMPIONSHIP CARAVAN  
Confetti rains down on new Minnesota high school cage tillists



A STRING of cars from the Belview area joined the Marshall homeward car caravan at the junction of Highways 68 and 272. For more pictures on the Marshall celebration, see page six.

## Marshall's Road Home Paved With Glory

### 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 routing 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 paraders 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.

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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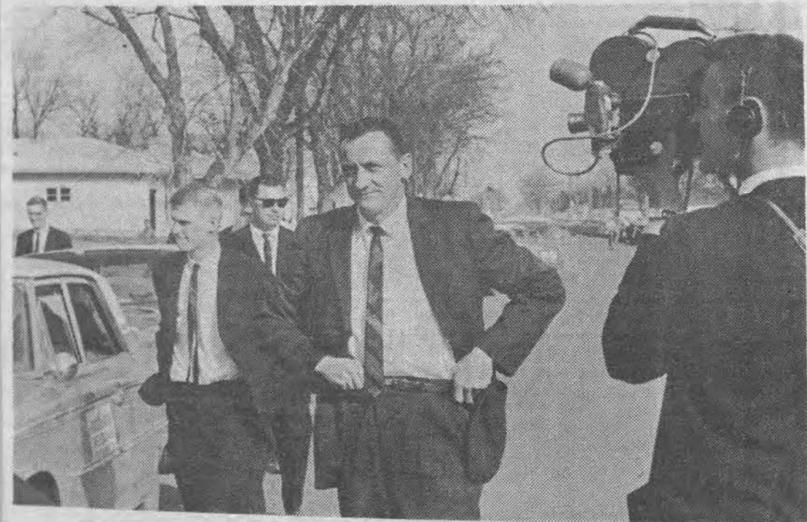


Marshall went all out to welcome home its state high school basketball champions  
Michelle Henle wore 'champs' sign; Other pictures, Page 2A, Cloquet details Page 9A





**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 Mattke 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)



**COULDN'T BE PROUDER** — The Marshall high cheerleaders carried the banner pictured above around the floor of Williams Arena moments after the Tigers had won

the championship game. As they trotted around the floor — to the cheers of more than 18,000 fans — tears were running down their cheeks. *Messenger photo*

## Marshall Pays Homage to Basketball Champs



**FIVE THOUSAND** people jammed Marshall's Main street Sunday afternoon to welcome home Minnesota's 1963 high school basketball champions. The team was given the key to the town of 7,000 and told they would not have to attend classes this morning. They were led into

Marshall by a 10-mile long caravan of cars. Similar receptions were seen in Morton, hometown of Marshall Coach Glenn Mattke, and Redwood Falls. (See other pictures on page 17 and story on page 18.) (Free Press Photo by William Altnow)



**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  
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**Tigers' Three All-State Heroes**

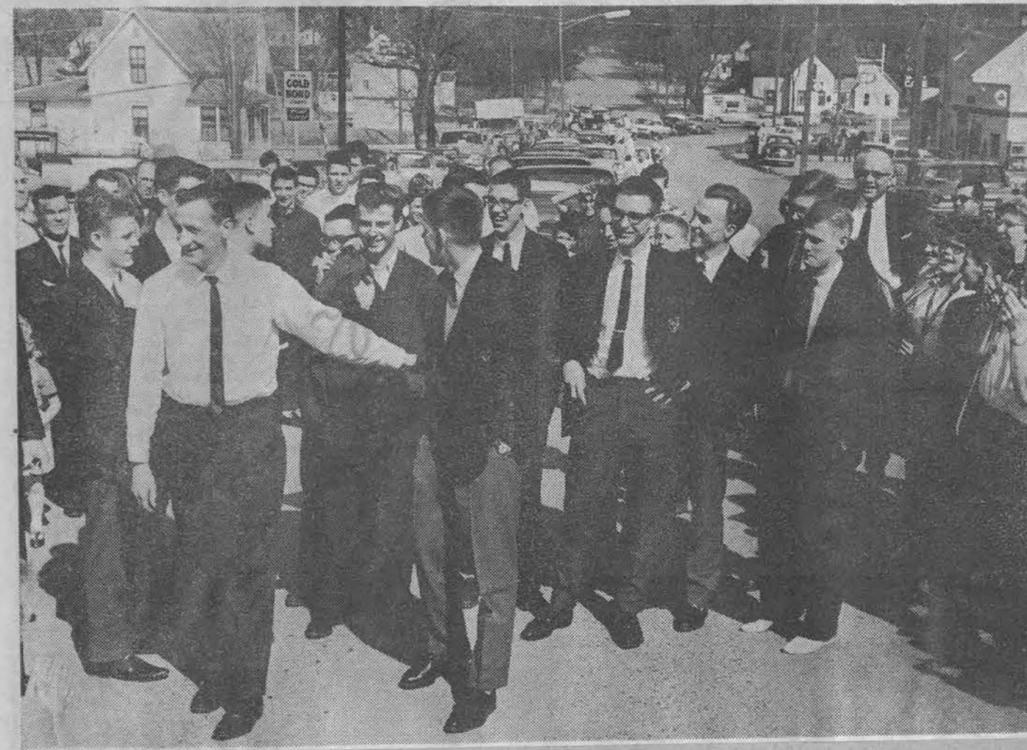
Marshall's all-state tournament basketball players (left to right) Terry Porter, John Nefstead, and Loren Johnson displayed the state championship trophy during the welcoming parade at Marshall Sunday. The Tigers received a huge welcome at every town they passed on the trip home from Minneapolis. (Marshall Messenger photo)



**Even the Sun Beamed on the Champions**

The crowd that helped welcome the Marshall team home Sunday afternoon was the largest to gather in the champs' home town since the end of World War II. The crowd, estimated from five to 10,000, waited in summer-like sunshine for their team while a caravan of cars 10-miles long escorted the champions home. (Marshall Messenger photo)

**Region 3 Welcomes Home its Champion**



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.





AMONG THE PROUDEST members of the reception committee at Marshall were these three members of the family of Forward Dennis Schroeder, who dropped in two free shots to wrap up the cham-

pionship crown. Dale Schroeder, 30, center, the brother of Dennis, played for Marshall in the early 1950's. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schroeder, parents of the boy, are at the far right.



MARSHALL'S water tower had some new lettering painted on Sunday. It illustrated the city's pride in the state championship crown.



EVERYBODY was in the act of welcoming home the team. This young girl was decked out in a new dress for the occasion. However, she didn't appear to know just why she was wearing the cardboard apparel.



IS THAT RIGHT?—During the State High School Basketball Tournament students are usually at the inventive best—and Marshall high's Hans Johnson is no exception. Hans looked up to see where Marshall stood among the Nation's cities found them listed 2,809th, tied with Medina, New York. With the help of the boys pictured above, a

sign was painted and placed on the side of their car. The Rembrants pictured above the (left to right) Duane Weedman, Larry Shefelveland, Hans, Ron Peterson, Wes Marks and Tom Peterson. Hans says next he'll be counting penquins that allegedly frequent the Marshall area. Messenger photo.



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, Minnesota, Minn., brought along her doll to get a look at the state champions. About 5,000 fans welcomed the high school champions at Marshall.

# Book Learnin' Out, Marshall Honors Kings

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WINNING HARDWARE. These three Marshall high school basketball players held the state high school basketball championship trophy high during their welcoming home parade in Marshall Sunday. They won the title by defeating Cloquet. Holding the trophy are, left to right, Terry Porter, John Nefstead and Loren Johnson. The three played an important part in Marshall's drive to the title. —Staff Photos by Buzz Magnuson.



THE TOWN TURNED OUT SUNDAY TO GREET MARSHALL'S HEROES

Title Coach Was 'Scared to Death'—

# Marshall Poise Key Factor

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

"When I think of how we might have panicked when we blew that big lead in the first round against Austin I still get the chills," coach Glen Mattke said Sunday.

Mattke didn't have many bad memories from the 1963 Minnesota state basketball tournament as his Marshall Tigers returned home triumphant after winning the title by edging Cloquet 75-74 Saturday night before 18,580 fans in Williams arena.

However, he did admit to being "scared to death all the way through the tournament," especially against Austin "when we could have panicked easily in the face of that rally."

He referred to Austin's 16-point comeback that forced the game into overtime. If Marshall had choked then,

the Tigers never would have seen the championship bracket. They edged Austin 85-63 in overtime.

But Marshall's refusal to panic was about its main forte throughout the tournament. The Tigers never lost their composure - not when Austin staged its great rally, or when Cloquet pressured with its usual smothering defense and pell-mell offense.

Marshall, accorded little more than a long-shot, darkhorse role before the tourney opened, proved itself the class of the meet with solid play all the way. The Tigers displayed little flash-just consistently good basketball, running their patterns better than anybody else and carrying the fight to the opponent. They committed only 17 mechanical errors in three games, an almost unbelievable low.

A tribute to Mattke was the fact that Marshall did not have anyone who could be classed as a team star.

Guard Terry Porter led the Tigers' tourney scoring with 63 points for a 21.0 average, but John Nefstead added 51 and Loren Johnson 50. Dennis Schroeder was a rebounding leader, contributed 28 points and hit the two free throws that beat Cloquet for the championship.

Of Marshall's starting five, only Nefstead does not wear glasses, making the '63 champs probably the most bespectacled in history. Nefstead also is the only senior starter, so the Tigers undoubtedly will be a strong threat to repeat next year.

Marshall fought back from the brink of defeat to clip Cloquet and take the championship.

Cloquet, the pre-tourney co-favorite, had a 74-71 lead with 1:08 left. But then Nefstead slipped under for a close-in goal with 52 seconds left to trim it to 74-73.

With 19 seconds remaining, Nefstead fouled Cloquet's Mike Forrest, but he missed his first free throw on the one-and-done when he could have iced it for the Lumberjacks by sinking two charities.

In the ensuing scramble for the rebound, Schroeder

was fouled by Cloquet's Gary Welton. He stepped to the line and hit both free throws for the winning 75-74 margin with 15 seconds left.

Sauk Centre captured third place by edging Anoka 56-54, while Bloomington won fifth with a 43-42 squeaker past Bemidji. Thus four points decided the three Saturday night games.

Sauk rallied from a 12-point deficit in the fourth quarter to nip Anoka. The Mainstreeters first took the lead

at 51-50. Kick Neal's two free throws with 48 seconds left gave Sauk its safe margin at 56-52. Tom Trutna led Sauk with 13 points and Neal got 12. Bill Erickson and Bob Fenwick each had 12 for Anoka.

Bloomington won on Joe Yager's field goal with 40 seconds left. Yager also blocked Bemidji's last-chance shot with two seconds remaining. Bob Kelly led Bloomington with 13 points, while Ger-streeters first took the lead



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



TIGERS ALL-STATE PLAYERS — PORTER, NEFSTEAD and JOHNSON

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## —Minnesota's Finest

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Clapping Hands Were Symbol of Great Day



Marshall Got 'High' for Homecoming

# Marshall Gives Basketball Champs Herose' Welcome

By KENT GARDNER  
FREE PRESS REGIONAL EDITOR  
Marshall — warm.

This would best describe the reception given the state's new high school basketball champions as well as the temperature here Sunday afternoon.

Five thousand people, from

virtually every southwestern Minnesota town and hamlet, jammed onto Marshall's Main street to get their first sun-burn of the year and to give a king's welcome to their basketball team.

The sign in front of the Marshall theater said the

current attraction was — "Marshall Tigers, State Champions." And the main attraction it was, for never before had this town of 7,000 welcomed home a state championship basketball team.

The team rolled into Marshall at 3:45 p.m., displaying the trophy won by handing Cloquet a 75-74 defeat Saturday night. They were followed by a caravan of cars estimated by police to be 10 miles long.

It took the championship motorecade four hours to make the 145-mile trip from downtown Minneapolis to Marshall.

Some Marshall residents had waited for the team for two hours. Signs were displayed everywhere. The city water tower was lettered to proclaim the state crown. Fans were not only crowded onto sidewalks but dotted the tops of buildings the complete length of the downtown area.

Everyone was pleased but one Marshall resident summed up community reaction before the team's arrival this way. "I don't think they really realize what has happened."

Among those waiting for the return of the team were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schroeder. (Turn to Page 2, Column 4)



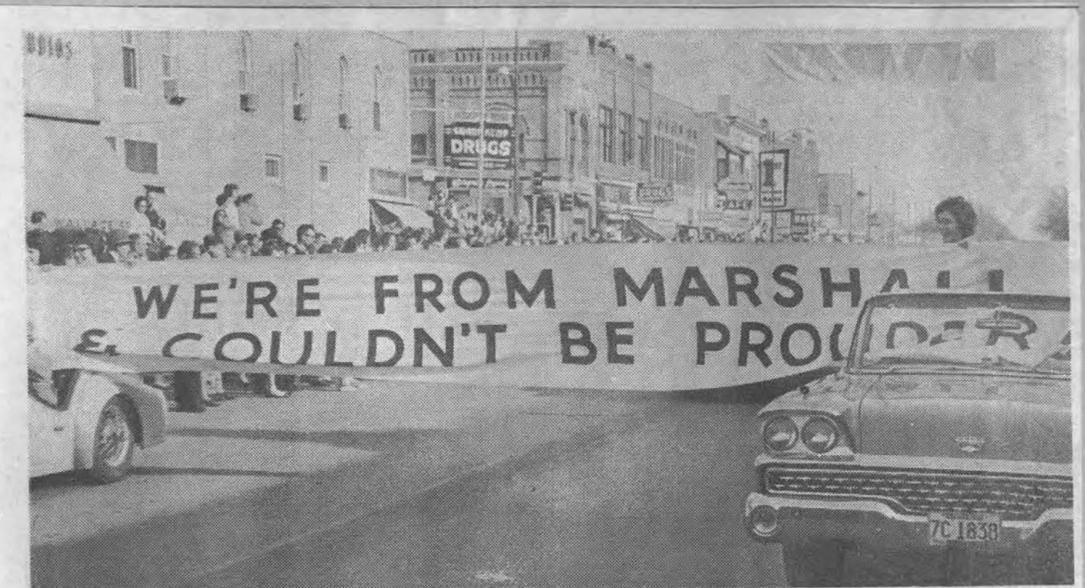
Minneapolis Tribune Photos by John Croft  
COACH GLENN MATTKE, WIFE, ACKNOWLEDGE OVATION OF CROWD  
Marshall mentor holds trophy, wife displays gift roses



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.



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

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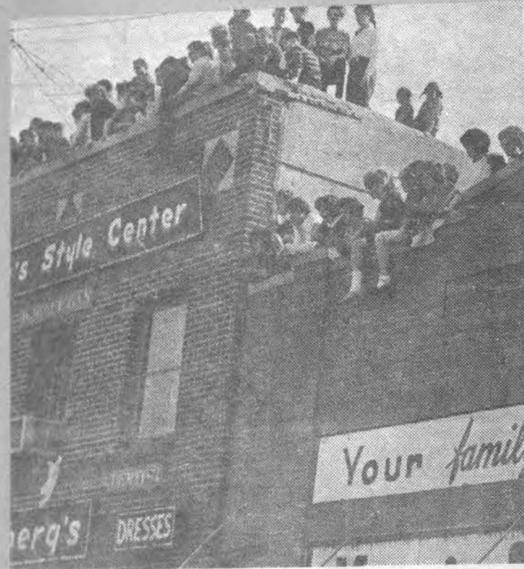
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## Cloquet Greeted 'Champs,' Too

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.



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

## 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.

# 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.



Star Photo by John Croft

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Coach Glenn Mattke gets a handshake and the key to the City from Mayor C. F. McGuigan 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 Moon



Glenn Mattke and his wife Darlene looked happy and pretty at the homecoming celebration. Roses were presented by Don Cool, member of the 1942 state tournament team and were a gift of fans at Ghent. Photo courtesy Mpls. Tribune



Coach Glenn Mattke takes over the microphone for television appearance. That's Gene King of KS00-Sioux Falls with him. Photo by Duane Rose



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

## How to Retaliate In 1 Easy Lesson

POST-MORTEM DEPT. (OR: HOW A JAUNDICE-EYED EX-SPORTSWRITER FIGHTS BACK): At the risk of delving back into ancient history, I must confess that for a time, when I was young and foolish, I was a sportswriter.

Like most sportswriters, I felt it was almost my civic and professional duty to make predictions on sporting events. And my record was on a par with most other sportswriters — in other words, lousy.

For example, I liked Patterson over Johannson in their first fight, chose Minnesota over Washington in the Rose Bowl, figured Native Dancer was a cinch to win the Kentucky Derby, and once was beaten 11 weeks hand-running in a football prediction contest.

After a while, this began to bother me. I started to imagine that people were pointing to me on the street and laughing, and that little boys were hanging around on street corners for the sole purpose of pelting me with snowballs.

Later, I mercifully left the sportswriting field, but since then, I've schemed and plotted many hours away trying to figure out a way to retaliate.

Last week, I finally got my revenge by beating them at their own game. . . . I actually picked a winner.

All through the state basketball tournament, I tactfully reminded everyone in sight that Marshall was going to pick up all the marbles. But, realizing that I was an ex-sportswriter and therefore not to be taken seriously, everybody humored me, then went out and mortgaged the house to put some money on Cloquet or Bloomington.

And so for the past week, I've been basking in the delightful sunlight that comes with picking a winner. I'm also taking great pains to remind everyone exactly who it was that picked Marshall to win.

In fact, I've even been chosen to conduct a new seminar over at the university. It's called Predictions, 1, 2, and 3. All the Twin Cities sportswriters, I hear, will be attending.

One more blurb about the state tournament, and then I'll quietly fold my tent and slip away into the sunset for another year.

In all fairness, it must be explained that my choice of Marshall was predicated more on home-town loyalty than common sense. For Marshall is my home town, which brings about another subject at which I can preach at great length.

At any rate, somehow I can't visualize the young athletes that make up the team as the giant killers they really are. Because I remember them as the grade-school kid brothers of some of the fellows I went to high school with . . . the little guys we used to muscle off the court when we wanted to play basketball.

I can safely tell you how Terry Porter and Whitey Johnson learned to pot shots from the middle of the floor, though. We used to let them play with us in sandlot games when there weren't enough of us older-brother types to make up a full team. And that's how they learned . . . in self-defense. They were so short at that time nobody would let them get within 30 feet of the basket, so they started shooting from out there.

And then there's Sandy MacDonald. I remember him as a gangling sixth-grader who had four feet, and all of them left. John Nefstead and Denny Schroeder were a couple of little squirts who made pests of themselves begging for a chance to get in a game with us.

All of them, however, have changed considerably since then. Now most of them are a couple of inches taller than I, and would cheerfully stomp me in the ground if they knew I was revealing family secrets like this.

But at least it gives me another asset to list for small towns . . . they win basketball tournaments too.

When Marshall won the state basketball tournament it was considered a cinch that a North Minneapolis editor and columnist would be impossible to endure. It really hasn't been too bad. He did take up sign painting and plaster reminders of the final score around the office. However those have been taken down and some of the people on the staff are again speaking to Don Herring.

FISHIN' AROUND by don herring



## Probably Little Marshall Proved it is Not Wise to Become a Trifle too Cocky

Probably it was a good thing for all of us that Marshall won the state high school championship. It is no use to deny many of felt the best football and basketball were played in the metropolitan area, with the suburbs having a slight edge over the Twin City teams.

Having heard nothing about Marshall, we felt they would probably be eliminated in the first round so that the really tough teams could meet. Marshall fooled us. They came to the tournament unheralded and took home the championship.

We still remember the headline of one Twin City sports writer when it came time for Bloomington and Cloquet to meet. The Minneapolis sports writer without hesitation, declared the winner of this game would be the state champion. The Marshall players evidently do not believe everything they read in the newspapers.

This is not to say Twin City and suburban schools are not outstanding in sports. It is to say, however, that we may have become just a little too cocky in evaluating our sports and that Marshall may have taught us there are athletic teams in other portions of the state, too.

## 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 tournaments. 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 Breitbarth, 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 65-40 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.

## 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.



BILL \* HENGEN \* Roaming Around

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:

● 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.

Marshall high school, and its basketball coach Glenn Mattke, has been receiving a mountain of mail since winning the 1963 State High School Basketball championship.

Nearly all of it has been sincere — but not entirely. Monday and Tuesday Police Chief Chet Wiener ripped down signs which stated, "Tiger Victory Hop" which referred to a gathering at an area dance hall Tuesday evening.

Marshall high school officials did not give their permission — or even condone — such a "dance". They (the dance hall owner or owners) were exploiting the Tigers' victory.

Some people wish to present the individual Tigers with various gifts which they cannot accept under State High School League rules. These people, for the most part, are very sincere about wanting to present such gifts.

When coach Mattke presented each of his squad members with their State Tournament medals, the Tigers were receiving the only item of monetary value they can accept under State High School League rules.

The rule states that participants in League activities cannot accept a gift worth more than one dollar and still remain amateurs under the rules.

These medals are valued at one dollar . . . so that's it!

Perhaps some people, with the best of intentions, will try to bestow some monetary gifts on the players. But the players cannot accept anything more. So don't try.

The players have been reminded that they cannot receive such gifts by school officials and still remain amateur, but their will-power won't be challenged if no one tries to present a gift such as a jacket lettered with "1963 State Basketball Champions" across the back or a trophy with the same inscription.

Although most of these people have the best intentions in mind and want to show their appreciation for the wonderful job the Tigers have done this season, presentation of gifts is not the answer.

Joe Dolan, Milroy high school's fine all-around athlete, has been selected by his teammates as Most Valuable Player in basketball for the second year in a row.

Joe has been a starter for the Spartans for three seasons and, for the past two years, has been considered one of the standout ball players in District Nine.

After graduation, Dolan plans to attend college at Mankato State or St. Thomas.

Jim Krause, former Lake Benton star, will be one of the promising members of the University of Minnesota's excellent freshman football squad of last fall who will be opening spring drills next month.

Krause, a 6-2, 230-pound sophomore, is counted on to back up Carl Eller and Capt. Milt Sunde at tackle.

Many new names and faces will dominate the 1963 Gopher squad as coach Murray Warmath heads into his tenth season faced with the task of replacing ten departed regulars of last year's squad that finished as runnerup to Wisconsin for the Big Ten title.

Prospects are that this upcoming Minnesota team will be shorter on muscle and beef and longer on speed than any in many years with Eller (240 pounds) being a notable exception. Sunde, who will probably be Eller's running-mate at tackle, conforms to the new "slim-and-trim" trend. He packs 208 pounds on a 6-2 frame.

Warmath and his staff visualize the necessity for gambling heavily with sophomores in the early non-conference games with Nebraska and Army so they may gain experience to prepare them for the tough seven-game conference slate starting with the Northwestern game at Evanston on Oct. 12.

The opinion is widely held that, because of lack of experienced first-line talent, the young and inexperienced Minnesota football team will have to rely heavily on another strong, solid defensive effort to limit opponents' scoring and keep them within range.

# 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 Glenoec 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 Mattkke 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 lay pass from Porter under the basket.

This Nefstead was the outstanding 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 Mattkke 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.



## 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 Mattkke might resign from coaching after this season. Subsequent stories and reports appeared to deny this and on a radio broadcast Mattkke 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 ensconced 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 Mattkke showed up, they were swamped by jubilant admirers. Mattkke 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 Mattkke 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"

Mattkke'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!"

Marshall, Minn.,  
March 29, 1963

To the editor:

The Marshall High School Basketball Team, Coach Korver, and I wish to thank all the people who sent messages to us throughout the tournaments. They were appreciated very much by the team and coaching staff.

Also, a special thanks to all the fans who supported us all season long, and, of course, during those exciting tournament games.

We also would like to extend a big "thank you" to the School Board, the school administration, and the faculty for their fine support and cooperation during the season.

Last but not least, a very special thanks to Morgan Brandrup, the Messenger sports editor, for his excellent coverage of our basketball games. We feel he did an outstanding job in covering our team during the whole season as well as doing a fine job of covering area

teams as well.

Thanks again everyone for making our season such an outstanding success.

Glenn Mattkke, Coach  
Marshall Tigers

To the editor:

Congratulations to the Marshall community on the recent triumph of your Basketball team and its coach, Glenn Mattkke. You can be proud of the team's accomplishment and fine example of determination and sportsmanship in achieving the pinnacle of success in high school Basketball in our State.

Hubert H. Humphrey, USS

To the editor:

Your state tournament victory is a tribute to your talent and determination. We join with the faculty, the student body, the people of Marshall and of all Minnesota, in saying, "Congratulations" for a job well done.

Alec G. Olson, U. S.  
House of Representatives,  
Washington, D. C.

# Here Is What Others Write

Vic Keul (in the Tracy Headlight - Herald)

Tracy joins every breathing Marshall soul in rejoicing over the Tigers' glorious triumph of copping the state basketball championship title.

In addition to the Tigers' magnificent play, all of the boys and their coach are examples of fine men—"champions" and deserving of the recognition and warm welcome accorded them Sunday.

All of southwestern Minnesota is proud to sorta glow in the reflected glory of the Tigers' achievement. After all, teams of District 9 and Region III have a special right to be proud. They helped send them — and there's nothing as honorable as having been defeated by the best — the state champs.

A doff of the hat and warmest congratulations to the Tigers, Coach Matkke and all of Marshall.

John Schneider (in the Redwood Falls Gazette)

What a thin line there is between all-time greatness and oblivion.

Marshall is sitting atop the state high school basketball world today.

But this is the same team which came perilously close to elimination in the district nine semi-finals against Ivanhoe.

This is the same team which trailed Hutchinson by 14 points in the region III tournament and looked like a sure loser.

This is the same team which blew a big lead in its state tournament opener and fell behind Austin in the overtime period.

The same thin line applies to coaches, too.

Six years ago, Glenn Matkke was fired at St. Peter because his teams didn't win enough games.

He was hired at Marshall for the 1958-59 season and his first team had a 5-15 won-lost record. His Tigers were 13-7 the next year, 8-11 in 1960-61 and 14-7 last year.

Going into this, his fifth season at Marshall, Matkke's teams had a 40-40 won-lost record, hadn't won a district championship and owned a mediocre 5-4 record in tournament play.

But today, Glenn is the toast of Minnesota basketball coaching ranks — the same man who lost his job six years ago for not producing winning teams.

There ought to be a lesson here for all of us.

Corky Brace (in the Worthington Globe)

Marshall, with only two men graduating from the tournament squad, is a favorite to return to the state tournament in 1964. The Region's entry will meet the Tigers in the first round. There is a possibility that this could mean two teams from the Southwest Conference would play in the initial contest.

Wally Remstad (in the Slayton Herald)

How about that Marshall team taking the state tournament. Wasn't that a nice way to end the Saturday night TV program. And what a ball game at that. Couldn't get much closer. Glad to see the All State Team included the three workhorses from Marshall.

Kinda makes the Southwestern Minnesota Conference a little more noticeable, and more respected. Wonder why Marshall wasn't favored in the tourney. Guess they didn't have that good a team to be picked for Top Honors. But it goes to prove, that putting all the note-writers, sports-casters and all in one box and let them draw out the winner doesn't always come through with the true picture.

Anyway, I was wrong all the way through, but I don't mind being wrong when some nice town like Marshall comes home with a trophy like they received. The boys deserved it, and will remember that part of their high school career as long as they live. Something to be real proud of.

Bob Herzog (in the Ivanhoe Times)

First of all, our congratulations to the Marshall Tigers for their great team victory in the 1963 State High School Basketball Tournament. I think almost everyone from this section of the state is happy to see a winner from our area.

Their second meeting, January 18, was a different story. The Cardinals got massacred. Marshall won it by 27 points, 87-60, after leading by 37 points in the third quarter. Nefstead scored 28 that night, Porter added 18 and Loren Johnson meshed 18.

Don't bother to use comparative scores on that one.

The tournaments, which are so often dominated by the larger schools, due occasionally produce a winner from a smaller school, and this is a thrill that has no equal, both for the school and fans, alike.

All the teams competing in the tournaments can be proud of their records, win or lose, but we thought this was one of the most closely matched tournaments in quite some time.

This may have been true, however, only because the interest in the winning team was more on a local basis. Our congratulations, once again, to the 1963 State Champions — the Marshall Tigers.

As in any contest such as the one just completed, there is much speculation as to the outcome had the pairings been different. How far would have the Ivanhoe Eagles gone, had they defeated Marshall earlier?

I think the Eagles could have gone a long way, but then again, this is pure speculation. I think the Eagles did a fine job in achieving what they did, and there is where I would leave it.

John Schneider (in the Redwood Falls Gazette)

Just for the fun of it, let's go back and review the two basketball games Redwood Falls High school played with Marshall's state champions.

Their first meeting was November 30 and the Tigers beat the Cardinals by only five points, 54-49. RFHS had a 49-48 lead in that game with 3:07 to play. Terry Porter scored 18 points, John Nefstead got 15 and Red Schroeder, hero of the state tournament, netted only two.

(If you like comparative scores, does this mean RFHS was 21 points better than Anoka? After all, Marshall walloped Anoka by 26 points in the state tournament.)

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Ewald Kintzi (in the Hendricks Pioneer)

Congratulations, Marshall Tigers!

Congratulations on winning the state high school basketball championship Saturday night in Williams arena at the University of Minnesota.

District nine and region three are real proud of your accomplishments in the athletic classic of the year. Region three is especially grateful following a span of 22 years without a state champion from the area. District nine is especially proud that the champs came from among its member schools.

As all of Minnesota knows, the Marshall tournament team beat a steady path of victories throughout the season; then carried off district finals; vanquished two formidable foes, Hutchinson and Granite Falls in the region, culminating in three thrilling victories in the championship event last week.

Jim Putnam (in the Granite Falls Tribune)

Congratulations to the Marshall Tigers on their state high school basketball championship. They had something that Hutch, Granite, Bemidji, Anoka and Cloquet lacked. I didn't think they had the guns to get out of the region, but I've been wrong before. Monday morning's mail was heavy with sarcasm, and I HERE'S WHAT (Continued to Page 8)

Sornie (in the Tyler Journal)

By the time the Journal goes to press, you'll have read and heard thousands upon thousands of words about the new state basketball champions... our neighbor, Marshall. What this column can add or repeat may be little, but I can sincerely say there never was a greater team to wear the championship crown than Marshall. Not only because of the players' basketball skills, but because of their excellent conduct on and off the basketball court. Marshall Tigers, you were great!

I'm certain that the better than 18,500 fans at Williams Arena, or the thousands who saw it on television, will ever witness a more thrilling championship contest in this classic.

Dennis Schroeder's nerveless two free shots with 12 seconds left in the game, gave the Tigers their victory, but only after Cloquet had one more layup shot at the basket and missed. It was a thriller and a true championship game.

Quip of the Week: Coach Les Lyon was embarking for the State Tournament last week and said: "I've got to get up there and scout the Tigers. You know, we open against them again next year"

The Seniors of the Tyler Dane team and the coaches came back to Tyler Sunday singing the praises of this year's state tournament as one of the best in history. The teams were more equal which made all of the games better, but more important, the students and fans conducted themselves much better than has been the case in past years. This was verified by the press, radio and television, each having high praise for the way that the students conducted themselves while in the Cities.

Time and time again it was said that this tournament lacked any good quality college prospects. From this point I'd beg to differ. It is true there were no big players, 6' 6" or over in the tournament, but it could be that basketball is changing so that the big man is not enough to win any more. The Tigers are good proof of this as they possessed only one or two men who ranged over 6 feet and then only by an inch or so. They were the smaller club in every contest from the opening regional game to the last of the state tourney where they "out-sized" Cloquet, yet they're our state champs. At times they were "out-sized" by three inches per man. It may be that the big man isn't as important as he once was and we beg to differ with the statement that there wasn't any college material in the tourney this year.

Says "Marshall Wins State" —

## New Machine Foresees Victory

Although there were rumblings around Marshall all through the basketball season about the Tigers getting a State Tournament berth, the Messenger came up with something concert in print about what they thought Marshall's chances were.

When the Messenger was

switching over to the offset process in mid-February, editor Don Olson was experimenting with the new headline-writing machine called the Typositor. The biggest and blackest headline he turned out was "Marshall Wins State."

Sports editor Morgan Brandrup took the finished product over to catch Glenn Matkke and presented it to him. "I hope this comes true... and you'll be able to use this headline sometime in late March," coach Matkke said.

It did come true Saturday that the Tigers won the 1963 championship but the Messenger, in the special edition that came out Monday morning commemorating the event, did not use a headline stating the Tigers' tremendous success just like that.

Instead, as most area residents know by now, the Messenger's headline across the top of the front page read: "Tigers Win State." By stating it this way, we were able to use a little bigger type face.

But what happened to the headline strip Brandrup gave coach Matkke?

After showing it to a few of his fellow Marshall high school faculty members, Glenn took it home.

"We had it tacked up a few times around the house," Mrs. Matkke says, "... but took it down because some people felt we were getting too optimistic.

"We had it hidden in a desk for awhile but now (Monday afternoon when asked by the Messenger) it's on top of the dresser."

## About State Tourney — Did Matkke Have Inking?

Although Marshall basketball coach Glenn Matkke wasn't talking about the Tigers' chances about getting to the State Basketball Tournament during the regular season, but perhaps he was thinking along those lines.

"We've packed away black (road) uniforms," coach Matkke said after Marshall's last regular season game with Clarkfield.

Marshall's route was decided through the district because they were the number one seeded club and would wear the home (white) uniforms in each game they took part in. They won all three and, beforehand, it had already been decided the District Nine representative would wear white against the District 12 club in the opener.

After that, a flip of a coin would decide which team would wear its home uniforms. For the Tigers and coach Matkke that flip occurred four times — and they won all three as they went on to cop the State Championship.

Marshall beat Granite Falls for the Region Three crown and then polished off Austin, Anoka and, finally, Cloquet as the "home" team.

## 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 listeners:

"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 Matkke 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 sportmanship. I am sure you will

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## 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

## Fouls, Favorite Role Hurt: Trochlil

By FREE PRESS STAFF WRITER

Minneapolis—There are pitfalls in being considered the favorite, concedes Cloquet coach Ben Trochlil.

Trochlil, whose team was a slight favorite to beat Marshall for the state basketball title, but lost instead, said he thinks being the underdog helped Marshall.

"We were slight favorites, and I heard that Marshall said before the game, 'Well, we can beat the best.' That's the way we felt when we played Bloomington. I think you get a little extra incentive when you're the underdog."

Trochlil, whose boyhood

idol was the same coach who beat him out of the championship, said any analysis of the game "goes back to those darn fouls."

By that, he meant the four fouls on Dave Meisner, the sparkplug who was easily the outstanding player of the tournament. Meisner picked up his fourth foul shortly after the second half began.

"They were a great shooting team, and they controlled the ball well," the 5-8, sparrow-like Meisner said of Marshall. "But we lost it on those two layups I blew in the fourth quarter. I was fouled on one and the other I pushed up too hard."

Forrest, who led both teams in scoring with 29 points and kept Cloquet in the game while Meisner was sitting out most of the third quarter, said the jump ball that was called as the game ended was just that—a jump ball.

Forrest missed a clear jump shot from the free throw circle with only three seconds left, and as he scrambled for the rebound and grabbed it, was tied up just as the game ended.

"We were just off on our shooting a little, and that was the difference," said forward Richard Boyer.

Dennis Breitbarth, who with Meisner and Forrest was named to the All-State team, said Marshall kept him out of position for rebounds a lot. "It was kind of rough under the boards," Breitbarth said.

The Cloquet team didn't seem to take the loss so hard in the dressing room. There was even a bit of laughter as someone cracked a joke.

Apparently, this was a team that felt it had nothing to be ashamed of in its loss. It didn't either, but as one of the Cloquet reserves pointed out, "I sure wish we could have gotten the bigger trophy."



**GOOD LUCK CHARM**—Marshall high school coach Glenn Mattke isn't a superstitious man but maybe there is some good luck contained in the four-leaf clover his wife, Darlene, gave him after the Tigers lost to Luverne. After that game, Marshall didn't lose once the rest of the way as they went onto their first State High School Basketball title in history. Superstitious or not, Marshall high won 23 straight games with that "good luck" charm in his pocket. No wonder he kissed it after the game. Messenger photo.

## After The Tournaments — Glenn Finally Gets Some Rest

Glenn Mattke got eight hours of sound sleep Monday night for the first time in more than a month he said Tuesday morning.

Tournament-time always brings a basketball coach added worries. Of course, as Marshall continued on its move toward the 1963 title, the pressure on coach Mattke increased.

And, added to the Tigers' mounting winning streak, some of the squad members came down with a flu-like illness. During the last week of February, eight of the team were absent from school because of illness on one day.

Not one of the eight tournament games — save the last quarter of the State Tournament semi-final against Anoka — did coach Mattke breathe somewhat easily.

In each of the District Nine games the opposition was close to Marshall right up to the concluding buzzer.

In the Region Three tournament things got worse in-

stead of better. The Tigers took those games by a total of seven points.

Of course, pressure — and emotions — kept increasing right after Marshall beat Granite Falls in the region. It built up to a fever pitch last weekend.

Glenn and his wife, Darlene, when not at Williams Arena, were besieged by newspapermen and people from the radio and television world requesting interviews. Added to this were the greetings of hundreds of well-wishers. The Mattkes appreciated what they had to say, but it still took up time.

And the phone kept ringing . . . and ringing . . . and ringing.

After Sunday's big "Welcome Home" celebration honoring the State Champions, Mr. and Mrs. Mattke went home to find the outside of their home had been decorated with some congratulatory signs. Across the door was stretched a banner: "Congratulations Coach".

"I'm still just tired . . . just dead tired," Mrs. Mattke said Monday afternoon. "But it's a good kind of tired feeling."

"It feels like this year's tournament has taken ten years off my life . . . but it's worth it," she said.



**CONGRATULATIONS . . . ALL-STATERS** —P. K. Peterson, left, was one of the many well-wishers that were behind Marshall in their championship battle with Cloquet last night. Here he congratulates Tigers' Terry Porer, right, on his all-around fine tournament play and his selection to the

All-Tournament team. Peterson, former mayor of Minneapolis who ran against Hubert Humphrey in 1961, is expected to announce candidacy for the city's mayoralty position in the near future before the deadline April 1. Messenger photo.

## Schroeder Was 'Just Hoping' On Free Throws

By FREE PRESS STAFF WRITER  
Minneapolis—"I was just hoping it was going in. It felt good when it left my hand but when it bounced up in the air, I didn't know."

Dennis Schroeder, who sank the two free throws in the last 15 seconds that gave Marshall a 75-74 win in the state basketball championship game, was talking about the pressure packed situation that he found himself in.

Schroeder had just grabbed the rebound on Mike Forrest's missed free throw when he was fouled, "I was pushed from behind," said Schroeder.

After a timeout, the red-haired bespectacled Schroeder stepped up to the free throw line, and with the Cloquet band directly behind the basket, took the first shot of the one-and-one situation.

The ball hit the back of the rim and bounced a foot or so above it before dropping through. His second one swished the nets, and gave Marshall the winning margin.

"I knew the second one was in when I shot it," the gangling Schroeder said in a steamy dressing room.

"When I first stepped up there, I thought if I make them both, we've got the best chance to win the state. I kept thinking about that big trophy."

# Never Felt Like This: Mattke

FREE PRESS STAFF WRITER  
Minneapolis — How does it feel to be the coach of the state championship basketball team?

"Oh, it feels great, just great," beamed a glowing Glenn Mattke. "I never felt like this in athletics before and I'll never feel like it again."

Mattke, the former St. Peter coach and captain of the 1953 Gustavus Adolphus MIAC champions, was sitting quietly on his Marshall team's bench, almost forgotten as the post-game ceremonies were being conducted.

His team had just won the biggest prize a Minnesota high school athletic team can by beating Cloquet in a 75-74 last second thriller.

"It was a knockdown, drag-out game," Mattke remarked as three of his players were called up to receive All-State honors. "It was a game that could have gone to either team."

What was Marshall's strategy for stopping the high-scoring Cloquet fast break offense? "We started out with

a zone but it was quite obvious it wouldn't work right away. So we switched to man-to-man."

"The kids told me they thought they could play Cloquet man-to-man, and they proved it tonight," Mattke said, then got up to shake hands with Gus Young, his former Gustavus coach.

"This is the greatest thrill of my life," effused Gus as he put his arms around his former pupil.

Later, dripping wet from a team-administered victory shower, Mattke talked some more about the game.

"We were lucky, sure. We got the breaks, but that was the kind of ball game it was. Cloquet has a great ball club."

"We ran the first three quarters of the season, but by the time we got to the tournaments, we ran into bigger teams and had to slow down."

In the timeout before Dennis Schroeder stepped to the foul line for his game-winning free throws, what did Mattke say to him? "I said,

"Just like practice now, Dennis, there's no pressure." I just hoped he made them," Mattke said.

Mattke, who was at St. Peter for six years before going to Marshall in 1958, said he knew this year's team had great potential. What did he think of his team now? "I think every ball club of mine is good."

Obviously, not all his teams were as good as this year's, especially those he had at St. Peter. There, his best tournament effort was District 13 runnerup to New Prague in 1956.

Mattke partially denied rumors that he might quit coaching next year and go into business. "My plans aren't definite yet, but I don't have any plans to quit coaching."

"Well, you know how it is—the right opportunity comes along . . ." My only immediate plans are to go home and get some sleep. I was up all night trying to figure what to do against Cloquet."

Mattke has eight of the 12-man tournament squad re-

turning next year, including all but one of the five starters. That might discourage him from joining the business world for another year.

Asked how he happened to take the Marshall job, Mattke said he just happened to be "looking for a job."

Marshall's feeder system helped supply most of Mattke's current crop of ballplayers. "They come up through the program," Mattke noted. We start them in the fifth grade and have a man in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades and a B-team coach."

Asked to pick out the player he thought contributed the most to the team's success, Mattke replied, "I'll single out 12 kids who played basketball for me."

"I think I'll serve these kids breakfast in bed tomorrow."

## 'Marshall Won, But We Didn't Lose,' Says Trochlil

By BILL McGRANE  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

"Sometimes," said Bennett Trochlil, "there are basketball games that are a little bit beyond the ordinary."

"I think we played in one of those games tonight."

Trochlil smiled. And at that moment, a smile called for an uncommon effort.

"We didn't lose, really. I guess Marshall won, but we didn't lose."

Trochlil is the Cloquet basketball coach. He had just watched his brilliant Lumberjacks lose the State High School Championship game to Marshall 75-74 before an awed Williams Arena audience of 18,586.

"I could talk about strategy and key plays, but what for?" Trochlil continued.

"We gave it everything we had. It wasn't enough."

"I think Marshall and Glenn (coach Mattke, who grew up with Trochlil in tiny Morton, Minn.) will tell you that they had to beat quite a team. It is to



Breitbarth Forrest

their credit that they did."

Reviewing the game, Trochlil said foul trouble hampered the Jacks severely.

"Meisner (Dave) and Forrest (Mike) both had three fouls at halftime. Meisner picked up his fourth in the first minute of the second half. We had to keep Dave out most of the third period."

"When we put him back in his confidence was shaken some, I think, and he missed a few big shots that he normally wouldn't have."

"And I guess I rested Breitbarth (Dennis, center) too much in the third period. But they were so darned tired — that Sauk Centre game sapped our

strength. You could see it in the press. We gambled too often on picking up that little Johnson (Loren) and he killed us for it."

What was Marshall's strength in the final summation?

"Underneath, most of the time. Nefstead (John) is strong as an ox. If they miss from outside he muscled in there, grabs that rebound and shoves it down your throat."

Did losing to old chum Mattke soften the blow any?

Trochlil smiled: "I think Glenn will tell you, nobody comes to the tournament to lose."

A bony young sparrow of a boy approached Trochlil and held out a hand.

"It's been fun, playing for you, coach. Thanks for a wonderful year."

Trochlil pumped the hand fondly and clapped the boy on the shoulder: "You were the greatest, Mouse, just the greatest. I should be thanking you."

Dave Meisner, perhaps



**GIANT POSTAL CARD**—Marshall high school and coach Glenn Mattke have received a tremendous amount of mail congratulating the team on the State Basketball Championship but the biggest by far, is the huge postal card sent by the St. Paul Post Office employees which coach Mattke is holding above. The 16x32-inch card, delivered Thursday morning, cost 60 cents to send. On the back of it a post office employee drew the pairing throughout the tournament and listed he scores of each game. The back also contained a team picture and more than a 150 signatures of that post office branch. Also, the employee who designed, and put the card together, wrote a congratulatory poem. Messenger photo.

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# Mattke Was Able To Rest Starters

By ALBERT EISELE  
FREE PRESS EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Minneapolis — If Marshall Coach Glenn Mattke doesn't want to risk being called an ingrate, he'd better see that a few of those roses he got Sunday go to Sauk Centre. And if he's got a few left over, he might send them on to Anoka.

Next to his own team, Mattke probably owes as much to Sauk Centre and Anoka as to anybody for Marshall's fantastic 75-74 conquest of Cloquet Saturday night for the 1963 Minnesota high school basketball championship.

It was Sauk Centre that administered an unmerciful pounding to Cloquet's firehouse five in Friday night's semifinals before losing 87-81 in the last seconds.

And it was Anoka's Tornadoes, looking more like a gentle breeze, that allowed Mattke to rest his regulars for almost an entire half in Marshall's easy 61-35 semifinal win Friday.

The extra rest for Marshall and the physical beating Cloquet took were probably two of the biggest reasons Mattke and his team, almost ignored by the pre-tournament oddsmakers, today were sniffing roses and the sweet, sweet smell of success.

Sunday they had roses strewn in their path and were given the key to the city in a tumultuous homecoming celebration that topped anything in Marshall's history for civic excitement.

The celebration could have very easily been held several hundred miles to the northeast, where second-place Cloquet got a slightly smaller but no less enthusiastic welcome Sunday.

The experts were pointing to Cloquet since its first round 82-67 victory over Bloomington in what was billed as the game that would produce the eventual champion.

They weren't far from right but, unlike horseshoes, close doesn't count in high school basketball.

And it was close—as close as you could possibly imagine, to provide what must rank as one of the most thrilling and heart-stopping championship games in the tournament's history.

The hero turned out to be a gangly, red-haired forward named Dennis Schroeder. The 6-2 bespectacled junior stepped to the free throw line with 15 seconds left in the game and Marshall trailing 74-73, and hit both shots on a one-and-one situation for the winning margin.

Cloquet almost pulled it out as it was. After a time out, guard Mike Forrest, who was the high scorer of the tourney, got away a clean 15-foot jump shot from the top of the free-throw circle four seconds left, but it hit the left side of the rim and was tied up as the gun went off.

Forrest and his running

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mate, little Dave (Mouse) Meisner, who were easily the two most exciting players in the tourney, were both hampered by fouls, however. Meisner, whose red-hot shooting from the outside and up-setting ball-stealing tactics helped bring his team to the finals, picked up his fourth foul only nine seconds after the second half began. Forrest got his fourth with 2:43 left in the game.

But Marshall won it with the same coolness it displayed throughout the tourney. Even when Forrest sank a 15-foot jump shot with 1:07 left to put the Lumberjacks ahead 74-71, they never lost their composure.

Marshall's John Nefstead, rebounding star of the tournament, dumped in one from under the bucket with 46 seconds left before Forrest missed a chance to ice the game with 19 seconds remaining, when he missed a one-and-one foul shot. Then Schroeder, coming down with the rebound, was

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Cloquet	fg	ft	pf	tp	Marshall	fg	ft	pf	tp
Forrest	12	3	2	26	Nefstead	9	3	3	21
Boyer	3	4	2	10	Schroeder	4	3	3	11
Breitbarth	2	2	0	6	McDonald	0	0	4	0
Meisner	7	2	4	16	Johnson	8	3	3	19
Welton	3	2	3	9	Porter	8	5	1	22
Gledemstr	1	2	1	4	Webb	1	0	0	2
Mangan	0	0	0	0	Ottien	0	0	0	0
Noreus	0	0	0	0					
Hunter	0	0	0	0					
	29	16	15	74		30	15	14	75
Cloquet					Marshall				
						21	22	15	13
						18	14	14	75

Free throws missed: Cloquet 12—Forrest 4, Boyer 2, Breitbarth 4, Welton 2, Marshall 7—Nefstead, Schroeder, MacDonald, Johnson 2, Porter 2. Officials—Tom Mahoney, Wayne Gileland.

# Gamble Failed For Cloquet

By BRUCE BENNETT  
Executive Sports Editor

MINNEAPOLIS — During the regular season, Cloquet lost two ball games, one to Duluth Central by two points, the other to Proctor by one.

Saturday the Lumberjacks lost another—by one—and it was that one big point that cost them the coveted state championship. For 12 gallant warriors, the long road to glory fell one step away in the 75-74 loss to Marshall in the championship final.

The initial blow was stunning. Dave (Mouse) Meisner cried

openly at the final horn. Bulky Dennis Breitbarth looked glum. Mike Forrest shook his head. Dick Boyer bowed his head. Gary Welton just stood there, a blank look on his face.

Though down by one, Cloquet was in command with the ball and 15 seconds to play. The Lumberjacks simply gambled and failed. It was a tense, close game, the kind that is decided on a break here and there and luck. It was true championship caliber.

"We tried to get the ball to Breitbarth on the side," said Cloquet's coach, Ben Trochil, afterward. "We figured he could drive and score, or at least draw a foul. It was a chance, we took it and lost."

Breitbarth didn't get the ball. With four seconds left the officials called a jump ball between him and Marshall's Dennis Schroeder as Cloquet tried to work it into the post.

Breitbarth controlled the jump, but then the 'Jacks couldn't get a shot away.

"Fouls hurt us," claimed Trochil. "We had Meisner and Forrest with three on them at half-time and it hurt our press. They couldn't take the chances they usually do."

About the press, a big weapon in Cloquet's march to the finals, it simply wasn't particularly effective against Marshall's smooth-working backcourt tandem of Loren Johnson and Terry Porter. They brought the ball up the court with little trouble.

Unable to harass its opponent, Cloquet lost something it had used all season.

"When you can't play your type game, you're in trouble," philosophized Trochil. "They (Marshall) had the upper hand. They shot well, particularly the guards. The big man (John Nefstead) hurt us underneath."

For the record, Cloquet shot 46 per cent of its field goal attempts, Marshall 44.9. It was close, too, from the free throw line, where Marshall was outscored 16-15. But Cloquet missed 11, Marshall, seven.

The winning Tigers were sharp from the charity line all during the tournament. Their accuracy was a big factor in their first title.

Three Lumberjacks made the All-State team, selected by a panel of coaches. Meisner was a repeat selection and he was joined by teammates Breitbarth and Forrest.

Others named were Porter, Johnson and Nefstead, Marshall, Bill Erickson, Anoka; Bob Kelly, Bloomington; Gary Gilbert and Joe Schmiesing, Sauk Centre; Gerry Suman, Bemidji, and Al Nelson, Wells.



# It Was Great Pleasure To Be Wrong

IT WAS A pleasure to be wrong in our state tournament prediction and we will admit freely that we underrated Marshall's Tigers. The Marshall team will go down in state tournament records as one of the most deserving champions. They did not play in a single game that most of the so-called experts rated them as favorites. If time out had been taken with only a minute left in the championship contest and the fans had been asked to pick a winner the only Marshall supporters would have been the most torrid of Tiger fans and those fighting preppers in the white suits trimmed with orange and black.

THE COMPLETE lack of height is the reason most fans didn't give Marshall a big rating, but all-state John Nefstead proved that a team does not have to have a big man to win. It just takes plenty of good old "guts" and a will to win that won't be quenched.

IN OUR OPINION Nefstead was the outstanding ball player in the tournament. There were others more colorful, who are great prep cagers, but none had to battle against the odds Nefstead fought for three games. His rebounding and tip-in points were the edge the Tigers had over their foes.

THE NEW champs are a team. Nefstead couldn't have won it alone and neither could their all-state guard combination of Terry Porter and Loren Johnson. It took five men on the floor and every Marshall player who participated played an important part in the victory. The only reason we mention Nefstead is because of the height advantage he gave away to every foe.

THERE HAS never been a

tournament with a more balanced field. Every game was a thrill to watch. There was just one contest that was lopsided and Marshall was the winner over Anoka in that game. Fans should have started to pile on the Marshall bandwagon after the Anoka game, but after all of the buildup Cloquet had enjoyed and the color of the range team in the tourney, Marshall was kept out of the favorite's chair until the very end.

MARSHALL'S team proved in the tournament play that it could stand pressure. They won the championship game with a pair of free throws. Austin was eliminated in the first game with two free throws in an overtime period and in the Region 2 tournament, Marshall won its way into the state by defeating Hutchinson in the dying minutes, with gift shots.

MARSHALL'S win gives Region three its first championship since 1926 when Gaylord won the state title.

PART OF Marshall's glory will rub off on the newly organized Southwest Conference. It will give the area big school conference some added stature.

MARSHALL was also undefeated in football this fall and won the conference track championship in 1962. With four of the starters on the basketball team back for another year and plenty of experience back on the football team the Tigers will be the school to beat in the Southwest Conference in the coming year.

LUVERNE HAS the honor of being the only team to defeat Marshall's basketball team this season. The Cardinals clobbered the new champs by 31 points.

# Foul Shot Ending Had Its Irony

Shadows can be of events past as well as coming. It was ironic, in a way, that the deciding points in the state high school basketball tournament should come on a couple of free throws when fouls actually played a relatively minor part in this year's championship. There were 29 in the Marshall-Cloquet game, compared to 40 each in the consolation and third-place games. There were several stretches when play went uninterrupted by foul-calling whistles for more than two minutes, and the third quarter was notable not only for one run of better than four minutes without a personal but for the fact there were only three fouls in the whole quarter.

Mattke

This is the type of evidence yours truly would cite whenever anyone might pine for the "good old days" of basketball. They weren't the good old days, and the high school coaches of today—men like Glen Mattke of Marshall, Ben Trochil of Cloquet and all the rest — not only are smarter than the men who used to do the job. The kids they get to handle have more speed and more quickness (by no means necessarily the same) and can do more things well than in the era of the standing guard and the 31-30 final scores.

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# An Extraordinary Ball-stealer

Cloquet adherents may dispute the statement that fouls played a relatively minor part. The fact he had four fouls on him forced the Lumberjacks' Dave Meisner to sit out a critical portion of the third quarter. Yet even before he went out, this pell-mell guard already had put his stamp on the tournament as the surest ball-stealer anyone has seen in a long time.

Most guards go after the ball with as little assurance as a novice purse-snatcher who's afraid his intended victim may be a masquerading judo expert. Not Meisner. He made his every move at full tilt, with obvious confidence he'd get away with it. In the course of three games, that confidence must have been justified a dozen times.

Meisner's ball-stealing was one of the phases in which quickness rather than speed paid off for Cloquet. The 'Jacks also had speed, which they needed for their consistent use of the full-court press. But when it came down to the pay-off, the quality that proved really essential, was the one Marshall had at the finish with Dennis Schroeder's poised conversion of the climactic one-and-one—just as it had in the first game with Terry Porter's two free throws that beat Austin four seconds before the end of overtime.

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# Even the Cloquet Band Ran

Not to give Cloquet any more than its due, but one of the tournament's 87,474 spectators who had already watched the Lumberjacks racing up and down the Williams arena floor saw their band come onto the floor for a performance. The band members didn't just march, they quick-stepped, and they didn't just quick-step, they quadruple-timed.

"Must be an impatient kind of town, that Cloquet," said the fan. "The basketball team runs. Now even their bloody band runs."

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# State Tournament Briefs

Along the route from Minneapolis to Marshall there were congratulations signs for the new state high school basketball champions. At Fairfax was a sign which read: "Congratulations, Marshall — State Champions." It was signed, Fairfax Eagles. The Eagles won in their district and lost to Granite Falls, the team Marshall beat in the region finals.

Jack Griffith, a basketball official who worked one of Marshall's tournament games, said he was a bit sur-

prised that the Tigers could stand the gaff of state tournament play. "Those kids don't look rugged enough. Perhaps the fact that several wear glasses gives that impression. But, boy, they play rugged enough. That (John) Nefstead is really tough under the boards."

Corky Brace, Worthington Daily Globe sports editor, said, "It will do southwestern Minnesota sports a lot of good having a state champion. It also looks well for the Southwest Conference. The South-

west Conference really is tough now.

The concensus of many fans was that Marshall had the best coached team in the state tournament.

At the Belview corner (on Highway 19) was a sign Sunday that read, "Congratulations, Tigers. You're Gr-r-r-eat." At the Vesta corner a group from Sacred Heart met the Marshall motorcade.

When Marshall fans went to the tournament Thursday they passed under a big sign

across the highway at Morton which read: "Good Luck, Glenn — Bennett." This was not for Glen Bennet of Marshall. It was for Marshall's coach, Glenn Mattke and Cloquet's coach, Bennett Trochil. Both are natives of Morton. On the way home Sunday, fans saw a new sign. It said simply, "Hi, Champs."

During WCCO's teen party Saturday afternoon an announcer asked about 20 fans who they thought would win the final game of the state tournament. Not one picked Marshall.

The Treasury Department has designated May and June "red-letter months" for freedom. The occasion: the 1963 Freedom Bond Drive.



**Champions Get Giant Postcard From St. Paul Postoffice**  
A king-size postcard, mailed to the Marshall basketball team, is displayed above by Coach Glenn Mattke. The card was hand-made and painted and sent by employees of the St. Paul post office. It took over 60 cents worth of stamps to mail it. Coach Mattke displays the front side. Lower photo shows the reserve side, with photos of the team, coach and cheerleaders, the tournament bracket and a poem dedicated to the champions. It bears scores of signatures of St. Paul postoffice personnel.  
Photo by Jack Cool

## Community Will Fete State Champions After Easter

In answer to a great many inquiries about "is Marshall going to have some kind of banquet for the basketball team, and if so, when" — yes, the community will stage a big shin-kickin' in honor of the state champions.

Plans now are to have it shortly after Easter. The Chamber of Commerce is spear-heading the arrangements and as we understand it now, other organizations will cooperate and assist.

The affair probably will be a big banquet with prominent sports figures as speakers and all kinds of stuff like that there.

This thing probably will be so big that a place to hold everybody and serve a banquet might be a problem. Tickets may have to be limited. Or it might even be an outdoor celebration, as one person suggested. If the weather cooperates, a big outdoor bean feed or barbecue or something might be okay.

Anyway, there will be something and you can bet it will be a whing-dinger. Plans are by no means complete, of course, but it will be given plenty of publicity so everybody will know what, when, where and who.

## Champs' Porter Played First Basketball Here

By FREE PRESS STAFF WRITER

Minneapolis — Terry Porter, the 5-11 junior guard who helped Marshall win its first state basketball championship this weekend, got his first real taste of basketball in Mankato.

"I first got interested in basketball when I lived in Mankato," the soft-spoken, bespectacled Porter recalled in the post-game bedlam of the dressing room after Marshall's 75-74 title win.

"I was in the fourth grade and we lived on the Hill-top area. I used to play at the YMCA every day. I remember a tournament at the 'Y' when I played against Craig Qualset."

(Qualset played for the Mankato Scarlets basketball team this year.)

Porter was born in Marshall but moved with his family to Mankato for two years. His father worked for the government and moved back to Marshall when Terry was in the middle of his fifth-grade school year.

The YMCA was then located at the corner of Second and Cherry streets, where the Greyhound depot is now.

Porter, who was named to the All-State team with two of his mates, won Marshall's first tournament game with a pair of overtime free throws against Austin. "We run 10 minutes in practice and then shoot free throws while we're tired. It helps in the games."

Porter pointed to a sign on the dressing room blackboard that said, "Make up for Luverne." "We lost our only game to Luverne in the third game of the season. They beat us 72-41. This really makes up for it."

Marshall finished with a 23-1 record for the year.

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Associated Press  
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 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.

## Tigers Shatter All But Three Existing Cage Records

By Dan Simpson

The 1963 state basketball champs shattered all but three school records this season. The Tigers broke five of seven individual records, as well as seven of eight team records.

Terry Porter, John Nefstead, and Dennis Schroeder were the record-breakers for individual marks. Yogi set a new record for the most points scored in a season with 471. The record had been 359, set by Lowell Johnson, Whitey Johnson's brother, in 1960. Porter also broke the old record with 441 points.

Yogi also set the record for most field goals made in a season with 178. Bob Peterson set the old record with 129 in 1958. Porter also broke the old record with 156 field goals.

Porter shattered Lowell Johnson's record of 107 free throws made in 1958. Terry sank 129 free throws this season. Nefstead also broke the old record with 115 free throws.

Terry did not break his own record for the best free throw percentage. He established that mark during the 1961-62 season hitting 86 out of 100 free throws for 86 per cent. Terry will set

a record for the most points in a career. He is only a junior and has scored 765 points.

Red Schroeder set a new record for the best field goal percentage, hitting 66 attempts out of 101 chances for 65 per cent. The old record was set by Bob Peterson in 1958 who made 129 field goals out of 206 tries for 63 per cent.

Nefstead came within two points of breaking the remaining record held by Peterson. Bob scored the most points, 39, in a single game against Pipestone in 1958. Yogi sank 37 points against Jackson this year.

The team broke all but one record which, incidently, was set by them last season. The Tigers broke the record held by the 1956 club of 1382 points in a season by scoring 1755 points this year. The 1963 club set the record for the highest game average per season with 67.5. The old record set in 1956 was 65.7. Another record held by the 1956 club was 490 field goals in one season. This year's club had 649 field goals.

The Tigers topped their 1962 record of 44.1 per cent field goal percentage with a 48.6 per cent percentage this season. The Bengals outdid the 1956 record 675 free throws attempted in one season with 676 attempts this season. They also topped the record for most free throws made in one season, 457. The 1956 club had 402 gifts.

Coach Glenn Mattke also scored the most points in a single game, against Jackson, with 96 points. The old record was set in 1956 against Canby, at 91 points.

The only record not broken by this year's club was set by them last season. The 1962 club had the best free throw percentage sinking 326 attempts out of 478 chances for 68.2 per cent. This year's club missed by less than one per cent. The 1963 club sank 457 attempts out of 676 chances for 67.6 per cent.

The state champs set the record for the longest win streak with 23 straight. The old record was 18 set in 1956. This year's club also had the best record and percentage, topping 25-1 record for .962 percentage, against the old record of 19-2 for .904.

## Champions Lose 4 Seniors

By Dan Simpson

Coach Glenn Mattke will have eight of his 12-man championship squad back next year. However, he will lose four valuable players in John Nefstead, Dave Webb, Butch Otten and Marion Paradis.

Nefstead, captain of this year's club, will be the biggest loss. An all-tournament selection as well as the leading scorer on the team, Yogi also led the Tigers in the rebounding department.

John scored 471 points this season for an 18.1 average. His point total was a new school record and he set a new record for most field goals, with 178. The 6-1 forward was at his best when the going was tough around the boards, and he pulled down 220 rebounds this season, which made him far and away the most effective rebounder.

Dave Webb, also standing 6' 11", was the Tigers' sixth man this season. Dave was a regular his junior year for Mattke. He also started the final game of the state tourneys.

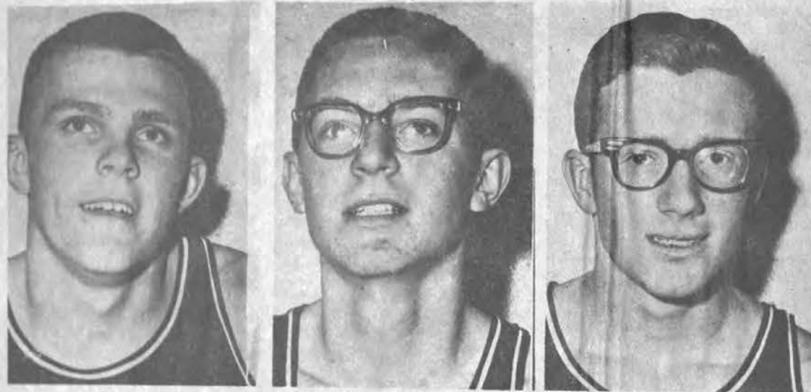
Dave was slowed down in the earlier part of the season re-

covering from mononeucleosis. He led the front line this year in assists with 27. Dave finished this season with a 2.7 average scoring 62 points in 23 games.

Butch Otten was one of the Tigers ace reserves. Butch was highest scorer of the subs with 78 points and a 3.5 average. The 5'11" forward proved his value this season against Slayton when he stepped into the starting lineup for the ailing Sandy MacDonald and scored 12 points.

Marion Paradis didn't see a lot of action this year which is understandable playing behind an outstanding guard such as Terry Porter, but he was important in more ways than one. Standing an even 6', Paradis occasionally substituted at the forward position. Marion was probably more well known for his rousing cheer to spirit the team during the tourneys. He was there when needed as proved the last game before the tourneys when he started for Porter, who was ill. Paradis transferred from Central last year and saw little action last year because of eligibility rules.

# Tigers Rewrite Record Book; Set



John Nefstead

Terry Porter

Red Schroeder

Marshall high school's State Championship basketball team rewrote the record book this season with their greatest team in history.

The Tigers set seven new team records of the eight on the record book. The new marks set were:

- Most points scored in a single season. This year's club tallied 1,755 points in 26 games to out-distance the old record compiled by the 1955-56 team of 1,332.

- Highest per game average for a season. For those 26 games the Tigers averaged 67.5 points a contest — exactly two points per game better than the old record of 65.7, also set by the 1955-56 outfit. The current club was averaging over 70 points a game before entering tournament play.

- The 1955-56 team, which won 19 of 21 games, also held the record for the most field goals in a season of 490 — but not any more. The 1962-63 club pumped in 649 to establish the new mark.

- This year's Tigers, who shot just over 50 per cent for more than two-thirds of the season, finished with a field goal percentage of 48.6 — also a new record. They dropped 649 of 1,335 attempts. The old record was set by most of the boys that played on this year's team. The 1961-62 club shot 44.1 for the season.

- Two new records were written as far as team free throwing went this year. The club attempted more (676) and sank a greater number (457). The 1955-56 team held the old marks by making 402 of 675. This year's team won more than a few games by their ability at the heavy black line.

- And the club also set a new team scoring record for a single game by pouring in 96 points against a very good Jackson club on Jan. 4. Jackson won the District Seven title this year. The old record of 91 points was set in 1956 against Canby.

The only team record to remain unchanged was "Best Free Throw Percentage" and this was set by the same group of boys that won the State Championship Saturday. This record of 68.2, set last year, was almost erased, but not quite. This year's club shot just under 68 per cent for those 26 games.

Individually, five new records were set. Both Capt. John Nefstead and Terry Porter rewrote the mark for most points in a season. Nefstead shattered the old mark of 359 points — set by Lowell (Codge) Johnson in 1959-60 — by tossing in 471. Yogi's per game average of 18.1 was also a new record.

Porter, already the school's highest scorer in history, dropped in 441 points for an average of 17.6 per game. Terry has tallied 765 points in two seasons with one more year of competition.

Denny (Red) Schroeder didn't shoot often, but when he did, they usually went in. This is evidenced by the new field goal shooting percentage of 65 he established by making 66 of 101 attempts. Peterson also held the old mark in this category of 63 per cent (129 buckets in 206 attempts).

Porter, who established the new free throw percentage record of 86 last year (86 of 100), now holds the mark for the most charity tosses made during a campaign. This season, the junior guard dropped 129 of 161 tries for 80 per cent.

Nefstead also rewrites the most field goals in a season record by stuffing in 178 in 328 attempts. Bob Peterson (1957-58) held the old mark of 129. Porter also bettered Peterson's mark. Terry potted in 156 buckets in 307 attempts (51 per cent).

Yogi also broke Codge Johnson's free throw record by sinking 115 of 177 attempts (65 per cent).

The only individual records left standing are the most points scored by a player in a single game. Nefstead almost had this one too when he tallied 37 against Jackson, but fell short by two of Peterson's record of 39. Sid Bostic of Pipestone holds the mark of 45, the highest scored by an individual against Marshall. Bostic did this in 1960.

And 23-Game Win Streak —

## 25-1 Record Is Best in History

Running up, by far, their best won-lost record for a season, Marshall high school's State Championship Tigers enjoyed their greatest campaign in history.

The Tigers, in annexing their first State Championship, also became the first District Nine team ever to win the coveted crown. The district has had three runners-up, but never a champion—before this year.

Marshall's 1942 aggregation lost to Buhl in the final game that year by one point while Lynd, surprising everyone along the way, finally was beaten in the final game against Austin in 1946. Canby's great ball club of 1951 lost the championship game to Gilbert, 69-52.

The Tigers added their ninth District Nine title earlier this month and third Region Three crown a week later.

Marshall high has had tremendous winning streaks in the past but none to equal the 23 straight the 1962-63 team compiled in moving on to the state title. The Tigers haven't been beaten since their third game of the season. The 1955-56 team did possess MHS's longest winning streak of 18 games before the current Tigers passed that by.

And, of course, Marshall's .962 won-lost percentage also was a new mark as they compiled a 25-1 record. The 1955-56 team had that record of .904 in achieving a 19-2 mark.

With that 25-1 record coach Glenn Mattkke's coaching mark shot way above .500 for his five years here. For those seasons Glenn's records stands at 66-40—a .806 percentage.

### MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL RECORDS

#### CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### DISTRICT NINE

1923  
1939  
1941  
1942  
1944  
1948  
1949  
1953  
1963

#### REGION THREE

1923  
1942  
1963

#### STATE

1963

#### SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

1948 (Tied with Mountain Lake)  
1956

#### LONGEST WINNING STREAKS

16 ..... 1921-22  
15 ..... 1941-42  
18 ..... 1955-56  
23 ..... 1962-63

#### WINNING PERCENTAGE

.904 (19-2) ..... 1955-56  
.962 (25-1) ..... 1962-63

### MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL STATISTICS

WON-25, LOST 1 (.962)

	G	FGA	FGM	Pct.	FTA	FTM	Pct.	RB	A	PF	TP	Ave.
John Nefstead	26	328	178	.54	177	115	.65	220	16	53	471	18.1
Terry Porter	25	307	156	.51	161	129	.80	80	160	50	441	17.6
Loren Johnson	26	299	123	.41	110	76	.69	69	90	58	322	12.3
Dennis Schroeder	25	101	66	.65	67	48	.72	183	25	69	180	7.2
Sandy MacDonald	24	63	34	.54	66	40	.61	127	18	67	108	4.5
Butch Otten	22	78	30	.39	28	18	.64	56	12	39	78	3.5
Dave Webb	23	56	25	.45	25	12	.48	71	27	38	62	2.7
Marion Paradis	19	34	14	.41	7	4	.57	19	14	12	32	1.7
John Kirscht	17	30	10	.33	14	9	.64	10	8	9	29	1.7
Brian Murphy	17	23	9	.39	10	5	.50	15	6	8	23	1.4
Dick Larson	13	11	3	.27	6	1	.17	15	3	13	7	.54
Dave Markell	14	5	1	.20	5	0	.00	7	3	7	2	.14
Team Totals	26	1,335	649	.49	676	457	.68	891	382	423	1,755	67.5

Opponents' Per Game Average: 53.8

\* KEY: G, games; FGA, field goals attempted; FGM, field goals made; FTA, free throws attempted; FTM, free throws made; RB, rebounds; A, assists; PF, personal fouls; TP, total points; Ave., per game average.

### MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL RECORDS

	INDIVIDUAL	
MOST POINTS SCORED IN A SEASON	John Nefstead	471 1962-63
MOST FIELD GOALS IN A SEASON	John Nefstead	178 1962-63
HIGHEST PER GAME AVERAGE IN A SEASON	John Nefstead	18.1 1962-63
MOST FREE THROWS IN A SEASON	Terry Porter	129 1962-63
BEST FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	Dennis Schroeder	.65 1962-63
BEST FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	Terry Porter	.86 1961-62
MOST POINTS PER GAME	Bob Peterson (Pipestone)	39 1958
MOST POINTS SCORED AGAINST MARSHALL	Sid Bostic, Pipestone	45 1960

### TEAM

MOST POINTS SCORED IN A SEASON	1,755	1962-63
HIGHEST GAME AVERAGE PER SEASON	67.5	1962-63
MOST FIELD GOALS PER SEASON	649	1962-63
HIGHEST FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	48.6 (649 of 1,335)	1962-63
MOST FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED IN SEASON	676	1962-63
MOST FREE THROWS MADE IN SEASON	457	1962-63
BEST FREE THROW PERCENTAGE IN SEASON	68.2 (326 of 478)	1961-62
MOST POINTS SCORED IN A SINGLE GAME	96	Jan. 4, 1963 (Against Jackson)

### RECORDS IN RECENT YEARS

Year	Won	Lost
1950-51	13	8
1951-52	7	11
1952-53	16	6
1953-54	10	11
1954-55	10	11
1955-56	19	2
1956-57	10	10
1957-58	13	6
1958-59	5	13
1959-60	13	6
1960-61	8	11
1961-62	14	7
1962-63	25	1

### GLENN MATTKKE'S RECORD

Year	Won	Lost
1958-59	5	13
1959-60	13	6
1960-61	8	11
1961-62	14	7
1962-63	25	1
	66	40

## Season's Final Statistics . . .

By Dan Simpson  
The final statistics clearly indicated the vast improvement of this year's club. The Tigers finished with a 25-1 record after eighteen season games and eight tournament contests.

Terry Porter and John Nefstead switched hands for high point totals. Terry scored 324 points for a 16.2 average while Yogi tallied 203 points for a 10.2 average, during the 1961-62 season. Although Yogi finished high, both of the cagers topped their performances of

the previous season. John scored 471 points for an 18.1 average. Terry finished the season with 441 points and a 17.6 average.

Terry was high in two other departments also. He led the team in assists with 160. He also won the trophy awarded to the player with best free throw percentage. Terry sunk 129 out of 161 chances from the line for 80 per cent. He won the trophy last season also hitting 86 per cent of his free throws (86 for 100).

Whitey Johnson, the other all-tournament selection from Marshall, finished high in the scoring ranks. Whitey tallied 322 points for a 12.3 average. He also was second with assists with 90.

Red Schroeder and Nefstead were the rebounding aces for the Tigers. Yogi topped his last season's total of 167 by snagging 220 rebounds this year. Red was not far behind with 183 rebounds. Sandy MacDonald finished third in this department with 127 rebounds.

### 1962 - 1963 SEASON STATISTICS

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Marshall has not sent a team to the state basketball tournament since 1942—just 21 years ago. There are many points of similarity between that entry and the team that will carry the Region 3 colors into Williams arena Thursday afternoon.

The 1942 team exhibited the same cool poise and "never quit" spirit the present Tigers have shown. Usually the underdog against taller teams, the 1942 bunch made up for any lack of altitude with speed, scrap and good shooting eyes.

That team was coached by Bernie Cole, who is now a teacher at Stillwater, Minn. The squad included Don Cool, Layton Ahsen, Bill Osborne, Murnane Maenhout, Bob White, Jack Hiller, Ray Shourds, Edgar Gamm, Howard Ross and Bernard Gervais.

Another member of that squad is still in Marshall. He is Curtis Lunde, who was the team's student manager. Curt is employed by Great Lakes Pipeline Co. at their tank farm here.

Of that lineup, all but two are still living. Howard Ross was killed in service. Jack Hiller, who was named on the all-tournament squad, was killed in an automobile accident in 1959.

Also on the all-tournament team were Barney Gervais and Bill Osborne.

Don Cool, who owns the Silver Dollar Bar at Ghent, has kept some track of most of his team-mates.

Bernie Gervais is now a dentist at Fergus Falls. "Red" Maenhout is in Washington state, but Cool was not sure just where. Layton Ahsen is still in Marshall and is employed with the municipal power and light department. Ed Gamm is a doctor at Park Rapids. Bill Osborne, who coached for several years, is now in the insurance business in Billings, Mont. Ray Shourds is in Florida.

The only one whose whereabouts Cool could not account for is Bob White. But Bob's brother Bill said he is in California.

The 1942 team was a bit short on height even in those days when teams were not as tall as they are now. Maenhout was the "big man" at 6'1½". Cool and Gervais were about 6 feet.

Marshall won its way into the state tourney by beating Redwood Falls in the regional meet first round by a score of 57-28, a pretty fair output in those days.

They beat Olivia in the final game by a score of 40-27. The regional meet was held at Marshall.

Going into the state the Tigers were under-dogs with most sportswriters and fans but they quickly established themselves as a distinct title threat.

They trounced St. Paul Wa-

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## 1942 Tigers Went To State Final, Lost By One Point



1942 Tigers Who Went to the State Tourney Finals

This is the 1942 Marshall high school basketball team that was runner-up in the state tournament 21 years ago. Seated, from left to right, are Bill Osborne, Bernie Gervais, Murnane Maenhout, Don Cool, Jack Hiller. Standing, left to right, Principal Merrill Olson, Layton Ahsen, Edgar Gamm, Howard Ross, Curt Lundy, manager; Bob White, Ray Shourds and Coach Bernie Cole.



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

Quarress. 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."

# Marshall First Champion from Region Three Since Glencoe in 1931

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — "When I think of how we might have panicked when we blew that big lead in the first round against Austin I still get the chills," Coach Glen Mattke said Sunday. Mattke didn't have many bad memories from the 1963 Minnesota State Basketball Tournament as his Marshall Tigers returned home triumphant after winning the state title by edging Cloquet 75-74 Saturday night before 18,580 fans in Williams Arena.

However, he did admit to being "scared to death all the way

through the tournament," especially against Austin "when we could have panicked easily in the face of that rally."

He referred to Austin's 16-point comeback that forced the game into overtime. If Marshall had choked then, the Tigers never would have seen the championship bracket. They edged Austin 65-63 in overtime.

But Marshall's refusal to panic was about its main forte through the tournament. The Tigers never lost their composure—not when Austin staged its great

ally, or when Cloquet pressured with its usual smothering defense and pell-mell offense.

**Darkhorse Choice**

Marshall, accorded little more than a long-shot, darkhorse role before the tourney opened, proved itself the class of the meet with solid play all the way. The Tigers displayed little flash—just consistently good basketball, running their patterns better than anybody else and carrying the fight to the opponent. They committed only 17 mechanical errors in three games, an almost unbelievable low.

A tribute to Mattke was the fact that Marshall did not have anyone who could be classed as a team star.

Guard Terry Porter led the Tigers' tourney scoring with 63 points for a 21.0 average, but John Nefstead added 51 and Loren Johnson 50. Dennis Schroeder was a rebounding leader, contributed 28 points and hit the two free throws that beat Cloquet for the championship.

**Only One Senior**

Of Marshall's starting five, only Nefstead does not wear glasses,

making the '63 champs probably the most bespectacled in history. Nefstead also is the only senior starter, so the Tigers undoubtedly will be a strong threat to repeat next year.

Marshall fought back from the brink of defeat to clip Cloquet and take the championship Saturday

Cloquet, the pre-tourney favorite, had a 74-71 lead with 1:08 left. But then Nefstead slipped under for a close-in goal with 52 seconds left to trim it to 74-73.

With 19 seconds remaining, Nef-

stead fouled Cloquet's Mike Forrest, but he missed his first free throw on the one-and-one when he could have iced it for the Lumberjacks by sinking two charities.

**Schroeder Hero**

In the ensuing scramble for the rebound, Schroeder was fouled by Cloquet's Gary Welton. He stepped to the line and hit both free throws for the winning 75-74 margin with 15 seconds left.

The gangling, sandy-haired Schroeder — a 6-foot-2 junior forward — said afterwards the free throws were "just like shooting in

practice. No, the crowd didn't bother me."

Cloquet had one last chance, but Forrest's shot with eight seconds left bounced away and time ran out during two jump balls in the wild melee at the end.

Mattke credited his team "for a great showing. They just made up their minds they were as good as anybody here and they showed they were right. I'm very, very proud of them."

**Fouls Hurt Cloquet**

Cloquet's Forrest and Dave Melsner — probably the meet's two best shooters — both got into foul trouble early with three apiece the first half. Melsner picked up his fourth personal with only 9 seconds elapsed in the second half, and rode the bench nearly all the third quarter.

Forrest led both teams with 29 points, while Melsner got 16. Nefstead topped Marshall with 22, while Porter canned 21 and Johnson 19.

The score was tied seven times the first half, included 43-all at halftime, and once the second half. The lead in the title game changed hands four times each half. Each team once had a seven-point lead, Cloquet at 16-9 and Marshall at 66-59, for the biggest margins.

**Mainstrecters Win**

Sauk Centre captured third

place by edging Anoka 56-54, while Bloomington won fifth with a 43-42 squeaker past Bemidji. Thus four points decided the three Saturday night games.

Sauk rallied from a 12-point deficit in the fourth quarter to nip Anoka. The Mainstrecters first took the lead at 51-50. Dick Neal's two free throws with 48 seconds left gave Sauk its safe margin at 56-52. Tom Trutna led Sauk with 13 points and Neal got 12. Bill Erickson and Bob Fenwick each had 12 for Anoka.

Bloomington won on Joe Yager's field goal with 40 seconds left. Yager also blocked Bemidji's last-chance shot with two seconds remaining. Bob Kelly led Bloomington with 13 points, while Gerry Suman had 14 for Bemidji.

And, of course, this year's mark was 25-1 with the last 23 of these triumphs coming in succession.

Coaches invariably get second-guessed and Glenn Mattke got more than his share last year. He substituted a lot last year even with the club compiling a fine record. The club was very young, and the only way to obtain game experience, is by playing.

Last season these sophomores felt the pressure a number of times in close or important ball games but got the experience they needed under those conditions.

It paid off this year — and Marshall has a State Champ-

ionship trophy to prove it.

They won eight games by a total of five points or less. They took that 1963 championship contest from Cloquet by one point (75-74) and four more by two points. One of these was a State Tournament game with Austin which the Tigers won in overtime, 65-63, and the other was that Hutchinson game in the region, won in the last quarter, 54-52.

Marshall tipped Ivanhoe, 58-54, a four-point margin, in a semi-final District Nine game and won two more by five points.

And the Tigers were in many more tight games than these before breaking them open in the last half.

Glenn Mattke won himself many more friends than he already possessed with his congenial ways during those pressure-packed tournament games which saw his 1962-63 Marshall high school Tigers capture the State Tournament Saturday.

To a lesser man all this emotional turbulence brought on by the Tigers fighting their way to the State title could have caused an eruption. Glenn felt the pressure — but kept it under control.

Supt. of Schools, L. M. Frey, summed up the community's thoughts of Mattke by saying at Monday's convocation at Marshall high: "I salute you (Glenn Mattke) not only as an outstanding coach but also as a leader of young men and a man of real character."

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This has been a great season for Glenn — and he deserved it. But he is the first to admit that no coach can have a winning season without the horses (ball players).

Unlike some coaches, Glenn will — and has taken — the back seat as far as Marshall

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Insights from . . .

## the bay window

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Glenn notes that mental attitude plays such an important part in sports today. Against some of their District Nine rivals during the regular season, Marshall was not up mentally for them and made hard work out of defeating them.

Perhaps, this is understandable after the Tigers went through their toughest schedule in history with only one loss in 18 regular season starts. Against the Southwest Conference teams and Rochester (John Marshall) high school, the Tigers really blossomed. There were bound to be some letdowns.

The 1962-63 club, in addition to their athletic ability, probably got their confidence early in their athletic careers. They're used to winning — particularly in "make all."

Since this present group of juniors started playing together in seventh grade, assistant coaches Tom Musser and Stu MacDonald figured out they have won 75 games and lost just nine.

In both seventh and eighth grade they had undefeated seasons. Moving up to the B-squad under coach Stan Kroon (now principal at Belgrade), they posted a 17-1 record.

With Terry Porter and Whitey Johnson becoming starters on the varsity last season and Red Schroeder changing off with Dave Webb at one of the forwards, the Tigers had a 14-7 record.

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## Bay Window . . .

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winning th State Championship goes. It shouldn't be. He has done a wonderful coaching job again.

Mattke, in talking publicly and privately about his squad, will not confine the conversation to just one or two men. When he talks about the Tigers, it's about the whole team.

Sunday, after receiving the golden key to the city from mayor C. F. (Bud) McGuigan, Glenn talked a few moments about the season and they introduced each and every member of his squad. He had a few quips about each member and how each contributed to the team's success. Not every coach does this.

Glenn says the credit for the State Championship should go to the kids. "Coaching these kids was as easy as falling off the bench for

week, he was set upon by a host of sportswriters and radio and television people loaded with a barrage of seemingly endless questions.

Conservatively, every day coach Mattke was in the Twin Cities he was up 20 hours. When he laid down trying to get some much-needed rest, the phone, more often than not, would ring.

Still, in spite of this exhaustive schedule, he was always cordial and cooperative to persons making these demands on his time. But, that's the way he is.

Glenn will try to soft-pedal his part in the Marshall Tigers' story this winter; but he was the man that made the moves — and his judgement was correct nearly all of the time.

The City of Marshall has every reason to be proud of its Marshall high school as well as its championship Tigers. And, also feel fortunate to have a man the caliber of Glenn Mattke coaching the team.

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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



TOP ATHLETIC AWARD IN STATE OF MINNESOTA

# These Stars Named on High School All-Tournament Team



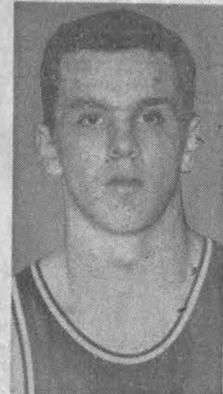
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TERRY PORTER  
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Anoka



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Marshall



ALAN REDMAN  
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IT PAINS ME . . .



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

. . . TO SEE EITHER LOSE'

## In a Partisan Crowd, He's an Island of Neutralism

By JIM KLOBUCHAR  
 Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

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 Trochlil 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.

And Then Win First Tournament Game —

## Cool Tigers Relax Like Veteran

## State Basketball Tournament Team



**PLAY CARDS** — Red Schroeder and Sandy MacDonald played cards while waiting for the first game of the state basketball tournament. Then they went out and helped Marshall deal Austin a full house while the Tigers held a royal flush. *Locy photo.*



**CATCH NAPS**—Whitey Johnson and Terry Porter caught 40 winks in their hotel room before Thursday's Marshall-Austin game. But they weren't caught napping on the floor . . . although Austin gave Marshall a nightmare during their second-half rally. *Locy photo.*



**READ TELEGRAMS** — Yogi Nefstead and Butch Otten read some of the telegrams the Tigers received from their well-wishing fans. Later, at Williams Arena, it was the Austin Packers who "got the message" and lost an overtime thriller to Marshall. *Locy photo.*

Sunday Afternoon —

## City To Welcome Marshall Cagers

A "Welcome Home" recognition program to honor Marshall high school's basketball team will be held here Sunday afternoon. A delegation will meet the team at Redwood Falls. Then persons who are interested are asked to form the main motorcade east of Marshall between KMHL and the junction of Highways 19 and 23.

The team is expected to arrive at Marshall about 2:30 p.m., but final arrangements had not been made as the Messenger went to press this morning.

After parading through town, there will be a program on the corner of 3rd and Main, at which Coach Glenn Mattke will be given the key to the city. There will be a flatbed truck parked at the corner to serve as a stage.

Marshall, after upsetting Austin in the first game of the state tournament, literally stunned Anoka last night to gain a berth in the championship round of the tournament.

# Marshall New State

## Prep Champion

### 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 second 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 70-69—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 1:143 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, rippled 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.

Marshall rolled along in front until late in the second period when Jay Gildemeister, Forrest and Welton shot Cloquet in front with a barrage of points but Johnson, Porter and Nefstead had it

# Marshall, Austin Should

## be Strong Next Year

### Tigers Have 4 Regulars Returning

By KEN MURPHY  
Pioneer Press Sports Editor

Many of the stars of this year's Minnesota high school basketball tournament may be back next year to shine even more brightly.

Seldom has there been a field of state tournament teams with so many fine junior basketball players. The backbone of some of the top teams consists of these players who will have another year.

Take a look at them by teams:

**MARSHALL** — This team, which rolled to the finals with some of soundest basketball in the tournament, has four junior starters. Only John Nefstead is a senior. That leaves Terry Porter, Loren Johnson, Sandy MacDonald and Dennis Schroeder as returning starters.

**AUSTIN** — While the Packers dropped two in a row, two of their finest starters, and three in all, will return for another shot next year. Dave Hartman, Walt Osterholt and Al Berg are juniors and Hartman was one of several fine guards in the tournament.

**WELLS** — They called Wells a young team last year and it was. Again three of the starters are only juniors and so is the sixth man. Back next year will be Tom Schultz, Dick Wanzek, Gary Feist and Dave Stussy.

**ANOKA** — This team which proved a surprise in winning Region 4 and went on to gain the semifinals, will have Phil Johnson, Tom Erickson and Bill Erickson returning for the nucleus next season. Also back is Bob Fenwick, who saw considerable action in the tournament.

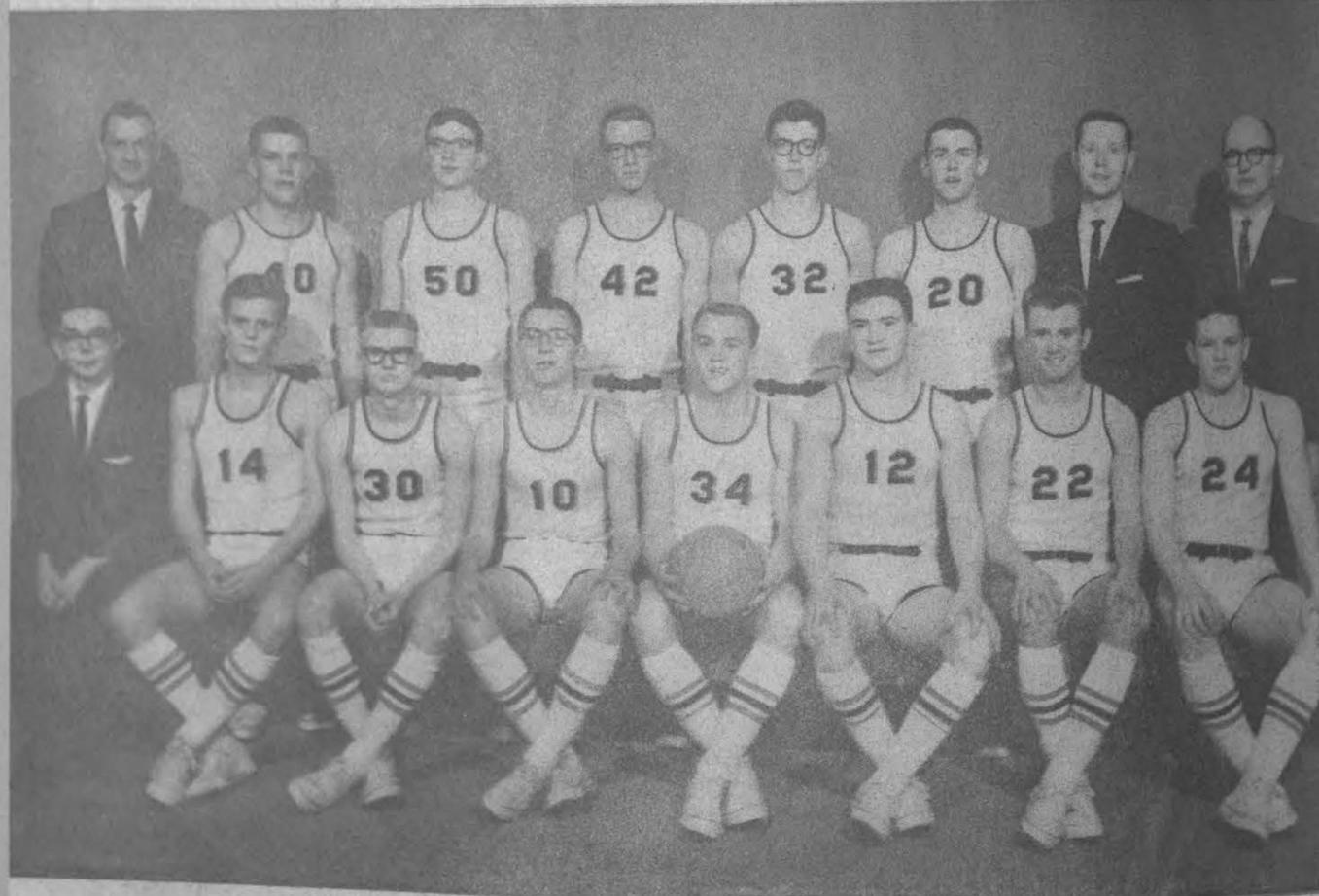
**BEMIDJI** — Two of coach Bun Fortier's starters, John Warford and Marv Hanson will return for the team next season, as will the entire squad except the other three starters and Roger Johnson. The other three teams will be hit hard by graduation of starters. At Cloquet only Gary Welton of the first five returns, at Bloomington only flashy Bob Kelly of the starters is back and at Sauk Centre, coach Bill Selisker's entire starting five picks up diplomas this spring.

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Team	Player	Points	Rebounds	Assists	Steals	Fouls
Marshall (75)	Nefstead	18	10	2	1	3
	Schroeder	12	8	1	0	2
	MacDonald	10	5	1	0	2
	Porter	8	3	1	0	2
	Johnson	6	4	1	0	2
	Ott	4	2	1	0	2
	Webb	2	1	1	0	2
Totals		60	33	7	1	14
Cloquet (74)	Forrest	15	12	2	1	3
	Boyer	12	8	1	0	2
	Breitbarth	10	6	1	0	2
	Meisner	8	4	1	0	2
	Welton	6	3	1	0	2
	Gildemeister	4	2	1	0	2
	Hunter	2	1	1	0	2
Totals		63	40	8	1	14

TWO TOP TEAMS IN THE STATE TOURNAMENT

## The Champ—Marshall



**M**ARSHALL players, coaches and manager are, left to right, front row: Manager Jay Wiltrout, 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.

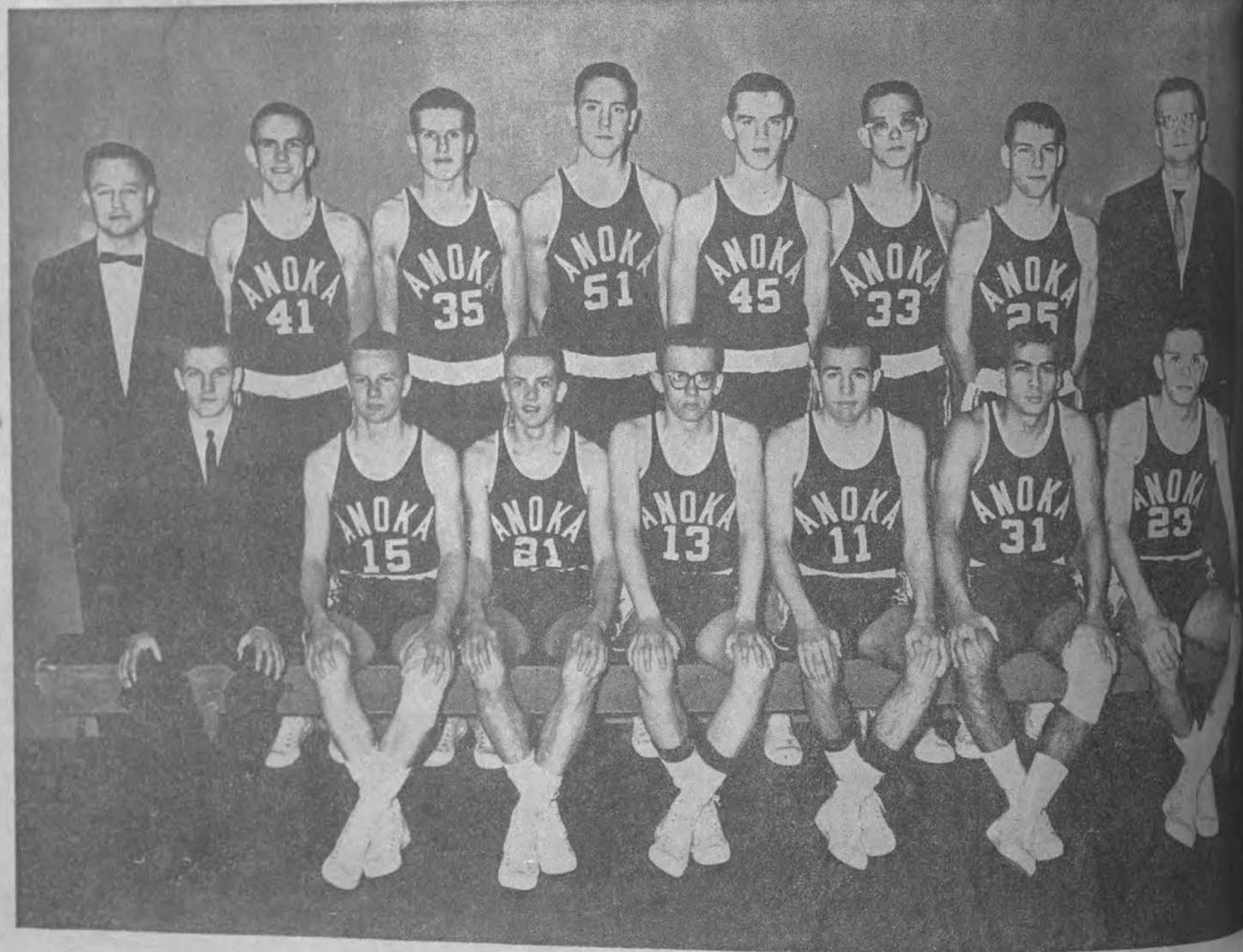
## The Runner-Up—Cloquet



**C**LOQUET 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 Trochill.

## The Tornadoes



ANOKA: Front row, left to right, manager D. Boock, Red Afferness, Jay Wellberg, Ron P... Dick Johnson, Jim Tobin, Dick Syring, assistant...

## The Mainstreeters



SAUK CENTRE: Front row, left to right, Dick Neal, Gilbert, Jim Ripka, Ken Borgmann, manager. Back row, left to right, assistant coach Harry Hanson, coach Bill Selisker, Dave Schwanke, Al Mickelson, Joe Schmiessing, Don Scheanke, Tom Trutna, faculty representative Dick Schmitz.—Staff Photo.



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



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

## Drummer's Drama



HAPPY IS JANE HART  
While Wells team is in front.



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

By TED PETERSON  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

Marshall won its first Minnesota State High School Basketball Tournament crown Saturday night at Williams Arena by topping Cloquet.

The score was 75-74.

**THE FIRST HALF**, one of the most explosive in tournament history, finished in a 43-43 standoff.

Both teams stressed offensive play, running when the opportunities came, and left the defense pretty much to a minimum.

Mike Forrest and Dave Meisner shot cloquet into a 16-9 lead, its biggest of the half, midway through the first quarter.

Marshall cut that to 19-15 before launching a furious charge—a rebound basket by Dennis Schroeder, a layup by Nefstead and another tip-in by Nefstead for a 22-19 edge.

Forrest's long shot for Cloquet left Marshall with a 22-21 first quarter lead.

That was extended to a 30-25 before a Cloquet flurry closed the margin to 32-30 with 5:10 left of the half.

**THE TEAMS** traded baskets at a furious pace until Cloquet finally tied it at 36-36 on Forrest's long jump shot with 3:07 left.

Cloquet went ahead 39-38 on Boyer's free throw, and again 42-40 when Gary Welton converted Forrest's perfect pass on a fast break. A three-point play by Nefstead opened a 43-42 Marshall advantage, but Boyer's free throw closed that to a 43-43 tie at halftime.

Meisner's basket in the first nine second of the third period gave Cloquet a 45-43 lead, but he incurred his fourth foul on the play. Johnson made the free throw for Marshall.

After Forrest scored for Cloquet, Johnson hit from 30 feet for Marshall. Welton's push shot gave Cloquet a 49-46 lead.

Nefstead drove through three defensive men for a Marshall basket, and Johnson added another from 35 feet. Porter's side basket gave Marshall a 52-49 margin with 5:00 left of the third period.

Nefstead dribbled in for a 10-footer, which Forrest answered with a drive-in for Cloquet. Johnson's free throw put Marshall up 55-51.

Gildemeister spun around for a layup to cut that margin in half, but Porter boosted it back to four with a side jump shot. It became 59-53 on Nefstead's long push from the side.

## Webb Puts One Into the Netting



Minneapolis Tribune Photo by John Croft  
**MARSHALL'S DAVE WEBB DRIVES IN TO SINK LAYUP IN CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**  
Cloquet's Richard Boyer (11), Gary Welton (21) stand by Teammates John Nefstead (10), Dennis Schroeder (12).

**FORREST** replied with a jump shot, and then drove into make it 59-57.

Meisner re-entered the game for Cloquet, and the Lumberjacks tied it 59-59 on Welton's two free throws.

Porter hit a 20-footer just before the third period gun to give Marshall a 61-59 lead going into the final eight minutes.

**AFTER** a scoreless drought of 1:44 to open the fourth period, Porter made a Marshall free throw for a three-point lead. Nefstead's rebound basket opened up a 64-59 Marshall margin.

Johnson hit a long jump shot to boost Marshall into a 66-59 advantage with 5:18 remaining.

Boyer was on the payoff end of a Cloquet fast break, and then Meisner made a sensational steal under the Cloquet basket to prune Marshall's lead to 66-63 with 3:55 left.

Meisner made another steal, passed off perfectly to Boyer for a Cloquet basket

# Cloquet Applauds Marshall Tearfully

By RALPH REEVE  
Staff Writer

Bennett Trochill, 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 Trochill.

"This trophy is big enough, isn't it?" Forrest asked.

"You bet," Trochill answered. "We'll settle for it."

Trochill'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).

Trochill 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," Trochill 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 . . ."

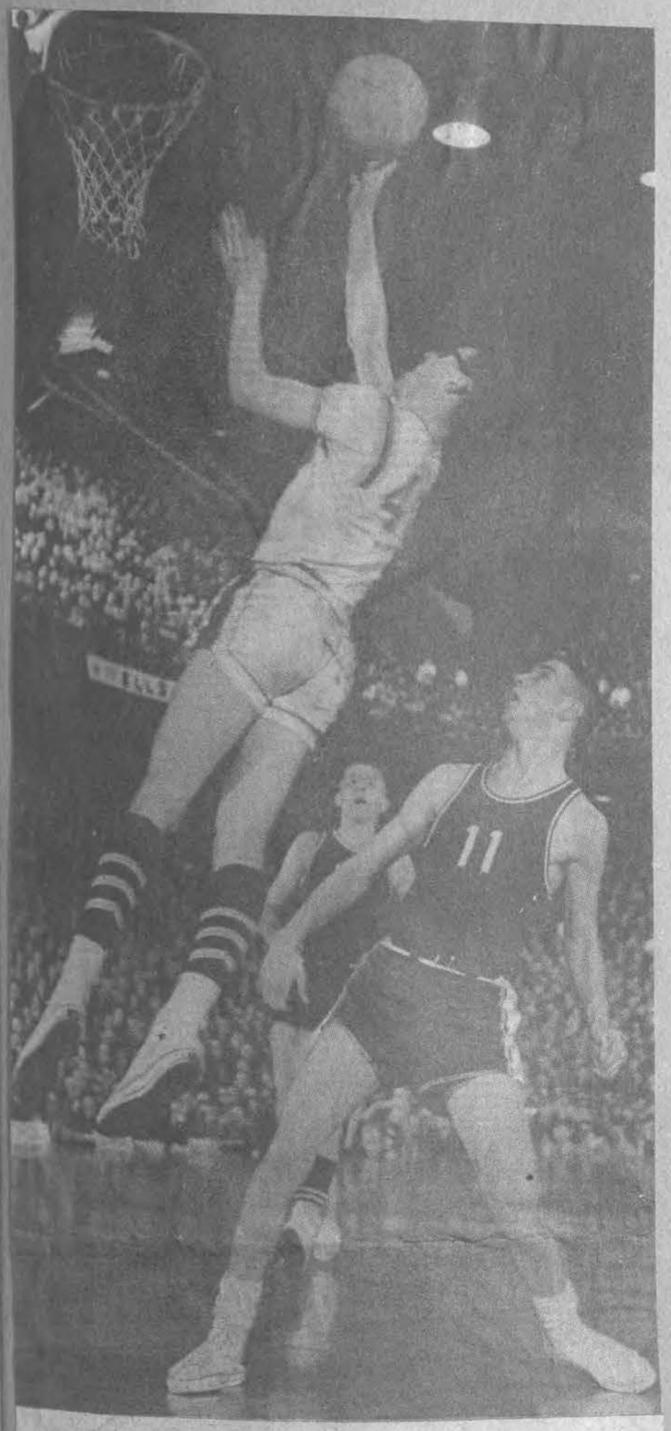
Meisner agreed, "Yeah, you know, my name is 'Mouse.' Well, the Marshall fellows didn't call me 'Rat' or anything like that . . ."

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 . . ."

Trochill 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 Mattke and a 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."



Minneapolis Star Photo by Wayne Bell

**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.)

# Nervous? Hero Porter Wasn't

By DWAYNE NETLAND  
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

Marshall's Terry Porter didn't feel he was under any particular pressure to make both free throws with four seconds left of the overtime Thursday against Austin.

"One was all I needed," smiled the junior guard, who dropped both foul line efforts to give Marshall a 65-63 victory in the state tournament opener.

"My first thought was that I was in a one-and-one situation," Porter continued. "That meant I had to make the first one. When I saw the official hold up two fingers I relaxed a little. Anyone ought to make one out of two."

Coach Glenn Mattke, naturally pleased over the victory, couldn't forget that his Tigers blew a 16-point lead (40-24).

"We had a great first half," Mattke said. "We were getting about the same shots in the last two periods, but they weren't

going in. I think we played it too conservatively in the second half, too. We were holding the ball just a little too long before going for the shot."

Then Mattke recalled that Marshall missed three straight one-and-one free throws late in the fourth quarter, and shook his head sadly.

"If we had lost, those missed free throws would have been the reason," he said. "We've been a good free throw team all season, too. There was no reason that game should have gone into overtime. Missing those free throws gave Austin its chance."

Austin coach Ove Berven took the loss quietly.

"I thought we had them in the overtime," he said. "The breaks were finally starting to even up. Everything was falling into their hands in the first half, but we started to pick up a few loose balls there at the end."

## HARTMAN'S Roundup by Sid Hartman



### Marshall Wins With Four Junior Starters

FOUR OF THE FIVE starters on Glenn Mattke's Marshall team that beat Austin in overtime Thursday are juniors.

The lone senior on the starting team is John Nefstead, the all-state football player. Terry Porter, who scored 25 points, including the deciding two free throws for Marshall, Loren Johnson, Dennis Schroeder and Sandy MacDonald have been playing together since they were seventh graders.

Nefstead is a 6-foot-1, 185-pounder who is rated by many as the best football prospect in the southwestern part of the state.

John wants to attend Minnesota. But he can't qualify for a scholarship under the strict new Big Ten rules. This could cost the Gophers a top prospect.

**Was Hit:** Porter said there wasn't any question in his mind that referee Dick McWaters made the right call when he called a personal foul on Austin to give Terry a chance to score the two winning free throws with four seconds left to play. "He hit my wrist," said Porter.

**Bemidji Ill:** While Bun Fortier is not the type of coach to alibi, three of his top boys, including center Bill Rabe, were ill with the flu Wednesday night and needed a doctor's attention . . .

Glenn Reed, Minnesota assistant basketball coach, was impressed by Bemidji's Gary Suman.

"His actions are a lot like those of Ray Cronk of Bemidji, who played for us," said Reed.



Berven



Nefstead



Porter

## Victory Ride for Coach? Mainstreeters Too Tired

Sauk Centre's happy Mainstreeters tried to carry Coach Bill Selisker off the floor after beating Anoka 56-54 in the third place game Saturday night. Selisker is a slight man,

weighing only 150 pounds. But the Mainstreeters couldn't get him off the floor. "We were too tired," grinned Dick Neal, whose two free throws with 48

seconds left gave Sauk Centre its winning margin.

"We had nothing left after three tough games in three nights."

Selisker was perfectly happy to leave the floor under his own power.

"What a comeback," he whooped. "We were down 12 points in the fourth period. That's the way this team has been all year. They don't have much finesse, but they get the job done."

"It helped, of course, to have Joe Schmiesing in there the whole game. He was terrific on the boards. I can't help thinking that he would have beaten Cloquet Friday if he hadn't fouled out."

Schmiesing grinned ruefully over his free throw troubles in the fourth quarter.

"I made one out of five" he said. "Not very good. I'm glad Neal was there to make four straight near the end."

Sauk Centre also won third place in its first state tournament entry two years ago, giving Selisker a two-year tourney record of four wins and two losses.



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

## 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."

## Anoka 54, Bemidji 48

Bill Erickson, a 6-foot-2 guard, proved a take-charge performer for Anoka's Tornados 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 Tornados.

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 out-rebounded Bemidji 24-22.

Anoka (54)		Bemidji (48)	
fg	ft	fg	ft
13	28	10	20
Johnson	6 13	Warford	5 11
T. Erickson	4 0	Rabe	2 3
Syring	7 3	Aguiar	2 0
B. Erickson	3 2	Henson	3 0
		Dow	0 0
Totals	23 47	Totals	20 47
	13 14 7 20-54		15 12 11 10-48

Free throws missed—Johnson, T. Erickson, Syring, Suman, Rabe, Henson.  
Officials—Tom Mahoney, Sulo Lundgren.

## 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 ilice 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)

fg	ft
25	79
Berg	2 2
Osterholt	1 0
Miller	0 5
Hartman	0 3
Musser	2 2
Grimsley	0 0
House	0 0
Totals	25 79

Free throws missed—Osterholt, Hartman, Porter, Webber, Nefstead, Johnson, Miller.  
Officials—Richard McWhorter, Wayne Gilleland.

## SLAYTON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

SLAYTON, MINNESOTA

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March 25, 1963

TO: COACH MATTKE, BASKETBALL TEAM, AND HIGH SCHOOL

Congratulations to an outstanding Coach, Team, and school for the efforts needed by all to return to Marshall as....

MINNESOTA STATE CHAMPIONS!

It was a great team effort and a great team that made this possible.

Sincerely yours,

*Norman K. Ahrendt*

Norman K. Ahrendt  
Athletic Director

Tracy, Minnesota

March 25, 1963

Mr. L.M. Frey  
Superintendent of Schols  
Marshall, Minnesota

Congratulations to your team, Mr. Mattke, the coaching staff and to  
your entire school. We are proud, you are our champions, too.

Your boys were superb.

George Bornemann, Superintendent  
Tracy Public Schools  
Tracy, Minnesota



## MARSHALL ROTARY NEWS

Marshall, Minnesota

"F.J." Moads, President  
Vol. XIX

February 5, 1963

Erv Seifert, Sec'y & Editor  
No. 32

### ONE OF THE FINEST

demonstrations of appreciation and recognition that a Rotary Club could ever receive in a community was given to the Rotary Club of Marshall last Tuesday, January 29th. Being guests at a noon banquet within an atmosphere of sincere respect and, might we say, youthful admiration was a thrilling experience that warmed the heart of every Rotarian present. The extraordinary talents of the students which was presented for our entertainment were thoroughly enjoyed also. The meal was delicious. The fellowship with the young people on their "home ground" was an experience to be remembered. And, those statuettes of ourselves--what a surprise, a most acceptable and pleasant surprise!

This gracious act of appreciation and recognition of Marshall Rotary's time, effort and general support of the youth of our schools is gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated by we Rotarians. Working with the young people of our community is a privilege and part of our Community Service program. In this, as in the other avenues of Rotary service, we are motivated by the Rotary ideal of service: "Thoughtfulness of and helpfulness to others".

### THREE FIRESIDE MEETINGS

were held this past week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the homes of Erv, Hank and Bob L. They began at approximately 7:45 and lasted until about 10:45, three hours of intense interest in our membership problem. A complete report of the topics discussed will be presented by Hank Jewett, Chairman of the Rotary Information Committee on Tuesday, Feb. 5.

### New Student Guest

from Central High School for the next 4 weeks will be Daniel Coudron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Coudron.

### AN APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

In the Marshall Rotary Club has been received from Mr. John Novetske, Classification--Hotel Management. If no written objections are received within ten days, he will be inducted on February 12th.

### ROTARY BIRTHDAYS

Wayne Teinter . . . . . February 8  
"Z.L." Begin . . . . . February 9

### YOU CAN'T HAVE ROTARY WITH AN ABSENT "2"

We missed you . . . . . January 29  
Wayne\* 3.33% 100.00%  
Jim\* 3.33% 6.66% Great!  
6.66% 93.34%

"A high attendance average IS NOT our goal in itself but rather, the results that are brought about by it."

### ROTATING HERE

Dr. "Bill" Merritt of Minnesota  
Norm Johnson of Minnesota

### ROTATING THERE

Paul Arneson at Minnesota on January 23  
Bob Lenz at Carby on January 24  
John Middleton at Minnesota on January 30

### PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITIES

February 5 - Bob Schreier  
February 12 - Art Persons  
February 19 - R.I. Anniversary Observance  
February 26 - Warren Quarntstrom

### BOB SCHREIER

has been hospitalized since last Tuesday evening. Let him know that you're thinking of him. A word of cheer will be appreciated when a fellow is "laid up".

### MORE INTERACT CLUB GOALS

(continued from last week's issue)

4. To build respect for the rights of others, based on recognition of the worth of each individual.
5. To emphasize acceptance of individual responsibility as the basis of personal success, community improvement, and group achievement.
6. To recognize the dignity and value of all useful occupations as opportunities to serve society.
7. To provide opportunities for gaining increased knowledge and understanding of community, national & world affairs.
8. To open avenues of personal and group action leading to the advancement of international understanding and goodwill toward all peoples.

THE MARSHALL LITTLE BULLETIN  
Marshall Chamber of Commerce  
"You're in Marshall Country"

Volume 4

April, 1963

Marshall, Minnesota

Number 4

Membership Meeting  
Minnesota Cafe  
Monday, April 1, 1963, 12:00 Noon  
HELLO NEWT WALTER  
GOODBYE SANDY SANDERSON

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM---It is a short one, but if you want to give support to the new man, it certainly would be to your advantage to show it by turning out for this first meeting that he will be present at. Remember, he is here to help you-----The only way you are able to have him help you, is by helping him.

THE COLLEGE COMMITTEE is reporting to you at this meeting too... Many interesting things are happening and you'll be interested in a resume of this.

THE TIGERS HAVE CERTAINLY DONE THEIR JOB- and we are proud of them. I think the most OUTSTANDING part of it all is that each of the team players, the coaches, the students, are all perfect ladies and gentlemen..... Some years back, you know, to be "Square" meant honest, fair, -- .... Today may be that has changed---BUT SHOULD IT? In my books, these guys who won the State Championship are tops----and they have shown to the State that real big men don't necessarily have to be over 6 feet tall..... THAT CHEERING SECTION--is not to be overlooked either..... They won the championship too...and well they should..... To Coach Mattke, his staff; to Mr. Frey, Mr. Olson, and staff; to the players and the cheering section; to the tremendous fans

"THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS".....

AND, by the way---much more is planned for the boys in the way of a City wide banquet for sometime after Easter.... You'll be hearing more about it. The Chamber will be the coordinating group.

MY ARRIVAL in Marshall has been most gratifying. Everyone has given me a fine welcome. Everyone is very congenial, and I sincerely appreciate the attitude of the citizens of this fine community. Needless to say, I am very pleased and proud of my recent appointment to the Marshall Chamber of Commerce. As the saying goes, "I'm from Marshall and couldn't be prouder".... I know I will find the task of manager of the Chamber an exciting and challenging one, and I sincerely hope to justify the confidence you and the Board have placed in me. I hope to see each of you personally in the coming months.....

---Newt Walter

ON LEAVING A JOB which you have enjoyed, there are always regrets. I think that one of the hardest things to learn in this life is the leaving of a task which has been pleasant and enjoyable to go on to a future unknown.

Sorta like our own "Nefstad" who said at the convocation after the championship, "If I had just one wish in the world it would be that I'd never have to hang up that suit, but could go out and play with those guys next season"..... This kind of sums up my feelings right now.... I'd just kind of like to stand still---in a near perfect situation... But I can't.....

YOU CAN'T EITHER-----None of us can.... I have enjoyed my three years as your manager. I would hope that a bit of help has been given. It would be my hope that you will go on from here with renewed enthusiasm so that as State Champs, you are always that.....

RAYMOND (Speed King) KELLY

The Greatest All Around Athlete in the History of Minnesota

HOLDER OF WORLD RECORDS

COACH GLENN MATTKE  
MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL  
MARSHALL, MINNESOTA

ST. PAUL, MINN. APRIL 16, 1963

DEAR FRIEND

YOUR WELCOME LETTER AT HAND A FEW DAYS AGO AND NEWSPAPERS ALSO CAME O.K. AND REST ASSURED I THANK YOU I HAVE PASTED LETTER AND PAPERS IN MY BOOK AND WEDNESDAY WILL VISIT POST OFFICE AND SHOW THE POSTMASTER AND THE GANG.

WHILE I SELDOM MAKE A PREDICTION ON SPORTS OUTSIDE OF OLYMPIA GAMES ICE RACES IN WHICH I ALWAYS SAY WE MAY WIN A MEDAL IN 500 METER RACE BUT NOT AMONG THE FIRST TEN IN 1500 METER OR AMONG THE FIRST FIFTEEN IN 5000 METER AND NOT AMONG THE FIRST TWENTY IN 10,000 meter I DO SORT OF FEEL GLENN WITH THE BOYS RETURNING FOR NEXT YEAR AND THE WAY THEY PLAYED THIS YEAR YOUR CHANCE TO REPEAT MY BE IN THE BAG AND IF YOU DO AND I AM STILL ON EARTH YOU WILL GET ANOTHER CARD BETTER THAN THIS YEARS.

I NOTICED YOU PAID 18 ¢ POSTAGE ON PAPERS ALSO 5¢ for LETTER AND I THINK I ONLY HAD FOUR CENTS IN STAMPS ON LETTER I SENT YOU SO OWE YOU 24¢ THE

FIFTH CENT IS INTEREST.

WITH ALL GOOD WISHES TO YOU AND THE STAFF ALSO THE TEAM MEMBERS AND GREETINGS TO THE GALS I WISH TO THANK YOU.

SHOULD YOU OR MEMBERES OF TEAM EVER GET TO ST. PAUL VISIT THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY VISIT MY DISPLAY.

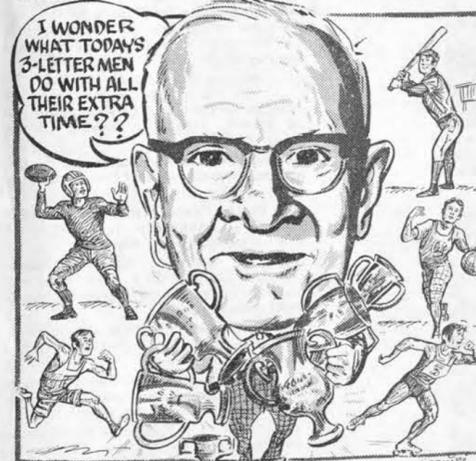
GOOD LUCK AND GOOD BYE FOR NOW I START YEAR SEVENTY FIVE MAY 21 PROVIDING I DONT KICK THE BUCKET AND AM STILL PLAYING GOLF.

RESP

*Raymond F. Kelly*

1155 EAST JESSAMINE AVE.

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ST. PAUL DISPATCH FEB. 9, 1959  
RAYMOND (SPEED KING) KELLY

WHOSE MEDALS, CUPS, PLAQUES AND TROPHIES ARE NOW ON DISPLAY IN THEIR FINAL RESTING PLACE IN FOUR LARGE GLASS INCLOSED CASES AT MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

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CLOQUET PUBLIC SCHOOLS

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 94

W. A. GESSNER, Superintendent  
O. E. HOYUM, Administrative Assistant

CLOQUET, MINNESOTA

March 29, 1963

Mr. L. M. Frey, Superintendent  
Marshall Public Schools  
Marshall, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Frey:

Thank you for your letter containing the many nice words and compliments for our coaches, players and student body. Let me assure you that the feelings of the Cloquet people toward the Marshall fans, players and coaches is equally complimentary.

As you can well imagine, the final game has been played over and over again by the people of Cloquet, but no matter how many times it is replayed the results always manage to be the same. We feel that our boys played in one of the most evenly matched, best played, cleanest and most exciting final games of any of the many state basketball tournaments and that they were beaten fairly and squarely.

Thank you again for your letter and please convey the message that there is no ill will in Cloquet for Marshall.

Sincerely,

*W. A. Gessner*

W. A. Gessner  
Superintendent

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RICHARD C. NORDHOLM, Director  
DR. T. SCHANTZ-HANSEN, Director  
LUDWIG M. WAGTSKJOLD, Director

*Tracy Minn.  
Mar. 28/1963*

*To Public School  
of Marshall.*

*Dear Friends:*

*I wish to congratulate you  
on winning the State Basketball  
Tournament. We are happy to have  
you put <sup>region</sup> District 3 back on the map.  
This will show the rest of State there is  
a Southwest Minnesota that needs  
a College.*

*your truly  
Blake Stehls*

*Lyon County Commissioner  
of the 5th District.*

*Sincere Congratulations  
to a terrific team  
and coach  
Minnesota 1963  
High School Champs  
from  
Granite Falls  
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Commerce*

## Detroit Lakes Public Schools

GRANT JOHNSON, Superintendent  
DETROIT LAKES, MINNESOTA

March 26, 1963

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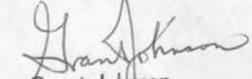
Dear Les:

Congratulations to you, your coaches and the team for the perfect exhibition of basketball they gave us these past 3 Holy Days of the year. They just "outscoined" the other teams. I've never seen a better job of substituting. The poise, shooting ability and general "savvy" of the entire team was superb.

Don't let the "emotional explosion" of the community wear you down. These things only happen once in a lifetime, and I'm sure your heart is insulated to take it.

I've never seen better championship basketball.

Sincerely,

  
Grant Johnson  
Superintendent of Schools

GJ:mm

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REDWOOD FALLS, MINNESOTA

REEDE GRAY  
SUPERINTENDENT  
ME 7-8481

March  
25  
1963

Dear Marshall Friends:

Congratulations on your State Basket Ball Championship! Mr. Mattke and your team certainly provided the best possible representation for Region III. This we all appreciate more than we can say.

We had very good TV reception of the Marshall-Anoka game in our high school auditorium. Our pupils cheered for Marshall as though your team was our own!

Of course, we were pleased and honored to have our band and townspeople out yesterday P. M.

With best wishes for continued success.

Most sincerely and respectfully,

*Reede Gray*  
Superintendent

RG:A

**Pipestone Public Schools**

DOLSON W. HILL, SUPERINTENDENT

PIPESTONE, MINNESOTA

March 25, 1963

Les Frey  
Superintendent of Schools  
Marshall, Minnesota

Dear Les:

Congratulations on your team winning the State Basketball Championship. We, here at Pipestone, are proud of the fact that we are in the same conference as your fine team and that we do have the opportunity of playing you each year. Your boys certainly represented this part of the state in a very commendable manner.

Sincerely yours,

*Dolson W. Hill*  
Dolson W. Hill  
Supt. of Schools

DWH/dd

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
REDWOOD FALLS, MINNESOTA

REEDE GRAY  
SUPERINTENDENT  
ME 7-0401

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RG:A

*Reede Gray*  
Superintendent

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Band Director Leo Yorde  
Marshall High School  
Marshall, Minnesota

Gentlemen:-

The most sincere CONGRATULATIONS to the Marshall High School!

It has been most gratifying to have followed the old alma mater through the regular season, then the district, the regional, and to have pledged loyalty at the start of the great tournament just completed.... but most of all to have shouted the praise of "We won!" at the close of the Saturday night finals. One gains two loyalties in life: (1) to your school in the community one now resides in and (2) the high school you graduated from and at one time played the part you considered so very important in its life.

A ringing phrase drilled into me by Mr. Olson from the time of serving as student council president... a poem our council chose as our theme and one which to me signified the great triumph just now accomplished: "If you think that you dare not, you don't, If you think you'd like to win, but think you can't, It's almost a cinch you won't. It's as true as the stars in the sky, that out in the world you'll find, Success begins in a fellow's thoughts.... It's all in a state of mind."

To Glenn, your remarks at the close of the game show the type of gentleman you must be... and the type of fine boys you have been working with. To Leo, a thanks for a good peppy band, and a chance to stand even by the TV set to the school song... sing the words...and feel a chill run up your spine. The TV parade showed well the people's feeling.

To Leo and Merrill, a well deserved honor due two wonderful men. I know through the long association my Dad had with you while serving on the Board.

To Marshall.... I'm proud to know that it is MY home-town. Thanks for the honor you have just given all of us who have been a part of the school life, and community life.

Sincerely,  
*Dick Hardy*  
Dick Hardy, Class of '41  
Chairman of the Music Department, Cambridge  
Senior High Band Director

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### *Russell Independent Schools*

DISTRICT NO. 418, LYON COUNTY

K. Whitmyre, Superintendent

Russell, Minnesota

March 25, 1963

Mr. Merrill W. Olson  
Principal of Schools  
Marshall, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Olson,

On behalf of the faculty and student body of Russell High School I would like to congratulate the Marshall Tigers on winning the State Basketball Tournament.

We feel that Marshall did an excellent job of representing our area both on the basketball floor and in public. Your team and fans are to be commended for their fine sportsmanship and conduct.

We are very proud of Marshall, and salute you for your fine showing.

Sincerely yours,

*David S. Sprague*

David S. Sprague  
High School Principal  
Russell, Minnesota

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### LYND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DISTRICT NO. 415, LYON COUNTY

J. E. CONNORS, SUPERINTENDENT

LYND, MINNESOTA

3-23-63

Mr. Merrill Olson, Principal  
Marshall High School  
Marshall, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Olson:

It is a very real pleasure to extend to you, to the coaches, and to the 1963 State Basketball Champions congratulations from the faculty and student body at Lynd.

District Nine and Region Three of the M.S.H.S.L. are proud of the 1963 Champs!

Sincerely,

*J. E. Connors*  
J. E. Connors  
Superintendent

JEC:me

March 24, 1963

Mr. Olson —  
That you would appreciate these clippings for your scrapbook, being they are from the nearby major Sunday newspaper. Needless to say, my wife Joan & I were Marshall rooters in a hostile territory. Congratulations to all.

James D. Peters



STATE CHAMPIONS . . . Here are the Marshall High School state champions, who won the title Saturday night with a 75-74 victory over Cloquet in the finals at Williams Arena in Minneapolis. Pictured are: front row, left to right, Brian Murphy,

Loren Johnson, Daryl Otten, Terry Porter, John Kirscht; back row, left to right, Dennis Schroeder, Dave Markell, Sandy MacDonald, Richard Larson, Dave Webb, John Nefstead and Marion Paradis.—(News-Tribune sportshot by Charles Curtis.)

Independent School District No. 152  
Moorhead, Minnesota

With Schools at Georgetown, Moorhead, and Sabin

Justin W. Swenson, Superintendent  
Joseph M. Mork, Assistant Superintendent

March 25, 1963

Mr. L. M. Frey  
Superintendent of Schools  
Marshall, Minnesota

Dear Les:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on the fine showing that your basketball team made in the state tournament by winning the championship over Cloquet. I have never seen such poise and determination on the part of a team. Except for one championship game, I believe this was the record score for both the winner and the loser.

Congratulations again and good luck to you for next year.

Very sincerely yours,

*Justin*  
Justin W. Swenson  
Superintendent of Schools

JWS:shq

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 181

WASHINGTON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL  
Oak and South Eighth Streets  
BRAINERD, MINNESOTA

*Student Council  
March 27, 1963*

*Student Council  
Marshall High School  
Marshall, Minnesota*

*Student Council President,  
The Student Council representing the student body of Washington High School, Brainerd, Minnesota, wishes to extend its congratulations to the Marshall basketball team and Coach upon their successful completion of the basketball tournament at William's Arena.*

*Sincerely,  
Georgia Benson  
Vice President  
Washington High School  
Student Council*

*Hendricks Public Schools*

R. S. Froiland, Supt.  
HENDRICKS, MINNESOTA

March 25, 1963

Superintendent L. M. Frey  
Marshall High School  
Marshall, Minnesota

Dear Supt. Frey:

On behalf of the administration, faculty and student body, I would like to extend our congratulations to you, to your coaches, and to your fine basketball team for winning the 1963 State Basketball Championship.

You have certainly made Marshall and District #9 proud of you. I don't think the people in Marshall were any more excited or happy to see your fine team win the championship than were the people in Hendricks. We are happy for you. We can now say, "We were for Marshall and couldn't be prouder!"

We would also like to comment on the very fine crowd leadership displayed by your talented cheerleaders, and also a special congratulations is in order to your very fine band and director. I am sure that you can feel proud of the conduct of your entire student body this past week end.

Sincerely,

*R. S. Froiland*  
R. S. Froiland  
Superintendent  
Hendricks Public Schools

RF:sd

J. L. HARRINGTON, Superintendent  
ARLIE STEEN, Principal

**EDGERTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 581

WINTHROP WARREN, Chairman  
JOHN M. FEY, Clerk

EDGERTON, MINNESOTA

Dear Mr. Olson:

Congratulations to your school on winning the state tournament.  
It's quite an accomplishment.

I am familiar with what you have gone through the past two weeks.

Best wishes from the Edgerton student body.

Sincerely,

*Arlie Steen*

Mr. Arlie Steen, Principal  
Edgerton, Minnesota

Telegram  
Coach Glenn Matthe  
+ Marshall Fegers

Luverne, Minn.

Congratulations, State  
Champions. You have  
brought honor to our  
Conference + Area. We  
are proud of you.

The Luverne Quarterbacks

Telegram  
Glencoe, Minn  
Supt of Schls.  
Marshall, Mr.

Congratulations from the  
last State Champs of  
Region 3. Keep the  
title next year.

Glencoe Area —  
Chamber of Commerce,  
Charles Lemke

Dear Mr. Drey —

Please extend our  
thanks to all those responsible  
for the fine arrangements  
for getting students to  
Minneapolis for the State  
Tournament.

The late hours of the  
bus drivers and chaperones  
is much appreciated by  
students and their parents.

Sincerely,

Dean & Arlene Freedom

**THE 2 GUN LADY**

ST. PAUL DISPATCH

WHO  
POSED WITH  
DILLINGER



TO THE GIRL  
*Cheer Leaders*  
MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL  
MINN. STATE BASKETBALL CHAMPS  
*Marshall Minn.*



I ALSO MAILED A LETTER TO THE EDITOR AND REQUESTED THAT SHOULD THE PAPER AT MARSHALL BUT LACKED HIS NAME AND MADE THE REQUEST THAT SHOULD THE PAPER AT MARSHALL MINNESOTA HAVE A STORY OR PICTURE OF THE CARD IN THE HOME TOWN PAPER I WOULD LIKE THEM TO SEND ME THE PAGE WITH THE CONTENTS ON SO I COULD PLACE IT IN MY SCRAP BOOK WHICH I REFER TO AS THE BOOK OF CHEER.  
FOR OVER THIRTY YEARS I HAVE BEEN MAKING SICK CARDS AND GREETINGS AND ON MANY OCCASIONS LARGE CARDS THE MAIN REASON I MAKE THESE CARDS FOR THE POST OFFICE EMPLOYEES IS BECAUSE I SPENT FORTY YEARS OF MY LIFE IN THE ST. PAUL OFFICE AS A CLERK

DURING ALL THE TIME I HAVE MADE THESE CARDS I HAVE FURNISHED ALL MATERIAL NEEDED ALONG WITH THE TIME TO MAKE THEM AND IN ADDITION ALL ONE HALF CENT STAMPS COME OUT OF MY POCKET BOOK THEY HOW EVER FURNISH BALANCE OF STAMPS NEEDED ALSO SIGN THEIR NAMES I NEVER HAVE SIGNED MY NAME BUT THE INDIAN HEAD ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF CARD READS R.F.KELLY IF YOU LOOK CLOSE.

MURRAY WARMATH HAS RECEIVED TWO SUCH CARDS ONE AS NATIONAL CHAMPIONS AND A SECOND AS ROSE BOWL CHAMPIONS HE HAD THEM FRAMED WITH GLASS ON BOTH SIDES AND HUNG SO STUDENTS OR VISITORS COULD READ THEM WITH OUT HANDLING THEM AND AMONG THE STATE BASKET BALL CHAMPIONS WHO HAVE THEM IN

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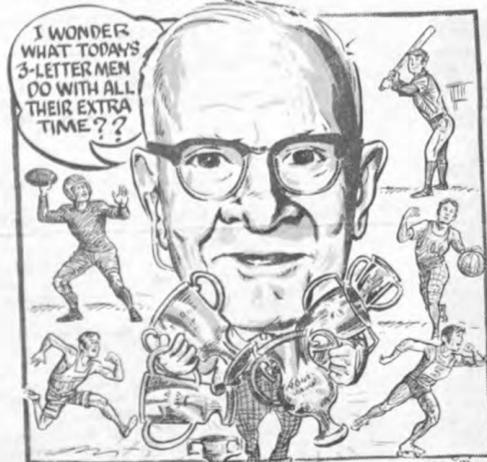
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IF YOU VISIT THE SAINTLY CITY IT WILL BE A VISIT WELL PAID IF YOU GAZE AT MY DISPLAY IN THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY ON THE STATE CAPITAL GROUNDS.

WITH ALL GOOD WISHES TO THE SCHOOL THE CITY AND THE BOYS AND GIRLS WHO MADE HISTORY WILL LIKE MY LIFE LINGER AMONG THE PEOPLE FOR MANY YEARS AFTER WE HAVE KICKED THE BUCKET AND ARE PUSHING UP DAISIES TRUSTING YOU WILL GRANT MY HUMBLE REQUEST IN REGARD TO THE NEWSPAPER STORY I MUST CALL A HALT

*Raymond F. Kelly*  
1155 E. JESSAMINE ST. PAUL MINN.



ST. PAUL DISPATCH FEB. 9, 1959  
RAYMOND (SPEED KING) KELLY

WHOSE MEDALS, CUPS, PLAQUES AND TROPHIES ARE NOW ON DISPLAY IN THEIR FINAL RESTING PLACE IN FOUR LARGE GLASS INCLOSED CASES AT MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

**RAYMOND (Speed King) KELLY**  
 The Greatest All Around Athlete in the History of Minnesota  
 HOLDER OF WORLD RECORDS

GIRL CHEER LEADERS  
 MARSHALL MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL  
 MINNESOTA STATE BASKET BALL CHAMPIONS  
 DEAR GIRLS..... AND I AM NOT FOOLING

ST. PAUL, MINN. APRIL 1, 1963

ON MARCH 24 I DELIVERED TO THE ST. PAUL POSTAL EMPLOYEES A LARGE CARD ADDRESSED TO THE MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL MINNESOTA STATE BASKET BALL CHAMPIONS THE WORKERS THERE WERE TO SIGN THEIR NAMES AND THEN ADD THE ADDITIONAL STAMPS AND GET IT ON THE WAY AND PERHAPS BY NOW IT HAS ARRIVED.

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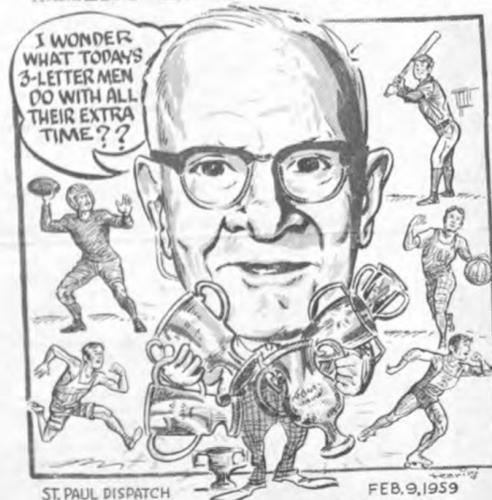
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