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A History of Decatur Catholic
Basketball 1921-1967

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A Short Note By the Author

When I started working a history of Adams County high school basketball nearly two years ago, I basically had no idea what I was getting into. I am a life-time fan of the sport, both as a participant, and a spectator. Even though I have practically every book ever written on high school basketball in our great state, I had no idea how long this would take.

I plan on doing all thirteen of the former and current high schools in the county. I have much of the research done, it just takes a little time getting in all down on paper. This work on Decatur Catholic will also be included, along with Decatur and Monmouth, in a history of Bellmont basketball. I just happened to finish this one first.

I would like to thank all of the fine women at the Decatur library, Dave Terveer, and Olin Edgall for the help they gave me with this.

Also, if anyone has any information that I left out, or information, or yearbooks from any of the county schools, please let me know. I could use any information on any of the schools prior to 1925. I can be contacted at 724-3359.

I have used a few abbreviations in this book-so here is a list of them so you can decipher this.

*-overtime game, 1 * means 1 OT, 2 ** mean 2 OT and so on.

MPGT-Most points in a game by the team

FPG-Fewest points in a game by the team

LMV-Largest margin of victory

LMD-Largest margin of defeat

MPGI-Most points in a game by an individual.

I hope you enjoy reading this as much as I enjoyed putting it together.

Bob Adams June 9, 1995

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A SHORT HISTORY OF DECATUR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

CATHOLIC HIGH FOUNDED IN 1919

History of Catholic School Written by Margaret Mylott,
DCHS grad.

Miss Margaret Mylott, a graduate of Decatur Catholic high school in 1923, being a member of the first high school class, prepared the following interesting history of the school. It was published in "The Tattler" last June (1924) and is published in this edition with the permission of the staff of the high school paper.

To revert to the days of 1881 seems quite a jolt to our modernized minds: for great and wonderful things have astounded and bewildered the world since this time.

Back in 1881, when St. Mary's was yet an infant parish, struggling though lusty, the good pastor, Rev. Theodore Wilken, turned his fatherly attention to providing a school for the small charges of his growing parish.

He built a school facing Madison Street, and was fortunate enough to secure a band of Sisters of St Agnes to take charge of the promising school. Four pioneer Sisters filled with zeal came to brave the trials and tribulations of a new mission, an infant school.

This dauntless pioneer was SR. AM Aloysia, who labored in the schools of St. Mary's parish for 38 years, and her efforts were well-spent, for every pupil who was fortunate enough to feel guidance of that wonderful Sister, is moved to tears of gratitude for the splendid work she did in cultivating his mind and lifting his heart to higher things.

Sr. Aloysia left Decatur in 1919, but her memory is still revered by each and every one in St. Mary's parish and all ardently long for her return. Sr. Aloysia is now located in Hays, Kansas.

Sr. Augustine, another pioneer, endeared herself to all with whom she came in contact, and performed great work for souls. The good nun passed to her reward just recently after 54 years in the service of her God—a noble life—well spent.

Sr. M. Borgia, the third member of the pioneer band, is still laboring in the fields of religion and we know that she still watches interestedly the progress of her school of days long past.

Sr. Euphrosine, the 4th member of the little band, is also still active in the service of her Master, and we know that Decatur and St. Joseph's school hold a warm corner down in her heart.

We take this opportunity to invite this band of three surviving members to the dedication of our new school so that they may have the opportunity to witness personally the fruition of their pioneer endeavors.

The school ably sponsored by good Father Wilken and the stout hearted Sisters flourished and expanded. Pupils entered, learned, and laughed, and were graduated, all carrying with them the uplifting ideals that were so ably instilled into their hearts. The first graduates were the Misses Blanche Adelsperger, deceased, and Nora Holthouse, no Sr. M. Dolores C. S. A.

After years of beautiful service to his God and fellowmen, good Father Wilken was called to his reward. However, his last days were gladdened by the wonderful progress his school had made, and surely from his place in Heaven, he still looks on and smiles complacently at the splendid strides his school is making.

"Rev. J.A. Seimetz, his able successor, proved to be an equally firm and ardent support of Catholic education, and encouraged the teachers and pupils in every conceivable manner.

"Rev. J.A. Seimetz dreamed of some day having a Catholic High and the dream was bound to materialize. In the spring of 1919, Father Seimetz, with the assistance of Sr. Aloysia worked out a plan of procedure. Although Sr. Aloysia was not destined to stay in Decatur to see the dream materialize; nevertheless, she has followed the success of the High School Department with the deepest interest.

At this juncture of 1919 the pioneer days of the second era begin. Rev J.A. Seimetz, Rev A.J. Kroeger, Sr. M Antonita and Sr. M. Odelia compromised the first faculty board of D.C.H.S. That first year was wonderful. Everyone was zealous and eager to make everything a "go".

The next year, Sr. M.Vera, our present competent principal came to bless our school with her presence. She was so zestful, so full of ambition, that all of us mentally resolved to live up to her high hopes, and, to make a long story short, that second year was glorious..

Pioneering was great fun. Our assembly room was picturesque. We scorned the regular school desks, and gloried in the tables and folding chairs that were provided for us. We laughed, we learned, and we came out winners. Our faculty that year included Rev. J.A. Seimetz, Sr. M.Vera, Sr. M. Antonita and Sr. M Odelia. Rev. Otto Peters, our capable assistant, then made things look bright by injecting some athletic spirit into our school; and Rev Otto Peters by his splendid initiative and encouragement well deserves the title "Patron of D.C.H.S. Athletics."

Our third and fourth years of High School, the trial years, went on merrily. Sr. M sylvester was added to the faculty in the third year, and Sr. M. Almeda in the fourth year. Sr. Sylvester left after the third year, accompanied by the best wishes of the scholars, for she helped us pioneer, and our hearts are warm with praise for her. Sr. M. Almeda is still with us. She also captured our admiration by the splendid way she goes after things.

In September, 1922 we had the distinction of being honored by affiliation with the Catholic University of America, which was a boon to teachers and students alike.

With the graduating of the five Pioneer High School Students: Aloysius Schneider, Andrew Appleman, Charlotte Niblick, Irene Holthouse and Margaret Mylott, the High School was a thing complete. It was a reality.

Today, the beautiful, new Catholic School, that will house both the grad and High School departments, is being constructed, and it is a wonderful monument to those who dream of things that make life worthwhile.

D.C.H.S. offers a classical course as well as a Commercial course. The present faculty of D.C.H.S. is composed of REV.J.A. Seimetz, Rev. O. Peters, ST.M.Vera, Principal, Sr. M.Antonita, Sr. M. Almeda Sr. M.Beata and Sr. M. Claude. what can we say to express our appreciation of the efforts of those sacrificing teachers? Sr. M. Vera has devoted herself, heart and soul to the success of our High School, and has succeeded wonderfully. Sr. M. Antonita, our first High School teacher, is still with us. Her splendid faith in all of us has always given us added impetus. Sr. M. Almeda's three years with our school has endeared her to all who know her. Sr. M. Beata is a new member of the faculty this year. She has already won a favored spot in the hearts of students. Sr. M Claude, who has been added to the faculty this year, has seen her enthusiasm for music kindled a like love of harmonious sounds in the hearts of her pupils. Under her guidance we are looking forward to great things in music for the future.

The School is growing. The Pioneer days are glimmering and fading into the distance, and a wonderful vista of advancement lies before us. The former students, Alumni, have ever the best interest of the old Alma Mater at heart, and plans are being discussed now for the founding of an Alumni Association for the purpose of "Carrying On."

So, a dream has materialized, and stand today, embodied in fullest reality, a glorious tribute to our noble pastor, his assistants and his co-workers, the Sisters, the great-hearted people of St.Mary's Parish, and the students and alumni of the grand old school.

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D.C.H.S. BEGAN ATHLETICS, 1920

Rapid Progress Made In Athletics Despite Small Number of Boys

In the fall of 1920, a mere handful of girls held a meeting with Father Peters and organized a basketball team. This marked the beginning of athletics in D.C.H.S. The pioneer athletes were Margaret Mylott, Irene Holthouse, Charlotte Niblick, Helen Gass, Marie Foss, Anna Baker, and Anna Dowling.

Not to be outdone by the girls, the boys (although only two in number) linked themselves with the eighth grade boys, who later showed such great prowess, and formed a team. This was in the season of 1920-21.

SEASON OF 1921

In September, 1921, the boys definitely organized a basketball team for they had six freshmen join them. Father Peters proffered his services as coach. No definite schedule was arranged, but the coach managed to secure eight games for the boys. Although they lost five of the games, they felt they had gained much in the way of experience.

The girls reorganized their team and progressed under the guidance of Father Peters. they played several games with D.H.S. and the St.Catherine girls of Fort Wayne, and always made a splendid showing.

SEASON OF 1922

In 1922, athletics were given a decided boost when the services of Lawrence Linn, former D.H.S. star, were secured. Mr. Linn proved an efficient coach, for his charges made very creditable showings against teams representing schools with a far larger enrollment than that of D.C.H.S.

The girls' team, having learned the fundamentals of the game, enjoyed the privilege of competing with six or seven out of town teams. In the majority of the games, they had the short end of the score, but this was undoubtedly because of their lack of experience. Nevertheless, their spirits never ebbed and they persistently stuck to the rope until the end of the season, and made plans for a bigger and better girls team in 1923.

SEASON OF 1923

In 1923, athletics were given an added impetus by the addition of football to the curriculum of sports. This was made possible by the active interest and generosity of many local business men, who contributed the magnificent sum of \$500 for the purchase of football equipment. France Conter, local, wide-awake, you business man, accepted the difficult task of working with raw material. Raw, indeed, for many of the boys had never before engaged in even a practice game of this famous sport. However, Mr. Conter more than fulfilled his contract as is readily seen by comparing the team's first defeat, 56-0, with its second, 24-7. the team closed the season without a victory, but they were not discouraged and looked forward to the bright prospects of the coming year.

Soon after Thanksgiving, the boys and girls opened the basketball season. Since the former coach, Lawrence Linn, was now a student at the University of Indiana, France Conter,, graduate of the U of I and football coach, became the director of the boys' team. Father Peters, the manager, arranged a schedule of sixteen games. The team made an enviable record that year, losing only three games. Two of these were lost to C.C.H.S. by scores of 14-10 and 13-12.

The 1923-24 basketball season was a great improvement over past seasons for the girls as well as the boys. The Varsity (girls) won eight out of twelve games played.

SEASON OF 1924

The football season of 1924 was a failure as far as victories is concerned, yet it cannot be considered a failure in every respect. Experience had been gained in each game, and valuable material was uncovered for the next team.

Prying off the lid of the '24-'25 basketball season was somewhat more successful than a similar event in football. Father Peters, manager, arranged a schedule of twenty games. These included Pennville, C.C.H.S., Cathedral of Indianapolis and others of importance. The first game with Pennville was a thriller, but D.C.H.S. proved itself winner by the close score of 19-18. At this game the boys displayed new uniforms of green and gold.

This season proved to be the most successful ever played by the warriors of the green and gold. They came through a series of 18 games, undefeated, the most brilliant record any school could wish for its team. Some of the victims of their prowess were: Pennville, St. Mary's of Huntington, C.C.H.S., C.H.S. of Indianapolis, Gibault of Vincennes, St. Patricks of Ft. Wayne, and Sts Peter and Paul of Huntington.

ENTER NATIONAL TOURNEY

Since the team came through the season without a defeat, they were invited to compete in the National Catholic Basketball Tournament, held in Chicago at Loyola University. Local fans furnished the necessary funds for the trip. The players, accompanied by Coach Conte and Father Peters, left for Chicago on the 2:22 A.M. train Wednesday morning, March 15 (1925). Those who made the trip were E. Christen, R. Voglewede, B. Meyer, H. Holthous, G. Laurent, F. Schultz, A. Voglewede, C. Gass and A. Wemhoff.

We entered the tournament unknown and unheralded. No one seemed to care about Decatur, nor think they had a chance. The team gained recognition and praise by winning its first game over last year's champions, Spauldig Institute of Peoria, Illinois, 24-23. Next, the team was scheduled to play St. Thomas Academy of St. Paul, who had been the favorites of the dopesters. The team rallied after trailing 8-5 at the end of the half and came through with a 21-16 victory. The third opponents happened to be St. Viator's College from Bourbonais, Illinois. This was a very interesting tussle, and D.C.H.S. again proved itself the better team, leading in the final score, 18-12.

Finally came the St.Mels game, which proved fatal to the D.C.H.S. boys, who were becoming the favorites of the dopesters. The local lads were far in the lead when Lady Luck frowned upon them and put Gass out of the game with a sprained ankle. The team was lost without Gass. Their opponents took advantage of the lack of defense and added six points to their score. With twelve seconds to play they tied the score 11-11. This made a five-minute overtime period necessary. St.Mel's, hot from their rally, scored the winning two points. This gave St.Mels the game as they prevented D.C.H.S. from scoring again.

This defeat was the first suffered by the locals in twenty-two games. It was a heartbreaking defeat for both fans and players, but everyone in "the old home town" was more than satisfied and proud of the wonderful record made by the wearers of the green and gold.

Too much praise could hardly be given to this team when one considers that the many teams represented schools with an enrollment of several hundred boys. D.C.H.S. had eight boys last year.

The girls, also, had a successful season in 1924-25. Although greatly outweighed and often smaller in stature, they defeated eight of twelve opponents. They lost only one player, G. Smith, by graduation, so that they are confident of having an all-star team this season.

The boys have not organized a football team this year, because of a lack of players and no definitely arranged schedule. However, they are anxiously awaiting practice in the new gymnasium which will probably start next week. The outlook for a successful basketball season is bright. Three first string men, Voglewede, Holthouse, and Christen, and two subs, Schulte and Laurent, were lost by graduation. Nevertheless, D.C.H.S., with veterans, Gass, Meyer, Wemhoff and A.Voglewede, hopes to establish such a record as will justify their entering the National Catholic Tournament again next March. Coach Conter will continue his excellent work and Father Peters has already arranged many games with prominent Catholic high school teams.

DECATUR CATHOLIC COACHES AND RECORDS

| <u>Year(s)</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Over-all Record</u> |
|----------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1922 | Father Otto Peters | 3- 5 |
| 1923 | Lawrence Linn | 5- 6 |
| 1924-27 | France Conter | 82- 11 |
| 1928-40 | George Laurent | 168-134 |
| 1941-43 | T.C.Zaynor | 25- 37 |
| 1944-46 | Gerald Vizzard | 25- 33 |
| 1947 | Elwood Hoke | 4- 15 |
| 1948 | Dan Perry | 12- 10 |
| 1949-56 | Dave Terveer | 88- 88 |
| 1957-60 | Allison Lindahl | 39- 46 |
| 1961-62 | Leon Youngpeter | 26- 16 |
| 1963-64 | George Waning | 21- 20 |
| 1965-66 | Bob Boyle | 29- 15 |
| 1967 | Bob Chuey | 9- 12 |

TOP TEN SCORERS

| <u>Single Season</u> | | | <u>Career</u> | | |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
| <u>Name</u> | <u>Year</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Years</u> | <u>Points</u> |
| J.Wilder | 1955 | 497 | J.Wilder | 1953-56 | 1267 |
| J.Lose | 1966 | 450 | D.Baker | 1958-60 | 868 |
| D.Baker | 1959 | 446 | J.Lose | 1963-66 | 832 |
| "Mongo"Meyer | 1927 | 408 | M.Meyer | 1924-27 | 815 |
| R.Meyer | 1957 | 356 | W.Gass | 1928-31 | 799 |
| Bollinger | 1966 | 356 | E.Kohne | 1962-64 | 788 |
| Gass | 1953 | 347 | R.Meyer | 1955-57 | 713 |
| Mowrey | 1955 | 346 | Wemhoff | 1924-27 | 657 |
| J.Wilder | 1956 | 339 | D.Kable | 1955-58 | 630 |
| S.Blythe | 1962 | 327 | Bollinger | 1964-66 | 602 |

Most points game 94 Decatur Catholic 94 1966
Madison Twp 72

Fewest points game 5 Decatur Catholic 5 1923
Delphos St.John 34

Largest win 70 Decatur Catholic 87 1926
Anderson St.Mary 17

Worst Defeat 40 Decatur Catholic 19 1944
Ft.Wayne C.C. 59

40 Decatur Catholic 49 1962
Larwill 89

Most Points Game Individual 39 R.Meyer vs Pleasant Mills 1957

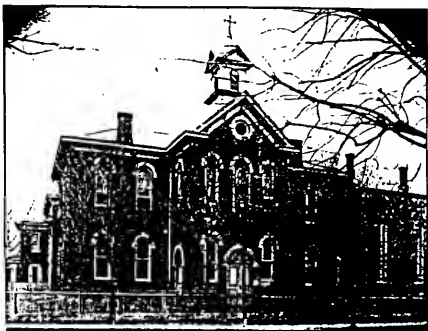
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1921 DECATUR CATHOLIC

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ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL.

DECATUR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL.



1922 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: OTTO PETERS (1rst year)

| | DC | OPP |
|---------------------------------|----|-----|
| Kirkland 2nds | 18 | 21 |
| Ft. Wayne Central Catholic 2nds | 12 | 9 |
| Kirkland Twp | 11 | 10 |
| Bryant | 27 | 28 |
| Fisher Harris | 28 | 2 |
| 1922 Season Record | 3 | 5 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 3 | 5 |

1922 TEAM MEMBERS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| G. Mylott | | |
| A. Appelman | | |
| E. Christener | | |
| A. Schindler | | |
| R. Vogelwede | | |
| F. Schultz | | |
| H. Holthouse | | |

This was the first season that Decatur Catholic fielded a basketball team. Father Otto Peters was volunteered to be the coach. This was also the first year for the St. Joseph building. Although I could only find five games for Decatur Catholic, a later newspaper article reports that they played eight games and won 3.

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------------|----|--------|---------------|----|
| MPGT 27 | Decatur Cath | 27 | FPG 11 | Decatur Cath | 11 |
| | Bryant | 28 | | Kirkland Two | 10 |
| LMV 18 | Decatur Cath | 20 | LMD 3 | Decatur Cath | 18 |
| | Fisher-Harris | 2 | | Kirkland 2nds | 21 |

Although no girls scores could be found, the girls organized a team under coach Father Otto Peters. An article from the Decatur Daily Democrat on October 17, 1925 said that the girls played several games with Decatur High School and the St. Catherine girls from Fort Wayne, and, "always made a splendid showing."

1923 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: LAWRENCE LINN (1st year)

| | DC | Opp |
|----------------------------|----|-----|
| Bryant | 21 | 8 |
| Van Buren | 14 | 31 |
| Delphos St. John | 21 | 16 |
| Kirkland Twp | 24 | 10 |
| Lima St. Rose | 15 | 13 |
| Portland | 11 | 17 |
| Ft. Wayne Central Catholic | 13 | 16 |
| Delphos St. John | 5 | 34 |
| Celina Catholic | 31 | 10 |
| Ft. Wayne Central Catholic | 11 | 15 |
| Van Buren | 8 | 18 |
| 1923 Season Record | 5 | 6 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 8 | 11 |

TEAM MEMBERS

Name
 H. Holthouse
 Myers
 Wemhoff
 A. Christner
 Snyder
 F. Schulte
 R. Vogelwede
 G. Mylott
 A. Appelman

| | | | | | |
|--------|-----------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPG 31 | DCHS | 31 | FPG 5 | DCHS | 5 |
| | Celina Catholic | 10 | | Delphos St. John | 34 |
| LMV 21 | DCHS | 31 | LMV 29 | DCHS | 5 |
| | Celina Catholic | 10 | | Delphos St. John | 34 |

MPGI

Lawrence "Lank" Linn was a Decatur High school grad and former center for the Yellow Jackets. This was the first season that DCHS played rivals Lima St. Rose, Delphos St. Johns and Fort Wayne Central Catholic.

Decatur Catholic also fielded a girls team in 1923

| | DCHS | Opp |
|--------------|------|-----|
| Bryant | 10 | 33 |
| Decatur 2nds | 15 | 13 |

A history of DCHS athletics written in 1925 said that "the girls team, having learned the fundamentals of the game, enjoyed the privilege of competing with six or seven out-of-town teams. In the majority of the games they had the short end of the score, but this was undoubtedly because of their lack of experience. Nevertheless, their spirits never ebbed and they persistently stuck to the rope until the end of the season, and made plans for a bigger, better girls team in 1924." (From the Decatur Democrat 10/17/25)

1924 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:FRANCE CONTER (1rst year)

| | DC | Opp |
|--------------------------------|----|-----|
| Huntington St.Peter | 30 | 9 |
| Monroeville | 42 | 14 |
| Huntington St.Mary | 21 | 15 |
| Ft.Wayne Central Catholic | 10 | 14 |
| Ft.Wayne Central Catholic | 12 | 13 |
| Kirkland Twp | 25 | 16 |
| International Business College | 26 | 15 |
| Geneva | 33 | 21 |
| Monroeville | 31 | 11 |
| Ft.Wayne St.Patrick | 9 | 11 |
| Huntington St.Mary | 26 | 8 |
| Kirkland Twp | 26 | 23 |
| General Electric 2nds | 23 | 11 |
| Geneva | 36 | 27 |
| Ft.Wayne St.Patrick | 21 | 17 |
| Huntington St. Peter | 25 | 15 |
| Season Record | 13 | 3 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 21 | 14 |

1924 TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| F.Connell | 0 | | H.Holthouse | 110 | |
| A.Vogelwede | 83 | | A.Wemhoff | 112 | |
| B.Gage | 0 | | E.Christener | 49 | |
| J.Omlar | 0 | | F.Schulte | 14 | |
| G.Laurent | 4 | | R.Vogelwede | 0 | |
| Meyers | 3 | | C.Gass | 24 | |
| G.Smith | | | | | |

France Conter, local businessman and I.U. grad was hired to create a football team at DCHS. Some local businessmen donated \$500 for equipment. This was one of two years that DCHS had a football team. When Lawrence Linn left to attend IU, Conter was given control of the basketball team as well. This was the most successful season in Decatur Catholic's short history. Two of their three losses were to Fort Wayne Central Catholic. Catholic's other loss was to Fort Wayne St.Patrick's, and they avenged that loss later in the season.

| | | | | | |
|--------|-------------|----|-------|---------------------|----|
| MPG 42 | DCHS | 42 | FPG 9 | DCHS | 9 |
| | Monroeville | 14 | | Ft.Wayne St.Patrick | 11 |
| LMV 28 | DCHS | 42 | LMD 4 | DCHS | 10 |
| | Monroeville | 14 | | Ft Wayne CC | 14 |

MPGI

1924 DECATUR CATHOLIC GIRLS Coach:Father Otto Peters

DCHS also fielded a girl's team this year.

| | DC | Opp |
|------------------------|----|-----|
| Super Six | 9 | 16 |
| Super Six | 6 | 13 |
| Hoosier Paint | 16 | 26 |
| Kirkland | 16 | 10 |
| St. Augustine | 22 | 12 |
| Huntington St. Mary | 28 | 10 |
| St. Augustine | 14 | 6 |
| Monroeville | 16 | 5 |
| Huntington St. Mary | 23 | 12 |
| Kirkland Twp | 15 | 5 |
| Berne | 15 | 34 |
| Decatur Business Girls | 13 | 2 |
| DCHS Season Record | 8 | 4 |

TEAM MEMBERS

H. Holthouse
 I. Baker
 A. Clark
 R. Smith
 B. Christen
 A. Murtaugh
 H. Bremerkamp
 A. Baker
 A. Dowling
 G. Smith

1925 DCHS Boys

Coach:FRANCE CONTER (2nd year)

| | DC | Opp |
|----------------------------------|----|-----|
| Pennville | 19 | 18 |
| Berne | 36 | 19 |
| New Haven | 18 | 11 |
| Huntington St.Mary | 31 | 12 |
| Hartford Twp | 50 | 7 |
| Pennville | 16 | 15 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 36 | 24 |
| Indianapolis Central Catholic | 27 | 18 |
| Berne | 24 | 18 |
| Huntington St.Mary | 41 | 12 |
| Ft.Wayne Central Catholic | 29 | 14 |
| Indianapolis Central Catholic | 22 | 20 |
| Vincennes Gibault | 29 | 21 |
| Ft.Wayne St Patrick | 22 | 7 |
| Huntington St.Peter | 36 | 14 |
| Lima St.John | 44 | 17 |
| Kirkland Twp | 35 | 16 |
| Huntington St.Peter | 38 | 9 |
| <u>National Catholic Tourney</u> | | |
| 24 Peoria (IL) Spaulding | 24 | 22 |
| 21 St.Paul (Minn) St.Thomas | 21 | 16 |
| St.Victor College | 18 | 12 |
| Chicago St.Mel | 11 | 13* |
| Rochester Aquinas | 18 | 22 |
| <u>Exhibition</u> | | |
| Decatur Leaders | 17 | 28 |
| DCHS Season Record | 21 | 2 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 42 | 16 |

1925 TEAMS MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|--------------|--------|----------|-------------|--------|----------|
| R.Voglewede | 146 | 146 | A.Vogelwede | 2 | 85 |
| A.Wemhoff | 70 | 192 | J.Mylott | 2 | 2 |
| H.Holthouse | 132 | 242 | B.Meyers | 87 | 87 |
| E.Christener | 61 | 110 | F.Schultz | 16 | 30 |
| C.Gass | 16 | 40 | G.Laurent | 20 | 24 |

Decatur Catholic became the first boys team in Adams County to go through the regular season undefeated. The Commodores won their first 21 games before losing to Chicago St.Mel in the National Catholic High School Tournament. They then lost to Rochester Aquinas to close out the season 21-2. This would be the best record in DCHS history.

| | | | | | |
|--------|--------------|----|--------|---------------------|-----|
| MPG 50 | DCHS | 50 | FPG 11 | DCHS | 11 |
| | Hartford Twp | 7 | | Chicago St. Mel | 13* |
| LMV 43 | DCHS | 50 | LMD 4 | DCHS | 18 |
| | Hartford Twp | 7 | | Rochester St.Auinas | 22 |
| MPGI | | | | | |

| | | |
|-----------------------|----|-----|
| 1925 DCHS Girls | DC | Opp |
| Pennville | 23 | 13 |
| Berne | 10 | 25 |
| Ft.Wayne St Augustine | 10 | 16 |
| Pennville | 18 | 1 |
| Alumni | 33 | 0 |
| Ft.Wayne St.Augustine | 25 | 14 |
| Berne | 16 | 37 |
| Ft.Wayne St.Catherine | 30 | 13 |
| Huntington St.Mary | 11 | 15 |
| Huntington St.Mary | 24 | 10 |
| Ft.Wayne St.Catherine | 26 | 6 |
| Kirkland | 12 | 3 |

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

MPG 33 DCHS 33
Alumni 0

FPG 10 DCHS 10
Berne 25

DCHS 10
Ft.Wayne St. Augustine 16

LMV 33 DCHS 33
Alumni 0

LMD 21 DCHS 16
Berne 37

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1926 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: France Conter (3rd year)

| | <u>DCHS</u> | <u>Opp</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Huntington Saint Mary | 28 | 13 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 29 | 22 |
| Vincennes Gibault | 32 | 29 |
| Fort Wayne Blueprints | 36 | 16 |
| Delphos St. John | 45 | 11 |
| Alumni | 34 | 18 |
| Fostoria Saint Wendelin | 11 | 10 |
| Indianapolis Cathedral | 45 | 28 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 87 | 17 |
| Evansville Reitz | 31 | 30 |
| Delphos Saint John | 56 | 12 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 11 | 14 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 49 | 15 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 29 | 27 |
| Kirkland Township | 38 | 21 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 36 | 15 |
| Indianapolis Cathedral | 29 | 23 |
| Shelbyville Catholic | 35 | 36 |
| Fostoria Saint Wendelin | 39 | 12 |
| Vincennes Gibault | 40 | 30 |
| National Catholic Tourney | | |
| Prairie Du Chen (WI) Champion | 37 | 30 |
| Cincinnati Saint Xavier | 24 | 19 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 24 | 23 |
| Louisville (KY) Saint Xavier | 14 | 18 |
| Wichita (KA) Catholic | 14 | 33 |
| St. Louis Bay | 33 | 23 |
| Philadelphia Roman Catholic | 21 | 26 |
| DCHS Seasons Record | 21 | 4 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 63 | 20 |

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C. Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C. Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|
| Meyer | 320 | 407 | Gass | 56 | 96 |
| Wemhoff | 215 | 407 | Connell | 3 | 3 |
| Smith | 5 | 5 | Gage | 11 | 11 |
| J. Mylott | 147 | 149 | Klepper | 2 | 2 |
| Vogelwede | 25 | 27 | Knapke | 24 | 24 |

Decatur Catholic ran it's regular season unbeaten string to 42 before losing to Ft. Wayne Central Catholic. They later defeated Central Catholic twice during the season. The Commodores picked up their nickname this year and also dedicated their new gymnasium. They were invited to the National Catholic tourney for the second time and finished fourth.

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|---------|----------------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 87 | DCHS | 87 | FPG 11 | DCHS | 11 |
| | Anderson St. Mary | 17 | | Fostoria St. Wen | 10 |
| LMV 70 | DCHS | 87 | LMD 19 | DCHS | 14 |
| | Anderson St. Mary | 17 | | Wichita KS | 33 |
| MPCI 29 | Wemhoff vs Inpls Cath | | | | |
| | Meyer vs Anderson St. Mary | | | | |

1926 DCHS Girls

Coach:

| | DCHS | Opp |
|----------------------------|------|-----|
| Huntington Saint Mary | 51 | 13 |
| Fort Wayne Saint Catherine | 36 | 9 |
| Fort Wayne Saint Catherine | 32 | 15 |
| Kirkland Township | 27 | 5 |
| UTD | 28 | 6 |
| Wayne Knitting Mills | 47 | 10 |
| Kirkland Township | 18 | 12 |
| DCHS Season Record | 7 | 0 |

TEAM MEMBERS

Margaret Eiting
 Delores Omlor
 Patricia Teeple
 Elsie Brunnegraff
 Mary Meyers
 Agnes Baker

Anna Colchin
 Rosamary Smith
 Winifred Arnold
 M.Voglewede
 Helen Schmitz

1927 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: France Conter (4th year)

| | <u>DCHS</u> | <u>Opp</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Hartford Twp | 39 | 38** |
| Celina Immaculate | 44 | 14 |
| Bellevue (OH) Catholic | 40 | 29 |
| Delphos St. John | 31 | 18 |
| Delphos St. John | 23 | 10 |
| Geneva | 39 | 24 |
| Vincennes Gibault | 36 | 24 |
| Huntington St. Mary | 37 | 19 |
| Geneva | 52 | 12 |
| Lima St. Rose | 35 | 23 |
| Celina Immaculate | 48 | 13 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 24 | 20 |
| Alumni | 32 | 15 |
| Hartford Twp | 49 | 32 |
| Fostoria Saint Wendelin | 50 | 29 |
| Fostoria Saint Wendelin | 33 | 8 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 45 | 25 |
| Vincennes Gibault | 47 | 31 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 44 | 16 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 42 | 26 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 21 | 43 |
| Ft. Wayne Central Catholic | 34 | 26 |
| Bellvue (Oh) Catholic | 49 | 29 |
| Fremont (Oh) | 34 | 27 |
| National Catholic Tourney | | |
| Oklahoma City Catholic | 27 | 18 |
| St. Louis Bay | 33 | 23 |
| Philadelphia Roman Catholic | 21 | 26 |
| DCHS Seasons Record | 25 | 2 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 88 | 22 |

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C. Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C. Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|
| Meyer | 408 | 815 | Miller | 14 | 14 |
| Wemhoff | 250 | 657 | Sorg | 8 | 8 |
| Smith | 60 | 65 | B. Wemhoff | 6 | 6 |
| J. Mylott | 85 | 234 | Connell | 2 | 5 |
| F. Mylott | 122 | 122 | | | |

Decatur Cathlic won it's first 20 games before losing to Lima St. Rose. Catholic played county foes Hartford Twp and Geneva for the first time this year. They beat both teams twice. This would be coach Conter's last season at the school. He won 80 games and lost 11 in 4 seasons. He took the school to the National Catholic Tourney 3 times. R. Meyer set Decatur Catholic records for points in a season with 408 and points in a career with 815.

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|---------|----------------|----|---------|---------------|----|
| MPGT 52 | DCHS | 52 | FPGT 21 | DCHS | 21 |
| | Geneva | 12 | | Phil Rmn Cath | 26 |
| LMV 40 | DCHS | 52 | LMD 22 | DCHS | 21 |
| | Geneva | 12 | | Lima St. Rose | 43 |
| MPG1 22 | Meyer, Wemhoff | | | | |

.927 DCHS Girls

Coach:

Margaret Eiting
Delores Omlor
Patricia Teeple
Elsie Brunnegraff
Mary Meyers
Agnes Baker

TEAM MEMBERS

Anna Colchin
Rosamary Smith
Winifred Arnold
M.Voglewede
Helen Schmitz

1928 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:GEORGE LAURENT (1rst year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|--------------------------------|------|-----|
| Geneva | 46 | 23 |
| Hartford Twp | 41 | 33 |
| Shelbyville Catholic | 34 | 23 |
| Berne | 49 | 31 |
| Lima St.Rose | 36 | 37* |
| Alumni | 34 | 32 |
| Shelbyville Catholic | 36 | 28 |
| Anderson St.Mary | 20 | 24 |
| Pittsburg Technical | 41 | 25 |
| Cincinatti Elder | 19 | 22 |
| Richmond Catholic | 35 | 20 |
| Hartford Twp | 39 | 54 |
| Geneva | 37 | 26 |
| Kirkland Twp | 36 | 27 |
| Bellview Ohio | 25 | 12 |
| Ft.Wayne Central Catholic | 31 | 30 |
| International Business College | 31 | 19 |
| Anderson St.Mary | 46 | 28 |
| Ft.Wayne Central Catholic | 19 | 26 |
| Kirkland Twp | 23 | 30 |
| Bellview Ohio | 30 | 12 |
| Berne | 47 | 43 |
| Lima St.Rose | 26 | 24 |
| Richmond Catholic | 89 | 24 |
| Detroit St.Joseph | 33 | 22 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Evansville Reitz | 23 | 20 |
| Connersville St.Glen | 36 | 26 |
| Indianapolis Cath | 23 | 32 |
| Ft.Wayne Central Catholic | 17 | 27 |
| DCHS Season Record | 21 | 8 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 109 | 30 |

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points.</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Gass | 268 | 268 | Sorg | 13 | 21 |
| F.Mylott | 229 | 451 | Kohne | 2 | 2 |
| J.Mylott | 276 | 510 | Coffee | 4 | 4 |
| Miller | 119 | 133 | Wemhoff | 30 | 36 |
| Gage | 12 | 12 | Gage | 4 | 4 |

George Laurent was a former Decatur Catholic player and assistant coach. This was the first year that Decatur Catholic participated in the State Catholic tourney. J.Mylott led the county in scoring with 276 points.

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|---------|---------------|----|---------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 89 | DCHS | 89 | FPGT 19 | DCHS | 19 |
| | Richmond Cath | 24 | | Cincinatti Elder | 22 |
| LMV 55 | DCHS | 89 | LMD 15 | DCHS | 39 |
| | Richmond Cath | 24 | | Hartford Twp | 54 |
| MPGI 26 | Gass | | | | |

1929 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:GEORGE LAURENT (2nd year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Ashley | 26 | 20 |
| New Haven | 24 | 25 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 24 | 26 |
| Indianapolis Cathedral | 43 | 12 |
| Monrovia | 39 | 24 |
| Anderson St.Mary | 16 | 18 |
| Shelbyville Catholic | 21 | 13 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 25 | 14 |
| Cincinatti Elder | 18 | 16 |
| Indianapolis Cathedral | 22 | 32 |
| New Haven | 28 | 27 |
| Huntington St.Mary | 48 | 16 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 25 | 15 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 36 | 25 |
| Cincinatti Elder | 23 | 16 |
| Dayton Chaminade | 30 | 17 |
| Andrews | 36 | 20 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 24 | 30 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 70 | 10 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Indianpolis Cathedral | 19 | 25 |
| National Catholic Tourney | | |
| Portsmouth (Oh) Catholic | 28 | 14 |
| Omaha Creighton | 23 | 11 |
| Union City (NJ) Catholic | 23 | 16 |
| Chicago DeLasalle | 17 | 16 |
| Peoria (Il) Catholic | 14 | 24 |
| DCHS Season Record | 19 | 6 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 128 | 36 |

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|--------|--------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|
| Mylott | 216 | 567 | Wemhoff | 82 | 118 |
| Gass | 197 | 465 | Harris | 0 | 0 |
| Miller | 56 | 189 | Rumschlag | 5 | 5 |
| Gage | 25 | 37 | Coffee | 56 | 60 |
| Konne | 48 | 50 | Metzger | 3 | 3 |

Decatur Catholic did not play a single Adams County team this season. Although the Commodores lost in the first game of the State Catholic Tourney, they were invited to the National Catholic Tourney, where they won 4 games before losing.

| | | | | | | | |
|------|----|------------------|----|------|----|-------------|----|
| MPBT | 70 | DCHS | 70 | EPBT | 14 | DCHS | 14 |
| | | Anderson St Mary | 10 | | | Peoria Cath | 24 |
| LMV | 60 | DCHS | 70 | IMI | 10 | DCHS | 22 |
| | | Anderson St.Mary | 10 | | | Indpls Cath | 32 |
| | | | | | 10 | DCHS | 14 |
| | | | | | | Peoria Cath | 24 |

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1930
THAT CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON

1930 STATE CHAMPIONS!!!

Coach: GEORGE LAURENT (3rd year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Huntington Saint Mary | 32 | 21 |
| Ashley | 38 | 15 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 8 | 22 |
| New Haven | 20 | 25 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 26 | 28 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 16 | 20 |
| Andrews | 66 | 33 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 18 | 27 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 26 | 47 |
| Delphos Saint John | 31 | 24 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 27 | 37 |
| Andrews | 33 | 34 |
| New Haven | 29 | 38 |
| Kirkland Twp | 36 | 16 |
| Toledo Central Catholic | 23 | 15 |
| Dayton Central Catholic | 17 | 10 |
| Lima Saint John | 27 | 14 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Vincennes Gibault | 39 | 33 |
| Washington Catholic | 24 | 15 |
| Jasper Accademy | 35 | 24 |
| National Catholic Tourney | | |
| Altoona (PA) Catholic | 21 | 16 |
| St. Louis Catholic | 19 | 17 |
| Chicago DeLasalle | 16 | 20 |
| DCHS Season Record | 13 | 10 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 141 | 46 |

Even though the Commodores had only an 8-9 record, they rang up 3 wins in the State Tourney to win it. They were also invited to the National Tourney where they won 2 games before losing to Chicago DeLasalle.

TEAMS MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|------------|------------|----------|--------------|-------------------|----------|
| Wm. Gass | 165 | 631 | R. Holthouse | 8 | 8 |
| F. Mylott | 95 | 662 | E. Vian | 0 | 0 |
| C. Lose | 69 | 69 | G. Harris | 2 | 2 |
| G. Gage | 63 | 100 | R. Kleinhenz | 0 | 0 |
| E. Wemhoff | 69 | 187 | L. Schultz | 0 | 0 |
| MPST 66 | DCHS 66 | | FPST 8 | DCHS | 8 |
| | Andrews 33 | | | Anderson St. Mary | 22 |
| LMV 33 | DCHS 66 | | LMD 16 | DCHS | 26 |
| | Andrews 33 | | | Ft. Wayne CC | 42 |
| MPGI 19 | Gass | | | | |

Decatur Daily Democrat
 March 8, 1930
 By Hockey Mylott
 National Guard Amory, Indianapolis (Special)

Decatur Catholic high school Commodores came from behind in the last 9 minutes of their game with Gibault of Vincennes and won a thriller in the Catholic State Tournament here this morning, 39-33.

Decatur had trailed throughout the game and was behind at the half 18-12. The fast Vincennes team continued to break through the Commodore defense in the opening of the second half and sped to a 31-23. Nine minutes remained in the second half when the Decatur team came to life and brought the Commodore score within a field goal of a tie.

With seven minutes remaining Carl Lose, forward, slipped under the net to tie the score and in a few seconds, Petie Mylott, star guard of the Commodores threw the Decatur fans into a pandemonium by slipping the ball through the nests from midfloor to put Decatur in the lead for the first time during the game. This was followed by field goals by Gass, Wemhoff and Gage, while the best Vincennes could do was score one fielder in the remaining minutes of the game.

The game was wild throughout and the fifty some odd Decatur fans never gave up, always cheering the Commodores on.

Wagner, Gibault center, was the mainstay of the losers, hitting the net six times from the field and four times from the free throw line. Little and Delisle, Vincennes forwards, each counted three time from the field and Delisle added a free throw.

Every Commodore regular counted from the field. Gage scored once, Gass hit the nets five times; Wemhoff scored twice; Carl Lose snagged three, two from a distance and one from under the basket on a pass from Mylott and Petie Mylott, winner of the Feeney medal for being the most valuable player to his team at the tourney here two years ago, got four field goals and four free throws.

Decatur will meet the winner of the Washington Catholic-Catholic Central of Hammond game at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. The general consensus of opinion here this morning is that Washington will win its game from Hammond. The winner of the afternoon game will go into the finals tonight and the winner of the finals will represent Indiana at the National Catholic tourney in Chicago.

Lineup and summary:

| Commodores (39) | FG | FT | TP | Gibault (33) | FG | FT | TP |
|-----------------|----|----|----|--------------|----|----|----|
| Gage, f | 1 | 0 | 2 | Little f | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Gass f | 5 | 2 | 12 | Desisle f | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Wemhoff c | 2 | 3 | 7 | Wagner c | 5 | 4 | 16 |
| Lose g | 3 | 0 | 6 | Schlomer g | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Mylott g | 4 | 4 | 12 | Speth g | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Totals | 15 | 9 | 39 | Totals | 13 | 7 | 33 |

Personal fouls called on Decatur 9; on Vincennes 13.

STATE CATHOLIC TOURNEY GAME 2

WASHINGTON DEFEATED IN SEMI-FINALS

Winner of Cathedral-Jasper Game Will Oppose Laurentmen Tonight

THOUSANDS SEE STATE TOURNEY

By Hockey Mylott-Decatur Democrat March 8, 1930

National Guard Armory, Indianapolis

Decatur Catholic high school Commodores went into the finals of the state Catholic basketball tournament here this afternoon by disposing of Washington Catholic high school in the semi-finals 24-15. It was a great game, and the Laurentmen played their greatest game of the season.

The first half was a go-easy affair with the Commodores taking advantage of the breaks. The score at half-time was 12-4 in favor of Decatur. The Washingtonians were guarding closely and frequent fouls were called on them, Decatur took advantage of the free throw business and piled up a nice lead.

In the second half Wemhoff was sent to the showers by the personal foul route and two Washington netmen, Barbiret and Miles kissed the officials good-bye with four personals each.

The Commodores continued to pile up a lead and went into the finals as the 75 Decatur fans went wild with enthusiasm and swarmed out on the floor to congratulate the "tourney dark horses."

Decatur's opposition in tonight's game will be either Cathedral or Jasper. At 3:30 o'clock Cathedral of Indianapolis and Jasper were scheduled to play. Dope favored Cathedral to fight it out with the Commodores in the finals.

Cathedral won a great battle with Central Catholic of Fort Wayne this morning to move on to the afternoon bracket. The game was close and it was not until late in the game that Cathedral took a commanding lead and won the battle 22-16. Washington defeated Catholic Central of the Calumet district and Jasper defeated Richmond.

Lineup and summary:

| Decatur (24) | FG | FT | TP | Washington (15) | FG | FT | TP |
|--------------|----|----|----|-----------------|----|----|----|
| Gage f | 1 | 0 | 2 | O'Kane f | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Gass f | 1 | 6 | 8 | Barbiret f | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Wemhoff c | 2 | 1 | 3 | Dosch c | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Dose f | 1 | 0 | 1 | Ming'n | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Mylott g | 2 | 3 | 3 | Miles | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Holtzhouse g | 0 | 0 | 0 | Farris | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | Queen | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | | | | Chalderf | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 7 | 10 | 24 | Totals | 6 | 3 | 15 |

STATE CATHOLIC TOURNEY GAME 3
 COMMODORES WIN STATE CATHOLIC TOURNEY
 Local Netmen Trip Jasper in Final Tilt
 Gass, Mylott, Wemhoff Lead Offensive in Final Game

Decatur Daily Democrat March 10 1930

Decatur Catholic high school Commodores returned to this city Sunday afternoon with the state Catholic basketball title tucked safely away. It was the first time in the history of state Catholic tournaments that Decatur won the title.

The Laurentmen defeated a tough Jasper Acedemy team Saturday night in the finals to win a free railroad ticket to the nation Catholic tourney at Chicago which starts a week from Wednesday.

The Commodores entered the tournament as a decided "dark horse" largely because of the up and down season's record. Early in the season the Commodores began suffering various injuries. First Pete Mylott was injured. Then Bill Gass was sick. then someone else would be out of a game.

As a result the Commodores lost several games, but whatever they did all season was forgotten at the tourney, and headed by Gass and Mylott the Commodores tore through three of the toughest Catholic teams in the state Saturday and returned with the championship.

In the final game with Jasper about half of Decatur had moved down to the National Guard Amory at Indianapolis. In the opening half, Bill Gass, who was the outstanding forward of the tournament, grabbed the ball and tossed four times at the basket from mid-floor and four time the ball rang through without even hitting the backboard.

This with the accurate passing ability of the Laurentmen took the heart out of the team from Dubois county, which had been a strong early-tourney favorite and the Commodores led all the way.

The score at half time was 18-11 in favor of Decatur. In the second period Wemhoff, who had been playing great basketball all day crashed through the Jasper defense with three field goals and Petie Mylott, bad leg and all dribbled for 4 two pointers.

As the final minutes arrived the Decatur crowd was wild, and when the timer ended the game and the score stood 35-24 in favor of Decatur, the hundreds of local fans went wild with excitement.

Each member of the Commodore team received a minature gold basketball and the school received a silver loving cup. The team will also be sent to the national Catholic tourney at Chicago by the state association.

Line up and summary:

| Decatur (35) | FG | FT | TP | Jasper (24) | FG | FT | TP |
|--------------|----|----|----|-------------|----|----|----|
| Gass f | 7 | 1 | 15 | Baker f | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Lose f | 1 | 0 | 2 | O. Aubin f | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Holthouse f | 0 | 0 | 0 | Durbin | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Wemhoff c | 3 | 0 | 6 | Quinlan c | 4 | 0 | 8 |
| Mylott g | 4 | 4 | 12 | Beckman g | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Gage g | 0 | 0 | 0 | Schneider g | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| | | | | Spears g | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| | | | | P. Aubin g | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| | | | | Jackie g | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Totals | 15 | 5 | 35 | Totals | 9 | 6 | 24 |

COMMODORES WIN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

(The following article was reprinted from the 1930 TATTLER, DCHS yearbook.)

The Decatur Catholic High School Commodores have completed another basketball season, which, was in the end, crowned with success.

During the first half the Commodores were crippled by injuries of several of last year's veterans. When the team finally did get together they were unable to hit their stride. They played championship basketball in one game and then for two or three games almost any kind of a team could have defeated them. Different combinations were tried, but to no avail. finally, about the first of February, when all championship teams begin to bear down, the Commodores fell right in line and did the same. They began their campaign by trouncing an Indiana team and then swept past four strong Buckeye teams.

They then faced a task which only a good team can tackle: that of winning the State Catholic basketball title. Decatur was not given much of a chance by anyone, except by the members of the team and those immediately connected with it. They knew that the Commodores could and would win, because they were playing only the brand of ball which wins tournaments. When it came to a showdown the Commodores proved the surprise.

In their first game the met Gibalut High of Vincennes. The Green and Gold received the closet call of the tournament during this game. Apparently slightly over-confident, they were unable to hold the Vincennes team for the first three quarters. However, they staged a rally in the last quarter to overcome a seven-point lead and win 39-33.

The Commodores did not play in the second round due to a break they received in the drawing. They entered the semi-final game with Washington Catholic, determined to break their semi-final jinx. Using a slow-breaking offense, which they worked to perfection they defeated the southern team 24-15. They were the first Commodore team to enter the finals of any tournament.

Spurred on by several hundred fans from Decatur the home team entered the final game against the strong Jasper Academy team. Jasper had previously defeated Anderson, Richmond, and Cathedral of Indianapolis. The Commodores gained a lead in the first quarter and were masters of the situation thereafter. The Jasper team felt the effects of their battle with Indianapolis during the afternoon. Gass put fire into the entire team by sinking seven field goals. Gage and Mylott both played good defensive games. Wemhoff and Lose both found time to drop in several field goals each.

The Commodores are now in possession of the cup which goes to the team winning the championship. They received a permanent trophy and each member of the team received an individual souvenir. As a result of winning the State Catholic Net Title they were given an invitation to compete in the National Catholic Tourney at Chicago.

Wemhoff, regular center, who played an important part in winning the State Title, was out of the lineup due to illness. However, the Commodores proved that were not yellow by defeating the Pennsylvania champions 21-16.

St. Louis University High was the next obstacle. It was a bigger and rangier team than the Green and Gold outfit. Harris was in the lineup in place of Wemhoff who was still unable to play. The score was 19 to 17 in favor of Decatur, but the game was much closer than the score indicates. Harris played a great defensive game and found time to score four points.

The Commodores were now ready to enter the third round against the strong De LaSalle team of Chicago. They were forced to battle a team which averaged six feet in height and two hundred pounds in weight with Wemhoff on the bench during most of the game. The game was almost a repetition of last year's semi-final game. The two teams fought on even terms and De LaSalle eked out a 20 to 16 victory in the closing minutes. De LaSalle incidentally won the tournament for the second consecutive time by defeating Charleston, South Carolian in the semi-finals and Jasper Academy, of Jasper, Indiana in the finals. Jasper was the first Indiana team to reach the finals in the National Tourney.

COMMODORES' STATE TITLE MARCH RECALLED

(The following article appeared in the September 17, 1994 issue of the Decatur Democrat)

Editors note: Phil Loranger is a resident of South Bend and a free lance writer. He submitted the following article to the Democrat after a conversation with Mary Colchin Becker, his neighbor in South Bend. Becker is a former Decatur resident who attended Decatur Catholic High School from 1929-1932.

By Phil Loranger

Marv Wood, head basketball coach at Saint Mary's College has garnered his fair share of media attention while directing his Belles to a long string of successful seasons.

Of course, Wood is most remembered for leading little Milan High School to the Indiana State basketball Championship in 1954, defeating some of the state's powerhouses along the way. The "Milan Miracle" was the feat that inspired the hit movie "Hoosiers".

But Coach Wood would be among the first to acknowledge that an even smaller high school captured a state basketball title two decades earlier than his Milan squad, and, while overcoming odds that would have made drawing to an inside straight look easy, the little school received only local mention in its community newspaper.

It's time to correct that oversight.

The school was Decatur Catholic High School, the title was Indiana Catholic High School Basketball Champions. The date was March 30, 1930. The team was named the Commodores. The coach was a dairy worker. And the squad's tallest player was a "giant" at 5-foot-9.

The newspaper that gave the team some "ink" on its accomplishment was the venerable Decatur Daily Democrat.

Decatur Catholic High School is gone now. So, too, is the State Catholic High School Basketball Tournament. Their memories are simply cherished relics of an era that cannot be recaptured. That in itself is a shame.

The school had a short life span. It was established on West Monroe Street in 1919 and closed its doors in 1964. (Note: Decatur Catholic's first basketball team was fielded in 1923.)

When the basketball season of 1930 rolled around, the school boasted an enrollment of less than 90 students, of which fewer than 40 were boys. Coach George (Shorty) Laurent, an employee of the Cloverleaf Creamery and a member of the school's 1925 graduating class, welcomed 11 youngsters for basketball tryouts. Six of the fellows had played in the past, five were first-time players.

Shorty Laurent did not envision a winning season. Any hopes he had that his green and gold clad Commodores might even enjoy a few victories were further dampened when several of his slated starters came down with severe injuries and nagging illnesses.

As expected and much to the chagrin of the Decatur Catholic fans, the Commodores compiled a miserable four-win, nine-loss record mid-way through their season. Shorty Laurent was dismayed. In his third year at the helm of the team, his coaching was being critically reviewed.

Even Fr. J.A. Hession, the school's athletic director, began to fend off criticism of the team and its coach by bragging about the scholastic standings of our players. Truthfully, the fledging girls' softball team, under the tutelage of Jeannette Clark had a much higher grade-point average. Drawing to an inside straight started looking easier and easier.

Student managers Marcellus Miller and Julius Baker tried to console their down-in-the-mouth coach by telling him the team would jell in the second half of the season. And that's exactly what happened.

After absorbing a bitter 39-29 loss to New Haven, the team caught fire. Led by starters Bill Gass, Jerry Gage, Pete (Wemmie) Wemhoff, Fred Mylott and Otis Lose, the Commodores whipped Kirkland, 36-16. Somewhere in Decatur, a bell rang. It wasn't a loud bong, more like a ping, but a bell nonetheless.

Bolstered by some reserves from the "B" squad, fellows like underclassmen Leo Schultz, George Harris, Bob Holthouse, Eddie Hess, Bob Kleinhenz and Edward Vian, Coach Laurent actually gained the capability to insert a substitute into his lineup now and then.

Next up on the schedule of the struggling Commodores were four of the most talented squads from Ohio. In an age when every score was followed by a center-court jumpball, the youths from Decatur Catholic beat Catholic Central of Toledo, St. Rose of Lima, Chaminade High School of Dayton, and St. John of Lima.

Suddenly, the Commodores had a season ending record of 9-9.

Sister Marie Vera, C.S.A., principal of the diminutive high school, lit a candle in the chapel and then she pulled the rope that snet the school bell pealing. Heck, it was tournament time and her beloved boys were on a five game roll.

While the Senior Debate Club argued over the subject, "Be it resolved that it is better to attend a small college than a large one," (the large colleges won) the basketball squad entered the State Catholic Basketball Tournament.

The Decatur, boasting a mediocre regular season record were given about as much of a chance to cop the title as Wabash College had of defeating the Notre Dame football team. (Actually, Wabash gave coach Knute Rockne's squads as much as they could handle in those days.) Few gave the Commodores a chance to survive the first game, but the players, most of whom were so much shorter than their opponents they could have used radar to launch their shots at the goal like a pilotin a cloud bank, surprised everybody but themselves.

In their opening game of the tournament they met vaunted Guilbault of Vincennes. Unable to hold their opponents in check for the first three quarters, the Commodores staged a furious rally in the last stanza to claim a 39-33 victory.

If ever a team needed a break, it was the Decatur Catholic squad, and a break is exactly what it got, drawing a bye in the second round to reach the semi-finals, where the team was pitted against heavily favored Washington Catholic.

Using what Coach Laurent dubbed, "My slow breaking offense, the scrappy Decatur boys upended their taller rivals, 24-15, to become the first Commodore team ever to reach the finals of any tournament.

Spurred on by several hundred hometown fans, who had made the trip to Indianapolis, the Commodores completed their whirlwind season by thoroughly outplaying Jasper Acedemy and inflicting a 35-24 defeat on their foes to capture the State Catholic net title. In the final game, Bill Gass tossed in seven field goals, while both Mylott and Gage scored three field goals each.

The school received a permanent trophy, which still rests in the display case at St.Mary's and each player received a miniature of the prestigious cup.

As a result of winning the state championship, the team was invited to play in the National Catholic Tournament in Chicago.

In the first round, the Commodores defeated Altoona Catholic High, the Catholic champions of Pennsylvania, 21-16. Next, they stunned St.Louis University High of Missouri by a count of 19-17, but lost their encounter with Chicago's DeLaSalle High 20-16. The Chicagoans eventually won the national tournament.

The loss was a heartbreaker, but the little Commodores could still look at their state trophy and know they had accomplished what few persons had ever thought they could. They had hit that elusive straight, and in Decatur all the church bells rang out in a salute to their success.

1931 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:GEORGE LAURENT (4th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Ossian | 17 | 13 |
| Monroeville | 18 | 17 |
| New Haven | 16 | 24 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 10 | 12 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 22 | 8 |
| Delphos Saint John | 22 | 18 |
| Kirkland | 23 | 24 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 25 | 17 |
| Delphos Saint John | 15 | 18 |
| Cincinnati Elder | 24 | 7 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 41 | 7 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 19 | 24 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 22 | 29 |
| Delphos Saint John | 19 | 24 |
| New Haven | 20 | 12 |
| Delphos Saint John | 20 | 24 |
| Ossian | 15 | 16 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 36 | 21 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Evansville Reitz | 22 | 28 |
| DCHS Season Record | 10 | 9 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 151 | 55 |

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Wm.Gass | 168 | 799 | R.Kleinhenz | 4 | 4 |
| C.Lose | 61 | 130 | E.Hess | 3 | 3 |
| G.Gage | 57 | 157 | E.Vian | 4 | 4 |
| L.Dowling | 54 | 54 | C.Omlar | 1 | 1 |
| K.Holthouse | 52 | 52 | A.Hain | 0 | 0 |

William Gass closed out his 4 year varsity career with 799 career points. The Commodores were eliminated in the first game of the State Tourney and were not invited to the National Catholic Tourney.

| | | | | | | | |
|------|----|-----------|----|------|----|--------------------|----|
| MPGT | 41 | DCHS | 41 | FPGT | 10 | DCHS | 10 |
| | | Concordia | 7 | | | Huntington St Mary | 12 |
| LMV | 34 | DCHS | 41 | LMD | 8 | DCHS | 16 |
| | | Concordia | 7 | | | New Haven | 24 |

MPGI

1932 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: George Laurent (5th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Lima Saint Rose | 11 | 8 |
| Celina Catholic | 23 | 6 |
| Monroeville | 7 | 31 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 23 | 16 |
| New Haven | 16 | 19 |
| Delphos Saint John | 20 | 23 |
| Kirkland Twp | 20 | 24 |
| Washington Catholic | 11 | 21 |
| Cincinatti Elder | 16 | 25 |
| Berne | 21 | 7 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 16 | 7 |
| New Haven | 16 | 13 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 20 | 36 |
| Celina Catholic | 34 | 13 |
| Kirkland Twp | 13 | 24 |
| Berne | 27 | 35 |
| Delphos Saint John | 21 | 20 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 11 | 33 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Vincennes Gibault | 19 | 23 |
| DCHS Season Record | 8 | 12 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 159 | 67 |

Decatur Catholic suffered only it's 2nd losing season in 11 years this year. The Commodores also lost in the first round of the Catholic State Tourney for the 2nd year in a row.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| C.Omlar | 53 | 54 | W.Lose | 17 | 17 |
| J.Miller | 27 | 27 | R.Lengerich | 0 | 0 |
| R.Kleinhenz | 46 | 50 | E.Hess | 30 | 33 |
| A.Hain | 86 | 86 | F.Keller | 0 | 0 |
| C.Lose | 100 | 230 | H.Foos | 1 | 1 |
| MPGT 34 | Decatur Catholic 34 | | FPG 7 | Decatur Catholic 7 | |
| | Celina Catholic 13 | | | Monroeville 31 | |
| LMV 21 | Decatur Catholic 34 | | LMD 24 | Decatur Catholic 7 | |
| | Celina Catholic 13 | | | Monroeville 31 | |
| MPGI 12 | Hess | | | | |

1932 DECATUR CATHOLIC GIRLS Coach:Patricia Teeple

With the opening of the basketball season the High School girls through the efforts of Miss Patricia Teeple succeeded in organizing a basketball team.

Due to the fact that this is the first time in several years that DCHS has had a girl's team there was some difficulty in securing games with other teams. However, two games each were scheduled with Pl.Mills, Berne, Kirkland, and Hoagland. All these games proved exciting as well as interesting.

The girls appreciate the efforts of Miss Teeple to turn out a winning team and wish her success in organizing future teams. (From the Decatur Catholic "Tattler" 1932.)

TEAM MEMBERS

Name

1933 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:GEORGE LAURENT (6th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Jefferson Township | 26 | 31 |
| Kirkland Township | 11 | 18 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 14 | 26 |
| Berne | 21 | 18 |
| Ossian | 12 | 23 |
| Delphos Saint John | 19 | 17 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 11 | 14 |
| New Haven | 16 | 11 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 10 | 16 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 19 | 37 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 14 | 23 |
| New Haven | 11 | 30 |
| Delphos Saint John | 21 | 31 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 26 | 29 |
| Monroeville | 16 | 22 |
| Lancaster PA | 27 | 24 |
| Berne | 29 | 23 |
| Ossian | 17 | 25 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 25 | 29 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 15 | 30 |
| DCHS Season Record | 5 | 15 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 164 | 82 |

Decatur Catholic suffered through it's 3rd straight losing season. The Commodores did managed to beat Berne twice during the season.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|
| E.Hess | 41 | 74 | W.Lose | 52 | 69 |
| R.Braden | 63 | 63 | D.Hess | 10 | 10 |
| W.Baker | 0 | 0 | H.Foos | 2 | 3 |
| H.Baker | 5 | 5 | J.Lose | 31 | 31 |
| J.Miller | 10 | 37 | E.Lose | 0 | 0 |
| P.Murphy | 71 | 71 | A.Hain | 44 | 130 |

| | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 29 | Decatur Catholic | 29 | FPG 10 | Decatur Catholic | 10 |
| | Berne | 23 | | Hntngtn St.Mary | 16 |

| | | | | | |
|-------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| LMV 6 | Decatur Catholic | 29 | LMD 19 | Decatur Catholic | 11 |
| | Berne | 23 | | New Haven | 30 |

| | | |
|---------|--------|--|
| MPGI 10 | Murphy | |
|---------|--------|--|

1934 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: George Laurent (7th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|------|
| Richmond Catholic | 21 | 9 |
| Monroeville | 23 | 20 |
| Kirkland Township | 24 | 23** |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 16 | 15 |
| Berne | 15 | 21 |
| Kirkland Township | 17 | 19 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 19 | 21 |
| New Haven | 25 | 29 |
| Monroeville | 22 | 14 |
| Delphos Saint John | 26 | 17 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 24 | 34 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 27 | 26 |
| Delphos Saint John | 24 | 22 |
| Ossian | 18 | 27 |
| Jefferson Township | 17 | 27 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 22 | 34 |
| New Haven | 35 | 25 |
| Berne | 22 | 28 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 31 | 24 |
| Lancaster (Wells) | 18 | 20 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 25 | 22 |
| Saint Joseph College | 29 | 30 |
| HARD Tourney | | |
| Richmond Catholic | 24 | 17 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 26 | 36 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 21 | 20 |
| Huntington Saint Mary | 12 | 21 |
| DCHS Season Record | 13 | 13 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 177 | 95 |

After beating Huntington Saint Mary's twice during the year, the Commodores lost to them in the State Catholic Tourney.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|--------|----------|
| A. Teeple | 0 | 0 | P. Murphy | 89 | 160 |
| C. Colchin | 0 | 0 | R. Braden | 103 | 166 |
| E. Daniels | 0 | 0 | H. Baker | 60 | 65 |
| J. Tricker | 0 | 0 | D. Hess | 46 | 56 |
| R. Colchin | 0 | 0 | J. Lose | 28 | 59 |
| J. Parent | 0 | 0 | H. Hain | 0 | 0 |
| A. Hain | 128 | 258 | J. Kohne | 0 | 0 |
| W. Lose | 84 | 153 | R. Wolpert | 0 | 0 |
| W. Baker | 0 | 0 | R. Hess | 0 | 0 |
| MPGT 35 | Decatur Catholic 35 | FPG 12 | Decatur Catholic 12 | | |
| | New Haven 25 | | Huntington St. Mary 21 | | |
| LMV 12 | Decatur Catholic 21 | LMD 12 | Decatur Catholic 22 | | |
| | Richmond Catholic 9 | | Ft. Wayne CC 34 | | |
| MPGI 14 | W. Lose | | | | |

1935 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: George Laurent (8th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Celina Catholic | 27 | 22 |
| Richmond Catholic | 18 | 16* |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 13 | 12 |
| Portland | 13 | 21 |
| Kirkland Township | 21 | 22 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 25 | 18 |
| Delphos Saint John | 33 | 23 |
| Monroeville | 22 | 10 |
| Jefferson Township | 25 | 24 |
| Avilla | 29 | 16 |
| Kirkland Township | 16 | 19 |
| Jefferson Township | 40 | 20 |
| Delphos Saint John | 20 | 17 |
| Berne | 31 | 40 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 18 | 27 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 21 | 35 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 19 | 20 |
| Portland | 37 | 30 |
| Ossian | 34 | 27 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 23 | 25 |
| Hammond Central Catholic | 22 | 19 |
| Hammond Central Catholic | 47 | 25 |
| Marmion Accademy | 44 | 25 |
| HARD Tourney | | |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 21 | 27 |
| Richmond Saint Andrew | 38 | 13 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 20 | 25 |
| DCHS Season Record | 16 | 10 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 193 | 105 |

Decatur Catholic posted it's first winning season in 4 years.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|---------|--------------------|----------|---------|------------------|----------|
| Murphey | 136 | 296 | D.Hess | 160 | 216 |
| H.Baker | 52 | 113 | W.Baker | 23 | 23 |
| Braden | 159 | 325 | Colchin | 4 | 4 |
| Hain | 22 | 22 | R.Hess | 14 | 14 |
| Lose | 77 | 136 | | | |
| MPGT 47 | Decatur Catholic | 47 | FPG 13 | Decatur Catholic | 13 |
| | Hammond Cent Cath | 25 | | Elmhurst | 12 |
| | | | | Decatur Catholic | 13 |
| | | | | Portland | 21 |
| LWY 25 | Decatur Catholic | 39 | LMD 14 | Decatur Catholic | 21 |
| | Richmond St.Andrew | 13 | | Ft.Wayne CC | 35 |
| MPBI 16 | D.Hess | twice. | | | |

1935 DECATUR CATHOLIC GIRLS Coach:Helen Holthouse

| | DCHS | Opp |
|---------------------|------|-----|
| Avilla | 34 | 27 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 16 | 49 |
| Monmouth | 69 | 36 |
| Kirkland Township | 36 | 12 |
| Avilla | 20 | 17 |
| Huntertown | 15 | 37 |
| Huntertown | 16 | 30 |
| Berne | 46 | 18 |
| Huntertown | 16 | 30 |
| Berne | 29 | 24 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 31 | 36 |
| Monmouth | 69 | 10 |
| Saint Vincent | 40 | 10 |
| DCHS Season Record | 8 | 5 |
| DCHS Record To Date | | |

TEAM MEMBERS

Name

Dolores Leonard
 Mildred Miller
 Rosemary Fullenkamp
 Ruth Vogelvede
 Rosemary Miller
 Mary Terveer
 Margaret Wertzberger
 Eloise Leonard
 Julia Parent
 Mary C. Holthouse

1936 DECATUR CATHOLIC Coach: George Laurent (9th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Richmond Saint Andrew | 50 | 15 |
| Portland | 38 | 18 |
| Richmond Saint Andrew | 27 | 19 |
| Kirkland Township | 27 | 15 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 33 | 30 |
| Monroeville | 33 | 12 |
| Jefferson Township | 56 | 22 |
| Hammond Central Catholic | 31 | 18 |
| Avilla | 45 | 11 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 30 | 22 |
| Marmiom Arcademy | 36 | 9 |
| Hammond Central Catholic | 17 | 29 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 37 | 26 |
| Delphos Saint John | 40 | 29 |
| Hartford Township | 50 | 32 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 29 | 32 |
| Kirkland Township | 48 | 27 |
| Delphos Saint John | 22 | 18 |
| Celina Catholic | 27 | 28 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 27 | 42 |
| Portland | 33 | 26 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| South Bend St.Hedgewicke | 32 | 17 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 19 | 21 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 28 | 35 |
| National Catholic Tourney | | |
| Union City NJ | 24 | 21 |
| Walsenberg CO | 32 | 24 |
| Evanston IL | 19 | 39 |
| DCHS Season Record | 20 | 7 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 213 | 112 |

Decatur Catholic won 20 games for the first time since 1928, and was invited to the National Catholic tourney for the first time since 1930. The Commodores won their first 11 games of the season.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|---------|--------|----------|---------|--------|----------|
| D.Hess | 218 | 434 | B.Hess | 13 | 13 |
| Hain | 134 | 156 | A.Baker | 0 | 0 |
| Braden | 198 | 493 | Tricker | 0 | 0 |
| Murphy | 201 | 497 | F.Hess | 9 | 23 |
| W.Baker | 37 | 60 | Daniels | 57 | 57 |
| Wolpert | 9 | 9 | | | |

MFPT 36 Decatur Catholic 36 FFG 17 Decatur Catholic 17
 Jefferson Twp 22 Hammond CC 29

LMV 35 Decatur Catholic 50 LMD 20 Decatur Catholic 19
 Richmond St.Andrew 15 Evanston IL 39

MFPI 21 Murphy vs Richmond St.Andrew

1936 DECATUR CATHOLIC GIRLS Coach:Helen Holthouse

| | DCHS | Opp |
|---------------------|------|-----|
| Monmouth | 55 | 18 |
| Arcola | 20 | 45 |
| Avilla | 27 | 16 |
| Berne | 45 | 38 |
| Monmouth | 36 | 27 |
| Arcola | 27 | 41 |
| DCHS Season Record | 4 | 2 |
| DCHS Record To Date | | |

TEAM MEMBERS

Name

Mildred Miller
Mary Terveer
Virgen Ulman
Mary Holthouse
Eileen Brown
Joan Parent
Dolores Leonard
Eloise Leonard
Margaret Wertzberger
Rosemary Fullenkamp

1937 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: George Laurent (10th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Lima Saint John | 35 | 16 |
| Huntington Catholic | 17 | 33 |
| Jefferson Township | 29 | 27 |
| Kirkland Township | 18 | 27 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 24 | 32 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 25 | 19 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 21 | 22 |
| Monroeville | 17 | 26 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 26 | 28 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 26 | 17 |
| Celina Catholic | 34 | 18 |
| Hartford Township | 22 | 18 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 22 | 35 |
| Delphos Saint John | 20 | 35 |
| Huntington Catholic | 22 | 32 |
| Celina Catholic | 15 | 23 |
| Delphos Saint John | 25 | 24 |
| Decatur II | 21 | 23 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 29 | 37 |
| State Catholic Championship | | |
| Evansville Reitz | 15 | 28 |
| DCHS Season Record | 7 | 14 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 120 | 126 |

This was George Laurent's worst season to date at Decatur Catholic. The Commodores were eliminated in the first round of the State Catholic Tourney.

| <u>TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS</u> | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
| W.Vogelwede | 58 | 58 | Bollinger | 6 | 6 |
| Cook | 37 | 37 | A.Baker | 10 | 10 |
| F.Vogelwede | 11 | 11 | Byerley | 0 | 0 |
| Kuhlne | 1 | 1 | W.Baker | 128 | 188 |
| Alberding | 4 | 4 | Gillig | 84 | 84 |
| B.Hess | 141 | 154 | | | |

MPGT 35 Decatur Catholic 35 FPG 15 Decatur Catholic 15
 Lima St.John 16 Evansville Reitz 28

Decatur Catholic 15
 Celina Catholic 23

LMW 19 Decatur Catholic 35 LMD 16 Decatur Catholic 17
 Lima Saint John 16 Huntington Catholic 33

MPGI 11 E.Hess

1937 DECATUR CATHOLIC GIRLS Coach: Rosemary Miller

| | DHS | Opp |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 33 | 50 |
| Kirkland Township | 15 | 18 |
| Anderson Saint Marys | 26 | 14 |
| Cathedral | 31 | 18 |
| Precious Blood | 28 | 13 |
| St. Peters | 38 | 12 |
| St. Patricks | 23 | 17 |
| Alumni | 35 | 23 |
| Defiance St. John | 29 | 19 |
| Defiance St. Mary | 35 | 16 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 35 | 53 |
| Defiance OH | 58 | 22 |
| St. Peter | 55 | 12 |
| Defiance St. Mary | 35 | 16 |
| St. Patrick | 18 | 12 |
| St Patrick CYO | 24 | 20 |
| Precious Blood | 26 | 12 |
| DCHS Season Record | 14 | 3 |
| DCHS Record to Date | | |

TEAM MEMBERS

Name

Mary Terveer-captain
 Ethel Miller
 Agnes Reed
 Helen Kohne
 Virgene Ulman
 Rosie Fullenkamp
 Loreto Lose
 Genevieve Ripberger
 Joan Parent
 Josephine Daniels
 Bernadine Hackman
 Mary Alice Girard

1938 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: GEORGE LAURENT (11th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Marion Saint Paul | 23 | 19 |
| Portland | 26 | 17 |
| Kirkland Township | 30 | 20 |
| Celina Catholic | 20 | 11 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 31 | 38 |
| Huntington Catholic | 19 | 25 |
| Delphos Saint John | 23 | 17 |
| Hammond Central Catholic | 33 | 25 |
| Michigan City Saint Mary | 25 | 7 |
| Joliet (IL) Catholic | 24 | 29 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 17 | 14 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 17 | 30 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 26 | 25* |
| Monroeville | 21 | 31 |
| Huntington Catholic | 31 | 19 |
| Michigan City Saint Mary | 33 | 24 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 38 | 29 |
| Kirkland Township | 22 | 13 |
| Celina Catholic | 37 | 12 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 31 | 36 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Indianapolis Cathedral | 35 | 38 |
| DCHS Season Record | 14 | 7 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 234 | 133 |

Decatur Catholic returned to winning form this season, but again lost in the first round of the tourney. The center jump after each basket was eliminated prior to the season.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Point</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Bolinger | 106 | 112 | Hackman | 6 | 6 |
| Kuhne | 41 | 42 | Hain | 19 | 19 |
| Vogelwede | 107 | 118 | Hess | 61 | 61 |
| Baker | 132 | 142 | Terveer | 1 | 1 |
| Gillig | 101 | 189 | Alberding | 0 | 0 |
| Roop | 1 | 1 | | | |

| | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 38 | Decatur Catholic | 38 | FPG 17 | Decatur Catholic | 17 |
| | Ft.Wayne C.C. | 29 | | Marion St.Paul | 14 |

| | | |
|--|------------------|----|
| | Decatur Catholic | 17 |
| | Ft.Wayne C.C. | 30 |

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|--------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| LMV 18 | Decatur Catholic | 38 | LMD 13 | Decatur Catholic | 17 |
| | Mich Cty St.Mary | - | | Ft.Wayne C.C. | 30 |

MPGT 18 Baker

1938 DECATUR CATHOLIC GIRLS Coach: Rosemary Miller

| | DCHS | Opp |
|---------------------|------|-----|
| Precious Blood | 36 | 25 |
| St. Andrews | 66 | 12 |
| St. Patricks | 22 | 25 |
| St. Mary's | 37 | 10 |
| St. Patricks | 16 | 19 |
| St. Marys | 28 | 4 |
| Celina | 22 | 5 |
| St. Josephs | 36 | 21 |
| DCHS Record | 6 | 2 |
| DCHS Record To Date | | |

TEAM MEMBERS

Name
 Rosemary Fullenkamp
 Helen Kohne
 Virgene Ulman
 Agnes Reed
 Joan Parent
 Ethel Miller
 Mary Alice Girard
 Bernadine Hackman
 Honora Schmitt

1939 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: George Laurent (12th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| New Haven | 17 | 16 |
| Celina Catholic | 37 | 17 |
| Kirkland Township | 25 | 24 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 20 | 23 |
| Michigan City Saint Mary | 34 | 25 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 42 | 27 |
| Huntington Catholic | 28 | 19 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 48 | 10 |
| Rensselaer Saint John | 21 | 25 |
| Delphos Saint John | 22 | 31 |
| Joliet (IL) Catholic | 25 | 40 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 40 | 39 |
| Portland | 27 | 21 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 34 | 26 |
| Huntington Catholic | 29 | 31* |
| Monroeville | 40 | 22 |
| Delphos Saint John | 20 | 17 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 25 | 38 |
| Celina Catholic | 26 | 14 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 30 | 37 |
| Delphos Saint John | 18 | 33 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Hammond Central Catholic | 30 | 26 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 17 | 18 |
| Evansville Central Catholic | 35 | 54 |
| DCHS Season Record | 14 | 10 |
| DCHS Record to date | 248 | 143 |

DCHS made it to the second round of the State Catholic Tourney. They also beat much larger schools like Portland and Fort Wayne Elmhurst this season.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Hackman | 83 | 89 | Baker | 195 | 337 |
| R.Hess | 165 | 226 | Hain | 58 | 77 |
| R.Bollinger | 123 | 123 | Roop | 28 | 29 |
| W.Hess | 7 | 7 | E.Holthouse | 2 | 2 |
| Terveer | 15 | 15 | Tavas | 1 | 1 |
| MPBT 48 Decatur Catholic | 48 | FPG 17 Decatur Catholic | 17 | | |
| Marion St.Paul | 10 | New Haven | 16 | | |
| | | Decatur Catholic | 17 | | |
| | | Ft.Wayne C.C. | 18 | | |
| LMW 36 Decatur Catholic | 48 | IMD 19 Decatur Catholic | 35 | | |
| Marion St. Paul | 10 | Evansville C.C. | 54 | | |
| MPCI 17 P.Hess vs Evansville | | | | | |

1940 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:GEORGE LAURENT (13th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Pleasant Mills | 31 | 27 |
| New Haven | 14 | 24 |
| Kirkland Township | 17 | 16 |
| Lima Saint John | 18 | 24 |
| Michigan City Saint Mary | 43 | 25 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 22 | 39 |
| Monmouth | 37 | 23 |
| Rensselaer Saint John | 13 | 26 |
| Delphos Saint John | 21 | 23 |
| Huntington Catholic | 27 | 25 |
| Pleasant Mills | 38 | 24 |
| Portland | 24 | 37 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 33 | 43 |
| Delphos Saint John | 24 | 36 |
| Monroeville | 35 | 34 |
| Huntington Catholic | 36 | 11 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 10 | 49 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 24 | 26 |
| Willshire (OH) | 23 | 48 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 26 | 27 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| South Bend Central Catholic | 25 | 34 |
| DCHS Season Record | 8 | 13 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 256 | 156 |

This would be coach Laurent's last year. His 13 year record was 160 wins and 121 losses. His 1930 team won the State Catholic championship. His 1929,1930, and 1936 teams competed in the National Catholic Tourney. Laurent was a Decatur Catholic grad.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| B.Holthouse | 12 | 14 | Tavas | 13 | 14 |
| W.Hess | 31 | 38 | Ullman | 19 | 19 |
| Hain | 89 | 166 | Hackman | 91 | 180 |
| Bolinger | 70 | 193 | Roop | 75 | 114 |
| Terveer | 103 | 118 | J.Holthouse | 3 | 3 |

| | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 43 | Decatur Catholic | 43 | FPG 10 | Decatur Catholic | 10 |
| | Mich Cty St.Mary | 25 | | Ft.Wayne CC. | 49 |

| | | | | | |
|--------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| LMV 25 | Decatur Catholic | 36 | LMD 39 | Decatur Catholic | 10 |
| | Huntington Cath | 11 | | Ft.Wayne CC | 49 |

MPGI 14 Terveer, Roop

1941 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach T.C.ZAYNOR (1rst year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| New Haven | 36 | 39 |
| Celina Catholic | 32 | 25 |
| Monroeville | 37 | 25 |
| Lima Saint John | 15 | 31 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 24 | 30 |
| Kirkland Township | 30 | 27 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 29 | 30 |
| Huntington Catholic | 30 | 39 |
| Monroeville | 42 | 22 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 39 | 22 |
| Pleasant Mills | 22 | 28 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 44 | 38 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 38 | 27 |
| Celina Catholic | 30 | 35 |
| Huntington Catholic | 28 | 32 |
| Monmouth | 29 | 26 |
| Delphos Saint John | 37 | 31 |
| Willshire (OH) | 22 | 30 |
| Delphos Saint John | 36 | 31 |
| Pleasant Mills | 23 | 35 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Indianapolis Cathredral | 34 | 30 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 45 | 30 |
| Evansville Reitz | 32 | 43 |
| Hammond Central Catholic | 32 | 41 |
| DCHS Season Record | 12 | 12 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 166 | 168 |

New coach T.C.Zaynor was an University of Illinois graduate.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|-------------|--------|----------|-------------|--------|----------|
| Hackman | 130 | 310 | Keller | 28 | 28 |
| Ullman | 79 | 98 | B.Holthouse | 132 | 146 |
| D.Terveer | 179 | 297 | Kuhline | 5 | 5 |
| Bolinger | 127 | 320 | Bierly | 5 | 5 |
| J.Holthouse | 69 | 72 | Welker | 9 | 9 |
| Klepper | 3 | 3 | | | |

MPGT 45 Decatur Catholic 45 FPG 15 Decatur Catholic 15
 Anderson St.Mary 30 Lima St.John 31

LMV 20 Decatur Catholic 42 LMD 16 Decatur Catholic 15
 Monroeville 22 Lima St John 31

MPI 14 Dave Terveer (twice)
 B.Holthouse

1942 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:T.C.ZAYNOR (2nd year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| New Haven | 25 | 39 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 34 | 41 |
| Monroeville | 29 | 20 |
| Pleasant Mills | 35 | 32 |
| Willshire (OH) | 40 | 35 |
| Monroe | 37 | 56 |
| Lima Saint John | 42 | 23 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 29 | 34 |
| Monroeville | 31 | 27 |
| Huntington Catholic | 31 | 46 |
| Delphos Saint John | 29 | 30 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 28 | 43 |
| Alumni | 30 | 38 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 44 | 57 |
| Monmouth | 38 | 27 |
| Huntington Catholic | 31 | 15 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 37 | 45 |
| Delphos Saint John | 27 | 50 |
| State Catholic Tourney | | |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 27 | 29 |
| DCHS Season Record | 7 | 12 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 275 | 180 |

Decatur Catholic lost in the first round of the State Catholic Tourney. This would be the last year for the tourney, as all parochial schools would be admitted to the IHSAA. Dave Terveer was second in the county in scoring with 267 points for the season.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|--------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Joe Keller | 69 | 97 | T.Lengerich | 18 | 18 |
| Rob Kuhnle | 54 | 59 | Bob Klepper | 58 | 61 |
| Dave Terveer | 267 | 564 | Colchin | 0 | 0 |
| J.Holthouse | 133 | 205 | Dick Briede | 20 | 20 |
| Welker | 75 | 84 | Des Jean | 0 | 0 |
| MPGT 44 | Decatur Catholic | 44 | FPG 25 | Decatur Catholic | 25 |
| | Anderson St.Mary | 57 | | New Haven | 39 |
| LMV 19 | Decatur Catholic | 42 | LMD 19 | Decatur Catholic | 37 |
| | Lima St.John | 23 | | Monroe | 56 |
| MPGI 20 | Dave Terveer | | | | |

1943 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:T.C.ZAYNOR (3rd year)

| | DCHS Opp | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----|
| New Haven | 12 | 23 |
| Kirkland Township | 36 | 26 |
| Monroeville | 29 | 26 |
| Willshire | 16 | 33 |
| Monroe | 32 | 47 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 40 | 53 |
| Monroeville | 13 | 28 |
| Huntington Catholic | 34 | 49 |
| Pleasant Mills | 23 | 29 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 31 | 48 |
| Alumni | 32 | 41 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 17 | 40 |
| Kirkland Township | 36 | 28 |
| Monmouth | 37 | 26 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 34 | 33 |
| Pleasant Mills | 35 | 30 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 24 | 38 |
| Huntington Catholic | 21 | 36 |
| Sectional | | |
| Hartford Township | 19 | 41 |
| DCHS Season Record | 6 | 13 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 281 | 193 |

Decatur Catholic participated in it's first sectional journey, losing to Hartford Township. No one from Decatur Catholic was in the top ten in the county scoring list.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|-----------|--------|----------|-------------|--------|----------|
| Terveer | 53 | 53 | Loshe | 42 | 42 |
| M.Colchin | 19 | 19 | Mac Colchin | 18 | 18 |
| Klepper | 46 | 107 | Gillig | 0 | 0 |
| Briede | 118 | 138 | Helman | 15 | 15 |
| Lengerich | 115 | 133 | Vogelwede | 4 | 4 |
| Wolpert | 78 | 78 | | | |

MPGT 40 Decatur Catholic 40 FPG 12 Decatur Catholic 12
 Concordia 53 New Haven 23

LMV 10 Decatur Catholic 36 LMD 23 Decatur Catholic 17
 Kirkland 26 Concordia 40

MPGI 15 Briede

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1944 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: GERALD VIZZARD (1st year)

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----|
| | DCHS Opp | |
| New Haven | 22 | 33 |
| Monroeville | 20 | 39 |
| Monroe | 31 | 27 |
| Monmouth | 19 | 29 |
| Willshire (OH) | 21 | 22 |
| Monroe | 19 | 28 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 34 | 51 |
| Monroeville | 34 | 30 |
| Pleasant Mills | 15 | 32 |
| Fort Wayne Elmhurst | 17 | 46 |
| Monmouth | 33 | 34 |
| Hartford Township | 30 | 34 |
| Alumni | 44 | 22 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 34 | 43 |
| Pleasant Mills | 48 | 39 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 19 | 59 |
| Huntington Catholic | 28 | 38 |
| Sectional | | |
| Kirkland Township | 30 | 22 |
| Berne | 19 | 38 |
| DCHS Season Record | 5 | 14 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 286 | 207 |

Decatur Catholic won it's first sectional game in school history, a 30-22 win over Kirkland Township. Gerald Vizzard, long time Pleasant Mills coach, took over from T.C.Zayner.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Heimann | 96 | 96 | P.Briede | 34 | 34 |
| Wolpert | 67 | 145 | Terveer | 37 | 90 |
| Gillig | 38 | 38 | Coffee | 2 | 2 |
| R.Briede | 174 | 312 | Hess | 7 | 7 |
| Loshe | 54 | 96 | Wemhoff | 7 | 7 |
| Vogelwede | 2 | 6 | Hackman | 2 | 2 |

| | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 48 | Decatur Catholic | 48 | FPG 15 | Decatur Catholic | 15 |
| | Pleasant Mills | 39 | | Pleasant Mills | 32 |

| | | | | | |
|--------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| LMV 22 | Decatur Catholic | 44 | LMD 40 | Decatur Catholic | 19 |
| | Alumni | 22 | | Ft.Wayne C.C. | 59 |

MPGI 18 R.Briede

1945 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:GERALD VIZZARD (2nd year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| New Haven | 31 | 53 |
| Monroeville | 39 | 23 |
| Monmouth | 43 | 27 |
| Monroe | 23 | 25 |
| Delphos Saint John | 41 | 30 |
| Willshire | 29 | 38 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 31 | 44 |
| Monroeville | 32 | 26 |
| Pleasant Mills | 39 | 28 |
| Monmouth | 35 | 39 |
| Hartford Township | 35 | 20 |
| Huntington Catholic | 40 | 33 |
| Delphos Saint John | 30 | 33 |
| Kirkland Township | 40 | 47 |
| Lima Saint John | 54 | 16 |
| Monroe | 41 | 37 |
| Pleasant Mills | 34 | 24 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 25 | 19 |
| Sectional | | |
| Jefferson Township | 41 | 15 |
| Monmouth | 29 | 30 |
| DCHS Season Record | 13 | 7 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 299 | 214 |

Decatur Catholic had it's first winning season since 1939.
Terveer was 4th in the county in scoring with 208 points.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Hess | 136 | 143 | Loshe | 37 | 37 |
| Gillig | 158 | 195 | Hackman | 8 | 10 |
| Terveer | 208 | 298 | B.Lengerich | 3 | 3 |
| Briede | 72 | 106 | Coffee | 1 | 3 |
| Wemhoff | 39 | 46 | Schlinder | 6 | 6 |
| N.Lengerich | 24 | 24 | | | |

| | | | | | |
|---------|-------------------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 54 | Decatur Catholic | 54 | FPG 23 | Decatur Catholic | 23 |
| | Lima Saint John | 16 | | Monroe | 25 |
| LMV 38 | Decatur Catholic | 54 | LMD 22 | Decatur Catholic | 31 |
| | Lima St. John | 16 | | New Haven | 53 |
| MPGI 20 | Terveer vs Delphos Saint John | | | | |

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1946 DECATUR CATHOLIC | Coach: Gerald Vizzard (3rd year) |
| | DCHS Opp |
| New Haven | 27 30 |
| Monroeville | 29 34 |
| Monmouth | 34 44 |
| Willshire (OH) | 42 44 |
| Monroe | 33 26 |
| Monroeville | 26 40 |
| Fort Wayne Concordia | 48 54 |
| Pleasant Mills | 35 12 |
| Monmouth | 21 33 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 25 56 |
| Alumni | 32 18 |
| Huntington Catholic | 40 37 |
| Hartford Township | 37 30 |
| Monroe | 38 41 |
| Delphos Saint John | 33 27 |
| Lima Saint John | 24 37 |
| Pleasant Mills | 39 28 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 22 40 |
| Sectional | |
| Monmouth | 28 48 |
| DCHS Season Record | 7 12 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 306 226 |

Decatur Catholic's 32-18 win over Monroe was the 300th win in the history of the school. This would be coach Vizzard's last season at the school.

| <u>TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS</u> | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
| Hess | 130 | 273 | Coffee | 3 | 6 |
| B.Lengerich | 38 | 41 | Wilder | 103 | 103 |
| Briede | 115 | 221 | Kohne | 3 | 3 |
| Hackman | 51 | 61 | Baker | 7 | 7 |
| Wemhoff | 85 | 131 | | | |
| N.Lengerich | 59 | 83 | | | |
| MPGT 48 | Decatur Catholic 48 | FPG 21 | Decatur Catholic 21 | | |
| | Concordia 54 | | Monmouth 33 | | |
| LMV 23 | Decatur Catholic 35 | LMD 31 | Decatur Cathlic 25 | | |
| | Pleasant Mills 12 | | Marion St.Paul 56 | | |
| MPGI 23 | Briede vs Concordia | | | | |

1947 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: Elwood Hoke (1st year)

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|------|
| | DCHS Opp | |
| Monroeville | 34 | 58 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 34 | 39 |
| Monmouth | 32 | 45 |
| Delphos Saint John | 34 | 47 |
| Willshire (OH) | 27 | 25 |
| Pleasant Mills | 24 | 38 |
| Lima Saint John | 39 | 31 |
| Huntington Catholic | 35 | 52 |
| Monroe | 26 | 28** |
| Monmouth | 32 | 47 |
| Monroeville | 19 | 47 |
| Jefferson Township | 54 | 52* |
| Hartford Township | 36 | 43 |
| Kirkland Township | 31 | 50 |
| Huntington Catholic | 38 | 34 |
| Pleasant Mills | 31 | 33 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 32 | 45 |
| Monroe | 29 | 35 |
| DCHS Season Record | 4 | 15 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 310 | 241 |

New coach Elwood Hoke was a senior at Manchester College. Decatur Catholic's 4-15 record was worst in school history. The only DCHS team which won fewer games was the 1922 team which went 3-5. Although the Commodores had a poor record, they did play sectional champ Monroe tough, losing to the Bearkatz 28-26 in two overtimes, 35-29, and 42-35 in the sectional. The Commodores had no seniors on the team this season.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| J.Gillig | 115 | 115 | Roop | 13 | 13 |
| Rumschlag | 50 | 50 | D.Gillig | 15 | 15 |
| Wilder | 147 | 250 | Kable | 86 | 86 |
| Kohne | 13 | 16 | Baker | 133 | 140 |
| Coffee | 12 | 18 | Parent | 2 | 2 |

| | | | | | |
|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 54 | Decatur Catholic | 54 | FPG 19 | Decatur Catholic | 19 |
| | Jefferson Twp | 52 | | Monroeville | 47 |
| | (2-OT) | | | | |

| | | | | | |
|-------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| LMV 8 | Decatur Catholic | 39 | LMD 28 | Decatur Catholic | 19 |
| | Lima St. John | 31 | | Monroeville | 27 |

MPGI 24 Wilder

1948 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: Dan Perry (1st year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Delphos Saint John | 41 | 47 |
| Kirkland Township | 42 | 36 |
| Monmouth | 25 | 26 |
| Lima Saint John | 43 | 42 |
| Alumni | 35 | 34 |
| Pleasant Mills | 42 | 25 |
| Huntington Catholic | 42 | 37 |
| Monroe | 40 | 36 |
| Payne Ohio | 50 | 24 |
| Monroeville | 34 | 51 |
| Monmouth | 44 | 49 |
| Jefferson Township | 52 | 40 |
| Kirkland Township | 42 | 45 |
| Geneva | 41 | 44 |
| Pleasant Mills | 46 | 47 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 42 | 54 |
| Monroe | 38 | 59 |
| Hartford Township | 35 | 32* |
| County Tourney | | |
| Hartford Township | 31 | 35 |
| Sectional | | |
| Pleasant Mills | 42 | 29 |
| Kirkland Township | 29 | 26 |
| Hartford Township | 29 | 42 |
| DCHS Season Record | 12 | 10 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 322 | 251 |

Coach Dan Perry moved over from Decatur High School. The Commodores participated in the Adams County tourney for the first time. Decatur Catholic also won more than one game in the sectional for the first time, finishing in the runner-up spot to Hartford Township. The Commodores had defeated the Gorillas during the regular season 35-32 in overtime. This was one of only four defeats for Hartford Twp. this season.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|-----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
| Baker | 125 | 265 | Roop | 3 | 16 |
| Kable | 108 | 194 | Parent | 3 | 5 |
| Wilder | 169 | 419 | Myers | 7 | 7 |
| J.Gillig | 116 | 231 | Heimann | 3 | 3 |
| Rumschlag | 59 | 109 | D.Gillig | 77 | 92 |

| | | | | | | | |
|------|----|------------------|----|-----|----|------------------|----|
| MPGT | 52 | Decatur Catholic | 52 | FPG | 25 | Decatur Catholic | 25 |
| | | Jefferson Twp | 40 | | | Monmouth | 26 |
| LMV | 26 | Decatur Catholic | 50 | LMD | 17 | Decatur Catholic | 34 |
| | | Payne O | 24 | | | Monroeville | 51 |

MPGI 31 Wilder vs Jefferson

1949 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: DAVE TERVEER (1st year)

| | DCHS Opp | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----|
| Kirkland Township | 29 | 35 |
| Monmouth | 33 | 40 |
| Delphos Saint John | 61 | 41 |
| Huntington Catholic | 28 | 49 |
| Lima Saint John | 43 | 48 |
| Pleasant Mills | 42 | 31 |
| Hoagland | 22 | 40 |
| Monroe | 42 | 40 |
| Lancaster (Wells) | 31 | 44 |
| Monmouth | 33 | 34 |
| Hartford Township | 34 | 41 |
| Monroeville | 26 | 58 |
| Kirkland Township | 45 | 30 |
| Jefferson Township | 56 | 44 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 35 | 42 |
| Geneva | 34 | 37 |
| Pleasant Mills | 45 | 28 |
| Monroe | 34 | 52 |
| County Tourney | | |
| Monmouth | 37 | 39 |
| Sectional | | |
| Pleasant Mills | 41 | 22 |
| Kirkland Township | 34 | 41 |
| DCHS Season Record | 7 | 14 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 329 | 265 |

New head coach Dave Terveer was a 1942 Decatur Catholic grad. This would be the last season that the Commodores would play Monroe and Kirkland Township. These two schools would merge to form Adams Central.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
| Loshe | 10 | 10 | D.Gage | 101 | 101 |
| Kable | 193 | 387 | Wilder | 16 | 16 |
| B.Gillig | 97 | 97 | B.Gage | 4 | 4 |
| J.Myers | 172 | 179 | Smith | 4 | 4 |
| D.Gillig | 127 | 219 | Hackman | 7 | 7 |
| Parent | 3 | 8 | Peterson | 29 | 29 |

MPGT 61 Decatur Catholic 61 FPG 26 Decatur Catholic 26
 Delphos St.John 41 Monroeville 58

LMV 20 Decatur Catholic 61 LMD 32 Decatur Catholic 26
 Delphos St.John 41 Monroeville 58

MPI 19 J.Myers vs Delphos Saint John

1950 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: DAVE TERVEER (2nd year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|------|
| Anderson Saint Mary | 42 | 46 |
| Monroeville | 25 | 42 |
| Delphos Saint John | 44 | 54 |
| Huntington Catholic | 37 | 40 |
| Pleasant Mills | 41 | 24 |
| Hoagland | 41 | 39** |
| Adams Central | 72 | 50 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 36 | 43 |
| Lancaster (Wells) | 67 | 51 |
| Monmouth | 43 | 55 |
| Hartford Township | 60 | 38 |
| Monroeville | 46 | 33 |
| Lima Saint John | 61 | 42 |
| Jefferson Township | 67 | 24 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 43 | 42 |
| Geneva | 55 | 36 |
| Pleasant Mills | 34 | 35 |
| Adams Central | 50 | 31 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Hartford Township | 47 | 46 |
| Monmouth | 37 | 31 |
| Sectional | | |
| Berne | 39 | 37 |
| Pleasant Mills | 73 | 43 |
| Geneva | 51 | 43 |
| Decatur | 45 | 58 |
| DCHS Season Record | 16 | 8 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 345 | 273 |

The Commodores won their first Adams County tourney in school history. Decatur Catholic was also runner-up in the sectional. The Commodores played the Decatur Yellow Jackets in the final game of the sectional. Even though the schools were just a few blocks apart, this was the first time the two teams met in varsity basketball competition.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|---------|------------------|----------|------------|------------------|----------|
| Gage | 215 | 316 | Coffee | 2 | 2 |
| Kable | 134 | 521 | Wilder | 186 | 202 |
| Gillig | 199 | 296 | Zingmaster | 11 | 11 |
| Loshe | 188 | 198 | Vogelwede | 2 | 2 |
| Myers | 320 | 499 | | | |
| MPGT 72 | Decatur Catholic | 72 | FPG 25 | Decatur Catholic | 25 |
| | Adams Central | 50 | | Monroeville | 42 |
| LMV 43 | Decatur Catholic | 67 | LMD 17 | Decatur Catholic | 25 |
| | Jefferson Twp | 24 | | Monroeville | 42 |
| MPGI 22 | J. Myers | | | | |

1951 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: DAVE TERVEER (3rd year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|-----------------------------|------|-----|
| Pleasant Mills | 41 | 34 |
| Monmouth | 32 | 33 |
| Huntington Catholic | 43 | 47 |
| Lima Saint Rose | 43 | 49 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 45 | 61 |
| Hoagland | 40 | 42 |
| Adams Central | 50 | 40 |
| Delphos Saint John | 60 | 71 |
| Lancaster (Wells) | 44 | 51 |
| Monmouth | 45 | 53 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 45 | 51 |
| Hartford Township | 50 | 51 |
| Monroeville | 73 | 45 |
| Ossian | 66 | 62 |
| Lima Saint John | 77 | 42 |
| Jefferson Township | 66 | 58 |
| Geneva | 52 | 39 |
| Adams Central | 46 | 44 |
| County Tourney | | |
| Jefferson Township | 45 | 32 |
| Hartford Township | 46 | 41 |
| Monmouth | 45 | 53 |
| Sectional | | |
| Decatur | 47 | 67 |
| DCHS Season Record | 10 | 12 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 355 | 285 |

After a slow start, the Commodores rebounded to win 6 of their last 7 regular season games. Decatur Catholic was runner-up to Monmouth in the county tourney. The Commodores again met Decatur in the sectional, losing to the Yellow Jackets 67-47. J. Wilder was 5th in the county in scoring with 289 points.

| TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|
| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
| D. Coyne | 72 | 72 | E. Wilder | 14 | 14 |
| Faurote | 117 | 117 | F. Coyne | 6 | 6 |
| J. Wilder | 289 | 491 | Coffee | 0 | 2 |
| Gage | 228 | 544 | Laurent | 82 | 82 |
| Vogelvede | 181 | 183 | Gase | 39 | 39 |
| Costello | 35 | 35 | | | |

| | | | | | |
|---------|-------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 77 | Decatur Catholic | 77 | FPG 32 | Decatur Catholic | 32 |
| | Lima St. John | 42 | | Monmouth | 33 |
| LMV 35 | Decatur Catholic | 77 | LMD 20 | Decatur Catholic | 47 |
| | Lima St. John | 42 | | Decatur | 67 |
| MPGI 22 | J. Wilder (twice) | | | | |
| | Gage | | | | |

1952 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: DAVE TERVEER (4th year)

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| | DCHS Opp |
| Pleasant Mills | 42 48 |
| Monmouth | 36 34 |
| Monroeville | 48 26 |
| Huntington Catholic | 52 36 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 55 30 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 42 44 |
| Hoagland | 40 42 |
| Adams Central | 48 43 |
| Delphos Saint John | 50 58 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 31 54 |
| Hartford Township | 36 40 |
| Ossian | 53 66 |
| Lima Saint John | 56 72 |
| Jefferson Township | 38 35 |
| Willshire | 61 43 |
| Geneva | 44 46 |
| Adams Central | 42 43 |
| Lancaster Township | 42 63 |
| County Tourney | |
| Adams Central | 47 48 |
| Sectional | |
| Pleasant Mills | 57 60* |
| DCHS Season Record | 7 13 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 362 298 |

Decatur Catholic lost 8 games this year by 6 points or less. They also lost leading scorer J. Wilder to an age restriction after 6 games.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|-----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
| Gage | 38 | 38 | York | 4 | 4 |
| Costello | 47 | 82 | Kintz | 2 | 2 |
| Gass | 199 | 199 | Meyer | 19 | 19 |
| F.Coyne | 201 | 207 | Brunton | 45 | 45 |
| L.Laurent | 163 | 245 | E.Wilder | 9 | 9 |
| R.Gase | 48 | 87 | J.Wilder | 87 | 578 |

MPGT 61 Decatur Catholic 61 FPG 31 Decatur Catholic 31
 Willshire OH 43 Ft.Wayne C.C. 54

LMV 25 Decatur Catholic 55 LMD 23 Decatur Catholic 31
 Marion St.Paul 30 Ft.Wayne C.C. 54

MPI 25 F.Coyne vs Ossian

1953 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: Dave Terveer (5th year)

| | DCHS Opp | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----|
| Pleasant Mills | 62 | 64 |
| Huntington Catholic | 45 | 39 |
| Monmouth | 59 | 52 |
| Monroeville | 59 | 64 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 68 | 36 |
| Hoagland | 63 | 62* |
| Adams Central | 61 | 47 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 48 | 66 |
| Pleasant Mills | 60 | 73 |
| Hartford Township | 56 | 46 |
| Ossian | 63 | 76 |
| Lima Saint John | 64 | 65* |
| Jefferson Township | 60 | 54 |
| Willshire OH | 72 | 60 |
| Geneva | 62 | 61 |
| Adams Central | 60 | 50 |
| Lancaster | 72 | 53 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 63 | 52 |
| County Tourney | | |
| Hartford Township | 52 | 44 |
| Geneva | 62 | 75 |
| Sectional | | |
| Monmouth | 52 | 65 |

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| DCHS Season Record | 13 | 8 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 275 | 306 |

Decatur Catholic handed sectional champion Monmouth an early season defeat 59-52. The Commodores had two players who scored more than 300 points this season, Gass and Brunton.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Costello | 148 | 230 | Gage | 30 | 68 |
| Brunton | 321 | 366 | Mowrey | 5 | 5 |
| Gass | 347 | 546 | Myer | 18 | 37 |
| York | 139 | 143 | E.Wilder | 76 | 85 |
| J.Wilder | 115 | 115 | Vogelwede | 0 | 0 |
| Loshe | 2 | 2 | | | |

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|---------|------------------|----|--------|---------------------|----|
| MPST 72 | Decatur Catholic | 72 | PPG 45 | Decatur Catholic | 45 |
| | Willshire OH | 60 | | Huntington Catholic | 39 |
| | Decatur Catholic | 72 | | | |
| | Lancaster | 52 | | | |
| LMV 80 | Decatur Catholic | 66 | LMD 18 | Decatur Catholic | 48 |
| | Marion St. Paul | 36 | | Ft. Wayne C.C. | 66 |

MPST 19 Gass

1954 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: DAVE TERVEER (6th year)

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----|
| | DCHS Opp | |
| Pleasant Mills | 53 | 40 |
| Huntington Catholic | 60 | 39 |
| Monmouth | 51 | 52 |
| Monroeville | 55 | 76 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 59 | 65 |
| Chester Center | 40 | 42 |
| Hoagland | 43 | 44 |
| Fort Wayne Central Catholic | 47 | 69 |
| Adams Central | 53 | 54 |
| Jefferson Township | 60 | 52 |
| Hartford Township | 60 | 40 |
| Ossian | 55 | 46 |
| Marion Saint Paul | 60 | 42 |
| Willshire (OH) | 67 | 49 |
| Geneva | 58 | 65 |
| Adams Central | 56 | 62 |
| Pleasant Mills | 59 | 57 |
| Lancaster (Wells) | 59 | 62 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Hartford Township | 45 | 40 |
| Adams Central | 52 | 50 |
| Geneva | 55 | 64 |
| Sectional | | |
| Monmouth | 67 | 73 |
| DCHS Season Record | 9 | 13 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 384 | 319 |

Despite winning just 9 games out of 22, Decatur Catholic was runner-up in the county tourney. Decatur Catholic's grade school teams won 31 games and lost only 1. J. Wilder led the Commodores in scoring with 316 points.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|--------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|----------|
| J. Wilder | 316 | 431 | Costello | 3 | 3 |
| C. Voglewede | 109 | 109 | J. Vogelwede | 49 | 49 |
| Kruse | 9 | 9 | Faurote | 44 | 44 |
| York | 241 | 384 | Loshe | 47 | 49 |
| Mowery | 184 | 189 | E. Wilder | 188 | 273 |

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|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 67 | Decatur Catholic | 67 | FPG 39 | Decatur Catholic | 39 |
| | Willshire | 49 | | Huntington Cath | 60 |

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|------------------|----|
| Decatur Catholic | 67 |
| Monmouth | 73 |

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|--------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| LMV 20 | Decatur Catholic | 60 | LMD 22 | Decatur Catholic | 47 |
| | Hartford Twp | 40 | | Ft. Wayne C.C. | 69 |

MPGI 21 York (twice)

1955 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: DAVE TERVEER (7th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|----------------------|------|------|
| Pleasant Mills | 67 | 86 |
| Monroeville | 54 | 47 |
| Monmouth | 71 | 90 |
| Hoagland | 52 | 55 |
| Chester Center | 72 | 73** |
| Huntington Catholic | 39 | 56 |
| Adams Central | 55 | 59 |
| Harlen | 45 | 53 |
| Jefferson Township | 77 | 34 |
| Hartford Township | 77 | 50 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 68 | 59 |
| Willshire (OH) | 68 | 100 |
| Marion Bennett | 53 | 52 |
| Geneva | 75 | 61 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 53 | 61 |
| Adams Central | 58 | 51 |
| Pleasant Mills | 67 | 65 |
| Lancaster (Wells) | 81 | 62 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Berne | 60 | 49 |
| Geneva | 75 | 59 |
| Monmouth | 49 | 70 |
| Sectional | | |
| Berne | 56 | 43 |
| Monmouth | 49 | 50 |
| DCHS Season Record | 12 | 11 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 396 | 330 |

Decatur Catholic's victory over Berne was the 396th win in the school's history. The Commodores lost to Monmouth in both the sectional and the county tourney. J. Wilder set a single season and career scoring record for the Commodores. Wilder scored 497 points this season, giving him 928 points for his career at Decatur Catholic. He also set a single game record with 37 points. The Commodores also gave up 100 points in a game for the first time when they were beaten by Willshire 100-68.

| TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS | | | | | |
|--|--------|-------------------------|----------|--------|-----------|
| Name | Points | C. Points | Name | Points | C. Points |
| C. Vogelwede | 92 | 191 | Ford | 2 | 2 |
| Faurote | 172 | 216 | Omlar | 3 | 3 |
| J. Wilder | 497 | 928 | Teepie | 9 | 9 |
| J. Vogelwede | 153 | 202 | Reed | 2 | 2 |
| Mowry | 346 | 525 | Costello | 5 | 9 |
| F. Myer | 89 | 89 | Kable | 24 | 24 |
| MPST 81 Decatur Catholic | 81 | FPG 39 Decatur Catholic | 39 | | |
| Lancaster | 62 | Huntington Cath | 56 | | |
| LMV 43 Decatur Catholic | 77 | LND 32 Decatur Catholic | 68 | | |
| Jefferson Twp | 34 | Willshire | 100 | | |
| MPBI 37 J. Wilder-Wilder also had games of 28 (twice), 30 and 33 point | | | | | |

1956 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: DAVE TERVEER (8th year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|--------------------------|------|------|
| Pleasant Mills | 49 | 47 |
| Hartford Township | 71 | 51 |
| Monroeville | 62 | 55 |
| Monmouth | 62 | 71 |
| Hoagland | 62 | 53 |
| Rockcreek (Wells) | 53 | 51 |
| Huntington Catholic | 62 | 63 |
| Adams Central | 69 | 62 |
| Marion Bennett | 80 | 65 |
| Jefferson Township | 84 | 49 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 64 | 59 |
| Willshire | 60 | 61 |
| Clear Creek (Huntington) | 59 | 66 |
| Harlan | 66 | 59 |
| Geneva | 61 | 59 |
| Pleasant Mills | 63 | 77 |
| Adams Central | 68 | 80 |
| Lancaster (Wells) | 58 | 77 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Pleasant Mills | 56 | 42 |
| Berne | 69 | 57 |
| Monmouth | 45 | 79 |
| Sectional | | |
| Jefferson Township | 87 | 62 |
| Decatur | 61 | 63** |
| DCHS Season Record | 14 | 9 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 410 | 339 |

Decatur Catholic was runner-up to Monmouth in the Adams County tourney to Monmouth. This would be coach Terveer's last season. J. Wilder scored 339 points this season to become the first Commodore to score more than 1000 points in career. The Commodores 62-53 win over Hoagland was the 400th victory in Decatur Catholic History.

| Name | Points | | C.Points | | Name | Points | | C.Points | |
|-----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Points | C.Points | Points | C.Points | | Points | C.Points | Points | C.Points |
| R. Meyer | 270 | 359 | | | Ford | 3 | 5 | | |
| Kable | 70 | 94 | | | G. Wilder | 32 | 32 | | |
| J. Wilder | 339 | 1267 | | | Omlar | 2 | 5 | | |
| Vogelwede | 292 | 483 | | | T. Meyer | 68 | 68 | | |
| Faurote | 310 | 526 | | | Teepie | 15 | 24 | | |
| Reed | 65 | 67 | | | | | | | |

MPGT 87 Decatur Catholic 87 FPG 45 Decatur Catholic 45
 Jefferson Twp 62 Monmouth 79

LMV 35 Decatur Catholic 84 LMD 34 Decatur Catholic 45
 Jefferson Twp 49 Monmouth 79

MPCI 24 J. Wilder

1957 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: Allison Lindahl (1rst yr)

| | ACHS | Opp |
|--------------------------|------|-----|
| Hartford Township | 49 | 58 |
| Monroeville | 52 | 44 |
| Monmouth | 66 | 64 |
| Hoagland | 55 | 58 |
| RockCreek (Wells) | 63 | 51 |
| Huntington Catholic | 56 | 44 |
| Adams Central | 75 | 61 |
| Marion Bennett | 74 | 51 |
| Pleasant Mills | 89 | 77 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 98 | 76 |
| Willshire (OH) | 70 | 71 |
| Adams Central | 80 | 61 |
| Clear Creek (Huntington) | 52 | 53 |
| Geneva | 51 | 58 |
| Pleasant Mills | 90 | 74 |
| Andrews | 72 | 58 |
| Madison Township (Jay) | 57 | 50 |
| Harlan | 60 | 73 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Hartford Township | 49 | 56 |
| Sectional | | |
| Hartford Township | 47 | 74 |
| DCHS Season Record | 12 | 5 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 422 | 337 |

Hartford Township, which went 23-2 and won the sectional, beat the Commodores 3 times this season. Long time rival Jefferson Township closed it's doors before school began. It's students went to Berne and Geneva. R.Meyer led the Commodores in scoring with 356 points. He also set a single game scoring record by scoring 39 points against Pleasant Mills. D.Kable also scored more than 30 points in a game by scoring 31 against Anderson St.Mary.

| TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---|----------|------------|---------------------|----------|
| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
| Heimann | 17 | 17 | Litchfield | 2 | 2 |
| T.Meyer | 174 | 242 | Kohne | 5 | 5 |
| D.Hake | 161 | 161 | Beall | 16 | 16 |
| P.Meyer | 356 | 713 | R.Ford | 51 | 56 |
| P.Reed | 269 | 336 | D.Kable | 246 | 340 |
| MPGT 90 | Decatur Catholic 90 | | FPG 47 | Decatur Catholic 47 | |
| | Pleasant Mills 74 | | | Hartford Twp 74 | |
| LMV 53 | Decatur Catholic 74 | | LMD 27 | Decatur Catholic 47 | |
| | Marion Bennett 51 | | | Hartford Twp 74 | |
| MPGI 30 | P.Meyer vs Pleasant Mills (New School Record) | | | | |
| | 31 D.Kable vs Anderson St.Mary | | | | |

1958 DECATUR CATHOLIC Coach: Allison Lindahl (2nd year)
 COUNTY CHAMPS!!

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-----|
| | DCHS Opp | |
| Monroeville | 65 | 48 |
| Arcola | 66 | 60 |
| Monmouth | 42 | 45 |
| Willshire (OH) | 79 | 58 |
| RockCreek (Wells) | 69 | 54 |
| Huntington Catholic | 64 | 61 |
| Adams Central | 51 | 54 |
| Hoagland | 74 | 75* |
| Pleasant Mills | 75 | 43 |
| anderson Saint Mary | 62 | 67 |
| Hartford Township | 50 | 74 |
| Clear Creek (Huntington) | 60 | 51 |
| Marion Bennett | 71 | 46 |
| Geneva | 46 | 54 |
| Pleasant Mills | 68 | 53 |
| Andrews | 73 | 79 |
| Madison Township (JAY) | 76 | 53 |
| Harlan | 52 | 60 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Berne | 43 | 41 |
| Adams Central | 49 | 34 |
| Hartford Township | 59 | 38 |
| Sectional | | |
| Pleasant Mills | 73 | 30 |
| Hartford Township | 69 | 71 |
| DCHS Season Record | 14 | 9 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 436 | 346 |

Decatur Catholic won the Adams County tourney for the first time. The Commodores had some unusual games with the Hartford Township Gorillas. Hartford Township won the regular season game by 24, 74-50. The Commodores won the county tourney by beating the Gorillas in the final game by 21, 59-38. Hartford Township took the rubber game in the sectional by 2 points 71-69. The Commodores had three players in the top ten in the county scoring race, led by Kable's 290 points.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|-------|--------|----------|-------------|--------|----------|
| Hake | 226 | 387 | Omlar | 7 | 7 |
| Kohne | 121 | 126 | Baker | 6 | 6 |
| Reed | 250 | 586 | Schultz | 8 | 8 |
| Kable | 290 | 630 | Beall | 5 | 21 |
| Meyer | 233 | 475 | Wilder | 265 | 265 |
| Gross | 16 | 16 | Ellenberger | 17 | 17 |

MPGT 79 Decatur Catholic 79 FPG 42 Decatur Catholic 42
 Willshire 58 Monmouth 45

LMV 32 Decatur Catholic 75 LMD 24 Decatur Catholic 50
 Pleasant Mills 43 Hartford Twp 74

MPCI 29 Kable

1959 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:Allison Lindahl (3rd year)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|---------------------------|------|-----|
| Monroeville | 43 | 75 |
| Monmouth | 51 | 53 |
| Willshire (OH) | 62 | 65 |
| RockCreek (Wells) | 70 | 63 |
| Larwill | 63 | 75 |
| Huntington Catholic | 52 | 46 |
| Adams Central | 49 | 68 |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 73 | 77* |
| Hoagland | 65 | 73 |
| Pleasant Mills | 46 | 56 |
| Hartford Township | 48 | 51 |
| Clear Creeek (Huntington) | 61 | 52 |
| Marion Bennett | 61 | 46 |
| Geneva | 47 | 61 |
| Pleasant Mills | 72 | 75 |
| Wolf Lake | 53 | 75 |
| Arcola | 64 | 78 |
| Harlan | 63 | 80 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Hartford Township | 46 | 48* |
| Sectional | | |
| Monmouth | 65 | 38 |
| Decatur | 61 | 72 |
| DCHS Season Record | 5 | 16 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 441 | 362 |

The Commodores, who had never met the Decatur Yellow Jackets during the regular season, lost to them in the sectional. It was only the third time the two teams met. Decatur won all 3 games. Don Baker led the county in scoring with 446 points, which was also a new school record.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|-------------|--------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|
| G.Wilder | 253 | 518 | J.Heimann | 81 | 81 |
| T.Gross | 97 | 113 | S.Omlar | 70 | 77 |
| T.Lengerich | 26 | 26 | P.Gross | 128 | 144 |
| R.Reed | 20 | 20 | J.Omlar | 62 | 62 |
| L.Miller | 0 | 0 | D.Baker | 446 | 452 |
| P.Lose | 20 | 20 | | | |

MPGT 73 Decatur Catholic 73 FPG 43 Decatur Catholic 43
Anderson St.Mary 77* Monroeville 75

LWV 27 Decatur Catholic 55 LMD 32 Decatur Catholic 43
Monmouth 38 Monroeville 75

MPGI 35 D.Baker vs Clear Creek Baker also had a game of 32 points

1960 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: Allison Lindahl (4th yr.)

| | DCHS | Opp |
|----------------------|------|-----|
| Monroeville | 64 | 53 |
| Woodburn | 59 | 70 |
| Larwill | 62 | 67 |
| Huntington Catholic | 60 | 74 |
| Adams Central | 53 | 72 |
| Hoagland | 44 | 52 |
| Pleasant Mills | 60 | 56 |
| Monmouth | 59 | 58 |
| Hartford Township | 44 | 53 |
| Redkey | 53 | 71 |
| Berne | 56 | 78 |
| Geneva | 44 | 46 |
| RockCreek (Wells) | 61 | 55 |
| Wolf Lake | 72 | 60 |
| Arcola | 64 | 68 |
| Harlen | 53 | 70 |
| Holiday Tourney | | |
| Anderson Saint Mary | 63 | 76 |
| Marion Bennett | 49 | 46* |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Pleasant Mills | 62 | 36 |
| Berne | 50 | 63 |
| Sectional | | |
| Hartford Township | 53 | 55 |
| DCHS Season Record | 8 | 13 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 449 | 375 |

Don Baker again led the Commodores in scoring with 416 points. This gave him 868 points for his career.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|------------|---------------------|----------|---------|------------------|----------|
| J.Heimann | 74 | 155 | Gage | 4 | 4 |
| S.Omlar | 156 | 233 | Reed | 11 | 31 |
| T.Gross | 168 | 281 | Blythe | 25 | 25 |
| J.Omlar | 95 | 167 | Cancino | 2 | 2 |
| D.Baker | 416 | 868 | Lose | 47 | 67 |
| Kitson | 24 | 24 | J.Kohne | 8 | 8 |
| Je Heimann | 50 | 50 | T.Kohne | 79 | 79 |
| MPGT 72 | Decatur Catholic | 72 | FPG 43 | Decatur Catholic | 43 |
| | Wolf Lake | 60 | | Redkey | 71 |
| LMV 26 | Decatur Catholic | 62 | LMD 28 | Decatur Catholic | 43 |
| | Pleasant Mills | 36 | | Redkey | 71 |
| MPGI 31 | D.Baker vs Woodburn | | | | |

1961 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: Leon Youngpeter (1rst yr)

| | DCHS Opp | |
|-------------------------|----------|-----|
| Monroeville | 54 | 46 |
| Woodlan | 66 | 47 |
| Larwill | 57 | 48 |
| Huntington Catholic | 57 | 62 |
| Adams Central | 63 | 48 |
| Willshire (OH) | 66 | 57 |
| Bryant | 55 | 58 |
| Pleasant Mills | 85 | 64 |
| Union (Wells) | 67 | 58 |
| Fort Wayne Bishop Luers | 61 | 56 |
| Geneva | 62 | 65 |
| Hartford Township | 38 | 48 |
| RockCreek (Wells) | 48 | 44 |
| Fremont | 60 | 77 |
| Harlen | 76 | 88 |
| Holiday Tourney | | |
| Huntington Catholic | 41 | 53 |
| Marion Bennett | 59 | 63 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Hartford Township | 48 | 44 |
| Monmouth | 57 | 72 |
| Sectional | | |
| Berne | 53 | 79 |
| DCHS Season Record | 11 | 10 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 460 | 385 |

Decatur Catholic lost to Berne in the first game of the sectional. Berne went on to win the sectional, the regional, and the first game of the semi-state before falling to Kokomo. J.Kohne and Blythe tied for the team scoring lead. Each ended the season with 246 points. Leon Youngpeter, the new coach, was a Delphos St. Johns and University of Dayton grad.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| T.Kohne | 77 | 156 | Rumschlag | 5 | 5 |
| Heimann | 135 | 185 | Blythe | 246 | 271 |
| Kitson | 161 | 205 | Lose | 64 | 131 |
| Villagomes | 190 | 190 | J.Kohne | 246 | 254 |
| Kauffman | 1 | 1 | Reed | 25 | 56 |
| Baker | 7 | 7 | | | |

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|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPST 85 | Decatur Catholic | 85 | FPG 38 | Decatur Catholic | 38 |
| | Pleasant Mills | 64 | | Pleasant Mills | 64 |

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|--------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| DMV 21 | Decatur Catholic | 85 | LMD 26 | Decatur Catholic | 79 |
| | Pleasant Mills | 64 | | Berne | 53 |

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| MPPI 24 | Blythe | |
|---------|--------|--|

1962 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: Leon Youngpeter (2nd yr)

| | | |
|-------------------------|------|-----|
| | DCHS | Opp |
| Larwill | 49 | 89 |
| Woodlan | 44 | 45 |
| Huntington Catholic | 64 | 67 |
| Adams Central | 56 | 34 |
| Monmouth | 71 | 55 |
| Pleasant Mills | 62 | 58 |
| Lafayette Center | 64 | 54 |
| Bryant | 58 | 50 |
| Monroeville | 74 | 64 |
| Union (Wells) | 60 | 52 |
| Fort Wayne Bishop Luers | 52 | 51 |
| Geneva | 77 | 56 |
| Hartford Township | 67 | 56 |
| RockCreek | 84 | 49 |
| Fremont | 60 | 53 |
| Harlan | 57 | 49 |
| Holiday Tourney | | |
| Arcola | 57 | 61 |
| Harlan | 65 | 48 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Monmouth | 54 | 59 |
| Sectional | | |
| Adams Central | 66 | 57 |
| Decatur | 63 | 67 |
| DCHS Season Record | 15 | 6 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 475 | 391 |

After a terrible start, during which they lost 3 games, the Commodores rebounded to go 15-3 the balance of the season to finish 15-6. This would be coach Youngpeter's last season as he would move on to coach Ft. Wayne Central Catholic. Steve Blythe led the team in scoring with 327 points.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| T.Kohne | 83 | 239 | Myers | 1 | 1 |
| S.Blythe | 327 | 598 | D.Omlar | 2 | 2 |
| G.Villagomes | 151 | 341 | E.Kohne | 206 | 206 |
| G.Heimann | 160 | 345 | J.Hess | 0 | 0 |
| J.Kohne | 233 | 487 | M.Baker | 30 | 30 |
| R.Baker | 2 | 2 | J.Kaehr | 3 | 3 |
| L.Hake | 53 | 53 | | | |

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|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 84 | Decatur Catholic | 84 | FPG 44 | Decatur Catholic | 44 |
| | RockCreek | 49 | | Woodlan | 45 |
| LMV 35 | Decatur Catholic | 84 | LMD 40 | Decatur Catholic | 49 |
| | Rock Creek | 49 | | Larwill | 89 |
| MPSI 27 | S.Blythe (twice) | | | | |

1963 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: George Waning (1rst year)

| | DCS | Opp |
|-------------------------|-----|------|
| Larwill | 55 | 74 |
| Woodlan | 49 | 45 |
| Marion Bennett | 51 | 63 |
| Huntington Catholic | 46 | 48 |
| Adams Central | 46 | 42 |
| Monmouth | 50 | 65 |
| Pleasant Mills | 54 | 52** |
| Lafayette Center | 56 | 41 |
| Crestview (Convoy OH) | 64 | 48 |
| Monroeville | 56 | 51 |
| Union (Huntington) | 45 | 58 |
| Fort Wayne Bishop Luers | 48 | 66 |
| Geneva | 53 | 68 |
| Hartford Township | 52 | 75 |
| RockCreek | 51 | 47 |
| Fremont | 50 | 61 |
| Harlan | 45 | 56 |
| Bryant | 54 | 62 |
| Adams County Tourney | | |
| Monmouth | 48 | 71 |
| Sectional | | |
| Pleasant Mills | 39 | 37 |
| Berne | 37 | 53 |
| DCS Season Record | 6 | 13 |
| DCS Record to Date | 483 | 404 |

This would be the last season for long time Decatur Catholic rivals Pleasant Mills and Hartford Township. Pleasant Mills would merge with Adams Central, and the Hartford students would be split between Berne and Geneva. Ed Kohne would lead the Commodores in scoring with 279 points, while Larry Hake ended the season with 268.

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| Name | Points | C.Points | Name | Points | C.Points |
|----------|--------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|
| L.Hake | 268 | 321 | M.Baker | 136 | 166 |
| J.Kaehr | 7 | 10 | J.Lose | 6 | 6 |
| L.Gase | 108 | 108 | J.Schultz | 27 | 27 |
| E.Kohne | 279 | 485 | B.Mies | 0 | 0 |
| D.Lose | 125 | 125 | P.Gage | 4 | 4 |
| J.McGill | 0 | 0 | T.Myers | 92 | 93 |

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|---------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 64 | Decatur Catholic | 64 | FPG 37 | Decatur Catholic | 37 |
| | Crestview | 48 | | Berne | 53 |

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|--------|------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| LMV 16 | Decatur Catholic | 64 | LMD 33 | Decatur Catholic | 52 |
| | Crestview | 48 | | Hartford Twp | 75 |

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|--|------------------|----|
| | Decatur Catholic | 48 |
| | Monmouth | 71 |

MPGI 33 Ed Kohne

1964 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: George Waning (2nd Yr)

| | <u>DC</u> | <u>Opp</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Larwill | 65 | 71 |
| Arcola | 82 | 73 |
| Marion Bennett | 67 | 43 |
| Adams Central | 46 | 63 |
| Monmouth | 52 | 56 |
| Alumni | 72 | 58 |
| Huntington Catholic | 64 | 38 |
| Ohio City | 92 | 72 |
| Geneva | 86 | 52 |
| Bryant | 73 | 56 |
| Union Twp (Huntington) | 87 | 55 |
| Ft. Wayne Bishop Luers | 65 | 64* |
| Crestview (Convoy Ohio) | 73 | 87 |
| Fremont | 79 | 69 |
| Berne | 46 | 51 |
| Harlan | 69 | 65 |
| Bryant | 77 | 59 |
| Holiday Tourney | | |
| Geneva | 58 | 60 |
| Gray (Jay) | 73 | 57 |
| Sectional | | |
| Monmouth | 68 | 72 |
| Season Record | 13 | 7 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 496 | 411 |

| TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS | | | | | |
|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
| Kohne | 293 | 788 | Baker | 8 | 152 |
| D.Lose | 264 | 385 | Schultz | 144 | 171 |
| Omlar | 182 | 184 | Bollinger | 11 | 11 |
| Gage | 56 | 62 | K.Lose | 4 | 4 |
| J.Lose | 130 | 136 | Gase | 126 | 234 |
| Myers | 216 | 309 | | | |

This would be coach Waning's last season.

| | | | | | |
|---------|-------------------------|----|--------|------------------|----|
| MPGT 92 | Decatur Catholic | 92 | FPG 46 | Decatur Catholic | 46 |
| | Ohio City | 72 | | Adams Central | 63 |
| LMV 34 | Decatur Catholic | 86 | LMD 17 | Decatur Catholic | 46 |
| | Geneva | 52 | | Adams Central | 63 |
| MPI 24 | D.Lose vs Adams Central | | | | |

1965 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach:BOB BOYLE (1rst year)

| | <u>DC</u> | <u>Opp</u> |
|------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Adams Central | 55 | 60 |
| Marion Bennett | 67 | 57 |
| Larwill | 80 | 70 |
| Redkey | 93 | 79 |
| Huntington Catholic | 74 | 73 |
| Arcola | 70 | 69 |
| Monroeville | 63 | 55 |
| Geneva | 67 | 69 |
| South Whitley | 77 | 56 |
| Alumni | 82 | 64 |
| Ft.Wayne Bishop Luers | 77 | 88 |
| Crestview (Convoy Oh) | 69 | 58 |
| Madison Twp (Jay) | 74 | 57 |
| Harlan | 69 | 82 |
| Union Twp (Huntington) | 66 | 65 |
| Monmouth | 60 | 58 |
| Bryant | 57 | 60* |
| Holiday Tourney | | |
| White's Institute | 75 | 53 |
| Madison Twp (Jay) | 60 | 64** |
| Sectional | | |
| Berne | 66 | 67 |
| 1965 Season Record | 13 | 7 |
| DCMS Record to Date | 509 | 418 |

TEAMS MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Point</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Bolinger | 235 | 246 | Schultz | 230 | 401 |
| Myers | 262 | 573 | J.Lose | 246 | 382 |
| Gage | 233 | 296 | Kohne | 62 | 62 |
| T.Baker | 115 | 125 | D.Baker | 6 | 6 |
| Hackman | 3 | 3 | Lengerich | 2 | 2 |
| T.Lose | 2 | 2 | Kable | 2 | 2 |

The Commodores lost 4 games by 3 points or less, including a 64-62 double overtime loss to Madison Twp. Myers, Bolinger, and Lose were all in the top ten in the scoring race. The Commodores 74-73 win over Huntington Catholic was the 500th win in the history of the school.

| | | | |
|---------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| MPG 93 | Dec Cath 93 | FPG 55 | Dec Cath 55 |
| | Redkey 79 | | AC 60 |
| LMV 22 | Dec Cath 75 | LMD 13 | Dec Cath 69 |
| | White's 53 | | Harlan 82 |
| MPGI 25 | J.Lose | | |

1966 DECATUR CATHOLIC
SECTIONAL CHAMPS!!

Coach: BOB BOYLE (2nd year)

| | <u>DC</u> | <u>Opp</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Madison Twp (Jay) | 94 | 72 |
| Larwill | 68 | 47 |
| Adams Central | 41 | 56 |
| Monmouth | 60 | 48 |
| Union Twp (Huntington) | 78 | 58 |
| Redkey | 66 | 49 |
| Huntington Catholic | 64 | 47 |
| Arcola | 78 | 62 |
| Monroeville | 63 | 45 |
| Geneva | 64 | 58 |
| Ft. Wayne Bishop Dwenger | 60 | 54 |
| South Whitley | 64 | 63 |
| Marion Bennett | 62 | 70 |
| Crestview (Convoy OH) | 51 | 58 |
| Lancaster Twp (Huntington) | 75 | 60 |
| Ft. Wayne Snider | 88 | 90+ |
| Ft. Wayne Bishop Luers | 62 | 84 |
| Bryant | 51 | 54 |
| Holiday Tourney | | |
| Huntington Catholic | 52 | 59 |
| Huntington Twp | 70 | 50 |
| Sectional | | |
| Jackson Twp (Wells) | 86 | 61 |
| Lancaster Twp (Wells) | 64 | 57 |
| Ossian | 70 | 62 |
| Regional | | |
| Huntington | 50 | 81 |
| 1966 Seasons Record | 16 | 8 |
| DCHS Record To Date | 525 | 426 |

TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C.Points</u> |
|-------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| J. Lose | 450 | 832 | Cook | 2 | 2 |
| Bolinger | 356 | 602 | Tom Lose | 37 | 39 |
| Kohne | 322 | 368 | T. Baker | 38 | 163 |
| Hackman | 94 | 97 | D. Baker | 51 | 55 |
| Geimer | 10 | 10 | | | |
| Lengerich | 153 | 157 | | | |

Decatur Catholic, which had been a member of the IHSAA since 1942, won its first and only sectional. Adams Central also won a sectional this year at Portland. This was Bob Boyle's second and last season as head coach. Boyle was a Huntington Catholic and Defiance College grad. The Commodores upset a fine Ossian team in the sectional finals. Ossian was 21-2 before losing to the Commodores.

| | | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|----|--------|------------|----|
| MPGT 94 | Dec Cath | 94 | FPG 41 | Dec Cath | 41 |
| | Madison Twp | 72 | | AC | 56 |
| LMV 25 | Dec Cath | 86 | LMD 31 | Dec Cath | 50 |
| | Jackson Twp | 61 | | Huntington | 81 |
| MPGI J. Lose | | 27 | | | |

1967 DECATUR CATHOLIC

Coach: BOB CHUEY (1st Year)

| | DC | OPP |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|
| Madison Twp (Jay) | 75 | 74 |
| Montpelier | 49 | 83 |
| Adams Central | 42 | 61 |
| Monmouth | 48 | 65 |
| Redkey | 57 | 53 |
| Huntington Catholic | 70 | 68 |
| Arcola | 72 | 67 |
| South Whitely | 70 | 65 |
| Monroeville | 45 | 63 |
| Lancaster Twp (Wells) | 79 | 68 |
| Ft. Wayne Dwenger | 46 | 58 |
| Southern Wells | 57 | 60 |
| Wapakoneta Ohio | 83 | 69 |
| Marion Bennett | 40 | 56 |
| Crestview (Convoy Ohio) | 67 | 76 |
| Ft. Wayne Snider | 52 | 87 |
| Ft. Wayne Bishop Luers | 59 | 78 |
| Eryant | 48 | 75 |
| Holiday Tourney | | |
| Albion | 73 | 65 |
| Huntington Catholic | 57 | 53 |
| Sectional | | |
| Bluffton | 39 | 72 |
| 1967 Season Record | 9 | 12 |
| DCHS Record to Date | 534 | 438 |

1967 TEAM MEMBERS AND POINTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C. Points</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Points</u> | <u>C. Points</u> |
|--------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| D. Kable | 135 | 177 | Mike Terveer | 216 | 216 |
| Cook | 270 | 292 | T. Schultz | 2 | 2 |
| Giemer | 163 | 173 | Halikowski | 39 | 39 |
| John Schultz | 49 | 49 | Villagomez | 4 | 4 |
| Tom Lose | 220 | 259 | Herman | 2 | 2 |
| D. Baker | 93 | 150 | Bock | 2 | 2 |

The Commodores lost their top 5 scorers from the sectional-winning team of 1966. This was Bob Chuey's first and only season as head coach of Decatur Catholic. This was the last season for Catholic, they would consolidate with Decatur and Monmouth to form Bellmont.

MPGT 83 Dec Cath 63 FPG 39 Dec Cath 39
Wapakoneta 69 Bluffton 72

LNY 14 Dec Cath 62 LMD 35 Dec Cath 52
Wapakoneta 69 Snider 87

MPDI 29 Cook





BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Standing (left to right): Francis Santos, (Santos), J. Connell, A. Vogelsweide, H. Edge, J. Omlat, G. Laurent, Les. O. A. Peters.
 Sitting (left to right): H. Hoffhouse, A. Wambolt, E. Christen, F. Schulte, R. Vogelsweide, C. Glass, Irving, H. Smith.

DECATUR CATHOLIC 1924



GIRLS' VARSITY TEAM

Kneeling (left to right): H. Hoffhouse, I. Baker, A. Clark, Les. O. A. Peters, R. Smith, E. Christen, A. Murrrough.
 Sitting (left to right): H. Bromkamp, A. Baker, A. Dowling, G. Smith.



1926-27 BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM

DECATUR CATHOLIC 1927



GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Title row.—Left to Right—Margaret Elting, Deborah Ombro, Patricia Temple, Elaine Bruns,
Margaret Mary Morris, Agnes Fisher.
Second row.—Left to Right—Anna Coleman, Lorraine Smith, Winifred Arnold.
Front Row.—Left to Right—Margaret Voghtweck, Helen Schmitz.



TEAM PICTURE 1927-'28 BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM



VARSIY BASKETBALL TEAM 1928-29

STANDING—Lawrence Coffey, Bernard Wrenhoff, Fred Mylott, Carl Isom, William Cox,
 SPENDING—Robert Finschlag, Ed Akin, Gerald Geake, George Harris, Arthur Miller, Edward Metzger, George Lee,
 and Clark.



Gerald Gage



Fred Mylott



Leo Schultz



Bernard Wemhoff



George Harris



William Gass



Robert Holthouse



Carl Lose



Edwin Hess

DECATUR CATHOLIC 1930

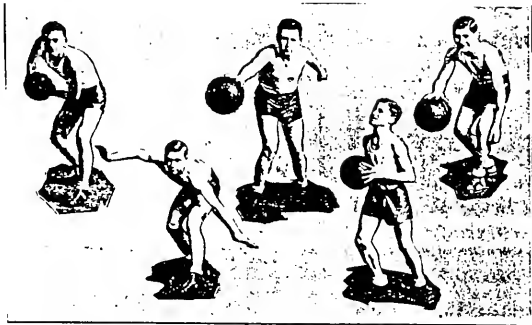


Ed Vian

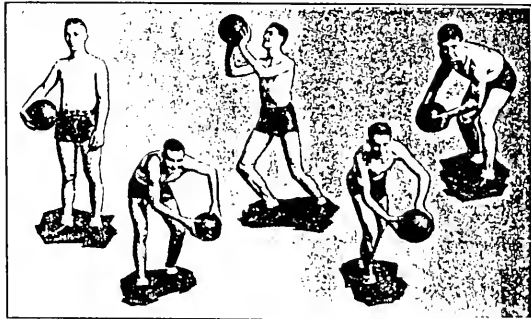


Robert Kleinhenz

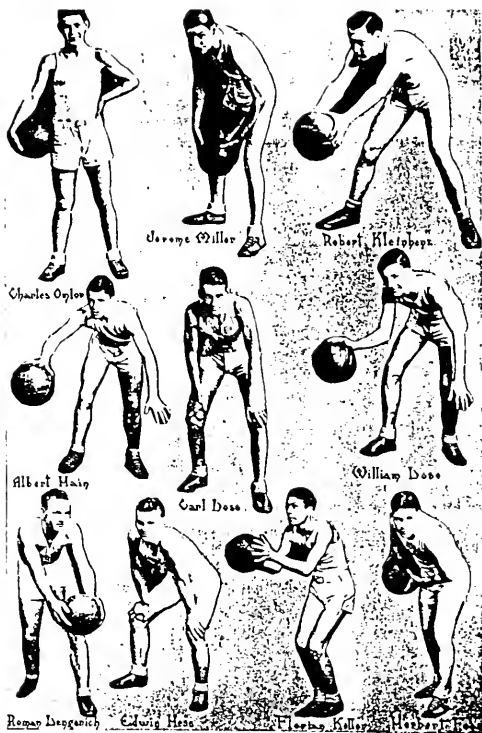
DECATUR CATHOLIC 1931



EDWIN HESS ROBERT KLEINHENZ CHARLES OHLOR
EDWARD VIAN ALBERT HAIN



ROBERT ALTHOUSE ELLIOTT CARL LOST WILLIAM GASS



Charles Ogden

Jerome Miller

Robert Klechepa

Albert Haig

Carl Boss

William Boss

Roman Dagganich

Edwig Hess

Florian Keller

Herbert [unclear]



COEDS' BASKETBALL TEAM

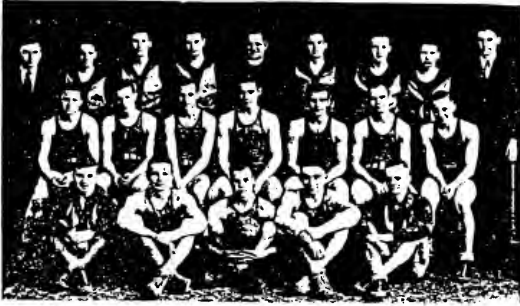
FIRST ROW
SECOND ROW
THIRD ROW

Mary Catherine, Leavelle, Mollie E. Temple,
Mary Jane, Corinne, Catherine Schumacher, Theodor Cook, Barbara Jane,
K. Hill, Mary Jane, [unclear]
Mary M., Leavelle, Helen, Corinne, Agnes, Waldoff, Patricia, D. H., Mary
Lillian, Mary Ann, Emily, Mabel

1933



COMMODORES



COMMODORES

Top row: Coach E. Linnell, A. Temple, C. Colton, E. Francis, Roy J. J. Dennis, J. Frank
 et, R. Caldwell, J. Farrel, Student Manager Joseph
 Second row: A. Ham, W. Lee, P. Murphy, B. Pruden, H. Baker, D. Hess, J. Lese.
 Third row: H. Ham, J. Kolme, E. Wolpert, W. Fisher, E. Hess.



LADY COMMODORES

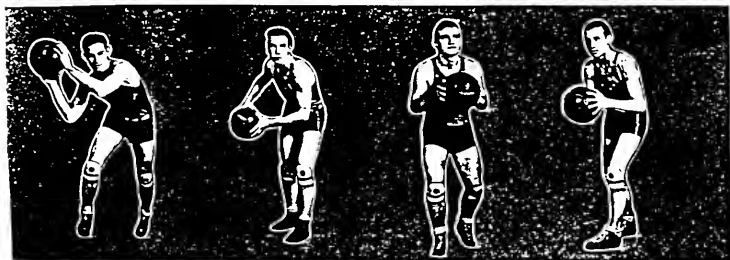
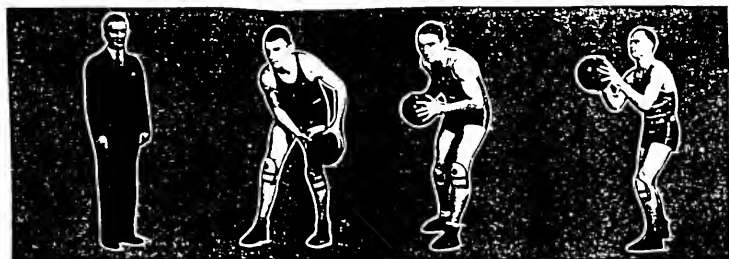


Upper Row: James Lese, Richard Hess, Robt. E. Braden, Paul Murphy, Harold Baker, Donald Hess.
 Lower Row: Herman Horn, Willis Baker, Robert Cochran, Eugene Daniels, Edward Wadsworth, Victor Cochran.

1935



Upper Row: Frances Leonard, Mildred Miller, Genevieve Lilljekrup, Ruth Vogelsong, Elizabeth Miller.
 Lower Row: Mary M. Decker, Margaret Westphalen, Elsie Leonard, Julia Parent, Mary C. Holtzhouse.



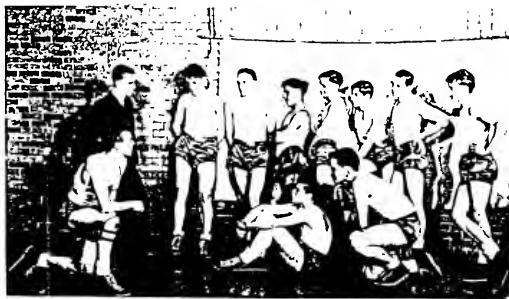
1936



First Row—Mary Martha Lister, Ethel Miller, Eugene Chinn, Agnes Reed, Rosemary Fullbrook,
Helen Kolbe.

Knitting—Eun Farrant, Josephine Danks, May Alice Grant, Fionna Lise, Genevieve Rudge,
Bernadine Hackman.

1937



First Row—Cyril Lambert, William Vachewski, George Birds, Robert Johnson, William
Kubak, Charles Cook, Richard Colby, Fred Vachewski.

Second Row—Robert Hess, Arthur Baker, Leo Albrecht.



Left to Right Rosemary Fullenkamp, Honora Schmidt, Virginia Elman, Helen Kodan, Coach Rosemary Miller, Agnes Reed, Ethel Miller, Mary Alice Conrad, Beatrice Hartman

1938

Winter Athletics 1938



Left to right Arthur Feder, Richard Gilling, Robert H. Coach Lambert, Sheldon Thomas, Richard E. J. Walters, Augustus A. Albright, Paul G. Roy, A. Francis Lee, Albin W. Wilson, Robert Bolinger



Bob Bolinger

Revered Father Alvin



Leo Hackman

Coach George Laurent



Vince Tanvas

Art Baker



Norb Hess

Robert Hess



Bill Roop

Simeon Hain



DECATUR CATHOLIC 1967

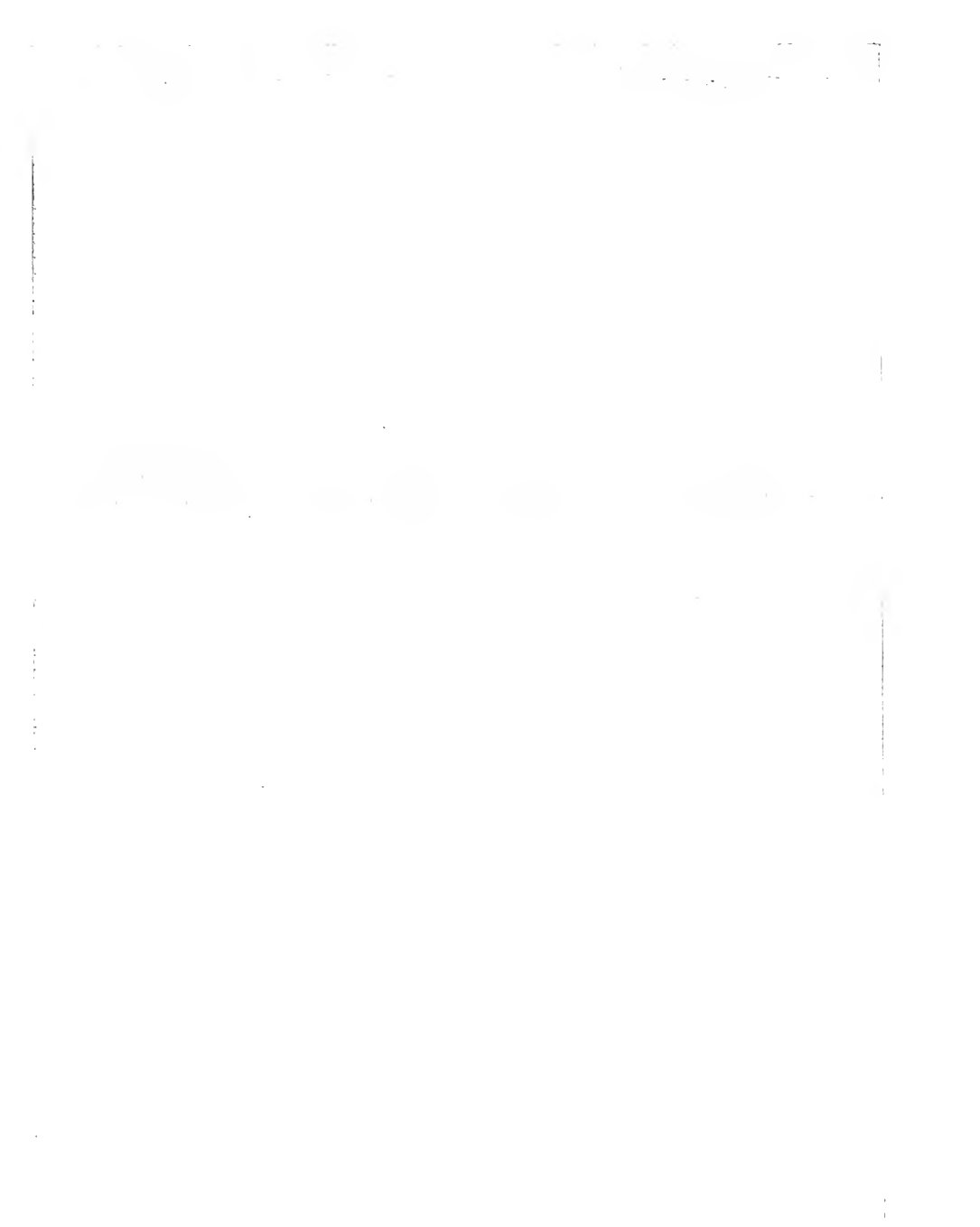


FRONT ROW: T. Lose, M. Terveer, P. Baker, J. Heimann, R. Villagomez, G. Halikowski. ROW 2: J. Boch, T. Schultz, C. Cook, D. Geimer, J. Schultz, D. Kable, Coach Cluey.

1966



FIRST ROW: Ed Spangler, John Lose, Tony Kaine, Dave Hackman, Tom Baker, Tom Lose, Mike Gaze, Jim Imkemp. SECOND ROW: Father Blank, Ian Kable, Charlie Cross, Mike Geimer, Dave Lencovich, Bill Bolinger, Dave Geimer, Dennis Baker, Coach Boyle, Brian Reynolds.



Bob Adams recording hoops history for now and for future round ball generations

By David M. Quinn
Berne Tri-Weekly Sports Editor

DECATUR—Bob Adams is making his niche in the annals of Adams County basketball.

Not as a coach or player, but as a historian who has love enough for Indiana's passion and wants to record its history for all to share in future years.

"I felt there was a need for there to be some sort of record of basketball in Adams County. No one has ever taken the time to collect all of the available data and the not so easy available and compile it into a book for a reference for years to come," he said.

The idea for the venture came about two years ago when Bob visited the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame in New Castle.

Upon his investigation, he found there was almost no available information on smaller schools which had not achieved the fame and status as programs at Marion, Muncie Central and New Castle.

"What I found was a lot of information on programs which had a lot of success over the years but almost no information on programs which had not enjoyed as much success," he said.

With that in mind, he researched the availability of what information and other data had been compiled and published about Adams County basketball.

Upon finding no complete history being published in book form, Bob decided to undertake the task of authoring a book about the complete history of Adams County basketball.

His search began at the Decatur Public Library where he examined two published history books of Adams County. "From there, I got what high schools ever existed and if they had any success in basketball during their existence," he said.

With a list of schools and basic information diagrammed, he then began examining library microfilm of old newspapers detailing each basketball team's history and story. "I just recorded what each team did, their records, coaches, players, leading scorer, trophy results and other general information which the average reader would enjoy knowing," he said.

After going through all newspaper microfilms from 1920 until 1960, he then expanded his search to go through old yearbooks and began

contacting all of the former coaches who had connections with Adams County basketball.

"I've just been contacting coaches over the past couple of months and response has been good. I have received a lot of information from them. A lot of the former coaches conduct personal interviews with me and like to relive their glory day in Hoosier Hysteria," he said.

A lot of Bob's research has come about from his membership in the Indiana High School Basketball Historical Society.

As a member, Bob meets with knowledgeable persons throughout Indiana about basketball's past. Through this association, he has gained a lot of information about Adams County basketball from other authors who had gained other information which has helped Bob while writing their own books about basketball in other parts of Indiana.

"The two authors' research I've used most has been that of Harley Sheets and Joe Quigley," he said.

Sheets wrote "Where in the World is Westview, Wapahani and Wes-Del" volumes one and two. He also wrote, "Lebanon Basketball: A Tiger Passion."

Quigley is a former sportswriter from South Bend who is currently writing a history of Catholic High School basketball. He also publishes a newsletter about state tourney that he sends to Indiana natives who now reside in the south.

From these two authors, Bob gained lists of past Bluffton and Adams County boys and girls sectional winners as well as a few season records and names of past coaches.

The purpose of the IHSSB is to supply the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame with information on the smaller schools which are not currently logged in the Hall of Fame's records.

He has also been going through past copies of the Berne Tri-Weekly (old Berne Witness copies) and other county newspapers taking available information from the Sports pages he will be able to incorporate in his book.

Still to be researched are background information on all teams from 1960 to present as well as the early years of basketball from 1906 until 1920.

"The earliest game I've found played is where Berne played Decatur in 1903. Decatur won a squeaker, 11-9. I found the earliest team formed which had players, a coach and sched-

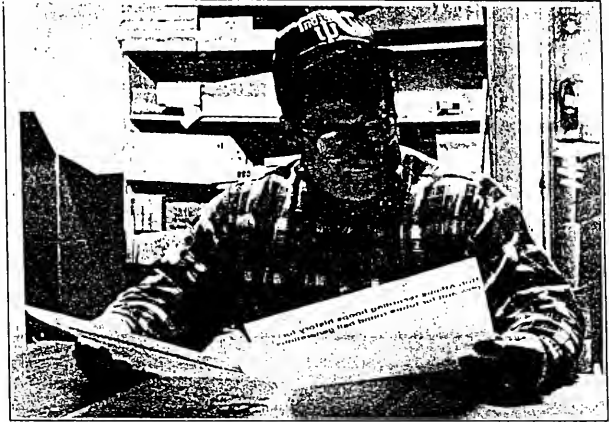


Photo by David M. Quinn
ADAMS COUNTY BASKETBALL HISTORIAN BOB ADAMS, Decatur goes through past copies of the Berne Witness and Berne Tri-Weekly News doing research on Adams County basketball

ule existed in Decatur in 1908. I found a picture of a girls team from 1906. The earliest mention of Berne basketball is from 1907," he said.

From his research, Bob has determined that C.E. Beck was the first basketball coach hired in Berne as a teacher and coach of all boys sports.

In Decatur, Bob found that a man named "Brown" was the first teacher coach at the old Decatur High School in 1908. Later M.P. Worthman, father of former Decatur football and basketball coach Bob Worthman, who went on to become a superintendent, also coached football and boys basketball.

The first girls basketball coach at Berne was J.D. French in 1915, who was the school principal, and left there in 1921 and became superintendent of schools in Wells County.

Bob feels he will have little trouble researching basketball from the 1960s to present because records are easily obtainable from past copies of newspapers and yearbooks. "Former coaches are also still available to gain information from," he said.

One of 11 people researching basketball throughout Indiana, Bob is not doing this as a profit making venture. "It is purely for history sake," he said. Bob feels the history of basketball needs to be preserved to be

enjoyed by future fans of the sport.

"I am treating this as a hobby while my wife calls it a perversion. Any money made from sale of the book will be used to enhance athletic programs in Adams County," he said.

He invites any basketball buff in Adams County who would like to contribute to his efforts to call him at 219-724-3359 (home) or at his place of business, Bob's Locksmith Shop, 1115 West Madison, Decatur, at 219-433-7488.

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