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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

President KELLY THOMPSON



Western Kentucky University's third president, Dr. Kelly Thompson, has ushered the campus into its most progressive era. He has guided the expansion from 1,684 to 8,710 students, witnessed numerous building projects, and developed the campus' master plan of growth.

Dr. Thompson joined the administrative staff at Western in 1929 as Field Representative. He became Director of Public Relations in 1935 and assistant to the president in 1946. Dr. Thompson was named president of the University in 1955. He holds the B.A. and M.A. degrees from

Western and was awarded the Doctor of Laws degree by Morris Harvey College in 1956.

He is active in civic and religious affairs and is extremely interested in the administration of intercollegiate athletics.

Athletic Director TED HORNBACK

Ted Hornback is a veteran of 28 years on Western's athletic staff. He graduated from Western in 1929 and returned to assist basketball coach E. A. Diddle in 1939, a position held until the end of the 1963-64 season. He was also head of Western's physical education department from 1947 until 1965, when he was named Western's first full-time athletic director in 1965.



Hornback also coaches the Hilltopper tennis team, which has had phenomenal success under his leadership, winning 11 OVC championships.

Head Basketball Coach JOHN OLDHAM



In two seasons as head coach at Western, John Oldham has posted an impressive 43-12 record and has guided the Hilltoppers to a post-season tournament berth each season. Oldham, who coached nine seasons at Tennesse Tech, has an enviable 11-year coaching record of 161-95. Now in his 12th season as a collegiate coach, Oldham is recognized as one of the nation's top basketball strategists.

Oldham graduated from Western in 1949 after a spectacular athletic career, before playing professional basketball, and coaching on the high school level before reaching the collegiate level. Oldham succeeded E. A. Diddle following the 1963-64 season.

Asst. Basketball Coach GENE RHODES

Coach Rhodes returned to Western, where he graduated in 1952, as a member of the Hilltopper's new coaching staff for the 1964-65 season. Rhodes does a large part of the scouting work for the staff and also appraises high school basketball talent. His Louisville St. Xavier high school basketball team won the Kentucky title in 1958. Rhodes was named Kentucky "High School Coach-of-the-Year" in 1963-64.



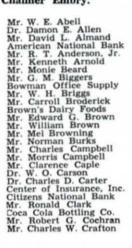
Asst. Basketball Coach BUCK SYDNOR



Wallace B. (Buck) Sydnor was a veteran of 15 years of high school coaching before returning to Western in the fall of 1964. Sydnor's main responsibility is to develop the potential of the Hilltopper freshmen in addition to his usual coaching, scouting, and recruiting duties. He was an outstanding guard on the first two Western teams to play in the NIT in 1943 and 1944. He is a well-versed instructor in the fundamentals of basket-ball.



Taking time out from their activities in the Hilltopper Hundred Club are secretary-treasurer Jim Feix, newly installed board member O. H. Wallace, president Ted Hornback, and newly installed board member Jo T. Orendorf. Other members of the board of directors are Charles Campbell, Herschel Webb, Norman Kahn, Dr. W. R. McCormack, and Dr. Chalmer Embry.



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It all started in 1914 when Western defeated Bethel (Ky.) College 38-21, under head coach J. L. Arthur. Basketball was discontinued from 1917 to 1922 when coach L. T. Smith guided the Toppers against 13 opponents.

The real history of Western basketball began with the appointment of E. A. Diddle as head basketball coach. For 43 seasons, Diddle's name became synonymous with winning basketball. Coaching his first collegiate basketball game, Diddle witnessed a startling 103-7 victory which set the pattern for future fame and recognition.

After Western played 149 games in the original "Little Red Barn", the Hilltoppers moved into the Physical Education Building (now the Margie Helm Library) where Western was to win 336 of 374 home games in 32 seasons.

During the 1933-34 season, Diddle's Toppers posted the first of 18 seasons with 20-or-more victories—it was the first of ten straight seasons with 20 wins or more. Western won 30 of 33 games in 1937-38, which also was Ted Hornback's first season to assist Diddle.

In Diddle's first 21 years of coaching, Western captured 11 Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championships and seven Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association titles in addition to placing over 20 players on All-KIAC and All-SIAA squads.

By the fourth decade of the 20th century, the center jump had been eliminated and the jump shot became popular. Basketball was moving into a promising era—only to be thwarted briefly by World War II.

Following the war, Western added two more KIAC crowns in 1947 and 1948 in addition to winning the SIAC title in 1947. In 1948, Western became a charter member of the newly-formed Ohio Valley Conference. Under coach Diddle, the Hilltoppers won ten OVC season championships and four conference tourneys.

The Hilltoppers reeled off 67 straight home victories from Feb. 5, 1949 to Jan. 6, 1955.

Coach Diddle retired from the hardwood battles following the 1963-64 season played in the Diddle Arena. In 43 seasons, Diddle won 759 games and lost only 302 for a lifetime basketball coaching percentage of 71.5.

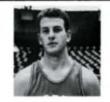
Head coach John Oldham and assistants Gene Rhodes and Buck Sydnor took the helm in 1964-65 and guided the Toppers to their ninth appearance in the National Invitational Tournament. And last season, the Hilltoppers posted The Hill's best basketball record since 1954 en route to competing in the NCAA Tournament for the fourth time.

And so it is that Western, which has played 148 colleges and universities in addition to teams from Havana, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, has constantly retained its national prestige.

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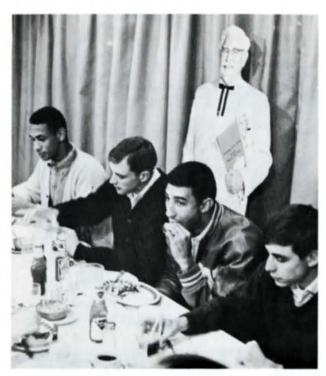
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		Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
10	10	Richard Howell	G	6-3	160	Tell City, Ind.
11	11	Kenny Thomas	\mathbf{G}	6-1	180	Louisville, Ky.
14	14	Dan Dickenson	G	6-2	194	Mt. Vernon, Ohio
15	15	Charles Selvy	G	6-1	178	Corbin, Ky.
20	20	Wayne Bright	F-C	6-8	235	Greencastle, Ind.
21	21	Charles Starbuck	\mathbf{F}	6-5	185	Bellbrook, Ohio
22	22	Walker Banks	C	6-9	205	Clifton Forge, Va.
24	23	Ralph Dillihay	C	6-6	205	Drakesboro, Ky.
25	45	Kenny Davis	G	6-0	174	Monticello, Ky.
42	40	Frank Richardson	\mathbf{F}	6-3	190	Bowling Green, Ky.
51	51	Henry Jackson	\mathbf{F}	6-2	180	Long Island, N. Y.
55	50	Ron Stephenson	\mathbf{F}	6-5	180	Florence, Ky.

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Dec.	1	VANDERBILT
Dec.	5	At Vanderbilt
Dec.	9-10	Franklin (Ky.) Invitational Tourney
Jan.	7	At Tenn. Tech
Jan.	14	LINDSEY WILSON
Jan.	16	PADUCAH
Jan.	21	At Bellarmine
Jan.	30	At Austin Peay
Feb.	4	At Middle Tenn.
Feb.	6	MURRAY
Feb.	9	At Lindsey Wilson
Feb.	13	TENN. TECH
Feb.	20	At Paducah
Feb.	25	At Murray
Feb.	27	AUSTIN PEAY
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	33	Pearl HICKS			
	34	Greg SMITH			
	35	Dwight SMITH			
	42	Hal BOZARTH			
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PF	NO.	PLAYER	FIRST HALF	SECOND HALF	TP
	10	Chuck FIEDLER (6-1) G Sr., Logansport, Ind.			
	12	Jay COLE (6-2) F Sr., Knoxville, Tenn.			
	14	Art POLK (6-3) F So., Kansas City, Mo.			
	20	Tom BROWN (6-0) G So., Nashville, Tenn.			
	22	Jack SUTTER (6-1) G sr., Galatia, III.			
	30	Dan WATSON (6-3) F-G Jr., Celina, Tenn.			
	33	Willie BROWN (6-3) F-G So., Nashville, Tenn.			
	34	Terry THOMAS (6-1) G Sr., Benton, Ill.			
	40	Frank HARRIS (6-5) C-F Jr., Paducah, Ky.			
	44	Bob GARDNER (6-2) G Sr., Old Hickory, Tenn.			
	50	Fred HOWARD (6-4) F			
	52	Ed CANNON (6-6) C Sr., Harrisburg, Ill.			
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HILLTOPPER BASKETBALL PLAYER SKETCHES -

WAYNE CHAPMAN

(Owensboro, Ky.)

This 6-6 junior is in his second season with the Toppers after transferring from the University of Kentucky. Chapman was named to the NCAA All-Mid-East Regional team and also to the All-OVC Tourney team last season. His top two season games of 22 points came against Tennessee Tech and NCAA Tourney loss to Michigan. Chapman was an All-Stater at Daviess Co. where he was coached by Buck Sydnor, current assistant coach at Western.

RICH HENDRICK

15

10

(Bristow, Ky.)

Hendrick comes to the Hilltopper varsity after a fine freshman season of 26.1 ppg, which led all frosh last year. The 6-1 sophomore guard will be trying to break into the starting lineup. He has good hands, quick reflexes, deadly jump shot, and improved defensive ability. Hendrick led all Kentucky prep scorers in his last two seasons at Bristow. In addition to his basketball talent, Rich has won a reputation as a capable auctioneer.

JOHN RUSSELL

20 (Hardyville, Ky.)

One of only three who "made it" from the frosh team to varsity level, Russell had a difficult time adjusting to collegiate guard play—but he developed scoring touch late in the season. The 6-2 sophomore is improving

steadily in his ball control and passing game. He is a defensive performer and has good shooting touch from the outside.

'BUTCH' KAUFMAN

21 (Louisville, Ky.)

The scrappy 5-10 junior floor general improved steadily during last season to reach his peak in the NCAA Tournament with championship performances in every game—especially against Loyola (III.). His hustle is highly contageous. Kaufman earned grant-in-aid "on his own" with his fine frosh season. This clever playmaker also has a deadly jump shot from around three-throw circle. Kaufman will be in the season-long fight for a starting berth in the backcourt.

CLEM HASKINS

22 (Campbellsville, Ky.)

"The Gem" is in his final season as a Hilltopper. The 6-3 All-American has twice been voted "Player of the Year" in the OVC and twice "Most Valuable Player" in the OVC Holiday Tourney. His laurels, prior to this season were: honorable mention by AP and UPI, member of Converse's Chuck Taylor All-America, two-time All-District USBWA team, named one of nation's top ten sophs by Basketball News, and tri-MVP of the Vandy Tourney with Clyde Lee and Mike Silliman. Haskins is long overdue for total recognition of all his abilities as an All-American. In two seasons, Haskins has a 21.9 scoring average and

a 10.4 rebounding average. He led the OVC in scoring in 1964-65 with a 23.4 average. His passing game is devastating and he is a sound and steady performer on defense. Clem holds the school and conference record of 55 points in a game.

NORMAN WEAVER

24 (Scottsville, Ky.

The 6-5 junior did solid service as a front-line reserve last season. His overall strength and jumping ability made him a valuable asset around the basket. Weaver can play either forward or center and his determined play could put him into contention for a regular berth. Weaver played his high school ball at Allen County.

MIKE FAWCETT

(Kokomo, Ind.)

The 5-10 junior made himself a valuable member of Toppers with his excellent reserve play in the latter part of the season. A tremendous hustler and sound defensive performer, Fawcett gives his best whether it be in practice or in games.

PEARL HICKS

33 (Fall Rock, Ky.)

A starter as a sophomore, Hicks played a valuable reserve roll last season. The 6-7 senior can play the pivot as well as the corner spots. Hicks, despite his slender build, is a remarkable rebounder, who shared the season single-game high his soph year of 17 rebounds. Graduated from Clay County High School in Manchester.



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GREG SMITH

(Princeton, Ky.)

Western's leading rebounder Greg Smith has all the credentials for an even better season in 1966-67 than in his sophomore year. Greg's overall strength, speed, and stamina make his a constant rebounding threat as well as an offensive and defensive threat. Greg grabbed his game-high of 20 rebounds and 20 points. His quickness and ability are assets to Western's essential rebounding and fast-breaking game.

DWIGHT SMITH

35 (Princeton, Ky.)

"Big Brother" Dwight is one of the outstanding guards in the nation — if not the best. During his soph season, he led the nation's guards in rebounding with an 11.3 average and finished last season with a 16.1 scoring average. This tremendous driver and jump-shooter is virtually impossible to stop on a one-on-one situation. Dwight gave clutch performances by scoring 34 and 30 points against Eastern and Murray, and scored 29 against Loyola (III.), where he caught the eye of the nation's top sportswriters. He has been named twice to the All-OVC season and tourney teams.

Western Kentucky University

HAL BOZARTH (Audubon, N. J.)

"Bozo" is a rugged competitor who was the second best rebounder on the frosh squad last year. The 6-4 soph began moving superbly from the corner spot during the tail-end of his frosh year. His physical strength makes him valuable inside. With the development of an outside shot, Bozarth could become an outstanding forward. He was honorable mention as a high school all-stater in New Jersey.

44 BILL NEWMAN (Hillard, Ohio)

The 6-6 junior from the Buckeye State returns to the squad after a layoff from collegiate ball. Newman has the height and the bulk (225 pounds) to become a valuable center reserve. A fine high jumper, Newman is also a good rebounder who needs more experience to become a steady performer.

JOE MAC HILL (Beaver Dam, Ky.)

The 6-2 junior forward-guard adds depth up front and in the backcourt. Hill is not flashy, but he moves the ball well and is scrappy and persistent on defense. Hill has a good shot from out front, and he does a remarkable job underneath for his size. Hill also lettered in baseball and golf in high school.

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SCOUTING HOME OPPONENTS -

MOREHEAD

Eagles

With the return of four starters and the best frosh team in Morehead's history, the Eagles have tremendous size, good speed, fine shooting and an abundance of talent. The four returning starters are 6-5 center Bruce King, 6-6 junior forward Charles Adams, 6-5 junior forward Larry Jordan, and 6-0 senior guard Jim Sandfoss. The veterans, however, will have to hustle because of sophomores 6-7 Willie Jackson (21.6 ppg), 6-7 Lamar Green (17.3), 6-5 Jerry Umberger (10.1) and 6-7 Glen Bradt (6.7). Sandfoss could be joined by Jerry Conley, Danny Cornett, Randy Williams, Mike Tarry or Wayne Martin in the backcourt. Second-year coach Bob Wright was 12-12 in his first season last year. Wright and the Eagles can point to a fine future—which is not very far away.

MURRAY

Racers

Three starters return from last year's Racer squad to give Murray a fine nucleus to build an OVC contender for the season. The returnees are 6-4 forward Herb McPherson, 5-11 guard Don Duncan, and 6-9 Dick Cunningham, 6-6 Rick Miller, 6-5 Gary Quint, and 6-2 Keith Lambert. Coach Cal Luther (12 yrs., 154-125) and the Racers gain depth from transfer Billy

Chumbler (Miss. State), and sophs 6-8 Craig Roeder, who was redshirted last season, 6-7 Jim Stocks, Rick Haverstock and Gary Wilson. Defensive improvement and speed are the keys to any Racer success this year. The Racers were 8-6 in loop play and 13-12 overall.

EAST TENNESSEE

Buccaneers

The dean of the OVC basketball coaches, Madison Brooks, enters his 19th season at ETSU with an inexperienced squad consisting of only three returning lettermen. But transfers and other returnees give Brooks reason to believe in the Bucs' talent and desire. Probable starters will be 6-6 rebounding ace Tommy Woods, 6-4 Bill Wilson, 6-5 LeRoy Fisher, soph guard Harley Swift, and 6-4 guard Richard Arnold. Depth comes from 6-6 Worley Ward, 6-6 Ernie Sims, and 6-5 Larry Woods, and 6-3 Tony Bledsoe. Brooks has an interesting blend of returning players and transfers who could—with some breaks—slip into the OVC's first division.

TENNESSEE TECH

Golden Eagles

Things have not quite been the same at Tech since coach John Oldham left in 1964 to return to Western. Coach Kenny Sidwell was looking forward to this season until 6-9 Bill Carvell was injured in an auto accident and soph Henry Jordan was suspended. Tech's leading scorer Ron Filipek (6-4) and guard Joe Hilson return to give Sidwell some hope. Key sophs are Frank Bartleson ,Ketchel Strauss, and Larry Stooksbury. Other veterans are Tom Kirby, J. W. Hagan, Dave Pratt, Don Barry, and Harry McKinney.

AUSTIN PEAY

Governors

Head coach George Fisher is looking for a respectable season with more depth and overall strength. Top players returning are 6-6 Tommy Head, 6-4 Mel Van Hooser, 6-3 Hal Jackson, 5-9 Dennis Snyder, 6-6 Bob Burnett and 6-2 Barry Rollins. Junior College transfer Bob Stinnett, a 6-3 guard, and soph Charlie Moore, a 6-2 forward who led the frosh with 19.2 ppg last year.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

Blue Raiders

Western concludes the 1966-67 regular season against coach Ken Trickey's rejuvinated Blue Raiders who return with 6-2 Bob Gardner, 6-2 Jay Cole, 6-6 Ed (Boom Boom) Cannon with junior college transfers Frank Harris and Fred Howard, both 6-5. Sophomores Art Polk, Bill Weldon, and Willie Brown are up from a frosh team that was 17-7 last year. This game also concludes the season for the Blue Raiders.

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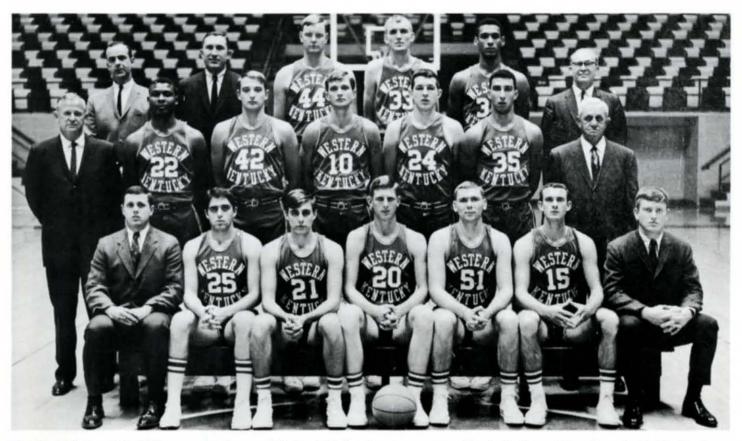
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