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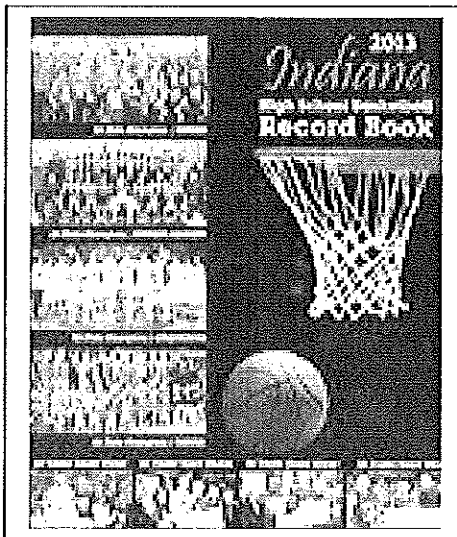
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Indiana High School Basketball Record Book Available

Long-time IHSBHS member and former Rossville bb star Gene Milner publishes an annual record book that should be of interest to anyone who is a follower of Indiana high school basketball history. See his advertisement on page 14 of this Boxscore issue. A photo of the book cover is presented in the next column.



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IHSBHS will have some fresh postings on its revised internet website at www.ihigh.com/ihsbhs starting in late September. Take a look! You can either enter the website address shown here, or simply key in "IHSBHS" on a search engine such as Google or Yahoo. Besides several current events that appear regularly concerning Indiana high school basketball, a new story will be featured on the homepage at regular intervals. For readers not already registered as members of IHSBHS, we also present a handy link on the homepage to our Application Form for membership. Annual dues are only \$8 which entitles you to four quarterly issues of our Boxscore newsletter. Any

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My Thoughts on Thomas G. White

By Harley Sheets

Due to some depression over former editor Thomas Gordon White's passing (obit and high school graduation picture follow), my usual Tidbits column will not appear this time.

I'll bet there isn't a person from Hoboken to Hong Kong who hasn't made a mistake about someone's character, based on a first meeting or impression. I know I have. One example was my introductory meeting with Tom. At an IHSBHS meeting in Terre Haute about 10 years ago, arranged by members Mike McCormick and Bill Ervin, where local TV, radio and newspaper people related some entertaining basketball stories, I first met Tom. At the meeting's conclusion, he approached me and introduced himself. I knew Tom was an IHSBHS member but right away I felt a little uncomfortable. My hearing isn't the best, but because I refused to get a hearing aid and because Tom's speech was rather slurred, I was a bit relieved when our short conversation came to an end. On top of that, Tom was displaying an unkempt beard, a ponytail, and some dingy apparel which, in my opinion, left something to be desired.

Sometime later, I'm guessing two or three years, our excellent editor Gary McGrady informed me that due to

family and work obligations, he would soon need to give up his editorship. This wasn't good news because it isn't easy to find someone who is computer capable and willing to volunteer without pay.

About this time, Tom White sent an article to me to appear in Boxscore if I felt it to be worthwhile. It was. I printed it and soon we were communicating by email and phone. A couple of weeks later we met, for the second time in person, at my favorite grilled tenderloin place, The Island, in Frankfort. His dress code hadn't improved but his speech had. Then he told me that when we had first met he was recovering from a stroke. Not too long afterwards we started talking about his becoming our Boxscore editor. There were one or two other inquiries as well, but if my recollection is correct, pay was expected. As it turned out, Tom wanted nothing. He said he would do it for the love of the game. The question became whether he could do an adequate job. Having personally organized and distributed the newsletter off and on for ten years, I felt desperate for help--so Tom took over as editor.

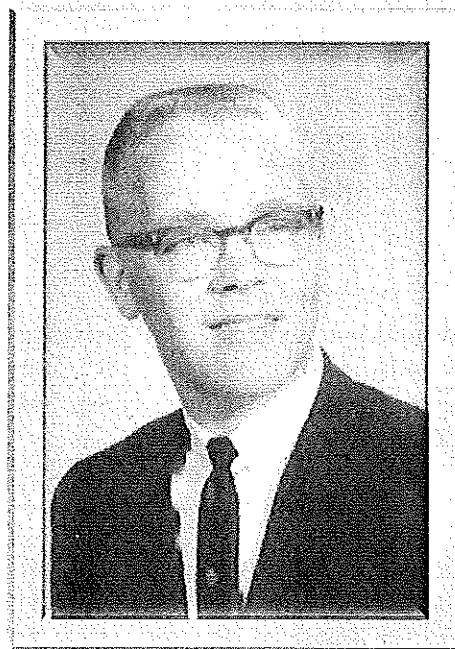
As I observed, with a modicum of apprehension, I soon realized that under the untrimmed beard and shabby apparel and although somewhat anti-establishment and outspoken, there was an intelligent, computer-wise and organized individual. LORD! PLEASE HELP ME TO ABIDE BY THE ADAGE OF NEVER JUDGING A BOOK BY ITS COVER! I have lost a good friend now and IHSBHS has lost a valuable human asset.

THOMAS G. WHITE OBITUARY (LOWELL, INDIANA)

Thomas Gordon White, age 62 of Lowell, Indiana, passed away on Thursday, July 4, 2013. Thomas is survived by his wife, Norah of 23 years; mother, Marilyn White of Crown Point, Indiana; sisters: Loretta (David) Festa and Sandy (Clarence) Klaas; two brothers-in-law: Edward (Ann) Cheknis and Thomas (Nancy) Cheknis; and several nieces and nephews. He was

preceded in death by his father Gordon White.

Tom worked as a computer analyst and programmer at Sargent and Lundy Engineering in Chicago for 30 years. He was an officer and the editor of the Indiana High School Basketball Historical Society's newsletter and had been a guest lecturer in math and computers at Purdue University Calumet. Tom enjoyed playing golf, gardening and cooking.



Tom's Graduation Picture

TEAM NICKNAMES/MASCOTS

by

Doug Bradley

Leave it to Harley (Sheets) to say something that pushes me to go off on a tangent. In a recent issue of Boxscore, where he says Thomcats was not an "official" nickname for Wabash High School in 1926, he may be right that Hillclimbers was already in use. Microfilm of the Wabash Plain Dealer probably answers the Hillclimbers part of the question.

However, the word "official" needs to be defined. In 1926, I doubt any school's nickname could be termed "official" at that time. Nicknames were created by newspapers. The schools themselves had no use for nicknames before or without newspaper stories.

Greensburg's nickname was Strohl's when Stanley Strohl was coach. Frank Pruitt replaced Strohl and the nickname became Pirates -- also then written as Pruitt's Pirates -- and has remained Pirates since.

Center Grove was Maple Leafs before Donald Earl Chambers was coach and has been Trojans since Chambers was removed. While he was at CG, the nickname "Swedes", the coach's nickname, appeared everywhere -- in the hallways, in the newspaper, in the gym, and on the uniform front.

Shelbyville adopted the name Camels at some point during Tim Campbell's 10 years as basketball coach. When Campbell went to the east side of Indianapolis, Harold Taylor McCullough replaced him. That same year Shelbyville reinstated football with James M. McKeand as coach. Shelbyville's nickname was Mackmen in honor of the two coaches while T (as friends called McCullough) was there. When Paul Lostutter became basketball coach in the fall of 1934, the school had a contest to select a permanent nickname. Golden Bears was chosen because Shelbyville has long debated whether Charles Major's book "The Bears of Blue River" should be read before or during reading of The Bible.

If you know of anyone who needs a research project, this would be a great one. We need to know the why and the how of Indiana's 6-minute quarters below the varsity level. The legend I heard is that Campbell was largely responsible by himself.

The Small Town, Uptown, Out-of-Town, and Downtown Coaches Associations (DCAs)

by

Tim Nonte

Every small town has one or, in some cases, two, three, or four-plus DCAs. Whether a person is from uptown, across town, or even out-of-town, these DCA's, also known as Downtown Coaches Associations, exist for the sole purpose of giving outside wanna-be experts a forum to discuss or perhaps second-guess what's happenin'. In small communities (such as Princeton, Ind.),

there are routinely at least four so-called DCA hotspots.

The first stop around the horn is Burger King. This group is filled with early risers, a 6:00 to 7:30 a.m. clan of many old retired guys who enjoy making fun of the fellas who must leave the meeting early to get to work. Following our visit to this fast-food stop, one must drop in at Cricket's Pool Hall, because from around 7:00 to 8:00 a.m., topics cover not only basketball, but just about everything else.

Blimpie's also keeps a steady mix of mostly retired folks from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m., though some bus drivers also make an appearance. The atmosphere is much calmer than at the BK. Our final pit stop is Wendy's, where from around 10:00 a.m. until the middle of lunch, the oldest of the grumpy ol' men congregate. These guys never get in a hurry. They are just as clever with their digs and aren't afraid to get into politics along with the other topics of the day. I never infiltrated the McDonald's group, but did scout the group a couple of times from a distance. Heck, all those fellas are brothers and "chips off the old block," so to speak.

Each group is eclectic in its discussions, and experts are a dime-a-dozen on any given morning. Burger King is the most lively and full of men in the know. Zingers fly right and left and one has to be quick to participate. There is no raising a hand to be called upon; they just jump right in with a comment because if they hesitate for a split second, chances are the group will have already moved on to another subject.

On any given day, they can make a person feel lower than whale manure – a substance that's bottom-of-the-ocean material. A person's status, education, or relative importance in society has nothing to do with his worth within the circle. Basically, it's flat-out open season on a guy's ego. Many are experts on everything, but then, really, an expert becomes nothing more than a drip under pressure. Never use the word "gossips" or "wash-women" to categorize these old fogies. "Information junkies" is how they prefer to be referred to in today's politically correct terms. No dues are

charged. Actually, it's sort of like AA – you join just by showing up. One exception is that newcomers do not have to stand up and say: "Hi. My name is.... and I'm an information junkie." If one is interested in becoming a part of any of these groups but doesn't have a sponsor - a sponsor being a formal invite by a regular member - I have compiled a couple of suggestions for infiltrating without drawing attention.

First, do a drive-by for a few days to observe the parking pattern of the regulars. Eventually, you should venture in, but sit away from the group and just listen and arrange mental notes. Take in who sits where and see if the alpha males are easy to spot. Try to notice the "kicking-in dogs" (those who seem to unmercifully get picked on) for that particular morning. Remember, however, that alpha males and "kicking-in dogs" may change from day-to-day. Be sure to recognize the one or two I like to call "noxious stimuli" – also known as the pot stirrers.

The groups are like coyotes in that they mark their territories. Some chairs or booths are seats you just don't sit in. Old folks like routines and sameness. They don't like change or being pushed out of their comfort zone. So, if you're sitting in a regular's perch or talking too much too soon, that's a no-no and a definite setback for possibly an eventual acceptance within the clique.

During the initial observation phase, try to edge closer each day to the main group; if lucky, maybe a regular member will recognize and invite you to the so-called inner circle. Now, the real test of membership begins. Contrary to the overwhelming urge to spill your guts, tell how much you know, and show how valuable you might be to the "information junkie" group just by keeping your mouth shut. If asked a question, then keep it simple with short yes and no replies. You probably won't be asked anything because the verbal wars and one-up-man-ships will have already commenced. Be thick-skinned because it is always open season on everyone regardless of profession, fortune, or disposition.

Hearing them talk, it's like imagining a bunch of junior high kids who once

pedaled their bicycles to the soda shop many, many years ago. Picking on, putting down, slamming, and proverbially throwing a guy under the bus are all legal maneuvers. Even the wiser fellas in their 50's, 60's, 70's, or older are forced to face ridicule over the dumb stuff they may have pulled as teens because the working minds in this contingent maintain memories like steel traps, forgetting nothing. They enjoy provoking a rise or getting under someone's skin; in fact, that is when they pour it on even more. Some days, the taste of the meetings is more flavorful than on other days. Weather affects behavior, and medication may be a factor as age creeps up on these sage-worthy gatherings.

It's possible to be a member of several groups, especially if one has the benefit of being retired. That way you can "drop some poison" all over town. You can tell those who have jobs - they always need to leave at a certain time. Regardless of the juvenile crudeness or type of verbal put-down, there is an undercurrent of respect within these groups, a bonding of concern if you will, and a desire to help (within limits). In other words, the old guys kind of check on each other. If someone doesn't show up, then the membership gets a bit jumpy, especially if one of the regulars hasn't reported that he planned to be absent.

The topics of discussion are fairly typical, but religion is almost always a no-no. Politics are seldom discussed much; however, with some care, that subject too can be broached from time-to-time. As for athletics, everyone seems to be a bona fide expert on this hot-button topic. It's always open season on all coaches, depending on what is currently in season. Our boys' basketball state championship in 2009 gave Princeton back their swagger, but the dream season also put unreal pressure on our players and coaches over these past few years. The DCA isn't just about basketball, but the Princeton locals have plenty to say on that and any number of other discussable items that could be on their daily menus.

The following article appeared in the Princeton News-Clarion on Feb. 2, 1938:

"Following the tilt last night, the D.C.A. (Downtown Coaches Association) held a largely attended impromptu session. The discussion centered chiefly about the question of why the Tigers' mentor removes players from the game just when boys in the various games start swishing the nets with regularity. It was done last night; in fact, it has been done throughout the season. Just when a player or two starts dropping the ball through the hoop and with a good performance and victory appears certain, those boys are "benched" and the lineup shifted about, the fans point out. From expressions heard almost daily over the city, this matter is one that can't be understood by the fans who plunk down the cash to witness the games. Note: The coach was not hired back for the 1939 season."

Tim Nonte is a native of Loogootee and a retired teacher/coach after spending thirty-four years in education at Loogootee and Princeton Community high schools. He coached baseball at the high school level for thirty years and was inducted into the Indiana Baseball Hall of Fame in 1994. Tim also coached basketball at various grade levels for thirty years - a passion that led him, following his retirement in 1998, to an interest in putting together seven separate books dealing with the history of boys' basketball. Those books include the following high schools: Loogootee St. John's, Loogootee, Princeton Lincoln, Hazleton, Patoka, Mt. Olympus, and Princeton/Princeton Community.

**WINGATE STATE CHAMPS:
1913-14 UNCLE JOHN WINGATE
& HOMER**

by

Roger Robison

Wingate, population 450, was the popular small town underdog of '13 and '14 much like Milan in '53 and '54. Wingate, moreover, continued to remain relevant for another decade. When nicknames became fashionable in the early 1920s and Crawfordsville became

the Athenians [as they were the Athens of the Prairie] it was only natural that nearby Wingate became the Spartans.

In 1954 Wingate was consolidated into Coal Creek, which was then absorbed into North Montgomery along with Bowers, Linden, Darlington, Waynetown and New Richmond, where Wingate practiced before 1915. Montgomery County, the cradle of Indiana basketball, now has three high schools of equal size. Curiously, at this time no one seems to have a clue what has become of the Wingate school's treasured trophies.

Originally, the site at Wingate was a hamlet called Pleasant Hill until 1881/82 when the Clover Leaf Railroad laid tracks through town on the way west from Frankfort to Charleston, Illinois. See Fig. 1, Clover Leaf Station in Wingate. Since local businessman John C. Wingate [1851-1924] had arranged this and there was already another Pleasant Hill on the line, Wingate became the new town name [1]. During the period 1901-43, the Nickel Plate Railroad took over the Clover Leaf and Wingate was on the route of the famed "King of the Rails," the Commercial Traveler Express, which connected Toledo with St. Louis on a 12.5-13 hour schedule; See Fig. 2, Nickel Plate route.

A school at Wingate opened in 1907/08 and, being in Montgomery County, had a basketball team by 1909/10. Most of the 50 to 60 pupils were girls, but 12 boys staffed the team. Homer Stonebraker played in '12 [10-1], '13 [20-3] and '14 [19-5]. The team would not have a gym until 1915 but had its share of mismatches against schools just starting to play. Scores from 1913 included 72-14, 108-8, 60-5, and 85-9. Examples from 1914 were 64-7, 64-13, and 76-10. [1,2]

"Uncle John" Wingate was in his early 60s when the state titles came, and he supported the team. He sponsored the trip to Kokomo in 1913/14 as it was on the Clover Leaf line to Toledo. One hopes the team took the "King of the Rails" for its 33-13 victory. Uncle John also paid \$300 for a masseur at the finals to treat the five iron men in between games.

HOMER

Homer Stonebraker [1895-1977], a graduate of Wingate '14, and Wabash '18, is acclaimed by many as the first basketball superstar in Indiana. Indiana University wanted him badly but could offer little aid, whereas Wabash gave him a "full" scholarship. He had to earn it, playing both football and basketball for four years [2].

It was a golden age for Wabash athletics and remained so for the first quarter of the century. R.R. Jones had brought national recognition to Wabash in basketball with his Wonder Five teams and All-Americans of '05-'08. When he left for Purdue and then Illinois, he was followed by Diddell, Sheeks and Vaughn during 1916-25. Jesse Harper was the football coach from 1909-12 before taking over at Notre Dame.

Paul P. "Pepper" Sheeks [1889-1968] was the Wabash football coach in '15 and '16 as well as the basketball coach in '17. Sheeks played both sports at the University of South Dakota from 1910 to 14. During World War I he was a physical education director at Firestone in Akron. In '22 and '23 he played with the Akron pro football team. In 1935 he was one of the founders of the National Basketball League and later coached the Akron Firestone team to two titles [3].

Under coach Sheeks, Homer's football team lost only two games in two years, to Notre Dame and Purdue. The basketball team of '16/'17 got some revenge by beating Notre Dame twice, as well as both Purdue and Illinois. It also won three games against semi-pro teams from Indianapolis and Fort Wayne. "Semi-professional" meant that you kept your day job, as there was little money in playing-for-pay at this time [3-5].

Lee Emmelman and Walter Roeder decided after establishing the Indianapolis Sporting Goods Store in 1913 that sponsoring a touring basketball team would be great publicity for the store. They recruited players from the YMCA and the local industrial and church leagues and embarked on a 136-game winning streak over the next three years. Known as the Indianapolis Em-Roes, they also signed guard Piggy

Lambert in 1916. Its win streak came to an end against Wabash and Homer in 1916/17: 32-21 and 28-23. That first game was played at Tomlinson Hall in Indy before 3500 fans. See Fig. 3 [4,5].

In Fort Wayne, cigar store owner Clarence "Dink" Alter organized the St. Mary's Saints semi-pro basketball team in 1915/16. The Saints also fell to Wabash 30-22 in 1916/17.

HOMER AT WABASH

	<u>FOOTBALL</u>	<u>BASKETBALL</u>
1914/15	5-3-0	7-2
1915/16	7-0-1	17-4 [3 rd AA]
1916/17	7-2-0	19-2 [2 nd AA]
1917/18	1-6-1	8-7

Homer was a third team Weyland All-American in '16 and was second team in '17. He also made the Helm's AA Honorable Mention list in '17. World War I was shortening many season schedules nationwide after America entered the war in April 1917. Piggy Lambert was in the Army for one year and Homer too for a brief stint. In late '18 Homer took a job in Hartford City selling insurance and coaching the local high school boys. He also began his professional basketball career [4,5].

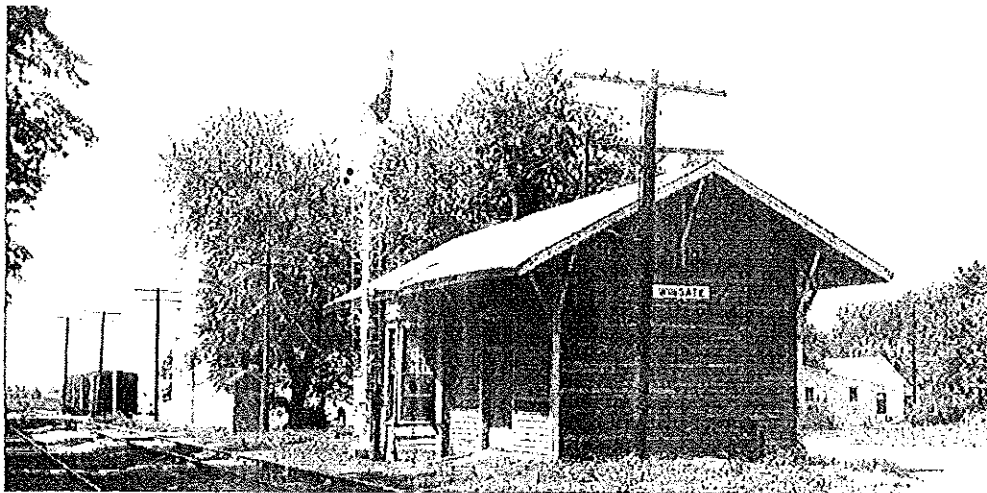


Figure 1

In 1919, the St. Mary's Saints were reorganized as the Fort Wayne Caseys [KCs] as they were now financed by the Knights of Columbus. Homer was recruited to play for the Caseys as well as the Em-Roes in Indy. At the time, talented semi-pros often played for two

different teams, Homer would play on teams from three different cities [4].

HOMER AS A COACH

<u>Hartford City</u>	<u>SECTIONAL</u>	
1918/19	15-13	lost 3 rd round
1919-20	27-5	won: to final 4
<u>Logansport</u>	<u>SECTIONAL</u>	
1920/21	21-7	lost to Walton
1921/22	16-14	lost 4 th round
	79-39	

Homer won the sectional for Hartford City in 1920 and advanced to the final four at Bloomington. He then coached at Logansport High for two years. He was replaced by Cliff Wells, who won the Logan Sectional in 22 of the next 23 years [6,7]. Homer was elected sheriff for two terms in Cass County and then worked at Allison's in Indy for 31 years;

Fig. 4. Homer at retirement.

He played semi-pro basketball for ten years; most of it with the Caseys and Em-Roes. After age 30 in 1925, his playing time was waning. The American Basketball League was formed in '25/'26 and the Caseys changed into the Fort Wayne Hoosiers. Homer was with the Chicago Bruins when he retired in 1928. He is revered

in Indiana as the first Hoosier SUPER-STAR [1-7].

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Figure 4

A TRIBUTE TO INDIANA'S PAST SMALL-SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAMS

by
Cliff Johnson

Every Hoosier has heard of or read about the Milan Indians' march to the state championship of 1954. It was re-created as a feature film entitled "Hoosiers" in 1986, and ever since then has resonated with magnetic charm for TV movie rerun viewers around the world. It is presented routinely by various channel providers, virtually at an unabated pace because of its reverberating popularity with folks from all generations.

What causes humans to be so enchanted with sports success stories like that one? I believe the answer is pretty basic: We all enjoy rooting for the underdog. And small schools in Indiana's basketball history were routinely the underdogs during the annual single-class tournament chase to win and continue playing. That was invariably true, whether a match-up happened to be at the sectional, regional, semifinal, or even the final-four extensions of play.

The "underdog" perception in this state has mostly disappeared now, owing to the 1997 decision by Indiana high school officials to mimic the class schematic employed by nearly all other states, and prompted over the years by the National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations. In spite of Indiana's wholesale school consolidations during the last half-century, there was still a perception among many school administrators that the competitive "playing field" needed to be leveled and restructured to instill the desired element of "fairness" into an otherwise unlevel playing field. Enrollment classification therefore became their solution to assure that the fairness objective would be met. Four distinct class levels were then drawn.

So now we have no underdogs, at least not in the conventional sense of that term. I'm afraid that the transition to class basketball has caused us to lose something that can't be replaced. That is the personal excitement entailed in cheering for the small guy to beat the

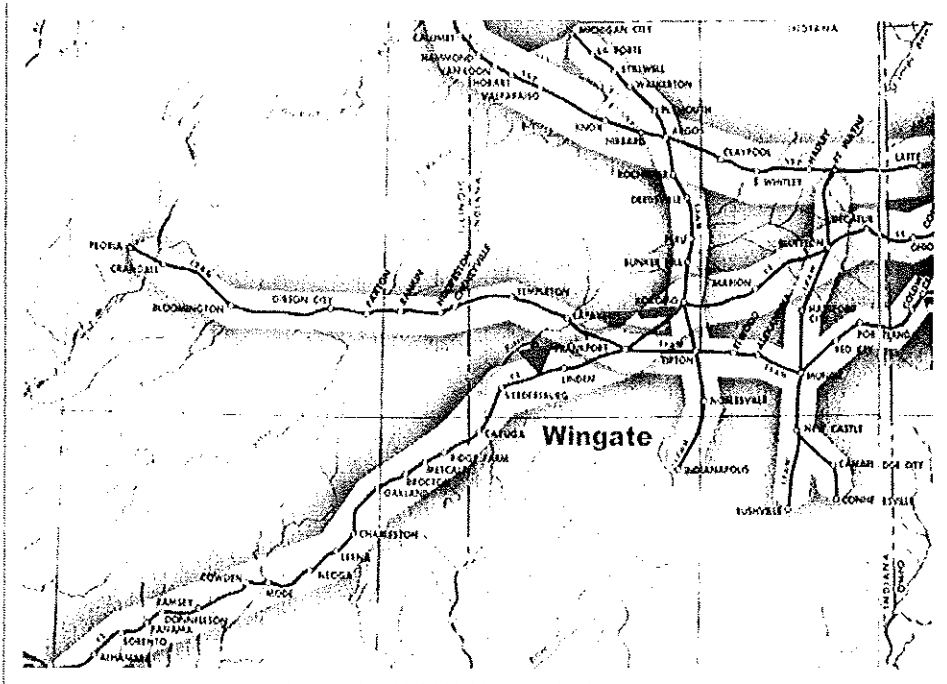


Figure 2



Figure 3

odds and come away with a victory over the larger guy. We all want to find big surprises in small packages. It's just human nature. Ever since single class ball was taken away, many of us remain miffed about it. The adverse effects of class ball also seem clearly indicated by diminished attendance figures, reduced gate receipts and athletic support, plus a major dip in the excitement and hoopla that once accompanied tournament play. Hoosier Hysteria now appears to be a ghost of the past, haunting the present. In my own possibly unqualified opinion, a great deal of today's decline in interest and excitement is the result of our having no real underdogs anymore.

Counter to popular perception, Milan high school of the 1950s would not be what one could truly call a "small school." There have been many better-qualified candidates for that term in Indiana's basketball past, albeit not with the success, charm, and widespread publicity enjoyed by the Indians of 1954. Milan's high school enrollment during the '50s ranged between 150 and 170 students, which is nevertheless considered small by today's standards. In 1954 there were 753 entrants in the IHSAA tournament. Milan high school's count was 161, which ranked 259th in size. That put it very near the top 1/3 in size. This fact might startle some readers.

However, some really tiny high schools of that same decade with enrollments of, say, 50 students or fewer still managed to put a team on the floor. They included for example Straughn, New Waverly, Bippus, Bowers, Gilboa Twp. (Benton Co.), Wadena, Deer Creek, Freedom, Webster, Springfield Twp. (Franklin Co.), Coalmont, and Princeton Lincoln, just to name a few.

Before the '50s, you could add to that list other small schools with fewer than 40 students, such as Bentonville, Fairview, Everton, Flint, Booker T. Washington, Clinton Center (Putnam Co.) Sandusky, Banquo, Lincolnville, Folsomville, Little York, Mongo, Raub, Pine Twp. (Benton Co.), Adams Twp. (Carroll Co.), Rockfield, and Raleigh. There were a flock of earlier ones too, many of which participated in basketball for only a few years or that closed their

doors eventually, owing to low enrollment, teacher deficiencies, or facility casualties.

Some very small schools during the first half of the 20th century were able to amaze everyone by going undefeated during regular season play. Included in that category were Walton (1911), Montmorenci (1917), West Point (1925), Laketon (1926), Bainbridge (1928), Mt. Olympus (1929), Michigantown (1933), Noble Twp. of Cass Co. (1936), Deer Creek (1937), West Point (1938), Wolf Lake (1941), Dubois (1943), Eden (1946), Everton (1946), Roanoke (1946), and Sugar Creek Twp. of Clinton Co. (1949). A number of other fairly small schools went undefeated within that earlier period, but their enrollments generally exceeded 50.

Small-school sectional winners before 1950 were numerous, but a smattering of them in alpha order would include the following:

Amboy (1940)
 Atlanta (1937)
 Bainbridge (1923-26—four straight)
 Beaver Dam (1932-34—three straight)
 Bowers (1927)
 Brighton (1959)
 Butlerville (1926)
 Cutler (1922)
 Deedsville (1926)
 Deputy (1925)
 Eden (1945-46)
 Freetown (1925)
 Laketon (1926)
 Lima (1930-32, 3 straight)
 Mellott (1928)
 Midland (1924)
 Montmorenci (1915 '18, and '27)
 Mt. Olympus (1929)
 Patriot (1926)
 Sandusky (1929)
 Scipio (1928)
 Sharpsville (1927-28)
 Tennyson (1930-32—three straight)
 Walton (1921)
 Washington Center-Whitley Co. (1916)
 Westport (1915)
 Whitewater of Wayne Co. (1927)
 Wolf Lake (1942)
 Young America (1920).

Several small-school teams (99 or fewer in enrollment) even made it to the final sixteen of the state tournament, upon occasion. These included 1915 Montmorenci (to final game, losing to Thorntown 10-33), 1918 Montmorenci (to final eight, losing to Bloomington 11-23), 1921 Walton (losing to Rochester 10-31), 1921 Ridgeville (losing to Muncie 4-39), 1922 Cutler (losing to Vincennes 22-31), 1923 Perrysville (losing to Franklin 25-33), 1925 West Point (to final eight, losing to Kokomo 29-33), 1927 Sharpsville (losing to Muncie 22-29), 1932 Cicero (losing to New Castle 13-25), 1933 Michigantown (losing to Logansport 12-22), 1934 Beaver Dam (losing to Richmond 12-40), 1938 Plainville (losing to Martinsville 23-31), 1939 Ossian (losing to Kokomo 29-30), 1940 Lynnville (losing to Mitchell 27-47), 1942 Wolf Lake (losing to Muncie Burris 21-49), 1944 Converse (losing to Culver 17-26), 1948 Chester Twp. (losing to Portland 54-65), 1950 Richland Center (losing to South Bend Central 34-43), 1954 Montezuma (losing to Milan 34-44), 1956 New Ross (losing to Gary Froebel 41-56), 1959 Odon (to final eight, losing to New Albany 68-70), and 1959 Bainbridge (losing to Logansport 62-76).

By 1960, most of the very small schools in Indiana had been swallowed up by consolidation programs and were no longer in existence.

You've got to hand it to many small-school officials and coaches back then. It took some bravado to schedule and take on competitive challenges that could frighten or potentially embarrass an undermanned or under-talented team. Yet it was a matter of pride. If you were associated with any Hoosier high school, you wanted a basketball team to represent you.

The smallest high school on record that I could find that also played basketball was Round Grove, situated in White County, a few miles from Monticello. Its high school enrollment during the 1943-44 season, for example, was 26. Although the Bulldogs didn't win many games, the school spirit was reportedly always maintained at a high level. The community routinely expected its

farmers to vacate their fields and barn lots in order to root for the team on Friday and Wednesday nights at nearby school gymnasiums. Round Grove had no gym of its own. Coach Elmer Wright managed to muster eight players from grades 9-12 to play for his 1940-41 team, and they scored a creditable record of twelve wins against nine losses against nearby competition. One victory was even scored in the first round of the Monticello sectional. It was reported that during outdoor practices coach Wright and the student manager often took positions on the sometimes muddy playground so that two full five-man teams could be formed.

During the 1941-42 school year Round Grove found that graduation and military enlistments had left an insufficient number of males enrolled to even form an eight-man squad. Total enrollment had further dropped to 24 and most of those were females. Boys' basketball had to be put aside for that one season, but only by necessity, not by choice.

By sectional time in 1943, new coach Glen Dean was able to announce a full 10-player roster for the Bulldogs. Eight of those were either freshmen or sophomores, and most were between five-one and five-eight in height. Still, they seemed a viable contingent and managed to win four of their 14 games that season.

The 1943-44 season again presented reductions in available manpower and coach Dean had to settle for a six-man squad that year. They lost all their nine games, some probably from the sheer exhaustion of going an entire game without substitution.

Coach Dean's 1944-45 team once again numbered ten men (the entire male high school enrollment) but they managed only two wins out of the eleven games played. Several of the losses, however, were by four points or fewer so the players all knew they could be competitive and thus were always looking forward to the next game.

Although Round Grove appears to have been one of the smallest basketball schools on record, its fighting spirit and determination to compete at any level,

regardless the odds, was pretty typical of small-school teams that once occupied the ball courts of Indiana. They must be recognized and honored as an integral part of our Hoosier Hysteria history.

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**Home Court:
John Wooden's Family Background
In Morgan County, Indiana**

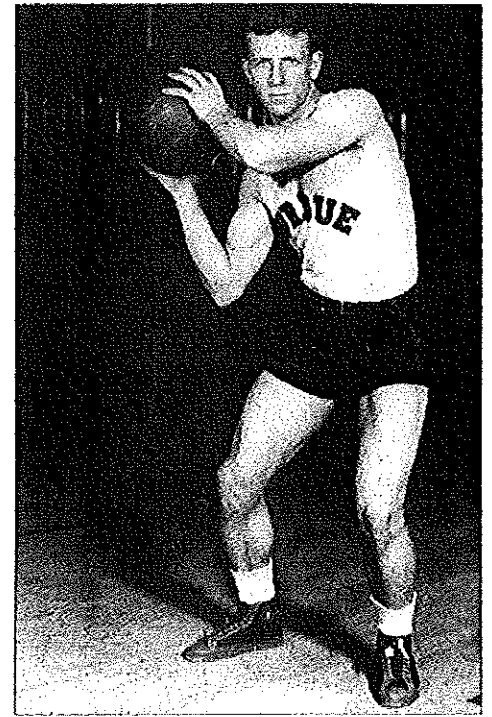
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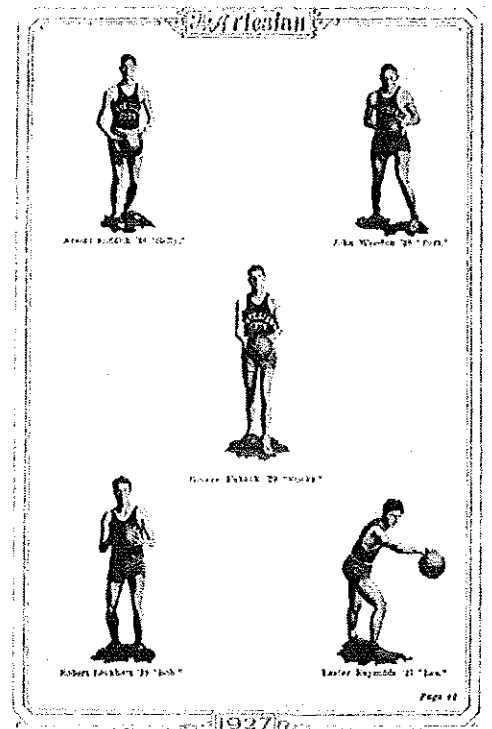
In 2009, Sporting News Magazine published a list of the 50 greatest coaches of all time irrespective of the specific sport. John Robert Wooden was number one on the list.

This article was prepared in honor of John Wooden's 100th birthday which would have been on October 14, 2010. It is an outgrowth of a short account of John Wooden, his family background, and his family's association with the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) of Martinsville, Indiana, that the senior author prepared for the church's April 7, 2010, newsletter as a contribution to the celebration of the church's 175th anniversary.

Many people have written about John Wooden's basketball career at Martinsville High School where he was an all-state basketball player, a member of Martinsville's state champion high school basketball team in 1927 and a member of state runner-up teams in 1926 and 1928; his career at Purdue University where he was an All-American basketball player, college player of the year in 1932; an honor student; and a legendary basketball coach at UCLA for a quarter century where his teams won 10 national championships in twelve years.



John Wooden
National Player of the Year (1932)



*The starting five on
Martinsville High School's 1927
state championship team.
(Reproduced from 1927 high
school yearbook)*

There has also been quite a bit written about him as a person, his principles, values, and approach to life. Less has

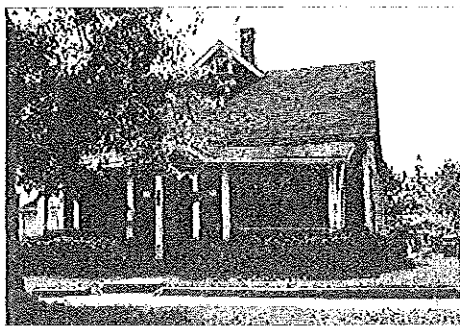
been written about his boyhood and family history and we focus upon those kinds of things. Our research has produced much that is new, and this article takes a somewhat different perspective in discussing John Wooden within the context of his family history in Morgan County, basically from the time of his parents' marriage to the time of their deaths in the 1950s.

John Wooden's parents, Joshua Hugh Wooden (1882-1950) and Roxie Anna Wooden (1887-1959), were married on April 19, 1905, by Pastor M. W. Yocum of the Martinsville Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Hugh, as he was often called, was born in Adams Township not far from the little town of Hall in Morgan County and was the son of Robert Sanford Wooden and Cordelia Jane (Willhite) Wooden. Hugh grew up on the family farm. Roxie Wooden was born near the little town of Centerton in Morgan County and was the daughter of John H. Rothrock, Sr., and Harriett (Landers) Rothrock. Mr. Rothrock was a farmer and a businessman. During their long marriage, Hugh and Roxie had six children: Maurice Leroy (1907-1985), Harriett Cordelia (1909-1913), John Robert (1910-2010), an unnamed daughter who died at birth (1913), Daniel Joshua (1917-1997), and William Hugh (1922-2001). It appears that Harriett Cordelia was named after her grandmothers and that John Robert was named after his grandfathers.

Based upon period newspaper accounts, Hugh and Roxie Wooden lived at Hall from the time of their marriage until June 1907 when they moved into a "cottage" at what was then 204 North Wayne Street in Martinsville. The house and associated cottage that were at that address in 1907 are no longer there. Today the address for that location is 240 North Wayne Street.

By October 1907, Hugh and Roxie Wooden had moved to a house at 460 North Jefferson Street in Martinsville. Documents show that Hugh and Roxie were living on North Jefferson Street when Maurice, Harriett Cordelia, John, and their unnamed daughter were born. Maurice is the oldest child, and a birth announcement for him in the Martinsville Republican for Thursday,

November 28, 1907, is the earliest record found that specifies the Wooden's address as 460 North Jefferson Street. Regarding John's birth, the following appeared in the Martinsville Daily Reporter on October 14, 1910 (John Wooden's birth date): "Born to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wooden, north Jefferson Street, a son - John Robert." This and other records indicate that John Wooden was born in Martinsville and not, as many have thought, in Hall. It is interesting that the information on a very visible, but evidently not closely observed, birth announcement postcard shown in the preface to *My Personal Best* (Wooden and Jamison, 2004) has indicated for several years the possibility that John Wooden was born in Martinsville. That handwritten postcard in a private collection says that he weighed 13 pounds at birth. No birth certificate or other official record of his birth has been found.



Hugh and Roxie Wooden lived at 460 N. Jefferson St. in Martinsville when Maurice, Harriett Cordelia, John and their unnamed sister who died at birth were born. This is an early 1990s photograph of the house which is thought to be their birthplace.

During this time in Martinsville, according to church records, Hugh and Roxie became members of the Martinsville Christian Church on January 18, 1910, and those records give their address as 460 North Jefferson Street. The 1910 federal census also gives their address as 460 North Jefferson Street and states that Hugh was employed at a creamery. Hugh had

become a member of the Knights of Pythias in 1903, and some of that organization's records provide bits of information about him as well. The records for 1909 give his occupation as "laborer" and his address as Martinsville.

In September 1914, the Wooden family moved from Martinsville to Hall as recorded in two Martinsville newspapers. The reason for the move is unknown. In *They Call Me Coach* (Wooden and Tobin 1988), John Wooden says that his father farmed at Hall for a man named Cash Ludlow. Cash Ludlow appears to have been Cassius C. Ludlow, son of William A. and Pearlina/Perlina Ludlow. According to census and land records the Ludlows farmed a short distance east of Hall.

The Wooden family stayed at Hall until September 6, 1915, when they moved about five miles away to the small town of Monrovia in Morgan County. Newspapers again record the family's whereabouts, saying that they moved into a house owned by Mrs. Flora Henley. That house no longer exists but was at a location whose address today is 15 East Main Street. In *They Call Me Coach* John Wooden writes that his father farmed and was a rural mail carrier during their stay at Monrovia. An obituary for Hugh Wooden also states that he had been a rural mail carrier at Monrovia.

It now appears that John Wooden's first year of school began at Monrovia and that he spent most, if not all, of the first grade there. This is based upon (1) newspaper accounts stating that the Wooden family moved to Monrovia in 1915, (2) Monroe Township school enumeration records placing Maurice and John at Monrovia in April 1916, and (3) documentation that the Wooden family moved from Monrovia in early March 1917.

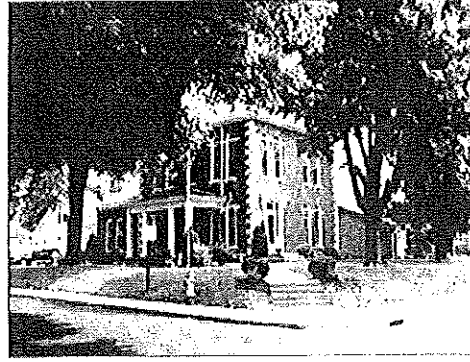
During part of the period 1913 to 1917, Roxie's father, John H. Rothrock, Sr., and his second wife, Hattie (Sargent, then Williams) Rothrock, lived in Martinsville. There are records stating that they had moved to Martinsville to provide their young daughter Isabelle (born 1906) with the advantages of the Martinsville schools; that Mr. Rothrock

had been a member of the Christian Church in Martinsville; and that they lived on North Main Street in Martinsville. John Rothrock purchased the North Main Street property in 1913, and he, Hattie, Isabelle, and his stepdaughter, Edith Williams (Hattie's daughter), are reported to have been living there in 1914. However, his obituary states that at the time of his death in January 1917 he was living one-fourth mile east of Centerton.

Among the properties that Roxie Wooden inherited upon her father's death was a farm at Centerton. This is the farm that is mentioned so often in books by and about John Wooden. Records indicate that the Wooden family moved from Monrovia to Centerton during the first week of March 1917. That is where they were living when Daniel was born in June 1917 and when William was born in May 1922. After Maurice graduated from the eighth grade at Centerton in 1921 and after John graduated from the eighth grade at Centerton in 1924, the two brothers commuted to Martinsville High School from Centerton on the interurban train, a distance of about 6.5 miles. The Woodens left Centerton before Daniel and William were of high school age.

In *They Call Me Coach*, John Wooden says that farming at Centerton came to an end for his father in 1924. Things were not going well. They had a mortgage and his father had borrowed money to raise hogs. The hog cholera vaccine he bought turned out to be defective, and the hogs died from cholera. Adding to the family's financial difficulties was an investment made with a fraudulent company. As a result, Hugh and Roxie gave up farming and, based upon newspaper accounts, moved back to Martinsville during the first week of September 1925. Records (including the home address given by Maurice when he enrolled in Franklin College at Franklin, Indiana, on September 29, 1925) show that the Wooden family moved into a house located at 410 East Pike Street. It was owned by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse C. Hale. This is the first of two Martinsville

homes that John Wooden lived in during his high school years.

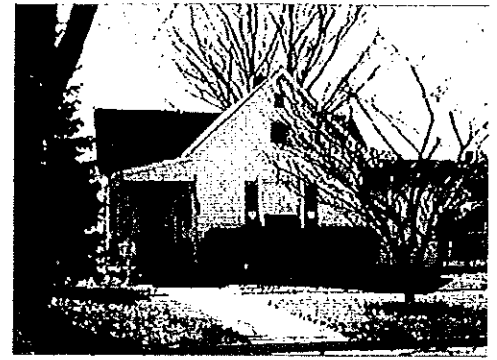


410 East Pike St.

In *They Call Me Coach* and in *My Personal Best*, John Wooden writes about his school days and Nellie Riley, his high school girlfriend and future wife. He tells a story about Nellie's best friend, Mary Schnaiter, getting her brother, Jack, to drive Mary and Nellie out to the Wooden farm at Centerton to see him during the summer of 1925. Interestingly and likely coincidentally, the house at 410 East Pike Street into which the Woodens moved when they came to Martinsville in September 1925, was owned by Mary's aunt and uncle, Jesse C. and Emma (Schnaiter) Hale.

The Wooden family lived at 410 East Pike Street until March 1927 based upon an item appearing in a weekly newspaper, the Martinsville Republican, on March 24, 1927, in which it is stated that the Woodens "have moved from East Pike Street to the Chas. Younger property on West Washington Street." According to real estate records, the location of the Younger property was 165 West Washington Street. Records of the First Christian Church of Martinsville (Disciples of Christ) for the time when Maurice and John were baptized and officially joined the church on Easter Sunday, April 17, 1927, also place the family at that address.

Various documents have the Wooden family living at 165 West Washington Street from 1927 to 1930. John Wooden graduated from high school in 1928, making the Washington Street house the second of two Martinsville homes that he lived in during his high school years.



165 West Washington St.

Like the Woodens, Nellie Riley's family attended the First Christian Church of Martinsville with Nellie having joined in December 1923. The Riley family's home was at 90 South Wayne Street about five blocks east of the Wooden's home at 165 West Washington Street and adjacent to (just east of) the home of Glenn Curtis, John's basketball coach. In his books, John writes about Coach Curtis having a curfew for his players and prohibiting them from going on dates during the basketball season and the resulting inconvenience for John and Nellie of the Curtis house being so close to the Riley house. Nellie would graduate from Martinsville High School in 1929, and, according to the 1929 yearbook, her activities included the Dramatic Club, Sunshine Society, Ukulele Club, Glee Club, Latin Club, Operetta and band. The yearbook also has this to say about her: "With this regular little Irish colleen, hearts are trumps. She has a roguish smile and is 'cute' to the nth degree."

In March and April 1927, Maurice Wooden was in the midst of a very successful career as a student and athlete at Franklin College. John was a junior at Martinsville High School and Nellie was a sophomore. The Wooden family's move to Washington Street in March would have occurred right around the time that John and his teammates were playing in the state high school basketball tournament. The state finals were in Indianapolis that year, and Martinsville won the state championship by defeating Muncie on March 19, 1927.

Basketball was immensely popular in Indiana in the 1920s. There was a

community feeling and emotion attached to it that is not present today. An indication of the importance of basketball at that time is the construction of gymnasiums whose seating capacity was greater than the population of the town. In 1924, Martinsville completed the construction of a new high school gymnasium that was said to be the largest gym in the state, including college gymnasiums. It would seat about 5200 people, and it was not until 1950 that the federal census reports a population figure for Martinsville that was greater than the capacity of the gym. The first basketball game in the new gymnasium was played on February 21, 1924, against Shelbyville. That was also the dedication game for the gymnasium and the event drew state-wide attention. Unfortunately for Martinsville, Shelbyville won. Below is a picture of the gymnasium from the 1925 Martinsville High School yearbook. The

sentiment the students had for basketball.

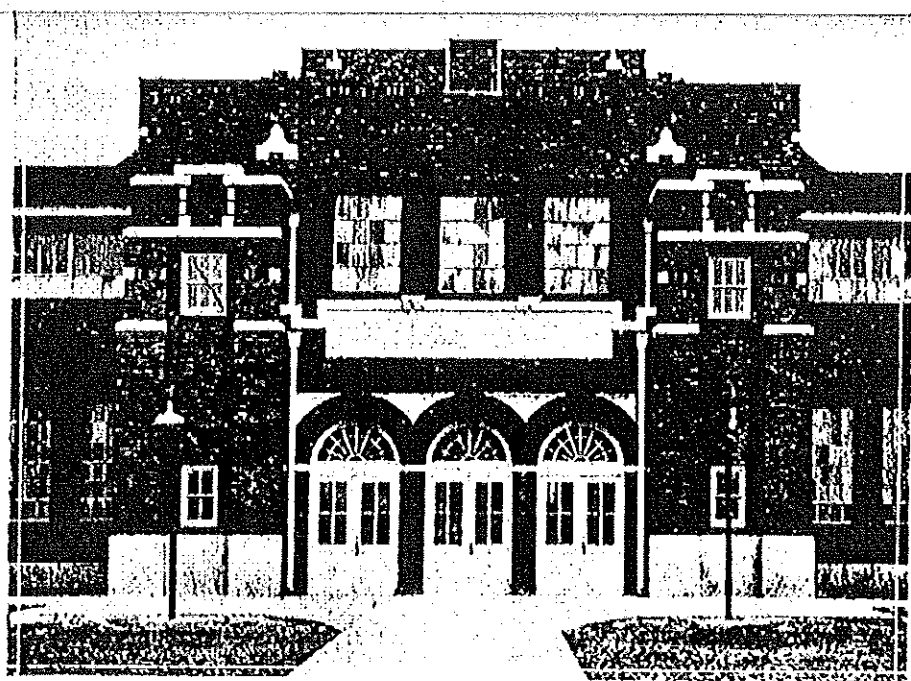
After Hugh and Roxie Wooden moved back to Martinsville in 1925 they lived in that City for the remainder of their married life. During that time they resided in a number of places in Martinsville, one of which was 159 South Jefferson Street. That house has long been thought by many Martinsville residents to be John Wooden's home during his high school years. However, no documentary evidence has been found to support this. To the contrary, records indicate that the Hugh Wooden family lived there only from 1936 to at least 1940, well after John had graduated from high school in 1928. The house at 159 South Jefferson Street was owned by Mr. and Mrs. William H. Wooden. William, who was Hugh's uncle, passed away in 1935, and the home went to his widow, Julia, who owned it until 1945.

Hugh Wooden passed away in 1950,

South Jefferson Street, and Hugh was working as a bath attendant at the nearby Home Lawn Sanitarium on East Washington Street where he had been employed for many years. His obituary says that he was an active member of the First Christian Church of Martinsville and had been a deacon. His funeral was conducted by Rev. Ervin L. Thompson of the First Christian Church of Martinsville, and burial was in the Centerton Cemetery alongside his two daughters. Hugh had been a member of the Masons, the Scottish Rite, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Knights of Pythias.

Roxie Wooden's address for 1951 is given as "general delivery," Martinsville; for 1954, as 240 West Washington Street in Martinsville; and for 1957, as 40 North Marion Street in Martinsville. Roxie was retired and living at 40 North Marion Street when she passed away from heart problems in 1959. Her obituary states that she was active in the First Christian Church of Martinsville, having belonged to the Art Society and the Faith Circle Class and having been treasurer of her Sunday school class. A newspaper notice of her death says that her funeral was to be conducted by Rev. George W. Adams of the Paragon Baptist Church, Paragon, in Morgan County. She is buried alongside Hugh and their daughters at Centerton. Her obituary says that she had been a long-time member of the Order of the Eastern Star. According to Martinsville resident Ralph Tedrow, 92, Roxie had worked at the National Sanitarium in Martinsville with his aunt, Minnie Messmer, in the late 1920s. Roxie also worked at Louise Petro's dress shop in Martinsville in the 1940s according to a newspaper item and to a friend and a relative, both of whom worked at the shop when Roxie worked there. For recreation, Roxie played cards and was a member of a bridge club.

All four of Hugh and Roxie Wooden's sons graduated from Martinsville High School. All played high school basketball and all married girls from Martinsville. Maurice (nicknamed "Cat"), a graduate in 1925, married Thelma Williams; John ("John Bob" and



Entrance To Our Pleasure Resort

Martinsville Gymnasium

caption in the yearbook, "Entrance to Our Pleasure Resort," conveys the

reportedly from leukemia. At the time of his death, Hugh and Roxie were living at the Barskin Apartments at 45½

"Pert"), a member of the class of 1928, married Nellie Riley; Daniel ("Danny"), 1934, married Cathleen Phyllis Hendrix; and William ("Billy"), 1940, married Ruth Harriette Goss. In *My Personal Best*, John Wooden tells a story regarding his marriage to Nellie. A couple of days before they were to be married in August 1932, he lost his savings when a Martinsville bank went under during the Depression. Cliff Schnaiter, father of Mary Schnaiter, Nellie's best friend, loaned the couple \$200.00, telling John that he need not repay it until he was able.

All of the Wooden boys attended college. Maurice graduated from Franklin College in 1931; John from Purdue University in 1932; Daniel from New Mexico State Teachers College in 1949; and William from Purdue University in 1944. Since Hugh and Roxie Wooden valued learning and education so much, it must have been extremely satisfying to them that all of their sons not only graduated from college but also went on to successful careers in education: Maurice in Indiana, New Mexico and California; Daniel in New Mexico; and William in Indiana. What about John? He spent most of his life in California. After graduating from Purdue, his career as a teacher and coach began at Dayton High School in Dayton, Kentucky (1932-1934); he then went to South Bend Central High School in South Bend, Indiana (1934-1946 including military service during WW II); then to Indiana State Teachers College (now Indiana State University) in Terre Haute, Indiana (1946-1948); and finally to UCLA in Los Angeles, California (1948-1975). Some of his achievements are listed at the beginning of this article, and, using the usual definition of success, it would be an understatement to say that he was very successful in his career. However, his concept of success is different from the usual definition. As recorded on John Wooden's famous "Pyramid of Success," to him success is "peace of mind which is a direct result of self-satisfaction in knowing you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming." By that definition it would also be an

understatement to say that he was very successful in his career.

This article was written to further document and to add to what is known about John Wooden's family background, to contribute new information, and to provide a rather detailed chronological framework for the family's history in Morgan County, Indiana. At the start of this project we already possessed some of the new information and we knew where to look for more. A pleasing result of our efforts is that our research produced even more than we had anticipated.

One particularly significant discovery is that Hugh and Roxie Wooden lived in Martinsville from 1907 to 1914, prior to their later move to Martinsville in 1925. The sequence of resident towns is now Hall, Martinsville, Hall, Monrovia, Centerton, and Martinsville, rather than the one that usually has been presented. That one has the Woodens starting out in Hall, moving to Monrovia, then to Centerton, and finally to Martinsville in 1925. We not only have found strong evidence that Maurice, John, and their two sisters were born in Martinsville but also have located the house in which it appears they were born. We have also established where John Wooden lived when he was a student at Martinsville High School and have shown that he did not live at 159 South Jefferson Street during high school as has commonly been thought. Our research has also added numerous details to the Wooden family's history.

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Barsh, Ron (13)	1794 Hunter's Cove Circle, Kokomo, IN 46902	(765) 453-4739	
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Bean, Steve (life)	1312 Timbrook Lane, Beech Grove, Indiana 46107	(317)784-2545	Southport '78
Bilskie, Nick (13)	2103 Windwood Drive, Bedford, IN 47421		Vincennes Rivet '01
Bodnar, Patricia (honorary)	281 Edgebrook Drive, Centerville, OH 45459-2143	(937)438-5553	S. Bend St. Joseph's '66
Bradley, Doug (life)	15591 Iona Lakes Drive, Ft. Myers FL 33908-1851	(239)481-8954	Columbus East '77
Brett, Steve (life)	c/o Shakamak Hlgh School, Jasonville, IN 47438		Loogootee '67
Bruner, Brian (14)	655 Hartford Drive, Jasper, IN 47546	(812)634-0088	Loogootee '92
Bruns, Craig (13)	4660 Abberton Drive, Greenwood, IN 46143		
Butcher, Jack (honorary)	401 Williams Street, Loogootee, IN 47553	(812)295-3464	Loogootee '51
Butler, Edward (life)	255 Red Rock Way H104, San Francisco, CA 94131-1779	(415)648-6716	SB Adams '60
Carr, Ann Miller (life)	17922 Sundrop Court, Granger, IN 46530	(765)463-7650	Huntington '68
Carter, Bart (life)	400 Mountain Leader Trail, Tupelo, MS 38804	(662)840-2720	Western Boone '77
Cheek, Brian (13)	2640 Delucio Blvd, Centerville, IN 47330	(765) 855-5825	Centerville '87
Chezem, Myron (13)	5960 West Mulberry-Jefferson Road, Frankfort, IN 46041		Rossville '60
Clossin, James (13)	1310 Maple Court, Frankfort, IN 46041	(765)659-3155	Frankfort '55
Combs, Vic (14)	829 E. Water Street, Paoli, IN 47454	(812)653-1042	Indpls. Washington '61
Cook, Jerry (13)	7954 West 500 North, Kokomo, IN 46901		
Cutler, Kenneth (life)	1312 W. King Street, Garrett, IN 46738	(219)357-5842	Garrett, '73
Davis, Todd (13)	P.O.Box 33, Spencerville, IN 46788	(260)246-1428	Alexandria '62,
Denbo, Charles (13)	P. O. Box 18, Orleans, IN 47452	(812)865-3230	French Lick '53
Dickinson, Roger (life)	60 Prairie Noll Drive, New Castle, IN 47362	(765) 836-7013	Frankton '57
Dleter, Harold (13)	702 S. Sharon Avenue, Fowler, IN 47944	(765) 884-1588	Kentland '61
Doades, Kelth (life)	4291 E. Stagecoach Road, Vincennes, IN 47591	(812)882-7456	South Knox '75
Ellis, Dr. C. Robert (13)	P.O. Box 664, Boonville, Indiana 47601		Folsomville '56
Ervin, Bill (13)	8158 Frisco Way, Indianapolis, IN 46240	(317) 251-4454	Terre Haute Wiley '57
Evans, Leigh (honorary)	873 Ravenwood Dr., Greenwood, IN 46142	(317)885-1462	Castle '86
Findley, David (life)	2721 W 23rd. St., Chicago, IL 60608		
Flinn, Jason (13)	335 The Woods, Bedford, IN 47421	(812)279-0465	Bedford No. Lawrence '89
Flinn, Larry (13)	489 Shawswick Station Road, Bedford, IN 47421	(812)279-5280	Tunnelton '59
Goss, Marshall (life)	1055 East Jennifer Circle, Bloomington, IN 47401	(812) 339-7121	Martinsville '56
Griffin, Roger Lee (life)	10380 Regent Court, Newburgh, IN 47630	(812)490-4498	Evansville Bosse '63
Grosscup, Jr., Cal (13)	1309 Cove Avenue, Ocean Springs, MS 39564		
Haas, James (13)	110 East North Street, Crown Point, IN 46307	(219) 588-2095	Merrillville '69
Haynes, Hubert (14)	217 South Green Street, Brownsburg, IN 46112	(317) 852-4388	Fontanet '52
Henry, Patrick (13)	269 Forrest Avenue, Wabash, IN 46992		
Hinkle, Harlan (14)	4377 Westside Drive, Brownsburg, IN 46112	(317) 745-5441	Decker '50
Hoover, Jerry (life)	209 North Illinois Street, Monticello, Indiana 47960		
Indiana State Hist. Soc. (?)	450 W. Ohio Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202-3269	(317)232-1882	NA
Indiana State Library (?)	140 N. Senate St., Room 210, Indianapolis, IN 46204	(317)232-3664	NA
Johnson, Clair (14)	12868 East C.R. 180 South, Frankfort, Indiana 46041	(765) 249-2447	
Johnson, Cliff (life)	16828 Fairburn Street, Hesperia, CA 92345	(760)948-9956	Western '54
Johnson, Scott (honorary)	2715 McGraw Drive, Bloomington, IL 61702	(309)663-6377	Elgin, IL
Jones, Dr. Norman (14)	759 Silk Oak Lane, Crystal Lake, IL 60014		Marion '54
Kenworthy, Rocky (life)	710 E. 800 S, Clayton, IN 46118	(317)539-6828	Cascade '74
Linton, Dwayne (13)	953 Sunset Dr. Danville, IN 46122	(317) 745-5878	Lizton '57
Longfellow, Jack (13)	429 Stimson Street, Orlando, FL 32839	(407)855-9306	Frankfort '45
Luzadder, Jeff (13)	1424 Congress Street, Lafayette, IN 47905-1242	(765)742-0143	Dunkirk '74
Mallers, Jim (13)	418 Northwest Passage Trail, Ft. Wayne, IN 46825	(260) 489-8900	Bluffton '54
May, Chris (honorary)	One Hall of Fame Court, New Castle, IN 47362	(765) 720-3562	Rushville '00
McCormick, B. Michael (life)	236 McKinley Boulevard, Terre Haute, IN 47803	(812)232-3800	Terre Haute Wiley '56
McGrady, Gary (life)	683 Maudlin Road, Hillsboro, IN 47949	(765) 798-6590	Fountain Central '82
McKean, Dick (14)	417 West Buckeye St, Berne, IN 46711	(260) 849-4130	Berne '64
McNally, Dan (life)	8607 Manderley Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46240		Noblesville '70
Mehaffey, Gordon (life)	1278 Eaglewood Drive, Cambridge City, IN 47327	(765) 969-1060	Lawrence Central '59
Memering, Jerry (life)	1801 Margaret Drive, Vincennes, IN 47591	(812) 882-8776	Vincennes '69
Messell, Randy (life)	802 South Main Street, Bicknell, IN 47512	(812) 735-2268	North Knox '72
Millburn, Kent (13)	435 North Carter St, P.O. Box 64, Russlerville, IN 46979	(765) 883-5053	Western '54
Miller, Brian (13)	P.O. Box 315, Hamilton, IN 46742	(260) 488-2889	Huntington '74
Millner, Gene (13)	321 S. Bloomington Street, Greencastle, IN 46135	(765) 653-2506	Rossville '63
Monroe, Dean (13)	220 West Golfbrook Drive, Portland, IN 47371	(260) 729-2381	Pennville '72
Mullen, John (14)	108 Cherry Street, Loogootee, IN 47553		Washington Catholc '93
Myers, Kevin R. (life)	2008 Washington Dr. Frankfort, IN 46041	(765) 659-1973	Frankfort '72
Nonte, Tim (14)	622 S Old Patoka Rd, Patoka, IN 47666	(812) 779-5251	Loogootee St. John's '60
Ockomon, John (13)	6827 Balfour Court, Indianapolis, IN 46220	(317) 842-2715	Pendleton '60
Pedersen, Ralph (life)	439 Academy Road, Culver, IN 46511	(219) 842-5045	Culver '45
Racht, Gene (13)	11016 Fernald Avenue, Dallas, TX 75218	(214) 341-7762	Kendallville '54
Rademacher, Terry (13)	13301 Early Sunset Drive Memphis, IN 47143	(812) 748-0457	Holland '70
Rady, Pat S. (life)	2545 Oak Street, Terre Haute, IN 47803	(812) 234-1156	Roachdale '59
Reeves, Rick (13)	109 Knox Drive, West Lafayette, Indiana 47906	(765) 497-9252	Garrett '61
Rich, James (13)	P.O. Box 111, Burlington, IN 46915	(765) 566-2727	Frankfort
Robinson, Darrell (13)	4380 W. 400 N, Connorsville, IN 47331	(765) 825-5525	Harrisburg '55
Robison, Gary (13)	4921 Ione Drive, Ft. Wayne, IN 46835	(260) 485-5088	Monroeville '54
Robison, Max (13)	1716 Kenwood Ave., Fort Wayne, IN 46805-2662	(260) 484-5864	Monroeville '56
Robison, Dr. Roger (life)	2422 Rechter Road East, Bloomington, IN 47401-6123	(812) 331-8018	Frankfort '54
Rogge, Phyllis (honorary)	1015 Crosspointe Court, Wabash, IN 46992	(219) 563-1706	Wabash '50

Ruch, Ed (life)	3746 N. State Road 75, Frankfort, IN 46041	(765) 654-7902 Frankfort '51
Schaefer, Hugh (13)	3035 East Lotus Lane, Vincennes, IN 47591	Freelandville '61
Schellhase, Dave (13)	862 Walnut Ridge East, Logansport, IN 46947	(574) 753-5145 Evansville North '62
Scheurich, Merritt (13)	401 South Walsh Street, Garrett, Indiana 46738	(260) 357-5582 Garrett '66
Schurtter, Paul (14)	3905 Baytree Lane, Bloomington, IN 47401	(812) 332-4358 Cannelton '49
Sheets, Harley (life)	635 South State Road 39, Danville, IN 46122	(317) 745-6788 Lebanon '54
Showley, Lon (life)	1322 Kaimalino Lane, San Diego, California 92109	(858) 488-0277 North Caston '62
Sigo, Lanny (13)	3712 South 900 East, Lafayette, IN 47905	
Smith, Kenton (14)	1923 Copeland Farms Drive, Greenfield, IN 46140	(317) 462-8950 Lawrence Central '58
Smith, Tom (13)	5811 N. 210 W., Howe, IN 46746	Garrett '54
Smith, Walter D. (life)	102 Fourth Avenue, P. O. Box 15, Baraboo, WI 53913-0015	(608) 356-7474 Frankfort '54
Somers, Dr. Alan (13)	3800 Commodore Trall, Bloomington, IN 47408	(812) 339-2429 Tech '59
Spencer, Don (13)	124 Links of Lelth, Williamsburg, VA 23188	
Taylor, Jack (13)	901 Maple Drive, Frankfort, IN 46041	(765) 659-2318 Frankfort '54
Tekulve, Richard (life)	249 Lincoln, North Vernon, IN 47256	(812) 346-7921 Jennings County '73
Ternet, Mike (life)	2715 North Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46805	(260) 484-3725 FW Central Catholic '59
Thomas, Terry (13)	6473 Boat Street, Elizabethtown, IN 47232	Washington '65
Thompson, Don (life)	8247 E. Laguna Azul Ave., Mesa, AZ 85209-5213	(480) 354-0825 Shelbyville '62
Tisdale, Reginald (life)	P.O. Box 9298, Highland, IN 46322	(219) 392-1586 Warren Central '79
Tomak, Curtis (life)	50 Lewis Place, Martinsville, IN 46151	(765) 342-9794 Linton '59
Vincent, Michael (13)	P.O. Box 608, Cool Ridge, WV, 25825	(304) 787-3523 Brebeuf, '71
Waggoner, Scott (13)	P.O. 114, Loogootee, IN 47553	(812) 295-6155 Loogootee '74
Wehrheim, Mark (14)	3027 E. State Rd. 61, Vincennes, IN 47591	(812) 886-9897 Vincennes Rivet '79
Weis, Larry (13)	2391 Maxwell Drive, West Lafayette, IN 47906	(765) 464-3125 Detroit Edwin Denby, MI '57
Westfall, John (15)	5749 E. Indian Creek Rd., Monticello, IN 47960	(574) 583-4823 North White '68
Westfall, Randy (life)	2037 Deer Lodge Place, Ft. Wayne, IN 46818-8815	(260) 385-1961 Vincennes '61
Williams, Bill (life)	405 Maple Court, Crawfordsville, IN 47933	(765) 362-4290 Crawfordsville '60
Williams, Brian (life)	5658 Brownstone Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46220	Crawfordsville '83
White, Dale (honorary)	2558 West U.S. Hwy. 136, Covington, IN 47932	(765) 793-3343 Covington '78
White, Thomas (hon)	201 E. Chestnut, Apt. # 17B, Chicago, IL 60611	(312) 951-6870 Crown Point '68
Wylie, Robert (14)	2806 S. Saint Remy Circle, Bloomington, IN 47401-2420	(812) 333-9646 Bloomington Univ. '57