

BASKETBALL

THE CAMBRIA COUNTY WAR MEMORIAL

Proudly Presents

SIXTH ANNUAL INVITATION TOURNAMENT

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY — DEC. 29-30, 1954

The management of the Annual Invitational Scholastic Tournament was obliged, because of circumstances beyond its control, to rearrange the normal operation of the Tournament for this sixth event. Compelled to proceed with three, instead of the normal four team field, it was determined that the best arrangement would be one game on each of the two original Tourney dates. Overbrook High School was seeded and placed in the finals. Johnstown High School and McKeesport were scheduled for the first round preliminary, the winner to collide with the Philadelphia entry the following night.

It is the consensus of many expert opinions that the Sixth Annual Tournament brings to battle Pennsylvania's two greatest quinettes in the 1954-55 season—Overbrook and McKeesport.

McKeesport has eleven of the fourteen boys who last year scored twenty wins in twenty-three games, returning. The starting five returns intact, third team All-State Gene Danko and 6 ft. 4 in. Stewart Heller sparking. The Tiger is expected to gobble up all PIAA foes and win the Pennsylvania State Championship this season. Already it has subdued Monessen 59-35, McKees Rocks 83-38, Turtle Creek 64-31, Wilkinsburg 61-46, Aliquippa 64-57, Charleroi 56-37, and their powerful Alumni 71-44.

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They lost on Farrell's floor 58-54, but Farrell has not lost in 73 games on their home court.

Overbrook High School of Philadelphia last year won twenty. They did not lose. Of that aggregation three starters return and a sophomore, Vince Miller at 6 ft. 5 in., joins the first five. One of the returnees is the Nation's greatest high school star of 1953-54 First team All-American, first team All-Pennsylvania; sought after by scores of colleges, numerous professional clubs and the Harlem Globe Trotters: the fabled Wilt "the Stilt" Chamberlain, 7 ft. 1 1/2 in. center. The giant Chamberlain moves with amazing agility. In the season past he averaged forty points per game, scoring 73 points against Roxboro High School. Chamberlain is possibly the greatest high school player of all time. In Overbrook's two victories this year (Philadelphia South Catholic, 94-38 and St. Thomas Moore, 88-54) Wilt scored 86 points. Overbrook has not lost.

Johnstown, victors in twenty-six of twenty-seven games last year, has veterans George Hanna, Bob Reese and Homer Rice returning. Surprisingly potent, J. H. S. has taken in stride Uniontown 75-43, Monesson 41-39, Lewistown 64-59, Franklin 65-42, Westinghouse 70-50 and Aliquippa 83-59. The defending Tournament Champions will skin the cat, which takes them lightly, be it Tiger or Panther.



OFFICIALS

DECEMBER 29th—ALEX RICH and WILLIAM BOSSI

DECEMBER 30th—CLYDE HORNER and JOHN SOLIC



AWARDS

Please remain seated after the championship game Thursday night as trophies will be awarded the winner and also-rans immediately following the game. A trophy will also be tendered the outstanding player.

OVERBROOK HIGH SCHOOL**Coach—Cecil Mosenson**

	Jersey Number		Pos.	Yr.	Age	Hgt.
	White	Black				
Douglass Leaman	3	3	G	Jr.	18	5' 10"
James Sadler	4	4	F	Jr.	18	6' 2"
Wilton Chamberlain	5	5	C	Sr.	18	7' 1"
Alan Weinberg	6	6	G	Jr.	17	6'
Tom Fitzhugh	8	8	G	Sr.	18	5' 10"
Howard Johnson	9	9	F	Sr.	17	5' 11"
David Shapiro	14	14	C	Sr.	17	6' 3"
Irv Jaffe	16	16	F	Soph.	16	6'
Vinson Miller	18	18	F	Sr.	17	6' 5"
Martin Hughes	21	21	G	Sr.	17	5' 8"

ORANGE AND BLACK**THE PANTHERS**

McKEESPORT HIGH SCHOOL**Coach—"Neenie" Campbell**

	Jersey Number		Pos.	Yr.	Age	Hgt.
	White	Black				
Gene Danko	30	30	F	Sr.	17	6'
Dave Rankin	25	25	F	Sr.	17	6' 1"
Stewart Heller	32	32	C	Sr.	17	6' 4"
Tom Markovich	34	34	G	Sr.	17	6' 2"
Glenn Shample	24	24	G	Jr.	16	5' 10"
George Krajack	23	23	G	Sr.	17	6' 2"
Archie Robinson	27	27	F	Sr.	17	6' 1"
Dennis Kuremsky	20	20	G	Sr.	17	5' 7"
Ronald Protz	33	33	F	Sr.	17	6' 2"
Walter Gibbons	28	28	C	Jr.	16	6' 3"
Edward Ziobro	22	22	F	Sr.	17	5' 10"
James Falis	29	29	F	Jr.	16	5' 10"
Ronald Ivkovich	21	21	G	Jr.	16	5' 9"

RED AND BLUE**THE TIGERS**

JOHNSTOWN HIGH SCHOOL**Coach—Paul Abele**

	Jersey Number		Pos.	Yr.	Age	Hgt.
	White	Blue				
Robert Reese	82	43	G	Sr.	19	6'
Homer Rice	72	35	F	Sr.	18	5' 7"
George Hanna	75	53	F	Jr.	17	5' 10"
Bernard Haselrig	73	24	C	Jr.	17	6' 2"
Richard Molchany	83	55	G	Jr.	17	6' 1"
Kenneth Rager	80	25	F	Jr.	16	5' 7"
Kenneth Paige	76	23	F	Jr.	16	5' 6"
Raymond Vargo	78	50	C	Jr.	15	6' 2"
William Spanko	81	30	G	Jr.	16	6'
Richard Toth	77	33	F	Jr.	17	5' 9"
Fred Groke	84	54	G	Jr.	17	6' 1"

BLUE AND BLACK**THE TROJANS**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

FIRST ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

FIELD	TOURNEY RECORD	SEASON'S RECORD	ALL-STATE SELECTIONS
1949	1949	1949-50	1950
READING	2-0	13-9	
CONEMAUGH	1-1	20-7	TOM YEWCIC (First)
HOMESTEAD	1-1	20-4	TOM GOSSMAN (Third)
McKEESPORT	0-2	17-3	

SECOND ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

1950	1950	1950-51	1951
JOHNSTOWN CATHOLIC	2-0	25-0	RON NATHANIC (Second)
FARRELL	1-1	27-2	JULIUS McCOY (First)
JOHNSTOWN	1-1	21-4	
WILLIAMSPORT	0-2	16-8	

THIRD ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

1951	1951	1951-52	1952
FARRELL	2-0	27-1	JULIUS McCOY (First)
FORD CITY	1-1	20-2	RAY ZELEK (Fourth)
SWOYERSVILLE	1-1	30-3	JOE HOLUP (First)
WESTMONT	0-2	22-2	BOB SHARKEY (Second)

FOURTH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

1952	1952	1952-53	1953
JOHNSTOWN	2-0	25-2	
GREENSBURG	1-1	24-2	JACK KALBFUS (First)
SHARON	1-1	22-3	BOB ATTERHOLT (First)
OLD FORGE	0-2	29-3	MARTIN FARRELL (First)

FIFTH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT

1953	1953	1953-54	1953
JOHNSTOWN	2-0	24-1	PAUL SCHMIDT (First)
CHESTER	1-1	24-2	JIM LONG (Second)
NEW KENSINGTON	1-1	18-4	
NEW CASTLE	0-2	9-9	

THE OUTSTANDING PLAYERS 1949-52

FIRST ANNUAL TOURNAMENT	1949	LEON MILLER	READING
SECOND ANNUAL TOURNAMENT	1950	JULIUS McCOY	FARRELL
THIRD ANNUAL TOURNAMENT	1951	JULIUS McCOY	FARRELL
FOURTH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT	1952	JACK KALBFUS	GREENSBURG
FIFTH ANNUAL TOURNAMENT	1953	PAUL SCHMIDT	JOHNSTOWN

STATE CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP

1950	HOMESTEAD	STATE CHAMPIONS-PIAA
1951	JOHNSTOWN CATHOLIC	STATE CHAMPIONS-PCIAA
1951	FARRELL	STATE RUNNERS-UP-PIAA
1952	FARRELL	STATE CHAMPIONS-PIAA
1953	SHARON	STATE RUNNERS-UP-PIAA
1954	CHESTER	STATE RUNNERS-UP-PIAA