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and to the late Bill Phillips. Bill was a Slicer player and assistant coach. When I was hired for my first coaching position as coach of the Kesling boy's 8th grade team, it was Bill that first offered assistance and introduced me to LaPorte basketball.

This book was written for the community of LaPorte and all the Slicer fans

past, present, and future. It is a book that needed to be written in order to document all the great moments that have taken place in the past 100 years of Slicer basketball.

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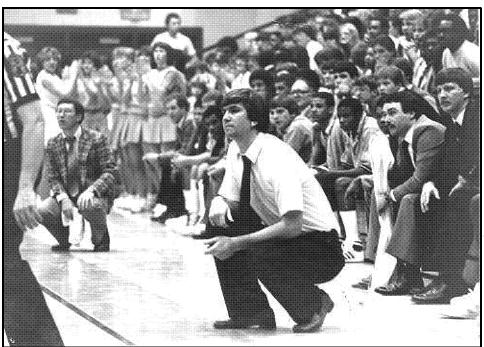
FOREWORD

It's hard to believe that we've had a whole century of basketball at LaPorte High School.

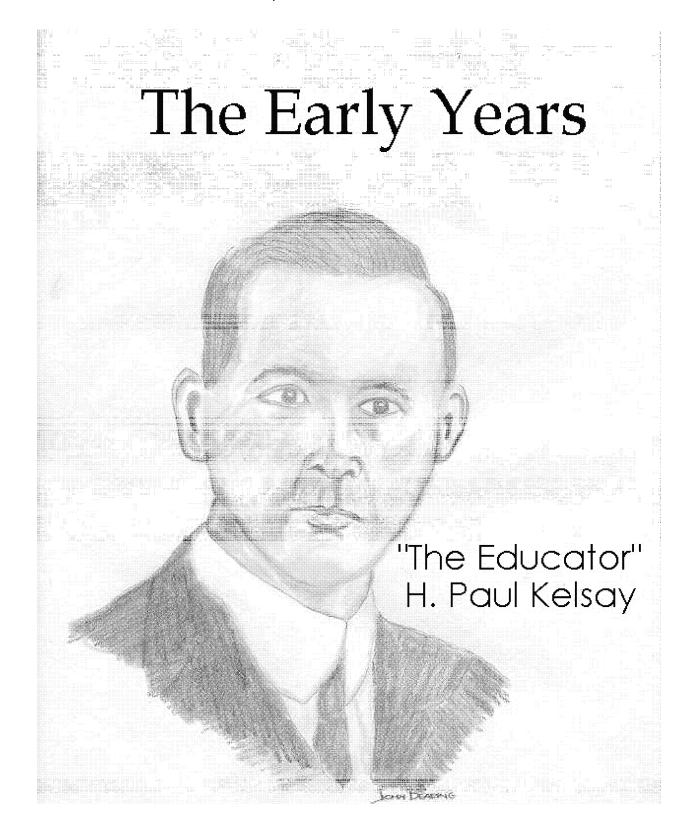
John Dearing captures the heart and soul of Slicer Basketball in this ambitious history of 100 years of hardwood heroics in the Maple City. It's all here, from Bob Wilcox, the star of the 1915 Slicers, to Steve Drabyn Jr., LaPorte's last Indiana All Star in 2000. In between you'll find the likes of Slicer legends, Kenny Young, Irv Swanson, Ziggy Belzowski, Bob Wilkinson, Terry Stevens, Eric Dolezal, and Greg Tonagel.

The Good, the Bad, and That Ugly Orange Jacket is chock full of colorful descriptions of great moments in Slicer Basketball and amusing anecdotes about the game that made Indiana famous. The stories serve to remind us that basketball, as well as other sports in this sports crazy town, adds a great deal to our sense of community. A century of Slicer Basketball. Amazing....simply amazing.

Joe Otis LaPorte Head Coach 1980-2002



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he most common noise heard in my house is a crescendoing thud-thud of a

mini basketball mixed with an occasional slap of the wall. My oldest son, Morgan, does it so much that when I don't hear it I start to worry. I can't tell you how many pictures have fallen from the wall and shattered into pieces. He plays with no basket just throws it against the wall. Muffled by the sound of the basketball, I can hear him talking to himself. "Joel Tonagel dribbles the court, passes it to Kyle Bailey for three....It's good! Slicers win! Slicers win!" The names have changed over the years, but the games, passion, and enthusiasm in his voice have never wavered.

There is something about basketball that is known by every child who ever shoveled off the driveway to clear a place to dribble or who road a bike five miles into town for a pickup game at the YMCA – players have a need to play. That need to play or "Hoosier Hysteria" didn't skip the town of LaPorte. In fact, when those winds off Lake Michigan start to pick up, there isn't a gymnasium in Northern Indiana that fills the stands with more loyal fans then the Slicers Gym. In the last one hundred years the town has produced countless youngsters that have felt that same passion for the game. This book is meant to be a fun account of the many teams and players that have worn the orange and black uniform. It is their stories and memories that I hope to capture. So read and remember a "Century of Slicer Basketball."

Although it probably should have been, basketball wasn't invented in Indiana. It was

invented in Springfield, Massachusetts by Dr. James A. Naismith, a Canadian of all things. Years later after Dr. Naismith visited the 1925 Indiana State Finals along with 15,000 screaming fans, he commented, "Basketball really had its origin in Indiana, which remains the center of the sport."

So how did this simple physical education activity, invented by a youth minister in Massachusetts as a way to keep his raucous students active during the winter months, become life itself for thousands of small town folks across Indiana? Well, less than a year after Naismith wrote his thirteen rules of basketball the Rev. Nicholas McKay brought Naismith's game to Crawfordsville, Indiana. McKay, with the help of a local blacksmith forged two hoops and attached coffee sacks to the hoops to catch the ball. The first official game in Indiana pitted McKay's Crawfordsville YMCA team against Coach Anthony Chez's Wabash College in 1894. Central Indiana, with teams like Crawfordsville, Wingate, Thorntown, and Lebanon, would become known as the "Cradle of Indiana Basketball". From there the sport would spread rapidly across the cornfields of Indiana to the steel mills and lake towns of northern Indiana.

According to the 1903 LaPorte High School yearbook, boy's and girl's basketball existed, but all games were intramural in nature. Teams in football, baseball, and indoor baseball competed against other schools, but not yet in basketball. Eleven years after that inaugural game in Crawfordsville, LaPorte High School would play for the first time on January 27, 1905. LaPorte lost to South Bend 38 to 8. Despite the huge differential in the score, the newspaper account said LaPorte gave a good showing in their "maiden effort". So who scored the first points in LaPorte history? It was either a player named Walter Meyer or Paul Boklund as they scored the only baskets. Meyer also hit four free throws to make his point total six. Thus he became LaPorte's first go-to-guy and paved the way for future Slicer stars like John Luber, Bob Wilkinson, Terry Stevens, Greg Tonagel, and Steve Drabyn.

Early accounts of games seem amusing today. Articles usually had very little in detail of



1907 Orange and Black

the game. In fact, more space was used to complain about the playing conditions, describe rough play by competitors, or to give critiques of the official team mascots. Each school apparently had a "yeller" whose job was to get the fans excited about the game. He was often given more notoriety than any of the actual players. One of my favorite articles was about new yeller Stickey Frantz. Stickey was said to have done a good job at the game, but the reporter suggested that the school buy him an orange and black outfit, as he wasn't dressed

properly. The article goes on to say, "The yells

last night have more snap than last year. However, we suggest the rooters would forget one of them. The one where they prêt near say –ell." Note to current Athletic Director Ed Gilliland: trouble with the student section didn't all start with the wife beater outfits. Some of the best yells were often recorded in the *Maple* or *El-Pe*, LaPorte High School's yearbook. Yells like:

"Raza-ma-rooh, Raza-ma-rack, What's the matter with the orange and black?"

"Rush up a tin can! Shiny up a tree! LaPorte High School! tee-hee-hee!!!"

Or who could forget the 1909 game against Goshen when the young ladies of the high school brought out this one:

"Who can, can? We can, can, Anybody can, Beat Goshen!"

The reporter of the day said this afterwards. "It is to be regretted, deeply regretted, that there was not a representative of the Edison Phonograph Co. on hand to take down the several shades of tone, shrill tone, which the girls threw into their voices. The yelling was on the do-ray-me order, rising to a high C."

The game itself didn't take on the importance one would expect today. In 1918, a game against Mishawaka was cancelled because a number of players on the Mishawaka team were taking part in the school opera "Pinafore". The 1910-11 team was scheduled to play against a team from Columbian Park in San Francisco. The Columbian Park team was traveling through the area and attempting to play teams along the way. The two teams

never met though because overnight accommodations for their players couldn't be obtained. Although it would have been the first out of state team to play LaPorte, it wouldn't have been the only. LaPorte has played against teams from Michigan, Illinois, and Kentucky.

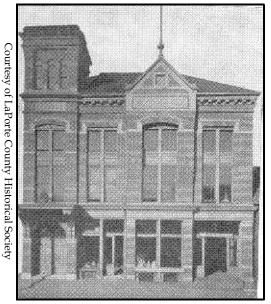
In the early years of the sport, one player would do most of the scoring. A big reason for this was that you had designated free throw shooters previous to the start of the game. Regardless of who was fouled, your best free throw shooter would always go to the line. Kind of makes the "Hack a Shaq" strategy obsolete. This is why players like the Krejci brothers averaged double figures on teams that GYMXASUM.

Courtesy of the El Pe

averaged only twenty points a game. Frank and Eddie Krejci were two of the stars of LaPorte's pre-tournament years. Other prominent players were Chester Ward, Irv Larsen, George Anderson, and Les Bryant. Bryant was also a star football player and went on to become the head football coach at the University of Cincinnati. LaPorte struggled through the first two years of this fledging new sport. By my records they didn't win a game until half way through the third year. The Orange and Black's

first victory would come against visiting South Bend on March 8, 1907. LaPorte turned the tables on the same school that baptized them into the sport by defeating the "Benders" 34 to 8.

Playing conditions at the time were less than ideal. Some teams played in church basements with concrete floors and ceilings that were way too low. Of course, a row of posts or an old fashioned pot-bellied stove made an excellent pick. Spectators sat right along the edge of the court and often participated in the game by slapping the ball towards their team or hitting competitors. The slapping of the ball was perfectly legal as there was no designated out of bounds. In a contest at Whiting, the local fans gave their team quite the home court advantage. The basket was attached to the balcony making it easy for the fans to shake the basket when LaPorte would shoot. That problem at enough different venues led to an official rule of baskets having to be two feet from the end line. It actually is believed that the original purpose of the backboard was to keep spectators from interfering with the basket. LaPorte had some home court advantages of their own. The floor they used for games had the duel purpose of being a dance floor. Often the basketball game was just an opening act for the dance of the evening. Opposing teams would complain about the newly waxed floors being too slippery. Cornmeal was thrown



Lay's Hall 1912

on the floor one time to no avail. That incident reminds this author of the Merrillville game of 1997 and the silicone episode.

Games in the early years were played at Lay's Hall. Later, LaPorte would play their games at Interlaken School on Pine Lake Avenue, the YMCA and then at the high school. YMCA's served as hosts for a great many of high schools throughout Indiana. The coaches would also serve as the referees. The visiting coach officiated the first half and the home coach the second half. One newspaper writer from the *Herald-Argus* took exception to the Elkhart coach's officiating after a contest in 1912. He exclaimed, "During the game he was coaching his own team. After the game he admitted it, but he offered the lame excuse that a team on a strange floor and playing before a strange crowd ought to be helped. This sounds ridiculous to anyone, who understands athletics." It sure does.

Earl Wise was one of the first star players. In 1913 he averaged 17.2 ppg which broke Eddie Kretjci previous high of 15.2 set in 1910. Wise made fame by making overhand shots. He was said to have "brought down the house" with his sensational goal shooting. However, Wise was known to break training by eating ice cream, candy and other forbidden things, and as such, was unable to hold up his end of the play at times. He did, however, accomplish a feat against Goshen in 1913 that probably will never happen again. He nearly tripled their score when he scored 32 points in a 68 to 11 victory.

While on the subject of incredible scorers, the orange and black played three contests against Culver's Herman Sayger. Sayger was a legendary player who rivaled Herman Stonebraker of Wingate fame as the greatest player of that time. He once scored 113

points in a 154 to 10 blowout of Winamac. LaPorte lost all three games by scores of 75 to 16, 27 to 20, and 54 to 16. No information was available on how many points Sayger scored, but one thing is for certain it wasn't a record.

In 1911 the first state tournament in Indiana was held, with Crawfordsville capturing the title. LaPorte didn't compete in that first tournament. In fact, only twelve schools, mostly from Central Indiana competed in the first tournament. By 1915 the number of entrees rose to 155, and for the first time sectionals were established. LaPorte was invited to compete in the sectional held in Hammond. There were strict rules concerning the payment of coaches at the time. Coaches were prohibited from receiving any compensation including travel expenses. Coach Freeman was unable to pay his own way to Hammond, so the team went to the sectional coachless. The Slicers won their first sectional game ever 38 to 12 against Hammond. Whiting would sneak past the 11-2 LaPorte team with a 23 to 20 overtime victory. But it would



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Earl Wise 1913

be East Chicago that would become the first representative from the north in the state tournament. The 1915 team was one of the best of its day. Over a two-year period they had won sixteen out of seventeen games including a string of 13 in a row. Bob Wilcox was the leading scorer averaging 15 points per game. He also had a famous overhand shot style, but it was noted that his shot often became a liability in some of the low ceiling courts of his day. Wilcox was LaPorte's first four-year player. He went on to play at Northwestern and later became a local doctor. He passed away in July of 1998 at the age of 101. One curious note to this team was Bob Armstrong. Armstrong, a junior, played in the first five games of the season and averaged ten points per game. However, he didn't play the rest of the season and there is no mention in the newspaper as to why he didn't play. Other top players on the 1915 team were Gaines Young and James O. Flood.

In 1916, Coach Ivan Zaring took over the program. He would stay for two years and compile a 15 and 14 win/loss record. Bob Armstrong, curiously, missed the first four ball games in 1916 before returning as one of the team's top scorers. With only two seniors on the 1916-17 team they struggled to a 5 and 9 record. Leon "Peter" Bender led the team in scoring at nearly 8 points a clip. Four-year player Gaines Young chipped in 6 per game.

There was a great deal of transition in the early years. High School coaching has never been a lucrative business, and it was even less so back then. LaPorte would have their sixth new coach in seven years to start the 1917-18 season. H. Paul Kelsay from Amboy High School and Earlham College was hired as a mathematics teacher. His initial team won 8 games and lost 6 including a first round exit in the sectional against Plymouth. Kelsay's second year team had four freshmen and one sophomore see action during the season. Senior Marv Danielson's 13.5 points per game led Kelsay's men. They won 9 out of sixteen games, with a third of those wins coming in the South

Bend Sectional. The orange and black knocked off Rolling Prairie, LaCrosse, and Elkhart at the Notre Dame facility. In the final, South Bend Central sneaked by LaPorte 17 to 10. Danielson had six points, junior John Hamilton hit for two points, and Cyril Parker scored two.



1919 LaPorte Team

1904-05		1906-07				
LaPORTE (0-3) Coach: Wineland		LaPORTE (3-4) Coach: Professor Mc	Cleni	nan		
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1912-13

LaPORTE (8-5) Coach: Allison

		G	PTS	AVG
HOLM,LEROY	SR	3	16	5.3
HOSMER,BOB	SR	1	0	0.0
SCHNABEL, HENRY		12	70	5.8
WAIR,DON	JR	12	0	0.0
WALTON, AL		11	18	1.6
WILCOX,BOB	SO	12	86	7.2
WISE,EARL	SR	12	206	17.2
		12	396	33.0

NOTE: Point totals don't include game vs. Culver.

Scores

16	Mishawaka	31
29	Valparaiso	20
37	Michigan City	13
23	Valparaiso	44
25	Plymouth	15
27	Mishawaka	19
21	Plymouth	57
16	Culver	75
68	Goshen	11
22	Elkhart	33
49	Michigan City	22
34	Goshen	24
46	Elkhart	4

1913-14

LaPORTE (12-6) Coach: Professor Johnson

		G	PTS	AVG
ARMSTRONG,BOB	so	7	30	4.3
CRAFT,FRANK	JR	1	4	4.0
EDWARDS,BURTON		11	42	3.8
FLOOD, JAMES O.	JR	4	4	1.0
HAMPSON,HARRY	SO	17	60	3.5
HIGLEY,WARREN	SR	9	10	1.1
MCCURDY,ROBERT	SR	14	138	9.9
SALLWASSER,NORMAN	SR	9	12	1.3
WAIR,DON	SR	18	18	1.0
WILCOX,BOB	JR	18	199	11.1
YOUNG, GAINES	FR	8	20	2.5
		18	537	29.8

Scores

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16	Culver	54
48	Knox	5
	Elkhart	14
	Mishawaka	21
	Interlaken	13
31	Elkhart	29

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54 Rensselaer

29 Valparaiso

14

30

Sectional

38 Hammond

20 Whiting (OT)

12

23

1916-17	1917-18
LaPORTE (5-9) Coach: Ivan A. Zaring	LaPORTE (7-6) Coach: H.P. Kelsay
G PTS AVG BENDER,LEON JR 14 107 7.6 DANIELSON,MARV SO 14 62 4.4 KUHNS,JESSE SR 12 21 1.8 MAGNUSON,GLEN "OLE" JR 11 14 1.3 PUTNAM,WALT JR 10 30 3.0 SALLWASSER,MILT JR 9 18 2.0 SCHENCK,HARVEY JR 9 4 0.4 WING,JACK 2 2 1.0 YOUNG,GAINES SR 14 86 6.1 14 344 24.6	BENDER,LEON SR 12 166 13.8 DANIELSON,MARV JR 13 110 8.5 GUYER,KARL SR 5 0 0.0 HAMILTON,JOHN SO 6 4 0.7 MAGNUSON,GLEN "OLE" SR 12 6 0.5 NEUTZMAN,BILL JR 12 0 0.0 SALLWASSER,MILT SR 10 68 6.8 SCHENCK,HARVEY SR 7 12 1.7 13 366 28.2
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