

# Basketball

The 1934-35 basketball season began the last week in November, with Captain Stanley Alseth, Ralph Sheldon and Elmer Ross the only lettermen candidates from last year's second place team. New candidates were Lester MacGregor, Bert Spence and Harry Fink, with Clarence Stromberg, Paul Billberg, Richard Johansen and Kenneth Albertson coming up from last year's reserves and class teams.

From the game on December 8 with East Grand Forks to the final game with Morris, the squad made rather slow progress. With a constantly changing personnel it was difficult to secure a winning combination. As a result, only three victories were achieved. One was against the Alumni team, played to a standstill during the first half, with Weckwerth, Lindstrom and Maattala playing a strong game for the graduates. The other two were against McIntosh and Warren High Schools, these teams being handicapped by lack of experience on a large floor.

The first conference game with St. Paul at their Homecoming on February 2 found the team playing its best defensive game. With the score 8-8 at the half it looked as if we had a chance to win. However, an inspired offense by the St. Paul boys gave them three quick baskets at the start of the second half, giving them a lead which they stubbornly protected. The final score was 20-27.

Against Park River on February 16 we held the

lead until the last quarter, losing 28-32 after holding a 20-16 advantage at the half, due to the scoring spree put on by Albertson and Fink resulting in eighteen points in the second quarter.

Grand Rapids came here on February 23 with a rangy team of dead shots led by Rock who typified their impenetrable defense and scored four baskets himself, leading his teammates to a well deserved 29-16 victory.

Prospects at this writing for a victory against Morris seem dim as they have at least three representatives of last year's team that defeated us 42-22 in the final game of 1934, and several new men who have given them additional strength.

Although the 1934-35 team won few victories they never lost hope or suffered from a weakened morale. Captain Stanley Alseth led his gang of loyal teammates into every game hoping to win and every man did his best even when victory was obviously no longer possible. As high point man Stanley led the team in scoring and as captain he set a fine example with his perfect sportsmanship and conscientious training.

Prospects for next year appear somewhat brighter in spite of the fact that we lose Alseth and Sheldon through graduation. Five lettermen will be available for another year and many promising candidates are coming up from class teams.

## The Schedule

	Opponents	Aggies	Opponents	Aggies
Dec. 8	East Grand Forks High School	- 41	- 10	
Dec. 15	Fertile High School	- - - 16	- 11	
Dec. 23	Thief River Falls High School	- 56	- 7	
Jan. 12	Erskine High School	- - - 19	- 18	
Jan. 19	Plummer High School	- - - 34	- 32	
Jan. 28	East Grand Forks High School	- 34	- 14	
Feb. 2	St. Paul Aggies	- - - 27	- 20	
Feb. 8	Alumni	- - - - -	- 15	48
Feb. 15	Erskine High School	- - - - -	- 33	19
Feb. 16	Park River Aggies	- - - - -	- 32	28
Feb. 19	McIntosh High School	- - - - -	- 26	33
Feb. 23	North Central Aggies	- - - - -	- 29	16
Feb. 27	Warren High School	- - - - -	- 17	27
Mar. 2	Morris Aggies	- - - - -	- 18	32

Top Row—O. Thompson, R. Wentzel, P. Bergeron, K. Albertson, G. Tasa, T. Strand, W. Bellamy.  
 Second Row—Student Mgr. W. Munby, P. Billberg, E. Ross, C. Stromberg, R. Johansen, Coach Christgau.  
 First Row—B. Spence, R. Sheldon, Capt. Alseth, H. Fink, L. MacGregor.

