

STATE TOURNAMENT

The 1928 State Tournament produced by far the best basketball ever played at the annual event. No less an authority than Coach W. E. Meanwell stated emphatically that the type of play, the sportsmanship shown and the physique of the contestants was the best ever shown in Wisconsin. Dr. Meanwell declared that the long pass overhead game used at the meet by some of the teams was excellent and the best he had noted among high schools.

One of the outstanding features of the tournament was the fact that less time was taken out by the teams during the third and fourth days of the meet than during the first day. This fact speaks volumes for the physical fitness of the boys participating.

Not alone was the game itself the best ever shown at the State Meet but the attendance and the demand for tickets the greatest in the history of the event. Hundreds were turned away each evening while almost capacity crowds were present at most of the day sessions. The total attendance was about 16,000. Had seating capacity been available twice the above number would have attended. The tickets for the final games were sold long before game time and hundreds who, in many instances, had come great distances to view the games were unable to gain admittance.

The meet produced the best offensive basketball ever shown at the State Meet. The winners of the 27 games averaged better than 25 points per game or 1 more than last year. The losers averaged 14 or 2 points more per game than in 1927. The percentage of free throws scored was better than 50%, a gain of 10% over last year. One of every three basketball games is decided from the free throw line, a fact which coaches and players have come to appreciate.

Only one game and that the final started late. This delay was not due to the schedule or the teams, but to the fact that the broadcasting apparatus was not ready until 8:10 P. M.

Watertown with a team that started slowly, but became better from game to game won a clear cut and deserving victory in the final over a splendid and fighting team representing Madison-Central. In order to defeat Madison-Central, Watertown had to play perfect basketball. This the big, strong, fast and well coached Watertown team did. In fact their game was so good that the result was never in doubt after the first quarter.

Wisconsin High which held Watertown to a 13 to 12 score the first game won the consolation.

At the Friday meeting of the Board of Control a resolution was unanimously adopted under which the Wisconsin Champion was prohibited from attending the National Basketball Tournament held under the auspices of the University of Chicago.

Following the policy adopted in 1926, no all-state team was selected. A number of state sporting editors are evidencing considerable interest in this attitude of the Board. A majority favor the stand, but a loud minority

severely criticize the policy. The Board is convinced that no good purpose will be served by the selection of all-state teams and for that reason will oppose the practice.

The 1928 Tournament attracted by far the largest attendance in the history of the event. An accurate check-up shows that 15,622 people attended the games and that at least 3,000 more were turned away on both Friday and Saturday evenings—as many were turned away as admitted. The detailed check shows 7,292 admitted on single admission, while 4,498 were admitted on season tickets. A total of 2,832 were admitted on complimentary tickets. This number included the 192 tickets granted to the teams, the 52 press tickets, the 60 given to the University staff, the 50 supplied to district and supplementary managers and the 24 used by the Board of Control.

The receipts were \$6,449.00 or \$2,067.20 more than last year, the previous high mark. The expenses for the 1928 meet were \$4,474.40 or \$652.14 more than in 1927. The amount paid to competing teams was \$2,667.74 as against \$1,762.99 last year. A careful check on other expenses, however, held the total increase to \$652.14. Interest of \$25.06 was collected on tournament funds, making total receipts, including this item, \$6,474.06. With total expenditures of \$4,474.40, the actual net profit of the State Tournament to the W.I.A.A. was \$1,999.66.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts

2024 Reserved seats	\$2,024.00	
1855 Tickets @ .50	927.50	
3413 Tickets @ .75	2,559.75	
749 Student coupon books @ 1.25	936.25	
Total Sale	\$6,447.50	
Over on Cash Sale	1.50	
Total	\$6,449.00	
Interest on Tournament Account	25.06	
Total Receipts and Interest	\$6,474.06	\$6,474.06

Expenditures

Labor	\$ 507.25	
Printing, Publishing	191.86	
Awards	216.40	
Entertainment	248.15	
Salaries—Officials	411.20	
Travel and Hotel	2,667.74	
General	231.80	
	\$4,474.40	\$4,474.40
Profit 1928 Tournament		\$1,999.66

NOTE: The University-State Tournament Reserve Fund of \$1,000 was turned over to the Board of Control during the year and is reported in the financial statement.

STATE TOURNAMENT SCORES

First Day Games

Madison--Central	20	Ashland	9
Marshfield	36	Cuba City	19
Neenah	12	E. DePere	11
La Crosse--Central	25	Oconto	24
Waukesha	20	River Falls	9
Wausau	31	Spooner	15
Stevens Point	30	Whitehall	26
Watertown	13	Wisconsin High	12

CONSOLATION SERIES

Thursday

Ashland	19	Cuba City	16
Oconto	19	E. DePere	15
River Falls	25	Spooner	9
Wisconsin High	29	Whitehall	11

Friday

Oconto	12	Ashland	6
Wisconsin High	19	River Falls	5

Saturday

Consolation Final

Wisconsin High	29	Oconto	11
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CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Thursday

Madison-Central	32	Marshfield	11
Neenah	29	La Crosse--Central	23
Wausau	31	Waukesha	9
Watertown	17	Stevens Point	8

Friday

Third Place Series

La Crosse--Central	24	Marshfield	22
Stevens Point	16	Waukesha	11

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Madison-Central	25	Neenah	15
Watertown	24	Wausau	22

Saturday

Third Place Series

Stevens Point	18	La Crosse--Central	15
Neenah	25	Wausau	23

Third Place Final

Neenah	24	Stevens Point	13
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Championship Game

Watertown	27	Madison-Central	14
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SUPPLEMENTARY TOURNAMENTS

Nine Supplementary Tournaments were held this year on March 22-24. Only one of ten scheduled centers failed to fill. Fourteen applications for entrance were refused because of the fact that they were so scattered that no center could be organized to accommodate any eight.

Under the Wisconsin tournament plan all schools are eligible for selection to the regular district meets. Schools with enrollments of less than approximately 140, if not selected for the district meets, may enter a supplementary tournament providing that eight schools apply for admittance to an available center.

The supplementary Tournaments were organized between March 2 and 12. The organization of these meets on such short notice indicates real co-operation between the principals, local managers and the Secretary. A total of 72 schools competed in these nine meets. With 128 schools competing in the sixteen regular district events and 72 in the Supplementary meets it will be noted that a total of 200 schools participated in basketball tournaments this year. This total

represents almost one-half of the W.I.A.A. membership.

The receipts showed an average of \$485.71 or \$4.00 less per meet than last year. Two of the tournaments reported all expenses paid while one returned a small profit. The meets paid all local expenses and an average of 58% of the expenses of competing teams. The receipts per meet and amount paid to competing teams was about the same as in 1927.



Financial Statement

Tournament	Total Receipts	Local Expenses	Paid Teams	% Paid Teams	Profit
Mt. Horeb	\$ 585.45	\$ 289.51	\$ 214.40	100%	\$4.54
Waterford	656.00	390.50	265.50	100%	
Brodhead	596.00	435.00	160.60	40%	
Reedsburg	573.25	260.90	312.35	91%	
Abbotsford	543.85	236.48	307.37	80%	
Laona	438.90	237.75	201.15	42%	
Soldier's Grove	408.20	222.60	185.60	46%	
Park Falls	382.18	281.01	101.17	24%	
Stevens Point	264.60	264.60	
Total	\$4,371.43	\$2,618.75	\$1,748.14	Av. 58%	\$4.54
Average	\$ 485.71	\$ 290.97	\$ 194.24		

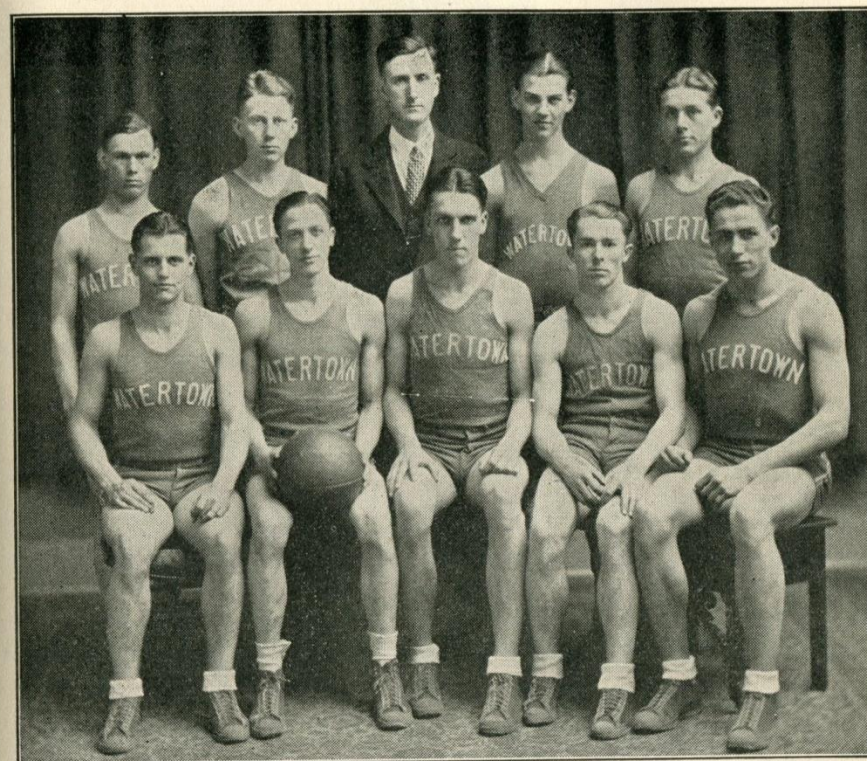
Because of the opportunity it gives to the smaller schools for equal competition the Supplementary Tournament plan is bound to grow in popularity. Had road and weather conditions been favorable at least three more of the meets would have paid all expenses.

The following is a complete report of all games in the Supplementary meets together with the picture of the winning team in each center.

WATERTOWN

Local Manager—Prin. Edward Hinterberg

Winner—Watertown



Beaver Dam	25	Marshall	21
Portage	28	Columbus	17
Waupun	30	Spring Green	7
Watertown	40	Poynette	14
Columbus	31	Marshall	20
Poynette	12	Spring Green	6
Beaver Dam	24	Portage	13
Watertown	14	Waupun	13
Columbus	20	Poynette	18
Waupun	23	Portage	20
Waupun	28	Columbus	17
Watertown	42	Beaver Dam	27

Second Place Winner—Beaver Dam

Third Place Winner—Waupun