

Chalking Up Victories

A valiant attempt against Western Hills ended in frustration and defeat. The highly-touted Mustangs jumped to an early lead but were overtaken by the Big Reds before the half. Standley's 28 points and Caton's 18 points helped Hughes maintain the lead, but a desperation rally by Western Hills put the Mustangs on top, 80-79.

At Withrow, the Big Reds could not overcome an early lead forged by the sharpshooting Tigers. Withrow pulled steadily away and won handily, 92-81. Standley took game scoring honors with 30 points, while Mineard and Gloeckler added 14 and 8 points, respectively.

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Hughes again met Central, and again were soundly thrashed to the tune of 93-68. Caton collected 10, Mineard 17, and Standley 28, but Central's all-court press sounded the death knell for the Big Reds.

St. Xavier, the next foe, squeaked by Hughes, 69-67. Standley's 28 points kept the Big Reds within striking distance, before a few lucky breaks decided the game in the closing minutes.

A potent Hughes team crushed Walnut Hills for the second straight time, 71-45. Standley dumped in 27, and Caton and Allen collected 11 points apiece. Hughes led 41-22 at halftime and continued its mastery throughout the second half.

In the next game, the Big Reds encountered Taft. The tall and talented Senators led at half, 36-30, and then pulled steadily away. Standley's 27 points, Allen's 11, and Caton's 10 were futile as Taft won, 74-60.

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An early Hughes lead of 12 points was destroyed by a Woodward all-court press. The Bulldogs, down 35-29 at half, bounced back to subdue Hughes, 66-58. Hughes featured balanced scoring as Bunton had 16, Caton 15, Allen 12, and Standley 11 points.

Western Hills opposed Hughes in the last regular season game. The Mustangs opened up to a 42-26 lead at halftime, and then coasted to an 81-70 victory. Bunton and Standley led in scoring with 20 points apiece, with Caton canning 17.

Hughes faced second-seeded, heavily favored Taft in the State Tournament. An early Senator lead melted as a determined Hughes squad rallied and led at halftime, 31-26. The Big Reds widened the gap until late in the second half, when they led 60-49. Then Taft scored 14 straight points to clinch the victory, 67-66. Glorious in defeat, the Big Reds displayed a team effort traditionally Hughes.

Top—Darryl Allen slows down action and sets up the play for Hughes.

Middle—Standley gets help from Woodward as he fires his deadly jump shot.

Bottom—An out-of-bounds pass is perfectly executed by Dave Gloeckler.

