



**Seated:** Eugene Ottele, Manager; Al Slaughter, Rich Ross, Coach Rolfes, Jim Battle, Al Wills, Norman Moore, Judson Jeter, Manager.

**Standing:** Jim Jones, Phil Bunton, George Starks, Dan Williams, Greg Kirk, Ken Blackwell, Gil Oliver.

## 1965 Just Not the Big Reds' Year in Varsity Basketball

Under Coach Rolfes in his fourth year at Hughes, the Big Reds started what appeared to be a most successful campaign. After losing their second game of the season to Aiken, following a win over Anderson, they went on to win four consecutive games. Then they began to falter. Losing a close game to Finneytown started their decline. Hughes was not able to play winning ball for several games after that. The Big Reds lost five straight before coming up with an overtime victory against Woodward. However, they lost their remaining four regular season games and their first and only tournament game, in which Hughes was pitted against Walnut Hills.

Led by returning veterans George Starks, James Battle, Al Slaughter, Al Wills, and Jim Jones, the Big Reds received good support from the bench, composed of Phil Bunton, Norman Moore, Gil Oliver, Greg Kirk, and Ken Blackwell. The promotion of reserve center Dan Williams to the varsity proved a most effective move. Richard West and Ed Casey, leading reserve scorers, were also brought up, but only for the final game against Central.

Hughes lost five and won two games in which the outcome was decided by either one or two points.

### SCHEDULE

Date	Home	Opponent	
December 5	Hughes	57; Anderson	53
December 11	Hughes	79; Aiken	89
December 12	Hughes	79; Oak Hills	73
December 18	Hughes	68; Woodward	57
December 19	Hughes	78; Lemon-Monroe	77
December 23	Hughes	87; Western Hills	75
January 2	Hughes	55; Finneytown	57
January 8	Hughes	69; Taft	71
January 12	Hughes	44; Walnut Hills	63
January 15	Hughes	49; Withrow	71
January 22	Hughes	61; Central	63
January 29	Hughes	88; Aiken	95
January 30	Hughes	58; Western Hills	69
February 5	Hughes	68; Woodward	66
February 9	Hughes	71; Taft	86
February 12	Hughes	55; Walnut Hills	56
February 16	Hughes	59; Withrow	80
February 19	Hughes	59; Central	60

### TOURNAMENT

March 5	Hughes	51; Walnut Hills	57
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### OVER-ALL RECORD

Won 6 — Lost 13

### LEAGUE RECORD

Won 3 — Lost 11