



## Basketball

Football season had hardly ended at Nippert Stadium when unusual activity was noticed in the Men's Gym by the Engineers passing there in the early evening hours. Reports of a rejuvenated basketball team began to leak out from behind the closed doors of the U. C. Gym. The first announcement concerned the appointment of the new basketball coach. After five years under the leadership of "Doc" Rice, the Red and Black basketball team began rehearsals for the 1932-33 season with a new pilot, John "Red" Halliday, line coach for the Varsity football team. Halliday, while an undergraduate student at Ohio Wesleyan, was selected as All-Buckeye guard on the Conference basketball team, thus assuring his eligibility for the position of Bearcat coach.

Mentor Halliday began his regime by completely overhauling the squad, changing the tactics formerly employed, and seeking a new combination to fit the style of attack and defense. Several lettermen remained, Grandle, Schuck, Smith, and Slaughter being the most outstanding. Summerville and Ballard were the most promising basketball players from last year's yearling squad. Roy Frick, former student and hoopster at Wittenberg, put in a definite application for the guard position on the Halliday team. The hoop season at the McMicken school was a matter of conjecture. A heavy schedule of sixteen difficult games awaited the Bearcat five, and the opener with Indiana University at Bloomington was beginning.

The Bearcats did not have a chance with the vastly superior Hoosier cagemen, and at no time during the contest did they threaten. During the first few minutes of the game the 'Cats held Indiana while they scored three free-throws, but by the end of the half Coach Dean's men led 22 to 3. Although the final result was 41 to 12, Halliday's hoopsters realized that the Indiana squad represented one of the best teams in the Big Ten loop. The following night, however, our 'Cats evened the standing by defeating the Georgetown five in the opening tilt of the home season. The game was hard fought and the lead jockeyed back and forth until the U. C. gang came

