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➤ Harold Anderson, 1934 to 1943 ≺ UM 9

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Biographical/Historical Sketch

William Harold "Andy" Anderson was born on September 11th, 1902 in Akron Ohio. Although considered too small for sports, he excelled in football, basketball and track at Akron Central High School before graduating in 1920. While at Otterbein College in Ohio, he earned eleven athletic letters, three in football, basketball, and two in track. Anderson made All-Ohio Conference in basketball twice, set a college low hurdle record, and led the baseball team in hitting for three consecutive seasons. In 1924, after becoming the president of both his junior and senior classes, he graduated with his bachelor's degree in French.

Anderson rejected a professional baseball contract from the St. Louis Cardinals, and chose instead to teach and coach at Wauseon (1926) and Toledo Waite (1927-1934). Impressed by his 100-33 basketball record, The University of Toledo hired him as part-time varsity basketball coach in 1943. In eight seasons, he completed a 142-41 record. Also, he developed All-Americans Chuck Chuckovits and Bob Gerber. He coaches other sports at UT and taught physical education at a local high school while earning his master's degree from the University of Michigan in 1939.

From 1942 to 1963 and 65, Anderson held the positions of basketball coach and Athletic Director at Bowling Green State University. His twenty-one year mark at Bowling Green was 362-185.

In 1963, Anderson served as the president of the NACBC (National Association of College Basketball Coaches) and received a Doctor of Pedagogy degree from Otterbein. He was elected into the Hall of Fame by Helms Athletic Federation (now IAAF) in 1961 and the basketball arena in Bowling Green was renamed the Harold Anderson Memorial Arena. In 1978 he was inducted posthumously into the University of Toledo Athletic Hall of Fame and in 1984 into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. He died on June 13, 1967 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

For more information on Harold Anderson, please consult collection 88/05, Biography Files, box 29.

Scope and Content Note

Collection of scrapbooks compiled by Harold Anderson and his family. Anderson was a basketball coach at the University of Toledo 1934-1942. The scrapbooks contain newspaper clippings, schedules, telegrams, and other memorabilia of the University of Toledo Basketball Team from 1934-1943.

The Scrapbooks are arranged chronologically.

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