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Profile: Brewers High School



From 1943 to 1948, Coach McCoy Tarry led the Brewers to a 173-19 record. (Photo courtesy of John C. Wyatt Lexington Herald-Leader collection, University of Kentucky, Special Collections and Research Center.)

Schools like Brewers High School in Marshall County proved that size did not always matter.

Brewers, which merged more than 60 years ago with Hardin High School to form South Marshall, has the distinction of being the last boys' team with an undefeated season. In 1948 the Brewers Redmen won the state title with a 36-0 record for the season. (The team also achieved a number one ranking in the country from the Chuck Taylor Rating Authority and the Associated Press.)

Winning the title in 1948 was not a fluke. Brewers went to the district in 1943, the region in 1945 and the Sweet Sixteen® in

1944, 1946, 1947 and 1948. The Redmen lost the 1947 championship to Maysville by four points. In 1948, they came back with an undefeated season to win over Maysville by seven points.