

## CHAPTER VI

### BETHEL ATHLETICS FROM 1941 TO 1950

1940-1941

Bartel and Staerkel on All-KCAC football team. The 1940 Unruh eleven was headed by Captain Bill Staerkel. The roster included fifty-five players. The season record was four wins and six losses, and in the Conference it was one and five for seventh place. The team included five who received recognition from one source or another. The KCAC selected Roy Bartel, fullback, and Bill Staerkel, guard, on the first team and placed tackle Elton Krehbiel on the second team. Louis Turner received honorable mention. The newspapers gave recognition to Roy Bartel, Elton Krehbiel, Bill Staerkel and Marvin Westerman.

#### Football Scores

Bethel	14	Hebron (Neb.)	0	Bethel	6	Sterling	0
Bethel	6	*Ottawa	19	Bethel	26	*Bethany	12
Bethel	0	*K. Wesleyan	13	Bethel	20	St. Regis	12
Bethel	6	*McPherson	9	Bethel	7	*C. of Emporia	13
Bethel	0	*Baker	12	Bethel	13	Northwestern	19. <sup>1</sup>

\*KCAC games

Awards were granted to the following: Roy Bartel, Bill Dorey, Bennie Duerkson, Oliver Duerkson, Orlin Goering, Orlo Goering, Donald Guy, Willard Jantz, Reed Kaufman, Elton Krehbiel, Marlin Krehbiel, Ernest Reimer, Martin Schrag, William Spangler, Bill Staerkel, Ed

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<sup>1</sup>Bethel College Collegian, December 6, 1940, p. 3.

Stucky, Gene Unruh and Marvin Westerman.<sup>2</sup>

The Graymaroon basketball team found itself without a practice court on the campus. The old court in Alumni Hall was being remodeled for the museum and Memorial Hall was in the process of being completed. The new hall was designed to bring basketball back to the campus. Since 1936 the games had been played in Lindley Hall, the high school gymnasium. The season record was two games won and sixteen lost. In KCAC play Bethel won one and lost eleven for seventh place. Charlie Rousell received All-Conference second team recognition.

#### Basketball Scores

Bethel	37	Alumni	32	Bethel	34	*C. of Emporia	43
Bethel	34	McPherson	40	Bethel	27	Friends	41
Bethel	34	Bethany	41	Bethel	26	*McPherson	35
Bethel	22	Friends	23	Bethel	36	*Baker	39
Bethel	38	*Bethany	42	Bethel	25	*C. of Emporia	30
Bethel	19	*Ottawa	41	Bethel	35	*K. Wesleyan	47
Bethel	27	*Baker	46	Bethel	36	*Ottawa	24
Bethel	32	*K. Wesleyan	49	Bethel	28	*McPherson	32
Bethel	29	Friends	30	Bethel	25	*Bethany	49. <sup>3</sup>

\* KCAC games

The following received awards: Bennie Duerkson, Duane Grove, Orville Horst, Elmer Kaufman, Melvin Krehbiel, John Martens, Charles Rousell, Herbert Smiley and Ernest Unruh.<sup>4</sup>

The varsity team in tennis won three of the four matches played. Bethel defeated Friends twice and Kansas Wesleyan once; they lost to McPherson. The team placed third in its own tournament. No one placed

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<sup>2</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>3</sup>The Athletic Department Files.

<sup>4</sup>From the Registrar's Files.



in the western division play-off. Charlie Voth was captain of the young squad.<sup>5</sup>

The following lettered in tennis: Paul Albrecht, Tom Harmon, Raymond Lichti, Delmar Wedel, Orlando Wiebe and Carl Voth.<sup>6</sup>

Bartel and Staerkel break Bethel track records. The track team was led by Captain Henry Guhr. Roy Bartel and Bill Staerkel highlighted the season by setting two new school track marks. Bartel broke the thirteen year-old discus record by establishing a new mark of 135' 1½". The new javelin record set by Staerkel was 179' 10".

#### Track Season Record

Triangular	Bethel 66 2/3, Southwestern 53 1/3, Friends 13
Dual meet	Bethel 79, Bethany 51
Dual meet	Bethel 77 2/3, McPherson 48 1/3
KCAC meet	Bethel placed 7th

Fourteen men lettered in track. They are the following: Paul Barkman, Roy Bartel, Ralph Quiring, Henry Guhr, Paul Hett, Reed Kaufman, Andrew Klippenstein, Melvin Moyer, Ralph Quiring, Lloyd Rempel, Orlando Riesen, Bill Staerkel, Chester Unruh and Alfred Voth.<sup>8</sup>

1941-1942

Bethel chosen "Upset King" of the year. The 1941 Graymaroons

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<sup>5</sup>Bethel College Collegian, May 16, 1941, p. 3.

<sup>6</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>7</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April and May, 1941.

<sup>8</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

were voted "Upset King" of the year by the Associated Press. The major upset of the football season was the one over Baker, a team that was undefeated, untied and unscored on going into the Baker-Bethel game, which Bethel won 6 to 0. Only once was the Bethel goal line crossed during the season and this kept them from winning their first KCAC championship. The thirty-one member squad was led by Captain Elton Krehbiel. Coach Unruh was assisted by Andy Douglass. Four Gray-maroons were selected for the All-KCAC first team. They were Roy Bartel, fullback; Bill Staerkel, guard; and the tackles Elton Krehbiel and Oliver Duerkson. Bartel and Staerkel were repeaters from a year earlier. Honorable mention recognition was given to Marvin Dester, Willard Jantz, Eugene Reusser, Gene Unruh and Marvin "Bus" Westerman. The season record was six wins, one loss and one tie; the Conference record was four-one-one. Bethel was second to Baker in the final standing.

#### Football Scores

Bethel	7	Northwestern	0	Bethel	6	*Baker	0
Bethel	0	*Ottawa	0	Bethel	2	Sterling	0
Bethel	0	*K. Wesleyan	6	Bethel	13	*Bethany	0
Bethel	7	*McPherson	0	Bethel	44	*C. of Emporia	0. <sup>9</sup>

Awards went to: Roy Bartel, Elmer Buhler, Marvin Dester, Oliver Duerksen, Milton Goering, Oswald Goering, Willard Jantz, Reed Kaufman, Marlin Krehbiel, Elton Krehbiel, Marlo Krehbiel, Olin Kliwer, Eugene Reusser, Martin Schrag, Bill Staerkel, Gene Unruh, Marvin Westerman.<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>9</sup>Bethel College, Graymaroon, 1942, p. 54.

<sup>10</sup>From the Registrar's Files.



K.U. stops Bethel in first Memorial Hall tilt. "Phog" Allen brought his Kansas Jayhawkers to the campus to open the season in the new Memorial Hall. The young Bethel team placed third in the Conference standings, winning six games and losing eight. The season record was seven and nine. The Topeka Daily Capital recognized Harold Balzer as the most promising freshman in the state. Roy Bartel was captain of the team.

#### Basketball Scores

Bethel	28	Kansas U.	61	Bethel	32	*McPherson	31
Bethel	36	Alumni	24	Bethel	26	*C. of Emporia	33
Bethel	28	*Ottawa	24	Bethel	35	Friends	36
Bethel	27	*Bethany	34	Bethel	41	*K. Wesleyan	71
Bethel	50	*C. of Emporia	31	Bethel	30	*Baker	54
Bethel	33	*K. Wesleyan	54	Bethel	40	Friends	35
Bethel	31	*Ottawa	27	Bethel	25	*McPherson	44
Bethel	30	*Baker	57	Bethel	54	*Bethany	47. <sup>11</sup>
*KCAC games							

Awards were granted to seven basketball players: Harold Balzer, Earl Bartel, Roy Bartel, Harvey Goering, Lloyd Goering, Reed Kaufman and Irvin Schroeder.<sup>12</sup>

The varsity tennis team split even in six dual matches. In the Conference tournament the doubles team, Charlie Voth (captain) and Paul Albrecht, placed second to Bethany in the finals after defeating Baker in the semi-finals. Bethel lost dual matches to Bethany and Fort Hays. The team won from Friends twice, five to one and four to one, and from Kansas Wesleyan five to zero. Only Paul Albrecht received an award.<sup>13</sup>

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<sup>11</sup>Bethel College Collegian, March 20, 1942, p. 3.

<sup>12</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>13</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April and May, 1942.

The 1942 track team was a well-balanced team, yet not a very strong team. Melvin Moyer was captain of the Graymaroons that finished fourth in the Conference meet with nineteen points.

#### Track Season Record

Triangular	Bethel 58, Wichita U., 42, Southwestern 18
Dual meet	Fort Hays 83 1/2, Bethel 47 1/2
Quadrangular	Bethel 71 1/2, McPherson 62
	Southwestern 22, Bethany 2 1/2 14
Dual meet	Bethel 88, McPherson 38

Awards in track were granted to Ralph Boese, Reed Kaufman, Melvin Moyer, Lloyd Rempel, Forrest Stein, Marlon Steinert, Ransom Stucky and Verney Unruh.<sup>15</sup>

#### 1942-1943

The Graymaroons did not win a Conference football game in 1942 but came up with two non-Conference victories and a tie. The win against Fort Hays Teachers College was an unanticipated one. Kansas State College had cancelled their game with Fort Hays and Coach Unruh agreed to the game with reluctance. The 1942 team was made up of 4-F classified men, divinity students and a few boys below draft age. Coach Unruh's squad played inspired ball to win over the favored Fort Hays team.<sup>16</sup>

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<sup>14</sup>Ibid.

<sup>15</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>16</sup>Otto Unruh, How to Coach Winning Football, (Prentice-Hall, Inc. Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, 1960), p. 53.



## Football Scores

Bethel	0	Northwestern	0	Bethel	6	*Baker	39
Bethel	0	*Ottawa	32	Bethel	31	Sterling	0
Bethel	0	*K. Wesleyan	6	Bethel	7	*Bethany	20
Bethel	20	Fort Hays	6	Bethel	12	*C. of Emporia	27.17
Bethel	0	*McPherson	7				

\*KCAC games

Football awards were granted to the following: Harold Balzer, Elmer Buhler, Harvey Goering, Harlan Goering, Oswald Goering, Milton Goering, Walter Grundman, Marlo Krehbiel, Marlin Krehbiel, Raymond Lichti, Edwin Stucky, Eugene Reusser, Carl Voth, Kenneth Wiens, Homer Zerger and Reuben Zerger.<sup>18</sup>

Balzer receives KCAC recognition. The 1942-1943 Graymaroon basketball team was led by co-captains Harold "Buck" Balzer and Earl Bartel. Balzer scored 207 points for an average of 12.5 points per game. The season included eight victories and ten defeats. The Conference record was four wins and eight losses, Bethel finishing sixth.

## Basketball Scores

Bethel	32	Friends	19	Bethel	33	*Baker	34
Bethel	31	*Ottawa	51	Bethel	46	Sterling	32
Bethel	54	Alumni	36	Bethel	43	*K. Wesleyan	63
Bethel	50	Sterling	32	Bethel	45	Friends	24
Bethel	23	*K. Wesleyan	50	Bethel	59	*C. of Emporia	50
Bethel	45	*Ottawa	40	Bethel	40	*Bethany	46
Bethel	23	*Baker	34	Bethel	38	Fort Hays	63
Bethel	40	*McPherson	50	Bethel	39	*McPherson	45
Bethel	39	*Bethany	38	Bethel	44	*C. of Emporia	34.19

\*KCAC games

<sup>17</sup>Bethel College Collegian, November 20, 1942, p. 3.

<sup>18</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>19</sup>Bethel College Collegian, March 20, 1943, p. 3.

Varsity awards were received by Harold Balzer, Harvey Goering, Lloyd Goering and Erwin Wiens.<sup>20</sup>

Athletic program discontinued due to war conditions. Track and tennis teams were preparing themselves for the forthcoming season when faculty action cancelled all schedules on March 31.<sup>21</sup>

Coach Unruh released to join Red Cross. After the 1942-1943 school year Otto Unruh resigned his position as director of athletics and physical education to go into Red Cross work. Succeeding Unruh was Verney Unruh, a college junior. Intercollegiate athletics had been dropped, and only a few men remained at Bethel.<sup>22</sup>

#### 1943-1945

No intercollegiate athletic program was carried on due to the war conditions.

#### 1945-1946

Intercollegiate athletic program after two years lay-off. Representatives from the Conference member schools met in Topeka October 13, 1945, and planned the athletic program for the coming year. Competition was resumed with the basketball season.<sup>23</sup>

Graber and Kaufman appointed athletic coaches. Eldon Graber

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<sup>20</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>21</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April 1, 1943.

<sup>22</sup>Ibid., October 1, 1943.

<sup>23</sup>Bethel College Collegian, November 2, 1945, p. 1.



joined the faculty as instructor of speech, dramatics and mathematics, and coached basketball. Peter R. Kaufman joined the faculty as instructor in industrial arts and director of recreation and physical education. His duties also included coaching track and tennis.<sup>24</sup>

Board reintroduces football. President Kaufman of Bethel announced to the student body that the post-war plans include intercollegiate football. Recommended by the faculty, approved by the board and unanimously favored by the student body was the board resolution: "that with the academic year of 1946-1947 football be reintroduced into Bethel College for a three-year probationary period as an intercollegiate sport, with the definite understanding that high levels of character, sportsmanship, scholarship and methods of recruiting students and players be maintained." The plans also included a strong recreation and intramural program for every student.<sup>25</sup>

The 1946 Graymaroon basketball team was composed of below draft age boys and several 4-F's. Captain Kenneth Schroeder was the hub of the team. He averaged ten points per game. The season record was six wins and ten defeats. In Conference play Bethel won three and lost seven, placing sixth. Kansas Wesleyan did not participate, which accounts for only ten KCAC games.

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<sup>24</sup>Ibid., September 12, 1945, p. 1.

<sup>25</sup>Ibid., December 14, 1945, p. 3.

## Basketball Scores

Bethel	30	Southwestern	46	Bethel	40	*Bethany	46
Bethel	46	Tabor	41	Bethel	24	*McPherson	53
Bethel	43	*Bethany	33	Bethel	38	*Baker	30
Bethel	36	Tabor	39	Bethel	33	*Ottawa	38
Bethel	32	Southwestern	43	Bethel	31	Sterling	22
Bethel	66	*C. of Emporia	23	Bethel	42	*McPherson	49
Bethel	37	*Baker	50	Bethel	42	*C. of Emporia	53
Bethel	36	*Ottawa	41	Bethel	48	Sterling	32. <sup>26</sup>

\*KCAC games

Eight were granted awards: Earl Franz, Max Friesen, Melvin Funk, David Habegger, Howard Kaufman, Willard Kaufman, Denard Loganbill and Kenneth Schroeder.<sup>27</sup>

The tennis team participated in two dual matches with Bethany. Bethany won the first four to two, and the second ended in a three to three tie. No Conference tournament was held. Varsity awards were granted to Earl Franz, Melvin Funk and Ivan Ratzlaff.<sup>28</sup>

The track team placed third in the Wichita University invitational meet with eighteen points, behind Wichita University with one hundred one and El Dorado Junior College with twenty-eight. Friends placed fourth with six. In the Conference track meet Bethel placed fifth. Four received athletic awards: David Habegger, Howard Kaufman, Allen Reimer and Kenneth Schroeder.<sup>29</sup>

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<sup>26</sup>Official Score Book, 1945-1946.

<sup>27</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>28</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April-May, 1946.

<sup>29</sup>Ibid.



1946-1947

Tully becomes athletic director and coach. Robert Tully of Laverne College in California was appointed new athletic director and coach of all sports. He had previous coaching experience in Ohio and Indiana high schools.<sup>30</sup>

The 1946 football team had a number of pre-war lettermen among the forty that reported for the fall sport. The team did not win many ball games but played them close and exciting. The season record included two victories and six losses while in the KCAC Bethel had a one and five record. Coach Tully was assisted by Eldon Graber and P. R. Kaufman.

## Football Scores

Bethel	0	*Ottawa	33	Bethel	6	*McPherson	7
Bethel	6	Northwestern	14	Bethel	20	*C. of Emporia	0
Bethel	0	*Bethany	31	Bethel	12	Sterling	9
Bethel	7	*Baker	13	Bethel	0	*K. Wesleyan	6. <sup>31</sup>
*KCAC games							

Twenty players received awards: Jim Baergen, Elmer Buhler, Marvin Dester, Melvin Flickinger, Robert Funk, Roy Funk, Harvey Goering, Reuben Goering, Robert Goering, Walter Grundman, Eddie Herschberger, Gerald Jolly, Bill Krehbiel, Ray Lichti, Varden Loganbill, Robert Olson, Harold Plenert, Frank Quiring, Eugene Ruesser and Jim Uhrh.<sup>32</sup>

The basketball team was made up mainly of freshmen and sophomores.

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<sup>30</sup>Ibid., February 22, 1946, p. 1.

<sup>31</sup>Ibid., December 6, 1947, p. 4.

<sup>32</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

Seven of twenty games were won. The KCAC record was four wins and eight losses, Bethel finishing in a fifth place tie.

#### Basketball Scores

Bethel 57	Sterling	45	Bethel 43	K. State "B"	54
Bethel 59	*Bethany	43	Bethel 33	*Bethany	37
Bethel 28	K. State "B"	54	Bethel 46	*K. Wesleyan	48
Bethel 33	Baker	38	Bethel 34	Southwestern	40
Bethel 49	Bethany	45	Bethel 40	*Baker	47
Bethel 53	*C. of Emporia	55	Bethel 43	*Ottawa	45
Bethel 46	*K. Wesleyan	61	Bethel 36	*McPherson	43
Bethel 34	Southwestern	49	Bethel 52	*Baker	39
Bethel 48	*Ottawa	39	Bethel 55	*C. of Emporia	39
Bethel 38	*McPherson	41	Bethel 52	Sterling	37. <sup>33</sup>

\*KCAC games

The faculty granted awards to the following: John Balzer, Willis Esau, Melvin Flickinger, Leon Friesen, Eddie Herschberger, Howard Kaufman, Varden Loganbill, Kenneth Schroeder, Buck Siemens, Ransom Stucky and Erwin Wiens.<sup>34</sup>

The Bethel baseball team played its first game since 1929. There was sufficient interest to field a baseball team in the spring of 1947. Five games were played; Bethel won one and lost four.

#### Baseball Scores

Bethel 3	Sterling	1	Bethel 3	Friends	6
Bethel 8	Friends	18	Bethel 3	McPherson	6. <sup>35</sup>
Bethel 0	K. Wesleyan	17			

Varsity awards were granted to the following: Leon Friesen, John Gaeddert, Oswald Goering, Howard Kaufman, Levi Koehn, Bill Krehbiel,

<sup>33</sup>Bethel College Collegian, December, 1946--February, 1947.

<sup>34</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>35</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April and May, 1947.



Earl Loganbill, Ivan Ratzlaff, Lester Schrag, Milt Tieszen and Gene Unruh.<sup>36</sup>

The tennis team did participate in the Conference tennis tournament and lost in early rounds. No other matches were reported.<sup>37</sup> Varsity awards were granted to: Carl Bartel, Earl Franz, Chester Goertz, John Henderson and Gordon Kaufman.<sup>38</sup>

The track team participated in three dual matches and won two. Ransom Stucky was a leading point getter. He scored ten points in the Conference meet to tie for high point honors.

#### Track Season Record

Dual meet	Kansas Wesleyan 78 1/3, Bethel 58 2/3	
Dual meet	Bethel 84, Bethany 38	
Dual meet	Bethel 68, Friends 49	
Quadrangular	Bethel 60 1/3, Friends 55	
	Tabor 30, Sterling 28 2/3	
KCAC meet	Bethel placed 4th	39

The following received track awards: John Balzer, Ralph Boese, Oswald Goering, Walter Grundman, Norman Nikkel, Ransom Stucky, Walter Tieszen and Argil Unrau.<sup>40</sup>

#### 1947-1948

The 1947 football team included some sixty-two prospects. In

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<sup>36</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>37</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April-May, 1947.

<sup>38</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>39</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April-May, 1947.

<sup>40</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

the group were seventeen lettermen. Coach Tully was assisted by Elmer Buhler and Eldon Graber. The KCAC recognized the following Bethel gridgers: Walter Grundman, Milton Goering, Frank Quiring and Varden Loganbill. All were selected for All-Conference honorable mention. The season record included two wins, five losses and a tie. In KCAC play Bethel won one, lost five and tied one for fifth place.

#### Football Scores

Bethel	0	St. Benedict	12	Bethel	2	*Baker	6
Bethel	0	*Ottawa	20	Bethel	12	*McPherson	0
Bethel	6	*C. of Emporia	6	Bethel	19	Sterling	0
Bethel	0	*Bethany	21	Bethel	0	*K. Wesleyan	12. <sup>41</sup>

\*KCAC games

Awards to the following were approved: Darrell Albright, Jim Baergen, Ray Funk, Melvin Flickinger, John Gaeddert, Milton Goering, Oswald Goering, Reuben Goering, Walter Grundman, James Hean, Marlin Krehbiel, Marlowe Krehbiel, Raymond Lichti, Varden Loganbill, John Pearson, Harold Plenert, Frank Quiring, Lester Schrag, Allen Unruh, James Unruh, Homer Zerger and Arnold Ewy (manager).<sup>42</sup>

Scoreboard dedicated as a "R. A. Goerz Memorial." The new scoreboard in Memorial Hall was dedicated as a "R. A. 'Rudy' Goerz Memorial." The funds were made available by Harold Goerz and his sister, Frances G. Garrison, in memory of their father. "Rudy" Goerz was a promoter of athletics at Bethel in the formative years. He was coach at Bethel

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<sup>41</sup>Bethel College, Graymaroon, 1948, p. 84.

<sup>42</sup>From the Registrar's Files.



from 1917 to 1919.<sup>43</sup>

V. Loganbill recognized on All-KCAC team. The Graymaroons placed third in the Kansas Conference in the 1947-1948 season. They won six and lost six in Conference play and won twelve and lost six in the season. Varden Loganbill led the team in scoring with 221 points. He was selected as a guard on the All-Conference first team, Ransom Stucky was placed on the second team as a guard and Kenneth Schroeder and Erwin Wiens received honorable mention recognition.

#### Basketball Scores

Bethel	51	Tabor	35	Bethel	53	*Baker	30
Bethel	46	*McPherson	35	Bethel	56	*McPherson	37
Bethel	53	*K. Wesleyan	64	Bethel	58	*Bethany	52
Bethel	48	*Baker	55	Bethel	55	Sterling	33
Bethel	58	*Ottawa	72	Bethel	45	*C. of Emporia	38
Bethel	52	*C. of Emporia	47	Bethel	48	*Bethany	59
Bethel	37	*Ottawa	50	Bethel	56	*K. Wesleyan	69
Bethel	58	Sterling	53	Bethel	50	Friends	36
Bethel	57	Friends	28	Bethel	65	Tabor	43. <sup>44</sup>

\*KCAC games

Eight were approved for awards: Melvin Flickinger, Marlowe Krehbiel, Varden Loganbill, Nicholas Schmidt, Kenneth Schroeder, Richard Siemens, Walter Siemens, Ransom Stucky, Ervin Wiens and Donald Isaac (manager).<sup>45</sup>

The 1948 baseball team won three games and lost five.

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<sup>43</sup>Bethel College Collegian, January 30, 1948, p. 4.

<sup>44</sup>Bethel College, Graymaroon, 1948, pp. 88-89.

<sup>45</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

## Baseball Scores

Bethel	2	Friends	13	Bethel	13	Tabor	14
Bethel	2	Sterling	3	Bethel	9	Tabor	0
Bethel	5	McPherson	7	Bethel	10	Sterling	9
Bethel	0	Friends	3	Bethel	8	McPherson	4.46

No record was found of awards granted in baseball.

In tennis the Bethel team had a season record of two wins, four losses and two ties. They lost in the early rounds of the Conference play-offs.

## Tennis Scores

Bethel	3	Friends	3	Bethel	4	Tabor	2
Bethel	0	K. Wesleyan	7	Bethel	3	Friends	3
Bethel	2	Sterling	5	Bethel	0	McPherson	6
Bethel	2	McPherson	4	Bethel	6	Tabor	3.47

Awards were given to seven netmen: John Dyck, Carl Ebersole, Dave Eigner, Raymond Lichti, George Poettcker, Ivan Ratzlaff and Alden Voth.<sup>48</sup>

## Track Season Record

Dual meet	Kansas Wesleyan 90 1/3, Bethel 40 2/3
Quadrangular	Kansas Wesleyan 71 1/2, Bethel 47
	Bethany 39 1/2, McPherson 7
Triangular	Southwestern 93, Friends 37, Bethel 32
Quadrangular	Friends 65 1/2, Bethel 38 1/2
	Tabor 30 1/2, Sterling 30 1/2
KCAC meet	Bethel placed 5th

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Eight track men were granted awards. They were: Oswald Goering, Walter Grundman, Gerald Schmidt, Merle Siebert, Ransom Stucky, Walter

<sup>46</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April-May, 1948.

<sup>47</sup>Ibid.

<sup>48</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>49</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April-May, 1948.



Tieszen, Don Brubaker and Melvern Goering.<sup>50</sup>

### 1948-1949

Milton Goering selected on All-Conference football team. The 1948 Graymaroons included forty-five squad members under Coach Tully and assistants Andy Douglass, Sam Hayden and Marlin Krehbiel. Six Graymaroons were selected for special Conference recognition. Milton Goering was placed on the All-Conference second team. Honorable mention went to Oswald Goering, Reuben Goering, Walter Grundman, Lancy Loganbill and Varden Loganbill. The season record included two victories and seven defeats. In Conference play Bethel won one and lost five, placing seventh.<sup>51</sup>

### Football Scores

Bethel	6	Southwestern	25	Bethel	43	*McPherson	6
Bethel	12	*Ottawa	47	Bethel	6	*C. of Emporia	14
Bethel	0	Sterling	13	Bethel	12	Friends	0
Bethel	0	*Bethany	25	Bethel	7	*K. Wesleyan	13. <sup>52</sup>
Bethel	0	*Baker	43				

\*KCAC games

The following grid men received awards: Chester Flickinger, Milton Goering, Oswald Goering, Reuben Goering, Robert Graber, Walter Grundman, Virgil Kaufman, Marlowe Krehbiel, Bill Krehbiel, Lancy Loganbill, Varden Loganbill, Walter Neufeld, Leonard Peters, Frank Quiring, Merle Siebert, Richard Siemens, Allen Unruh, Leland Voth and Donald

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<sup>50</sup>From the Registrar's Files

<sup>51</sup>Bethel College, Graymaroon, 1949, p. 72.

<sup>52</sup>Bethel College Collegian, December 7, 1948, p. 4.

Isaac (manager).<sup>53</sup>

Loganbill Brothers receive Conference recognition. The 1948-1949 basketball team included an outstanding brother combination. Varden was a junior and Lanoy a freshman. Lanoy was selected for the All-Conference second team and Varden received honorable mention. The Graymaroons were coached by Robert Tully and Rudy Enns. In season play Bethel won eight and lost thirteen while in Conference play three were won and nine lost. Bethel tied for fifth place in the standing.

#### Basketball Scores

Bethel 49	Friends	24	Bethel 52	Sterling	36
Bethel 34	Tabor	35	Bethel 25	*McPherson	29
Bethel 61	Friends	23	Bethel 37	*Ottawa	51
Bethel 37	Bethany	53	Bethel 35	*McPherson	37
Bethel 61	Friends	22	Bethel 63	Tabor	50
Bethel 38	*K. Wesleyan	56	Bethel 49	*C. of Emporia	51
Bethel 46	*Baker	44	Bethel 44	*Baker	48
Bethel 33	Sterling	34	Bethel 43	*Ottawa	65
Bethel 42	Emporia St.	59	Bethel 57	*Bethany	59
Bethel 41	*C. of Emporia	38	Bethel 39	*K. Wesleyan	53. <sup>54</sup>
Bethel 51	*Bethany	34			

\*KCAC games

Eight players were granted awards: Willis Esau, James Hean, Marlowe Krehbiel, Lanoy Loganbill, Varden Loganbill, Calvin Schroeder, Fredric Schroeder and Richard Siemens.<sup>55</sup>

The netmen won three and lost two dual matches. Bethel was defeated in the early rounds of the western play-offs. Oswald "Ozzie" Goering was the tennis coach.

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<sup>53</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>54</sup>Bethel College, Graymaroon, 1949, p. 76.

<sup>55</sup>From the Registrar's Files.



## Tennis Scores

Bethel 4	Tabor 2	Bethel 5	McPherson 4
Bethel 5	Sterling 4	Bethel 2	Tabor 7.56
Bethel 3	Friends 6		

Six netmen received awards: Edward Dettweiler, Menno Gaeddert, Vern Jantz, Paul Ruth, Alden Voth and Harold Wedel.<sup>57</sup>

The baseball team played seven games and won two, losing five.

## Baseball Scores

Bethel 6	Tabor 7	Bethel 10	McPherson 9
Bethel 5	McPherson 11	Bethel 4	Friends 12
Bethel 1	Friends 23	Bethel 1	Tabor 7.58

Varsity awards were granted to the following eight players: Paul Koehn, Bill Krehbiel, Earl Loganbill, Richard Schmidt, Calvin Schroeder, Fredric Schroeder, Allen Unruh and Jack Unruh.<sup>59</sup>

The track men were coached by Dan Eay. Twenty-five squad members participated. Gerald Schmidt set a new school mark in the 880 yard run. His time was 2:01.5.

## Track Season Record

Triangular	Kansas Wesleyan 82, Bethany 42
	Bethel 39
Triangular	Bethany 85 1/2, Bethel 53
	McPherson 21 1/2
Pentangular	Wichita 72 1/2, Bethany 43 1/5,
	Bethel 35 1/10, Friends 6 3/5,
	McPherson 6

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<sup>56</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April-May, 1949.

<sup>57</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>58</sup>Official Score Book, 1949.

<sup>59</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

## Track Season Record, continued

Quadrangular	Kansas Wesleyan 67, Bethel 47 1/6	
	Sterling 27 1/2, McPherson 22 1/3	60
KCAC Meet	Bethel placed 5th	

Awards in track were approved for the following: Edgar Dalke, Raymond Ewy, Chester Flickinger, Ervin Penner, Gerald Schmidt, Merle Siebert and Leland Voth.<sup>61</sup>

## 1949-1950

J. Millard Fretz appointed football coach. The new football coach was a graduate of Bluffton College (Ohio) where he received conference recognition. He was a successful high school athletic coach at Wadsworth, Ohio. Robert "Bob" Tully continued as director of athletics.<sup>62</sup>

The Graymaroon football staff was headed by the new coach, J. Millard Fretz, and he was assisted by Milton Goering and Gene Reusser. Reuben Goering and Bill Krehbiel were elected co-captains. Bethel won three games and lost five in season play while the Conference record was two and four for seventh place in the standing.

## Football Scores

Bethel 7	Friends 13	Bethel 26	*McPherson 12
Bethel 53	Sterling 7	Bethel 19	*C. of Emporia 42

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<sup>60</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April-May, 1949.

<sup>61</sup>From the Registrar's Files

<sup>62</sup>Bethel College Collegian, April 14, 1949, p. 1.



## Football Scores, continued

Bethel	6	*Ottawa	26	Bethel	13	*Bethany	6
Bethel	0	*Baker	23	Bethel	6	*K. Wesleyan	44.63

Awards were granted to the following: William Ewert, Chester Flickinger, Frederic Funk, Myron Goering, Ruben Goering, Harvey Grundman, Ivan Harshbarger, Duane Kaufman, Gene Kaufman, Albert Klassen, Bill Krehbiel, Marlowe Krehbiel, Lanoy Loganbill, Varden Loganbill, Erwin Penner, Leonard Peters, Frank Quiring, Clarence Schroeder, James Schroeder, Merle Siebert, Edwin Smith, Allen Uhruh, Harlan Uhruh, Alden Warkentin, Myron Zerger, Dan Graber (manager) and Gerhard Buhr, (manager).<sup>64</sup>

Loganbill and Schroeder receive Conference recognition. The basketball team was coached by Rudy Enns. Enns was a member of the Bethel teams in the early 1920's. He was a local businessman with an active interest in the Bethel athletic program. The team had a winning record in season play. Bethel won eleven and lost nine, and in the Conference the record was five and seven for fifth place. Lanoy Loganbill was the leading scorer with a 15.1 game average, and was second in Conference scoring. He was voted on the All-NCAC first team and Fred Schroeder on the second team.<sup>65</sup>

## Basketball Scores

Bethel	53	Tabor	40	Bethel	40	*Bethany	43
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<sup>63</sup>Bethel College, Graymaroon, 1950, pp. 78-79.

<sup>64</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>65</sup>Bethel College Collegian, March, 1950, p. 4.

## Basketball Scores, continued

Bethel 46	Southwestern	50	Bethel 60	*C. of Emporia	49
Bethel 58	McPherson	47	Bethel 73	*McPherson	41
Bethel 54	Bethany	43	Bethel 79	Friends	57
Bethel 39	*Ottawa	71	Bethel 57	*Ottawa	58
Bethel 38	*Baker	40	Bethel 54	*C. of Emporia	49
Bethel 42	*Bethany	43	Bethel 45	*K. Wesleyan	65
Bethel 34	*K. Wesleyan	40	Bethel 45	Tabor	38
Bethel 64	Friends	44	Bethel 59	*Baker	51
Bethel 43	Southwestern	62	Bethel 56	*McPherson	41. <sup>66</sup>

\*KCAC games

Ten court men received awards: Willie Esau, William Ewert, Duane Kaufman, Marlowe Krehbiel, Lanoy Loganbill, Varden Loganbill, Fredric Schroeder, Calvin Schroeder, Richard Siemens and Gerhard Buhr (manager).<sup>67</sup>

The tennis team had a full slate of matches scheduled; however, only the results of the Conference western division were found. In singles play Bethel netmen lost in early rounds and in doubles the Bethel team of Voth and Hean lost in the semi-final round.<sup>68</sup>

Awards in tennis were granted to James Hean, Paul Ruth, Barney Ratzlaff, Harold Wedel, James Rich and Alden Voth.<sup>69</sup>

Track resurfaced. The track constructed in 1927 was resurfaced to make it one of the better cinder tracks in the area. The project was financed as a Family Track Project which was conducted in the form of a student work day. An estimated \$1500 was necessary for this

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<sup>66</sup>Bethel College, Graymaroon, 1950, pp. 82-83.

<sup>67</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>68</sup>Bethel College Collegian, May, 1950, p. 4.

<sup>69</sup>From the Registrar's Files.



project.<sup>70</sup>

In 1950 the track team participated in four larger meets. J. Millard Fretz and Dan Ewy divided the coaching duties. One new Bethel record was established. Gerald "Curly" Schmidt lowered the 440 yard dash mark to :15.2.

Awards were granted to the following: Edgar Dalke, Raymond Ewy, Calvin Flickinger, Jesse Krehbiel, Edgar Neufeld, Eldo Neufeld, James Rich, Clifford Rickman, Gerald Schmidt, Merle Siebert, Gene Unruh and Leland Voth.<sup>71</sup>

#### Track Season Record

Pentangular	Kansas Wesleyan 46 1/2, Bethany 45 1/2
Kansas U. Relays	McPherson 32, Bethel 28, C. of Emporia 13
	The medley team, composed of Edgar Dalke, Calvin Flickinger, Raymond Ewy and Gerald Schmidt placed 4th in a field of 11.
	The time was 3:42. No record of Bethel's entering this event previously was found.
Pentangular	Wichita U. freshmen 59, Bethany 57
	Bethel 51, McPherson 29, Friends 28
Dual meet	Bethel 73, McPherson 58
Dual meet	Bethel 68, Kansas Wesleyan 63
KCAC meet	Bethel placed 6th

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<sup>70</sup>Bethel College Collegian, December 6, 1949, p. 4.

<sup>71</sup>From the Registrar's Files.

<sup>72</sup>Newton Evening Kansan, April-May, 1950.