



"Old grad" Presley, who returned to Bonny Oaks as coach, shows his own little brother, Joe, and his other charges one of a caseful of trophies he helped win for the school. From left are Eddie Pursley, Joe and Jesse, David Yokely and Jimmy Holloway, members of softball team.

Bork Hospital as an attendant and he helped us all he could and I love him for it. There were several members of the community who showed a special interest in us and who helped us and boosted us and encouraged us."

Friends Help Young

"I want to say this," he added, "it is a definite help to any kid to have anyone stick with him and help him and show special interest in him. It may seem discouraging sometimes but over the long run, any Christian help will shine through and be of benefit to a kid. There's nothing like friends."

The Civitan Club found Jesse Presley a worthy subject.

"It is fitting that Jesse Eugene Presley should receive some help in obtaining his degree as in the best American tradition he has worked hard

and with singleness of purpose to reach his goal," the Civitan citation stated.

The \$300 non-recurring scholarship was created in honor of Creed F. Bates, who retired recently after 37 years as principal of City High School. In the Civitan resolution it was pointed out that Bates has given long and outstanding service to his community and nation . . . has been an outstanding member of the Civitan Club 42 years . . . and he and his father before him were always keenly interested in and strong supporters of Bonny Oaks School."

Presley does not want to stop with the UC degree he's close to winning.

"My ambition has always been to be a lawyer," he said. "I want someday to go to law school if I can find a way."

People who know him are sure he'll find a way.