

1941 District meet...

ROSS DISTRICT ENTRIES FILED

Strive For State Meet Berths Saturday; Face Wooster Friday

Although the Ross high mermen are scheduled to face Wooster high here at 4 p. m., Friday, Coach Bim Stults' main concern this week was the northwestern Ohio championship meet at Bowling Green University pool Saturday.

The Little Giants, undefeated in dual competition and a heavy winner in the northern Ohio Relays, will concentrate on the district vie

BOWLUS INJURED

X-ray examination of a rib injury sustained by Dale Bowlus, Ross high center, last Friday night against Bowling Green disclosed no fracture, Dr. E. C. Swint, team physician, announced Tuesday.

Bowlus complained of a sharp pain in his lower chest as result of a spill Friday night and X-rays were taken Monday. Dr. Swint indicated Bowlus would be able to play at Findlay Friday night, his hurt being confined mainly to "muscle soreness."

to send a maximum number of swimmers to the state meet the following weekend.

Preliminaries will be held in the district meet Saturday afternoon, as will the finals in the diving. Six men will qualify in each event for the finals Saturday at 8 p. m.

Coach Stults already has filed his Ross entries, three allowed to be entered with two swimming. In both relays, six swimmers may be entered with one team competing.

The Ross entries:

50 free style—Al Baumann, Ralph Hipp and Will Lantz.

100 breast stroke—Benny Hayes, Bob Simpson and Dick Pence.

220 free style—Pierce Bahnsen, Denver Franks and Bob Walden.

100 back stroke—Clarence Kuntz, Kenny Reed and Jack Boyer.

100 free style—Bob Walden, Bob Thomas and Franks.

150 medley relay—Kuntz, Hayes, Dick Spayd, Bill Thomas, Lue Wernig, Bill Wilson.

200 free style relay—Bahnsen, Spayd, Reed, Baumann, Charles Fisher and Jack Sheldon.

Diving—Jim Martin, Del Rakes and Ed Fowler.

LITTLE GIANT TITLE REPEAT IS PREDICTED

Seven Schools To Vie For Berths In State Swimming Finals

BOWLING GREEN, Feb. 28.—Fremont Ross high's undefeated swimming team will defend its northwestern Ohio district aquatic title here Saturday against a field of six schools likewise seeking berths in the state swimming finals to be held in Columbus March 15.

Representing the northwestern Class A district will be three Toledo schools, DeVilbiss, Scott, and Waite; Bellevue, Fremont, Lima Central, and Sandusky.

Fremont Ross, winner of last year's meet and the number two

DUAL TODAY

Ross high was scheduled to swim against Wooster high's mermen in dual competition in the Little Giant pool Friday at 4 p. m. Coach Bim Stults planned to swim squad members not entered in the district meet at Bowling Green Saturday. The Little Giant splashers have won seven straight duals this season, with reserve swimmers accounting for all but two victories, those over Sandusky and McKinley.

team in the 1940 state finals, will be heavy favorite to finish on top in Saturday's elimination.

Battle For Second

Most competition will come from Toledo Scott, third place team in the state last year and Sandusky. The race for second place, expected between Sandusky and Scott, should produce some of the closest competition of the meet.

Little is known of the strength of the other teams. Bellevue, in its third year of swimming competition, is believed to be the smallest school in the state entering a team in the sport.

Possibility that the winner of this meet may go on to win the state championship increased with the decisive defeat of Canton McKinley, last year's state champions, by Coach Bim Stults' Ross team last week.

Hinds Favored

Benny Hayes, Fremont breast stroke star, who holds the state record, already has clipped a full second from his 1:05.2 record set last year. His best rival Saturday likely will be Huffer, Lima Central, third place state winner in the event in 1940.

Hinds, of Toledo Scott, another state title holder, will be the favorite Saturday in the 220 yard free style event.

Two others who placed in the 1940 state finals who will swim here Saturday are Tom Hedges, Sandusky, who took second in the backstroke event, and Clarence Kuntz, Fremont, who placed fifth in the same event. Kuntz has showed much improvement this season and already has bettered Hedges' best time.

Managed by Budd Cox, varsity swim coach at Bowling Green State university, the meet will get under way at 2 p. m. with preliminary swimming events followed by diving finals. The swimming finals will begin at 8 p. m.

Five Meet Marks Tumble As Fremont Squad Qualifies 13

Little Giants Take Firsts In All But Diving, Century Sprint; No Purple Entry Finishes Poorer Than 3rd; Bahnsen Cracks Collegian's Record

After compiling perhaps the largest score ever amassed in a district swimming meet—72 out of a possible 80 points—in the northwestern Ohio eliminations at Bowling Green Saturday, Ross high's Little Giant mermen Monday turned towards the state meet in Columbus March 15, firmly established as the team to beat.

Five district records fell before the flailing arms and legs of Coach Elm Stults' Purple and White youngsters as they took six firsts and qualified 13 performers for state finals competition.

Finishing second, 28 points behind the Little Giants, was Sandusky with 34 points. Scott was third with 27, followed by DeVilbiss with 12. Bellevue with seven and Waite with 2.

Missed Diving
Only race which failed to go to Ross was the 100 free style, in which Bob Walden and Denver Franks placed second and third respectively to Gundlach of Sandusky.

The defending champions also just missed copying the diving event when Bill Westerhold of

McKINLEY COPS
Canton McKinley, defending state swim champ, won the Northwestern district meet at Akron for the second straight year, scoring 39 points, 16½ more than second place Cleveland Heights.

The sectional meet held simultaneously at Cincinnati was won by the Queen City's Western Hills with 48 points. Second was Walnut Hills with 32½.

The first five finishers in district events are eligible for the state championships at Ohio State University.

Sandusky edged Jim Martin of Ross, 73.43 points to 72.60. Del Rakes, tiny Purple lad, placed third in the same event with 38 points.

Benny Hayes retained his 100 breast stroke title with ease, breaking his former record as he was clocked in 1:05.3. Bob Pence of Ross moved out in front with Hayes and the two Little Giants finished well ahead of the field.

Thrilling Race

Perhaps the most thrilling race of the meet resulted in the 220 free style when gangy Pierce Bahnsen of Ross dethroned Bob Hinde of Scott in the record-breaking time of 2:23.8, not only scuttling the district mark, but also bettering the Bowling Green University pool record held by a Kenvon college swimmer.

Bahnsen led the defending champ by a slight margin all the way and staved off a great final bid by the Bulldog. Bob Thomas of Ross was third.

Clarence Kuntz of Ross preceded his championship performance in the finals of the 100 back stroke with a record-smashing time of 1:04.8 in the preliminaries. He was clocked in 1:05.6 in the finals as he defeated Sandusky's highly-touted Tom Hedges. Ken Reed of Ross gave Hedges a battle for second but was edged.

Third or Better

The Purple medley team of Kuntz, back stroke; Hayes, breast stroke; and Dick Spayd, free style, swept to victory over the 350-yard route in 1:24, cracking the district and state marks set by the same team last year.

Another district standard fell in the 200 free style relay as the Ross quartet of Bahnsen, Spayd, Reed and Al Baumann churned home in 1:43.

The 50 free style went to Ross high's Al Baumann in a race that wasn't even close. Baumann, timed in 25.5, was followed in by a teammate, Jack Boyer.

Of the 12 Little Giant performers who scored points in individual events, not one finished poorer than third. In all, Ross took home 19 individual medals, two relay trophies and the large meet championship trophy.

Dunked In Pool

When Coach Stults and his aide, George Gruse approached the rostrum to be awarded the various trophies, the Ross mermen rushed them, fully clothed, into the pool, in a traditional championship gesture. They emerged a bedraggled pair, but proceeded on their way for the awards.

Diving—Won by Westerhold (Sandusky); Martin (Fremont); 2, Rakes (Fremont); 3, Whitman (Waite); 4, Wims (DeVilbiss); 5, Lipke (Sandusky); 6, Points 73.43.

50 free style—Won by Baumann (Fremont); Boyer (Fremont); 2, Loftus (DeVilbiss); 3, Swartzbaugh (Scott); 4, Wright (Bellevue); 5, Crist (Scott); 6, Time 25.3.

100 breast stroke—Won by Hayes (Fremont); Pence (Fremont); 2, Wentlau (Scott); 3, Mason (Scott); 4, Fletcher (Sandusky); 5, Time—1:05.3. (New record).

220 free style—Won by Bahnsen (Fremont); Hinde (Scott); 2, R. Thomas (Fremont); 3, Stark (Sandusky); 4, Stockard (DeVilbiss); 5, Griffith (Scott); 6, Time—2:23.8. (New record).

100 back stroke—Won by Kuntz (Fremont); Hedges (Sandusky); 2, Reed (Fremont); 3, Dodd (Scott); 4, Butler (DeVilbiss); 5, Dunn (Scott); 6, Time—1:05.6. (New record of 1:04.8 set by Kuntz in qualifying heat).

100 free style—Won by Gundlach (Sandusky); Walden (Fremont); 2, Franks (Fremont); 3, Wright (Bellevue); 4, Madeod (Sandusky); 5, Time—39.

150 medley relay—Won by Fremont (Kuntz, Hayes and Spayd); Sandusky; 2, Scott; 3, DeVilbiss; 4, Time—1:24. (New record).

200 free style relay—Won by Fremont (Bahnsen, Spayd, Reed, and Baumann); Scott; 2, Sandusky; 3, Bellevue; 4, DeVilbiss; 5, Time—1:43. (New record).

BADGERS GRAB BIG 10 TITLE

Wisconsin Trims Gophers, 42-32, For First Crown Since 1918

CHICAGO, March 3.—P.—Young Bud Foster, one of Wisconsin's all-time great basketball players, knows what to do with the Wolves—give them a championship.

Foster's Badgers opened their 1941 Big Ten title campaign by absorbing a 44-27 shellacking at the hands of Minnesota team not even rated among top-flight contenders for the title. The Wolves began a bit of moaning, but it didn't last long.

Wisconsin picked itself off the floor and reeled off 11 straight victories to win the championship, concluding its season Saturday with a vigorous 42 to 32 decision over Minnesota. This was Wisconsin's first undisputed title since 1918.

The conference season closes tonight with a three-game slate with Little at stake—Indiana at Chicago, Northwestern at Purdue and Minnesota at Iowa.

Joe Stamp of Chicago needs but nine points against the Hoosiers to win the individual scoring title. He has 154 points in 11 games and Gene Englund finished his bid for the crown by scoring 13 points for Wisconsin Saturday, giving the Badger center, 162, Ohio State's Dick Fisher has 143 points for 12 games.

Indiana clinched second place Saturday with a 47 to 29 decision over Purdue. Illinois swamped Chicago, 52 to 33. Northwestern defeated Iowa, 45 to 36; and Ohio State whipped Michigan, 45 to 37.

Nation's Court Races Near End

NEW YORK, March 3.—P.—This is the time of the year when the basketball "experts" work harder than the players.

The major part of the season's work for the players—settling their sectional championships—is nearly over. But the "experts" are just starting to pick the teams that will compete for the various national championships.

Representatives of various sections must be chosen for the national collegiate A, B, C, and D tournaments.

In most cases the conference champions get first call, but occasionally there are powerful "independents" to be considered or else the champs don't want to play anymore. Indiana won this tournament last year after finishing second in the Big Ten race.

The championships of the southern, southeastern, Big Ten, and Pacific coast, northern division, circuits were decided last week, with the titles going to Duke, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Washington State, respectively. Arkansas in the southwest conference and Stanford in the Pacific coast southern division previously had clinched their crowns.

Still open are the eastern league, Missouri valley, Big Six, and Big Seven races, although in the last two Kansas and Wyoming can't get worse than ties. The coast conference sectional leaders will fight it out in their usual three-game playoff at Pullman, Wash., March 14, 15 and 17.

CINCINNATI WOMEN KEGLEERS SET MARK

DAYTON, O., March 3.—P.—The Cincinnati housewives shattered the doubles record of the Ohio state women's bowling tournament over the weekend. Ann Blase and Betty Burbrink scored 1180 to eclipse the 1940 mark of 1150 set by Estelle Roemer and Ruth Sauer of Columbus.

Mrs. Burbrink also swept into second place with 1843 in the class A all-events, 11 points back of Florence Seeds of Columbus. Hazel Richards of Canton was fourth with 1638. Catherine Burling was first in the class A singles, however, with 610, while close behind in second place was Hazel Richards with 593.

KENYON JOB MAY HALT TITLE PLAY

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 3.—P.—Don McNell's job in the admission department of Kenyon college at Gambier, O., may prevent him from participating in the national indoor tennis championships here the week of March 15. Scheduled interviews with prospective students stand in the way, McNell said. McNell, current outdoor champ, held the indoor title in 1938.

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