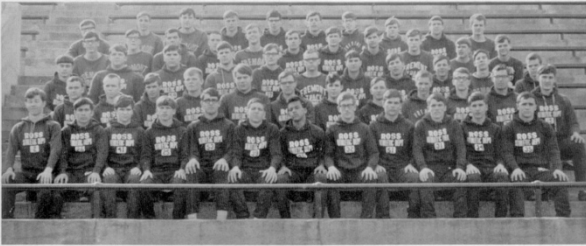


# 1968 Season review...

## Track



Row 1: Ben Damschroder, Don Palomo, Mike Geb, Greg Goodwin, Carroll Voochese, Jeff Wise, Tom Pettiford, Bob Mackey, Mike Holman, Steve Parker, Ron Bearlon, Rusty Williams. Row 2: Max Blevins, Chuck Cheek, Denny Haynes, Mike Hytinec, Bob Pfeiffer, Gary Perkins, Paul Kennedy, Mel Hoffman, Tom Thompson, Tol Roberts, Tom Perkins, Charles Narkter. Row 3: Gordon Frost, Brian Cooley, Dave Rhodes, Mike McGuire, Greg Van Ness, Ken Cheek, Brian Smith, Jon Swartz, Chuck Boskovich, Bill Anderson, Greg Taylor. Row 4: Red O'Neil, Harry Rapp, Doug Ebert, Denny Billman, Keith Chapin, Randy Kag, Tom Nahn, Steve Trooman, Mike Garber, Tom Noltz, Don Oums. Row 5: Brad Perry, Tom Hoffman, Doug Drown, Bill Theison, Roger, Mulholland, Bob Ballenger, Scott Warner, Mark Andrews, Lenny Ferguson, Scott Goodwin.

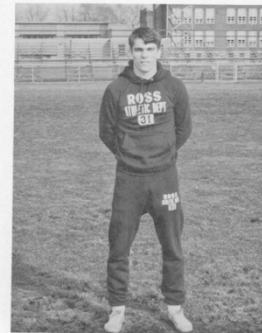
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Jon Swartz,  
Bob Mackey,  
Rusty Williams.



Managers:  
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Larry Coomer,  
Gary Fibber,  
Dennis Billow.



Steve Parker . . . our answer to Glenn Cunningham.



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Leap of 18-8 In Long Jump One Of Three Over 18-Foot Mark

TIME TRIALS INCONCLUSIVE

# Ross Track Preparation Turns Into Home Stretch

Injury and illness clouded the picture Friday as Coach Rod Lash got his first real look at the Ross track team. The weather allowed the Ross mentor to conduct the first serious time trials of the preseason workouts.

Lash indicated more of the same is the plan for this week with hopes of concluding the early drills with an intramural meet. The Little Giant thincilads are aiming for an April 5 home opener against Oak Harbor.

At least four key lettermen missed the Friday session due to illness. Steve Parker, Buckeye Conference, district and regional 440-yard dash champion, was hospitalized this past week with bronchitis. He is expected to return to practice in the near future. Also missing Friday's drills were Andy Good, the top man in the discus; Jon Schwartz, junior spring and relay runner; and Jim Daniels, senior hurdles and long jump.

Lash is working with 16 lettermen and a list of non-letter prospects headed by nine juniors and a strong aggregation of 13 key sophomores. The coach emphasized after the workout, "We have a long way to go, a lot of work."

There was a pleasant surprise when three thincilads jumped over 18-5 in the board jump. Two of these were Dennis O'Brien and Larry Sheffield, sophomores who both topped 19 feet a year ago in freshman meets. The fourth was Mike McGuire, a junior non-letterman who was expected to compete primarily in shot and discus.

Norm Bray, assistant coach in charge of weight events, indicated he is working with a group topped by three boys capable of putting the shot over 40 feet. He has hopes that at least two of these will be over the 50-foot mark by the end of the season. The top shot put candidates are Juniors Dave Rhodes, Doug Ebert and Bryan Cooley. Rhodes is a letterman.

Improvement in the mile was promised by the breast-to-breast finish of senior Mike Geib and junior Chuck Cheek. Cheek finished stronger to barely nip Geib at the wire. Assistant Coach Ron Brant indicated times were better than the first clocking a year ago. Junior lettermen are Rhodes, Cheek, Schwartz and Mel Hoffman, distances.

In addition to Daniels, Good, Geib and Parker, senior lettermen are: Greg Goodwin, dis-



JEFF WISE Hurdle Veteran

tances: Bob Mackey, 440-yard run and relays; Don Palomo, distances; Ron Reardon, 440 and relays; Rusty Williams, dashes; Jeff Wise, hurdles and high jump; Carol Voorheis, high jump.

Williams, nursing a football ankle injury and carrying approximately 20 pounds more weight than a year ago is a delimited question mark.

Leading non-letter prospects listed by Lash are:

JUNIORS — Bill Anderson, high jump; Dennis Billman, discus; Chuck Boskovich, distance; Ken Cheek, distance; Keith Chapin, high jump, and Dan Linder, pole vault, plus Cooley, Ebert and McGuire in field events.

SOPHOMORES — Sheffield and O'Brien; Mark Andrews, hurdles; Bob Balenger, distances; Lenny Ferguson, dashes and relays; Scott Goodwin, pole vault; Randy Karg, distances; Roger Mulholland, dashes; Tom Nahn, hurdles; Dennis O'Brien, long jump and high jump; Kerry Pitts, relays; Greg Taylor, 440; Bill Thiessen, dashes, and Steve Tooman, hurdles.

## Derby Kid Top Racer

ATLANTA (AP) — Cale Yarborough is on top of the racing world right now with two big victories and \$70,000 in winnings this year.

But the onetime Soapbox Derby kid says his fight to get to the top hasn't been easy.

"Lots of times I felt it wasn't worth it and decided to quit," the 29-year-old racing veteran from Timmonsville, S.C., said after winning the Atlanta 500 Sunday.

"But then I'd sleep on it and decide I was just as good as those other guys, and go back at it."

Yarborough's perseverance has paid off and the hard-driving blond is in position to become the biggest money-winner ever in one year. He needs about \$60,000 to break the record set by Richard Petty of Randleman, N.C.

"I don't know if I can break it, but I've got a real good

start," said Yarborough, who averaged 125 miles an hour in winning the 500-mile Atlanta race worth \$20,050. It was his second straight Atlanta title.

Yarborough won a duel with another 1968 Mercury driver, Lee Roy Yarborough of Columbia, S.C. They also finished 1-2 at the Daytona 500 a month ago. Lee Roy won \$9,285 in the race, with Donnie Allison of Hueytown, Ala., pocketing \$5,365 for third. Charlie Glotzbach of Georgetown, Ind., was fourth and Darel Dieringer of Charlotte, N.C., was fifth.

### Fights

MEXICO CITY — Jose Jimenez, Mexico, stopped Johnny Janito, Philippines, featherweights, 5.



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**ROSS DISTANCE HOPES** — Hope that success of the cross country team will carry over to the Spring track season rests partly on the endurance and speed of Chuck Cheek and Mike Geib. Both members of the Ross cross country team which was 5-4 for the season are milers on the track team. The pair is shown nearly side by side as Cheek edges Geib

in the first time trial of the season. Manning the stop watches are assistant coaches Dick Cannode and Ron Brant. Brant was the coach of the cross country squad and is in charge of distance runners. He said both milers have a chance to be below five minutes for the opening meet. (News-Messenger Photo)

TOP TRIO MISSING

# Ross High Opens Track Season Without Aces

Strong belief that this was the year for Ross high school track has run into obstacles before the season starts. The Little Giants spike the track for the first time Tuesday at home against Oak Harbor.

Missing from the Ross lineup will be the three most promising trackmen, including District quarter-mile champion Steve Parker. Coach Rod Lash had high hopes for strength in the 16 lettermen, led by the trio of Parker, Rusty Williams and Tom Peddiford.

Peddiford, a winning performer a year ago in hurdles, broad jump and pole vault, was the victim of the books and academically ineligible. Parker has been hospitalized with bronchitis and has not returned to practice. Williams is practicing but hobbled by an ankle injury received in football and an addition of weight. Coach Lash reported Saturday that Williams has cut down his weight.

A healthy Williams and Parker should have assured Ross domination of all dashes and sprints. Lash now must rely on younger, less experienced runners.

The presence of Parker alone was expected to make Ross a contender in any meet. "Lot of people think we are a one-man team. We now have a chance to prove we have more than a one-man team."

### Jumpers Strong

The Little Giants will have to look to apparent depth in distance runners, long jump and weight events for leadership. Two sophomores and a junior who will push the 19-foot mark give Ross long jump depth. These jumpers are sophomores Dennis O'Brien and Larry Shef-

field, plus junior Mike McGuire.

Sheffield is also part of the young crew of runners who will have to respond in the dashes.

In shot put Dave Rhoads is

## Rollie Beale Wins

### Sprint Car Race

ROSSBURG, Ohio (AP)—Rollie Beale of Toledo grabbed the lead on the first lap and went on to win the 30-lap, 15-mile USAC sprint car race at Eldora Speedway Sunday.

Beale never trailed in taking over the lead from polesitter Duke Cook of Sidney, Ohio. Beale started in second position. He won \$1,592 of the total \$8,418 purse.

Tom Bigelow, Whitewater, Wis., was second; Bill Puterbaugh, Roxanna, Ill., third; Greg Weld, Kansas City, Mo., fourth, and Wib Spaulding, Granite City, Ill., fifth.

Beale drove a Chevrolet-powered car over the half-mile dirt track before 7,267 fans.

### BEST IN SHOW

CHICAGO (AP) — Ch. Shamrock's Acres Light Brigade, a 3-year-old Labrador retriever, was named best in show Sunday night at the annual International Dog Show. Owned by Mrs. James Gets of Lake Forest, Ill., Light Brigade is the first retriever to win the Chicago event.

### EX FIGHTER DIES

WESTFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Ruby Bradley, who fought Midget Wolgast for the world flyweight boxing title in Brooklyn July 13, 1931, died Saturday. Bradley, 63, lost a 15-round decision to the champion.

leading the way for Doug Ebert and Bryan Cooley, all of whom could toss in the 45 to 50-foot range. This trio plus Andy Good appear to be strong in the discuss.

Bolstered by the boys who led the cross country team to a 5-4 season last fall, there are numbers in the distances. "The distance people are working real hard . . . We are not too impressed with times yet, but competition should boil the adrenalin."

In looking for bright spots Coach Lash pointed to the improvement of Ron Reardon, who could help fill the gap at 220 and 440-yard distances. Also encouraging in the sprints is the work of Jon Schwartz. A pleasant surprise has been the pole vaulting of Dan Linder. Linder, a swimming diver who was not out for track before, has already topped 10-9 in rapid development. Lash credits the work of Assistant Coach Norv Skinner, who was a vaulter for Heidelberg college, for Linder's development.

Lash also finds the hurdles in capable hands with Senior Jeff Wise sharp in Spring. Tom Nahm, a sophomore, is developing into a good backup man for Wise.

In general appraisal of the first meet Coach Lash stated, "We will get to try a lot of younger underclassmen . . . They will have to come through for us."

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# Ross Thinclads Overwhelm Fostoria In Opener, 103-24

FOSTORIA—One record was set and underclassmen showed they would carry their share of the load Thursday afternoon as Fremont-Ross high school track team opened with a 103-24 victory over Fostoria. Fostoria could muster a challenge only in the hurdles where Jim Fairly proved he might be the class of the area and pole vault.

Ross Coach Rod Lash was quick to point out that apparent Fostoria weakness was as much a contributor to the lopsided score as was Ross

strength. He did relish the meet as a measure of the improved track program at Ross. Six years ago the Little Giants suffered through almost the exact reverse of this score against Fostoria.

Chuck Cheek, a last minute insertion in the event, set a new Ross record in the two-mile run. Cheek was clocked in 10:51.5 for the eight-lap distance. This bettered the old mark of 10:56.7 set by Greg Goodwin in 1967. Goodwin ran second to Cheek Thursday in a

Ross sweep of the event. Cheek was expected to run the mile for Ross, but was switched to the two-mile when Chuck Boskovits was ill.

The Little Giant thinclads swept seven events and won both relays.

Although not a first place winner in his hurdles specialty, Coach Lash had praise for Jeff Wise. The Ross athlete had good times in both hurdles as he pushed Fairly to times of 15.4 seconds in the highs and 21.2 in the lows. Wise was right on his

heels with a 15.8 high clocking and 21.3 in the lows. In addition, Wise provided one of the meet surprises with a 5.5 winning high jump. Lash had feared this would be a Ross weak spot.

Winning performances singled out by the coach as good first meet efforts were the 46-1 shot put of Dave Rhodes and 1:36.7 880-yard relay time turned in by Larry Sheffield, Lennie Ferguson, Mike Holman and Steve Parker.

Rhodes, Sheffield and Ferguson are all underclassmen

with the latter two only sophomores. Of the 30 point winners in the meet 15 were seniors and 15 underclassmen.

Dan Linder came in for praise by the coach as he pole vaulted 11-0 in his first varsity meet. Linder was recruited from the swim team to fill what was believed to be a void in the Ross forces. He finished second in his attempt at competition.

The meet marked the early return to action by Steve Parker, who was hospitalized and had returned only two prac-

tices before the first meet. Parker did not run his 440-yard specialty but won the 100 and 220-yard dashes and ran a leg of the 880-yard relay.

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**SUMMARY**

SHOT PUT — Rhodes (R), Cooley (R), Peiffer (R), 46-1.

LONG JUMP — Sheffield (R), McGuire (R), Damar (F), 18 3/4.

HIGH JUMP — Wise (R), Danner (F), tie Voorhies (R) and O'Brien (R), 5-8.

DISCUS — Good (R), Rhodes (R), Billman (R), 119-2.

120 HIGH HURDLES — Fairly (F), Wise (R), Florea (F), 15.4.

100 — Parker (R), Schwartz (R), Sheffield (R), 19.2.

MILE — Gebb (R), Karg (R), Thomson (R), 5:01.5.

880 RELAY — Ross (Sheffield, Ferguson, Holman, Parker), 1:36.7.

POLE VAULT — Stroman (F), Linder (R), Graves (F), 12-0.

440 — Schwartz (R), Taylor

(R), Reardon (R), 54.7.

180 LOW HURDLES — Fairly (F), Wise (R), Nahm (R), 21.2.

880 — Palomo (R), Ash (F), Mackey (R), 2:12.7.

220 — Parker (R), Ferguson (R), Sheffield (R), 23.9.

TWO MILE — Cheek (R), Goodwin (R), Ballenger (R), 10:51.5.

MILE RELAY — Ross (Schwartz, Reardon, Thiessen, Taylor), 3:46.2.

## Little Giants At Mansfield

Ross high school will enter a contingent of 11 athletes in nine events at the Mansfield Relays Saturday. Coach Rod Lash indicated the following athletes will make the trip: Chuck Cheek, Larry Ferguson, Mike Beib, Mike Holman, Steve Parker, Ron Reardon, Dave Rhodes, Jon Schwartz, Larry Sheffield, Greg Taylor and Jeff Wise.

The Little Giants are entered in shot put, high hurdles, mile, 880-relay, 440-yard dash, 180-yard low hurdles, 880-yard run, mile relay and long jump.

# Ross Showing

## Pleases Lash

There were no points won but Coach Rod Lash was pleased with the performance of the Ross Little Giant track performance at the Mansfield Relays. Ross' three main chances at points did not materialize.

After a five - hour stay the 880-yard and mile relay teams were withdrawn. Coach Lash said it would have been at least another two hours before either of them competed.

Steve Parker, probably the best chance at points in the 440-yard dash, was also withdrawn. Lash used Parker in shorter events but said Parker was not likely physically ready for the quarter mile. Parker has had less than a week of workouts since discharge from the hospital.

Parker did win his heat in the 220-yard dash with :22.1 clocking. This qualified the Little Giant runner for the semifinals where he missed the finals by one - tenth of a point.

Other top performances by Ross thinclads were Dave Rhodes, shot put, 49-8; Larry Sheffield, long jump, 19-7; Chuck Cheek, 4:52, and Mike Geib, 4:53, mile; Jeff Wise, :15.7, high hurdles, and :20.7, low hurdles.

## STEVE PARKER WINS THREE EVENTS

# Ross Track Forces Dominate Triangular

**BOWLING GREEN** — Fremont Ross won 11 events, including the first nine and all but one of the running events to dominate a triangular meet here Tuesday. Ross was in a two-mile and took the first class by itself with 88 points to 51 for Bowling Green and 22 for Eastwood.

Ross failed to finish first in running events only in the mile relay, the last event after the final outcome was decided. Ross swept the first two positions in four events—100-yard dash, mile run, 180-yard low

hurdles and two-mile run. The Little Giants had exhibition runners in the two long distance events and actually finished one-two-three in the two-mile and took the first four spots in the mile. In the two-mile Chuck Boskovitch, who has been ill, was run as an exhibition runner and not eligible for points. Boskovitch actually finished second between the Ross winner Greg Goodwin and official second place finisher from Ross, Jim Ballenger. In the mile the first four

runners across the finish line were wearing the purple and white, but the third and fourth place runners, Sophomore Randy Karg and junior Tom Thomson did not count for points. Karg was timed in 5:01 and Thomson at 5:03.6. Winner of the event was Mike Geib, Ross, 4:53.6, followed by teammate Chuck Cheek, 4:58.5.

Steve Parker, making his first appearance of the year in his favorite event, the 440-yard dash, completed a dash sweep. He was first to break

the wire in the 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash and 440-yarder. He turned in a sparkling 50.6 for the quarter mile, fastest of the year in this area.

Jeff Wise was a Little Giant double winner by taking the hurdles races.

The meet also marked the debut of Rusty Williams who shows signs of rounding into shape. Williams was second to finish behind Parker in the 100 at :10.6. He also ran the opening leg of the victorious Ross 880-yard relay.

Ross is now 2-0 in dual and triangular meet competition. The Little Giant next outing will be Friday as host to the eighth annual Fremont Night Invitational Relays.

**SUMMARY**  
120 HIGH HURDLES—Wise (R), Snyder (E), Nahn (R), Gibbon (BG), :16.4  
100—Parker (R), Williams (R), Weaver (BG), Blausey (E):10.5  
MILE — Geib (R), Cheek (R), Lanning (BG), Wegman (E), 4:53.6.

SHOT PUT—Rhodes (R), Hoare (BG), Michaelson (E), Emch (E), 49-1/2

880 RELAY — Fremont (Williams, Schwartz, Ferguson, Sheffield), Bowling Green, Eastwood, 1:36.6.

440—Parker (R), Helm (BG), Taylor (R), Ballard (BG), :50.6

180 LOW HURDLES—Wise (R), Nahn (R), Drake (BG), Hannam (E), :23.3

880 — Cheek (R), Shaffer (BG), Palomo (R), Lause (BG), 2:08.

High Jump—Voorhees (R), Frank (BG), Snyder (E), Hoare (BG), 5-6.

POLE VAULT—Manley (BG), Donaldson (E), Linder (R), Shank (BG), 10-0.

LONG JUMP—Helm (BG), Sheffield (R), Ballard (BG), Hannan (E), 18-11/2.

220—Parker (R), Helm (BG), Ferguson (R), Blausey (E), 22.9.

DISCUS — Michaelson (E), Good (R), Hoare (BG), Tilkeimer (E), 127-9.

TWO MILE — Goodwin (R), Ballinger (E), Jackson (BG), Jones (BG), 10:59.4.

MILE RELAY — Bowling Green, Ross (Schwartz, Holman, Reardon, Taylor), Eastwood, 3:36.7.

## LEAGUE TO OPEN PLAY JUNE 3

# Knothole Loop Teams Draft 111 New Boys

The names of 111 boys were drawn Monday in the annual pre-season draft of the Knothole League. The boys through the draft were assigned at least nine to each of 12 teams. Al Ziemke, recreation director, said the league will start its season June 3.

Each team in the Knothole was allowed this year to carry seven 13-year-olds. The teams all will include five each of 14 and 15-year-olds. Players picked in the draft are asked to contact their managers as soon as possible.

**DeMars, Doug Scharf, Steve Reineck, Robert Mosser, Dana McQueen and Archie Myers.**

**ROTARY—Managers Daryl Quick, 332-5280; Billy Bliss, Robert Druckenmiller, William Quick, Randel Lowe, Michael Baker, Jon Smith, Jim Jones, Jeffrey Heabler, Mike Miller.**

**EXCHANGE CLUB—Managers Scott Hirt, 332-6539, and Chuck Boskovitch Jr., 332-1636; Steve Smith, John Szabo, Steve Young, Terry Myers, Dean Hetrick, Kermit Paul Fehlhaber, Steve Laurer, Jeff Tschumy, Dan Johnson.**

**UNION CARBIDE—Managers Don Weisz and Steve Raines, 332-2406; Mike Sherman, Len Gerber, Richard Eberly, David Dray, John Moor, Mike Rodgers, Mike Vernarsky, Mark Schrickel, Nicky Joe Kerosky, Richard Eversole.**

**AMERICAN LEGION—Managers Paul King, 332-3363, and John Latvis, 332-7634; Jim Decker, Charles Carnico, Larry Shilling, Steve Lotycz, Tom Sieburg, Bob Koebel Jr., Michael Hunt, William Wyss, Kim Haubert.**

**MILLER PONTIAC — Managers Bob Blakeman, 332-3293, and John Ash, 332-2726; Doug Zartman, Bill Stoner, James Heflinger, David Tolhurst, Geoff Stults, Steve Frazier, Mike Kiser, Darrell Mann and Sam Withrow.**

**CROWN RUBBER—Manager Gil Brionez, 332-1477; Mark Harlan, Thomas Riedmaier, David Kramer, Mike Walker, Tom Bowers, Dick Kindred, David Hendricks, Steve Heitz, Edward Caldwell.**

**MORTICIANS — Managers**

**Haldy Black, 334-2315, and Herb Gonya, 332-0957; Robert Brudzinski, Denny Knipp, John Keith, Tom O'Brien, Charles Russell, Denny Lorentz, Bill Pitchford, David Cooper, Randall Atkinson.**

**FRISCH'S — Managers Bob Hoch, 332-1418, and Virge Howey, 332-7494; Jamie Whitcum, Ed Fitzgerald, Scott Merritt, Scott March, David Geib, Mike Czako, David Graham, Robert Harris, Dennis Reed. Knothole League division chairmen are Bob Nickel, eastern, and Paul King, western.**

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# Ross To Defend Invitational Night Relays Title Friday

Fremont Ross for the first time won its own Night Relays a year ago and they will be aiming for a repeat Friday night. The Little Giants will play host to five other schools in the eighth renewal of the Night Relays.

All competition will be on a relay basis, even field events. In the field events the best performance of each of three competitors will be totaled.

The Invitational meet is sponsored by the American Legion. Richard Sherman, athletic director for Ross high school, will be the meet manager. Field events open at 5 p.m. with the running events getting underway at 7:30 p.m.

Sherman indicated the participating schools and their coaches will be: Ross, Rod Lash; Bowling Green, Maurice

Croft; Oregon Clay, Dick Baumgartner; Findlay, Hal Paul; Fostoria, Art Burton; Port Clinton, Joe Lukac.

Ross stands a good chance of a repeat with greater strength this year in events such as the shot put and sprints. The one-two combination of Senior Jeff Wise and sophomore Tom Nahn could materialize into a shuttle hurdle threat if two others can be found to team with them.

A year ago Ross scored 47 1/2 points to top Port Clinton's second place 37 points for the championship. In that championship effort the Little Giants placed in all but the 880-yard

relay. This event was a victim of strategy as Coach Lash elected to load the mile relay rather than the 880-yard event. It paid off with a first place in the mile relay. In addition to the mile Ross last season took first place in the shot put, 440-yard relay, shuttle hurdles and sprint medley.

Three-fourths of that winning 440-relay team returns — Rusty Williams, Jon Schwartz and

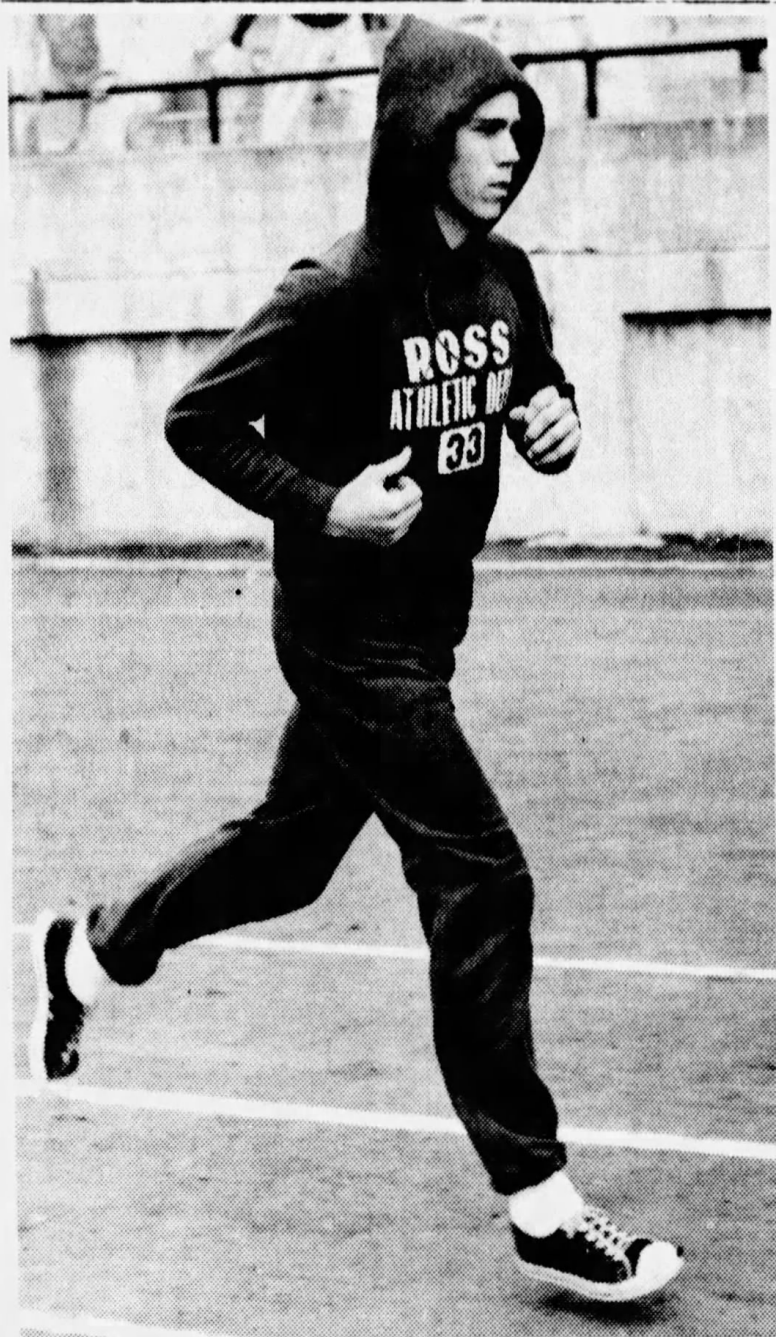
Steve Parker. Wise is the only returnee from the shuttle hurdle relay (Fremont, 45.2). Two events in the Night Relays and the records for these events are: Shot Put (Findlay, 148-2), discus (Port Clinton, 415-1/4), high jump (Port Clinton, 16-10), long

jump (Fostoria, 60-3/4), pole vault (Clay, 33-9), 440-yard relay (Fremont, 45.2), Two Mile Relay (Bowling Green, 10:59.4), Shuttle Hurdle (Clay, 55.2), sprint medley (Bowling Green, 1:37.2), distance medley (Clay, 8:07.3), 880-yard relay (Fremont, 1:33.7), mile relay (Bowling Green, 3:34.2).

Team scoring will be six points for first, four points for second, three for third, two for fourth

and one for fifth. The team championship trophy is presented again this year by Whippool Corporation. Second place trophy is the donation of Ross Boosters. A trophy is presented to the winner of each event. Donors of these trophies are Crown Rubber, Mosser Construction, Union Carbide, Fremont Gun & Athletic Supply, Serwin's Restaurant and Pfister's.

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**TRACKSTER OF WEEK** — Fremont Ross coaches have honored Chuck Cheek as the outstanding Little Giant Trackster of the Week. The track coaches this year will once more pick an outstanding boy each week for his contribution to the team. Cheek is the Trackster for the first week of the season during which he set a Ross two-mile record of 10:51.5. He was substituting in an unfamiliar event when he set the record. The time broke the year-old mark of 10:56.7 set by Greg Goodwin. Cheek will be a hope for Ross tonight in its own Night Relays. (News-Messenger Photo)





# Little Giants Top Findlay Trackmen

FINDLAY — Fremont Ross track team met its strongest opposition of the season Tuesday afternoon and came out with another impressive victory. The Little Giants remained undefeated after three dual meets and the Fremont Night Relays was outracing Findlay, 79-48. Ross won 10 of 15 events in conquering the Buckeye Conference opponent.

Features of the Ross domination were sweeps in the 440-yard dash and mile runs, plus one-two finishes in high jump, high hurdles and 220-yard dash.

One of the pleasant surprises for Coach Rod Lash was the work of sophomore Tom Nahm in the hurdles. Nahm was clocked in :15.5 in beating senior teammate Jeff Wise for the barrier distance.

Steve Parker once more completed the dash triple with victories in the 100-yard, 220-yard and 440-yard runs. Parker ran his fastest century time of the season, :10.1, and covered the quarter mile in :50.4.

## SUMMARY

POLE VAULT — Rowe (F),

Linder (R), Short (F), 10-0.

DISCUS—Foltz (F), Good (R), Billman (R), 122-0.

BROAD JUMP—Sheffield (R), Brumley (F), Goodhart (F), 19-11.

HIGH JUMP — O'Brien (R), Chapin (R), Bishop (F), 5-4.

100 — Parker (R), Goodhart (F), Routson (F), :10.1.

120 HIGH HURDLES—Nahm (R), Wise (R), Routson (F), :15.5.

MILE RUN—Geib (R), Karg (R), Cheek (R), 4:58.2.

SHOT PUT — Rhodes (R), Heckman (F), Foltz (F), 47-0.

880 RELAY—Findlay, 1:35.6.

440 — Parker (R), Reardon (R), Taylor (R), :50.4.

180 LOW HURDLES — Goodhart (F), Nahm (R), Wise (R), :2.19.

880—Weiler (F), Corder (F), MacDavy (F), 2:07.

220—Parker (R), Sheffield (R), Routson (F), :23.4.

TWO MILE — Goodwin (R), Robetson (R), Boskovich (R), 11:05.6.

MILE RELAY — Fremont (Schwartz, Reardon, Holman Taylor), 3:39.3.



**TRACKSTER OF WEEK**—Steve Parker has rounded into shape with surprising quickness after missing much of pre-season practice due to illness. The Fremont Ross track coaching staff has named him trackster of the week for the second week of the season. He is yet to lose in dual or triangular competition anytime he has run in 100, 220 and 440-yard dashes. In the current area track honor roll Parker has the fastest time in all three of these events. (News-Messenger Photo)

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# Parker-Led Little Giants Fourth At Marion Relays

Fremont Ross finished fourth in an 11-team field and Steve Parker was one of three nominees for the outstanding athlete award Friday night in the Marion Night Relays. Ross recorded several of its best times and distances of the season in scoring 25 points.

Only teams to finish ahead of the Little Giants were Sandusky and Springfield South, tied for first with 69 points, and Lakewood, 37½.

Parker won one event, placed second in two and set a Ross school record. He was edged out for the outstanding athlete award by Mansfield's Duane Hill who had two firsts, a fifth and set a Marion Relay 120-yard high hurdle record of :14.3.

Parker was in a class by himself in winning the 440-yard dash with a :50.3 clocking. Parker was second in the 100-yard dash as he ran a 10 second flat time. It took :09.9 to win the event. The Ross runner was also second with a :21.7 in the finals of the 220 - yard dash. The winning time was :21.6. In the preliminaries Park-

er qualified with a Ross record :21.3.

Dave Rhodes of Ross improved his best shot put by nearly three feet with a 53-10. This was good for third behind the 55-foot toss of Sandusky's Ed Williams.

One of the top Ross surprises was the results when Mike Geib was switched from the mile to the half mile. He finished third in the 880-yard dash with a time of 2:05. He won his heat in the event.

In relay events Ross had two fourth place finishes. The distance medley team of Don Palomo, Lenny Ferguson, Ron Reardon and Randy Karg was clocked at 8:21.9. The 880-yard relay team of Rusty Williams,

Jon Schwartz, Lenny Ferguson and Larry Sheffield was timed at 1:35.4.

Jeff Wise qualified for the finals in both hurdle events. He was fifth in the 180-yard low hurdles with a :21.0. In the 120-yard highs he ran a :15.4 but placed sixth. This was the heat in which Duane Hill broke the Marion Relays record.

Calibre of the competition was indicated by the fact Chuck Cheek ran his two fastest times of the year and did not place. Cheek was clocked at 4:48 in the mile and 2:08 in the half mile.

Dennis O'Brien and Keith Chapin of the Little Giants both cleared 5-6 in the high jump but did not place.



## PARKER, GEIB TAKE LITTLE GIANT FIRSTS

# Sandusky Thinclads Outrun Ross

SANDUSKY — Sandusky high school displayed its track strength, but couldn't dim the lustre of Fremont Ross' Steve Parker Wednesday afternoon. The Blue Streaks won 11 of 15 events in posting a 94-33 vic-

tory over Ross. It was the first loss of the season in dual competition for the Little Giants.

Leading a minimum of Fremont bright spots were Parker and Mike Geib. Parker won the three dashes and Geib, running

the event for only the second time this year, captured the 880-yard run. In two half-mile appearances this season Geib has been a winner both times.

Parker came home first in the 100-yard dash, :10.1; 220-

yard dash, :22.6, and 440-yard dash, :51.5.

Other encouraging signs on the eve of the Buckeye Conference meet Saturday were few. One of them was the fact Junior Dave Rhodes once more

topped the 50-foot mark in the shot put. Rhodes' toss of 50-2½ was second to the 57-3 by Sandusky's Ed Williams.

Rhodes and Jeff Wise in the 120-yard high hurdles were the only second place finishes in individual events for Fremont. Wise was stride-for-stride with Buckeye Conference champion Jon Jackson for two-thirds of the 120-yard high hurdles. Jackson finished strong for the victory.

### SUMMARY

120 HIGH HURDLES—Jackson (S), Wise (R), Graham (S), :14.9.

100—Parker (R), Jackson (S), Rather (S), :10.1.

MILE—Leslie (S), Bickley (S), Karg (R), 4:48.3.

880 RELAY—Sandusky, 1:34.1. 440—Parker (R), Caffey (S), Taylor (R), :51.5.

180 LOW HURDLES—Jackson (S), Alexander (S), Wise (R), :19.8.

880—Geib (R), Fair (S), Hoffman (R), 2:07.4.

220—Parker (R), Jackson (S), Lippert (S), :22.6.

HIGH JUMP—Horn (S), Rather (S), O'Brien (R), 5-8.

TWO MILE—Brown (S), Ferguson (S), Tahehon (S), 10:29.8. MILE RELAY—Sandusky (S), 3:37.6.

LONG JUMP—Rather (S), Lewis (S), Sheffield (R), 20-4½.

POLE VAULT—Darden (S), Richardson (S), Linder (R), 12-6.

SHOT PUT—Williams (S), Rhodes (R), Rogers (S), 57-3.

DISCUS—Krueger (S), Rogers (S), Lewis (S), 187-3.

## CLYDE NIPS ST. WENDELIN

# Ray Baker Hurls No-Hitter

FOSTORIA — Junior Ray Baker had been the pitcher of record in all six Clyde high school baseball games this season. He and the team had a record of four wins, two losses. In those six games Baker had

not yielded an earned run. He had thrown two one-hitters, losing one of these on unearned runs.

Wednesday there was no denying Baker who sealed victory number four with a no-

hitter against Fostoria St. Wendelin. The victory raised Clyde's record to 3-1 against Sandusky Bay Conference opposition.

Only one man got by first base and only three reached base against Baker. The right-hander struck out 17, walked two and hit one batter. The only man to reach third base for Fostoria was Tim Reese who walked, stole second and went to third on the catcher's overthrow to second. Reese then was the victim of a catcher to pitcher to third pickoff play.

The strong mound job was needed as Baker was locked in a pitcher's duel with St. Wendelin's Don Affholder. The Fostoria sophomore allowed only three hits, struck out 12 and walked only two.

Clyde scored both its runs in the sixth inning to break five innings of scoreless baseball. After a strikeout opened the top of the sixth, Steve Fultz singled, Joe Nieset doubled on the hit-and-run to drive in Fultz. Nieset then stole third, kicked the ball away from the third baseman on the slide and scampered home with the second run.

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CLYDE — Fultz, 2b, 3-1-1; Nieset, 3b, 3-1-1; Nobles, cf, 3-0-0; Bennett, lf, 2-0-0; Harnden, 1b, 3-0-0; Archer, rf, 3-0-0; Mussell, ss, 3-0-0; Baker, p, 2-0-1; Cooper, c, 2-0-0. TOTALS 24-2-3.

ST. WENDELIN — Howard, 2b, 3-0-0; Mabis, 1b, 3-0-0; Macias, ss, 3-0-0; Enright, c, 3-0-0; Ewing, 3b, 3-0-0; Reece, cf, 1-0-0; Mann, lf, 1-0-0; Jenks, rf, 1-0-0; Affholder, p, 2-0-0. TOTALS 20-0-0.

### Score By Innings

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ST. WENDELIN

000 000 0—0-0-1

SO — Baker, 17; Affholder, 12. BB — Baker, 2; Affholder, 2. Hit Batsman — Baker, 1. 2B — Nieset.

umpire's jurisdiction to allow them.

Tony Taylor's fourth hit of the evening, a bases-loaded triple, brought the Phillies their victory over the Mets as Larry Jackson won his 20th career game over the New Yorkers. Only Don Drysdale, with 21 triumphs, has beaten the Mets more often.

It was another triple, this one by Julian Javier, that broke up the Cardinals-Astros game. Javier's hit drove in Johnny Edwards, who had singled, and gave St. Louis its eighth victory in nine games. Houston has now lost 10 of 12.

Willie Mays hit two home runs for the 57th time in his major-league career, but it was not enough to beat the Reds. Right fielder Dave Marshall dropped Leo Cardenas' fly in the ninth inning and Cardenas went all the way to third. He scored moments later on Mack Jones' sacrifice fly.

Tito Francona drove in the tie-breaking run and Clete Boyer doubled in two more in the ninth inning for the Braves' victory. The Dodgers tied the score 3-3 in the eighth, Willie Davis tripling in a run. Davis also homered.

## Softball Tourney

## Entries Are Open

## NATIONAL LEAGUE ROUNDUP

# Cubs Victims Of Only One-Sided Contest

By RON RAPOPORT  
Associated Press Sports Writer

Leo Durocher's Chicago Cubs were the only losers in the National League Wednesday night who failed to carry the fight at least into the ninth inning and you can imagine how Leo felt about it.

You'll have to imagine, in fact, because Leo isn't talking.

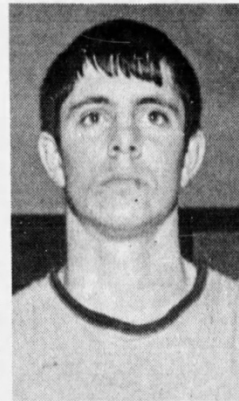
After Pittsburgh beat the Cubs 4-0, Durocher barred reporters from the dressing room for the second straight night, waited until the players had dressed and then marched everybody out past the waiting reporters en masse without so much as a "no comment."

He couldn't have had much to say about Pirate pitcher Al McBean, anyway. The right-hander escaped some early-inning problems to shut out the Cubs on just six hits, getting good support from Donn Clendenon and Manny Mota.

Clendenon singled in a run in the first and homered in the seventh. Mota added a couple of runs with a two-run double in the eighth.

McBean gave up five hits and walked two batters in the first three innings, then kept the Cubs hitless until the ninth. Rich Nye prevented the Pirates from scoring after the first inning until Clendenon's homer in the seventh.

Things were considerably tighter in the rest of the league.



RAY BAKER  
Stingy Pitcher

## Ross Tennis Team Nipped

MARION — A narrow doubles victory provided the winning margin as Marion's tennis squad nipped the visiting Ross team 4-3 Tuesday.

Mike O'Day and Ed Gentzler combined to edge Jon Zink and Fred Flower in a marathon match. O'Day and Gentzler registered a 5-7, 6-4, 10-8 victory, providing the winning point for Marion.

The Brindley boys, Ray and Bob, had a perfect day, each winning a singles match and then combining for a doubles victory.

### SINGLES

O'Day (M) defeated Zink, 6-1, 6-0.

Ray Brindley (R), defeated Gentzler, 9-7, 2-6, 6-2.

Taft (M) defeated Flower, 6-1, 6-4.

Bob Brindley (R) defeated Lesser, 6-3, 3-6, 8-6.

O'Brien (M) defeated Deemer, 0-6, 6-4, 6-1.

### DOUBLES

O'Day-Gentzler defeated Zink-Flower, 6-3, 6-4, 10-8.

Brindley - Brindley defeated Taft, Lesser, 7-5, 6-4.

## Golf Results

### CLASSIC LEAGUE Sycamore Hills

	WON	LOST
Cain's Potato Chips	6	0
Gabel Oil & Tire	6	0
Nagy Petroleum No 2	6	0
W. V. Hershey No 1	5½	½
Al Baumann's	5½	½
Bill Snyder Ins.	4½	1½
J & B Electronics	4	2
Bowlus Trucking	4	2
White's Plumbing	4	2
T. V. Clinic	4	2
Nagy Petroleum No 1	4	2
Crown Rubber	3	3
Towne Linc. — Merc	2	4
Wagner's Tavern	2	4
Doug's Tavern	1½	4½
W. V. Hershey No 2	1	5
"Arkies" Marathon	1	5
"818" Club	1	5
Electronic Tool Co.	½	5½
Miller Hi Life	½	5½
O'Brien — Durnwald Realty	0	6
Ole Zim's	0	6
LOW GROSS — B. Holt, W. V. Hershey No 1; L. Brudzinski (Al Baumann's); J. Denman, (Cain's Potato Chips), all 40.		
LOW NET — B. Hampsher, Bowlus Trucking, 33.		
LOW GROSS TEAM — L. Brudzinski, B. Chudzinski (Al Baumann's), 81.		
LOW NET TEAM — B. Hampsher, D. Effinger (Bowlus Trucking), 71.		

# Elyria Title, Records In Jeopardy At Buckeye Conference Track Meet

Earlier this week a Fremont Ross track team with hopes of a surprise invaded Strobel Field. All but two Little Giants failed to live up to hopes.

Saturday night the spirit of 'Ross' the symbolic Little Giant must rise to the occasion in an effort to erase the earlier showing. Strobel field Wednesday was the scene of the first Ross dual track meet defeat of the season. Saturday night the same Sandusky location will be the location for the annual Buckeye Conference championships.

Performances equal to the better marks in the past could allow Ross to creep high in the Conference meet standings. The power of Sandusky, which dominates particularly in the field events, should be partially equalized by the Elyria high school speedsters and at least one hurdler from Mansfield.

Elyria is the defending champion after breaking a three-year Sandusky domination in the conference meet. The Blue Streaks, led by the prodigious discus trio of Ken Krueger, Steve Rogers and Royce Lewis, have the field strength to rate the favorite's role this year.

Krueger is also expected, along with shot-putter Ed Williams to lead an assault on the record book. As Sandusky beat Ross this week Krueger sailed the discus 187-3, nearly .17 feet further than the record 170-4 tossed by Bob Middleton, Marion, back in 1959. The discus record is the oldest record remaining on the Buckeye Conference record book.

Williams on Wednesday put the shot 57-3, which gives him a good shot at the 56-4 record set last year by Elyria's Carl Leslie. Dave Rhodes of Ross appears to be the only shot-putter who could threaten Williams. He has a long toss of 53-10½ this year and is the only other weight man in the conference to top the 50-foot mark.

'Beat That Man' label rests on the fleet shoulders of Little Giant Steve Parker. Parker is one of six defending champions in the field. He won the 440-yard dash last year and finished second in the 220-yard dash. Wednesday against Sandusky Parker scored a dash triple and ran the fastest times recorded this year at Strobel field in all three events. These were

.10.1 in the 100-yard dash; :22.6 in the 220-yard dash and :51.5 in the 440. These do not match the lows this season by Parker, which are :10 in the 100, :21.3 in the 220 and :50.3 in the 440-yard dash. Last year in the state meet at Columbus Parker was recorded at :49.3 in the 440-yard run.

Mike Geib in the last two meets has emerged as a half-mile threat. Geib was the only other Ross winner at Sandusky and has won both outings at the 880-yard distance. His 2:05 best indicates he will be a threat to Mansfield's Dennis LaRue, who has a best of 2:04. LaRue is defending Buckeye champion in the two-mile but is likely to bypass the longer event.

In addition to Parker and LaRue the defending champions are Krueger in discus;

Duane Hill, Mansfield, low hurdles; Jon Jackson, Sandusky, high hurdles, and Jerry Klyop, Elyria, pole vault.

Ross also has all the mile relay team back which won last year, but it is possible none of them will compete in this event. Anchor man was Parker, who if he goes for a dash triple can not run in a relay. Leadoff man Rusty Williams has been battling an ankle injury and is only a part-time performer and Bob Mackey has left the squad. This leaves only Jon Schwartz as likely to run in the event. Coach Rod Lash reserved to the last minute his decision on how to use his sprinters.

Five records appear doomed. These are the shot put, discus, pole vault, 120-yard high hurdles, high jump, Klyop, the defending champion, has cleared 14-6 this year and the

record is 13-3¾ by Merle Wiliford, Elyria, in 1965. Chris Cowie, Lorain, has been as high as 6-5 in the high jump and the record is 6-2 by Earl Hill, Marion, 1963. Hill and Jackson should battle for the honor to break the high hurdle mark. Both have been clocked this year in :14.3, compared to a record of :14.4 set in 1966 by Sandusky's Willie Amison.

The three dash records all are within reach of Parker, although he has bettered none of them so far this season. These marks are: 100, Bob Lindsey, Sandusky, :09.9, 1965; 220, Lindsey, :21.4, 1965, and 440, Paul Garrett, Sandusky, :49.8, 1963.

The Buckeye Conference Meet opens with 3:30 p.m. preliminaries. Finals in field events are set for 5 p.m. with the first running event at 7:05 p.m.

## News-Messenger

# SPORTS

## Record Book Braces For Another Assault

MARGARETTA—A year ago they virtually wiped the record books clean at the Margareta Relays. The third running of the Margareta Relays Saturday night will attract its largest field in history.

Gene VanOrsdall, athletic director at Margareta, announced a field of 11 schools. The field is headed by defending champion Clyde. Other schools participating will be Margareta, Gibsonburg, St. Wendelin, Huron, Perkins, Monroeville, Tiffin Calvert, Berlin Heights, Oak Harbor, Milan.

Clyde, which won a year ago with a 26-point margin, reaffirmed its strength last week by running away with the Sandusky Bay Conference meet. Victory in a dual meet by one point had indicated Oak Harbor could challenge Clyde in the larger meets. On the eve of the SBC and Margareta meets Oak Harbor had the injury and illness bug strike. Quartermiler Keith Herbert is hobbled by a pulled hamstring muscle. Dash and spring runner John Kratzer is out with mononucleosis. The loss of this pair particularly cut into Oak Harbor strength.

Herbert, not up to par, managed to run in the SBC and combined with Kurt Greiger, Randy Strausbaugh and Jim

Benadom to win the mile relay.

Clyde runners provide definite record challenges in several events. These are Dave Gregg, high jump, 880-yard run and pole vault; Dick Farrar, 100-yard dash and pole vault; Rich Dickman, 440-yard dash; Chris Rodriguez, two-mile run, and the mile relay team of Paul Patrick, Brian Burroughs, Gregg and Dickman.

In the pole vault Farrar has been 12-3 and Gregg 12-0 this season. Farrar has been clocked at :10.5 in the century. Gregg has other bests of 2:02.6 in the 880-yard run and 6-1 in the high jump. Dickman's best at the quarter mile is :51.4 and the mile relay has a time of 3:31.5. Oak Harbor has an even faster mile relay, 3:30.6, but that was with Kratzer and Herbert healthy.

All the times of top Clyde contenders except Farrar's 100 better the current Margareta Relay records. Rodriguez has run a 10:22.8 two mile, 22.1 seconds faster than his own record.

The Margareta Invitational opens with field event and running preliminaries at 3 p.m. Preliminaries will be staged in both hurdles, 100, 220 and 440-yard dashes.

Finals begin with pole vault at 6:30 p.m. with running events starting at 7 p.m.

Missing from the meet lineup this year will be last year's second place team, Lakota. Despite this loss the Invitational has expanded seven teams to 11.

## Ross Net Team Wins Third, 5-2

Victory number three sailed over the nets to the Fremont Ross tennis team Wednesday. The Little Giant netters trimmed Port Clinton, 5-2, without using a number one doubles team.

The top doubles team of Jon Zink and Fred Flower played an exhibition pro set match with Port Clinton's top duo, Tim Wurga - Mark Johnson, but it did not count in the team points.

The Brindley brothers each had a hand in winning two points. Both won their singles and they teamed for a doubles win. The doubles portion of the match was played on pro set scoring.

### SINGLES

Jon Zink (R) over Tim Wurga (PC), 6-2, 6-0.

Ray Brindley (R) over Mark Johnson (PC), 10-8, 6-0.

Fred Flower (R) over Carl Myers (PC), 6-4, 6-0.

Bob Brindley (R) over Mark Adams (PC), 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

Mark Belknap (PC) over Dave Deemer (R), 6-4, 6-2.

### DOUBLES

Bob and Ray Brindley (R) over Jack Thompson - Belknap (PC), 8-1.

Jim Walz-Ray Milnac (PC) over Don Parman - Deemer (R), 10-8.

(Exhibition) Zink - Flower (R) over Wurga - Johnson (PC), 8-4.

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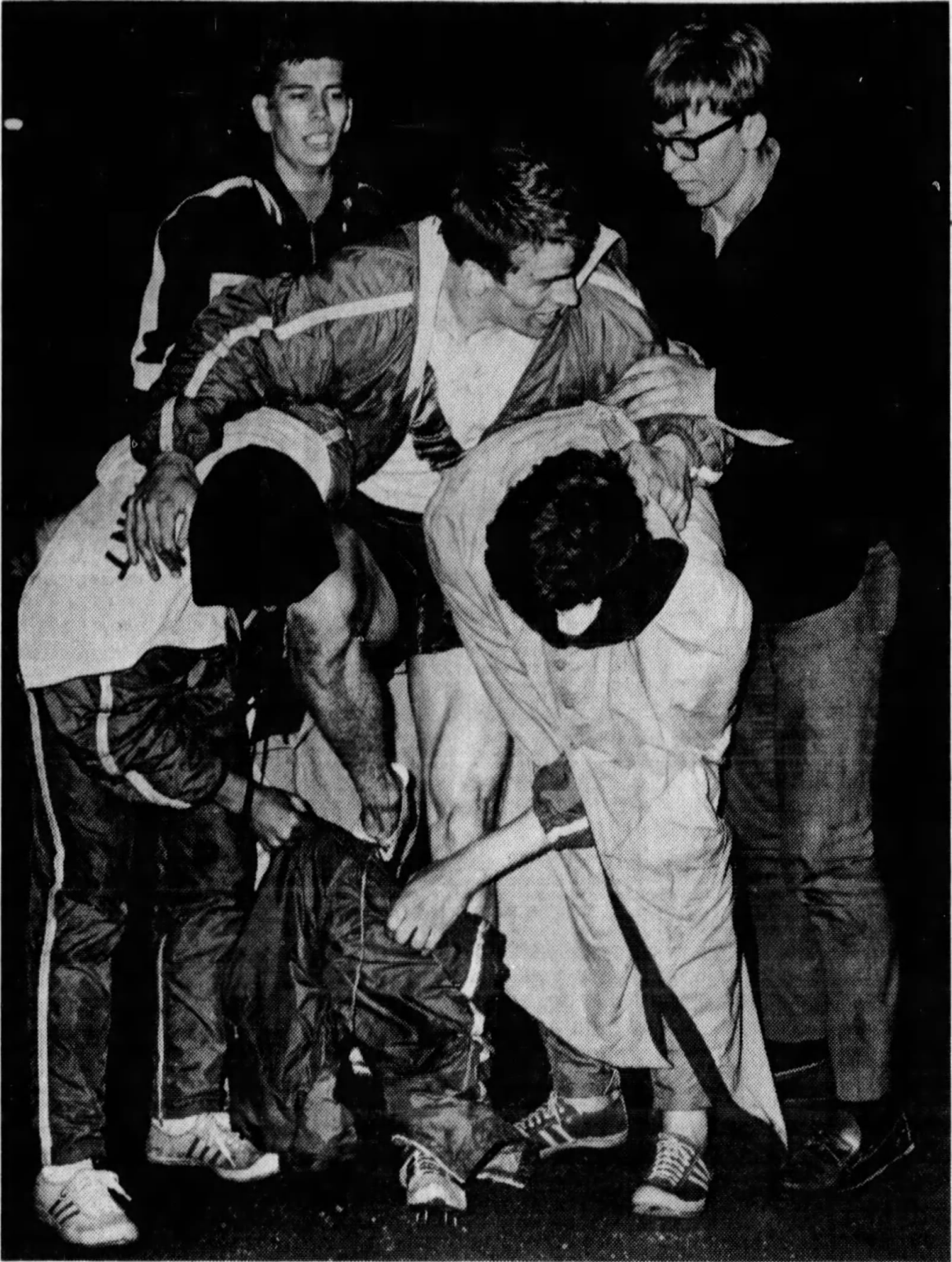
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**VICTORY STRAIN** — Strain of the effort shows on his face as Steve Parker crosses the finish line in first place of the Buckeye Conference 440-yard dash. Parker tied a Conference record Saturday night by running the quarter-mile distance in :49.8 seconds. This was his fastest to date on the eve of the district meet Saturday, when he will return to the site of his Buckeye Conference record run at Sandusky's Strobel Field. (News-Messenger Photo)



## Steve Parker Wins Three Events

# Clyde Second, Ross Third In District Run

SANDUSKY — Sandusky came home first as expected despite heavy rain but Clyde pulled a minor surprise in finishing second in the Class AA District track meet here Saturday. Although well behind the championship total of 62 points for Sandusky, Clyde took second place with 35½ points.

This nipped Fremont Ross by one-half point for the run-

nerup trophy. The Little Giants once more were sparked by sprinting of Steve Parker. In a repeat of the recent Buckeye Conference meet Parker won three events and set a record. This qualified Parker for the regional meet next Saturday at Mansfield Malabar in the 100, 220 and 440-yard dashes. He set a new district record of :10.1 in the 100-yard dash.

Ross also finished second in the mile relay to qualify for the regional. Running on this team which finished behind Clyde were Jon Schwartz, Jon Taylor, Ron Reardon and Mike Holman.

The Little Giants placed in 10 events, although qualifying in only the four. Clyde placed in only seven events but bolstered its point total with a one-two finish in the 880-yard run, two-three in the 440-yard run and pole vault, plus the mile relay win.

The Fliers were strongest in the 880-yard run where Rich Dickman won the event in 2:03.4

and Dave Gregg was second at 2:06.5. Clyde qualified five boys, as did Ross. For Clyde it was Dickman and Gregg, 880-yard run; Paul Patrick, 440-run; Dick Farrar, pole vault and the mile relay team of Dickman, Patrick, Gregg and Brian Burroughs.

Sandusky, which observers give a good chance of winning the state title because of hurdler Jon Jackson and its weight event strength, qualified boys for regional in six events. Two of these qualifiers set new district records, as the meet was contested in a driving rain.

New records were set by Sanduskians Ed Williams, shot put, 57-11¼, and Ken Krueger, discus, 176-9½. Both were exceptional efforts due to the conditions but Williams was nearly two feet shot of his season best and Krueger has been measured with a toss over 11 feet greater than that of Saturday. The fact Williams and Krueger have the best distances this year in the state, plus a one-two discus threat, put Sandusky in a state contender position. Steve Rogers of Sandusky was second in the discus at 157-5½.

Other Sandusky qualifiers were Dave Rather, long jump, and relay team members Levon Jackson, Dan Miller, Rich Deeter and Rather.

Behind the six events for Sandusky, four each for Clyde and Sandusky, Port Clinton and Norwalk each qualified boys in three events.

The top two finishers in each event qualified for the regional meet, last step before the state competition.

## District Summary

TEAM SCORE — Sandusky, 62; Clyde, 35½; Fremont, 35; Norwalk, 25; Tiffin Columbian, 20½; Port Clinton, 18; Bellevue, 11; Perkins, 9; Tiffin Calvert, 7½; Oregon Clay, 6; Margaretta, 5; Vermilion, 4; Huron, 1.

120 HIGH HURDLES — Jon Jackson, Sandusky, :14.7; Gary Coleman, Tiffin Columbian, :14.9; Ardo Rakosky, Norwalk, :15.6; Jeff Wise, Fremont; Scott Hetrick, Huron.

100 — Steve Parker, Fremont, :10.1 (New record)—Breaks :10.2 by Bob Lindsey, Sandusky, 1965; Tom Nation, Bellevue, :10.1; Levon Jackson, Sandusky, :10.25; Larry Stewart, Perkins; Kent Cartwright, Tiffin Columbian.

MILE — Tom Ardrner, Tiffin Calvert, 4:40.7; Arnold Printy, Port Clinton, 4:42; Frank Peters, Margaretta, 4:42.4; Chuck Cheek, Ross, 4:50.7; Dave Leslie, Sandusky, 4:52.5.

880 RELAY — Sandusky (Levon Jackson, Dan Miller, Rich Deeter, Dave Rather), 1:34.2; Port Clinton, 1:35.4; Tiffin Columbian, 1:36.4; Bellevue, 1:38.0; Perkins, 1:38.7; Oregon Clay, 1:38.7.

440—Parker, Ross, :51.3; Paul Patrick, Clyde, :53.1; tie Brian Burroughs, Clyde, and Jack Leahy, Vermilion, :53.9; John Caffey, Sandusky, :55.1.

180 LOW HURDLES — Jackson, Sandusky, :20.0; Coleman, Tiffin Columbian, :20.1; Dennis Alexander, Sandusky, :21.4; Dick Farrar, Clyde; Wise, Ross, 880—Dick Dickman, Clyde, 2:03.4; Dave Gregg, Clyde, 2:06.5; John Fair, Sandusky, 2:08.5; Mike Geib, Ross, 2:09.2; Randy Cooper, Tiffin Columbian, 2:09.4.

220—Parker, Ross, :22.3; Nation, Bellevue, :22.3; Cartwright, 3:46.8; Bellevue, 3:47.4.

Tiffin Columbian, :22.75; Larry Stewart, Perkins, :22.8; Levon Jackson, Sandusky, :23.5.

TWO MILE — Nelson Rodriguez, Clay, 10:16.3; Rich Noss, Tiffin Columbian, 10:16.4; Rich Brown, Sandusky, 10:35.4; Chris Rodriguez, Clyde, 10:47.6; Jeff Tanchon, Sandusky, 10:48.1.

SHOT PUT — Ed Williams, Sandusky, 57-11¼ (New record)—Breaks 55-1¼ by Dick Seymour, Bellevue, 1966; John Fell, Norwalk, 54-1; Dave Rhodes, Ross, 50-10; Tom Stauffer, Margaretta, 49-10¼; Mike Lemon, Port Clinton, 47-½.

LONG JUMP—Dave Rather, Sandusky, 21-2¾; Steve Sidoti, Perkins, 22-2¾; Jon Schwartz, Ross, 20-4½; Lerchbacher, Vermilion, 20-4; Leo Lewis, Sandusky, 20-½.

HIGH JUMP—Jim Nielsen, Port Clinton, 6-0; Gary Draxler, Norwalk, 6-0; Harry Gordon, Norwalk, 5-10; Dave Gregg, Clyde, 5-8; Bill Smith, Tiffin Calvert, 5-8.

DISCUS — Ken Krueger, Sandusky, 176-9½ (New record)—Breaks 165-11½ by Krueger, 1967; Steve Rogers, Sandusky, 157-5½; Draxler, Norwalk, 134-8½; Rich Lowrie, Norwalk, 128-1½; Tie Jeff Printy, Perkins, and Sweeney, Tiffin Columbian, 120-9½.

POLE VAULT—Dave Schabel, Norwalk, 12-6; Dick Farrar, Clyde, 12-0; Dave Gregg, Clyde, 12-0; Frank Darden, Sandusky, 12-0; Al Richardson, Sandusky, 12-0 (Farrar qualifies on least misses for second place).

MILE RELAY — Clyde (Patrick, Burroughs, Gregg, Dickman), 3:30.4; Fremont (Schwartz, Mike Holman, Jon Taylor, Ron Reardon), 3:43.6; Port Clinton, 3:45.2; Sandusky, 3:46.8; Bellevue, 3:47.4.



UNSER DRIVES IN TWO RUNS — Del Unser, rookie outfielder of the Washington Senators as he started for first base with a single which drove home teammates Paul Casanova, and Frank Coggins, in sixth inning

of Sunday's Detroit-Washington game in Washington. This was Washington's big inning in which five runs, including two homers scored. The Senators defeated the Detroit Tigers, 6-3. (AP Wirephoto)



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# Thinclads Nip Port Clinton

PORT CLINTON — Ross had no problem getting first places but Port Clinton depth in seconds and thirds and relays took a Monday track meet down to the final event. Port Clinton made the threat of an upset real with victory in the mile relay.

Jon Schwartz, not a jumper until two weeks ago, then leaped 19-5 in the long jump to give Ross a 67-60 victory.

Fremont had nine first places including three by Steve Parker and two by Jeff Wise. Parker was victor in all the dashes and set a Port Clinton stadium record of :51.0 in the 440-yard dash. Wise was winner in both hurdle events.

Port Clinton never led but was within four points, 61-57, with only the high jump results not reported.

120 HIGH HURDLES — Wise

(R), tie Nahm (R) and Perry (PC), :15.65.

100 — Parker (R), Turner (PC), Schwartz (R), :10.3.

MILE — Priddy (PC), Karg (R), Kamen (PC), 4:49.4.

SHOT PUT — Rhodes (R), Fritz (PC), Lemon (PC), 49-10.

880 RELAY — Port Clinton, 1:35.7.

440 — Parker (R), Taylor (R), Guy (PC), :51.0.

180 LOW HURDLES — Wise (R), tie Nahm (R) and Perry (PC), :21.6.

880 — Geib (R), Priddy (PC), Halitzel (PC), 2:06.3.

DISCUS — Lemon (PC), Rhodes (R), Good (R), 137-2.

220 — Parker (R), Turner (PC), Ferguson (R), :22.7.

POLE VAULT — Hille (PC), Kaufman (PC), Goodwin (R), 10-6.

TWO MILE — Goodwin (R), Cheek (R), Wamsley (PC), 10:55.7.

MILE RELAY — Port Clinton, 3:36.65.

HIGH JUMP — Nielsen (PC), Kokinda (PC), Frost (R), 5-6.

BROAD JUMP — Schwartz (R), Perry (PC), Sheffield (R), 19-5.



## Granatelli



**REGIONAL TRACK ENTRIES** — Representing Fremont Ross Saturday in the Regional track meet at Mansfield Malabar will be these five runners. Kneeling is defending regional 440-yard dash champion Steve Parker who finished fifth in the event in the state meet last year. Parker will be com-

pleting in 100, 220 and 440-yard dashes, which he won in last week's Sandusky district. Members of the mile relay team which finished second at Sandusky to qualify for Mansfield are, left to right, Greg Taylor, Mike Holman, Ron Reardon and Jon Schwartz. (News-Messenger Photo)

## Conclude 5-2 Record Season

# Ross Track Whips Whitmer

Led by a one-two-three sweep in the two mile and shot put, Ross swept itself to victory in the final meet of the season Thursday afternoon. Ross ended with a 5-2 record. In his Harmon field swan song Steve Parker tied a stadium record in the 100-yard dash as Ross whipped Toledo Whitmer, 91½-35½.

Parker won three events as he performed for the final time on the home track.

As a team, the Little Giants won 11 of 15 events, swept three of these and finished one-

two in five others. Ross and Whitmer split the relays and in the 13 individual events Ross took two places in 11 events.

Jeff Wise in the hurdles, Dave Rhodes in weight events were Ross double winners.

Whitmer managed to break the Ross domination only in the mile, 880-yard relay, high jump and pole vault.

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### SUMMARY

120 HIGH HURDLES—Wise (R), Nahm (R), Goodrich (TW), :15.4.

LONG JUMP—Schwartz (R),

Sheffield (R), Yingling (TW), 19-10¾.

100—Parker (R), Williams (R), Wallace (TW), :10.1 (Ties Harmon stadium record).

MILE—Siegel (TW), Cheek (R), Karg (R), 4:49.8.

880 RELAY—Toledo Whitmer, 1:37.2.

440—Parker (R), Dankert (TW), Reardon (R), :51.2.

180 LOW HURDLES—Wise (R), Nahm (R), Cairl (TW), :22.0.

880—Geib (R), Hoffman (R), Riley (TW), 2:08.1.

HIGH JUMP—Yingling (TW), Frost (R), Chapin (R), 5-8.

DISCUS—Rhodes (R), Beck (TW), Good (R), 136-1½.

220—Parker (R), Wallace (TW), Hendee (TW), :22.0.

SHOT PUT—Rhodes (R), Peiffer (R), Ebert (R), 44-3½.

TWO MILE—Goodwin (R), Ballenger (R), Hoffman (R), 11:03.2.

POLE VAULT—VanWay (TW), Linder (R), tie Rice (TW) and Goodwin (R), 12-6.

MILE RELAY—Fremont (Taylor, Reardon, Holman, Schwartz), 3:45.2.



**NIPPED AT WIRE**—Ross Jon Schwartz, left, leans hard but is nipped at the finish line by Toledo Whitmer's Dankert in the mile relay. Schwartz ran a strong final leg on the slippery track to nearly overcome a poor Ross baton exchange which had given Dankert a decisive lead. (News-Messenger Photo)

# Parker Reaches State Meet In Three Events

MANSFIELD — A regional record breaking .09.8 in the 100-yard dash, :21.7 for the 220-yard dash and his season best of :49.7 in the 440-yard dash was all in a day's work Saturday for Fremont Ross' Steve Parker. With these performances Parker won one event, was shaded at the wire in another and became the only competitor in the Class AA Regional at Mansfield Malabar to qualify in three events for the state track meet.

In the 440-yard dash Parker was the defending champion. Running in the outside lane he appeared to tighten on the final

turn as John Marshall's Dave Mayher and Toledo Scott's Don Brooks slipped past on the inside. Brooks leaned at the wire to nip Mayher in a :49.4 clocking. "He will take them both at state," Ross Coach Rod Lash confidently predicted. Parker a year ago won the Regional with a time of :50.1 and went on to a .49.3 and fifth place in the state meet.

Previously known as a 440-yard sprinter, Parker furthered his growing reputation in the 220-yard dash. At the Marion Relays Parker recorded the second fastest 220 of the year in Ohio at :21.3. Saturday he was

timed at :21.7 in a solid victory. The 220 win also gave Parker a taste of revenge as Chuck Barrison, Willard, placed third. Barrison was declared winner in the century when he and Parker ran a blanket-finish at :09.8. The time set a new regional record. It also was the fastest clocking in his career for the 100-yard dash by Parker.

Clyde's Rich Dickman also ran the fastest of his career in the 800-yard run in placing third. In so doing Dickman had part in the fastest 800-yard ever run by a high school boy in Ohio. Dickman was clocked in 1:57.7. He and second-place Jim Galombos,

Lakewood (1:54.3) pushed Greg Hale, Rocky River, to the all-time state record. He was clocked in 1:53.8, breaking the regional record of 1:54.4 by Brian Blodgett, Olmsted Falls, and the all-time record of 1:54 by Tom Schoemig, Amherst Steel, in 1965. Dickman, Hale and Galombos will get another chance to meet since all three qualified for the state meet.

Sandusky had three first places but lost the services of hurdler Jon Jackson in his bid for a state title. Jackson was declared fourth in the high hurdles despite protests he was third. The fourth missed a trip

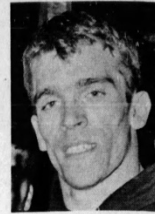
to state. Going to state for Sandusky are record-setting discus thrower Ken Kreuger, 177-3; Ed Williams, shot put, 57-2 1/4; long jumper Dave Rafter, 29' 1/2, who broke the 22-9/8 record set by Ken Zaleski, Cleveland Lincoln, 1965.

Also going to state for Sandusky is Steve Rogers, fourth in discus.

Buckeye Conference schools were the class of regional meet winning seven events and setting five records including four in field tests. Buckeye record setters were Kreuger, Rafter, Elyria's Jerry Klyop, pole vault, 14-11; Chris Cowie, Lorain, high

jump, 6-3/4, and Duane Hill, Mansfield, 120-yard high hurdles, :14.1. Other winners were Parker, 220-yard dash, and Williams, shot put. Parker's :09.8 did not figure as a record since he did not win. The winner of the 100-yard dash, Barrison, broke the record of :09.9 shared by Harvey Mitchell, Toledo Woodward, and Tom Vogtsberger, Bowling Green.

Area competitors qualifying at the regional for the state meet were: Steve Sidoti, Perkins, Long jump, third, 21-3/4; Tom Nation, Bellevue, 100-yard dash, third, :09.9, and 220-yard dash, second, :21.9.



STEVE PARKER Triple Qualifier

## "It's Been Done Before"

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# Parker Bids For State Title Triple

BY B. JERRY CAMPBELL N-M Sports Editor

"It's been done before." That was the phrase which crept into the praise for Sprinter Steve Parker at Tuesday's Ross high school Spring Sports banquet. The reference was obvious to the great Glenn Davis who single-handedly won the state track championship for Barberton high school.

Parker will have the opportunity this week to compete in three events at the Class AA state tournament. He will also have the opportunity to establish himself beyond a doubt as the greatest sprinter ever produced at Ross high school. The annals of Ross track pro-

duce only one challenger to this distinction at the present time — Jim Tiller. Tiller in the mid 1950s won the state 100-yard dash championship. Until Parker came along he also was the sole holder of the record in this event.

At the present time the Ross school track record book shows Parker shares this record with Tiller. The record-tying effort was a :09.8 clocking at the Regional meet last Saturday at Mansfield Malabar.

Prior to this time Parker had established school records in the 220-yard dash, :21.3, and 440-yard run, :49.3. The 440-yard mark was established a year ago in the state meet where

Parker finished fifth. He ran the 220 time, which is the second fastest run this year in Ohio, during the Marion Night Relays.

Parker will go to Columbus today and Saturday in a bid for a title in the 100-yard, 220-yard and 440-yard dashes. He won the 220 at the Regionals, finished second in the 220 and third in the 440.

When asked this week if he could take them all at Columbus, Parker simply replied, "I sure hope so." Earlier he had indicated his goal was to break the 48 second mark in the 440-yard dash at Columbus. Such a mark should win the state title for the distance.

In addition to the Ross school records Parker also holds the Harmon Stadium marks for the 220-yard dash, :22.5; 440-yard dash, :50.2, and ran the anchor on the Mile Relay team which ran 3:32.4. In the final meet of the year he established a Port Clinton stadium record of :51 for the 440. Other Parker records include the district 100-yard dash, :10.1; Buckeye Conference 440-yard dash, :49.8, and a tie for the regional 100-yard dash, :09.8. His name will not go in the book for the regional mark since he was picked second as he and Willard's Chuck Barrison swept across the finish in identical times.

Sandusky high-school has had a nasty habit of dominating events with Ross in recent years. Parker has been an exception to this and the Blue Streaks should be happy to see him run down the pike to graduation. Parker was a triple winner against Sandusky in dual meets each of the past two years.

It is a tough assignment in a state meet to try and score a triple. However, if Parker can at least equal his personal low times, he stands a strong chance to be a contender in all three events. These lows are :09.8 in the 100, :21.3 in the 220 and :49.3 in the 440.

# Parker Leads Field Into State 440 Finals

Fremont Ross' Steve Parker suddenly emerged as the favorite in the Ohio state track championships Friday. The senior sprinter missed out in bids to qualify for the finals in the 100-yard dash and 220-yard dash, but was the talk of the stadium in the 440 run.

Parker won his heat of the quarter mile preliminaries with a time of :48.4. This is a new Ross high school record, cutting nine-tenths of a second from Parker's previous fastest. This former Ross record was set at :49.3 by Parker last year in placing fifth in the state meet.

Adding to the lustre was the fact Parker in his Friday preliminary run beat the defending state meet champion, Denny Dicke of Upper Arlington, and the man who beat him in the Mansfield Regional, Dave Mayher of Cleveland John Marshall. Dicke and Mayher both were timed at :48.7.

Parker's :48.4 was the second fastest 440-yard time run this year in Ohio. The fastest was a :48.3 by State Champion Dicke who Parker must beat again in the finals today.

In the 100-yard dash Parker

was fifth in his heat with a :10.5 clocking. He was fifth at :22.5 in the 220-yard dash. The 220 was run less than 45 minutes after the 440 Friday. Ross Coach Rod Lash commented, "The 440 took too much out of him to come back in the 220-he really ran hard."

Among area teams in the preliminaries Oak Harbor qualified both its mile and 880-yard relay teams for today's finals. Tom Nation of Bellevue qualified for the finals of the 220-yard run of the 220-yard run.

Cleveland Glenville and Kent State High were solid favorites

today to capture the Class AA and Class A titles respectively in the State high school track meet.

Glenville, getting a stellar performance from dash star Bob Ware in Friday's qualifying preliminaries, was bidding for its fourth straight title and seemed likely to get it.

Kent, behind the power running of Gary Lindstedt, was in a threatening position to make shambles of the small school competition.

Lindstedt figured in Friday's only record performances, bolted the 440 in 49.1 to equal the state mark set by Dennis Boyd

of Newbury in 1967. He also anchored Kent's mile relay foursome that sped the distance in 3:24.7, eclipsing the old record of 3:27.6 set by Aurora a year ago.

The Statesmen had an entry in the mile run today and two in the shot put to go along with Lindstedt in the 440 and in the 100-yard dash where he finished first in his heat in 10 seconds flat.

Ware, the Tarblooders' deluxe dashman, sped the century in 9.7, just one-tenth of a second off the record set in 1966 by famed Jesse Owens. He also

won his heat in the 220 in 21.8 and anchored Glenville's swift 880-relay combo that qualified in 1:28.6.

Jeff Mills, who paced Kirtland to the Class A crown last year, finished second in his heat in the 120 high hurdles with a 14.9.

Defending AA mile relay title-holder Cleveland John Kennedy turned in a 3:19.2 effort which was equaled by Cleveland John Adams.

Field events start today's 15-event program in the morning with running events scheduled for a 2 p. m. start.



**440-YARD DASH** — Steve Parker, Fremont Ross, second from left charges on the leader in the first turn of the 440-yard dash finals in the State High School Championship meet Saturday at Columbus. Before he cleared the turn Parker had caught Trent Harris, Columbus East. Coming up from behind after the staggered start are the eventual one-two finishers — Defending Champion Dennis Dicke, Upper Arlington, runnerup, and Jim Harris, Dayton Roth, eventual champion in a time of :47.4. (News-Messenger Photo)

## Parker Fifth In 440 Run, Oak Harbor Relays Place

By B. Jerry Campbell  
N-M Sports Editor

COLUMBUS—Steve Parker of Fremont Ross ran the second fastest time of his career but it was good only for a repeat of fifth place in the Ohio High School Track Championship 440-yard dash. Parker, running in an outside lane, appeared in strong contention until the runners rounded the final curve into the straightaway.

The Ross runner could not match the strong finish of Day-

ton Roth's sensation Jim Harris. Parker needed a final spurt to protect fifth place in a clocking of 49 seconds. This was three-tenths of a second faster than his time a year ago when he also was fifth in the state finals.

Friday in the state preliminaries Parker ran his fastest time ever with a :48.4. This beat Denny Dicke, Upper Arlington, defending state champion, and Dave Mayher, Cleveland John Marshall, who beat

Parker in the regional meet.

In the state finals, Dicke, Mayher and Cleveland John Adams' Bryan Jones finished ahead of Parker. They all trailed the :47.4 winning time by Harris.

Parker and Oak Harbor's relay teams gained the only state meet points for area schools. The Rockets placed fourth in the 880-yard relay and fifth in the mile relay of the Class A competition. The team of Dave Kratzer, Kurt Greiger, Jim Benadom and Randy Strausbaugh was fourth with a time of 1:32.2. This trailed the winning time of 1:31.8 by Cincinnati Lincoln Heights. In the Mile relay it was Greiger, Benadom, Keith Herbert and Randy Strausbaugh fifth with a time of 3:29.6. Winning mile relay time was Kent State High's 3:25.7. Kent State had set a new state meet record of 3:24.7 in the preliminaries.

Clyde's Rich Dickman in Class AA and Danbury-Lakeside's Chuck Gdovicak waited too long to make a move in distance finals. Dickman finished in the pack behind the first five finishers in the Class AA 880-yard run. Gdovicak was coming strong at the end but couldn't make a place in the Class A mile run.

In the field events of Class A neither Old Fort's Ken Weichert nor Elmore's Rex Durdel made the finals.

## Sandusky Falls Short Of State Title By One

COLUMBUS — Two protests, one which was upheld by the meet referee and one which was not, could well be the difference between first and second in the Ohio High School Track Championships Saturday. The first protest dated back to the Regional finals and the second redeemed a point and the fourth consecutive state title for Cleveland Glenville.

In the regional finals Sandusky lost Jon Jackson when finish judges picked him fourth in the hurdles. Most finish line observers had Jackson finishing at least third. Protests by Blue Streak Coach Wes Harstook fell on deaf ears and Sandusky went

were posted they did not have Reeves placed.

Glenville protested and the meet referee checked with the judges. It was determined that a mixup in numbers had awarded fifth place to Nation, rather than Reeves. Nation confirmed with the judges that he had not placed and the decision was reversed.

Glenville got its other first place when Reeves and Ware combined with Ken Kuhn and James Biggorn to win the 880-yard relay.

Most of 11,000 fans in Ohio State Stadium thought the meet had ended in a three-way tie with 16 points each for Glen-

### American League Roundup

## Detroit Physically Limp From Oakland Battlefield