

1938 State meet...

Benny Hayes Almost Certain To Win; Other Firsts Seen

Little Giants Will Send 12 Entries to Columbus Saturday; Schultz, Serwinski Appear Strongest in 220, Diving; No Chance in Shorter Dashes

Fremont Ross high's well-balanced swimming team, undefeated this season, Thursday was expected to make the state's outstanding bid for the Ohio prep aquatic championship in the state meet at Columbus Saturday.

While a half dozen other high schools, including Canton McKinley, defending champion, have outstanding stars, their points are expected to be confined to one or two events. The Little Giant mermen are virtually certain of first places in three events, and expect points in at least three more.

Sure-Fire Winner

Benny Hayes, sensational Ross freshman, who has lowered the existing state mark of 1:08.5 in the 100-yard breaststroke event with monotonous regularity and who has covered the distance in as fast a time as 1:07.4, is a sure-fire winner in his specialty. Rosenberg, of Cleveland Shaw, slated to be Hayes' nearest rival, has recorded a best time of 1:08.3.

Of the 11 other men Ross qualified for the state meet in the dis-

trict competition at Toledo last weekend, Bob Schultz and Bob Serwinski should take top money in their respective events. Schultz swam the 220-yard free style in 2:26 at Toledo, while the best time recorded elsewhere in district competition was 2:29.8, by Ulrich, of Canton Lehman. Serwinski, defending state champion on the spring board, has returned to form after a slow start this season and looks good enough to repeat. Earl Christy, Serwinski's teammate, may surprise in this event.

Relays Toss-ups

While Fremont's medley relay team of Harry Stickel, Hayes and Don Greetham has been defeated by the Canton McKinley, favorite in this race, the margin of victory was so close that the Little Giant combination still might be considered on par with the Cantonites. The same holds true in the free style relay race, in which Sandusky's strong quartet has edged Fremont's team of Schultz, Bill Cooper, Greetham and Jack Nickloy, by a hair's breadth in previous competition.

Ross is expected to garner points in the 100-yard breaststroke with Stickel and Cooper each classed as good performers. However, Al Hirsch, of Canton McKinley, appears to have this race sewed up, his average time being around 1:05.

Keen Races

The 50 and 100-yard sprints are expected to bring no points for Fremont. In each, star free stylers from four schools are expected to hack away at the records. Rosenthal, of Cincinnati Hughes, Wojno, of Akron Trades, Coolihan, of Lima, and Hobert and Albers of Sandusky, are scheduled to make the foam fly in these two events, and probably so divide the points as to aid Fremont.

STREAKS, ROSS FACE IN DRILL

Scrimmage at Ross In Preparation for Tournaments

Ross and St. Joseph's high schools polished off for their tournament assaults with an inter-school scrimmage at Ross gymnasium Wednesday afternoon.

Coach Ed Gabel's Little Giant cagers, who face Norwalk at Sandusky in the class A scramble Friday night, looked good in a brief 10 minute appearance against the

Ross Is Chief Threat To Canton In State Swim Meet

Benny Hayes Listed as Record Breaker in Classic at Columbus Saturday; 12 Fremont Qualifiers to Compete; 28 Schools Entered

COLUMBUS, O., March 4.—**AP**—Several state swimming records were expected to be scuttled Saturday when natators from 28 high schools take to the Ohio State university pool to vie for the state title held by Canton McKinley.

Already state meet performances have been bettered in the district

eliminations and several new names should get into the records during the eight-event program.

Hirsch Strong

Bernard Hayes, freshman star at Fremont, chief threat to McKinley's "repeat" hopes, swept through the 100-yard breast stroke in 1:07.4 at the Toledo district meet, 1.1 seconds under the state mark held by Rosenberg of Cleveland Shaw.

Albert Hirsch of McKinley, came through with another record performance in the Cleveland district meet. He cut nine-tenths of a second off the 100-yard back stroke mark, set by Woodling of Akron East in 1935, by turning in a 1:05.2 performance.

12 Ross Qualifiers

Fremont finished seven points back of Canton at last year's meet.

Other schools in the meet are: Cincinnati Hughes, Withrow, Western Hills, Walnut Hills, St. Xavier and Woodard; Akron Buchtel, East, West and Garfield; Cleveland Shaw and East Tech; Columbus Aquinas, North and University; Toledo DeVilbiss, Scott and Waite; Canton Lehman, Cleveland Heights Wooster, Lakewood, Hamilton, Xenia O. S. & S. O., Sandusky and Lima Central.

Coach Bim Stults of the Ross mermen, will take the 12 Little Giant men who qualified in the Toledo meet. These include: Bob Schultz, Hayes, Don Greetham, Bob Huss, Jack Nickloy, Bill Cooper, Bob Mangas, Harry Stickel, Bob Serwinski, Earl Christy, Carl Perkins and Bob Tolhurst.

BATTLE ROYAL HERE TONIGHT

Nenoff, La Cross, Swenski, Clark and Carson On Jackson Card

Five grapplers, ranging from clean-cut matmen to snarling villains of the canvas, will be featured in the battle royal scheduled for Jackson arena Friday night by Promoter Les Fishbaugh.

John Swenski, who snared a victory in his first Fremont appearance last week, Jack Carson, a talented Polish wrestler showing here for the first time, and Verne Clark, Seattle grip merchant, represent the better element in the arena foray, while Gil La Cross and Steve Nenoff are two of the nastiest customers who have ever visited Fremont.

Fishbaugh will referee the free-for-all, with the first man eliminated to act as third man in the bouts between the remaining grapplers.

Festivities are slated to start at 8:30 p. m.

ROSS TANKERS REGAIN STATE SWIM CROWN

By JERRY LISKA
Messenger Sports Editor

Another blazing chapter in the brief but brilliant history of swimming at Ross high school Monday had been written as the Little Giant mermen of Coach N. Baumann (Bim) Stults returned to Fremont in possession of the 1938 state high school aquatic championship.

The swimmers of Coach Stults, who is assisted by George M. Gruse, won only two first places in the title meet at Ohio State University pool in Columbus Saturday, but the well-balanced Ross team scored in four other events to compile 36 points and wrest the crown from Canton McKinley, second with 27 points.

It was the second state championship won by the Rossmen since 1935 when swimming was undertaken as an interscholastic sport at Fremont Ross high school. The Purple splashers won the title in 1936 and placed second to Canton McKinley in 1937.

Fremont's victory Saturday was enhanced by the fact that swimmers from 29 schools staged one of the greatest record-shattering shows in the history of the state prep swim.

Robert Schultz, Little Giant free style distance ace, was Fremont's only individual champion as he outswam the pack in the 220-yard race to finish first by the most decisive margin in the meet, being clocked in 2:24.1.

Also scoring a first was the Ross medley relay team of Harry Sticks, backstroke, Bernard Hayes, breaststroke, and Don Greetham, free style. The Little Giant trio covered the 150-yard route in 1:25.7, cracking the previous state mark of 1:26.3 also established by a Fremont Ross team in 1936.

Hayes Is Second

Hayes, who had ruled as favorite in the breaststroke event, finished second to Rosenberg, of Cleveland Shaw, with the latter swimming the 100-yard race in the sensational time of 1:05.7, lowering by 2.5 seconds his old record of 1:08.2. Hayes, himself, swam an extraordinary race, finishing approximately a yard behind Rosenberg, in 1:07.4.

Bob Serwinski, Fremont's defending state fancy diving champion, was dethroned, finishing third behind McVehil, of Canton McKinley, and his own teammate, Earl Christy. Only a fraction of a point separated McVehil, who won the event, and Christy, credited with second place, with the former receiving 70.9 points, and Christy 70.45 points.

Cooper Scores

Bill Cooper, of Ross, was fifth in the 100-yard backstroke which was won by Ulrich, of Canton Lehman, in 1:05, beating the old state record of 1:06.1, set in 1935.

The Fremont free style relay team of Cooper, Jack Nicklow, Schultz and Greetham, placed a close second behind Sandusky's strong quartet which won in 1:42.6. Sandusky's Blue Streak squad was third in the final team standings with 21 points.

Carl Perkins, of the Little Giant squad of 12 men, swam his fastest race of the year in the 50-yard free style, being clocked in 26.2, which would have won the district meet, but which failed to place him among the first five finishers. The race was won by Rosenthal, of Cincinnati Hughes, in 24.2, cracking the previous state record of 24.5.

Tolhurst Edged

Another Ross splasher who failed to finish in the money, but who turned in an excellent performance was Bob Tolhurst, who was leading in his heat of the 100-yard free style race until the third turn, when he failed to touch the pool.

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Coach Stults

TWO INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENTS OVER WEEK-END

Fremont Man Suffers Rib Fracture; Woman is Hurt

Two accidents outside of Fremont Sunday and early Monday sent two persons to Memorial hospital.

Wilson MacDonald, 24, of Whittlesey street, was admitted to the hospital shortly after 1:30 a. m. Monday suffering from fractured ribs and other injuries. He was struck by a hit-and-run driver on U. S. Highway 20, near the Green Springs road, while walking along the highway. Sheriff's deputies were told his car had ran out of gasoline and he was returning to a service station after a supply.

Deputies had not interviewed the injured man Monday because of emergency treatment given at the hospital. Deputy Sheriff Ted Paul said the Fremont man had been removed from along the highway.

Passenger Hurt

Alma Frick, 46, of Garden City, Mich., was released from Memorial hospital Sunday afternoon after she suffered injuries in an auto-truck collision on U. S. Highway 20, 3 1/2 miles west of Fremont. She received a cut on the nose, face lacerations and bruises about the legs. She was a passenger in a car driven east by Melvin Hollen, 26, also of Garden City.

The accident occurred at 1:15 p.

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BLANKET PROJECT STARTED MONDAY

Approximately 440 WPA workmen went back to their jobs Mon-

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end, and was forced to turn back and re-make the turn. Without this costly delay, Tolhurst might have finished fifth in the race, won by

Ted Hobart, of Sandusky, in 54.7.

Bob Mangas, in the breaststroke, Bob Huss, in the 220, and Stickel, in the backstroke, were other Fremont swimmers who barely failed to finish within point-paying distance.

Coach Stults announced that possibility of the Fremont champions participating in the National Interscholastic

meet to be held in Philadelphia, March 19, depended entirely whether school officials and the public cared to raise sufficient funds to provide for the trip. Two years ago,

there was little doubt as to the outcome after the first half, when the Norwalk team was ahead, 19 to 9. At the end of the first quarter, St. Paul led, 7 to 2, while at the finish of the third period, the Saints were in front 35 to 20.

Reineck showed amazing speed and ball handling ability, which coupled with his remarkable marksmanship, stamps him as the most finished eager in the tournament.

Bob Bick, St. Paul guard, was runner-up for scoring honors in the victors' line-up, as he caged six field goals and a free throw for 13 points.

Melvin Michelson, Pemberville guard, was high man for the losers with a 12 point total.

The summary:

St. Paul (46)	G. F. T.
J. Reineck, p	7 4 18
P. Smith, f	0 0 0
Kluding, c	3 0 6
D. Smith, g	2 1 5
Bick, g	6 1 13
E. Reineck, f	1 0 2
Kohler, c	1 0 2
Totals	20 6 46
Pemberville (35)	G. F. T.
Wagner, f	1 1 3
Coppler, f	1 1 3
V. Sander, c	3 4 10
Michelson, g	5 2 12
D. Sander, g	0 0 0
Sherman, c	3 1 7
Totals	13 9 35
Pemberville	2 9 20 35
St. Paul's	7 19 35 46

HELENA MERCHANTS BEAT RISING SUN

HELENA—The Helena Merchants defeated Rising Sun, 30 to 27, a game played at Rising Sun Friday night. Helena led at halftime, 21 to 17. Korns, forward, paced the winners with 15 points.

The summary:

Helena Merchants (30)	G. F. T.
W. Posey, f	1 1 3
Kerns, f	7 1 15
J. Posey, c	1 0 2
Gee, g	3 2 8
Havens, g	1 0 2
Totals	13 4 30
Rising Sun (27)	G. F. T.
Shreffler, f	5 1 11
Geyer, f	2 2 6
Parsons, c	2 1 5
Keller, g	1 0 2
Vansant, g	1 1 3
Totals	11 5 27

a select Fremont squad was sent to Philadelphia meet via airplane when flood made the journey impossible overland.

Perfect Record

With the regular season now completed, Fremont swimming fans surveyed the perfect record of the Little Giant mermen for the year's campaign. Included were dual meet victories over Toledo Scott, Toledo De Vilbiss, Mansfield, Cleveland Heights, Sandusky and Canton, and first place triumphs at the Canton Northern Ohio Relays and the state meet.

Coach Stults reported that Hayes, only a freshman, showed well against the veteran Rosenberg. The Cleveland ace, standing over six feet tall, jumped off at the start to a one yard advantage, which Hayes was unable to reduce during the entire race. The two left the field far behind.

Cooper, in the backstroke, was clocked in 1:07.1, as he took fifth place, while Stickel trailed Cooper in sixth place with a 1:07.2. The pair raced in slightly more than five feet behind the first-place winning Ulrich.

Serwinski Falters

Serwinski failed to do his best in the hard dives after taking the easier dives in impressive fashion, Coach Stults stated. It was the first time he had finished behind Christy who reached his peak in the state meet.

The medley relay race was one of the most thrilling events of the day as Fremont upset the favored team from Canton McKinley, with the two teams swimming in adjacent lanes. Stickel hooked up with Hirsch, stellar McKinley backstroke swimmer in a close battle, but the Fremont star dropped half yard. Then Hayes raced against Bird, reduced the deficit and picked up several feet. Greetham maintained the lead against Born to finish in the record smashing time.

Loss of the Fremont free style team to Sandusky could be attributed to the caution the Ross swimmers were instructed to use on their starts. Coach Stults, emphasizing the fact that Fremont would lose the meet if a relay team member was disqualified, required each of the three final swimmers to "hold on until the touchoff was definite." Greetham, Stults said, was deliberate in his start and gave Sandusky's Hobert a chance to pick up a slight advantage, with the Blue Streaks finally edging him out. Cooper put Fremont off to a good start, building up a one yard lead. Nicklow and Schultz held the lead. Greetham and Schultz held the lead. Greetham, a fast starter, might have been able to stave off Hobert's strong finish, if he had not been forced to make certain of Schultz' touch.

The summary:

Here's how the teams finished behind the three leaders:

East Cleveland Shaw, 12; Cincinnati Hughes, 10; Canton Lehman, 10; Cleveland Heights, 10; Columbus Aquinas, 6; Akron Buchtel, 6; Akron Garfield, 4; Hamilton, 3; Lima Central, 3; Akron East, 3; Columbus North 2; Cleveland East Tech, 2; and Lakewood 1.

50-yard free style—Won by Rosenthal (Cincinnati Hughes); second, Kremer (Columbus Aquinas); third, Wojno (Akron Buchtel); fourth, Coolahan (Lima Central); fifth, Botts (Hamilton). Time—1:05. Beats old state record of 1:06.1 set by Woodling of Akron East in 1935.

100-yard free style—Won by Hobart (Sandusky); second, Rosenthal (Cincinnati Hughes); third, Wojno (Akron Buchtel); fourth, Coolahan (Lima Central); fifth, Botts (Hamilton). Time—54.7.

Fancy diving (1 meter)—Won by McVehil (Canton McKinley) 70-79; second, Christy (Fremont Ross); third, Serwinski (Fremont Ross); fourth, Dempsey (Cleveland Heights); fifth, Williams (Lakewood).

150-yard medley relay—Won by Fremont Ross (Stickel, Hayes and Greetham); second, Canton McKinley; third, Cleveland Shaw; fourth, Cleveland Heights; fifth, Cleveland East Tech. Time—1:25.7 (Beats old record of 1:26.3 set by Fremont Ross in 1936).

200-yard free style relay—Won by Sandusky (Werner, Himmlein,

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fifth, Columbus North. Time—1:42.6.

per ten in the individual standings as F. McCambridge, of Akron, turned in a 640, for sixth place; T. Woods, of Alliance, hit a 638 for seventh place; Kintz, of Alliance, finished in ninth place with 634; and A. Wiseman, Akron, rolled 633 to gain 10th place.

Kintz, with 1854, was third in the all-events, while McCambridge, toppling 1943, gained fourth place.

The scores:

K. OF C. TOURNAMENT	Perfection Spring, Akron
P. Noonan	245 169 192—606
E. Labbe	135 157 145—435
G. Schooley	136 204 124—464
R. R. FOIX	136 159 133—428
R. Riley	160 169 147—476
Totals	821 887 791-2509

Kramer-Schonacker, Akron	Perfection Spring, Akron
F. McCambridge	170 223 202—606
E. Welsh	172 162 140—474
W. Kramer	165 116 145—429
A. Zurbach	182 151 156—490
P. Humphrey	182 151 156—490
Totals	827 888 787-2462

Cunningham's, Akron	Perfection Spring, Akron
R. Finley	145 147 211—503
P. Devlin	153 162 127—443
W. Wohlwend	172 149 158—479
S. Roetzel	160 167 137—464
E. Kraus	216 155 219—587
Totals	846 777 852-2475

Abram Clark Cigars, Akron	Perfection Spring, Akron
A. Dutt	158 129 158—455
J. Doran	119 124 127—370
W. O'Brien	169 129 167—405
R. Kolt	184 142 147—473
F. Graf	119 138 137—394
Totals	689 672 736-2097

Bachmann's, Akron	Perfection Spring, Akron
F. Conway	190 175 168—533
C. Hornung	179 161 186—526
R. Bachmann	151 155 193—499
A. Wiseman	155 191 235—581
B. Johnson	227 195 201—623
Totals	902 877 983-2762

Grimmer's, Catholie, Akron	Perfection Spring, Akron
J. Haag	231 159 177—553
C. Wagner	175 149 153—477
J. Denholm	134 188 186—508
L. Maillard	121 186 171—478
C. Stanger	150 201 185—536
Totals	801 879 872-2502

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FREMONT KEGLERS WIN IN BIG MEET

Fremont bowlers rolled their way into the prize winning list and cut themselves a slice of the \$4,100 in prizes for the fourth week of the record-breaking \$34,000 Red Crown Sweepstakes, according to announcement of high-scoring winners made today at Chicago headquarters of the nationwide event.

The Office Team, rolling at Tracy's Recreation, scored 2639 to take 5th place in Class E Division. Each team member receives a mininalite.

Roderick (Canton Lehman); third, Woodford (Akron East); fourth, Himmlein (Sandusky); fifth, Layton (Sandusky). Time—2:24.1.

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