

Season Review...

Blind Wrestlers Here Saturday

Ross high school's wrestlers will make their 1954-55 debut Saturday night against a team composed entirely of sightless boys.

Opposing the Little Giants will be the Columbus School for the Blind. The match will be held in the National Guard Armory, starting at 7 p.m.

Coach Mal Mackey has a squad of 38 boys preparing for a schedule of 11 meets. After Saturday's meet, the Little Giants won't be in action again until Toledo Whitmer come here, January 7.

Eleven individual matches will be held Saturday. Weight classes are as follows: 103 pounds, 112, 120, 127, 133, 138, 145, 154, 165, 175 and heavyweight.

Not all of Fremont's competitors have been decided, Mackey said. Tom Rollins will wrestle in the 127-pound class, Terry Shanahan 103, Ken Weickert at 133, Larry Reed at 145, Ken Hirt 175 and Dave Wolshuck, heavyweight. Intra-squad competition determines the wrestlers in the various weights, Mackey said.

Ross Wrestlers Down Ohio Blind School

Ross high school's wrestlers won their opening match, 38-14, against the Ohio School for the Blind in the Armory Saturday night. About 200 fans turned out to see the handicapped youngsters put up a dogged scrap.

Bill Shiets, Wayne Michaels, Dale Wright and Jim Sale won by falls, worth five points. Decisions are worth three points.

The school is now located at Worthington, moving there from Columbus. It's a fully-accredited high school and now occupies a new multi-million dollar plant.

The wrestling team is coached by Lloyd Rush, a member of the Ohio State squad. Rush was unable to be here Saturday, the 12-man squad being in charge of the physical education director, Bernard Ryan. Four on his squad are totally blind, while a fifth is practically blind. The others are legally blind — under 22/100 vision.

This is the second year of competitive wrestling for the blind school. Last year's team compiled a winning record, numbering Fostoria among its victims. The squad competed against 11 blind schools in Philadelphia last season, finishing second.

The school has an enrollment of 200 ranging in age from 4 to 21.

Columbus did not have entries in the lightest (103 pounds) and heaviest weight classes, forfeiting in those divisions. Terry Shanahan, 103, and Dave Wolshuck, heavyweight, were slated to wrestle in those classes for Fremont. Wolshuck met Dana DeLagrange, a member of last year's team now on the O.S.U. wrestling squad, in an exhibition, with DeLagrange winning. In another exhibition, Ken Weichert of Fremont defeated Larry Clay, Columbus.

The next match will be held here January 7 against Toledo Central. Summary:

103 Pounds
Terry Shanahan (F) awarded forfeit.

112
Ernest Whitman (C) def. Bill Sherlow.

120
Richard Browner (C) pinned Tom Leasure in 0:34 of 3rd round.

127
Tom Rollins (F) decisioned Dale Taliferro.

133
Bill Shiets (F) pinned Charles Warren, 1:00 1st round.

SPORTSMAN'S DIGEST *By Hal Sharp* GOOSE-HUNT TIPS



WHEN YOU LOCATE AN OPEN, BRUSHLESS GRAIN FIELD WHERE GEESE ARE FEEDING IN LATE AFTERNOON, HIDE UNTIL THEY LEAVE FOR THE NIGHT. THEN USE A FLASHLIGHT TO LOCATE THEIR DROPPINGS AT THE SPOT WHERE THEY QUIT. THEREUPON, DIG A PIT. CAMOUFLAGE THE EDGES WITH GRASS OR CORN-STALKS. CART OFF EXCESS DIRT. DECOYS AREN'T ESSENTIAL; USE 'EM IF YOU LIKE. HIDE IN PIT BEFORE DAWN AND STAY DOWN UNTIL GEESE ARE OVERHEAD.

138
Wayne Michaels (F) pinned Ted Hull 0:59 3rd round.

145
Buel Messer (C) decisioned Larry Reed.

151
Dale Wright (F) pinned Henry Lymon, 1:28 2nd round.

165
Jim Sale (F) pinned Paul Russell, 1:35 2nd round.

175
William Hartzog (C) decisioned Ken Hirt.

Heavyweight
Dave Wolshuck (F) awarded forfeit.

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Ross Swimmers' Meet Postponed; Wrestlers Host Central Friday

Fremont's opening swimming match, slated for Saturday, has been postponed, according to word received by George Gruse.

Gruse's natators were to have competed in the Kent State U. relays, but Bill Hoover, Kent swim mentor, notified Gruse that the meet has tentatively been postponed until January 29.

So now, the Little Giants will get ready for Sandusky on January 13 in the Sandusky pool at 7:30 p. m.

Mal Mackey's Ross wrestlers resume their schedule Friday night. They meet Toledo Central at the armory at 7:30 p. m.

The grapplers defeated the Ohio School for the Blind in their opener on Dec. 18.

Ross Wrestlers Trounce Central

Ross high wrestlers won their second victory of the season, a 46-3 verdict over Toledo Central before about 200 fans in the Armory Friday night.

Ross won all except one match, Gabe Simon of Central winning in the 120-pound division.

Ross will wrestle at Toledo Whitmer next Thursday.

Little Giants won as follows:

Terry Shanahan, 103, fall; Ron Kiser, 112, fall; Tom Rollins, 127, decision; Bill Sheets, 133, fall; Wayne Michaels, 138, fall; Dale Wright, 154, fall; Larry Reed, 145, fall; Jim Sales, 165, fall; Ken Hirt, 175, fall; Dave Wolshuck, heavyweight, decision.

Whitmer Nips Ross Wrestlers

Honor Ump At Chicago Fete



UMPIRE JOHN (JOCKO) CONLAN (left) receives an award from William J. Prince (right), outgoing president of the Pitch and Hit club at Chicago banquet of the group. In center is Marty Marion, the White Sox manager. Conlan was honored for his long and faithful service to baseball.

TV Appearance Jeopardizes Bob Richards' Amateur Status

By ED CORRIGAN

NEW YORK (AP)—Bob Richards, one of the United States' sure-fire winners in the 1956 Olympic games, was under investigation by the Amateur Athletic Union today but he said he would abide by any decision the AAU made to prosecute.

Bowling

Although the lowest individual average on the team is 193 and the other four members are in

Ross high school's wrestlers lost a 24-21 decision to undefeated Toledo Whitmer in a hot scrap at Whitmer Thursday night. It was the first loss in three matches for Mal Mackey's competitors, who return to the mat Tuesday night in Fremont against Fostoria.

Whitmer, with Sylvania regarded as the class of the Toledo area, got off to a 13-3 lead and the Little Giants couldn't quite catch up. "I'll take the blame for this defeat," said Mackey. "I should have used at least one other boy in the lighter classes. If I had done so, I believe we would have won."

Whitmer will pay a return engagement here Feb. 15.

Trailing 24-11, Fremont picked up five points in each of the last two matches on falls. Ken Hirt pinned Rick Schliebner, a former Ross athlete, and Dave Wolshuck pinned Dave Lichenstein. Bill Shiets of Fremont won by a pin in the 133-pound class.

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Summary:

103 pounds—Dick Stagg (W) pinned Bill Faunce.
112—Ron Kiser (F) decisioned John Smith.
120—Jerry Weger (W) decisioned Tom Leasure.
127—Jim Zink (W) pinned Tom Rollins.
133—Bill Sheets (F) pinned Jim Haube.
138—Tom Grasley (W) decisioned Wayne Michaels.
145—Larry Reed (F) decisioned Don Warner.
154—Russ Schultz (W) pinned Dale Wright.
165—Ken McCullough (W) decisioned Bill Jones.
175—Ken Hirt (F) pinned Rick Schliebner.
Heavyweight—Dave Wolshuck (F) pinned Dave Lichenstein.

Little Giants Score Third Win

Ross high scored its third win in four wrestling matches Tuesday night with a 31-10 verdict over Fostoria before 200 fans in the armory.

The lopsided win kindled hopes of an upset win over the unbeaten Lima Central Dragons, who appear at the armory Friday night for a 7:30 engagement.

Lima is coached by Sep Pope, Lima Central football coach who will become an assistant next fall when Central and South merge.

Mal Mackey's grapplers lost only two of the 11 individual matches, both by falls, while Ken Hirt, 175 pounder, and Bill Shiets, 133, won by pinning their opponents. Other victories were by decisions.

The only team to defeat Ross this year is Toledo Whitmer. Summary of Tuesday's match:

103 pounds—Terry Shanahan (Ross) dec. Bob Moore.

112—Ron Kiser (Ross) dec. Dolphus Smith.

120—Tom Leasure (Ross) dec. Jay Lind.

127—Tom Rollins (Ross) dec. Dean Reinhard.

133—Bill Shiets (Ross) pinned Jesse Johnson.

138—Wayne Michael (Ross) dec. Rudolph Coburn.

145—Larry Reed (Ross) dec. Roger Ebersole.

154—Loren Kranz (Fos.) pinned Dale Wright.

165—Bill Jones (Ross) dec. Bob Birkmire.

175—Ken Hirt (Ross) pinned Verlyn Kenner.

Heavyweight—Ronnie Foster (Fos.) pinned Dave Wolshuck.

Lima Matmen Defeat Ross

Ross high school's wrestlers were upended by Lima Central, 26-15, in an exciting match witnessed by at least 225 fans in the armory Friday night.

Pins by Gene Courtney, 115-pounder, and Jim Little, 124, gave the Dragons a big early lead which Ross narrowed to three just over the midway point but the local boys couldn't quite catch up.

Ross wrestled without the services of Ron Kiser, who was unbeaten in four previous matches. The defeat left the Little Giants with a 3-2 mark. They entertain Sylvania, regarded as the class of Northwestern Ohio, in the armory next Friday.

Terry Shanahan got Ross off to a good start with a decision over Don Nutter in the 106-pound division. The 3-0 lead was erased and Lima shot ahead, 13-3, on the two falls, which are worth five points each.

Other individuals who won for Ross were Bill Sheets, a hard - working 137 - pounder and Larry Reed, a methodical 149 - pounder. Two matches resulted in draws. They involved Tom Rollins of Fremont and Ulrich Bryon in the 113 - pound division and Fremont's Dave Wolshuck and Lima's Charles Daley in the heavyweight class.

106 pounds—Terry Shanahan (F) dec. Don Nutter.

115—Gene Courtney (L) pinned Bill Sherlow.

124—Jim Little (L) pinned Bill Martin.

131—Tom Rollins (F) and Byron Ulrich (L) drew.

137—Bill Sheets (F) pinned Bill McKinley.

142—Jim Giminilla (L) dec. Wayne Michael.

149—Larry Reed (F) dec. Jim Holten.

159—Paul Gross (L) dec. Dale Wright.

170—George Krouse (L) dec. Bill Jones.

180—Don Fisher (L) dec. Ken Hirt.

Heavyweight—Dave Wolshuck (F) and Charles Daley (L) drew.

Sylvania Nips Ross Matmen

Sylvania's powerful wrestling squad had all it could handle but managed to eke out a 25-18 decision over a fired-up Ross high team before more than 200 fans at the armory Friday night. The locals next match will be with Worthington here Tuesday.

The invaders were extended to the final match before they locked up the verdict. Dave Wood pinned Dave Wolshuck in the heavyweight division for the clincher.

Sylvania got off to an 8-0 lead after two matches but the Little Giants tied it up when John Nitschke won by a pin and Tom Rollins took a decision. Sylvania then roared to a 20-8 lead, but Rodney Hasselbach won by a pin in the 170-pound class and Ken Hirt came back with another pin, worth five points, in the 180 division.

Summary:

106 pounds — Chuck Bowers (S) decisioned Terry Shanahan

115 — Clayton Ogren (S) pinned Bill Sherlow

124 — John Nitschke (F) pinned Larry Geer

131 — Tom Rollins (F) decisioned Wilfred Hildebrandt

137 — John Smith (S) dec. Bill Shiets.

142 — Dave Woodward (S) dec. Wayne Michaels

149 — Ken Vance (S) dec. Larry Reed

159 — Sid Baker (S) dec. Merle Wammes

170 — Rodney Hasselbach (F) pinned Bill McClure

180 — Ken Hirt (F) pinned Carl Jackson

Heavyweight — Dave Wood (S) pinned Dave Wolshuck

Wrestlers At Central Tonight

Ross high school wrestlers go after their fifth win of the season tonight at Toledo Central.

The Little Giants, who nipped Worthington, 26-21, in a thrilling match here Tuesday, have only one more home meet, that with Toledo Whitmer on Feb. 15. Whitmer won a Jan. 13 meeting at Whitmer.

Others meets on the schedule are Feb. 10 at Fostoria, Feb. 17 at Lima Central and March 2 at Sylvania.

Coach Mal Mackey, aware that Worthington was in its first year of wrestling, used several boys for the first time this season and the result was a close and interesting match.

Ross had a big lead until the midway point, then Worthington won three straight by falls. Faced with defeat, the Little Giants won when Dick Coleman was the victor by decision and Dick Karlovetz, 225-pound former junior high grid star who may resume the sport this year after a one-year layoff, pinned Bill Dumbarth, of Worthington. Summary:

106 pounds—Bob Faunce (F) pinned Pete Beckwith.
115—Bill Sherlow (F) Dec. Garth Workman.
120—Bob Mac Viser (W) Dec. Tom Leasure.
127—Joe Distel (F) pinned Ken Lathen.
133—Fred Alban (W) Dec. Ken Weickert.
138—Merle Wammes (F) pinned Ron Kennedy.
145—Tom Joseph (W) pinned Phil Trick.
154—Bob Cook (W) pinned Bill Schepflin.
165—Phil Tangeman (W) pinned Bob Berleman.
178—Dick Coleman (F) Dec. Russ Mann.

Heavyweight—Dick Karlovetz (F) pinned Bill Dumbarth.

Ross lost only two decisions in whipping Fostoria for the second time this season. Mal Mackey's squad holds its final home match Tuesday at the armory against Toledo Whitmer. The grapplers go to Lima Central on Wednesday and compete in the district tournament at Findlay on Feb. 18.

Wrestlers Enter Tourney After Upsetting Lima

Ross high school's wrestlers, fresh from a 25-12 comeback victory at Lima Central Wednesday, are in Findlay today for the district tournament.

The Little Giants were shutout, 35-0, by Whitmer Tuesday. The next day, they went to Lima to clash with the unbeaten Dragons, who won over Fremont here earlier in the season.

Ross started and finished the match with pins. Terry Shanahan won by a fall in the 107-pound class, as did heavyweight Dave Wolshuck.

Summary:

107—Terry Shanahan (F) pinned Nutter

116—Ron Kiser (F) decisioned Courtney

125—Tuttle (L) Dec. John Nitschke

132—Tom Rollins (F) Dec. Ulrich

138—McKinley (L) Dec. Bill Shiels

143—Cimanella (L) Dec. Wayne Michaels

150—Larry Reed (F) Dec. Holten

160—Gross (L) Dec. Dale Wright

171—Roddy Hasselbach (F) Dec. Hire

181—Ken Hirt (F) Dec. Fisher
Heavyweight—Dave Wolshuck (F) pinned Daley

Exhibition (138)—Ken Weickert (F) pinned Kirter.

THE HIRT brothers, Ren and Ken, have made the family name prominent by being captains of Ross varsity teams during the current school year.

Ren and Ken Shaffer were co-captains of the Little Giants in football last fall. **Ken Hirt** was elected by his teammates as captain of the wrestling team.

Both boys are seniors. Ren could have graduated last spring, but when he received a knee injury prior to the opening of the 1953 football season, he did not enroll in school until the second semester so he would have another season of eligibility.

43 Youths Feted For Wrestling

Ross high's wrestling team—43 youths—and their parents enjoyed a potluck supper Thursday evening in Room 300 at the high school. Coach Mal Mackey said no formal program was conducted, appreciation being expressed to parents for their support of the program. Sid Miller entertained the group with magic.

Letters were awarded in an assembly program this week, Mackey said.

The team had a successful season, winning five of nine matches.

Mackey listed these youths as winning chevrons, which means they have already been awarded letters for service on last year's team: Ken Hirt, honorary captain, who presented a gift to Mr. Mackey from the boys on the squad; Ron Kiser, Wayne Michael, Larry Reed, Tom Rollins, Bill Sherlow, Dave Wolshuck and Dale Wright; letters, Bob Faunce, Rodney Hasselbach, Tom Leasure, John Nitschke, Terry Shanahan, Bill Sheets, Ken Weickert, Ted Lawrence and Dick Heslet, manager.

Hirt, Kiser, Weichert, Wright and Heslet are seniors; Hasselbach, Leasure, Michael, Reed, Rollins, Shanahan and Wolshuck, juniors; Faunce, Nitschke, Sherlow and Sheets, sophomores.

Numerals went to freshman Gary Coleman, Joe Distel and Dennis Love, and reserve awards went to Dick Coleman, John Damschroder, Norman Fausey, Bob Heileman, Jim Kesler, Gerald Kesler, Steve Rupp, Dick Karlovetz, Tom Longanbach, Bill Martin, Larry Schepflin, Phil Trick, Merle Wammes and Lee Wolf.

