

1977 Season Review...

Ross wrestlers figure in BC chase

The Buckeye Conference wrestling race will be a wide open affair and Ross will be right among the teams making it wide open if Coach Al Voggenthaler's forecast is correct.

Last season, the veteran of 14 coaching seasons, the last five at Ross, hit nearly all his predictions when he said Ross would be in the running for the conference title and finish high in sectional and district wrestling tournaments.

The Little Giants were second in the conference, won the Class AAA sectional, and sent four wrestlers to the state meet in Columbus. So, you have to take stock in what the crystal ball gazing coach says.

Coming back for Ross this season are Jesse Heidelberg and Jim Smith, half of the Ross foursome that made the state show. Gone are state competitors Tony Munoz and Pete Werling.

Heidelberg, a senior, will wrestle for the third consecutive year at

105. He is the defending conference champ.

"He stays at about 108 or 109 all the time," Voggie said, "and it is not difficult for him to make weight."

Smith, a senior heavyweight, is the reigning BC champ in his division.

While strong at 105, the Ross coach admits that some of the lighter weight classes are a bit weak. "For the first time since I have been here," he hastened to point out, "we are strong in the upper weights."

With Smith at heavyweight, Voggenthaler will have either Tim Guzman, senior, or junior Karl Schabel at 185. The 175-pound slot will be handled by veteran Ray Long while junior Charlie Clark will likely get the call at 167 but John Giedeman, a senior, will get a chance at this weight division.

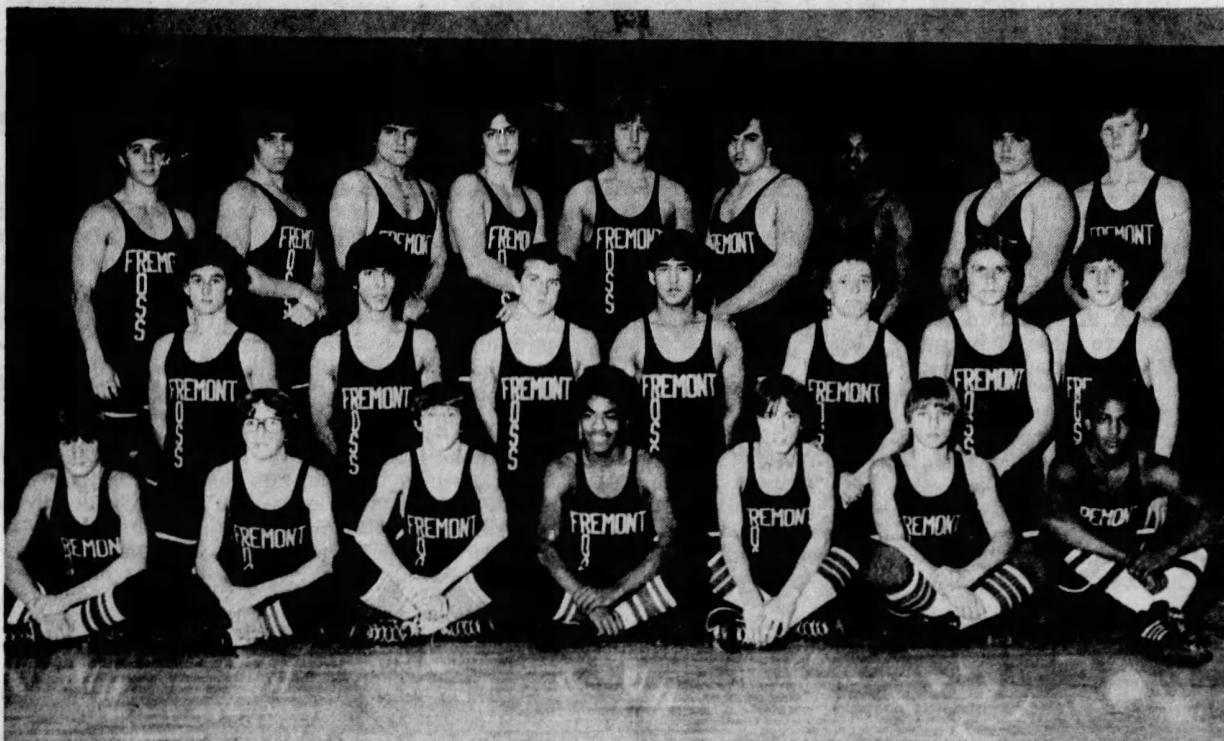
Clarence Parks, a junior, and second in the conference meet a season ago, will return in the 155-

pound weight class. At 145, a spot that Werling finished third in the state last season, Voggenthaler feels he may have a surprise for opponents.

"Lipstraw (John) will surprise some people this season and the Ross coach is confident that Sewell can win the BC title at that weight after finishing second last season.

Rex Mason, a junior, will be at 119 while another junior, Greg Orndorff should wrestle in the 112-pound slot. With Heidelberg at 105, taking over for Munoz is sophomore Mark Mills. Twin brothers Fred and Ted Merrill, Voggenthaler said, could go at either 112 or 98 for backup strength.

The Little Giants will open the season Friday evening in the annual Purple-White intrasquad meet. The match, which is used as one of the final "wrestle-offs" for the varsity divisions, will begin at 7 p.m. in the Ross High School Gym.



THE ROSS VARSITY WRESTLING team for 1976-77. Front row (left to right): Mark Miller, Fred Merrill, Ted Merrill, Jesse Heidelberg, Greg Orndorff, Jim Orians, Aaron Sewell; second row: Mike Albright, Mike Pena, Rex Mason, John Pena, Paul Miller, Rick

Hinkle, Denny Mierke; back row: John Lipstraw, Ray Long, Tim Guzman, Charlie Clark, Karl Schabel, Jim Smith, Clarence Parks, Troy Amor, and Tim Donnersbach.

Pins by Merrill and Smith pace White win over Purple

The White rolled over the Purple 30-20 in the annual Ross "Purple-White" intrasquad match.

Heavyweight Jim Smith pinned Troy Amor of the Purple to preserve the White win in a match that is used mainly by Coach Al Voggenthaler as a preseason "wrestle-off." Smith, the defending Buckeye Conference champ, pinned Amor, a sophomore, in 2:21.

"The best match of the evening," Voggenthaler pointed out, "was between Parks (Clarence) and Lipstraw (John). They really put on a show."

Parks edged Lipstraw 1-0 on an escape in the second period. During the regular season, Parks, a junior, will be Ross's 155-pounder while Lipstraw, a senior, will wrestle at 145.

Ted Merrill started the White on the path toward the win with a pin over Mark Mills in the 98-pound skirmish. Merrill tacked Mills' back to the mat in 2:47.

The only pins of the match came in the first and last matches of the evening.

Ross will open the regular season next Friday with a trip to Mansfield Senior.

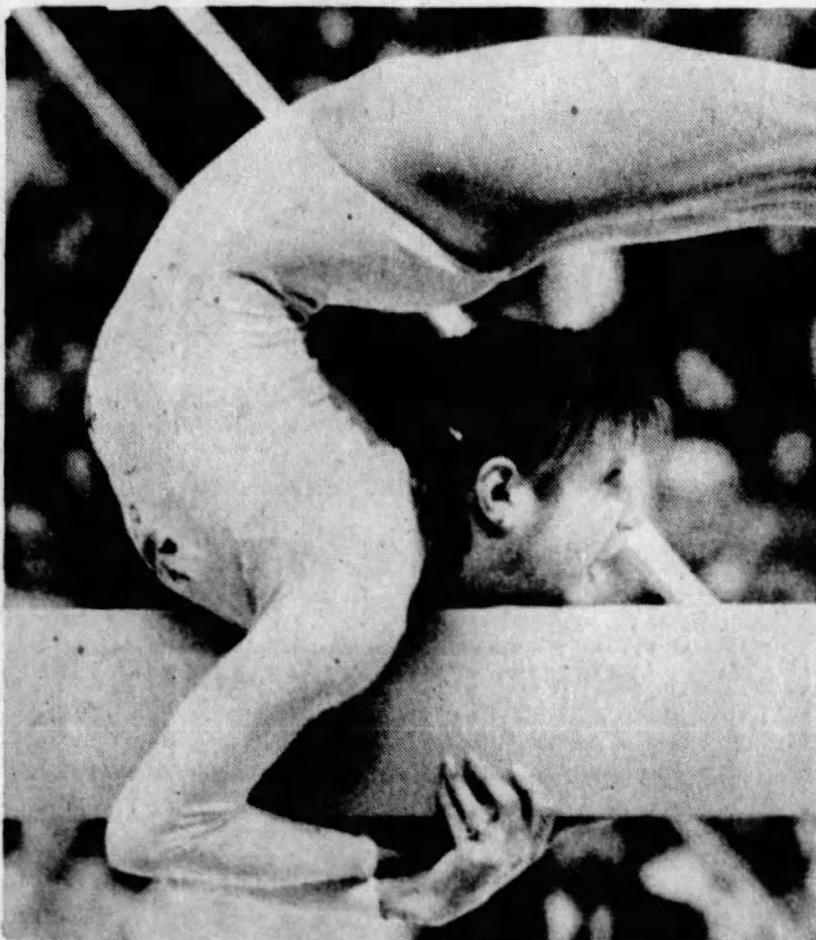
Match results

98 — Ted Merrill (W) pinned Mark Mills (P) 2:47; 105 — Jesse

Heidelberg (P) dec. Greg Orndorff (W) 12-4; 112 — Jim Orians (P) dec. Walter Stroud (W) 9-2; 119 — Rex Mason (W) dec. Ron Berger (P) 4-0; 126 — "Tex" Miller (W) dec. John Pena (P) 9-1; 132 — Rick Hinkle (P) won by default over Aaron Sewell (W); 138 — Denny Mierke (P) dec. John LeJeune (W) 6-0; 145 — Dale Wisniewski (W) dec. Dan Kingsborough (P) 5-2;

155 — Clarence Parks (W) dec. John Lipstraw (P) 1-0; 167 — Charlie Clark (P) and Tim Donnersbach (W), draw, 4-4; 175 — Ray Long (W) dec. John Giedeman (P) 8-5; 185 — Karl Schabel (P) dec. Tim Guzman (W) 6-3; HVY — Jim Smith (W) pinned Troy Amor (P) 2:21;

Exhibition: Mike Pena (W) and Mike Albright (P), draw, 2-2.



Olga!

Russian gymnast Olga K forms on the balance beam exhibition in College F Friday night. The perf

Tyger wrestlers trip Ross 31-28

MANSFIELD — Ross learned a bitter lesson the hard way Friday in a dual wrestling meet against Mansfield Senior.

The Little Giants found out that "he who laughs last, doesn't always laugh best." Mansfield won seven of the first eight matches while building up a 31-3 lead before the Little Giants swept the final five clashes. The late surge, however, only got Ross close — the Tygers wound up with a 31-28 win in the first dual meet of the season for both teams.

"They were ready to wrestle and we weren't" a dejected Al Voggenthaler, Ross coach, said after the match. "It was the poorest job (of wrestling) that we have done in two years."

Aaron Sewell of Ross scored the only points in that run of eight matches. The Ross senior came from behind to down Dwane Owens 11-8 in the 132-pound match.

Ross's chances were stunned early when Jessie Heidelberg lost to John Selman 5-4 in the 105-pound match. Heidelberg was 27-2 a year ago at that weight.

Clarence Parks of Ross stopped the Mansfield string with a 3:33 pin on Paul Twyman in the 155-pound battle. Ross 167-pounder Charlie Clark followed with a 4-0 decision over Dennis Ferguson and Ray Long outpointed Mansfield's Oscar Adlay 11-3 in the 175-pound clash.

Karl Schabel, a junior 185-pounder, won his first varsity match for Ross by pinning Ken Black in 2:29. Little Giants heavyweight Jim Smith finished up for Ross with a 46-second pin on Rich Gibson but the final effort was still too late for the Little Giants.

MATCH RESULTS

98-Lavell Williams (M) p. Mark Mills (R) 3:13; 105-John Selman (M) d. Jessie Heidelberg (R) 5-4; 112-Vince Petrella (M) d. Greg Orndorf (R) 5-0; 119-John Haney (M) p. Ron Berger (R) 1:52; 126-Steve Owens (M) d. Paul Miller (R) 13-6; 132-Aaron Sewell (R) d. Dwane Owens (M) 11-8; 138-Luther Branham (M) p. Rick Hinkle (R) 1:05;

145-Jeff Develbiss (M) d. John Lipstraw (R) 12-3; 155-Clarence Parks (R) p. Paul Twyman (M) 3:33; 167-Charlie Clark (R) d. Dennis Ferguson (M) 4-0; 175-Ray Long (R) d. Oscar Adlay (M) 11-3; 185-Karl Schabel (R) p. Ken Black (M) 2:29; HVY-Jim Smith (R) p. Rich Gibson (M) :46

Ross is fourth at Bedford

BEDFORD, Mich. — Fremont Ross finished fourth in what was supposed to have been the Toledo Rogers Invitational Wrestling Tournament here Saturday.

The tourney was originally scheduled for the Toledo high but was changed when the Toledo schools were forced to close for the month of December because an operating levy was voted down in November.

Held in Bedford High School, Bedford rolled up 176 points to win the nine-team competition. Second was Adrian (Mich.) with 161½, third went to Ross's Buckeye Conference rival Sandusky with 121½, and Ross had 111 points.

The Little Giants claimed individual titles at 105 and 155 while taking seconds at 132 and heavyweight. Ross also had a third at 126 and fourths in the 138 and 175-pound weight divisions.

Jessie Heidelberg won

the 105 division by stopping Terry Walker of Adrian 7-2 in the finals. The Ross senior had advanced to the finals by pinning Tim Coates of Flushing (Mich.) and decisioning Steve Klock of Bedford 8-3.

Clarence Parks rolled to the 155-pound title by pinning Duane Koons of Flushing in 5:21. Parks had won by default in the first round and pinned Ken Olander of Trenton (Mich.) in 4:53 of the semifinal match.

Sewell lost to Bedford's Rich Joseph at 132 by a 10-2 count in the finals while Jim Smith was stopped by Sandusky's Luther Henson 4-1 in the heavyweight finals.

Paul "Tex" Miller was third at 126 while Rick Hinkle (138) and Ray Long (175) recorded the fourth place finishes.

Following are the results of the tourney:

TEAM STANDINGS

Bedford 176; Adrian 161½; Sandusky 121½; Ross 111; Flushing 91; Trenton 78; Whitmer

63½; Highland Park 29; Ann Arbor 25.

CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

98 — Tim Lefler (B) d. Jeff Jarboe (A) 3-2; 105 — Jessie Heidelberg (R) d. Terry Walker (A) 7-2; 112 — Dan Mauerer (W) p. Tom Epke (F) 5:45; 119 — Chris Kagey (F) d. Chuck Schlimmer (AA) 5-0; 126 — Kelvin Irby (S) p. Chuck Joseph (B) 3:01; 132 — Rich Joseph (B) d. Aaron Sewell (R) 10-2; 138 — Rod Luttrell (B) d. Ray Williams (S) 5-0, overtime; 145 — Mike Abraham (A) p. Tony Randleman (S); 155 — Clarence Parks (R) p. Duane Koons (F) 5:21; 167 — Jeff Davis (A) d. Tony Jones (S) 4-1, overtime; 175 — Dennis Herney (T) d. David Smith (A) 5-4; 185 — Bill Salisbury (B) d. Bob Dixon (T) 5-1; HVY — Luther Henson (S) d. Jim Smith (R) 4-1.

CONSOLATION FINALS

98 — Howard Carr (S) d. Steve Pizzo (T) 12-6; 105 — Steve Klock (B) d. Rollie Mann (W) 8-5; 112 — Andy Novak (A) d. Ed Brighton (B) 10-0; 119 — Mike Rincan (A) p. Mike Doyle (B) 2:40; 126 — Paul "Tex" Miller (R) p. Dennis Leedy (A) 4:30; 132 — Mike Leedy (A) d. Red Marinelli (W) 12-1; 138 — Art Laginess (T) d. Rick Hinkle (R) 7-1; 145 — Kelley Stanley (B) p. Chuck Heyer (F) 3:30; 155 — Mike Mynder (B) d. Ken Olander (T) 7-0, overtime; 167 — Bob Snyder (B) p. Tim Christie (T) 4:43; 175 — Mike Wallace (HP) d. Ray Long (R) 10-2; 185 — Mike Walczak (F) p. Bruce Campbell (A) 2:20; HVY — Chris Presley (W) Dan Williams (HP) 2:00.

Heidelberg, Smith advance at Medina

MEDINA — Fremont Ross's Jesse Heidelberg and Jim Smith forged into the semifinal round of the Medina Invitational Wrestling Tournament here today after the first day of competition on Tuesday.

Smith, a heavyweight, pinned his first two opponents in the opening rounds to reach the finals. In the first round, the Ross senior pinned Jim Ott of Marlington in 1:24 while in the second round of wrestling, Smith stopped Keith Hutchinson of Barberton in just 28 seconds.

Today, Smith was to wrestle Terry Reeves of Cardinal Stritch in the semis.

Heidelberg, 105, used a bye in the first round and an easy 15-3 romp over Ray Kowatch of John Marshall in the second round to reach the semis. Heidelberg faced Mike Gercak of Norton in his semifinal match.

The Little Giants, seventh of 18 teams after one round, had nine wrestlers still alive in the consolations.

Heidelberg 1st; Ross finishes 8th

MEDINA — Jessie Heidelberg of Fremont Ross captured the 105-pound championship in the Medina High School Invitational Wrestling Tournament, a tourney that is billed as a 'mini-state' tournament.

Maple Heights, a fixture at the top of the heap in Ohio high school wrestling, won the second annual 18-team tournament by rolling up 200 points, 58 more than second place Oregon Cardinal Stritch. Fairview was third with 119 and Ross was eighth with 82. Maple Heights was also the winner a year ago.

"This is the toughest tournament that I have every been in," Ross Coach Al Voggenthaler said after the two day affair.

In addition to Heidelberg's championship, Ross heavyweight Jim Smith was third and 155-pound Clarence Parks was also third.

Heidelberg, a senior, survived a final period scare to win his title. The Ross lightweight, 27-2 a year ago, outpointed Rusty Lenehan of Elyria Catholic 16-8 in the finals. He had led 9-1 going into the final two minutes.

"He really looked good," Voggenthaler said about Heidelberg. "He was tearing people up. We had people coming up to us asking where we got him."

Along the way, Heidelberg had beaten three unbeaten wrestlers but he had his hands full with Lenehan, especially in the last period.

"He almost got pinned," Voggenthaler said.

Heidelberg started in the "up" position in the final period, quickly scored on a three-point nearfall for a 12-1 lead but Lenehan scored on a reversal. Heidelberg returned the favor and scored on a two-point nearfall before Lenehan managed his second reversal of the period.

The Elyria Catholic wrestler flipped Heidelberg on his back in his sequence and scored on a three-point nearfall but Heidelberg held on for the win.

Smith, in addition to his third place, won the tournament's award for the most pins in the least amount of time. The Ross 250-pounder pinned four opponents in 3:43 in winning four of five matches.

Terry Reeves of Cardinal Stritch was the only wrestler to beat Smith and that was by a pin nine seconds from the end of the semifinal match.

Up until that time, Smith had been controlling Reeves with a 9-1 lead. In the final period, Reeves scored on an escape and takedown before catching Smith in a "roll through" for the pin.

"I don't think Smitty knew he was in that much trouble," the Ross coach said. "It was just one of those things — only this sort of made your stomach turn."

Parks, after a loss in the second round to eventual champ Bill Kovach of Maple Heights, won three straight matches for the third spot at 155.

Parks is now 8-1 for the season.

TEAM STANDINGS — Maple Heights 200, Cardinal Stritch 142, Fairview 119, John Marshall 116, Norton 94½, Medina 93½, Seneca Valley 89½, Centerville 89½, Fremont Ross 82, Worthington 78, Marlinton 76, Howland 75½, Mansfield 68½, Elyria Catholic 67, Galion 49, Barberton 25½, Akron Firestone 21, Cleveland East Tech 0.

Little Giants stop Shawnee 36-18

LIMA — Ross won its first dual wrestling meet of the season on the strength of four pins Wednesday over Lima Shawnee.

Charlie Clark stopped Shawnee's Pat Keller in 24 seconds of the 167-pound match to lead the Little Giants to a 36-18 victory. The win evened the Little Giants dual meet record at 1-1.

Jesse Heidelberg (105), Aaron Sewell (132), and Jim Smith (heavyweight) scored the other pins for the Little Giants.

Heidelberg ran his record to 7-1 with a fall in 1:35 of the first period over Shawnee's Blaine Bice. Sewell

needed just 12 seconds of the second period to pin Kevin Walsh.

Smith roared back from a 3-2 deficit after the first two minutes to stop Brad Comer in 3:07.

In another bout that broke a 6-6 match deadlock, Ross's Mike Albright scored on a reversal in the final period to trip Shawnee's Ken Shaw in the 119-pound match. "Tex" Miller followed with a 4-0 shutout over Mike Soo and Sewell tacked Walsh to the mat to get the Little Giants' purple machine on the way to the convincing win.

In the junior varsity match, Ross rolled to a 49-17 win on the strength of two pins and three forfeits.

VARSITY

98 — Dave Ferguson (S) d. Mark Mills (R) 5-1; 105 — Jesse Heidelberg (R) p. Blaine Bice (S) 1:35; 112 — Damien Mikessell (S) d. Ted Merrill (R) 7-2; 119 — Mike Albright (R) d. Ken Shaw (S) 2-0; 126 — "Tex" Miller d. Mike Soo (S) 4-0; 132 — Aaron Sewell (R) p. Kevin Walsh (S) 2:12; 138 — Rick Hinkle (R) d. Ried Rodgers (S) 8-5; 145 — Rick DeStephens (S) d. John Lipstraw (R) 5-4; 155 — Clarence Pars (R) d. Matt Gerstner (S) 16-9; 167 — Charlie Clark (R) p. Pat Keller (S) 24; 175 — Pat Washam (S) d. Ray Long (R) 9-6; 185 — Mike Burtchin (S) p. Karl Schabel (R) 1:39; HVY — Jim Smith (R) p. Brad Comer (S) 3:07;

JUNIOR VARSITY (ACTUAL MATCHES)

105 — Fred Merrill (R) d. Randy Crites (S) 12-8; 119 — Ron Berger (R) d. Paul Bugenstein (S) 18-2; 126 — Mike Pena (R) and Bob Bailey (S), draw, 2-2; 132 — John Pena (R) d. Alex Albanese (S) 16-4; 138 — John LeJeune (R) d. Todd Snyder (S) 18-8; 145 — Denny Mierke (R) p. Greg Burton (S) 4:56; Gary Keaton (R) p. Lee Huffman (S) 4:36; 167 — Phil Roser (S) d. Dave Campbell (R) 7-4.

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ROSS HIGH



JESSIE HEIDELBURG

Jessie is a senior and wrestles in the 105 lb. class. He is the son of Mrs. Cora Heidelberg. Jessie was a prime candidate for the outstanding wrestler award at the recent 18-team Medina Tournament. He soundly defeated 3 previously unbeaten opponents in winning his class championship. He ran up scores of 15-3, 6-3, and 18-6. His record for the year is 6-1.

Chippewas, I clash

— Dick Parfitt, Centraling basketball coach, looked like Conference leadership unisoned by 3-0. "The Chippewas' over-all performance is 'Eight and six,'" he said. "I think of how we've played. We lost everything." It into the lead last week by the whole league, knocking ins from the top spot. Miami that it opened up the idea.

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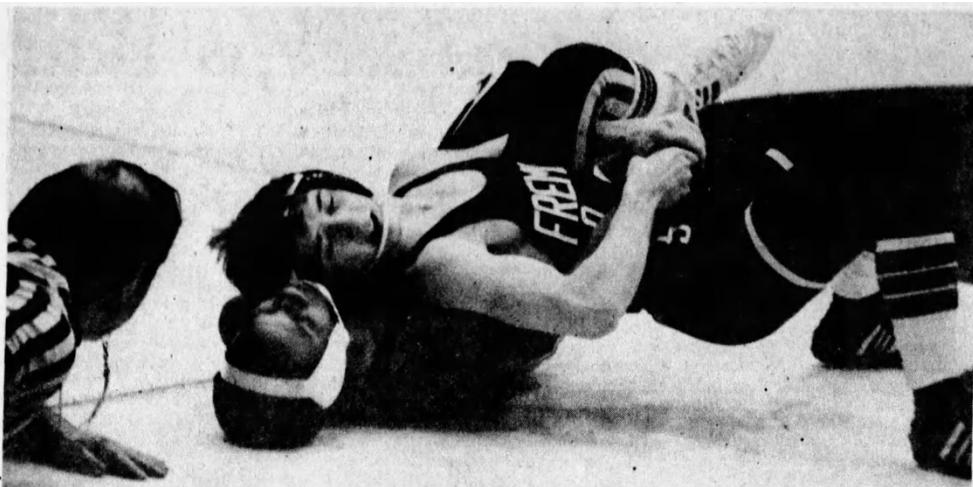
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TED MERRILL of Ross is on his way to a 14-7 win over Sandusky's Al Ott in the 114-pound match Thursday at Ross High School. Merrill used a

"granby" to score five points during a sequence when the photo was taken. His win temporarily gave Ross a 9-6 lead.

Sandusky smothers Ross 42-18

Fortune telling coach

By BOB MARKER
N-M Sports Editor

Terry Wilson ought to bill himself as a fortune teller — not a wrestling coach.

"I predicted before the match that we would win 41-18," the mustachioed

Sandusky High School head man of the mats said confidently after watching his team shackle Ross.

He was off by only one with his call — Sandusky pasted the Little Giants 42-18 and it sent Ross Coach

Al Voggenthaler into old sports cliches.

"Well," Voggie said, "wait till next year. They won't have all of their superstars."

Next year wasn't exactly what the Ross honcho wanted but it was what he had to settle for after four pins and five decisions went against his team.

"It was those pins that really hurt us," he admitted and then added, "but they juggled their lineup and it worked — we lost all four of the last matches."

Wilson rearranged his wrestlers at 169 and 177. Tony Jones, who normally goes at 169 was moved up a notch while Kirk Wyatt, normally the 177-pounder, went down one notch. The last minute switch produced two wins.

"Both of them (Jones and Wyatt) are certified at 169," Wilson said as he explained his hijinks. "I had a couple of reasons in mind — first I wanted to help Jones with his record. I wanted him to get one more win and Long (Ross's Ray) another loss."

"I'm thinking of seeding in tournaments and in the conference when it comes to that. I figured that Wyatt could beat his man."

Howard Carr, Sandusky's 100-pounder, pinned Mark Mills in 3:15 to start the Blue Streaks

over Paul "Tex" Miller had Sandusky on top 15-9. Aaron Sewell, Ross's 134-pounder, brought the Little Giants back even by pinning Phil Keeghan in 2:35.

Sewell survived a gash over his right eye in picking up the match six-pointer.

After Sewell's win, it was all downhill for Ross. The only bright spark was Clarence's Parks' 2-1 win over Leonard Ferguson at 157. Parks scored on a two-point nearfall in the final period for the win.

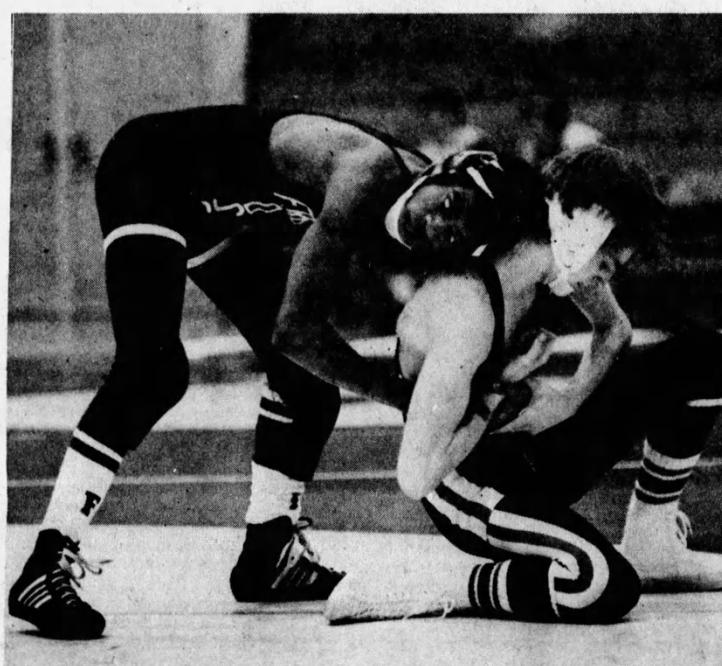
Parks' win narrowed the Ross deficit to 24-18 but Wyatt pinned Charlie Clark of Ross in 3:18 of the 169-pound battle and when Jones stopped Long 17-1, Ross was closed out 35-18.

It was merely a mopup situation for Sandusky from that point.

In the junior varsity match, Ross rolled to a 48-30 win despite having to forfeit four matches. Dave Filiator, John LeJeune, Dave Campbell, Tim Donnersbach, and Troy Amor had pins for the Ross JVs.

VARSITY

100-Howard Carr (S) p. Mark Mills (R) 3:15, 107-Jessie Heidelberg (R) p. John Kurtz (S) 5:18; 114-Ted Merrill (R) d. Al Ott (S) 14-7; 121-Brian Baxter (S) d. Mike Albright (R) 4-2; 128-Kelvin Irby (S) p. Paul "Tex" Miller (R) 3:21; 134-Aaron Sewell (R) p. Phil Keeghan (S) 2:35; 140-Ray Williams (S) p. Rick Hinkle (R) 1:26; 147-Terry Riddleman (S) d. John Lipstraw (R) 6-1; 157-Clarence Parks (R) d. Leonard



JESSIE HEIDELBURG (left) of Ross has Sandusky's John Kurtz wrapped up in the 107-pound match. After

chalking up a 16-3 lead, the Ross senior pinned Kurtz at the 5:18 mark of the third period.

Ross wrestlers rip Findlay

FINDLAY — Ross returned to the winning circle on the wrestling mats by bouncing Findlay 42-11 here Monday. The win came on the heels of Ross's stunning 42-18 loss at the hands of Sandusky last Thursday.

The Little Giants picked up three pins plus the season's first win at 147 and a victory at 169 by a wrestler moved up from the junior varsity. Ross is now 382 in dual meets.

Big Jim Smith stopped mammoth Al LaForrest of Findlay in 1:38 of the first round of the heavyweight battle. That was the quickest pin of the match.

Aaron Sewell pinned Findlay's Tim Geoghegan in 3:04 of the 134-pound match and Ray Long polished off Findlay's Steve Chando at the 5:15 mark of the 177-pound clash.

John Lipstraw of Ross scored his first win of the season at 147. The Ross senior scored on a takedown in the first period and a reversal in the second while surviving a stalling warning in the final period for a 4-2 win over Larry Weisenberger.

Dave Campbell, wrestling in his first varsity match for Ross at 169, scored seven points in the second period on two reversals and a three-point nearfall in overpowering Findlay's Mike Rich 11-4.

Ross won nine matches and wrestled to a draw in another in the lopsided win.

Thursday, the Little Giants will travel to Clyde for a dual meet with the Fliers.

Matches

100-Mark Mills (R) won by forfeit; 117-Jessie Heidelberg (R) d. John Combest 15-8;

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JV score: Ross 48-30

ROSS WRESTLING

Tonight's wrestling meet at Clyde has fallen victim to the weather. There has been no date yet for a make-up match.

The meet was the last on Ross's schedule before the Buckeye Conference Tournament on Feb. 5, at Mansfield Senior.

Coach Al Voggenthaler's crew figures to have good shots at claiming four individual titles in the eight-team tourney. Jessie Heidelberg, 9-1, at 107, Aaron Sewell, 7-3, at 134, Clarence Parks, 11-2, at 157, and heavyweight Jim Smith, 9-3 are the potential Ross champs.



AARON SEWELL of Ross had a good grip on the hand and leg of Perkins' Terry Troutman in a 135-pound bout Saturday at Clyde. Sewell used the

"cradle" to score the majority of his points in a 14-0 win over Troutman.

Streaks split 'traveling' meets

The St. Joe Central Catholic wrestling team split a pair of meets at Oak Harbor and Woodmore Saturday.

The powerful Oak Harbor Rockets dealt the Streaks a 31-19 setback, and then St. Joe hopped on the bus to Elmore and easily defeated the Wildcats 57-6.

St. Joe had four winners in the Oak Harbor meet who were double winners for the day.

Heavyweight Mike Jay remained undefeated with a pin of Mark Tank of Oak Harbor and a 1-0 victory over Woodmore's Pat Massie. It is the second time this season Jay has defeated Massie in a close match.

Other double winners for St. Joe were Nick Picciuto (105), Tom Guyer (112) and Lynn McKinney (132). Jim McKinney (138) and Oak Harbor's Alan Lipstraw wrestled to a 1-1 draw.

Oak Harbor registered only one pin during the meet, something which pleased St. Joe Coach Gary Logsdon. That pin was recorded by Randy Lewis in the 126-pound

match with Ken Foos.

Logsdon also cited three close losses in the meet with Ken Freeh (119) losing 3-1 to Roger Radnick, Steve Pfefferle (175) 12-8 to Jim Lattimore and Tom Foos (185) 1-0 to Jim Crosby.

The Streaks had six pins in the victory over Woodmore. They were turned in by Louie Zamora (98), Picciuto, Guyer, Lynn McKinney, Bob Freeh and Pfefferle.

The lone Woodmore victories were turned in by Mike Lenox 11-5 over Tom Lindenberger in the 126-pound match and Roger Massie 4-0 over Tom Foos at 185.

Oak Harbor 31, St. Joe 19

St. Joe 57, Woodmore 6

98-Phil Weirich (OH) dec. Louie Zamora (SJ) 6-1; 105-Nick Picciuto (SJ) dec. Gary Lemmon (OH) 2-0; 112-Tom Guyer (SJ) dec. Steve Burnett (OH) 12-4; 119-Roger Radnick (SJ) dec. Jim McKinney (OH) 13-1; 126-Randy Lewis (OH) p. Ken Foos (SJ) 4-2; 132-Lynn McKinney (SJ) dec. John Bigger (OH) 8-0; 138-Jim McKinney (SJ) dec. Alan Lipstraw (OH) 11-1; 145-Tom Wind (OH) dec. Bob Freeh (SJ) 4-2; 155-Mike Carman (OH) dec. Jim Meyer (SJ) 11-3; 167-Dan Zundt (OH) dec. Jim Freeh (SJ) 12-1; 175-Steve Pfefferle (SJ) 12-6; 185-Jim Crosby (OH) dec. Tom Foos (SJ) 1-0; HVY-Mike Jay (SJ) p. Mark Tank (OH) 3-41 St. Joe 57, Woodmore 6

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Ross dominates Clyde, Perkins

CLYDE — Ross flexed its muscles here Saturday and ran away with a triangular wrestling meet with host Clyde and Sandusky Perkins.

The Little Giants piled up 101 points in the triangular scoring while whipping Perkins 48-12 and Clyde 53-9 in dual meet scoring. Perkins edged Clyde 34-27 in the other dual scoring. Perkins tallied 46 and Clyde 36 in the triangular.

"At long last we got to wrestle," Ross Coach Al Voggenthaler laughed while thinking back about the postponements that had plagued all three schools.

"I thought the kids did a good job for being off as long as they have," he continued and added, "we go through with no injuries and that's always good."

Clyde was not so fortunate with the injuries. Dean Dill, 129, was sent to the hospital with an injured neck after being pinned by Ross' Paul "Tex" Miller in 3:26 of the bout. The injury was not as serious as first thought.

"He strained his neck," Clyde mentor Chuck Lenhart said Sunday. "He has had problems with it before."

Lenhart summed up his team's performance as "being a little rusty."

"It's the first time we have wrestled in over a month," he said, "but Ross is not in our league as far as competition."

Clarence Parks and Jim Smith led the Ross victories with two falls apiece. Smith polished off Clyde's Chris Clair in 37 seconds and buried Perkins' Ray Neate in 1:14.

Parks, Ross' junior 158-pounder, stopped Clyde's Mike Beier in 2:29 and pinned Perkins' Scott Johnson in 1:30. Beier attoned for his loss to Parks with a 5:57 fall over Johnson, one of four Clyde pins registered in the meet.

Jessie Heidelberg, 108, of Ross turned in the day's quickest pin, 24 seconds, over Clyde's Al Standifer. The Ross senior lightweight posted a 21-5 win over Gus Walls of Perkins in his other match.

Ross had seven double winners in the

meet and picked up a dozen pins.

Ted Tea of Clyde had a 40-second pin in the 101-pound match against Perkins' Don Rotzinger. The only double winner for Clyde was 178-pounder Mike Burkett. He pinned Perkins' Howard Holzhauser in 3:30 and came back to stop Ross' Tim Donnersbach 13-2 for his wins.

Ross will host Lorain Thursday at Ross High School in a 7 p.m. match while Clyde will be at Fostoria Tuesday in a 6:30 p.m. dual meet.

On Saturday, Ross will travel to Toledo Whitmer for a 2 p.m. meet. The meet was moved up from Feb. 19.

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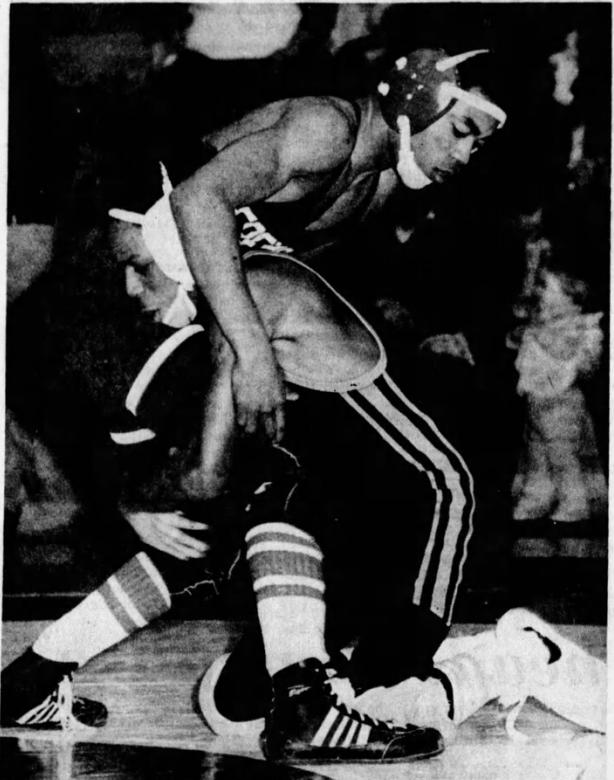
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Ross pounds Steelmen 42-15

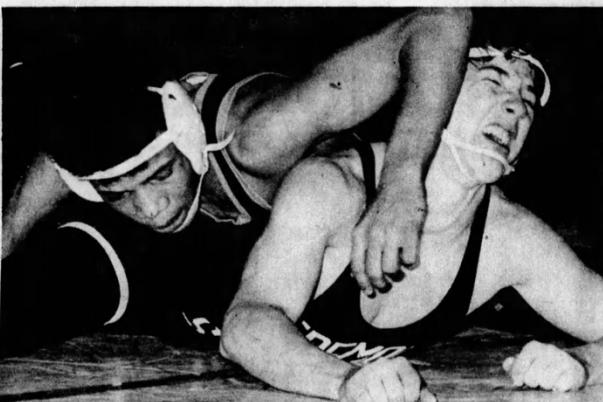


JOEY WATSON of Lorain wraps his arms around the legs of Ross's Jessie Heidelberg in the 108-pound match during Ross's 42-15 win over Lorain Thursday. Watson was unable to

handle the Ross senior, however, with Heidelberg eventually pinning Watson at the 4:24 mark. (News-Messenger photos by Bruce Crippen)

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TED MERRILL (bottom) of Ross is in trouble now but did not remain there long. The Ross junior defeated

Lorain's Sean Wallace 8-3 in the 115-pound match.

Lipstraw 'balances' attack

By BOB MARKER

News-Messenger Sports Editor

John Lipstraw is a peaceful kid; just a normal high school senior . . . until someone kicks him in the head.

"I think we are going to kick him in the head all the time," Ross wrestling Coach Al Voggenthaler chuckled as he slapped the Ross 148-pounder on the backside.

That kick in the head, the initial in the first period between Lipstraw and Lorain Senior's Mark Minnich served as a mental "reversal" for the Little Giants in the hard fought match at Ross High School Thursday.

After Lipstraw shook the cobwebs from his head, he handed Minnich (now 5-1) his first loss of the season and keyed Ross to seven straight wins in a 42-15 romp over the Steelmen.

"That's the best he has wrestled all year," Voggenthaler smiled, "and it was against one of their better wrestlers."

Lipstraw scored on the takedown after taking a breather for a couple minutes after banging his head on Minnich's knee. A quick two-point nearfall followed by a penalty on Minnich and another two-point nearfall gave Lipstraw 7-0 first period lead. That was all the Ross grappler needed as he won the match 7-1.

"I did not expect 42-15," the Ross coach said as he eyed the scoreboard, "but I did feel that if we wrestled well, we would win all the matches that we did win. The only thing is I did not expect Sewell (Aaron) to lose — he beat that kid last year."

Sewell, Ross's 135-pounder, bounded away to a 5-2 lead midway through the second period against Tim Price but Price survived two stalling warnings in the first period to grind out an 8-5 win over Sewell.

"I guess it balanced out," Voggenthaler pointed out, "after Sewell lost and Lipstraw won."

Following Sewell's loss, Ross trailed 15-9 but 141-pounder Rick Hinkle clamped a cradle on Lorain's Mike York and evened the match with a pin at the 2:27 mark. That began the string of

seven with Lipstraw's big win keeping it going in the next match.

Clarence Parks pinned Lorain's James Hill in 5:58 of the 158-pound bout in the Ross win string and Karl Schabel (188) and Jim Smith (heavyweight) polished it off with quick pins. Schabel had the quickest of the night, 38 seconds over Todd Auville, and Smith stopped Ed Chavez of Lorain in 54 seconds.

Ross's only other pin was by Jessie Heidelberg (108) on Joey Watson (R) of his match. The win for the Ross senior, who was 27-2 a year ago, was his 11th in 12 matches.

"Lorain is the best team that we have beaten this year," Voggenthaler said, "and is especially nice considering the fact that Lorain beat Sandusky and Sandusky walloped us."

Ross's next mat action will be Saturday at Toledo Whitmer High School. The triangular meet with host Whitmer and Maumee will begin at 2 p.m.

In the junior varsity match, the Little Giants needed a pin from heavyweight Troy Amor to pull out a 38-32 win. Amor stopped Isaac Horton in three minutes.

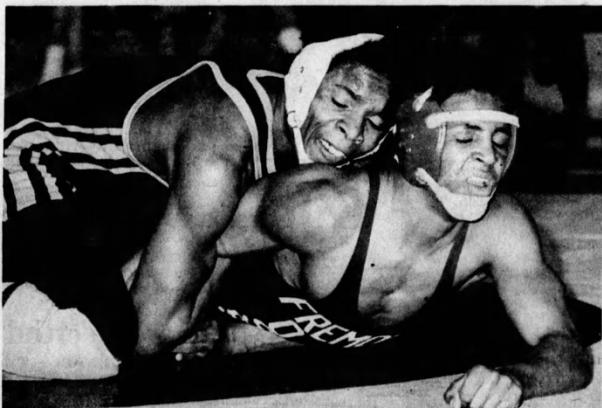
Ross pulled off the win despite having three forfeits.

VARSITY MATCHES

101 — Paul Francis (L) d. Mark Mills (R) 9-0; 106 — Jessie Heidelberg (R) p. Joey Watson (L) 4:24; 115 — Ted Merrill (R) d. Sean Wallace (L) 8-3; 122 — Jamie Matos (L) p. Mike Albright (R) 5:10; 129 — Orlando Ramos (L) d. Paul Miller (R) 5-1; 135 — Tim Price (L) d. Andrew Merrill (R) 8-3; 141 — Rick Hinkle (R) p. Mike York (L) 2:27; 148 — John Lipstraw (R) d. Mark Minnich (L) 7-1; 158 — Clarence Parks (P) p. James Hill (L) 5:58; 178 — Ray Long (R) d. Phil Ferrell (L) 4-0; 188 — Karl Schabel (R) p. Todd Auville (L) :38; HVY — Jim Smith (R) p. Ed Chavez (L) :54

JV MATCHES

101 — Both teams forfeited; 108 — Fred Merrill (R) p. Ricky Amebar (L) :50; 115 — Jim Hrehla (L) won by forfeit; 122 — Greg Orndorf (R) d. Andy Laurenti (L) 9-5; 129 — Mike Pena (R) and Ricky Gonzales (L), draw, 135 — John Matos (R) p. Mark LaBranche (L) 4-3; 141 — Paul Giddich (L) d. Dale Wisniewski (R) 4-2; 158 — Paul Dollar (L) won by forfeit; 170 — Tim Donnersbach (R) p. Matt Thompson (L) 5-0; 178 — Tom Bruhn (L) won by forfeit; 188 — Paul Adams (R) won by default over John Pinchett (L); HVY — Troy Amor (R) p. Isaac Horton (L) 3:00



LORAIN'S Tim Price pulls on the right arm of Ross's Aaron Sewell midway through the 135-pound bout.

Sewell, after taking a 5-2 lead over Price, lost 8-5, one of only four losses for Ross in the dual meet.

Gamble fails in Genoa loss

CYGNET — Randy Calhoun took a calculated risk that failed and Elmwood had enough of a margin to stop Genoa 30-27 in high school wrestling

the final points by accepting a forfeit.

One bright light shown for Genoa, Alfredo Lozoya remained unbeaten for Genoa with a 6-5 win over Sanchez (G) 3:00; 158 — Archie Flores (G) d. Bill Warner (E) 3-2; 178 — Bob Lee (E) p. Richard Reeder (G) 5:30; 188 — Bob Boltz (E) d. Randy Calhoun (G) 4-2; HVY — Butch Williams (G) won by forfeit.

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Ross wrestlers capture two

TOLEDO — The Ross wrestling team posted a double victory over Maumee and host Toledo Whitmer in a triangular meet held here Saturday.

Ross beat Whitmer 52-13 and Maumee 55-6. Whitmer was a 41-23 winner over Maumee and the triangular scoring showed Ross with 107, Whitmer with 54 and Maumee with 29.

Double winners for the Little Giants included Jessie Heidelberg (108), Paul Miller (129), Aaron Sewell (135), Rick Hinkle (141), John Lipstraw (148), Ray Long (178) and Karl Schabel (188).

Miller, Sewell, Hinkle, Clarence Parks (158) and Dave Campbell (170) registered pins for the Little Giants in the victory over Whitmer, while Mike Albright (122), Hinkle and Long recorded falls in the Maumee meet.

Hinkle had the quickest pin of the day when he ended his match with Randy Speer of Whitmer at 44 seconds.

Ross 52, Whitmer 13

MATCHES

101-Dave Earl (W) d. Mark Mills (R) 3-1; 108-Jessie Heidelberg (R) d. Terry Bishop (W) 15-9; 115-Dan Bauer (W) d. Ted Merrill (R) 12-0; 122-Mike Albright (R) and Art Swearinton (W), draw, 1-1; 129-Paul Miller (R) p. Marty Andryzck (W) 1:44; 135-Aaron Sewell (R) p. Rod Marinelli (W) 4:53; 141-Rick Hinkle (R) p. Randy Speer (W) :44; 148-John Lipstraw (R) d. Pat Ibarra (W) 16-3; 158-Clarence Parks (R) p. Marty Ruff (W) 4:37; 170-Dave Campbell (R) p. Terry Maurer (W) 5:35; 178-Ray Long (R) p. Craig Kwailowski (W) 1:07; 188-Karl Schabel (R) won by forfeit; HVY-Chris Presley (W) d. Jim Smith (R) 5-2;

Ross 55, Maumee 6

MATCHES

101-Mills (R) d. George Hansen (M) 4-2; 108-Heidelberg (R) won by forfeit; 115-Merrill (R) won by forfeit; 122-Albright (R) p. Tony Smith 1:58; 129-Miller (R) d. Greg Slagla (M) 7-0; 135-Sewell (R) d. Jim Jenson (M) 12-1; 141-Hinkle (R) p. Greg Schutter (M) 2:45; 148-Lipstraw (R) d. Mark Ryerson (M) 7-1; 158-Parks (R) and Todd Sabo (M), draw, 2-2; 170-Scott Corns (M) d. Campbell (R) 11-2; 178-Long (R) p. Randy Frisby (M) 3:40; 188-Schabel (R) d. John Stromme (M) 5-1; HVY-Smith (R) won by forfeit.



WINNERS OF SPECIAL AWARDS for the boys were, front row, left to right: Steve McGilton, Tom Messina, Jim Smith, Hal Hawk, Mike Miller, Ray Long; back row: Brian Koenig, Randy Hammer, Jim Albright, John Lipstraw, and Jesse Heidelberg.

Ross winter athletes honored

Five Ross High School athletes received "most valuable" awards at Tuesday evening's Ross Winter Sports Awards Night.

Roxie Price and Randy Hammer, were named as the most valuable players for girls and boys basketball, respectively, while Jesse Heidelberg won the top honor for wrestling. Hal Hawk and Brian Koenig shared the swim team's top honor.

Koenig and Hammer are juniors while the others are seniors.

The annual program featured 42 letter winners and/or special award winners while it honored participants in swimming, basketball, and wrestling. Also being introduced were

the Ross cheerleaders. With coaches of the various sports handing out the awards at the Ross High School cafeteria, the special awards highlighted the program.

Heidelberg took home the night's biggest share of hardware. The Ross senior wrestler (51-4 for the past two years) added the team trophy for the most takedowns (72), the captain's trophy, and the Jaycee sponsored Mal Mackey Memorial Trophy, along with his MVP award.

Other wrestling special award winners were Ray Long, "most improved," Jim Smith, "most pins"; and Coach Al Vogenhaller presented John Lipstraw with the coaches award.

In girls basketball, Price took home the captain's trophy and the "best defensive player" award to go with her MVP trophy. Kim Myers, a junior, was voted as the team's most improved player while Coach Sue Wolf gave sophomore Paula Zimmerman the team's top rebounding trophy.

Diane Flickinger won the free throw shooting trophy for the season with a 67 per cent figure to go with a captain's trophy. Karyl Solze also was presented a captain's trophy.

Hammer topped the boys basketball awards with sophomore Steve McGilton winning the free throw shooting award. Larry Williams, a junior, won the rebounding trophy, and another junior, Mike Miller, was named the team's most improved player by Coach Ken Miller.

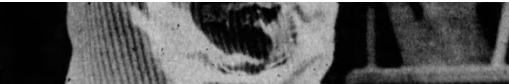
In swimming, Hawk, in

addition to sharing MVP honors, was presented a captain's trophy. Kevin Casey was also awarded a captain's trophy by Coach Art Bucci.

The most improved swimmers were Tom Messina and Jim Albright, both seniors.

There were six three-year letter winners announced: Smith, Heidelberg, and Aaron Sewell in wrestling; Messina, Hawk, and Casey in swimming.

In other announcements, Koenig and Mark Porczak were named as the captains for next season's swim team while Clarence Parks will hold that responsibility for the wrestling team.



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After struggling and losing the first set, 14-year-old Tracey Austin, of Rolling Hills, Calif., came back to defeat Kate Latham 4-6, 6-3, 6-1 in the

opening round of the \$110,000 Family Circle Cup at Hilton Head, S.C. (AP Laserphoto)

Cavs rout Celtics 110

RICHFIELD, Ohio (AP) — The Boston Celtics seem to bring out the best in the Cleveland Cavaliers, and Boston Coach Tom Heinsohn doesn't like that.

Cleveland's 110-82 rout of the Celtics Tuesday night gave the Cavaliers a 3-0 edge over Boston this season and their first season series victory over the defending National Basketball Association champions in Cleveland's seven years in the league.

"My team is getting into the bad habit of playing any kind of basketball and thinking we can get back in the second half," growled Heinsohn. "I don't like my team's attitude right now."

"There's no excuse," he added. "We had 'em 27-27 and they (the Cavaliers) just wanted it more. We played a bummer last week (against Washington), too, and that's why I'm perturbed."

Cleveland broke out of the 27-27 tie with 10 straight points, ran off a 29-12 surge the rest of the first half and put it away with a 31-21 third-period.

The victory, combined with Kansas City's triumph over the New York Knicks, cut Cleveland's magic number to two. Any combination of Cleveland victories and Knicks losses totaling two will assure the Cavaliers a spot in the playoffs.

The victory also moved the Cavaliers one game ahead of the Celtics in their battle for the fifth playoff position in the NBA Eastern Conference.

"We shot very well tonight, but the key to the game was our defense," explained Cleveland Coach Bill Fitch. "We were just swarming over 'em most of the time out there. They didn't get any easy baskets until that last quarter."

"I'm sure that Heinsohn peeled the paint in their locker room at halftime," Fitch said, "and they really came out running. But we got back well most of the time and they didn't get that many shots."

Austin Carr led the Cavaliers, including 14 in the decisive shots from the field and career Cleveland shot 47 per cent.

Bobby Smith and Jim Clegg had 10 points each in the third period, each adding to Dave Cowens' total of 26 in the first half.

When Heinsohn was asked if he was a factor, he said darkly, "uniform off and don't play ready to play basketball."

"I want us to get ready."

"We can't play seven or eight in the playoffs and turn on Fitch, and the other half can't afford the last three. We can ask at this time of the every time out and maybe we can't afford the guys who

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Tuesday's Results

St. Louis (N) 1	Houston (N) 0
Montreal (N) 6	Los Angeles (N) 5
New York (A) 3	Toronto (A) 1
Kansas City (A) 4	Chicago (A) 0
Detroit (A) 10	Pittsburgh (N) 8



GIRLS BASKETBALL award winners at Ross are shown above. Left to right are Kim Myers, Paula Zimmerman, and Diane Flickinger. Not present for the photo were Roxie Price and Karyl Solze.



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