

1961 State meet...

Ross Tankers

In State Meet

Ross high has a team of nine boys in the state swimming championships at Columbus, preliminaries being held Friday afternoon with the finals scheduled to start at 2 p.m. Saturday in the OSU pool.

George Gruse, former Ross swimming coach, will be one of the judges in the diving division finals Saturday.

Bill Faunce, head coach, and David Costill, assistant, will count on the following boys (performances in District at Bowling Green last week noted):

Seniors Dave Parker, third in the 200 - individual medley in 2:34.6, broke his own Ross school record; and James Kaufman, third in diving.

Juniors William Knoke and Robert Cliburn in relay events.

Sophomores Jack Jaisler, fourth in 100-backstroke in the good time of 1:04.3; James Parker, relay; Bruce Landis, relay; Tom Lloyd, fourth in 200-freestyle; Steve Weller, relay.

Lloyd, Landis, Weller and Dave Parker made up the Ross 200-freestyle relay team that came in second in the District and Jaisler, Knoke, Jim Parker and Cliburn the 200-medley relay team that finished fourth in the District.

Ross placed fourth in the District. Sandusky high was District champion.

Sandusky will be one of several strong District winners who will try to keep Canton McKinley from winning its sixth consecutive state swimming title. McKinley, however, is favored to win again.

Lima Threatens McKinley High In State Swim

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)—Lima Senior goes into today's final events as the team to watch in the 34th annual Ohio High School Swimming championships.

Lima appears to be the most likely to wreck Canton McKinley's chance for a sixth straight crown.

At the end of Friday's qualifying trials, in which five state prep records were broken and one was tied, Lima grabbed three individual firsts, one third and also was first in the 200-yard medley relay.

Canton McKinley had four second-place spots, including the finish by its freestyle relay squad, and a third place by its medley relay team.

However, Canton McKinley was expected to pick up momentum in this morning's qualifying for the diving championship.

Final events will be run off in the afternoon.

Giving both Lima and Canton stiff competition in the qualifying was Kent State High School, which picked up one first, a second, third and two fourth place finishes.

Turning in record performances in the qualifiers at Ohio State University's natatorium were:

David Roadhouse of Ottawa Hills, who swam the 100-yard butterfly in 56.1, eclipsing the old mark of 56.9 set by Artie Wolfe of Upper Arlington in 1958.

Dave Wilt of Lima Senior, who did the 100-yard freestyle in 50.7, three-tenths of a second better than the record set by Marty Mull of Canton McKinley last year.

Dick Merritt of Lakewood, who swam the 200-yard freestyle in 1:56.9, breaking the old mark of 1:57.2 by Orrin Nordstrom of Cincinnati Woodward in 1958.

Lima Senior's 200-yard medley relay team, which went the distance in 1:45.1, cracking the old standard of 1:47.5 by Berea in 1959.

Upper Arlington's 200-yard freestyle relay squad, which turned in a 1:34.8 performance as against the 1:35.2 record set by Canton McKinley last year.

Michael Carpenter of Lima Senior tied the record for the 50-yard freestyle with a flat 23-second effort.

Sandusky High, District champion at Bowling Green, qualified the following in state swimming: William Zorn, sixth in 100 butterfly; fourth place 200-medley relay team; fifth place 200-freestyle relay team.

Fremont Ross did not qualify anyone Friday but still has Jim Kaufman competing in diving today.

SWIMMING NOTES

Bill Faunce, head swimming coach at Ross high, said his nine boys did well in the state finals at Columbus last weekend although not scoring.

Tom Lloyd had his best time ever in the 200-freestyle, 2:10.5; Jack Jaisler tied his District time of 1:04.5 in the 100-backstroke. Both finished 12th in the prelims. Jim Kaufman, in diving, gained the semifinals and finished 13th. Dave Parker was 17th in the 200-individual medley in 2:36.2. The 200-medley relay team, did a 1:57.1.

Three years ago, Jack Talbot of Ross was the only sophomore to gain the finals in state swimming. This year, there were 36 seniors, 35 juniors and 18 sophomores who advanced beyond the prelims to the finals.

Canton McKinley won the state title for the sixth straight year. The Northwest Ohio District did well, Lima Senior finishing second, Sandusky tied for seventh and Mansfield Senior tied for 13th.