

Needs Only To Repeat Time In Buckeye; Other Records Tough

Broad Jump Record Set In '21; Towner Smith Of '20 Squad Has Best Time for 3 Dash Events

If Ed Nighswander, who has been turning in some record-breaking performances for the Ross high school track team this season, can attain the form he displayed in the Buckeye league meet last Saturday he will set at least one new record in the District meet at Bowling Green this week.

If Ed can come through he will be the first Ross entry in the District record book.

The District opens tomorrow and concludes Saturday.

Nighswander covered the 120-yard high hurdles in 15.4 seconds last week, one second less than the District record held by Chandler of Toledo Scott since 1937.

Holds Many Marks

The Ross senior owns two Buckeye league marks and is tied for another. He also holds two all-time Ross high records after coming through with a superlative exhibition last Saturday.

His chances for setting marks

in his two other specialties, the 220-yard low hurdles and the broad jump, aren't so bright, however. The best time he has turned in for the low hurdles is 25.3 seconds, while the District record is 24.9, held by Paris of Toledo Scott's 1938 team.

In the broad jump, Nighswander set Buckeye and Ross records by leaping 21, 8 3/4" but he will have to go more than 22' 1/4" if he establishes a District mark. The record is held by C. Walker of Toledo Scott, who competed in 1935.

Coach Les Binkley was still undecided today as to the personnel of his mile relay team for the District meet. He will hold trials tonight to complete his squad.

Bob Beck will compete in the shot put and discus throw, while Charlie Glover and Jerome Surratt have been entered in the 100 and 220-yard dashes. Dick Sherman will do the high jumping and Bill Smith and Bill Titsworth will be the pole vaulters.

NIGHTSWANDER'S CHANCES BRIGHTEN FOR DISTRICT MARK

SPORTS

By Al Coxon

WE HAVE BEEN ASKED A NUMBER OF TIMES WHY ROSS high does not participate in baseball. We passed the question along to officials and coaches at the school and received a number of replies.

One said he would like to see baseball at Ross but (in a hushed tone) others were "agin" it. Another said it was a fine sport but a losing proposition. A third declared the spring sports program (football, track and tennis) was fitted to the hill and a fourth said there wasn't enough interest and anyway, there aren't enough Class A schools with baseball teams to provide opposition. The information by No. 4 was that the Class B schools would be beneath the dignity of a Class A institution. All of these said something about the weather being unfit.

THEN THERE ARE those who feel that there wouldn't be enough boys for a baseball squad because the athletes who took part in the track program wouldn't have time for baseball.

That brings up another angle. Track is a swell conditioner for football players. It builds their muscles and keeps them in shape.

It develops speed. More so than baseball. Track is a must to an end. Baseball is not.

THIS PRICE ISN'T intended to advocate or discourage baseball at Ross. It merely relays the answers to the question "Why doesn't Ross have baseball?"

WITH MORE THAN A MONTH OF THE SEASON GONE, IT is time to turn attention to those Detroit Tigers, who have been lurking quietly in the second place. They have not been setting the American league on fire, and on the other hand they haven't acted like a second-division ball club, as they were wont to do.

Pitching and timely hitting have been the forte of Red Rolfe's Bengals. Virgil Trucks appears headed for his best year in the majors, and Teddy Gray, the diminutive southpaw, has provided help in an unexpected manner. Red Newhouse is off to a slightly better start than usual and the ace lefty will probably go over the 50-game mark for the fifth time in his career. He won 31 games last season. Freddie Hutchinson was somewhat of a disappointment until his 10-1 victory over Washington Thursday. If Freddie regains form the Tigers will be a nasty bunch, indeed.

UNLESS THE PITCHING goes haywire, Detroit should be a contender all the way. Vic Wertz, George Kell and Johnny Groth have been supplying most of the batting punch, along with Aaron Robinson. Fred Evans hasn't been hitting and Rolfe benched him against right-handed pitching. Even, however, is a natural and should round this form. In fact the Detroit club was so high on Evans in 1946 that it was willing to let Barney McCosky go to the Philadelphia Athletics. History shows that Detroit is a good last-month ball club. If the Bengals stay hot, there will be a lot of red from worn by those who tabbed the 1949 club as a second-division ragtag.

AFTER 10 YEARS, DUTCH LEONARD FINALLY MADE THE team.

City Baseball, Softball Leagues Open Next Week

ROSS NETMEN LOSE OUT IN SECOND ROUND

Ross high's entries in the District tennis tournament at Bowling Green bowed out in the second round yesterday.

Ralph Engle, singles competitor, had little difficulty in getting past his first-round encounter with Ed Rowlin of Toledo Macomber, 6-1, 6-0. Engle was ousted by Jay Webb of Ottawa Hills, 6-3, 6-1, in his second match of the day. Webb, former champion, bowed to DeVilbiss high's Bill Dickey in the championship match.

Both Webb and Dickey go to the state finals.

The Little Giant's doubles team, composed of Bud Anderson and Rennie Whidder, blasted Price and Hale of Upper Sandusky in the first round, 6-0, 6-0, but ran afoul of DeVilbiss in the second. Don Blair and Walt Milburn, champions, came through with scores of 6-3, 6-0.

Giants Begin To Reap Gain From Kennedy

By RALPH BODEN

Associated Press Sports Writer
The New York Giants are beginning to reap some dividends from the \$25,000 they shelled out to Richmond for pitcher Montie Kennedy in 1946.

After years of frustration Kennedy is making the 25 grand price tag look cheap with some of the

19 Tilts Billed In Four Loops

Nineteen baseball and softball games next week launch the ambitious city recreation schedule.

Action will take place on five fields in the city, with the Senior baseball team playing four games at Anderson Field. One junior loop game is also billed for Anderson Field. All games next week are slated for Harmon.

Recreation Director Al Zarnke today released the first half schedule for the Senior baseball and Class A softball leagues, and next week's schedule for the Junior baseball and Class B softball leagues. The entire first half schedule for the Junior baseball and Class B softball will be announced next week. The Junior baseball league schedule next week is as follows:

Monday, Roger Young Park, Wilbur Wootery vs. Zebek; Friday, Anderson Park, Gibsonburg vs. Detroit; Friday, Roger Young Park, Miller Motors vs. Elmer-St. Joe.

The Class B softball schedule for next week:

Monday, Roger Young Park, K. of C. vs. Taylor; Thursday, Roger Young Park, Condit vs. Quaker; Last Field, Elka vs. Fancher Seed; Croghan Field, Elka vs. Herald-Clark.

The first half schedules for the Senior baseball and Class A softball leagues: (first named is home team).

BREWERS NEAR SAINTS IN AA

By Associated Press

The Milwaukee Brewers were only a game and a half behind first place St. Paul in the American Association today after drubbing Toledo in a twin bill last night.

St. Paul's scheduled contest at Columbus was postponed because of cold weather.

Milwaukee handed the Mud Hens two defeats by scores of 6-3 and 9-6, at Toledo despite spectacular pinch-hitting by Don Lund, former Detroit Tiger outfielder, in each game.

Grand Slam Homer
Lund, who has just joined the Mud Hens, doubled as a pinch hitter in the first contest, then slammed a homer with the bases loaded in the eighth, as Toledo staged a strong rally in the ninth.

Al Epperly held the Hens to six hits in the first game, while Perry checked the Hens with a like number of safeties in the second contest.

The Indianapolis Indians won their first shutout victory of the season last night as Carl Johnson held Kansas City to six hits at Indianapolis to win 6-0. Nanny Fernandez, playing his first game with the Indians, drove in three runs and scored another.

The Louisville infield collapsed in the sixth inning and Mississippi scored two runs and a 2-0 victory at Louisville.

Tenants' Schedule
Minnesota at Columbus.
St. Paul at Indianapolis.
Milwaukee at Louisville.

Major League Leaders

By Associated Press



Comes Out Fighting

Bill Stewart isn't really leading with his right. The umpire is just calling for Wee Wee Rose out at first base. While leading off and batting no more than .266, the Brooklyn shortstop is among the National league leaders in runs-batted-in.

NO VACATION, SAYS BOUDREAU

Fast Track At Bowling Green; Finals Today

Ed Nightswander's chance of setting a new record for the 120-yard high hurdles were brightened considerably today by announcement from Bowling Green that a fast track is in prospect for today's finals in the District Track meet. Preliminary in track events were held Friday.

Nightswander, Ross high senior, went the distance on a slow track yesterday in 15.7 seconds, and was obviously not pushing himself. Jim Citter of Fostoria also turned in 15.7 seconds for the event. Record is 13.5.

In the 220-low hurdles Nightswander showed even more superiority, although it is improbable that he will be able to remove the record of 24.9 seconds for the event. The Ross star covered the distance in 25.7.

Three field events were completed yesterday, with the track finals slated for this afternoon. Nightswander was the only Ross qualifier, Bob Beck leading out in the shot put and discus throw and Charlie Glover and Jerome Sturtz bowing out in the 100-yard and 220-yard dash events.

Dick Sherman will be in the high jump today, with Bill Smith and Bill Titaworth competing in the pole vault. The Ross mile relay team will be composed of Dick Chestnutwood, Charlie Glover, Jim Sherer and Ed Stetzel.

Lead Alton of Toledo Liberty broke the District record for the broad jump, going 22' 6 1/4". The old mark was 22' 1 1/4".

Shot put was won by Barry of Lima Central, while Storer of Montpelier won the discus throw.

Also Wins Low Hurdles; May Pass Up Trip To State Finals

Ross high owns its first record in the Bowling Green District track meet following a superlative performance Saturday by Ed Nighswander in what may have been the Ross star's final appearance of the season.

The senior bell-ringer of the Little Giants' squad won both hurdles events and set a new record for the 120-yard highs as he covered the distance in 15.5 seconds.

His time eclipsed the mark of 15.5, held since 1937 by Chandler of Toledo Scott. Nighswander was the only Ross athlete to qualify for the state finals at Columbus this weekend.

ST. PAUL DROPS DOUBLEHEADER

By Associated Press

St. Paul, which started the American Association season with a 12-game winning streak, Monday held a slim one-half game lead as the circuit entered its typical tight battling in the first division.

The Saints were shaved down to size Sunday when Indianapolis swept a double-header from them 4-3 and 5-4 as well as the three-game series. Nanny Fernandez' inside-the-park homer in the fifth won the seven-inning nightcap. The blow came after St. Paul, aided by Dan O'Connell's two-run homer, had a four-run uprising in the fourth.

Harry Taylor lost the second game in a relief role. He also was the loser in the opener when a passed ball with the bases filled, was charged against Catcher Andy Minneapolis double-header at Anderson in the ninth. Toledo was rained out.

Tonight's Games

Kansas City at Toledo.
Minneapolis at Columbus.
Milwaukee at Indianapolis.
St. Paul at Louisville.

RAIN HALTS ALL LOCAL GOLFERS

Yesterday was a complete wash-out as far as the Fremont Golf club was concerned. According to Abe Forbrich, club professional, not even the hardiest of the hardy attempted to take to the links as the rain came down in torrents.

A best-ball twosome derby was on the schedule but it was postponed until June 5.

After the meet, Nighswander revealed he might decide to pass up the state finals because of "Senior Day" at Ross Friday.

Nighswander won the 220-yard low hurdles by covering the distance in 25.7 seconds. The record is 24.9, held by Paris of the 1938 Scott squad.

Ross wound up seventh in the meet, with Nighswander scoring all of the local school's points. Toledo Libbey finished first with 46 points. Scott was second with 21 and Fostoria and Lima Central each scored 19. Toledo DeVilbiss had 18, Toledo Waite 17, Ross 16, Toledo Woodward 15 and Findlay 14.

2nd In Broad Jump

Nighswander received six points for each victory, and scored four more by placing in the broad jump.

Class B honors went to Oak Harbor's crack squad. The Rockets ran up 47 1/4. Lakeside had 37 for second, while Ada was third with 28 1/4. Lima Shawnee had 28 and Delta scored 19 1/4.

Gibsonburg, which finished well down the list, will be represented in the state finals by Paul Herman. The Golden Bear senior tossed the discus 126'6" to win that event.

3 From Clyde

Clyde qualified three boys for the state finals.

Tom Miller tied for second place in the pole vault, as did Mike Aman in the high jump.

Also eligible for the trip to Columbus is Bob Fox, who finished third for the Fliers in the 100-yard dash.

Bobcats Send 5

Green Springs, entered in the Mansfield District meet, qualified boys in five events. The Bobcats scored 27 points and wound up third behind Belleville (Richland county) and Berlin Heights.

Bill Garland won the high jump and Gene Hasselbach took the half-mile run for the Bobcats only first-place finishes. Tom Hasselbach was second in the low hurdles and Gene was third in the 440-yard dash.

