

1968 Buckeye Conference meet...

Elyria Title, Records In Jeopardy At Buckeye Conference Track Meet

Earlier this week a Fremont Ross track team with hopes of a surprise invaded Strobel Field. All but two Little Giants failed to live up to hopes.

Saturday night the spirit of 'Rossgo' the symbolic Little Giant must rise to the occasion in an effort to erase the earlier showing. Strobel field Wednesday was the scene of the first Ross dual track meet defeat of the season. Saturday night the same Sandusky location will be the location for the annual Buckeye Conference championships.

Performances equal to the better marks in the past could allow Ross to creep high in the Conference meet standings. The power of Sandusky, which dominates particularly in the field events, should be partially equalized by the Elyria high school speedsters and at least one hurdler from Mansfield.

Elyria is the defending champion after breaking a three-year Sandusky domination in the conference meet. The Blue Streaks, led by the prodigious discus trio of Ken Krueger, Steve Rogers and Royce Lewis, have the field strength to rate the favorite's role this year.

Krueger is also expected, along with shot-putter Ed Williams to lead an assault on the record book. As Sandusky beat Ross this week Krueger sailed the discus 187-3, nearly 17 feet further than the record 170-4 tossed by Bob Middleton, Marion, back in 1959. The discus record is the oldest record remaining on the Buckeye Conference record book.

Williams on Wednesday put the shot 57-3, which gives him a good shot at the 56-4 record set last year by Elyria's Carl Leslie. Dave Rhodes of Ross appears to be the only shot-putter who could threaten Williams. He has a long toss of 53-10 1/2 this year and is the only other weight man in the conference to top the 50-foot mark.

'Beat That Man' label rests on the fleet shoulders of Little Giant Steve Parker. Parker is one of six defending champions in the field. He won the 440-yard dash last year and finished second in the 220-yard dash. Wednesday against Sandusky Parker scored a dash triple and ran the fastest times recorded this year at Strobel field in all three events. These were

:10.1 in the 100-yard dash; :22.6 in the 220-yard dash and :51.5 in the 440. These do not match the lows this season by Parker, which are :10 in the 100, :21.3 in the 220 and :50.3 in the 440-yard dash. Last year in the state meet at Columbus Parker was recorded at :49.3 in the 440-yard run.

Mike Geib in the last two meets has emerged as a half-mile threat. Geib was the only other Ross winner at Sandusky and has won both outings at the 880-yard distance. His 2.05 best indicates he will be a threat to Mansfield's Dennis LaRue, who has a best of 2.04. LaRue is defending Buckeye champion in the two-mile but is likely to bypass the longer event.

In addition to Parker and LaRue the defending champions are Krueger in discus;

Duane Hill, Mansfield, low hurdles; Jon Jackson, Sandusky, high hurdles, and Jerry Klyop, Elyria, pole vault.

Ross also has all the mile relay team back which won last year, but it is possible none of them will compete in this event. Anchor man was Parker, who if he goes for a dash triple can not run in a relay. Leadoff man Rusty Williams has been

battling an ankle injury and is only a part-time performer and Bob Mackey has left the squad. This leaves only Jon Schwartz as likely to run in the event. Coach Rod Lash reserved to the last minute his decision on how to use his sprinters.

Five records appear doomed. These are the shot put, discus, pole vault, 120-yard high hurdles, high jump. Klyop, the defending champion, has cleared 14-6 this year and the

record is 13-3 1/4 by Merle Wilford, Elyria, in 1965. Chris Cowie, Lorain, has been as high as 6-5 in the high jump and the record is 6-2 by Earl Hill, Marion, 1963. Hill and Jackson should battle for the honor to break the high hurdle mark. Both have been clocked this year in :14.3, compared to a record of :14.4 set in 1966 by Sandusky's Willie Amison.

The three dash records all are within reach of Parker, although he has bettered none of them so far this season. These marks are: 100, Bob Lindsey, Sandusky, :09.9, 1965; 220, Lindsey, :21.4, 1965, and 440, Paul Garrett, Sandusky, :49.8, 1963.

The Buckeye Conference Meet opens with 3:30 p.m. preliminaries. Finals in field events are set for 5 p.m. with the first running event at 7:05 p.m.

News-Messenger SPORTS

Record Book Braces For Another Assault

MARGARETTA—A year ago they virtually wiped the record books clean at the Margarett Relays. The third running of the Margarett Relays Saturday night will attract its largest field in history.

Gene VanOrsfall, athletic director at Margarett, announced a field of 11 schools. The field is headed by defending champion Clyde. Other schools participating will be Margarett, Gibsonburg, St. Wendelin, Huron, Perkins, Monroeville, Tiffin, Calvert, Berlin Heights, Oak Harbor, Milan.

Clyde, which won a year ago with a 26-point margin, reaffirmed its strength last week by running away with the Sandusky Bay Conference meet. Victory in a dual meet by one point had indicated Oak Harbor could challenge Clyde in the larger meets. On the eve of the SBC and Margarett meets Oak Harbor had the injury and illness bug strike. Quartermiler Keith Herbert is hobbled by a pulled hamstring muscle. Dash and spring runner John Kratzer is out with mononucleosis. The loss of this pair particularly cut into Oak Harbor strength.

Herbert, not up to par, managed to run in the SBC and combined with Kurt Greiger, Randy Strausbaugh and Jim

Ross Net Team Wins Third, 5-2

Victory number three sailed over the nets to the Fremont Ross tennis team Wednesday. The Little Giant netters trimmed Port Clinton, 5-2, without using number one doubles team.

The top doubles team of Jon Zink and Fred Flower played an exhibition pro set match with Port Clinton's top duo, Tim Warga - Mark Johnson, but it did not count in the team points.

The Brindley brothers each had a hand in winning two points. Both won their singles and they teamed for a doubles win. The doubles portion of the match was played on pro set scoring.

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SINGLES

Jon Zink (R) over Tim Warga (PC), 6-2, 6-0.

Ray Brindley (R) over Mark Johnson (PC), 10-8, 6-0.

Fred Flower (R) over Carl Myers (PC), 6-4, 6-0.

Bob Brindley (R) over Mark Adams (PC), 3-6-6-2, 6-4.

Mark Belknap (PC) over Dave Deemer (R), 6-4, 6-2.

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DOUBLES

Bob and Ray Brindley (R) over Jack Thompson - Belknap (PC), 8-1.

Jim Walz-Ray Milnac (PC) over Don Parman - Deemer (R), 10-8.

(Exhibition) Zink - Flower (R) over Warga - Johnson (PC), 8-4.

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Parker Wins Buckeye Meet Dash Triple

SANDUSKY — Buckeye Conference tracksters made the pre-meet form sheet writers look good Saturday night at Strobel Field in Sandusky. The pre-meet outlook had called for a two team championship duel between Elyria and Sandusky. They also said five records were sure to be broken and one other runner a threat to three records.

The form sheet hit the meet on the nose. The Buckeye Conference championships were indeed a two - team meet with

Sandusky unseating defending yard dash, :22.1, but by tying champion Elyria, 60 to 50½. Paul Garrett's :49.8 record in the team battle did not steal the show as five records fell and one was tied. Sensation of the meet was Fremont's Ross Steve Parker, who equalled the greatest performances of all times in the Buckeye with victories in all three dashes. Parker was that one man the outlook could say could be a threat to any of the three dash records.

He responded to this high praise by not only winning the 100-yard dash, :10.2, and 220-

yard dash, :22.6.

In the 100 Parker finished two - tenths of a second ahead of second place Jim Jones, Elyria. He was five-tenths of a second ahead of Jones in the 220-yard run.

The charge from the inside lane past the entire field in his backstroke was a thing of beauty as the long stride of Parker ate up the yardage and left the field in his backwash. For all intents and purposes Parker was not pushed hard in any event. His nearest challenger in the record - tying 440-yard run

was 22 in 1967. Coach Rod Lash said he believes this is the strongest performance ever in the Buckeye for a Ross track team.

Complimenting the strong Parker showing were second place finishes by Mike Geib, 880-yard run, and Dave Rhodes, shot put. Rhodes put the shot 50½ and Geib was clocked in 2:03.6 for the half mile. He engaged in a stride for stride battle with Findlay's Don Weiler who had a stronger finish.

This was only the third time Ross scored 10 points and it

Sandusky Captures Title

Geib had run the half - mile Buckeye Conference history — Bob Middleton's 170 feet in the discus. Topping the mark was Sandusky's Ken Krueger with a toss of 178 feet.

Other new records were set by Jon Jackson, Sandusky, 100-yard high hurdles, :14.3; Chris Cowie, Lorain, high jump, 6-4.

Gathering single points for and Jerry Klyop, Elyria, pole vault, 14-1½.

TEAM SCORES: Sandusky, 60; Elyria, 50½; Lorain, 37; Fremont, 30; Admiral King, 21; Mansfield, 17; Marion, 15. Findlay's record of 1967.

Buckeye Meet Summary

120 HIGH HURDLES — Jon Jackson (Sandusky), :14.3 (record); 2, Duane Hill (Mansfield), :14.6; 3, Al Robinson (Elyria), :16.1; 4, Al Hagine (Lorain), 17.5. (Old record: 14.4 set by Willie Amison Sandusky in 1966).

100 DASH — Steve Jewell (Elyria), :10.2; Jim Jones (Elyria), :10.4; Dave Rather (Sandusky), :10.5; Larry Barnes (Admiral King), :10.6; Levon Jackson (Sandusky), :10.7.

MILE — Dave Jewell (Elyria), 4:34.4; Dennis Lu Rue (Mansfield), 4:36.2; Jon Jefferson, Sandusky, 4:46.2; Don Nicoloff, Admiral King, 4:46.6; Dave Leslie, Sandusky, 4:50.9.

SHOT PUT — Ed Williams (Sandusky), 59-8½ (record);

DISCUS — Ken Krueger (Sandusky), 178 (recon); Steve Rogers (Marion), 50-4½; Steve Rogers (Sandusky), 48-5½; Tom Bennington (Admiral King), 50-2½; Old record 56-4½ by Carl Leslie of Elyria in 1967.

880 RELAY — Lorain Admiral King (Tom Davis, Jim Patterson, Fred Montgomery, Larry Barnes), 1:32.0; Sandusky, 1:33.0; Lorain, 1:33.6; Elyria and Findlay (tie), 1:34.3.

440 Dash — Steve Parker (Fremont), 49.8 (record); Tom Wilmington (Lorain), 52.6; Jon Smith (Elyria), 53.2; Jim Fury (Marion), 53.4; Greg Taylor (Fremont), 53.7. (Ties record of Paul Garrett, Sandusky, in 1963).

LONG JUMP — Al Robinson (Elyria), 21-8; Fred Tucker (Lorain), 21-3½; Dave Rather (Sandusky), 21-2; 4. Larry Barnes (Admiral King), 19-10½; 5, Steve Prater (Marion), 19-5½.

100-YARD LOW HURDLES — 1, Duane Hill (Mansfield), 19.6; 2, Jon Jackson (Sandusky), 19.7; 3, Robin Palmer (Elyria), 20.4; 4, Al Robinson (Elyria), 21.0. 5, Jeff Wise (Fremont), 21.4.

HIGH JUMP — Chris Cowie (Lorain), 6-4 (record); 2, Keith Dick (Elyria), 6-2; 3, Craig Cowie (Lorain), 6-0; 4, Jerry Klyop (Elyria), 5-10; 5, Gary Horn (Sandusky), 5-10. (Old record 6-2 by Earl Hill of Marion, in 1963, and Jacob Zeiss of Mansfield in 1966).

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Saturday's Results

Rochester 3-2, Syracuse 2-1; Louisville 13, Columbus 7; Buffalo 4, Toledo 2; Jacksonville 6, Richmond 5.

Sunday's Results

Buffalo 10-2, Toledo 9-4, 1st game 10 innings, 2nd game 7 innings.

Syracuse 6-0, Rochester 4-1, 2nd game 7 innings.

Columbus 4, Louisville 0; Jacksonville 5-4, Richmond 4-2.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Saturday's Results

Spokane 6, Hawaii 0.

Indianapolis 3, Phoenix 1; Tacoma at Vancouver, rain.

San Diego 5, Tulsa 1.

Denver 3, Oklahoma City 1.

Seattle 3, Portland 2.

Sunday's Results

Indianapolis 3, Phoenix 2; Oklahoma City 7, Denver 4.

Portland 8, Seattle 2.

Spokane 8, Hawaii 3.

Tacoma 5, Vancouver 2.

Tulsa 4, San Diego 0.

BASEBALL MINORS

Saturday's Results

Rochester 3-2, Syracuse 2-1.

Louisville 13, Columbus 7.

Buffalo 4, Toledo 2.

Jacksonville 6, Richmond 5.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Saturday's Results

Rochester 3-2, Syracuse 2-1.

Louisville 13, Columbus 7.

Buffalo 4, Toledo 2.

Jacksonville 6, Richmond 5.

Sunday's Results

Rochester 3-2, Syracuse 2-1.

Louisville 13, Columbus 7.

Buffalo 4, Toledo 2.

Jacksonville 6, Richmond 5.

PITCHERS TURN SLUGGERS

Tuesday's Games

Minnesota at Oakland, N.

Chicago at California, N.

Detroit at Baltimore, N.

Cleveland at New York, N.

Only games scheduled

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Wednesday's Games

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Chicago at California, N.

Boston at Washington, N.

Detroit at Baltimore, N.

Cleveland at New York, N.

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Thursday's Games

Minnesota at Oakland, N.

Chicago at California, N.

Boston at Washington, N.

Detroit at Baltimore, N.

Cleveland at New York, N.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE ROUNDUP

Baseball Standings

National League

W. L.	Pct.	G. B.	
St. Louis	15	8	652
Cincinnati	12	10	545
San Fran.	12	10	545
Philadelphia	11	11	500
Atlanta	11	12	478
Chicago	11	12	478
Los Angeles	11	12	478
Houston	10	11	476
New York	9	12	429
Houston	9	13	409
		5½	

Saturday's Results

New York 3	Chicago 3
St. Louis 11	New Francisco 6
Pittsburgh 3	Philadelphia 2
Atlanta 2	Houston 0
Cincinnati 2	Los Angeles 0

Sunday's Results

Chicago 3	New York 2
Pittsburgh 3	Philadelphia 2
Atlanta 2	Houston 0
San Francisco 8	St. Louis 4
Cincinnati 3	Los Angeles 2
	16

Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Los Angeles at Chicago

Pittsburgh at Atlanta, N.

San Francisco at Houston, N.

New York at St. Louis, N.

Philadelphia at Cincinnati, N.

Only games scheduled

Wednesday's Games

Chicago 5-1, New York 4

California 7, Detroit 2

Oakland 4, Boston 2

Cleveland 2, Minnesota 0

Baltimore 5, Washington 3

Sunday's Results

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Baltimore 8, Washington 0

Oakland 3, Boston 2

Detroit 5, California 2

Cleveland 2, Minnesota 1

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Friday's Games

Buenos Aires — Gregorio

Peralta, 181, Argentina, and

Vitorio Saradui, 177, Italy, drew

10.

MEXICO CITY — Santos San

doval, Mexico, knocked out Ro

berto

10.

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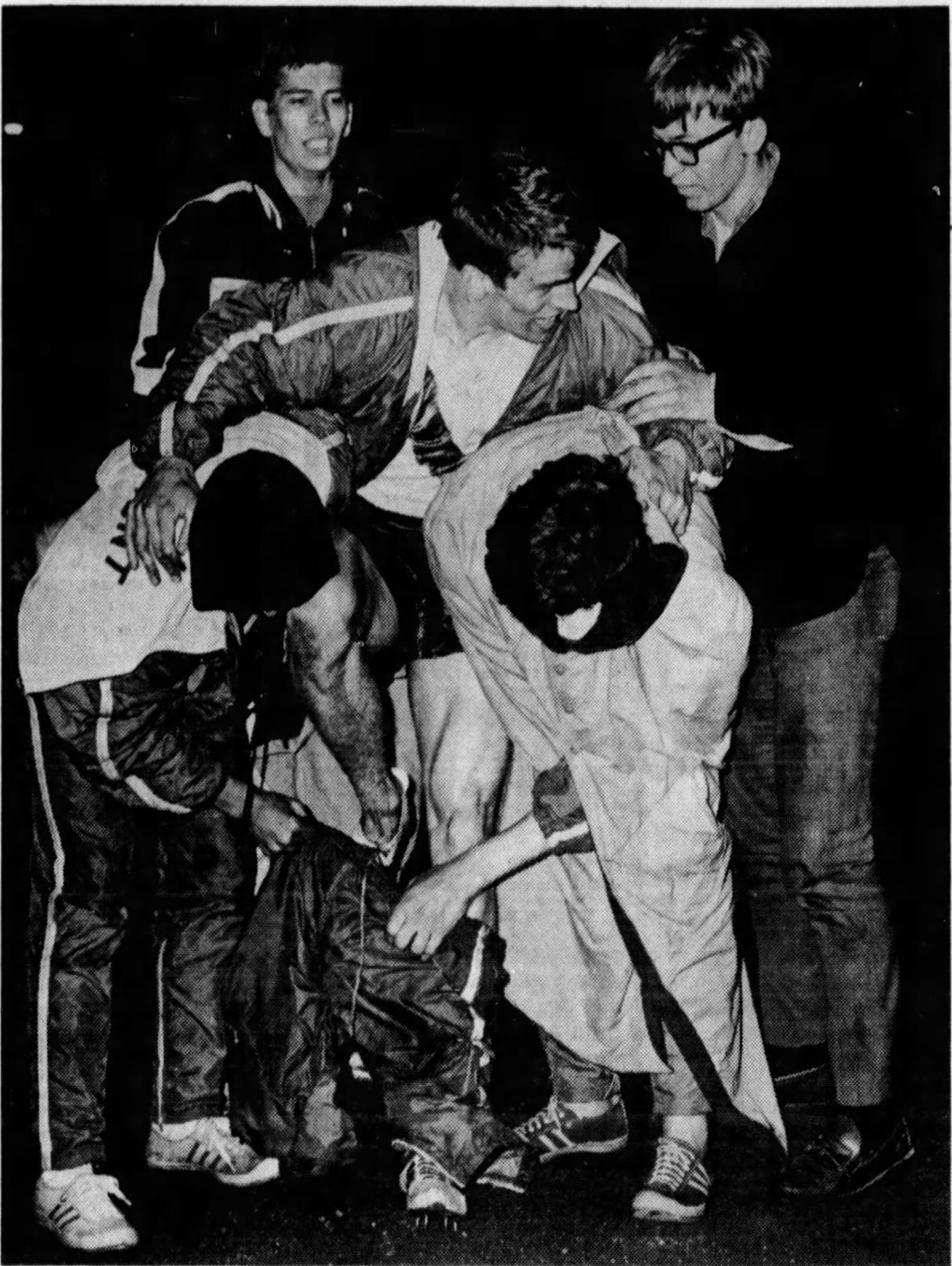
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Parker Assisted With Sweat Clothes After Third Victory