

Dotson, Murtaugh Shatter Marks

Bucyrus, Plymouth Winners

Bucyrus and Plymouth high school cross country teams won district meets Saturday and qualified for the state meet next weekend along with Crestview, Colonel Crawford and 11 other Mansfield area individuals.

Shelby came in seventh and was eliminated. However, Terry Hitchman of Clear Fork (9:38), Ed Cowell of Ontario (9:39) and Randy Shaull (9:42) and John Galat (9:43) of Lexington each qualified for the state run as individuals.

Bucyrus captured the Class AA district meet at Lincoln Hills Golf Course at Upper Sandusky. The Redmen, Northern Ohio League and sectional champions, accumulated 57 points, led by News Journal Super Squader Ralph Yates who finished second in 9:37.

Bill Gorrell of Loudonville was another Mansfield area AA qualifier. He ran at Akron Goodyear Metropolitan Park in the Northeast District meet and advanced with a 10:53.

It was an area sweep at the Class A Northwest District at Ottawa-Killdare Country Club, where Plymouth finished first (88), Crestview came in second (104) and Colonel Crawford finished third (115). All three schools qualified along with Minster.

Joe Dotson of Wynford was the meet winner in record-breaking time. His 9:35.4 broke the course record of 9:37.4 set by Findlay's Brent Beams earlier in the year. Beams is the Class AAA Ontario, Sectional and District champion.

Also qualifying as individuals were Sophomore Chris Dunlap (9:48) and Junior Steve Cuffman (10:04), both of Wynford, and Herb Gregory of New London in 9:47.

Leading Plymouth was Steve Lewis who finished fifth in 9:52. Tim Bauer topped Crawford runners with a second in 9:43 and Jeff Gray of Crestview finished third in 9:46.

Hillsdale and Mapleton were eliminated from the Northeast District meet at Goodyear Park, though both Pete Murtaugh of Mapleton and Kevin Smith of Hillsdale will advance as individuals. Murtaugh won the run in 10:15, breaking the old record of 10:25 set by Ted Rupe of Maplewood in 1972.

Fredericktown was eliminated in the Central District meet in Columbus. In Triple-A action, all six Mansfield area runners were eliminated.

High School Cross Country District Meets Qualifiers in Capitals At Toledo-Ottawa Park TEAM RESULTS FINDLAY 70, LIMA SHAWNEE 70, TOLEDO DEWILLBISS 70, SANDUSKY 117, Sylvania 129, Marion Harding 151, Toledo Bowsler 158, Maumee 180, Bellevue 181.

Individuals - JEFF FAUBLE, BOWSER, 9:59; FRANK SPARKS, SANDUSKY, 9:59; BRIAN KENNEY, ST. FRANCIS, 10:04; JOHN WILLIAMS, HARDING, 10:04; MARK BUTLER, TOLEDO ROGERS, 10:07; JOHN RUTHERFORD, BELLEVUE, 10:09; JIM GASSER, SANDUSKY, 10:09; OBIE MOUSER, DEFIANCE, 10:13; DAN FERGUSON, MAUMEE, 10:16; Dan Pummell, Ashland, 10:22; Barney Brown, Gellon, 10:22; Jim Loesch, Malabar, 10:30; Dudley Thomas, Malabar, 10:31; Rob Pritchard, Malabar, 10:32; Mike Reynolds, Madison, 10:47.

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Golf's Derby

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The PGA's top 50 money winners through the San Antonio, Texas, Open: 1. Johnny Miller, \$251,725; 2. Jack Nicklaus, 235,700; 3. Lee Trevino, 202,400; 4. Hubert Green, 186,313; 5. Dave Stockton, 155,105; 6. Hale Irwin, 152,529; 7. J.C. Snead, 151,360; 8. Jerry Hoard, 145,788; 9. Brian Atkin, 134,683; 10. Tom Watson, 134,632; 11. Bruce Crampton, 131,356; 12. Dave Hill, 126,626; 13. Tom Weiskopf, 125,114; 14. Leonard Thompson, 122,071; 15. Bobby Nichols, 121,625; 16. Ray Floyd, 120,154; 17. John Mahley, 119,779; 18. Gary Player, 117,992; 19. Gene Littler, 108,272; 20. Gene Littler, 102,822; 21. Jim Colbert, 96,734; 22. Stiller Barber, 95,015; 23. Forrest Feter, 90,066; 24. Al Geiberger, 88,363; 25. Tom Kite, 82,055; 26. Tom Weiskopf, 79,699; 27. Lou Graham, 74,876; 28. Mike Hill, 71,754; 29. Gary Player, 70,497; 30. Lee Elder, 70,497; 31. Don Bles, 70,497; 32. Ben Crenshaw, 68,655; 33. Gibby Gilbert, 68,075; 34. Billy Casper, 66,175; 35. Bob Charles, 65,129; 36. Romoer Bianco, 64,025; 37. Victor Regalado, 61,848; 38. David Graham, 61,625; 39. Charles Coody, 61,459; 40. Bob Manna, 60,612; 41. Ken Lucas, 58,732; 42. Ken Venturi, 58,325; 43. Bob Murphy, 57,628; 44. John Schlee, 57,568; 45. Eddie Peacock, 56,384; 46. Frank Beard, 55,837; 47. Jerry McGee, 54,728; 48. Ed Sneed, 53,245; 49. Grier Jones, 53,161; 50. Bobby Cole, 52,946.

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Linemen Given Written Exams

By Rudy Cernkovic

PITTSBURGH (UPI) - The offensive line of the Pittsburgh Steelers has brawn but Dan Radakovich wants brains as well.

Before each game, Radakovich gives his charges a written examination lasting an hour.

"I don't give them numerical grades, I give them a written evaluation of their performance," he said.

After 18 years as a defensive coach, Radakovich was hired by Coach Chuck Noll last December as a replacement for Bob Fry.

"I was happy with the change," said Radakovich, who had been defensive coordinator at the University of Colorado the past two seasons. "I'm still not satisfied completely with the line but I think it is improving with each game. We switched Jim Clack from center to guard and later did the same with Mike Webster.

"Along with our regular, Ray Mansfield, we have three centers in the line and that gives us much more flexibility. We have worked hard on our pass protection, which is an important phase of blocking. I think our success has been evident this season."

"We are getting fine blocking from our line," Noll said agreeing with his assistant.

Radokovich has worked against bad odds. Dave Reavis, Webster and Rick Druschel are rookies up front. Then veteran Guard Bruce Van Dyke was traded to Green Bay and Glen Ray Hines quit the game and finally wound up in the World Football League.

"Gordon Gravelle as a first string tackle paired with Jon Kolb has given us power. Gerry Mullins was changed from tackle to guard and is matched with Sam Davis' Radokovich said.

Clack said the transfers to other positions were grueling in drills.

"The transfer wasn't too bad but the practices were killers," Clack said.

Radokovich conceded the drills were challenging.

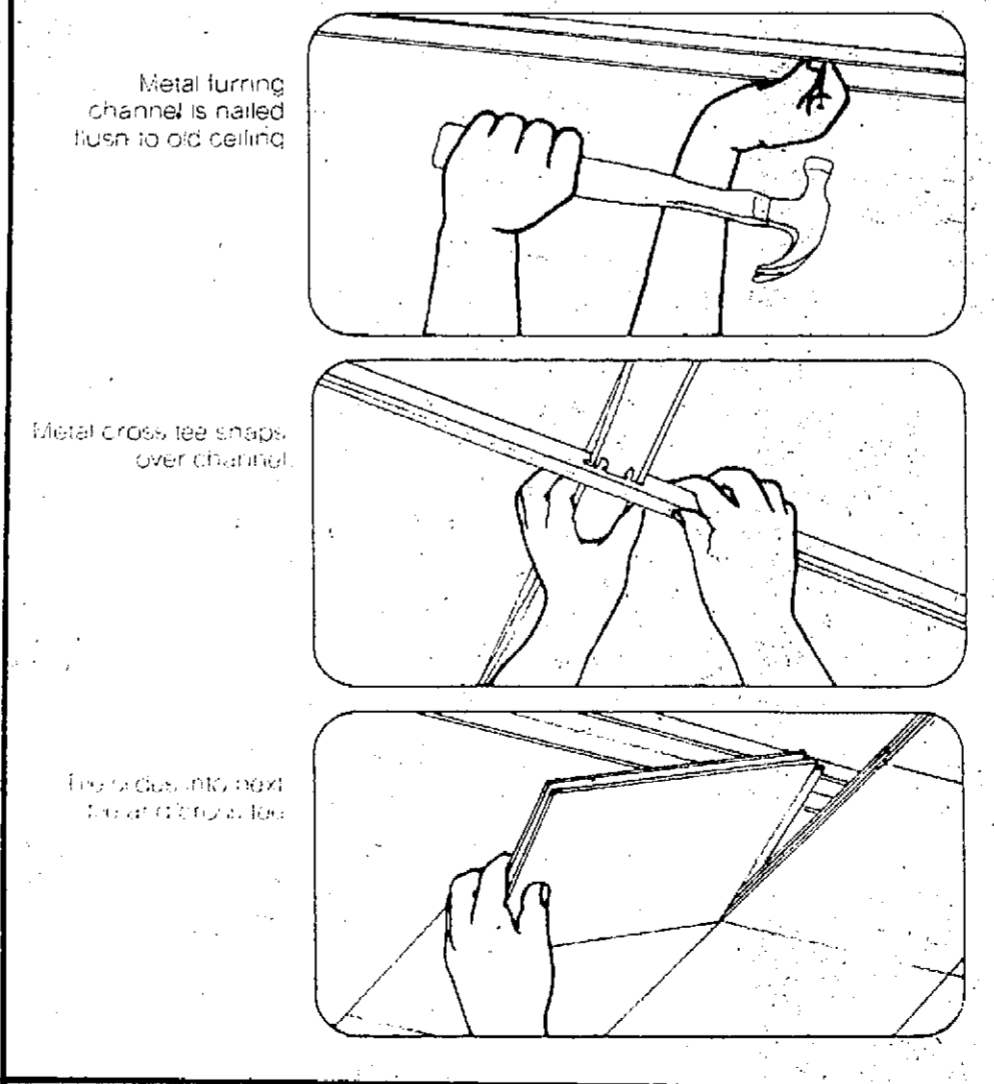
"Yes," he said. "The drills were tough but I'm sure the players lost a few more pounds than they normally lose during practice."

As a Penn State player, Radakovich played center and linebacker, attesting to his versatility.

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