

Madison Battles Mt. Vernon High

By Tim Koelbe
Saturday night's confrontation between Madison and Mt. Vernon will be a game where both schools have yet to score in the 1975 football season.

Add to the fact that neither team was victorious last weekend, the contest should be a hard-hitting affair on the Mt. Vernon turf, similar to past Ram-Yellow Jacket outings.

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LEADS PLYMOUTH — Barry Hamilton and Tim Lewis will lead Class A state champion Plymouth today in a high school cross country meet at Mary Fate Park in Plymouth against the Lexington Minutemen. (Photo by Jim Bikar)

Plymouth High Misses Stars

PLYMOUTH — The only crown that eluded the Plymouth Big Red high school cross country team last year was the one that goes to the winner of the Johnny Appleseed Conference meet.

The Big Red won the state Class A championship and the sectional and district titles along the way. During the regular season the Big Red ran off with first place trophies at the Findlay Invitational, the Ontario Invitational and the Perryburg Invitational.

However, Plymouth finished second to Crestview in the JAC meet at Therm-O-Disc Park in Mansfield.

This year the Big Red will be facing opponents smarting from defeat and without the help of runners like Steve Lewis, Ken Lucas, Steve Adams and Mike Courtright. Also gone is Coach Bob James, who remained as a teacher at Plymouth.

Replacing James is Doug Dickson who has been track and field coach for seven years. He will have big shoes to fill as James stepped down after incredible success. In James' tenure the Big Red won state championships in 1971 and 1974, was runner-up in 1973 and finished fifth in 1972.

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Travis Nicholson, a senior two-year letter winner, along with Junior monogram winners Roger Scott and Paul Sprague will have to be the nucleus for Coach George W. Guins to build around.

Nicholson had a 10:20 for his best time last season, while Scott had a 10:32 and Sprague an 11:25. Other promising runners appear to be Sophomores Dave Stauffer (10:23) and Kelly Gaudaur (10:45).

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WOMEN'S ROSTER
SENIORS — Kim Coulter, Pat Baldwin, Juniors — Sue Slayton, Laurie Mary Ellen Myers, Donna Flock, Becky Russell, Sue Bondino

Rugged Games Facing NOL Football Outfits

Northern Ohio League schools went 5-2-1 in the first weekend of football, and it may be tough to equal that independent mark this week.

Some tough encounters are on tap tomorrow evening, with Shelby (0-1) hosting Ashland (1-0), Bellevue (1-0) going to Sandusky Perkins (1-0) and Willard (0-1) entertaining Ontario (0-1).

Upper Sandusky (1-0) hosts Tiffin Calvert (1-0), Bucyrus (1-0) says hello to Ontario, Tiffin Columbian (0-0-1) plays Fostoria and Galton (1-0) goes to Lexington (0-1), the latter game Saturday.

Of the 1974 tri-champions, Norwalk was the only one to win last week, taking a 28-7 decision over Huron. In that game Halfback Brad Mason, who played second-fiddle to John McCarty last year, scored 15 points and rushed for over 150 yards.

Tiffin Columbian debuted against Mansfield Madison and went home with a 0-0 tie and Shelby was the victim of three Sandusky Perkins field goals in a 16-6 loss.

Galton and Bucyrus, two second-division teams last year, came up with shut outs Galton downed Mt. Vernon 12-0, and Bucyrus beat Ontario, 3-0, on a field goal by Bob Kissing.

It's ironic, but the Redmen had to rely on an "import" to put points on the board. Kissing was a two-year letterman at Buckeye Central before moving to Bucyrus.

Bucyrus will be going against Clyde in the second of a four-game homestand, seeking to avenge a 3-0 loss last year.

Galton's 2 p.m. meeting at Lexington Saturday will be the first confrontation between the two schools on the Class AAA level. Galton dropped Crestline from its schedule.

Willard will be trying to get its pass defense back together for its clash with Ontario. Leading 7-0 against Calvert last week, the Flashies gave up 75-yard and 30-yard touchdown passes in the final five minutes to lose.

Ohio School Hosts Series

MARIETTA (UPI) — Marietta Athletic Director Joe McDaniel announced his college will host the first NCAA Division III Baseball World Series June 4-6, 1976.

The winners of West South, Midwest and Northeast regional tournaments will compete in the series.

Division III schools, which do not offer athletic scholarships, in the past had to compete against Division II teams.

Last year, Willard nipped Ontario, 7-6.

Shelby suffered from its own mistakes against Perkins and the Whippets won't be able to do that against Ashland. The Arrows, who lost to Shelby 28-12 a year ago, will send Jim Fowler against the Whippets. Fowler gained 95 yards in the 20-6 win over Mansfield Senior.

The Bellevue-Perkins affair could be a dilly. Bellevue

is one of the favored teams in the NOL while Perkins returned 16 lettermen and opened with the win over Shelby. Last year, the clubs battled to a 0-0 deadlock.

Upper pounded Elida, 34-7, in its opener, but things could be rougher against Calvert. Norwalk romped past Huron and should have it easier against Vermilion this time around rather than last year's close 7-0 win.

Ontario Runner Posts Top Time

By Mike Ertzkin
Runners from the smaller schools started off where they left off last season by dominating the first News Journal Super Squad report.

This season The News Journal will expand coverage in the increasingly popular sport to provide a Super Squad for each class. All schools in The News Journal circulation area are eligible to enter by just reporting their meets.

Times were slower in comparison to the first week last year where the top five times ranged from 9:58 to 10:18, but this year each class cracked the first five.

Senior Tim Giffin of Class AA Ontario led all runners with a 10:21 Sept. 4 at Colonel Crawford. Junior Ken Lemieux of Class A Crestview was next with a 10:22 on his home course the same day.

John Galat of Lexington, a Super Squader five times last season before finishing 16th in the state, led AAA runners with a 10:23 Sept. 4 at Crestview. This is Lexington's first year in the AAA classification.

Tim Bauer and Doug Shryock of Colonel Crawford.

Buckeye Central Plays Blue Devils

If pre-season picks by coaches in the North Central Conference are likely finishes, the Buckeye Central Bucks may have the advantage going into the second weekend of high school football.

Coaches tabbed Buckeye Central, Mohawk and Riverdale as the leading conference contenders for 1975, not necessarily in that order.

Buckeye and Mohawk met right off the bat last week and the Bucks won, 6-0, while Riverdale was being shocked by Carey, 21-7.

That leaves Buckeye Central with the advantage over Mohawk and Riverdale with Mohawk out of the way and the Riverdale game the last one of the season.

If Carey's victory over Riverdale was no fluke, then the Bucks will need to be careful tomorrow for they

get the Blue Devils on the road.

Riverdale will try to rebound from its loss at home against Marion Pleasant, a 28-6 victor over Ridgedale.

Colonel Crawford started with a bang, downing Elgin, 25-6, behind the slashing efforts of Rod Bear on the ground. The Eagles have a stern test against Mohawk in their home opener.

Wynford, under new coach Tom Armstrong, will seek a victory on the road at Ridgedale and River Valley, a 27-7 winner over Wynford, plays Elgin at home.

Final Surge
ENZAIMACHI, Japan (AP) — Yoshitaka Yamamoto of Japan fired a 66 in the final round to win the \$20,000 first prize in the \$100,000 Suntory Open Golf Tournament.

Hafford Starts For Wittenberg

SPRINGFIELD — John Hafford, a 6-0, 220-pound senior offensive tackle from Mansfield, is expected to be in the starting lineup when Wittenberg University's defending Ohio Athletic Conference football champions kick off their 1975 season Saturday in a home game against Baldwin-Wallace.

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Two Brother Sets Play at Air Force

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. (AP) — The Air Force football team has two sets of brothers. They are the Scotts from Alexandria, Va., and the Vaughns from Belleville, Ill.

Mike Scott is a senior cornerback for the Falcons while his younger brother, Dave, is a sophomore fullback. Ken Vaughn is a junior cornerback while younger brother Rob is a sophomore rover.

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Firelands Aggregations Play Non-League Clubs

Firelands Conference teams will all be playing non-conference games this week and only one game is in the area. That game pits winless Mapleton (0-1) against winless Hillsdale (0-1) of the Wayne County League at Hillsdale.

In other league games, Black River (1-0) travels to South Amherst, New London (0-1) visits Lorain Clearview, South Central (0-0-1) hosts Attica Seneca East, Collins Western Reserve (1-0) travels to Sandusky St. Mary's Central Catholic, Monroeville (1-0) welcomes Columbia Station Columbia and Milan Edison (0-1) doesn't play.

Hillsdale has a new coach.

Orr Stays In Boston

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Bobby Orr, pro hockey's superstar, has apparently decided to spurn a \$4-million contract from the World Hockey Assn. and stay in the National Hockey League, the president of the WHA's Minnesota Fighting Saints said Sunday night.

"I would say it's 99 per cent sure he'll stay in Boston," said Wayne Belisle, the Saints' chief executive. "I'm disappointed mostly because I think we were so close."

Belisle said Orr's attorney, Alan Eagleson, told him that Boston made an offer covering 10 years.

Lynn Livelsberger, and is coming off a 39-14 loss to Loudonville in which the Falcons gave up 394 total yards. Mapleton lost to West Salem Northwestern, 14-8, the same score Mapleton beat Northwestern the year before. The Mounties defeated Hillsdale last season, 27-0.

Black River appears to have added another scoring threat with the kicking ability of Jim Young. He kicked a 23-yard field goal and an extra point and booted three punts within Keystone's 10-yard line.

Just a College Lark

Toledo Teacher Champion

TOLEDO (AP) — S. Anne Small took up karate as one of those college larks. Now, a few years later, she is a national champion in the sport.

"I saw an article in the Indiana University student newspaper about a karate club I thought it would be neat. Besides, I hadn't had much exercise since high school," said the 26-year-old Toledoan.

So she launched what has turned into quite a career, capped by the National Amateur Athletic Union women's all-around championship. She won the title in Cleveland.

She has gone from the beginner's white belt to a second-degree black belt. The ultimate is a 10th-degree black belt.

Miss Small won the first-ever all-around championship for women by posting the best composite scores in three categories. She outdueled more than 100 competitors.

At Cleveland, she was first in forms, third in weapons and fourth in sparring.

Forms and weapons are solo gymnastics-like routines of one or two minutes each. Her weapon routine was done with short swords in each hand.

Sparring becomes near-combat of two minutes with an opponent. Techniques are used and the activity is supposed to stop short of contact. Anne goofed at that.

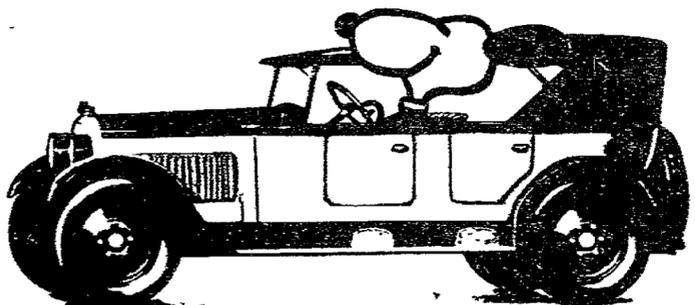
"I hit my opponent in the mouth and was disqualified in one of the sparring sessions," said the Toledo Whitmer High School English teacher.

"She started bleeding a lot. Otherwise, I would have finished higher," said the champion.

Miss Small leads a full life off the karate mats.

She is chairman of the AAU Women's Karate Committee, owns a horse which she rides for fun and owns two basenjis, small, barkless African dogs. When time permits, she enters them in dog shows.

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