

# Hager, Rose, Musille Win Top Golfing Plums

## Ninth County Title For Former Marine

By JIM SWEARINGEN

Al Hager, Jim Musille and Mrs. Margaret Rose copped the plums on the 1958 Mansfield golf tournament trail.

Hager returned to the throne of the "big" one, the Richland County Amateur, Musille notched his first Richland County Open, while Mrs. Rose grabbed her second Richland County Women's Golf Association classic.

After a two-year absence, Hager stepped back into Mansfield's elite with a brilliant 73-71 — 144 'Am' performance over the rolling Westbrook Country Club greenery, marking the ninth time he has won the tournament.

Hager's 144 tied marks he set in 1950 and tied in 1955 enroute to 'Am' titles. Defending champ Musille was disappointed with a 154.

The way wasn't easy as Hager had former Ohio University star Dick Flockenzier and Bob Seyler to contend with. Flockenzier led the way over the first 18. However, the ex-marine finished with 25 pars and six birdies.

FALLS BEHIND  
Seyler and Hager were tied with 73's going into the stretch but Seyler fell behind a swing on each of the final nines and wound up with a 73-75-148. Flockenzier's doom was sealed after the fatal 21st (double bager) and he finished with a 72-77-149.

Also knotted at 149 were Possum Run's Ray Malaska, and Westbrook's Dick Koozer. Westbrook Dale Rose was a surprise with 76-74-150.

Musille laid claim to having won every tourney he ever entered by clinching the Open with a fancy 137. The long-driving Westinghouse employee slammed a pair of 33's in the first 18 at Coolridge and backed it up with a Possum Run, 35-36-71.

Pete Thoma won a four-hole play-off round with Ray Malaska and Al Hager to wind up in the runner-up slot.

**BETTER AWAY**  
Mrs. Rose of Westbrook fared better on the "foreign" Possum Run course but won handsily over Miss Joyce Mulherin who came off strong at Westbrook. Mrs. Rose fired a 45-43-88 at Possum and slipped two strokes at "home" but still won by eight strokes over Miss Mulherin who totaled 186.

The winner led Mrs. Harold (Lil) LeMunyon by two swings after the opening Possum round but Lil faded on the front nine at Westbrook and finished with a 90-99-189.

In club tourneys, Al Hager defeated defending champ Dick Flockenzier for all the marbles at Westbrook. It was Hager's third title in four years with Flockenzier falling 4 and 3.

Ray Malaska posted rounds of 69 and 71 for a 140 in winning the Possum Run toga. Malaska's four-under-par total was five strokes better than Carl Kushin.

**JUNIOR CHAMP**  
Jim Musille held his title at Coolridge and Larry Wiegman fired a 37-41-78 to win the tenth annual Richland County Junior tourney.

Richland County Golf Association tournaments saw Joe Komjenovich winning a 27-hole marathon with Bob Sumner for the brass ring in the Handicap and Field Day; Dick Gaubatz and Steve Semon walking off with the title in the Best Ball; Jerry Rosenberg and Carl Kushin winning the four-ball eightsome crown; and the Hagers, Al and Jim, on top in the second annual brothers tourney.

Possum Run brought home the bacon for the second straight year in the Shelby Invitational with a team total of 589 with Pete Thoma leading the way with a 72-68-140.

Thoma's score cracked par by two strokes and earned him medalist honors.

**Bellville Hi Wins Relays With Ease**  
**LOUDONVILLE** — Bellville swept to seven first places and five seconds to repeat as champions in the Mohican Relays here.

Two Mohican records fell and a third was tied due to Blue Jay efforts as they racked up 84½ points.

**MOHICAN RELAYS**  
Scoring — Bellville, 84½; Millersburg, 79; Princeton, 49½; Loudonville, 26½; Crestline, 4.

**INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS**  
120-yard high hurdles — Dick Casteau, Fredericktown, 17.3 seconds.  
100-yard dash — Gary High, Millersburg, 11 seconds.  
50-yard dash — Dave Collins, Bellville, 7.38 seconds.  
40-yard dash — Lynn Holdren, Bellville, 5.8 seconds.  
80-yard run — Larry Walker, Bellville, 2:11.  
1 mile run — Steve Hamilton, Bellville, 9:09.  
50-yard relay — Fredericktown (Bob Ruhl, Dave Kaufman, Jerry Beheler, Dick Casteau), 1:47.  
Mile relay — Fredericktown (Dave Kaufman, Ron Tenney, Bob Ruhl, Jim Shively), 14:44.  
180-yard low hurdles — Jim Shively, Fredericktown, 2:25.  
Shot put — Dick Gehrlsh, Bellville, 44 feet 2 inches (New record).  
Discus throw — Clyde Benninghoff, Bellville, 123 feet 2 inches (New record).  
Pole vault — Steve Hamilton, Bellville, 10 feet 2 inches (New record).  
High jump — Clyde Benninghoff, Bellville, 5 feet 4 inches (7½ record).  
Event jump — Gary High, Millersburg, 15 feet 4 inches.

**Our Guys Most of All Sports Figures Bow Out**

By OSCAR FRALEY  
NEW YORK (UPI) — The old man with the beard bows out tonight and he takes a lot of the sports guys with him.

Particularly our guys. Sports writing isn't regarded by those in it as a business but more as a way of life. Rivals live, eat, sleep and relax together and, quite frequently, help each other.

They are, as one once described it, the underpaid and the overprivileged.

That's why we in the business will miss them so much. The guys like Walter Stewart of Memphis. . . Whitey Lewis of Cleveland. . . Lanse McCurley of Philadelphia. . . Fred Othman of Washington. . . Ned Cronin of Los Angeles. . . H. G. Salsinger of Detroit. . . Bill Corum, Ben Epstein and rotund Mike Gavin of New York.

A lot of others in the sports racket went with them; good friends, too. Baseball lost quiet, little Mel Ott; fast-speaking Tris Speaker and burly Mort Cooper, and who is to blame you for remembering that day,

your first World Series, when Mort and his brother, Walker, went out and "won one day for the old man" the day their father died.

They went in good company. Along with joke-cracking Jack Lavelle and powerful Herman Hickman, two of the brightest a fter dinner lights in football. How do you forget those Hickman stories about his "kinfolk" down in Tennessee?

There also went two fellows who laughed at the man with the beard every day. It was their business as they wheeled their cars at Indianapolis; Darlington or Daytona. Pat O'Connor told you how he Freud Othman of Washington. . . Ned Cronin of Los Angeles. . . H. G. Salsinger of Detroit. . . Bill Corum, Ben Epstein and rotund Mike Gavin of New York.



Tris Speaker Baseball, Ben White Harness racing, Charles Strub Horse racing, Herman Hickman Football, Mel Ott Baseball, Bill Corum Sportswriter



Piggy Lambert Basketball, Mort Cooper Baseball, Peter Collins Auto racing, Red Sanders Football, Clarence De Mar Track, Jackie Westrope Horse racing

**CALLED BY DEATH** — Many prominent in the world of sport, including those pictured, succumbed during 1958. Others, not shown, included auto racers Jimmy Reece and Alfred Gardner, former ball player George Stirnweiss; sportsman Diamond Jim Moran, harness driver Grandma Burringt.

## 700's Top City's '58 Pin Thrills

The year 1958 was one of Mansfield's greatest as far as bowling thrills are concerned.

Sixteen 700 or better men's series were logged. Al Hager grabbed the brass ring in the singles event in the Men's City Handicap Tournament at the Colony Lanes; and Chris Zahn was the singles titlist in the Women's City Handicap at Richland Recreation.

The once elusive 700 series was a common occurrence as four of the city's top men kегlers, Brad Lewis, Dick Rust, Bob Walker, and Doug Miller each attained the elite figure twice.

The remaining eight were rolled by Lou Herr, Jim Mahlek, Dick Adams, Bill Shoemaker, Harold Ashton, Wayne Hough, Al Stirtzinger, and Gene Yarman.

**MAPLE MASHERS**  
Seven of the 700's came in the 1957-58 season and the others in the early part of the 1958-59 sked. Dick Rust's 244-246-257-747 was tops while Walker hit 728 and Lewis and Shoemaker 726's.

Ed Weakland, 57-year-old Mansfield Tire maple punisher, missed by one pin of entering the Hall of Fame with a 299 game. Weakland's 12th ball came in on the dreaded Brooklyn side leaving only a wobbling six pin in its wake.

Marty Dye (624) and Eleanor Baker (623) uncorked the best individual series among the feminine kегlers.

Hager, who has won statewide acclaim on the golf course, displayed versatility with a one-pin singles victory over Norm Male in the city tournament. Hager scattered 712 pins as 180 teams, 264 doubles tandems, and 528 singles entries participated in the event.

**KACY RIDES AGAIN**  
The Kacy Jones quintet won the team championship with 3,203 and the Eagles took runners - up honors with 3,110. Hal Kahl and Jack Carr teamed for a slim 1,352-1,348 win in the doubles over-all.

**Piggot Wins '58 Seniors Crown**  
W. J. Piggot of Cleveland advanced from the 1957 runner-up slot to the championship in the Ohio Seniors at Westbrook with a 73-78- (6) -144.

Piggot defeated his chief tormentor in the '57 classic. H. P. Hosler registered the best total among the four Mansfielders entered with his 80-83-163.

Richland County youths won 13 of 28 individual championships in 1958 district track and field meets at aging Stadium Field.

Powerful Bellville ran away from the field in Class A, with 41½ and had three of the champions. They were: mile relay, Lynn Holdren in the 440 and Clyde Benninghoff, share of the high jump crow. Holdren and Benninghoff also ran on the winning mile quartet.

Jim Chase, the crack distance star, gave Ontario firsts in both his specialties. Chase won the district mile title three times and the 880 three times.

Plymouth in the 880 relay, Union's Dave Wolf, broad jump; Plymouth's Jim Strine.

**Senior High Stickout Top Area Cager**  
Six cagers were named to the 1957-58 Mansfield News-Journal All-Area "AA" scholastic basketball first team, with Mansfield Senior High's All-Ohio Jerry Hallabrin taking top honors.

The 5-6 Tyger gunner, who pumped in 644 points for a 26.9 average, was the only hoopster to receive a vote from each of the 14 AA mentors voting.

Shelby's Russ Hepner, who averaged 19.6, Galon's Bob McCoy, 16.3, Willard's Ron Buss, 19.2, Ashland's Bob Lee, 17.8, and Bill Woods, who tallied 17.4 per game for Crestline, were the others named to the all-senior "quint."

John McNabb, who coached Crestline to a 21.2 record, was named "Coach of the Year" by his colleagues.

**Aulger and Cline Ashland Toppers**  
**ASHLAND** — Larry Aulger of Savannah and Duane Cline of Hayesville were top choices on the 1957-58 Mansfield News-Journal All-Ashland County, All-Players basketball team.

Hayesville's Leo Sparr, Dick Stull of Jeromesville, and Sullivans' Bud Halada filled out the ACL cast.

Savannah's Bill Tegmeier was picked as "Coach of the Year."

**Senior High Coaches**  
Tyger coaches in 1958 were: Tom Pierson, football and baseball; Vern Hoffman, basketball and tennis; Harry Mehock, track-field and cross country; Noel Guyot, golf and wrestling; and Dave Bartholomew, swimming.

## Little Fellows Big News On Bengal Sports Front

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### Football . . .

The football Tygers bounced back from a losing season in 1957 to record the respectable six - four record despite injuries which retarded the club throughout the season.

Halfback Don Ragsdale, the leading scorer in the Mansfield area with 102 points, won The Mansfield News-Journal "most valuable player" trophy and made third team All-Ohio. Rags was the most proficient of Tyger backs with 1,080 yards — an average of 6.2. It was the third most productive ground eating in Tyger history — bowing only to Willie Mack's, 1,191 and Wilmer Fowler's, 1,166 in 1954.

Don Monk completed 24 of 50 passes for five TD's and Bob Hayden was the No. 1 receiver with 10 catches for 144 yards. Bob Howard placed second in rushing with 370 yards.

Winning Tyger efficiency awards were: Linemen Harold Roth and Fred Lehr and Backs Ragsdale, Allen Sam and Monk.

The Tygers won four of their first five games. Tyger football victories were over Cleveland East, 32-8; Youngstown North, 28-0; Akron South, 12-0; Cleveland East Tech, 34-6; Canton McKinley, 20-14 and Lakewood, 26-0. Losses were to Massillon Washington, 20-8; Sandusky, 32-26; Warren Harding, 30-12 and Springfield, 50-8.

**Tennis . . .**  
The nine - match winning streak boosted the three-year Tyger unbeaten streak to 22 straight on the tennis court.

Veterans John Kline, Gordy Smith and Don Monk all won nine straight singles matches, Vallie Voelpe was 5-4 and Holt Quinlan, 4-3-1. In doubles, Kline-Smith was nine straight and Monk-Quinlan four in a row. In two seasons in doubles, Monk was 18-1.

In three years of varsity doubles, Kline-Smith won 44 of 48 matches. Their only loss in the last two seasons was to Senior High teammates Monk and John Watkins in the 1957 district doubles. They posted an over-all 19 straight in 1958, beating Elyria's Paul Walker and Jim Guest 6-2, 8-6 in the state finals. That was the only time they were pushed all season.

Monk, only a junior, has a two-year singles record of 19 wins and two losses. He bowed in the 1957 district finals and the state quarter finals.

Depth-laden Marion Harding won as expected in the Class AA meet with Mansfield taking second.

However, the Tygers had the stronger individuals with five firsts to four for Harding. John Schengilli won both the mile and 880, Bill Fry set a new record in the 440, Bob Howard won the 220 and anchored the Tyger winning 880 foursome.

Fry wiped a 25-year record off the books when he covered the quarter in 51.2 seconds. Other AA records were by Ashland's Steve Enck in the high jump and Marion's Bob Middleton in the discus toss.

**CLASS AA SUMMARY**  
SCORING — Marion Harding, 62-1-5; Mansfield, 48; Bucyrus, 30; Sandusky, 25-1-5; Port Clinton, 17; Ashland, 13; Bellevue, 8-1-5; Norwalk, 6; Versailles, 5-1-3; Shelby, 4; Tiffin, Columbus, 3; Galion, 2; Huron, 1; Willard, 1-5; 120-yard high hurdles — Arch Dummell, Port Clinton, 15.3 seconds.  
100-yard dash — John Garberick, Bucyrus, 16.3 seconds.  
Discus throw — Bob Middleton, Marion, 180 feet 9 inches.  
Shot put — Bob Middleton, Marion, 51 feet 2 inches.  
180-yard relay — John Schengilli, Mansfield, 4:35.8.  
500-yard jump — Jerry Stovall, Sandusky, 21 feet, 2½ inches.  
880-yard relay — Mansfield (John Weaver, Willie Ellis, Harold Ellis, Bob Howard), 1:35.5.  
High jump — Steve Enck, Ashland, 6 feet, ¾ inch.  
440-yard dash — Bill Fry, Mansfield, 54.2 seconds.  
180-yard low hurdles — John Lawson, Marion, 21.5 seconds.  
880-yard run — John Schengilli, Mansfield, 23 seconds.  
Pole vault — Jim Ross, Norwalk, 11 feet 6 inches.  
Mile relay — Marion, 3:38.4.

**CLASS A SUMMARY**  
SCORING — Bellville, 41½; Old Fort, 33½; North Robinson, 23; Ontario, 18; Port Clinton, 17; Newburg-Louden, 16-1-3; Bloom Township, 11; Attica, 9; New Levee, 8; Gary, 8; Sycamore, 6-1-3; Union, 5; Lexington, 5; Berlin Heights, 4; Shiloh, 4; Castalia, 3; Margaretta, 2½; Milan, 2.  
120-yard high hurdles — Jim Strine, Plymouth, 16.6 seconds.  
100-yard dash — Bob Barton, Old Fort, 10 seconds.  
High jump — (tie), Clyde Benninghoff, Bellville and Harold Snyder, Ontario, 5 feet 4 inches.  
Mile run — Jim Chase, Ontario, 4:57.  
Shot put — Elwood Bliss, Bloom Township, 47 feet, 6¾ inches.  
Discus throw — Elwood Bliss, Bloom, 137 feet, 25 inches.  
180-yard relay — Plymouth (Ed Taylor, Dick Akers, Don Barabush, Jim Strine), 1:41.5.  
440-yard dash — Lynn Holdren, Bellville, 56.3 seconds.  
Broad jump — Dave Wolf, Union, 19 feet 2 inches.  
180-yard low hurdles — Jerry Fry, Old Fort, 22.3 seconds.  
Pole vault — Allen Graves, North Robinson, 10 feet, 9 inches.  
180-yard run — Jim Chase, Ontario, 2:47.8.  
220-yard dash — Bob Barton, Old Fort, 28.8 seconds.  
Mile relay — J. Bellville (Lynn Holdren, Gerry, Ron Maxwell, Clyde Benninghoff), 3:48.5.

**Basketball . . .**  
Another little man was the big news along the Bengal cage front as J Jerry Hallabrin was chosen the No. 2 Class AA basketball in the Buckeye state.

The five-foot-six backcourt star broke scoring records all over the place as he rolled in 505 points during the regular season and 644 over-all. Previous Tyger standards were 460 by Jim Schafer and 543 by George Swank.

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**Track-Field . . .**  
The unprecedented Tygers scoring record in the cinder sport continued unabated. Under Coach Harry Mehock, the Bengals have now scored in 32 straight state meets.

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**Swimming . . .**  
Although anchorman Pat Snyder was missing, Senior High's medley relay team finished 16th in 1957-58 competition for qualification in the state meet.

Bob Downard, who placed 15th in the 100-yard free style event, Bob Lutz, Tom Blair and Bill McDonald represented the Tygers in the district meet.

**Wrestling . . .**  
"We did real well in wrestling in spite of our winless mark," said Coach Noel Guyot. "Our boys were grappling with well-experienced wrestlers and they gave them a tough way to go all season even though it was our first in interscholastic competition in many years.

Charley Cain, who advanced to the district semis, and Dick Baer and Willie Marsh were the top Tyger mat men. Baer scored 15 points and Marsh, 10, for the season.

**Golf . . .**  
Senior High wound up third in the district golf to Ashland as Chip Ross shot 77. Chuck Cross, 81; Dick LaRue, 85 and Ron Mabee, 86.

The Tygers lost their opener to Ashland, 13-13, but won their next eight dual matches. The big victory was a 10-6 win over Ashland, ending a nine-meet Arrow win streak. In that one Cross had 75, Ross, 78; LaRue, 79 and Mabee, 84.

Cross twice shot 72's. He had a back nine 33 to par Westbrook in a match with Madison.

The Tyger Cubs won four of five matches.

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