

Local Gridglers Gain Victories

S'fld Slams Irish On Ground and in Air

In a game that required the services of an adding machine to tabulate the score—53-0—the Southfield Bluejays buried an inexperienced and outclassed Notre Dame without working up much of a sweat.

In this shutout slaughter which saw the second highest point total in the school's history, the Jays produced an offensive performance that will cause mild panic among future teams on their schedule. What many had thought to be primarily a ground hugging outfit (one pass in their 21-0 victory over Birmingham) turned into an aerial circus as they went through the ozone for four of their touchdowns.

Southfield's explosive halfback, Ron Brewer, was given an opportunity to come front and center and take some bows in the scoring spotlight. In just two weeks' game, he didn't get any TD points. His production of TD's was so numerous, six (6), that Brewer's back must be sore from all the bowing.

NOTRE DAME, in all the junior and sophomore squad in their first year of competition, just didn't have anything but a lot of fight. In that aspect, they certainly earned the right to carry the title of their senior name sake, "The Fighting Irish" of Notre Dame. They were a game little club club digging in right up until the last gun.

After sparring around for the first few minutes of the game, Southfield took over the ball on the middle field, lost a couple of yards and then, second string quarterback Ben Henderson handed off for long pass to Brewer who went far behind the defense and galloped over for the TD. Foster's kick was good.

THE JAYS' outburst again after they worked the ball on a series of running plays to about the five. Ed Foster saw Brewer alone in the left side of the end zone and casually hit his target. Foster repeated the kick for extra point.

Notre Dame had the ball for series of plays but never went far. Southfield took over possession on a punt, moved the ball forward on runs into the line eating up yardage to the end. Brewer busted over for another six points. Extra try was no good, hitting the cross bars.

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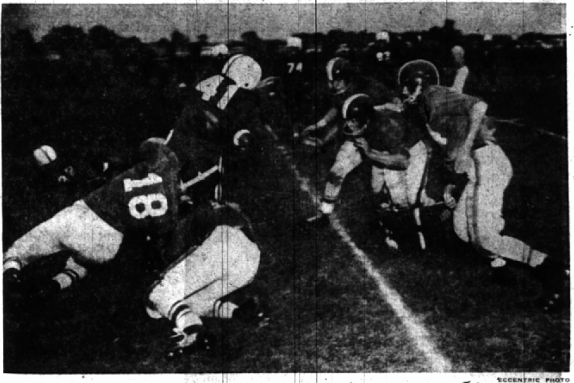
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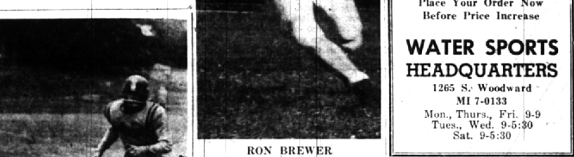
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PITY POOR Notre Dame. Their fullback, Vic Battani, 41, attempts to make an advance but is hooked by two Southfield tacklers, Russ Clark, 18, and another teammate while a trio of Bluejays, (left to right) Ron Mytty, Dave Hiltz and Bernie Muscovich, come in for the kill.

Southfield	Statistics	Notre Dame
12	First Downs	150
139	Total Yards	38
120	Passing Yards	28
19	Rushing Yards	10
72	Passes Completed	1
9	Passes Intercepted	1
1	Punt Average	(51.2)
111.11	Penalties	
40	Yards Penalties	45



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Maples Manpower Mows Down Cranbrook

By JACK KEHOE

A scrappy, determined, lightweight Cranbrook had Birmingham's football team hustling all over the field during last Friday's neighborhood gridiron affair before the Maples finished up on the winning side of a 24-13 score.

If statistics could be the deciding factor, the Maples would have easily stepped into the winners' circle by virtue of their yardage total (279) and number of first downs (15). In both statistics, the Cranbrook had accumulated more than the Maples.

But statistics don't win ball games. Birmingham took their first win of the season and also continued their jinx over the private school gridglers by sheer doggedness, a little luck and occasional flashes of brilliant ball playing.

Right from the opening kick off Cranbrook gave a snappy example of the type of game they intended to play—quick, opening rips up the center and pile up defense. One noticeable feature of the Cranbrook attack was the speed they called their plays in the huddle, ran up to the scrimmage line and whipped into action.

Result on several occasions Birmingham defense was not ready and waiting, consequently they were caught out of position.

MAPLES DREW first blood with the aid of a Cranbrook miscue on fourth down punt situation, a ball pass from center gave them the ball on the Cranbrook 20-yard line. A clipping penalty was also called on the Cranbrook, moving the ball back another 15 yards.

With a first down on Cranbrook 15-yard line, Birmingham went into the line on a series of running plays, inching the ball to the three. Transfer student, Mike Nordstrom came forward at that point and started to run in a fashion that gave him "a bit back of the night" honors. At the six minute mark, he took a pitch and moved wide to his right into the coffin corner for the TD. Bob Isbell's kick was blocked.

CRANBROOK came back and started a drive which was halted when fullback Jim Fry recovered a fumble on the 32 yard line. The game saw-back and forth for the rest of the quarter with neither team gaining deep.

After only four minutes of the second quarter, Cranbrook scored when fullback Tom Melware, stepped back and tipped a short pass to his end Dan Crowley who went across for the six points. This TD followed a sustained ground attack.

The second half ended on the one score. Cranbrook headed for the goal line.

BIRMINGHAM received possession of the ball after the Cranbrook got out of a tight squeeze or their own half yard to via a fine quick kick. Taking over on the 40 yard line, the Maples moved to the 35 where injured quarterback Dale Burrows shot a pass to Isbell who bobbed it around, then gathered it in and went back. Once again the Cranbrook forward wall broke through and blocked the try for point.

The Cranbrook then unleashed a very short yardage but offensively nasser combination that had the Maples secondary mystified. Left end, Dick Grabe would cut sharply to his right towards the center where Tom Nowatore would pin

point a jump pass.

THIS MOVE stopped as George Miller came up and intercepted. Going from their own 35, the Maples began to roll on the fancy running of Evangelista and Nordstrom and a nine yard pass to Isbell. Nordstrom repeated his first scoring pattern by sweeping over the goal line around end.

Cranbrook narrowed the lead when Lloyd Asbury, Cranbrook's center, knifed through and blocked a fourth down punt. The Cranbrook had the ball on the 20, moved it down to the four and quarterback Dave Campbell charged over for a touchdown. Nowatore carried the ball for the extra point. With five minutes left in the game the score stood 18-13, Birmingham's favor.

MOST OF THE 4,000 crowd were up on their feet at this point, anticipating an upset.

But Birmingham gridglers collected themselves into a well working team while Cranbrook's "little men" started to tire under their heavier opponent's assaults.

With everybody in the Maple backfield adding some yardage, they powered their way on a well chosen series of ground plays to the Cranbrook 30. Mike Nordstrom made his third touchdown of the evening by breaking over his own right tackle, following good blocking and went into the end zone standing up.

On the Maple defense it was the two Jim's—Fry and Sechrist who played an outstanding game. For Cranbrook, Charles Grube excelled in both departments—defense and offense. Tom Nowatore also comes in for some attention.

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B'hams Rek Bord Sends Out Survey

The Elton Park ice skating rink will have a special program director for the winter operation. At the recreation board's last meeting, the board discussed the hiring of Vivian Herd for the position. The board decided that she be paid out of city funds but work with Bob Girardin on the activity.

Revenue for the ice rink goes to the D.P.W. and not to the recreation department.

Tentative plans for the rink are skating instruction, exhibitions, contests and several hockey leagues.

GIRARDIN REPORTED a few vacancies in the advanced swimming program at Barnum school.

Tentative plans for the last year's swimming activities, the groups have been enlarged in children in the beginning and intermediate class and 25 additional in the advanced. Four swimming instructors are available for each class.

A Junior basketball program was presented with the tentative plans to hold practice and games at schools throughout the city with volunteer assistance.

Possibility of square dancing for adults was presented. Another form of dancing—ball—also under consideration.

Girardin pointed out that the dance programs, like any other offering of the recreation department, depends on the community's response.

STARTING next week a survey form will be sent out to various homes in Birmingham with questions about the type of program the people desire.

The board hopes those people receiving the form will reply, as completely as possible, and return so the board can plan for future developments.

This week-end Girardin leaves for Philadelphia to attend the International Recreation Congress, September 30-Oct. 5. The board approved the expense for Girardin's attendance.

DETROIT—Embry Robinson of the Detroit Lions had a problem while calling defensive signals at Michigan State.

He explains, "Every time a player got yardage run through his position, he would beg me not to use that defense again. Well, by the time the fourth quarter rolled around, we were out of defenses."

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Troy Wins Again, Beats Avondale

Strange things are happening over at Troy high school, formerly the league's and everybody else's dream. They have started to look the part of real fighting ball club. New head coach Joe Bechard has injected his charges with some new feelings towards the gridiron pastime producing winning results.

In their Friday game against Avondale, the Colts played a tight ball game that went into their record as a second straight victory. For the last several years the Troy footballers haven't produced a victory.

AFTER SIM ACTION, the Colts halfback had raced 11 yards for the first touchdown. Then they took their powerful fullback, scored from the four still in the first period. These scores were made by alert ball hawking of the Troy players.

For the first marker, Wayne Figley recovered an Avondale fumble, resulting in the scoring march. Figley again was in the spoiler's role as he snatched a victory.

Fred Gagner Wins B'rd Hills Golf

Several club golf championships were decided at the B'rd Hills Country Club last week.

Biggest surprise for the membership was the defeat of the club's four-year champion, Dick Wibel. In the 36-hole title match Fred Gagner downed Wibel, 4 and 3. Gagner had rounds of 72 and 74.

In the class A flight, Fred Colombo defeated Mike Freydl, 2 up. In the B division, R. C. Dakin won over L. H. Cole, 2 and 1.

The ladies also held championship rounds. Mrs. S. E. Gawin, who was defending title holder, defeated Mrs. N. J. Fredericks, 4 and 1.

Next golf activity for the club is the annual President's Day on Sept. 26.

A SPECIAL baggage car is being outfitted to provide food and refreshments during the trip. Music entertainment will also be aboard. A few reservations for the trip are still available. The entire package includes train fare, game ticket, and bus transportation to and from the train for \$20.00.

Alums having their own game tickets may also make reservations to join the train.

Spartan Alums Set Special Train For Notre Dame

Saturday, October 20 is the big day for Michigan State Alums of Oakland County and friends. They will board the special train which will leave for South Bend to cheer MSU in the annual battle with the Irish.

William Page, 2446 Manchester, Birmingham, train chairman, announces that the special train will initiate in Detroit, with stops at Royal Oak, Birmingham, and Pontiac before continuing on to South Bend. The Green and White Special will leave Birmingham at 7:30 a.m. and return in the evening at 9:30.