

Mixer, or Mixer, are you always conscious of the tremendous possibilities that "who and how you say it" can carry to another? Most people reject discord, whether it be in music or conversation. How wonderful it would be if, in our youthful years, by precept and example we were shown the art of being pleasant, cheerful in the face of problems; how nice we'd be to know!

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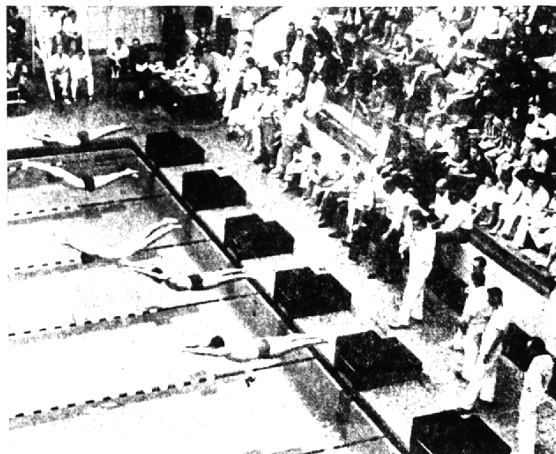


**THE FREESTYLER . . .** Pete Sintz, in a reflective mood after breaking the state 100-yard freestyle record in the preliminaries and then seeing his time bettered twice in the next two heats. He set a new national mark in the finals a few hours later.

## STATE MEET!

The highlights of the high school sports year are, in most cases, the state championship meets. On March 15 more than 500 prep swimmers from 23 class A schools assembled at the University of Michigan's new varsity pool in Ann Arbor for the 1958 MHSAA swimming championship. Birmingham was represented by Coach Jay Myers' fine tank contingent, and The Eccentric photographer was on hand to capture the highlights of the Maples' record-breaking efforts and third-place finish.

Eccentric Photos  
by  
Les D. Line



**THE START . . .** of a qualifying heat in the 100-yard freestyle, with Birmingham's Pete Sintz in lane five (bottom). The state record in the event was broken in three successive preliminary heats.



**THE COACH . . .** Jay Myers, recording times of the boys his swimmers were to face in the finals.



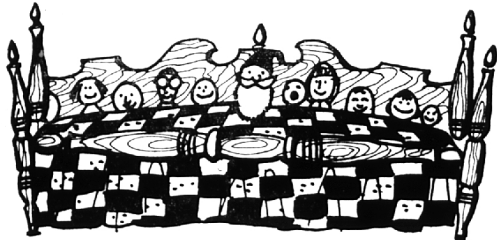
**THE FANS . . .** were many, and Birmingham was well represented at both the afternoon and evening sessions. These students were just a few of the many who drove to Ann Arbor to cheer the Maple tankers.



**THE DISTANCE ACE . . .** Tom Bechtel, watching completion of preliminaries in the 200-yard freestyle. He had set a new state record in the 100-yard freestyle the night before.

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