

AS CENTER Terry Verity crouches, Crane quarterback Paul Shank pitches back to wingback Archie Copeland on an end sweep in practice. Leading the interference are Buzz Mieras and Mike Yamasaki (right). The Cranes open the season with a non-league game against Groves.

## New Cranbrook Backfield Is Key to Victory Hopes

If Cranbrook football coach Pete Slader could run an ad in The Eccentric, there's not much question what he would say.

The ad would read: WANTED—ONE BACKFIELD.

In those three words lies the problem Slader is facing. The complete Crane backfield is gone, and along with them, a few key linemen.

"It's going to be tough this year with a green backfield," the Cranbrook athletic director said.

Slader has 12 lettermen returning, but of the 12 only six were

starters last year, which leads Slader to remark that "this backfield is in green pasture."

However, if the juniors and seniors fill the holes adequately, the Cranes could post a far better record than their 3-6 overall mark of last year.

CO-CAPTAINS Pete Maxwell and Larry Willey are back in the line to lead the blocking chores. Tom Harlow should lend an experienced hand.

John Kopichek returns to one of the tackle positions, while newcomer Bruce Smith could nail down the center slot.

In the backfield, John Goodman, a senior, is the leading candidate for quarterback, with junior Paul Shank backing him up.

Archie Copeland is back in the wingback position to help the Cranes move the ball from their winged-T offense.

Others in the backfield will include Terry Verity, Mike Yamasaki, a couple of comerbacks who will be switched to offense.

Buz Mieras, Tom Love and Owen Portierfield will also return

to aid Slader in his search for a new starting backfield.

THE ONLY hindover this year is Bob Parsons, but he along with Maxwell and several others are five-year men at the private school and, as such, can only play in league games.

"If we could use all our boys in every game, we'd be a lot better off," Slader insists.

Cranbrook is a member of the Inter-State Prep League, encompassing teams from New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Michigan. Last year, the Cranes finished 3-3 in league competition, and Slader hopes to improve on that record this season.

SLADER intends to rely mainly on a ground offense, not depending if some of the bigger boys can fulfill the expectations.

The Cranes open against Groves on Sept. 20. They then play Waterford-Kettering before beginning league play.

## Northwood Plans Father-Son Outing For Local Golfers

Northwood Golf Club will hold its annual Father and Son (Daughter) Tournament Saturday a n d Sunday.

The 18-hole tourney can be completed in one day or participants can play nine holes each day. Boys and girls must be between the ages of 9-17.

A \$1 entry fee and \$2 green fee is charged per person. Prizes and trophies will be awarded. Those interested should contact the course at 689-2233.

## Kirkpatrick Aces 15th at Birmingham

Bob Kirkpatrick of 1255 Henrietta, Birmingham, scored a hole-in-one on the 15th hole at Birmingham Country Club.

He used a driver, hitting into the wind on the par three, 205-yard hole. Kirkpatrick finished with an 82 for the round.

## Tigers Outrun By Thoroughbreds

If the present trends in attendance at Hensley Park and Tiger Stadium continue, the racetrack will outdraw the Tigers in home attendance.

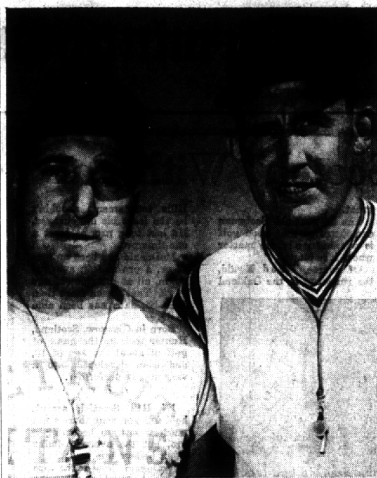
A Michigan track has never reached a higher attendance mark than the Tigers over a comparable number of days.

## Red Wing Tickets Sold in Birmingham

Birmingham area residents will be offered an all-new ticket service of the Detroit Red Wings and Olympia Stadium, in which tickets for all Olympia events will be sold in Birmingham for the first time.

Under the new plan, tickets for Olympia events will be sold by travel agencies in 12 communities outside Detroit. The Bee Kall Travel Service, 296 N. Hunter, has been selected in the Birmingham area.

Travel agencies will not handle the tickets firsthand. Instead, they will issue customer orders directly to Olympia and box office personnel will place the requested number of tickets in an envelope with the customer's name.



NEW HEAD coach Joe Pasucci (left) and his assistant Irv Wilson will try to make Roberto Rice into a contender for laurels in the Catholic Central Division race this season. Pasucci coached at U. of D. High and St. Hedwig. Wilson was head coach at Berkley.

## Rice

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anced league this season, with Notre Dame and U. of D. supplying the Warriors with their toughest games.

"It's very seldom a team goes undefeated or walks away from the other schools in this league. On the whole it should be a balanced, close season," he said.

The Warriors play both Notre Dame and U. of D. at home. They open Sept. 22 against Detroit Cathedral at Groves.

Red Wing general manager Sid Abel said the service is designed as a convenience to persons living and working outside Detroit who find it difficult to purchase tickets directly from Olympia.

In addition to Red Wing tickets, customers may purchase tickets for four touring shows appearing at Olympia during the fall season.

## Oakland Hills Captures 4th In Club Meet

THE BEE KALL agency will take orders for Don Ameche's International Showtime Circus, the Black and White Regimental Band Pipes and Drums, and Highland Dancers, the Ice Follies of 1964 and the Harlem Globetrotters.

The Oakland Hills Country Club Swimming Team ended the season by defeating Detroit Boat Club for the first time in eight years and placing fourth in the Michigan Inter-Club Swimming Finals.

Under the direction of coach John Hussey and captains Tom Schroeter and Karen Trimmer, Oakland Hills captured three firsts in the finals held last week.

Rod Henderson won the 13-14 freestyle, Bill Prew won the 15-16 freestyle and the girls' 10 and under medley relay of Sue Stubbs, Jean Prew, Lynn Thompson and Debbie Naughton, swept to first place, breaking their last year's record.

Other point winners for Oakland were Carolyn Carino, second in 11-12 freestyle; Kevin Trimmer, third in 10 and under freestyle; Betsy McMullen, fifth in 13-14 backstroke; Linda White, fourth in 15-16 backstroke.

Other relays contributing were the boys 10 and under medley relay composed of Mike Shannon, Jim Jensen, Kevin Trimmer and Art Carino; three place; girls 11-12 medley relay of Carolyn Carino, Joan Prew, Jean Nixon and Nancy Henderson, second place; boys 11-12 medley relay of Jim Shannon, Dave Schroeter, Kevin Trimmer and Steve Matthews; girls 66-yard medley of Linda White, Joan Prew, Jenny Stark and Karen Trimmer, third place.

ALTHOUGH he does not differentiate between the balls, Hunter does use a set of mixed clubs.

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He says American woods are better than the British because the British import all their Persimmon wood from the U. S., and naturally American-made clubs are of the better grade than the wood exported to other countries.

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McDonald said that the American golf ball is a fraction larger than the British Ball which is used in Scotland, sixty-one thousandths.

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## Czech's Petit Pixie "Puts on the Dog"

Czech's Petit Pixie, a three-year-old Papillon, became a ring champion recently at the Pontiac Kennel Club's all-breed show.

The dog's breeder-owner is Arlene A. Czech of 2095 Yorkshire, Birmingham. His wife, "Stourvon Martyn's Autumnal Glorie," took first place in the Open B Obedience class with a 193 score in the same show.

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## Groves Students To Hear Varner Discuss Careers

D. B. Varner, chancellor of Oakland University, will be the keynote speaker for the Birmingham Rotary Club's Career Day program at Groves High School. Career Day will be held Nov. 18 at Groves.

Varner will address an all-school assembly at 8:15 a.m. Monday in an effort to get students to think about careers. He will discuss some of the essentials involved in determining a vocation.

Robert A. Thom, Rotary president, will be master of ceremonies for Monday's program.

Birmingham Rotarians will arrange for consultants from various fields to talk to Groves students on Career Day. Each student will be able to hear consultants from three different vocations.

Clarence Kraft, 544 Oakland, is the committee chairman in charge of Career Day.

## Southfield Officer Is Winner at Shoot

Walter Kuss of the Southfield Police was an individual winner, in slow fire, at the 26th annual Michigan police shoot held recently at the Jackson city police range.

Gov. George Romney of Bloomfield Hills officiated at the opening of the all-day meet which attracted 537 individuals and 198 teams representing 85 police and sheriff departments. It is the largest event of its kind in the country.

Larry Ferguson, Detroit Lions rookie halfback, earned All-American honors twice, once on the high school level at Madison, Ill., and again at the University of Iowa.

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## Par

Stuart Oil Co. of Birmingham, his present employer.

He and his wife live in Royal Oak and McDonald is a member at Oakland Hills, where he is now the club's champ.

"I won't try to turn pro over here," Hunter said. "It would mean giving up my job, and I'm not about to do that."

"However, I would like to keep playing in several amateur tournaments, when possible," he added.

His present goal is to qualify for the U. S. Amateur. He participated in the regional qualification round this year, but did not make the cut.

McDonald has done quite well in the few tournaments he has entered. Besides winning the Oakland crown, he and Tom Watrous finished runnerup to John Barnum and his partner in the Michigan Pro-Am Tourney.

"Tommy and I were one up with nine holes to go but we both shot straight pars for the remainder of the match and lost to Barnum, who had a string of birdies," Hunter said.

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## Thinclads

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Wright posted times in the 10:30's for Vavruska last year.

"If we can get about five good men, at least to help the returning ones, we could have a pretty good squad," Vavruska said.

THE FALCONS compiled a creditable 2-4 record in their initial year of competition.

This year they will be competing in a new league, the Northwest Suburban Activities Association, instead of the Tri-River circuit.

Other members of the newly-created organization include Thurston, Oak Park, Franklin-Livonia and North Farmington.

Groves opens the cross-country season against North Farmington next Thursday.

The Detroit Lions expect to surpass the six million home attendance mark in the first game of the regular season in 1963, as 5,948,514 fans have seen the team play at home since the franchise came to Detroit in 1934.

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