

# Falcon, Maple Thinclads Set For New Season



Falcon hurdlers (from left) Jim Samanen, shape for upcoming meet with Southfield on Frank McLaughlin and Floyd Cosmi get in April 14.

## Groves Tough In Mile Run, Shuttle Relay

Ray Vavruska has high hopes for his Falcon track team this spring and with good reason. Groves could be strong in certain events. But Vavruska had higher hopes before the Huron Relays.

One of his top quarter-mile prospects, sophomore Jerry Gabowski, broke his leg while running in the meet and will be out for six weeks.

"IT REALLY HURT us, he had come a long way and I was counting on him in our relay. He said it happened on his second lap when he complained of soreness. We didn't know for sure until X-rays were taken several days later, Vavruska said.

But the Falcons still have some dependable runners. Their two strongest even could shape up in the mile run and shuttle-hurdle relay.

Jim Speicher, who came into his own during cross-country season, is the top Falcon miler. He finished fourth in the Huron Relays at 4:45 and, according to Vavruska, needs only to "build up his confidence." Jim's been working a hot harder this season and could turn into one of the top milers in the state. (See RELAY, 3-E)



Seaholm's track team showed its strength in the annual Huron Relays, triumphing over 55 Class A high schools from Michigan and Ohio. The Maples now have their sights set on East Lansing and the first Spartan Relays. Junior Ken Evangelista (above) works out of the pole vault, while (at right) Seaholm runner Scott Bradley, Howard Dublin, Jamie Dennis, Pat Richardson, John Kingscott, Dan Edson, Ron Fry and Neal Tournay jog through a practice. Seaholm runners won all four of their relays at Ypsilanti.

## Seaholm Travels To East Lansing

By DICK ZEMMIN  
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Seaholm's track team, fresh from their victory at the Huron Relays, heads to East Lansing Saturday to participate in the first annual Spartan Relays.

The Maples, under coach Kermit Ambrose, will face 68 Class A high schools from around the state, but won't have to worry about the Saginaw Valley teams who will be competing in their own meet.

"It looks like our toughest opposition will come from Lansing Sexton, Lansing Ev-

erett, Battle Creek Central, Ann Arbor and Grosse Pointe," Ambrose said.

THIS IS NO easy assignment but, by virtue of their win in Ypsilanti, the Maples have served notice that they are again to be reckoned with on the cinders this season.

Seaholm's relay teams are as strong as a coach could want. Their fine performance in the Huron, four wins in four tries, even surprised Ambrose.

Seaholm's distance medley team of Neil Tournay, Larry Bell, Scott Bradley and Jamie Dennis ranks with the best as does the sprint medley of Dan Edson, Howard Dublin, John Kingscott and Bill Schoen.

The mile relay of Edson, Dennis, Kingscott and Schoen and the two-mile relay of Ron Fry, Mike Branic, Bill Sacher and Pat Richardson help round out a strong squad. The field events also point out (See SEAHOLM, 3-E)

## Baron Hurdlers, Sprinters Key Question Marks in '64

By RUSSELL HIGLEY  
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The Bloomfield Hills thinclads finished third last year in the Wayne-Oakland League, but the way things look now they'll have to come a long way if they are to finish higher this year.

According to Coach Don Hoff it is going to be different this season. "Only nine points separated first and third places last year. If we had picked up points in the hurdles and broad jump we could have won the Wayne-Oakland League championship," he continued.

"We were bad in the hurdles last year and we know it. We've been working harder on them this year and will continue to do so. I'm looking for a definite improvement. The Barons will need a definite improvement—all the way around. They have lost fine trackmen through graduation.

AMONG THE BARON hurdlers who Coach Hoff is looking to are Ken Bonnet, a most impressive and promising looking senior, John Thornburgh, a good junior prospect, and Neil Fleming, a sophomore. Putting the shot this year are Greg Wiese, a senior who has good power, Bill Hargett also a senior

and a promising sophomore, Rick Cruse. Undoubtedly the loss of Bill Calhoun, who set a school record with a 50 foot 3 inch put last year, will hurt the Barons considerably.

Bob Richards, who could easily be the Barons No. 1 runner, also owns the best time for the cross-country two mile in the state with

### Hills Tennis Squad Hopes to Repeat 1963 Performance

The Bloomfield Hills tennis team and Coach Chuck Robinson have high hopes of repeating their 1963 performance. They finished in second place in the Wayne-Oakland League and were undefeated in dual competition.

The Barons will be depending heavily on their seven returning lettermen from last year, who are in Coach Robinson's words, "Some of the finest tennis players in the league."

The seven returning lettermen are Ed Anderson, Dave Gottlieb, Marc Miller, Bob Black, Wes Schultz, Larry Parrott and Gary Markley.

9:46.1. will be running the mile this season. He will be one of the stronger points on the Barons' squad this year.

Mike Keller, a senior, will be running the half-mile, while Tom Kearney and John Parron, both juniors, will be running the quarter-mile. Jerry Appleby, a senior, Mike Kraatz, a junior and Jim Anderson, a sophomore, will be running the 100 and 200-yard dashes.

THE LOSS of Roger Stewart, who set school records last year in the 220 and quarter-mile and did an excellent job in the medley relay, 880 relay, and mile relay, will hurt the Barons' first-place bid severely this year.

Two veterans on the pole vault, both seniors, are Sandy Eys and Dick Herlihy. This is their third year in track and they are considered two of the top pole vaulters in the league.

Roger Wotila, a senior, Brett Griffin and Joe Lloyd, both sophomores, will all be representing the Barons in the high jump. Lloyd, a promising prospect, is up around 5'4"-5'6" in workouts so far this season.

There can be no question that if the Barons are to even repeat last year's success, (See BARONS, 2-E)

### AT RENNELAER

## Birmingham Swimmer Sets New NCAA Mark

Although the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute hockey team was edged out by the western juggernaut last weekend in its bid for the NCAA Championship, the Engineers boast a national champion this season in Jim Bradburn, Birmingham sophomore swimmer.

Bradburn, of 1400 N. Glengarry, breakthrough a c e of Clarence Lephart's 6-4 swimming team this winter, has not ended his competitive season although dual meet competition has been over for nearly a month.

Last weekend at Grove City College in Pennsylvania, Bradburn flashed to victory in the 200-yard breaststroke event in the time of 2:19, setting a pool, meet and RPI record for that event and winning the NCAA College division championship.

THIS WAS THE first year for the meet, since the NCAA recently split all schools competing in swimming into university and college divisions.

Teams from 14 states and the District of Columbia were among the 41 entries in the meet, including teams from Los Angeles, Bradley University, Colorado State University of the Pacific and Washington University.

This week Bradburn gets another big test, when he travels to the University of Minnesota, to compete in the University division championships at Yale.

Swimming in the eastern championship at Dartmouth College

two weeks ago, the lanky soph was leading the field for most of the race until he was passed in a rush near the end, and finished a qualifying seventh. This week, Bradburn will have another crack at many of the same men he raced against earlier.

COACH LEPHART said, "Under good meet conditions, I feel Bradburn's time in the Grove City meet might have been cut by as much as three seconds. Jim can compete with the best we have seen this year."

Undeclared in meet competition this year, the architect major from Birmingham also set the New York State freshman record last year.

### ANNUAL SPRING TRIP

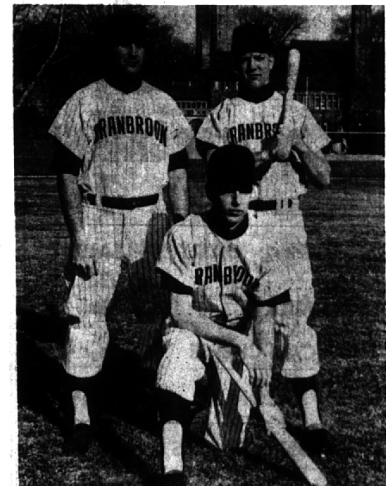
## Cranbrook Nine Heads South

The cold, unpredictable weather that has caused some high school baseball teams to remain indoors will have no effect on Cranbrook's squad.

The Cranes, under new coach

Dave Barney, will head south, a major league ball, for a short stay in North Carolina before returning to open the 1964 season.

THE 15TH ANNUAL spring



NEW CRANBROOK baseball coach Dave Barney (left) will be in charge as the Cranes leave on their 15th annual spring trip to North Carolina. Barney will have only five lettermen to help him equal last year's fine 13-4 record. Co-captains Bill Estes (kneeling) and Dale Bosley will be two of the mainstays in the Cranes starting nine. Estes and Bosley, both Birmingham seniors, were lettermen last year. Estes is an infielder while Bosley is behind the plate.

School highlights the 1964 Cranbrook baseball season, as announced by Athletic Director Pete Slader.

The Cranes will practice for a week in the Chapel Hill and Greensboro areas of North Carolina, and then play five games in four days in Cincinnati before returning to Michigan for their 16-game regular schedule.

Game action will start April 8 at Newport Catholic High School in Newport, Ky. Games with Indian Hill High School and Country Day School in Cincinnati follow on successive days before a trip-ending doubleheader with Reading High School, April 11.

In their 1963 visit to Cincinnati, the Cranes won three of five games. They dropped 9-3 and 4-2 decisions to Newport Catholic and Country Day respectively, and then beat Reading in both ends of a doubleheader.

IN LAST SPRING'S regular schedule, the Cranes sailed to a 13-4 record and an Inter-State Prep School League championship on the superlative pitching of Dick Mosher and John Billingson, now at Williams College and Amherst College, respectively. The two right-handers combined for seven shutouts in 1963.

Beyond defending its League title, Cranbrook will see two new faces on the schedule this spring. These belong to Thurston High School and University of Detroit High School. The latter appears for the first time since the 1930's.

With just five lettermen back, Barney, former physical education staff member and athlete at the University of New Mexico, will have his hands full. In two previous years at Cranbrook, Barney has been responsible for the school's strong physical education program and has assisted with football, hockey and baseball.

The five lettermen are headed by Co-Captains Bill Estes and Dale Bosley. (See CRANES, 2-E)

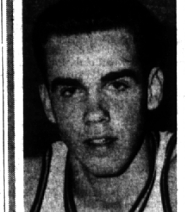
## B'ham to Host '64 State Jaycee Jr. Golf Tourney

Bowen Brock, executive vice president of the Birmingham Jaycees, announced today that Birmingham will be awarded the 1964 State Jaycee Junior Golf Tournament. Brock said, "We will host the tournament at North Hill Golf Course July 13 and 14."

"The tournament is for 17-year-olds and under and we expect a turnout of about 60 or 65 boys from sponsoring Chapters all over the state."

GERRY DUDLEY, Birmingham Jaycee president, indicated that the upcoming Birmingham Centennial celebration had been an important factor in the acquisition of the tournament. "The winners of this tournament," said Dudley, "will go to Minneapolis-St. Paul for the National Jaycee Tournament in August."

Trophies will be awarded for the first three low gross medalists. Special events during the tournament will include a driving contest and a golf clinic for the boys by a local professional, Leo Conroy.



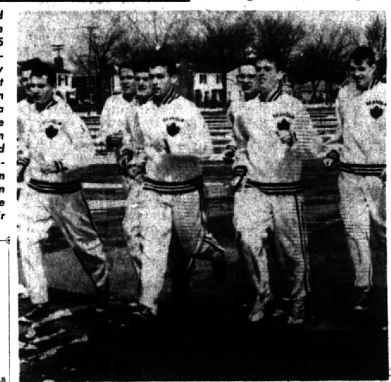
### Most Valuable

Bill Massey of Birmingham, captain of the 1963-64 Michigan Tech basketball team, was selected most valuable player and received the Ken Hamar award. A senior, Massey was also named to the NIC All-Conference second team and to Tech's College Bowl squad to appear on national television. Massey scored 943 points as a Huskie to rank second on the school's all-time scoring list. He has a 3.50 academic ranking.

### Nine-Year-Old Stars In Y Gymnastics

Danny Boyce of Birmingham scored 20 points in the Michigan Association of Gymnasts state tournament recently to pace his Highland Park Northern YMCA team.

He placed fourth in the still rings and fifth on the parallel bars and horizontal bar in the nine-and-under division.



## American Legion Officials to Meet

Myron Collings of Birmingham will serve as a district chairman for the American Legion baseball program when league officials get together in Petoskey Saturday for their annual spring conference.

Department rules for 1964 and a site for the 1965 state tournament will be among the principal orders of business. In 1965, more than 250 teams sponsored by American Legion posts throughout the state participated in this nationwide program. William C. Stark Post No. 97, of Adrian, won the 1963 state title.

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