

# Vikings, Indians triumph; Frink tops swim records

Webster's swimmers met the Normandy team there on Friday, February 7. The Vikings won in spite of five first places taken by Webster. Jack Frink won both the 100 and 200 yard freestyle events. Doug Lonergan took first in the 400 yard freestyle and in the 100 yard butterfly. Bill Mueller won the diving, and Gary George took second in the breaststroke.

Jack Frink smashed a state record in the 400 yard freestyle when the Statesman lost to University City swimmers there January 31. In the 400 yard freestyle, Frink broke a state record of 4:19.9 by eight seconds, swimming this event in 4:11.8. In this same meet he also broke the state record for the 200 yard freestyle. Lonergan posted a 58.3 second time to win the 100 yard butterfly, and Jack Seibert won the 50 yard freestyle event.

On January 24, the Statesmen met Clayton, there. In a 61-34 losing cause, Jack Frink smashed pool

records in the 200 and 400 yard freestyle events. Doug Lonergan won the 200 yard individual medley and the 100 yard butterfly.

Senior Gary George, who took seconds in each of these meets in the 100 yard breaststroke, explained the scoring system for the dual meets. "This explanation helps to show why the Statesmen are losing meets but winning first in many events," Gary said. "There are two large areas of competition, relay and individual. In the two relay events, seven points are given for a first and none for second. There are nine individual events. In each five points are awarded for a first, three for a second, and one for a third. These total 95 points, so all a team has to do to win a meet is score 48 points."

Last Thursday the Statesmen swimmers traveled to Kirkwood. Tomorrow marks the beginning of the Conference Meet. Any swimmer or diver who qualified in this meet will go on to the state meet the next week-end.

# Wrestlers post 6-12 final record

Between shouts of encouragement and instruction, Coach Lenard "Bear" Bryant commented that "they did better than I expected" as Webster's wrestling squad ended the season with a 6-12 record. The team was defeated 29-20 by Kirkwood in its last meet held February 11 in Roberts gym. Michael Carosello was the only Statesman to score a pin.

Statesman matmen Kurt Eisleben and Ron Mautz will wrestle in the State Wrestling Tournament starting next weekend at Ritenour.

The matmen raced over Maplewood 28-14 when the squads met February 7 in an away contest. Once again Carosello pinned his opponent. 25-18 was the winning number as Webster defeated Country Day January 31 and University City January 24 by that margin in home meets. Ron Mautz scored a pin against his University City opponent.

The Statesmen were handed a 29-15 defeat by Mehlville in an away meet January 21.

# Junior girls beat U. City, 25-23

With the score tied and one second left to play, a forward made a desperate shot. As the buzzer sounded, the ball slipped neatly through the bucket. This junior girls victory over University City, 25-23, highlighted a season of close games for class basketball teams. Of the six games that each class team played, sophomores went two; juniors, 4; and seniors, 5.

Intramural basketball champions having perfect attendance records are Jane Couch, captain Marilyn Goodman, Linda Johnson, Annette Randall, and Pat Williams.

Twenty-four teams are participating in a new bowling season of six sessions that started February 10. Laura Standish, maintaining a 125 average, led her senior team to first place in their division. Cheri Simmons, with a 134 average, helped her team place first in the junior division.

Student officials trained by Miss Mester will referee intramural volleyball games. The 25 volleyball teams play a heavy season from February 4 until March 6. Class teams will sock out their first games against U. City March 12. Varsity team members will not be chosen until class teams finish their season in March.

# Eye on Sports

by Roy Harris

Although Webster did not rank or come out with honors in the Webster Tournament held January 25 through February 1, the Statesmen did achieve the goal of once again beating Kirkwood - - the second such victory in this year's basketball season.

The fans who saw that second game viewed almost as close a race as the first one, in which Theophilus Franks dropped a basket from 20 feet out with 15 seconds remaining in the game, giving Webster a hairbreadth 60-59 edge.

The tournament game January 29 was a close one, too. With Webster leading by 10 at the half, Kirkwood put on an amazing scoring display in the last two periods, but Webster, having out-played the Pioneers in the first half, held on for a 66-63 win.

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It was a startled Kirkwood player who received the tip-off starting the second half of play in the Webster - Kirkwood tournament game. Unguarded, he rushed to the basket and laid the ball up and in. The two points went to Webster. He had scored in the wrong basket.



Photo by Dempster  
Gary Howren outjumps his opponent to score on a driving layup in the Maplewood B-team.

# B-team basketball squad beats Leafs for ninth victory of the season

"Some might say Maplewood was playing bad, but I think it was one of our better games," commented Coach Richard Schuchardt, referring to the B-team's 44-36 victory. The win brought the team's record to 9-6.

Gary Howren hit long shots and layups for a 14 point total. Running close seconds were Art Welhoelter and Don Stuber with 10 points each. Against Ladue February 7, the squad came back with a 49-39 win after falling to Ladue earlier in December. Charging out in front early in the first quarter, the sophomores had no trouble keeping the advantage. Leading the team in points again were Welhoelter with 16 and Howren with 12.

January 27 the sophomores lost a B-team Webster tournament game to Ladue in Roberts' Gym. Behind by 7 points at half time, the Statesmen whittled the lead down to one point in an exciting 58-57 finish.

"It was one of the best games we had played," remarked one of

the team members. High scorers were Welhoelter and Howren with 19 points apiece.

A ten point lead was the winning margin January 24, when the B-team knocked off University City in Roberts Gym. Off the boards and on the floor the Statesmen drove hard and played fast to earn their 48-38 victory over the Indians.

Topping the scoring column were Welhoelter and Howren with 17 and 13 points respectively.

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# Kirkwood downs Webster, 67-61

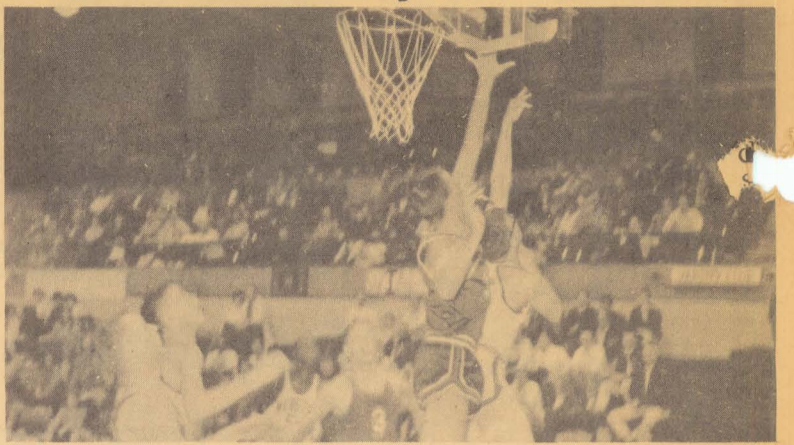


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Dave Stewart works in close and scores in the Maplewood game.

The Kirkwood Pioneers held the advantage over a struggling Webster Varsity to win their first basketball contest in three attempts Friday, February 14 in Roberts Gym.

Led by six foot seven inch Bill DeHeer, the Maplewood Leafs beat the Big Orange 71-58 February 11 in Roberts Gym. Although the Statesmen led by seven at the end of the first half, the second half proved disastrous with DeHeer pumping in 22 points. High scorers for Webster were Clarence Thornhill with 14 and Tom Stuber with 12.

In an away conference game, the Statesmen bowed to Ladue 84-69 February 7. Coach Yates called Ladue "a fantastic ballclub, that night." Stuber played one of his highest scoring games with 18 points and Dave Stewart, recovered from a leg ailment, contributed 17.

### Tournament disappointing

In the Webster Tournament, January 25 through February 1, the Yatesmen made a disappointing showing. Mr. Yates attributed this mainly to Stewart's injury in the

Hazelwood game, a poor field goal percentage, and excessive fouling.

Webster dropped a heartbreaker 49-48 in the first tournament appearance against Hazelwood, hitting only 32 percent of attempted field goals. High scorers were Theopolis Franks with 14 points and Thornhill with 13.

The Big Orange then faced Kirkwood and won 66-63. "We were up for the game and had the desire to win," Coach Yates said. Gary Cobb was high point man with 14.

Sinking only 18 of 60 field goals, the Statesmen lost their final tournament game to Ladue 59-51. Webster committed 31 fouls to Ladue's 19, which "lost us the game," according to Mr. Yates. Franks and Stuber were high scorers with 14 and 10 points respectively.

### "Not shooting well"

"We just are not shooting well," Coach Yates said when asked about Webster's lower-than-expected record. "We've made about 30 percent from the field in a number of games—poor shooting—and lost them all," he added.

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