

Score two upsets

Yatesmen stun experts; take second in Regional

After fighting their way to the State Class L Regional Final, the Statesmen dropped a 65-63 heart-breaker to Maplewood in overtime March 6. With about three minutes left Webster had a nine point lead, but Maplewood rallied to go ahead 61-59 and Dave Stewart had to put in two clutch free throws to tie the game for Webster.

In the overtime Ron Howren scored two free throws and Maplewood added a field goal. However, Webster missed a scoring opportunity, and the Leafs won in the last three seconds making Webster runner-up in the Regional. High scorer was Stewart with 29 points.

Facing Mercy in the semi-finals March 5, the Yatesmen had to play two overtimes to win 61-59. Mercy tied the game at 54-all in the last second of the fourth period. In the second overtime the shooting of "Casey" Thornhill, labeled "impossible" by Coach Yates, gave the Statesmen the victory. High men for Webster were Stewart with 18 and Franks with 16.

In the opening round, the Yatesmen met the CBC Cadets and soundly beat them 52-43 March 3. Stewart topped the scoring column with 23 points. Commenting on the defensive strategy, Coach Yates said, "They have a big front line with heights 6'7", 6'5", and 6'4", and we knew we couldn't match them man to man. We resorted

to a box zone defense which, frankly, I dislike."

At home on February 21, Webster dropped its final league game to Normandy 79-55. Franks tallied 15 for the losing Statesmen.

In a non-league game, the Statesmen beat Brentwood 55-43 in Roberts Gym February 18. High scorers were Dave Stewart with 18 and Tom Stuber with 14.

Sophomore squad posts 11-7 record

The B-team bucket squad closed its season with a 46-44 loss to Normandy in Roberts Gym February 21. After a third quarter Webster rally, the lead changed hands often in an exciting fourth period. High scorers for Webster were Gary Howren with 14 points and Art Welhoelter with 11.

The sophomores met Brentwood here on February 18 in a non-league game and pulled out a 50 to 41 victory. Welhoelter topped the scoring column with 20 points.

In a game that Coach Schuchardt described as the team's most important victory of the season, Webster beat Kirkwood 46-40 here February 14. The Pioneers had previously won 16 straight games. Howren with 15 points, Welhoelter with 12, and Ted Yandell with 10 led the Statesmen.

"We showed definite improvement throughout the year," Coach Schuchardt said. "Despite the fact that two sophomores played on the varsity, this is the best record in four years." The squad won 11 games and lost 7 this year. In their conference the sophomores' record was 4-4.

Ron Mautz retains heavyweight wrestling crown in state tourney

For the second year in a row Ron Mautz won the State Heavyweight Wrestling Championship by defeating Dick Turnbough of Riverview Gardens in the final match. Before Mautz captured the trophy it was held by Jim Bucholz who graduated from Webster in 1962.

Commenting on his victory Ron said, "I felt prouder this year because my competitor was tougher." He wasn't bragging because Turnbough was favored. In addition it was a "grudge match" as Ron called it since Ron also



Ron Mautz

Practices are now being held for track, baseball, golf, and tennis. All four squads will play their season openers within the next three weeks.

Webster's track season will open March 21 with the Indoor Invitational meet at the St. Louis Armory. Coach Robert Hoffman commented, "This meet is the first of its type in St. Louis and is being held on a trial basis."

When asked about the outlook for this year, Coach Hoffman said, "Everybody has the prospect of being good; they just have to learn that self-discipline and the desire to win are the most important things." The 1964 schedule is comprised of 14 meets, climaxing in the State Outdoor, May 15 and 16, and the City District Relays, May 19, 20, and 23.

The Statesmen baseball squad started practice March 9 in preparation for the April 1 opener against Brentwood. Coach Richard

Frink wins two events in state swimming meet

Continuing his great swimming, Jack Frink took two firsts for Webster in the state meet February 29 at U. City. Frink won the 200-yard free style and 400-yard free style. His 2:09.8 time in the 200-yard event is a state record. Doug Lonergan and Bob Strub also placed in the meet. Lonergan took third in the 400-yard free style and Strub won fifth place in fancy diving. With 20 points Webster placed seventh in the team standings out of 18 schools.

In the February 22 conference meet Frink set a conference record in the 400-yard free style. He also placed second in the 200-yard

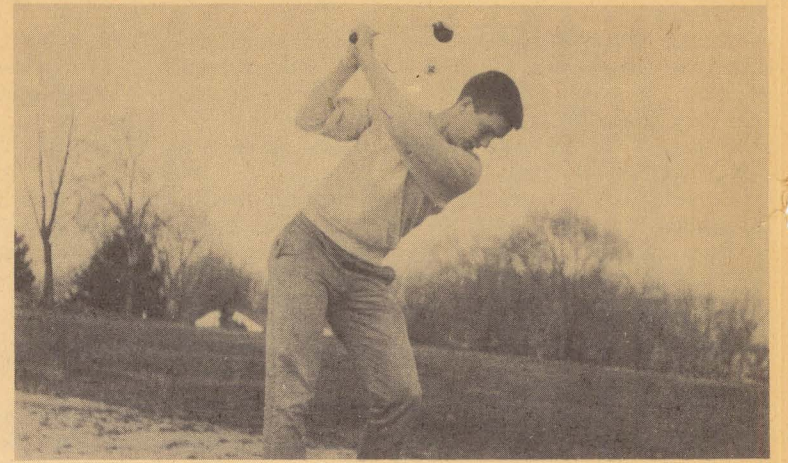


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Bill Detering, junior, prepares for golf team tryouts at Algonquin Country Club.

Schuchardt said that 65 boys attended the organizational meeting March 4.

Webster's eight-man golf squad will be chosen from about 30 that

are expected to try out in three nine hole rounds later this month. Two returning lettermen are Roy Fless and Jim Holtgrieve.

Some of the matches will be played at Westborough Country Club, the Statesmen's home course, while others will be held at Greenbriar, Sunset Hills, Crystal Lake, and St. Charles country clubs. The first match will be April 7 against Affton.

Under Coach David Steinmeyer, the tennis team is preparing for its first match against University City. The 15 to 16 man team, comprised of A and B squads, will be aided by returning lettermen Chris Carney, Allan Curtis, Charles Curtis, and Roger Wilson. Three singles and two doubles matches will be played in each of the team's 10 meets.

free style while Lonergan took third places in both the 400-yard free style and the 100-yard fly. Strub added a sixth place in diving with his jackknives and pikes to give Webster fifth place in the meet.

The squad was sunk by Kirkwood 65-30 at a dual meet February 13. The contest included 100-yard free style, 400-yard free style, diving, and individual medley.

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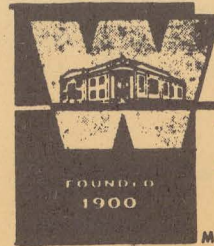
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Girls' basketball ends with 4 wins

The outcourt shooting of Vicki Fischer and Kathy Vining sparked the varsity basketball team to a four and one season. Losing only to Kirkwood, the squad won easily against Bayless and Ladue and came from behind to defeat Maplewood and University City.

The team includes Christy Bland, Vicki Fischer, Andrea Geyer, Serena Harkey, Suzi Laffler, Sue Menke, Joan McKerrow, Kathy Vining, Lauren Stanish, Joan Welhoelter, Penny Wright, and Jenny Young. Six of these players were on last year's undefeated squad.

Volleyball class teams began a four game season with matches against U. City on March 12. Six senior team members were on last year's undefeated junior squad.