

Registration Open:

Worthman Named P P & K Director

BOB WORTHMAN
(Heads PPK)

Robert Worthman, Decatur athletic director, was named today by Harry Schwartz to once again serve as Competition Director for the 4th annual Punt, Pass & Kick competition in Decatur.

Schwartz, of the sponsoring Schwartz Ford Co., announced the appointment of Worthman today, in reporting that registration for the P. P. & K. program has "been good for this early."

Schwartz Ford Co. is sponsoring the P. P. & K. program, expanded by two age groups this year, for the fourth consecutive year in Decatur. Co-sponsor of the event is the Decatur high school Booster Club.

Registration for the Thursday, October 8 competition is now open at Schwartz Ford, located just east of 13th street on U. S. 224. Boys may register any time between the hours of 8 a. m. and

2 p. m., seven days a week, through Wednesday, October 7.

Boys are reminded by Schwartz that they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian when they register for P. P. & K.

Heads Program

Worthman, the former head football and basketball coach for many years, and now the school's athletic director, will head the competition, assisted by members of the Booster Club.

As Competition Director, Worthman will be responsible for all arrangements for the contest which puts boys eight through 13 against others in the age groups in tests of their abilities to punt, pass and kick (from a kicking tee) for distance and accuracy.

The program has been expanded this year to include boys eight through 11, as last year, plus those boys 12 and 13 years of age.

Winners of the eight, nine and ten-year-old groups will each receive National Football League warm-up jackets with the official colors and emblem of the Chicago Bears. Second place winners will receive a place-kicker outfit and third prize will be a regulation-size football, autographed by NFL stars.

Boys in the upper three age groups, 11, 12 and 13, will win handsome gold, silver and bronze trophies for their prizes.

There is no body contact and no special equipment needed for the program, and with no charge for registration, it allows any and all boys to compete. There were nearly 500,000 boys through the U. S. competing in 1963 competition.

Consider Honor

"It is a great honor and pleasure to be asked to direct the Punt, Pass & Kick competition here," Worthman said. "Stan Musical, Consultant to the President on Physical Fitness, has said we must establish physical fitness programs as an integral part of our way of life," he continued.

"I know that all the boys who enter will have a lot of fun, and I hope every grade and junior high school boy within the age limits will want to practice to compete for the many prizes and trophies this great national competition offers," Worthman concluded.

Sports

Local Teams Are Beaten In Meets

Lank Ted Buuck covered two miles in the best time recorded by an Adams County runner this season, as he paced Monmouth to a 19-47 victory over the Decatur Commodores in a Monday afternoon dual cross-country meet at the local golf course.

Buuck turned in a fine 9:37 clocking to lead the pack and best Johnny Lose of the Commodores and teammate Dan Conrad, both of whom were also under 10 minutes.

Loose toured the course in 9:54, to finish second, five seconds ahead of Conrad in third place.

The Eagles grabbed the fourth through seventh places, as Ron Fuhrman, Eldon Fuhrman, Dale Bieberich and Denny Reinking finishing in that order.

Hackman Eighth

Dave Hackman of the Commodores turned in his best performance of the season to finish Eighth. Max Fuelling of the Eagles was ninth and Henry Halikowski of Decatur was tenth.

The Commodores go right back into action Wednesday afternoon when they meet Berne at 4 o'clock at the Geneva golf course.

The top 15 finishers and their times, were as follows: Buuck (M), 9:37; J. Lose (Br), 9:54; Conrad (M), 9:59; R. Fuhrman (M), 10:23; E. Fuhrman, 10:42; Dale Bieberich (M), 10:43; Denning Reinking (M), 10:55; Hackman (D), 11:06; Fuelling (M), 11:12; Halikowski (D), 11:14.

Jim Kolter (M), 11:15; Ken Folk (M), 11:18; Tom Lose (D), 11:21; Roy Villagomas (D), 11:25; Pat Gage (D), 11:29.

Jackets Fourth

The Yellow Jackets two-milers finished fourth among four teams in another cross-country meet Monday.

A talented Bryant out fit grabbed team honors with a low total of 29 points, with Berne's 58 good for second. Pennville was third with a 61 accumulation, and Decatur fourth with 88 points.

Schultz of the winners was the top individual, finishing in 10:47. Sporting an explosive attack for the first time this season, Decatur's Yellow Jackets go after another "cat" Friday night when they open a three-game road trip at Bluffton.

Last Friday it was the Panthers, this week it will be the Tigers, as the Jackets resume their case of New Haven in the Northeastern Indiana Conference.

Game time Friday night will be 7:30 p. m. at Wilson Field in the western section of Bluffton. Advance tickets, priced at 50 cents for students, are now on sale at Decatur high school.

Ending a three-game home stand on a successful note Friday night with a resounding 32-6 win

Cards, Reds In Race To Wire; Phillies Almost Eliminated

By GEORGE C. LANGFORD
UPI Sports Writer

If the Cardinals win the National League pennant, there will be more red faces in St. Louis than in Philadelphia.

St. Louis owner August Busch, searching feverishly for the first Cardinal pennant since 1946, pressured General Manager Bing Devine out of a job last month and reliable sources said, prior to this week, that field manager Johnny Keane would also get the ax.

But the Cardinals, taking advantage of the reeling, fumbling Philadelphia Phillies who have skidded from a 6½ game lead to third place Monday night, only one game behind the front-running Cincinnati Reds with a 5-1 victory over the Phils.

(After the victory, Branc h Rickey, the Cardinals player development consultant and the person some observers believe is responsible for the front-office shakeup, pumped Kean's hand and called him "a gosh-danged fine manager.")

Wins Eighth Straight

Bob Gibson, who won his eighth straight, and reliever Barney Schultz, pitched the Cardinals to their sixth consecutive victory as the Phils committed two errors, a wild pitch and a late throw to home plate.

Schultz, one of Devine's many player acquisitions in the

last two seasons which have turned St. Louis from an also-ran into a contender, bailed out the Cardinals for the fourth straight game.

The St. Louis knuckleballer relieved Gibson with two on and none out in the ninth inning and threw a double play ball to Clay Dalrymple, then retired pinchhitter John Hernstein.

Five of the nine starters for the Cardinals Monday night came to St. Louis in deals engineered by Devine. They include Curt Flood from the Reds Lou Brock from the Cubs, Dick Tracewski in the eighth inning to defeat Dick Ellsworth (14-17) and the Chicago Cubs 2-1 in the only other major league game.

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Small Crowd Record

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Jackets Out To 'Skin Another Cat' At Bluffton On Friday

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Over Portland, the Jackets now swing back into conference play in the first of three successive road games.

After the Bluffton game this week, they'll play Elmhurst at Fort Wayne on Saturday, Oct. 3, and the following Friday will play at Kendallville, before returning home to wind up the season with Concordia and Angola.

The backfield is much smaller than Decatur's, Mahnensmith the biggest at 155 pounds, but they own plenty of speed, as shown by Bowman and Mahnensmith in the jamboree this month.

Bluffton has already bettered its mark of one win and seven losses last season, and a 1-6 NEIC slate.

Richard Harris, at 209 the biggest starter, and John Fryback, 182, at tackle, John Rosie, 193 pounds, and John Fryback, 184, will be the guards, with 132-pounder Mike Schwartz at center.

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The Jackets are currently resting in the NEIC's second spot with Auburn, one-half game behind New Haven. But that half game is a big one, as the Bulldogs have won their first two outings and need only victories against winless Kendallville, Concordia and Elmhurst to wrap up a second title in two years.

All five games on Decatur's schedule the rest of the way are conference affairs, and the Yellow Jackets must continue winning and hope New Haven stumbles some where along the line.

They must play them one at a time, and can't afford to disregard anyone, especially a Bluffton outfit that is primed to pull an upset. The Tigers got a big disappointment last Friday when they led Garrett by a 7-6 score with six minutes left in the third period.

The Railroaders, who showed well here earlier, came back to score on a long pass and then added an insurance TD in the last period.

2-2 Record

The Tigers are 2-2 on the season, all conference games. They opened with a surprise 26-9 thumping of the Comets at Kendallville, but then got blanked by Auburn, 27-0. The Parlor City eleven got back over .500 with a 6-2 win over Columbia City, before losing to Garrett last week.

Oddly, the Tigers won both of their victories on the road, and their two losses came at home.

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No matter how things go for Casey Tuesday, however, he's a cinch to be back in baseball next year.

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Two plays later Hornung ran over left guard from the 2 for the six points and added the conversion.

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The Detroit defense had little trouble stopping this "attack" and the offense finally got untracked and scored its lone TD with 3:59 to play. Earl Morrell clinched the 80-yard march with a 16-yard scoring toss to Pat Studstill.

Again Bratkowski called three running plays, and the Packers failed to make a first down and punted. Detroit took control at its 33 with 1:57 to play, but Studstill fumbled a Morrell pass and Hank Greninger recovered at the Green Bay 49 to wrap up the win.

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"We looked good in the first two quarters," Packer Coach Vince Lombardi said. "But then we threw our game plan aside and tried to protect the lead. That's wrong and we shouldn't have done it."

Actually, the Packers may have had no choice. No. 1 quarterback Bart Starr, who led the Green Bay offense past the highly-touted Detroit defensive unit in the first half, suffered an injury and sat out most of the final two quarters. Zeke Bratkowski replaced Starr.

Starr suffered an injured left shoulder mid-way through the second period," Lombardi explained. "He's not injured seriously, though. He'll be in the starting lineup Sunday."

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