



Tim Leahy shakes off a Northwest defenseman after grabbing a Tony Behr pass. The Jr. Bills won this game 41-12; beat McCluer 39-20; trounced Assumption 55-6.

Varsity Gridders Stomp Thrice

By BOB FERRARA

This year will be a tough one for the Junior Bills Varsity Football team for they are returning this season with a 4A State Championship under their belts, and every team is out to get them. McCluer, who we played Sept. 18, tried to make it 4 in a row over us looking to regain state; and Riverview, who we beat twice in a row last year, will be seeking revenge. Augustinian is going to do everything they can to prevent another humiliating defeat, like last year's 50-0 whitewash. DeSmet's going to be real tough this season looking for the Bi-State Crown. CBC is not likely to let any more 1-point squeakers happen again.

Although we're the team to beat, we're ready for our opponents. Our passing attack is capable of scoring us many points as proven in the first games. The Bills' running game could be more potent, but with the talented backfield in the ranks it should turn out to be a strongpoint.

This year's Tri-Captains are Tony Behr, Mark Clark, and Steve Ohmer. Tony Behr, #10, is the starting senior quarterback. Last year he was used sparingly to move the offense. He is a pocket passer, preferring to stay in the pocket rather than roll out. Powerhouse Mark Clark, #24, is starting fullback. Mark provides the power in our running attack. He's known for being hard to bring down. Should add much yardage to running attack. Steve Ohmer, #65, is starting guard. Steve provides excellent blocking for running and

passing plays. Strong point in offensive line.

Though the line is relatively small this year, it will be able to hold its own against the bigger teams. Throughout the practices Line Coach Ebbie Dunn has emphasized quickness and execution, rather than use all the beef to bulldoze over the opponent. An example is "Mad Dog" Federer, #62, termed by Mr. Martel the meanest guy on the team and rightly so. At only 165 pounds, Mad Dog does a superb job blocking against the heavyweights. Other students in the offense are starting center Mark Herbers, #53; CBC game hero Jimmy Dohr, #80; Tim Leahy, #30, speedy senior halfback; halfback Matt Shocklee, #33; Bill Drury, #76, tackle; Mark Hogrebe, #61, at guard. Defensively, our line is tough and aggressive with Vic Jost, #71, and Mike Cherre, #70, at tackles; Ohmer, and Hogrebe at guards. Balancing the line are defensive ends Dana Proserpi, #81 and Tom Mehan, #86. The defensive secondary should be tough this year, a threat to the passing teams, with Tim Leahy at middle safety. Mike Amad, #40, and Mike Koenen, #32, as defensive halfbacks.

Rounding out the team is the place kicker Tim Gibbons, who adds those valuable field goals and PAT's with his talented foot. The well-rounded Junior Bills Football Team should have little trouble with vengeful opponents, and hopes to keep the State Title at Saint Louis (U. High).

Off And Splashing

By BRIAN MCCORRY

The 1971 U. High Water polo Team, with less than a handful of returning lettermen, is looking forward to a good season. Last year's team, plagued by, inexperience, compiled a disappointing record of 4-10. However, this year, the team has improved speed and endurance, and a year's experience, and should be a different story.

Co-coaching duties are shared by

Fr. Valiquette and Mr. Busenhart, who put the team through tough 2-2 1/2 hour workouts every afternoon after school at FPCC.

Captain Larry Molina, last year's leading scorer, heads the varsity squad. Behind him will be Seniors Mark Wilhelm and Festus Krebs, and Juniors Barnes, Lucktemeyer, Baudendistel, Dean and Kipp. The B team, captained

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Over Hill....

By TOM MINNEMAN

Although this year's cross country team will miss Paul Lammert, the team is not by any means destroyed with his transferring to Hillsboro High School.

This year, the team will be centered around sophomores Joe Shea and Rick Fitzpatrick, around team captain Mark Meredith, a junior returning from last year's varsity, and Dave Raack, a senior, and also returning from last year's varsity. In addition to those four, the varsity will also include Ed Guignon, another of last year's varsity to return, and Bob Bieg, Dave Hofmeister, and Keith Krummenacher, all members of last year's strong "B" team.

Since the varsity is primarily underclassmen, there will be a mobility between the varsity and junior varsity teams. Hence, there will be no one set varsity or junior varsity team this year. The "B" team is expected to be as strong as last year's team, if not stronger, led by sophomores Dave Frane, Tom Hilliard, Jack Huether, and Tom Paino.

The "C" team looks very good this year, with two really strong runners who may be running "B" team by the end of the season. The team has the ability, but must work hard with great determination to make up for the loss of

Lammert, although, as was said before, the team is not destroyed by the loss of Lammert. By October the team will be in about as good of shape it will be in for the season. By October, then, we should have a pretty good idea of just how strong this year's cross country team will be.

This year's schedule is one of the toughest they have had in recent years. By the end of the season, the team will have competed in four invitationals--the Northwest, Hancock, Beaumont, and Lutheran South, four duel meets--Cleveland, Vianney, Lutheran South, and Parkway North, three tri-meets--DeSmet-CBC, Normandy-Hazelwood, and Mehlville-Bayless, as well as the Bi-State meet. This season is tough due to the large number of public schools scheduled, since most of them have had a cross country program since junior high.

This year's team is pretty optimistic about the upcoming season. The varsity is strong and not really damaged by Lammert's absence, the team is just working that much harder to fill his place. Also the "B" and "C" teams are strong this year too. So, all in all, this should be a pretty good year for cross country.