

Western Reserve girls rally for league meet win

■ Tinney, Bement gain individual awards

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NEW LONDON — Trailing by five and one half points with just two events remaining in the Firelands Conference meet Saturday was just what Western Reserve's girls had in mind.

Coach Keith Landis would now send out five of his best athletes in those two events and the result was a win by a 1600-meter relay team of Rebecca Bement, Krystal Bennett, Alison Wallace and Marcie Buck that represented the school at the state meet last spring and a second-place finish in the 3200 meter run by Mara Lee Albright.

Those 18 points would not only erase that deficit but give the defending champions a 131-119 1/2 victory over Crestview.

Albright picked up eight points after finishing in 12:47.52.

Meanwhile, Wallace, Buck, Bennett and Bement ran a 4:19.5 1600 relay to easily outdistance Crestview's quartet which ran a 4:29.19.

After voting by the coaches, Western's Jenny Tinney (field events) and Bement (track events) were named the meet's outstanding athletes, although Bement shared her honor with Crestview's Andrea Bader.

St. Paul finished third with 75.5 points, followed by Mapleton (74), Monroeville (36), South Central (35), New London (21) and Plymouth (13).

Tinney was responsible for breaking one of the two meet

records, her 140-7 1/2 discus - mark erased the mark of 2001 teammate Kelly Braden (129-2).

Braden was a state placer last year.

Tinney returned Saturday and won the shot put with a put of 39-8 1/2.

The junior beat St. Paul's Sally Schnellinger, who turned in a 130-9 in the discus and 39-1/4 in the shot.

Bader, a triple winner after taking the 100 (12.50) and the long jump (16-8 3/4), won the 200 in 25.76, bettering the 1988 clocking of New London's Kim Smith (26.1).

Landis, who was returning to his alma mater in New London, now as the coach of the Lady Riders, just stood back and watched his talented ladies roll up the points.

Bement won both hurdle events, 16.78 in the 100 and 47.22 in the 300.

Also, Jenny Hall (1:02.65) and Buck (1:04.07) ran 1-2 in the 400; and both the 800 relay (Bement, Buck, Bennett and Hall) and 1600 teams won.

Second-place finishes were also garnered by Albright (3200) and the 3200 relay team of Albright, Munroe, Jessica Patrick and Allison Wallace.

St. Paul received placings from Veronica Geretz, who was second in the 100 hurdles and third in the 300 hurdles (49.66). Amanda Allard also claimed a third in the 3200 in 12:59.97.

St. Paul coach John Livengood talked about his boys' and girls' teams. "Sally is catching up quickly after her thyroid surgery,"



Western Reserve junior Jenny Tinney puts the shot Saturday during the Firelands Conference league meet at New London. Tinney won both the shot and discus and was named the most outstanding athlete on the girls side in the field events.

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he said. "Frank (Linder) is also on track, although I would like to see more consistency from him. He moved from third to first in the discus in one year with his personal best being a 164. Dan Coletta also had a great meet."

Both South Central and New London had one individual win-

ner, Emily Honeycutt in the 800, 2:29.80 and Shannon Geist in the 3200, 12:39.38).

Stephanie Dearth was second for Deb Hughes team in the high jump (5-0).

Monroeville gained a runner-up finish from Holly Ames in the long jump (16-4). The 400 meter

relay team of Alysha Schaffer, Emily Fries, Ames and Jenny Wilhelm also finished second in 52.20.

The Division III district meet will be held Thursday and Saturday at Bucyrus.

Here are all the results:

Team scores: Western Reserve 131,

Crestview 119.5, St. Paul 75.5, Mapleton 74, Monroeville 36, South Central 35, New London 21, Plymouth 13.

3200 relay: 1. Mapleton (J. Bollantz, Yenni, C. Bollantz, Myers), 10:41.07; 2. Western Reserve, 10:43.49; 3. Crestview, 10:43.76; 4. St. Paul, 11:00.06; 5. New London) 11:09.40; 6. Monroeville, 11:24.40.

Discus: 1. Tinney (WR), 140-7 1/2; 2. Schnellinger (SP), 130-9; 3. Gardner (SP), 110-10; 4. Pawlikowski (Cr), 110-6; 5. Sommers (WR), 108-2; 6. Stewart (Cr), 95-6 1/4.

High jump: 1. J. Douglas (Cr), 5-2; 2. Dearth (NL), 5-0; 3. C. Douglas (Cr), 4-10; 4. Cunningham (P), 4-10; 5. Williams (SP), 4-10; 6. (tie) Playko (SP), Hult (Cr), 4-6.

Shot put: 1. Tinney (WR), 39-8 1/4; 2. Schnellinger (SP), 39-0 1/4; 3. Stewart (Cr), 35-11 3/4; 4. Patrick (WR), 35-2 3/4; 5. Gardner (SP), 35-1 1/4; 6. Ames (Mon), 35-0 1/4.

Pole vault: 1. Lawrentz (Cr), 6-6.

100 hurdles: 1. Bement (WR), 16.78; 2. Geretz (SP), 17.02; 3. Rogers (Map), 17.24; 4. Myers (Mon), 17.29; 5. Lawrentz (Cr), 17.42; 6. Donahue (Cr), 17.42.

Long jump: 1. Bader (Cr), 16-8 3/4; 2. Ames (Mon), 16-4; 3. Willard (Map), 16-2; 4. Playko (SP), 14-4; 5. Schwab (SP), 14-3 1/4; 6. Plice (Map), 14-2 3/4.

100: 1. Bader (Cr), 12.50; 2. Thomas (Cr), 12.66; 3. J. Wilhelm (Mon), 13.06; 4. Dalton (SC), 13.17; 5. C. Douglas (Map), 13.22; 6. Cloud (SP), 13.25.

800 relay: 1. Western Reserve (Bement, Buck, Bennett, Hall), 1:50.55; 2. South Central, 1:53.76; 3. Crestview, 1:54.83; 4. Mapleton, 1:54.93; 5. St. Paul, 1:55.18; 6. Monroeville, 1:59.23.

1600: 1. J. Douglas (Cr), 5:42.63; 2. Albright (WR), 5:43.44; 3. Myers (Map), 5:49.91; 4. Schwaderer (P), 5:55.57; 5. Allard (SP), 6:00.63; 6. Suvar (NL), 6:01.71.

400 relay: 1. Crestview (A. Thomas, Bader, Covert, H. Thomas), 52.17; 2. Monroeville, 52.50; 3. Western Reserve, 53.45; 4. South Central, 53.58; 5. St. Paul, 55.50; 6. Mapleton, 56.40.

400: 1. Hall (WR), 1:02.65; 2. Buck (WR), 1:04.07; 3. A. Thomas (Cr), 1:05.09; 4. C. Bollantz (Map), 1:05.89; 5. Prack (SP), 1:06.46; 6. Bungard (SP), 1:06.47.

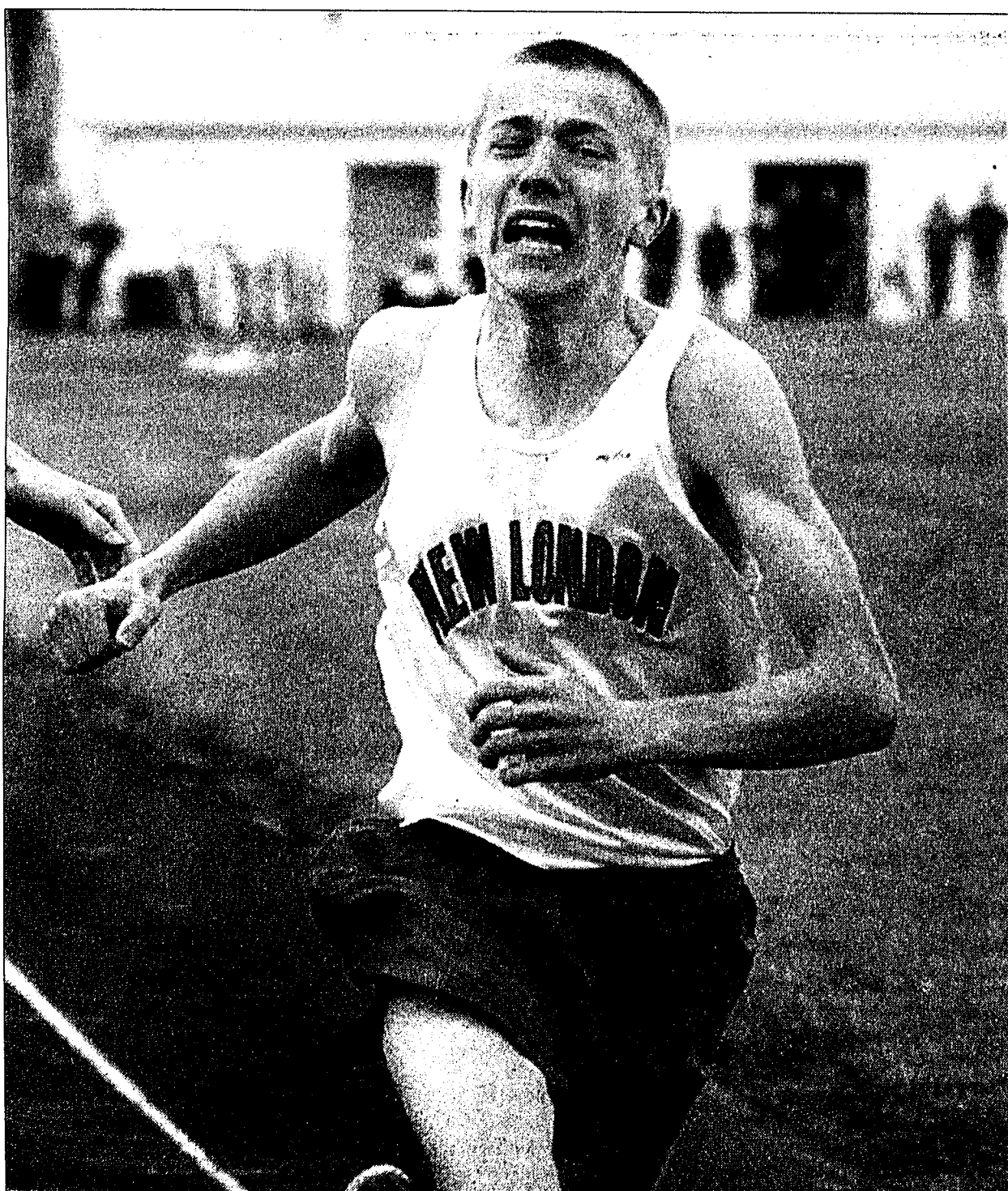
300 hurdles: 1. Bement (WR), 47.22; 2. C. Douglas (Map), 48.19; 3. Geretz (SP), 49.66; 4. Myers (Mon), 49.87; 5. Graziani (SP), 51.17; 6. Green (SC), 54.00.

800: 1. Honeycutt (SC), 2:29.80; 2. Wallace (WR), 2:34.47; 3. J. Bollantz (Map), 2:36.66; 4. J. Douglas (Cr), 2:38.27; 5. See (Cr), 2:38.28; 6. Geretz (SP), 2:39.57.

200: 1. Bader (Cr), 25.76; 2. Hall (WR), 27.00; 3. Dalton (SC), 27.91; 4. Willard (Map), 28.28; 5. Gahring (SC), 28.47; 6. Stuart (Cr), 28.77.

3200: 1. Geist (NL), 12:39.38; 2. Albright (WR), 12:47.52; 3. Allard (SP), 12:59.97; 4. Schwaderer (P), 13:06.75; 5. Yenni (Map), 13:27.37; 6. Davis (WR), 13:45.79.

1600 relay: 1. Western Reserve (Bement, Bennett, Wallace, Buck), 4:19.5; 2. Mapleton, 4:29.19; 3. St. Paul, 4:33.56; 4. Monroeville, 4:37.33; 5. Crestview, 4:41.95; 6. Plymouth, 5:05.39.



New London's Thomas Landis surges ahead in the 1600-meter run Saturday in the Firelands Conference meet. Landis finished second in the event.

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Crestview's numbers too much in FC league meet

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NEW LONDON — In the Firelands Conference boys meet, Crestview's numbers were just too much for the rest of the field.

The Cougars successfully defended their 2001 title, winning by 19 points over Monroeville, 115-96. Mapleton (73), St. Paul (71), New London (50), Plymouth (41), Western Reserve (37) and South Central (13) followed.

Two seniors, Monroeville's Tim Wise (track events) and Crestview's John Stuart (field events), were named the outstanding athletes.

Monroeville, who has never won a FC track championship, had closed to within three points of Crestview with five events left.

But that's when the Cougars' depth took over. Stuart, who had won the vault and the high hurdles earlier, became a triple winner by winning the 300-meter hurdles.

Although the Eagles countered in the 200 meter dash with a Tim Wise victory, his third to go with the long jump (21-0) and the 100 (11.10), the Eagles 10-0 point advantage still would not be enough for Bernie Yoder's team to overtake the Cougars.

Wise, who is considering Heidelberg this fall, was either all or part of 40 of Monroeville's 96 points. He was also the anchor runner of the winning 4x100 relay team. His brother, Nick, Mark Johnson and Zak Hancock ran the other legs.

"Had I not been out of events, I might have been able to get us some points in the 300-hurdles," Wise said. "I did as good as I could. We just came up a bit short."

Wise will be accepting his

eighth varsity letter this spring.

"It was somewhat of a surprise for us to be that close to a team with the kind of depth Crestview has," Yoder said. "But we returned some good athletes from the squad that finished fourth last year. Tim really had a great meet. That 22.7 he ran in the 200 preliminaries tied the school record."

Wise ran a 23.08 in the 200 finals.

Two other Monroeville boys claimed wins as Josh Perry won the shot with a fine 51-foot throw while Derek Sitterly (5-10) and Dan Wendt (5-8) gave the Eagles a 1-2 finish in the high jump.

New London boys had three firsts as Ben Kaufman won the 800 (2:04.78), Russ Roberts the 3200 (10:15.9) and the team of Kaufman, Roberts, Thom Landis and Zac Sendelbach won the 3200 relay (8:30.68).

St. Paul dropped out of contention, despite a win from Frank Linder in the discus at 159-5.

A runner-up finish in the 400 relay (45.73) with Matt Gross, Dan Coletta, Mark Prack and Sam Fries, running the legs, and the same spot in the 1600 relay (Joe Kromer, Fries, Jason Kurtz and Gross) would make its fourth place finish respectable.

Todd Pooch's Western boys team got a second from Mike Munroe in the 3200 (10:40.25) and a 2-3 finish in the discus from Josh Burgess (149-9 1/2) and Rod Dewalt (138-9).

Jordan Ray (3rd at 10-6 in the vault) and Jordan Lucal (3rd at 5-8 in the high jump) paced Jeff Ray's South Central team while sprinter Nick Keaton from Plymouth was

second in the 100 (11.42), 200 (23.36) and 400 (52.79).

The Division III district meet is being held Wednesday and Friday at Oak Harbor.

The complete results for the FC meet are listed below:

Team scores: Crestview 115, Monroeville 96, Mapleton 73, St. Paul 71, New London 50, Plymouth 41, Western Reserve 37, South Central 13.

3200 relay: 1. New London (Kaufman, Landis, Sendelbach, Roberts), 8:30.68; 2. Mapleton, 8:37.39; 3. Crestview, 8:49.50; 4. St. Paul, 8:58.44; 5. Western Reserve, 9:04.90; 6. Monroeville, 9:06.50.

Shot put: 1. Perry (M), 51-0; 2. Burns (Cr), 49-11; 3. Linder (SP), 49-11; 4. Beck (Cr), 47-10 1/2; 5. Lewis (P), 46-9; 6. Anderson (P), 46-5.

Pole vault: 1. Stuart (Cr), 11-6; 2. Pickering (NL), 11-0; 3. Ray (SC), 10-6; 4. White (NL), 10-0; 5. Dinger (Map), 10-0; 6. Myer (Map), 8-0.

Long jump: 1. T. Wise (Mon), 21-0; 2. Stuart (Cr), 20-2 1/2; 3. Sanders (Cr), 19-2; 4. Coletta (SP), 18-10 1/2; 5. VanDusen (Map), 18-7 3/4; 6. Johnson (Mon), 18-5 1/2.

High jump: 1. Sitterly (Mon), 5-10; 2. Wendt (Mon), 5-8; 3. Lucal (SC), 5-9; 4. Dearth (NL), 5-8; 5. Eldridge (Cr), 5-8; 6. Pond (Cr), 5-4.

110 hurdles: 1. Stuart (Cr), 15.83; 2. Eldridge (Cr), 17.05; 3. Coletta (SP), 17.91; 4. Vadoff (Mon), 18.09; 5. Pruitt (Mon), 18.43; 6. Coburn (SC), 18.47.

100: 1. T. Wise (Mon), 11.10; 2. Pickering (NL), 11-0; 3. Ray (SC), 10-6; 4. White (NL), 10-0; 5. Dinger (Map), 10-0; 6. Myer (Map), 8-0.

1600: 1. Bunt (Map), 4:51.25; 2. Landis (NL), 4:51.17; 3. Fitch (Cr), 4:51.25; 4. Schaffer (Mon), 4:58.04; 5. Reinman (Map), 5:00.87; 6. Kamm (NL), 5:08.04.

Discus: 1. Linder (SP), 159-5; 2. Burgess (WR), 149-9 1/2; 3. DeWalt (WR), 138-9; 4. Beck (Cr), 132-0; 5. Lewis (P), 129-1; 6. Dick (Cr), 127-8.

400 relay: 1. Monroeville (N. Wise, Johnson, Hancock, T. Wise), 44.98; 2. St. Paul, 45.73; 3. Crestview, 48.02; 4. Western Reserve, 48.38; 5. Mapleton, 48.49; 6. New London, 49.99.

400: 1. Ballinger (Map), 51.34; 2. Keaton (P), 52.79; 3. Koch (Mon), 52.84; 4. Gross (SP), 53.18; 5. Dellisanti (WR), 53.35; 6. Burns (Cr), 54.0.

300 hurdles: 1. Stuart (Cr), 40.08; 2. Myer (Map), 43.31; 3. Coletta (SP), 43.53; 4. Fries (SP), 43.58; 5. Tackett (Cr), 43.81; 6. Pruitt (Mon), 44.18.

800: 1. Kaufman (NL), 2:04.78; 2. Bunt (Map), 2:05.93; 3. Brennan (Cr), 2:06.81; 4. Nolan (WR), 2:09.28; 5. Kromer (SP), 2:09.45; 6. Myers (Map), 2:10.08.

200: 1. T. Wise (Mon), 23.08; 2. Keaton (P), 23.36; 3. Prack (SP), 23.37; 4. Ballinger (Map), 23.86; 5. Buckingham (WR), 24.23; 6. Myers (Map), 24.44.

3200: 1. Roberts (NL), 10:15.9; 2. Munroe (WR), 10:40.25; 3. Yost (Cr), 10:46.88; 4. Himmel (Map), 10:52.42; 5. Sendelbach (NL), 10:57; 6. Schaffer (Mon), 11:08.52.

1600 relay: 1. Mapleton (Myers, Campbell, Bunt, Ballinger), 3:35.67; 2. St. Paul, 3:36.70; 3. Crestview, 3:43.65; 4. New London, 3:46.01; 5. Monroeville, 3:46.67; 6. Western Reserve, 3:49.02.

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