



THIRD SECTION

Thursday, November 20, 1980

McQuaid Runners Place 2nd

One of their top performances of the season yielded only a second-place finish for McQuaid Jesuit High's cross-country runners last Saturday as the Knights closed out their travels in the annual Jesuit Championships in New York City.

Cheverus Prep of Portland, Maine, that state's champion, had too much front strength for the Knights to handle, posting a winning score of 37 to McQuaid's 56 in the 9-school field. "That's one of

the best sets of time and the tightest group we've had at Van Cortlandt Park since we started going down in '63," said Coach Bob Bradley, "so I don't feel bad about not winning."

Paul Dodd started McQuaid's group at 13:22 for the 2½ miles and finished fifth. Fellow senior P.K. Brimstein (11) came across in 13:33, juniors Mike Das (12) and Tom Warth (13) were right behind in 13:34-13:35, and sophomore Rennie Brimstein

(15) clocked 13:45.

That normally would have nailed down a decisive win in the Jesuit meet but not in the face of 1-3-4-6 blitz by Cheverus at the front of the

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field. "It was like running against Todd Lindsley (Penn Yan), Scott Bagely (East Rochester), Rick Dean (Greece Olympia) and Grant Whitney (Penfield) all on the same team," laughed Bradley. "No way are you going to beat them."

McQuaid's Varsity "B" squad topped the field in their race, led by soph Tom McGrath's winning 14:12 performance. Close behind were soph Joe Paonessa (4) and junior Dave Merle (5).

The Knights junior high squad ran second to Canisius of Buffalo, with eight-grader Chris Lyboldt completing an outstanding season in a fast 8:45 for the 1.65-mile course, good for third place. Freshmen Joe Amoroso (10) and Frank McLaughlin (11) and were the next Knights across.

"Chris is going to be a good one," said McQuaid junior high coach Steve Burnett. "He had never run before, and already he's matching the 9th grade times of some of our best runners from past years."

A week earlier, Lyboldt had missed a turn in his race at Eisenhower College, leaving

with a good 17:12 time for the 3-mile Veterans Day meet course. Paonessa and Merle also had good days, finishing first and third respectively in the soph and junior divisions.

McQuaid's varsity, representing Section 5 in the intersectional meet the same day on Long Island, placed a creditable fifth of 11 "A" schools, being edged by Kingston and Hauppauge for third place honors behind Mepham and Suffern.

"We had excellent races from Das (38th) and Dodd (43rd) and a good one from P.K. (59th), but our group spread out to 45 seconds, which is too much in that tough a field," was Bradley's appraisal of his team's showing. "That was the first State meet for all of them. Next year we hope to go back with four veterans and do better."

Pittsford Rec Sets Swap Shop

Dec. 6 the annual Pittsford Recreation Department Ski and Skate Swap Shop will be held at the Lincoln Avenue