

Handicapped as Child,  
Now Plays Nine Sports



**JIM HUFFORD**, the Park School student who recovered from three serious foot operations to become an all-around athlete, studies a glass-slid specimen in a biology class.

Park School Star  
Faces Heavy Day  
In Baseball, Track

By **BOB FEENEY**  
 Jimmy Hufford couldn't walk for the first five years of his life. But this week-end, the 18-year-old Park School of Buffalo, N. Y., will catch two 7-inning baseball games and compete in a track meet all within a little more than 24 hours.

Hufford's athletic marathon will start Friday at 4 P. M. when Park entertains Lakemont at Snyder in a Conference of Upstate Private Schools ball game.

Saturday at 10 A. M. at Nichols School in Buffalo he'll represent Park in the high jump, pole vault and 220-yard dash against De-Veaux Military School of Niagara Falls, St. Charles of Detroit—coached by Buffalo's Ted Grenda—and Nichols. In the afternoon, at 4, he'll again catch when Park plays Gow of South Wales in a non-league game at Snyder.

What's more, he's a left-handed catcher. He batted .350 last season. "Before I was two years old," Hufford said Tuesday, "I had three operations to correct a tight heel cord in my right foot. I wore a cast for three years. Now, except for a slight limp when I'm tired, you'd never know . . ."

Hufford, who lives in 176 Cleveland Drive, Buffalo, and formerly in Tonawanda, is the son of a Pinehurst, N. C. hotel owner, Mercer C. Hufford. The other Hufford boy, 16-year-old Joel C., is all-New England State hockey goalie at Berkshire School in Shrewsbury, Mass.

Jimmy seems prouder brother than of his own accomplishments. A handsome foot, 170-pounder, Jim backed Park's undefeated football team last Fall and was second highest scorer in SUPS. He also rides horse, swims and plays soccer, tennis, badminton. Not to mention playing the trumpet and singing in school chorus.

Someday, he hopes to own a hotel of his own.

**SHORTIES**—Angola has decided to add football to its curriculum. . . . Myron Cole, all-star guard in the Southern County Basketball League, is coming in basketball. . . . Don, star right-hander for Amherst last year, has pitched three games for the Fordham Freshmen, . . . Terry Check, one of Park School's three baseball pitchers, has gained 25 pounds since September.

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Senior Officers at Park School



Officers of the Park School senior class, which was graduated at exercises yesterday at the school in Snyder are, seated, Fred G. Carl, president, left, and John H. McCowell, vice-president. Standing, same order, are Peter J. Posmantur, secretary, and Daniel K. Sowers, treasurer.