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ATHLETICS.

The High School Field Day Games.

Yesterday was field day for the athletic association of the Detroit high school, and a representative crowd of students and ladies witnessed the sports. The entries were not as numerous as they have been in some years, yet the racing was spirited in the sprint as well as in the middle distance run. The recorded time reflects creditably on the efforts of the boys in the line of athletics, and there is little question that with skillful handling and the advantages of a university some of them will make valuable acquisitions to college teams of the future.

Nearly all of the events were handicaps, and following the established programme the day's sport opened with the 100-yard dash. The eight entries necessitated two heats, and Harry Mers scratch found his handicap too much to beat W. Kittleman (1 yards, who won easily by two yards, with Gardner (2 yards) last. Kittleman is one of the famous family, a brother of Jim K. Kittleman, the pole-vaulter. The time of the second heat was a splendid contest between J. Davis (2 yards) and G. Davis (3 yards). Davis got away from Humphrey, the other scratch man, and led for seventy yards, when Symington overhauled him and in a fine finish beat him a foot. Dibble (scratch) failed to show. Kittleman and Symington faced the tape in the final, Symington led for thirty yards, when Kittleman nailed him, and it was easy for him to win by three yards. Time, 10 4-5.

In the half-mile run five started, but the race was between F. Mers (scratch) and W. M. Roberts (15 yards). Hayes (20 yards), Holmes (25 yards) and Allen (12 yards) were never in it. Through his allowance, Roberts led all the way, but Mers ran a pretty race and was only beaten at the finish by a fair time.

The 120-hurdle race was productive of good time, G. S. Benson winning handily from the scratch in 17 seconds from H. Mers, who was penalized 5 yards. Dibble quit at the ninth hurdle.

The quarter-mile run brought out four, Benson with 7 yards having the greatest allowance and running his race to win handily, Roberts at the scratch had evidently to sprint in the stretch and was by two yards from Humphrey (3 yards), Dennis (scratch) third. McArthur (4 yards) did not finish.

In the field events the ninth grade beat the eleventh handily in the tug of war. Davis, the anchor, scoring a yard on the pull. Avery for Mers was the pole vault winner, his jump of 7 feet 6 inches. The running high jump went to Mers, who was three inches better than any of the others, there being four competitors.

There were four bicycle events on the programme, starting with the quarter-mile, which was a heat race. In the first heat Carson certainly had the best of it, and in the first heat had his chain snapped on the last turn, allowing Carson and Keesler to go by him. Carson won but Keesler claimed he fouled him in carrying him out at the head of the stretch. Duffie went away best in the second heat and had no trouble in beating Davis. The final was a hot race on the second lap, Carson and Duffie coming to a close second, with Keesler ten yards. Keesler, to a finish, carried Carson out on the turn in such an open way that the judges gave Carson second.

The combination bicycle and running race was declared off on account of Dibble injuring himself in the hurdle race. In the mile bicycle there were three starters in Keesler, Duffie and Carson (25 yards). Scratches beat with Dibblein was a fourth behind Carson, then around and on the backstretch went to the front, wheeling handily, while Carson beat Keesler out for the place.

The five mile race was a dreary procession and at entirely too great a distance to elicit any interest. Dibblein won by a quarter scratch, covering his miles in 2:05, 6:06, 9:30, 11:28 and 14:22 1-5. Keesler beat Carson out for the place. Keesler won the slow race, bicycle, with Carson second, the others all giving it up.

The officers of the games were as follows: Referee, Dunbar Ford; clerk of course, Ed L. Sanderson, Jr.; starter, S. C. Clark, of course, Ed L. Sanderson, Jr.; assistants, Emanuel Hegger, H. H. Allen, Chas. H. H. K.; H. Coy Gibbins, H. A. C.; judges, Archie Meadam, D. A. C.; Chas. Ammerdo, D. A. C.; Fred. C. F. Adams, D. H. S.; timers, Dale, Beath, D. A. C.; Van Lent, D. A. C.; scorers and measurers, Fred. Hayes, D. H. S.; H. Wright, D. H. S.; announcers, A. H. Wright, D. H. S.; W. C. Boynton, D. H. S. Following are the summaries:

100-yard dash—First heat: W. Kittleman (1 yards, won; H. Mers (scratch), second; time, 10 4-5 seconds. Second heat: J. Symington (2 yards), won; G. Davis (3 yards), second; time, 10 4-5 seconds. Final heat: Kittleman won, Symington second; time, 10 4-5 seconds.

120-yard hurdle—G. S. Benson (scratch), won; H. Mers (5 yards penalty), second; time, 17 seconds.

440-yard run—G. S. Benson (7 yards), won; R. Humphrey (3 yards), second; time, 58 1-5 seconds.

880-yard run—W. M. Roberts (15 yards), won; F. Mers (scratch), second; time, 2:12 3-5.

One-mile bicycle—First heat: H. Carson won, W. H. Keesler second; time, 37 3-5. Second heat: G. M. Duffie won, G. Davis second; time, 37 1-5. Final heat: Duffie won, Carson second; time, 36 4-5. Keesler disqualified for fouling.

Two-mile bicycle—W. Baldwin (scratch), won; H. Carson (25 yards), second; time, 2:38.

Five-mile run—W. Baldwin (scratch) won, H. Keesler (325 yards) second; time, 14:22 1-5.

100-yard bicycle, slow race—W. H. Keesler won, H. Carson second; time, 2:45.

Combination run and bicycle—Dwelland off.

Running high jump—H. Mers (scratch) won, 5 ft. 1 in.; G. Davis second, 4 ft. 10 in.

Pole vault—H. Mers (scratch) won, 9 ft.; G. Gardner (1 in.) second, 8 ft. 6 in.; J. Kroll (8 in.) third, 8 ft.

Tug of war—Ninth grade, Avery anchor, Murray, Myers, Wood, Thaler, won by 2 ft. in 1½ min. from the eleventh grade; Stahl anchor, Davis, Nichol, Pelton, Abeth.

THE BALL GAME.

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