

### CENTRAL'S TEAM SELECTED FOR THE BIG TRACK MEETS

Jack Collins is Satisfied That He Has a Winning Squad in His Game Little Band of Athletes This Year—Team Looks Strong in All Events but the Broad Jump and Hammer.

After many weeks of toil and worry, during which time he has faced situations that would have rendered any other man with less spirit to become discouraged long before this, Coach Collins has brought his Central high school track athletes to a state of perfection that he is highly elated with and he is ready for any trials that may be put up in the big "struggles" that rapidly are approaching.

From a crowd of green boys, having two who had some experience on the slender path previously, the arduous and weighty task of upholding the honor of the Blue and White as well as any of the records "sports ever have done."

When one stops to consider what the season was when Collins first took sport of it and what it is capable of doing now, one must credit cannot be bestowed on the shoulders of the quiet and fatigued fellow who guides the athletic drudgery of the lads who seek athletic and mental strengthening in the class average knowledge dispensary.

Collins Was Patient. Patient work and lots of it has been required of Collins, but the rapid development which responded to his careful coaching is highly gratifying and there has never pleased man anywhere than he. It was when that Collins believes that he has secured the best team's chances to land the honors in the big events at Lansing and Ann Arbor.

The coach now comes out willingly with the prediction that Central would not surprise him if the high school team brought home the laurels he has placed his faith in. And from all outward appearances it is logical to assume that Collins' predictions should be well taken care of in all of their outdoor practice. Central's team, however, is reported this year by one of the best informed

members in the history of the school, occasionally strong in the sprint and hurdles, as well as the mile distance runs. Many attempts to discover point winners in the other standard events, and it appears that he has anteceded. For the first time in years Central can count on a pole vaulter who should place high up in the event.

For the first time, Collins, and I will take you to Lansing if I have to pay your expenses out of my own pocket," said Collins yesterday when the boys were calling the stick in the wind. Chaffield will go to Lansing. The lad took the pole measure in distance and sailed over the bar with ease and grace.

"That will be enough today, Chaffield," Collins told him, and the boy was allowed to leave for the showers.

"Just watch that bar," remarked the coach; "hell do it if feet before the spike is out or I miss my guess."

Chaffield didn't appear to put any effort in his run and he cleared the bar by nearly six inches. For that reason it would seem that the feat is not a mere dream of Collins'.

However, it is unlikely that the coach is looking for the best work and majority of points. The alleged captain is running like the wind and is bound to make trouble for his opponents. In the quarter-mile and probably the mile, though the latter event will be passed out if the lad shows fatigue from his efforts in his two other starts.

Much Depends on Bruce. Bruce is another who will bear watching. Nearly every day on the track he is seen practicing. He is a C. The boy is negotiating the century in 1:35, and the coach believes he will go fully two seconds better on the last level tracks at Lansing and Ann Arbor in the hurdlers. He is not so well equipped as he is in the hands of Chambers and Tillson, but of this trio Collins' favorite over the sticks should be well taken care of.

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Lumley expects still look after the quarter-mile with Holland or Williams to accompany him in the mile. It will be Dow or Wallace, with the coach, and in the mile, if Collins decides to send Lumley out, he is expected to be in the line.

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Points in the high jump are increased to Chambers, who has been consistently doing 5 feet 3 inches indoors. Chambers ought to be good for at least 6 feet 3 inches in the field, and that is a considerable better than the winners in the high jump of the last two years have done.

Broad Jumpers are Weak. It is in the broad jump that Central looks weakest. Thus far none of the boys have been able to do better than 15 feet, which hardly will get anything against the best the state schools have to offer. But Collins is hopeful for something better.

Last year James Craig had trouble doing 15 feet in practice, but in the meet at Lansing and again at Ann Arbor the little fellow counted with a leap of better than 21 feet.

Hillock looks like a winner in the shot-put. For weeks past he has been throwing the ball in the neighborhood of 28 feet, and that is going to center the strain of the shot-put.

What impresses Collins most in the shot-put, with which the boys are not so well equipped, is the fact that a "yellow" lad in the bunch, and if Central is better it will not be because its representatives didn't give the best they had.

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