

# 85th Division Track Meet Is Won By 337th Infantry

## THE SCORE.

Team.	Points.
337th Infantry .....	16
339th Infantry .....	12
338th Infantry .....	11
310th F. S. Battalion .....	9
340th Infantry .....	6
330th Field Artillery .....	6
310th Engineers .....	4
329th Field Artillery .....	1

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CAMP CUSTER, May 2.—In a meet of thrills and exciting contests the 337th Infantry won the 85th Division track and field meet held Wednesday on the parade grounds. The athletics of the 337th were closely pressed by the men of the 339th Infantry, made up largely of Detroiters. It was not until the last event was finished that the winner could be definitely determined.

Scott Burke, formerly of the

Western State Normal school competed in both the 100 yard dash and running broad jump but failed to place in either event. He ran second in his preliminary heat in the dash but in the final got a poor start and never had a chance. In the broad jump he was unable to get his takeoff properly and failed to qualify for the finals. Another athlete known to Kazoo fans was Rod McKenzie, formerly of Grand Rapids Central. McKenzie competed in the dash with the same result as Burke.

## THE RUNNING BROAD.

The running broad jump brought forth some pretty competition and Bielby won the event on his last leap. In the high jump Hansen, a former Traverse City high school star, now sergeant in the 337th Infantry, and Kennedy of the 339th Infantry, went to a tie, after an exhibition that brought forth more enthusiasm from the spectators than ever heard evoked by a field event. Hansen also won the 12 pound shot put with a mark of 44 feet 9½ inches.

The most exciting competition of the day was the two hundred yard obstacle relay. Of course, this is an event not to be found in interscholastic programs but it provides more sport than any college event ever put on exhibition. It was run over the bayonet course adjoining the Liberty theatre. Eight men made up a team and the shuttle process of running was followed. The first man started from the bottom of a six-foot trench, ran 20 yards to a five-foot barrier, leaped across a wide ditch, sprinted 30 yards to another six-foot trench, jumped to the bottom of the trench, then out again and over a two-foot hurdle, then to the bottom of another trench and finally along a straightaway to the finish. Here his team mate took up the race reversing the course.

## INVOLVES ENDURANCE.

This kind of a race involves more all around endurance and strength than any track or field contest ever staged in an interscholastic meet. It awakened more enthusiasm than any other event of the day. Two preliminary heats were run off and when the finals were staged the rooters from the units, contesting set up a bedlam that would have given the Kaiser a chill. By winning this event the 339th Infantry could have tied for first place in the meet but the gunners of the 330th Field Artillery took first place and the Detroiters were only able to get fourth.

About ten thousand soldiers and several hundred spectators witnessed the sport. Brigadier General Penn was referee of the meet while Colonel Caples, of the 310th Engineers, Major Daley and Major Bussche were among the officials.

## NO GUN ON HAND.

An odd incident occurred at the start of the meet. With several thousand soldiers present, including men from practically every branch of the army, it was impossible to find a gun to start the dash men with and the meet was delayed some twenty minutes while the soldiers rustled up a shooting iron.

Considering the fact that athletes compete in complete regulation military equipment, with the exception of leggings, the records made were remarkable. A man who jump five feet and better, with a pair of heavy army shoes is doing mighty well and the same can be said of an athlete who covers better than nineteen feet in the broad jump under the same conditions.

## THE SUMMARIES.

100 yard dash—1st, Blsowski, 339th Infantry; 2nd, Pifer, 310th F. S. Battalion; 3rd, Bielby, 337th Infantry. (No fourth place awarded.) Time, 11 2-5 seconds.

12 pound shot put—1st, Hansen, 337th Infantry (44 feet 9½ inches); 2nd, Walls, 338th Infantry (43 feet 1-4 inch); 3rd, Nott, 310th F. S. Battalion (43 feet 3 inches); 4th, Sheedy, 329th Field Artillery (40 feet 3 inches).

Running broad jump—1st Bielby, 337th Infantry (19 feet 3 inches); 2nd, Gleason, 338th Infantry (19 feet 1 inch); Murray, 310th Engineers (18 feet 5 inches); Soper, 310th F. S. Battalion (17 feet 10 inches).

Running high jump—1st Hansen, 337th Infantry, and Kennedy, 339th Infantry, tied at 5 feet 1 inch; 3rd, Baker, 338th Infantry; 4th, Englor, 340th Infantry.

Stretcher race—(Two men carrying a third over a one-hundred yard course); 1st, 340th Infantry, (Miles, Eckley and Stoop); 2nd, 310th F. S. Battalion; 3rd, 339th Infantry; 4th, 330th Field Artillery. Time, 17 seconds.

200-yard obstacle race—1st, 330th Field Artillery (Conlon, Kemp, Oberhossen, Kelly, Lagroue, Berry, Shields and Robie); 2nd, 338th Infantry; 3rd, 310th Engineers; 4th, 339th Infantry.