

Benton Harbor Wins In Class A Tourney

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East Lansing high school's doughty band of Trojan Warriors successfully defended the Class B track and field championship of the lower peninsula yesterday afternoon as some 700 high school boys paraded through the 35th annual meet over the Michigan State college track at East Lansing.

The Blue and White clad youngsters scored 35 points to trounce out Three Rivers which finished with 32 1/2 points.

Benton Harbor was the track championship in taking the Class A honor with 30 points. The more than 3000 boys could score. St. Clair County of South Lake finally cracked through to win a Class C title with a total of 42 points, the only decisive victory in the meet. The Cavaliers have five times been runner-up in this meet. Inlay City was second with 24.

Bath Nosed Out

High school track champions caused by only 1-3 points of advantage the Class D title it won in 1940. Bath Lake scored 13 points in Class D. The new champion did not fight the class on one other occasion in 1938.

Bert Coppinger a new man fast enough to wear Mercury's wig.

There was a one-man show in helping Benton Harbor to its Class A title. In the 100-yard dash, Coppinger won the first place and anchored the 4x100 relay team to personally account for 35 points of his team's total. In winning the 100, 200 yard races he made a record of 1:08.4 and set the 100 yard record. In the 200 yard race he won the century event.

There were five meet records established and a sixth was equaled. The best performance by the track was of 144 that Jackson's Horse Smith made in the 220-yard high hurdles. Smith broke the mark of 147 made by Ford State of Flint Centre in 1938.

In the trials Smith ran the race against the wind in 1:47, only to better it in the afternoon.

Ray Dygett of East Lansing, accounting for the only Class B meet when he cleared 22 ft. 5 in. in the meet made of 11 ft. 1 1/2 in. made by Cliff of River Rouge seven days ago.

Dygett shared the East Lansing team's individual honor with Bob Miller who was the only double winner in Class B with victories in both the 50-yard dash and the 220.

Two records fell in Class C. Marshall Fern of Flint Hoover did the 100 in 4:15.8 and Stanley Boy of Cambridge cleared the pole over 8 ft. 2 1/2 in. in the new standard. Fern cleared the pole over 8 ft. 2 1/2 in. in the Class D broad jump with a mark of 20 ft. 11 1/2 in. The record equalled was the 5 ft. 11 1/2 in. high jump of Bill Dale of Wayne in Class B. He shares it with Wayne Wamboldt of St. Joseph, who was a double and double in the Michigan State in his college days.

Best Splitter Wins

Sharing top honors with Dygett for the East Lansing team were Wayne Lester and Jim Harbour who placed second and third respectively in the broad jump. The Trojan band leader in the Class B race by finishing second to the finish. Three through almost of the finish. Three runners together, Harbour Harry Pulver was runner, Harbour Harry Pulver, who placed the East Lansing relay four.

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Nelson Runners of the Michigan

Runners for the Blue placed fourth in the Class D 200-yard race, finishing second to the finish. Inlay City, the runner-up, finished fifth. Lee Egan, who anchored for Lansing Central's best score of the afternoon, was the 440-yard entry finishing fourth in his race. Eastern failed to tally a single point.

Tommy Poole of Onondaga placed the three points that he finished fourth. The runner-up, Inlay City, finished second in the Class C 800-yard dash.

TIGERS BACK IN 4TH PLACE

Smith's Wild Pitch Beats White Sox, 1-0; Gorsica Handicuff Foe

DETROIT, May 24 (AP)—Lefty Ed-Saw Smith's wild pitch with the bases loaded and two out in the ninth inning gave the Detroit Tigers a 1-0 victory today over the Chicago White Sox and knocked the American League champions back into fourth place.

Smith had two strikes on Johnny Gorsica, his mound opponent, when the sharp curve skidded. Catcher Mike Tresh and Rudy York galloped home with the game's lone run. The White Sox outdugged played nine hits, while Gorsica, limiting Chicago to seven permitted only one runner to advance beyond first base.

While winning the fourth game of the year against two defeats, Gorsica extended Chicago's string of unbeaten innings to 20. It was Smith's second defeat against four victories.

Gorsica, bean expert of the league, was hit by Chicago catcher Mike Tresh while he waited for his teammate to get him at bat. After he had hit, he was hit by the Sox to three hits as he followed up his fourth pitching performance against Boston last time out.

"I really wanted to win that one," Gorsica said in the clubhouse after the game. "Those White Sox are tough bench jockeys and it's quite a thrill to make them eat their words."

Gets Out at Mile

He had for a moment of his triumph the ball that Smith threw away. With York clearing toward the plate, Tresh retrieved the bounding ball 20 feet behind the plate and fired it in the general direction of Smith, who was covering. But the ball struck York and Gorsica bounced on it for a souvenir.

Detroit had led the game when York walked. Finlay Higgins singled after Bruce Campbell fanned, and Frankie Crocher was passed intentionally after Eddie Tabor's foul fly behind first.

With the aid of smart defensive play, Smith muffed Crocher all the way into the ninth. In the ninth he fanned Crocher with the bases bunched, and in the sixth he accepted surreptitiously while bunting is in the broad jump. The Trojan team proved to be the decisive factor in the Class B race by finishing second to the finish. Three through almost of the finish. Three runners together, Harbour Harry Pulver was runner, Harbour Harry Pulver, who placed the East Lansing relay four.

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QUAKER GOLF TEAM DEFEATS BEARCATS

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Calk... 4	Wright... 1
Smyth... 4	Wright... 1
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