TRACK

Came the spring of 1944, and there appeared around the school a number of muscle-sore boys, and when asked by a wondering lowerclassman, "What's the matter?" a gruff "Track, you dope!" convinced the unfortunate underclassman that he was not in favor with that particular trackman.

When the first call for track was given, Coach Fred Goodell found on his team the following lettermen back from last year: Morris Hill, captain, Larry Fuller, Mason Thomas, Harold Townsend, Ray Martin, Jack McKeough, Laurel Newton, and Boyd Bolton.

Boys who showed promise before the season opened were Henry Adler, Tom Dolan, Philip Frandsen, and a number of others.

In their first meet with Battle Creek Central on Thursday, April 20, the Bearcats romped all over the Saxons by defeating them 74-30 This defeat came mainly through the efforts of Jack Hampton, versatile track and fieldman for Battle Creek, who took firsts in all four events in which he participated.

Tom Dolan and Harold Townsend were high-point men for Hastings with 8 and 7 points respectively. Henry Adler took the only first for Hastings in the 880-yard sprint. The score, however, doesn't denote the true story of the meet, for in every event the Bearcats were pushed to the limit.

Battle Creek-Hastings

120 H.H. Hampton (B.C.) 1st; Dolan (H) 2nd; Hill (H) 3rd.; 16.8 100 yd. Kelly (B.C.) 1st; Townsend (H) 2ad; Smith (B.C.) 3rd.; 1.06 1 mile. Larson (B.C.) 1st; Berry (H) 2nd; Squires (B.C.) 3rd. 5:10.6 440 Knapp (B.C.) 1st; Goretzka (B.C.) 2nd; Martin (H) 3rd. :54.9 200 L.H. Galli (B.C.) 1st: Holder (B.C.) 2nd; Thomas (H) 3rd. :26.3 220 Kelly (B.C.) 1st; Smith (B.C.) 2nd; Frandsen (H) 3rd. :23.8 880 Adler (H) 1st; Huskin (B.C.) 2nd; Alday (B.C.) 3rd. 2:14.3 880 yd. relay won by Battle Creek 1:41.3 Pole vault Hampton (B.C.) 1st; Wensloff (H) 2nd; Rickert (B.C.) 3rd. 10'6" Shot Neate (B.C.) 1st; Smart (B.C.) 2nd; Dolan (H) 3rd. 44'3" R. H. J. Hampton (B.C.) 1st; Dolan (H) 2nd; Townsend (H) 3rd. 5'8" R. B. J. Hampton (B.C.) 1st; Townsend (H) 2nd; Dolan (H) 3rd. 19'314"

On April 27, the Saxons journeyed to Charlotte where they were handed a very close 53½-50½ setback by the Orioles. The Saxons were in the fight and leading by 4 points when the last event, the 880-yard relay, was started. Charotte took the relay and thus nosed out the valiant Saxons. Tom Dolan took 17 points for his team, placing first in the the broad jump and shotput, tying for first in the high jump, and taking second in the 120-yard high hurdles. Cheney was high for Charlotte with 13.

Charlotte H. H. S.

120 H.H. Hill (H) 1st; Dolan (H) 2nd; Weymouth (C) 3rd. :17.2 100 yd. Cheney (C, 1st; Townsend (H) 2nd; Thomas (H) 3rd. :10.5 1 mile Zimmerlee (C) 1st; Mohre (C) 2nd; Fullerton (C) 3rd. 5:12.3 440 Royston (C) 1st; Martin (C) 2nd; Gies (H) 3rd. :57.7. 200 L. H. Hill (H) 1st; Weymouth (C) 2nd; Fuller (H) 3rd. :28.1. 220 Cheney (C) 1st; Hicks (C) 2nd; Frandsen (H) 3rd. :25.4. 880 Pray (C) 1st; Acler (H) 2nd; Krussell (C) 3rd. 2:18. 880 yd. relay won by Charlotte 1:43, Pole Vault Mohre (C) 1st; Hicks (C) 2nd; Wensloff (H) 3rd. 9'0". R. H. J. Dolan (H) and Townsend (H) tie for 1st; Stebbins (H) and Mohre (C) tied for 3rd. 5'2". R. B. J. Dolan (H) 1st; Cheney (C) 2nd; Townsend (H) 3rd. 18'4". Shot Dolan (H) 1st; Ayers (H) 2nd; Frandsen (H) 3rd. 3'92"

In the Kalamazoo State High meet the Saxons defeated their opponents for their first victory of the season by the score of 53½-50½. Dolan again sparked his team mates being high-point man for both teams with 17 points.

State High-H. H. S.

120 H.H. Hill (H) 1st; Dolan (H) 2nd; McKenney (K) 3rd. :17.0 100 yd. Lawrence (K) 1st; Ryan (K) 2nd; Townsend (H) 3rd. :10.6 1 mile Upjon (K) 1st; Matur (K) 2nd; Steinback (H) 3rd. 5:20.6 440 Anderson (K) 1st; Tompson(K) 2nd; Martin (H) 3rd. :57.0 200 L. H. Williams (K) 1st; Hill (H) 2nd; Fuller (H) 3rd. :23.8 220 Lawrence (K) 1st; Ryan (K) 2nd; Townsend (H) 3rd. :24.5 880 Adler (H) 1st; Dunn (K) 2nd; Schantz (H) 3rd. 2:16.4 880 yd. relay won by State High Kalamazoo 1:41 Pole Vault Wensloff (H) 1st; Dorgair (K) 2nd; Bolton (H) 3rd; 8'6" Shot Dolan (H) 1st: Frandsen (H) 2nd; Echtinaw (H) 3rd. 40'3" R. H. J. Dolan (H) and Townsend (H) tied for 1st 5'6". Thomas (H) and Williams (K) tied for 3rd.

The regional meet at East Grand Rapids concluded the schedule for this season.