

Tracksters Down Owosso Squad Win Invitational Meet As Rifenburg Stars

Trampling over the Owosso thin-clads, Arthur Hill's track squad romped to victory April 18 when they defeated the Owosso team 72½ to 31½ in the first track meet of the Valley season.

Dick Rifenburg was the high point man for both squads when he won the high and low hurdles and the shot putt and placed second in the high jump for a total of 18 points.

The star performance of the meet however, was the record breaking high jump of George Osborn. George jumped 6 feet 2 inches to break the record of the Owosso field in that event. The former record was held by Willie Hamilton of Flint Northern last year. Rifenburg was second in the event with a leap of 5 feet 8 inches. He made a shot putt of 14 feet 2 inches to take first in that event and did the low hurdles in 25.3 seconds.

In the mile Howard Koepelin dashed to victory in 5:01.5 minutes while two other Hillites, Norbert Minnski and Ken Brochtlshauer were second and third, respectively. The 440-yard run found Jim Peters first in 58.7 seconds and Dick Gibbs came in second. The half-mile was won by Clarence Radewahn in 2:15 minutes.

Dean Oosterhout was second for points earned by placing first in the 100-and 220-yard dashes. Gerald McCoy, the outstanding sophomore out this year, won the broad jump with 19 feet 6 inches and placed second in the 100. Owosso won only two victories in the pole vault and in the relay against a Hill sophomore team.

Although they took only one first in eleven events, the Lumberjacks cedar group captured the first place position in the annual River Rouge invitational indoor high school track meet at Ann Arbor with 27½ points.

George Osborn came through again by breaking the only record in the meet with a high jump of 6 feet 4 inches. The old record was 5 feet, 11½ established in 1941. Pontine was second in the meet with 22½ points while Ann Arbor and Ferndale tied for third with 22 points each.

Arthur Hill made most of their points by winning five seconds in addition to the first captured by Osborn. Rifenburg was second in both of the hurdle events being beaten by Campbell from Monroe. Dean Oosterhout placed second in the 60-yard dash and

sixth in the low hurdles while Howard Koepelin was second in the mile and the Hill relay team tied for third in the 880-yard relay.

Herb Speerstra of Saginaw High won the 440-yard and Barnes Hall was fourth in the medley relay but Saginaw High was seventh in the meet with 16½ points.

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