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# One-Man Track Star Is All Done At Michigan State

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EAST LANSING -(U.P.)- Freddy

Johnson, Michigan State's "one man track team," refuses to believe that a torn Achilles tendon has ended his brilliant cinder career.

One of the nation's most versatile tracksters, the lithe Negro speedster still had high hopes today of starring in the 1952 Olympics.

"I'd give anything to finish out my last year at State, but this cast on my leg sort of says no," he said. "I'm not giving up though, for there's still the Olympics to aim at."

The "big gun" in State's drive to national track during the last four years, Johnson has copped IC4A, NCAA and AAU honors in the broad jump, sprints and hurdle events.

Two weeks ago the Spartan workhorse equaled the American 60-yard low hurdle record in the Purdue relays before injuring himself in the shuttle timber event.

Johnson has proved nearly a sure bet for 15 points a meet this season. He is sure to be missed in the Spartans "headliner" with Southern California and Yale at Los Angeles April 29.

The Olympics are a special goal for Johnson now that his cinder career is in a doubtful state. It is the one major track event in which he has failed to shine.

## Missed Olympics

Johnson missed the Olympic boat in 1948 along with such other "hard luck" stars as distanceman Gil

Dodds and shot putter Charlie Fonville when he fouled out in the broad jump trials.

Johnson skyrocketed to fame when he won the broad jump in the 1946 Penn relays as an unattached Marine. He had to borrow a pair of track shoes to enter and was even surprised himself when he won.

When Johnson started at State he thought he was too slow to compete in any thing but the broad jump. But Spartan Coach Karl Schlademan quickly developed him into a star hurdler and dash man.

This year the amazing Grand Rapids, Mich., trackster took up high jumping for the first time and cleared six feet with ease despite the fact that he is only five-foot seven.

## Mulloy Advances In Good Neighbor Play

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. -(U.P.)- Top-seeded Gardner Mulloy of Miami and Gustavo Palofox, the top-seeded foreign entry, today occupied berths in the third round of the Good Neighbor tennis tournament.

Fred Kovaleski, Hamtramck, was another victor in yesterday's second round.

Mulloy advanced by defeating V. Devries of Cuba, 6-0, 6-0, yesterday and was joined by Palofox, who dumped Roland McCurry of the University of Miami, 6-3, 6-1.