

Saginaw Track Team Favored To Retain River Rouge Title

ANN ARBOR — (P)— Saginaw high's strong track team is favored to resume as king of the state's class A schools in the 12th annual River Rouge Relays today.

The Saginaw cindermen won the title five straight times before Flint Northern snapped the string last year.

96 Schools Entered

A total of 96 schools are sending more than 1,000 tracksters into the huge prep meet in the University of Michigan's Yost field house.

Flint Northern, shorn by gradu-

THREE LOCAL TEAMS

Three Battle Creek and area track teams are entered in the annual Rouge Relays. Battle Creek high will compete in class A while Marshall and Albion of the Twin Valley league have entered in class B. Marshall finished seventh in its last two appearances in the crowded meet.

ation of most of the stars that brought about the upset of Saginaw last year, faces the next to impos-

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LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(U.P.)—Weather permitting, the Detroit Tigers will attempt today to sharpen their claws on minor league opposition for the American league opener

sible task of repeating against a field of 19 "A" schools.

Plymouth, the class B champion, will struggle against a 33-team field and C-D champion Dundee will be opposed by a bulky field of 41 schools.

The Saginaw Valley, perennially strong in the cinder sport, sends another contender in Saginaw Arthur Hill. Saginaw walloped the Hillites 63-28 a week ago but the Hillites are reported coming along fast.

Most observers feel that Saginaw's Valley champions, coached by Herb Korf, have too much talent and balance to be headed off. Art Liles, versatile high hurdler and high jumper, Lee King, an excellent prep shot putter who throws from a near stationary position, miler Tom Fry and the fine 440 trio of Dick Conley, Morey Woods and Charlie Garrett help back up the opinion.

Arthur Hill, which claims an 11-foot pole vaulter in Bob Dust, good shot putter Carl Diener and hurdler Jerry Birnbaum, figures to make some impression.

Ann Arbor Set

In addition, meet question marks are posed by such class "A" schools as Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Jackson, Detroit area schools and others.

Preliminaries in the meet, sponsored by River Rouge high with the cooperation of University of Michigan, get under way at 1 p. m.

Michigan track coach Don Canham, meet director, plans to have the field cut down to size by 4:30 at which time the sprint medley relays finals in all three classes will begin.

The balance of the finals will be held in the evening session, with field events starting things off at 6 p. m.

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