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Marquette, Houghton And Pickford Cop Track Titles

Casey Fails In Bid For Record But Posts Win

MARQUETTE—The Marquette Redmen upset the dope book here Saturday to capturing the Upper Peninsula Class B track and field championship in a close battle that was decided on the final event of the day.

Pickford retained its Class D-E crown with ease and Houghton wrested top honors from defending champion Wakefield in Class C. With only the 880 relay left on the program, five schools were capable of winning Class B honors. Still in the race at that late stage were Marquette, Iron River, Ironwood, Stephenson and defending champion Soo.

Get Second Place

The Soo relay foursome copped the final event by a single stroke—but Marquette came in second by enough points to edge the Blue Devils in the final standings 23½ to 22½.

Escanaba's crack relay team, which had posted the best U. P. time in regional competition, was disqualified for a bad pass of the baton.

Marquette won the Class B championship with only one first place. Howard Larson copped the first in the 220 yard dash. Soo lacked the depth to pile up points although the Blue Devils' star half-miler Don Rothe won his event and both relay teams triumphed.

Escanaba's premier miler Dick Casey made a final bid to crack the Upper Peninsula standard in his event but failed by three and two-tenths of a second. Pushed in the final lap by De-Lisle of Munising, Casey won by 25 feet in a fast 4:44.6 clocking.

Four Records Fall

Four Upper Peninsula records fell as the meet was run off in perfect weather before a large crowd. Pickford accounted for three of the new marks in Class D-E. Jim Graham toured the 440 oval in 53.45 to break the 53.6 record set by John Dove of Chassell in 1947.

Dean Rye of Pickford set a new record of 2:10.5 in the half mile run. He bettered the old mark of 2:11.7 set by Frederick Blievers of Nahma in 1941. And the Pickford 880 relay team aped the route in 1:36.7.

The fourth U. P. record was established by the Bessemer 880 relay team. Coach Pete Pau's Speed Boys fled the half-mile in 2:41.4 to top the previous mark of 2:46.7 set by Wakefield in 1949.

High Point Man

Spencer Carlsen of Houghton was high point man of the meet with 14 points.

Little Eddie Veraja of Iron River was the only double winner in Class B, copping firsts in the 100 yard dash and the 180 low hurdles.

Escanaba picked up another first place on the winning performance of Harlan Yelland in the second section of the 440 yard dash. Other Escanaba points were won by the medley relay team composed of Karl Gray, Don Swanson, Don Dahlin and Bill Peltier, and Pat McDonough who tied for fourth in the pole vault.

Summaries:

Class B

Mile — Casey, Escanaba; DeLisle, Munising; Beer, Ishpeming; Sams, Ironwood; Bert, Iron Mountain. 4:44.6

440 yard dash (first section)—Laurin, Stephenson; Werth, Ironwood; Nissen, Iron Mountain; Jaska, Calumet. 53.9

440 yard dash (second section)—Yelland, Escanaba; Hill, Iron River; Phillippi, Ishpeming; Govan, Newberry. 57.2

180 low hurdles — Vergara, Iron River; Cummings, Manistique; Wall, Menominee; Kerele, Calumet. Morin, Kingsford. 21.7

220 yard dash — Larson Marquette; Kuisniemi, Soo; Simac, Munising; Bomberg, Hancock; Leppi, Ironwood. 23.25

Pole vault — Melchior, Stephenson and England, Menominee; Roberts, Ironwood; and Brown, Soo, McDonough, Escanaba, Korvala, Hancock and Headley, Soo, tied for fifth. 10' 9"

High jump — Caley, Menominee; Gibson, Kingsford; Tremain, Iron Mountain; LeRoy, Stephenson. 5' 9 1 16"

120 high hurdles — Carmody, Munising and Tremain, Iron Mountain; Bebe, Munising; Morin, Kingsford; Leppi, Ironwood. 16.6

Medley relay—Soo, Manistique, Escanaba, Calumet. 2:43.4

Shot put — Crevgiere, Ironwood, Nemgberg, Iron River; Loeffler, Newberry, District. Marquette; Spanton, Kingsford. 43' 11"

100 yard dash — Vergara, Iron River; Larson, Marquette; Vandenboom, Marquette; Barron, Calumet; Vorrlieb, Menominee. 10.85

Broad jump—Cummings, Manistique; Buckmaster, Stephenson; Smith, Newberry; Lorzkowski, Stephenson, Frazier, Marquette. 19' 1½"

880 yard run (first section) — Krebs, Soo; Sertic, Ironwood; Paquette, Menominee; Winquist, Iron River. 2:06.6

880 yard relay—Soo, Marquette, Knabeth, Newberry; Pearce, Marquette; Pohlman, Ishpeming, Johnson, Soo. 2:10.5

880 yard relay — Soo, Marquette, Menominee, Ironwood, Iron River. 1:39.4

Class C

180 low hurdles — Harris, Bessemer; Gustell, L'Anse; Contratto, Bessemer; Harley, Houghton; Nowak, Wakefield. 22.85

220 yard dash — Wensinger, Ontonagon; LaFleur, Lake Linden; Latva, Ewen; Keffer, Ontonagon, Mosette, Houghton. 25.25

880 yard run — Strang, Ontonagon; Etapa, Houghton; Johns, Wakefield; Richards, Houghton, Fessler, Houghton. 2:12.4

880 yard relay — Ontonagon, Bessemer, Lake Linden, Houghton. 1:42.6

100 yard dash — LaFleur, Lake Linden; Chartier, Baraga; Gustlen, Houghton; Wersing, Ontonagon; Keefer, Ontonagon. 11.45

Pole vault — Kesler, Houghton; Herra, Wakefield, Anderson, Houghton, Johns, Wakefield, and Lain, Wakefield, all tied for second. 10' 9½"

Mile run — Rynnanen, Painesdale; Findley, Ontonagon; Laurin, Houghton; Augo, Baraga; Hocking, Wakefield. 4:52.4

440 yard dash—Carlson, Houghton; Mattson, Ontonagon; Smith, Houghton; Sperzash, Painesdale; Koski, Bessemer. 57.35

120 high hurdles — Harris, Bessemer; Sperzich, Wakefield; Novak, Wakefield; Clish, Baraga; Aldridge, Lake Linden. 17.1

Shot put — Simonen, Ewen; Guilsadi, Ontonagon; Allen, Painesdale; Kuisnien, Wakefield; Carlsen, Houghton. 42' 2"

Broad jump—Harris, Bessemer; Carlson, Houghton; Jerilla, Baraga; Guilsadi, Ontonagon; Brisman, Lake Linden. 18' 11½"

High jump — Novak, Wakefield; Jerilla, L'Anse and Carlson, Houghton; Sperich, Wakefield; and Sjoblom, Wakefield. Henrickson, Lake Linden, Selin, Bessemer, and Chartier, Baraga. 5' 8"

Medley relay — Bessemer, Houghton, Painesdale, Wakefield. 2:43.4 (new record)

Class D-E

120 high hurdles — Puzio, Ewen; Anderson, Dollar Bay; Nordeen, Gwinn; Nance, Tresary; Sims, Pickford. 17.1

Pole vault — Belanger, Hermansville; Shepard, Bark River; Mattson, Ewen; Rikkila, Tresary; Erickson, Grand Marais. 10' 2"

Shot put — Shepard, Bark River; Mattson, Dollar Bay; Wagner, Marquette Pierce; Erickson, Grand Marais; Johnson, Rapid River. 43' 2"

Medley relay — Nahma, Alpha, Chassell, Ewen, Dollar Bay. 2:36.7

100 yard dash — Leach, Pickford; Quinnell, Pickford; Golden, Chassell; Dani, Hermansville; Rock, Dollar Bay. 10.1

Mile run — E. Grolleau, Nahma; Kallio, Tresary; Rayward, Pickford; Hanna, Pickford; Ascell, Cooks. 4:55.4

High jump — Nance, Tresary; LaCount, Alpha; Gregg, Gwinn; Groll, Cooks; and Norgard, Dollar Bay. 5' 6½"

440 yard dash (first section) — Graham, Pickford; Rikkila, Tresary; Bernier, Nahma; Artzell, Dollar Bay. 56.45 (New record)

440 yard dash (second section)—LaCount, Hermansville; Tellier, Grand Marais; D. Grolleau, Nahma; Baldzhi, Chassell. 57.3

180 low hurdles — Nordeen, Gwinn; Grand; Chassell; Wallace, Pickford; Belanger, Hermansville; LaHaule, Hermansville. 23.6

220 yard dash — Leach, Pickford; Quinnell, Pickford; Dani, Hermansville; Rock, Dollar Bay; Golden, Chassell. 24.25

Broad jump — Dani, Hermansville and Bailey, Grand Marais; Graham, Pickford; Nordeen, Gwinn; Dietrich, Cassell. 17' 10½"

880 yard run — Rye, Pickford; Peterson, Cooks; Paquette, Hermansville; Blink, Marquette Pierce; Jalonen, Ewen. 2:10.3 (New record)

880 yard relay — Pickford, Hermansville, Grand Marais, Dollar Bay, Nahma. 1:39.45 (New record)

Team Scoring

Class B — Marquette 23½, Soo 22½, Ironwood 22, Iron River 21, Menominee 19½, Stephenson 15½, Munising 15, Escanaba 13½, Manistique 12, Newberry 12, Iron Mountain 11½, Ishpeming 9, Kingsford 8, Calumet 8, Hancock 2½, Negaunee 0.

Class C — Houghton 46, Ontonagon 34, Wakefield 30½, Bessemer 28½, Lake Linden 14¼, Painesdale 13, Baraga 11½, Ewen 8, L'Anse 7½.

Class D-E — Pickford 45, Hermansville 29, Dollar Bay 17½, Tresary 17½, Grand Marais 14½, Chassell 14, Gwinn 13, Ewen 10½, Bark River 9½, Alpha 8, Cooks 4½, Marquette Pierce 3, Rapid River 1, Daggle 0.

CASEY WINS MILE—Escanaba's Dick Casey steams up to the finish line in the mile at the Upper Peninsula track and field finals meet at Marquette Saturday. The Eskimo runner had little trouble copping his race, beating DeLisle of Munising by 25 feet. He ran a fast 4:44.6. (Daily Press Photo)

Dells, Merchants And Clairmonts Post Wins

The Dells, Merchants and Clairmonts posted victories in the softball tripleheader at Memorial Field last night to start off the week's American League slate.

Dells trimmed White Birch 6-1, the Merchants came from behind to down White Birch 6-5 and Clairmonts went eight innings to top Phil & Ev's 4-3.

Ike Ko pitched five-hit ball for the Dells with Keith Morin smashing a two-run homer in the sixth. Jim King and Franny Lunday were nicked for 10 hits while sharing mound duties for White Birch.

The Merchants came up with three runs in the seventh to overcome a 5-3 deficit. Louie Kositzky and Ken DuFresne handled the pitching chores for the Merchants.

Softball

Monday—Dells vs. Kessler, at 6:45; Harrishfeger vs. White Birch at 8:00; HiWay Tavern vs. Phils & Ev's at 9:15.

Tuesday—Clairmont Oldtimers practice at Dock diamond at 6:30. St. Thomas Oldtimers meet at Webster diamond at 6:30.

Phil McGovern and Tom Brayak hooked up in a mound duel which Bill Mayernick of Clairmonts broke up with a two-out, none-on homer in the last of the eighth. He had pounded a triple in a previous trip to the plate.

Both McGovern and Brayak allowed five hits going the distance.

Post Little Bigger Practice Schedule

Following is the practice schedule for teams in the Little Bigger League.

Monday—Paper Company vs. AFL at Rotor at 6:00.

Tuesday—Delta Hardware vs. Kiwanis at Rotor at 6:00.

Wednesday—Insurance Association practice at Rotor at 6:00.

Thursday — Elks practice at Rotor at 5:30.

Saturday—Paper Company vs. Kiwanis at Rotor at 10 a. m.; Delta Hardware vs. AFL at Rotor at 1 p. m.; Elks vs. Insurance Association at Rotor at 3 p. m.

"WE WAS ROBBED"

COOPERSTOWN, N. Y.—Officials of the baseball Hall of Fame here are concerned over loss of some valuable museum pieces.

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