

Pontiac Tops Non-Grad Meet



Chiefs Set New Record

Hills Win Two Firsts.

By JOE HART

PONTIAC - Pontiac, once an also-ran in Saginaw Valley League track competition, apparently has no idea of relinquishing its newly acquired conference and state Class A high school laurels.

The feat that usually indicates where the following year's track titles will go—the SVL's annual non-grad meet—turned into an awesome display of Pontiac team strength.

Coch Wally Schloerke's talented Chiefs turned the meet into a shambles by piling up 98 points—the highest total ever posted in the meet—to give convincing evidence that Pontiac has firm intentions of successfully defending the SVL and State Class A championships during the 1956 campaign.

The other five conference teams, Saginaw High, Flint Northern, Bay City Central, Arthur Hill and Flint Central, staged a spirited battle for points Pontiac left for them to win.

Saginaw High edged Northern for runnerup honors by a half-point, 24-23½. Bay City Central nosed out Arthur Hill for fourth place, 21½-21, while Flint Central finished last with 13½.

Four meet records were crunched by guess who?—Pontiac. The Chiefs grabbed eight unduplicated first places and shared another. Pontiac added eight second places to its imposing total.

Arthur Hill captured two firsts. Theivius Winielcke won the shot put with a creditable toss of 49-feet-10½. In one of the closest races of the meet, Larry Hollis nipped Pontiac's Archie Brooks by an inch in one of the 440-yard run heats in 53.5 seconds.

Saginaw High, long-time SVL and state track power, had to settle for one first place. The Trojans' Abe Huerta won his section of the 800-yard run in 2:09. Huerta had to splash in his win. A driving rain storm marred the final four events of the meet.

Here are the four records Pontiac performers established: 1. Hayes Jones, state champion high hurdler as a junior, skimmed over the 120-yard highs in 15 seconds to smash the old mark of 15.3 set by Kelly Thompson of Flint Northern in 1954.

2) The Chiefs' medley relay combination of Charles Robinson, Archie Brooks, Alex Barge and Charles Spann clicked off the three-quarter mile distance in 2:52.7, bettering the former mark of 2:59.8 set by Northern in 1953.

3) Hudson Ray, a 6-foot-3 sophomore, who shares the state high jump title with his much shorter teammate, Alex Barge, cleared 6-feet-2½ to crack the old record of 6-feet-1½ set by Mill Mead of Bay City Central in 1949. The Chiefs grabbed the next three places in the high jump.

4) Perry Williams ran the mile in 4:15.9 to better the old record of 4:16.5 set by Frank Niederstadt of Arthur Hill in 1951.

But probably just as impressive as Pontiac's sweep of the broad jump, which earned the Chiefs' 15 points in the first event completed in the meet.

Bill Douglas, who won his heat of the 55 in 2:07.5, was a surprise winner in the broad jump with a 20-feet-7½ leap. He was trailed by Jones (20-feet-6), Ray (20-feet-2), Barge (20-feet-1½) and Mary Cagle (19-feet-8½).

Jones, who piled up 18 3/7 points in last Saturday's state meet—more than second-place Northern could muster—became a double winner when he placed first in the 180-yard low hurdles in 20.5 seconds. The Chiefs' 840-relay team won in 1:33.5.

Frank Whitlock and Ted Munger, both of Pontiac, along with Jim Cheney of Bay City Central and Jim Collins of Northern, formed a four-way tie for first in the pole vault, which was interrupted by rain at the 10-foot level.

Namon Smith of Bay City Central was a double-winner in the sprints, taking the 100 in 10.2 and the 220 in 22 seconds. His brother, Willie, who won both events in the SVL meet, did not compete because of illness.

Second places were won for Saginaw High by Marty McLean in the 100 and by Dave Bartholomew in the 550.

Winners



The Trojans' Marty McLean Placed Second

... Bay City Central's Namon Smith, left, beat Saginaw High's Marty McLean, right, to the finish line of the 100-yard dash yesterday in the Saginaw Valley League non-grad track meet at Flint Central's Dert Field. Smith also added a win in the 220. He was clocked in 10.3 seconds in the 100 and in 23 seconds in the 220. Pontiac won the meet easily, piling up 98 points. (Saginaw News Photo by Ron Smith.)

A Close Finish

... Larry Hollis, left, of Arthur Hill staged a powerful finish to nip Archie Brooks of Pontiac by an inch in one of the 440-yard run heats yesterday in the Saginaw Valley League non-grad track meet at Flint. Hollis was clocked in 53.5 seconds. (Saginaw News Photo.)

CHIPS CRACK TWO RECORDS

CMC Romps To Win Over Wayne, 53-33

MT. PLEASANT - Central Michigan College defeated Wayne University, 53-33, in a dual track meet here yesterday afternoon.

Features of the meet were the breaking of the CMC mile relay record set in 1951, and the smashing of the Chips' high hurdles mark.

Jim Podoley broke his own record in the 120-yard high hurdles. He skimmed over the highs in 15 seconds, bettering his own old mark of 15.2 set last year. Podoley could have run the distance faster but was handicapped by knocking over all the hurdles except one.

Coch Lyle Bennett did not use Podoley except in the two record breaking events.

A combination of LaVerne Wolf, Dick Hewson, Chuck Miller and Podoley set a new

New Manager For Jay Watkins

Jay Watkins, Flint lightweight, now has a new manager—Leo O'Neill of Bay City. O'Neill obtained Watkins' contract from Norman Gordon of Saginaw.

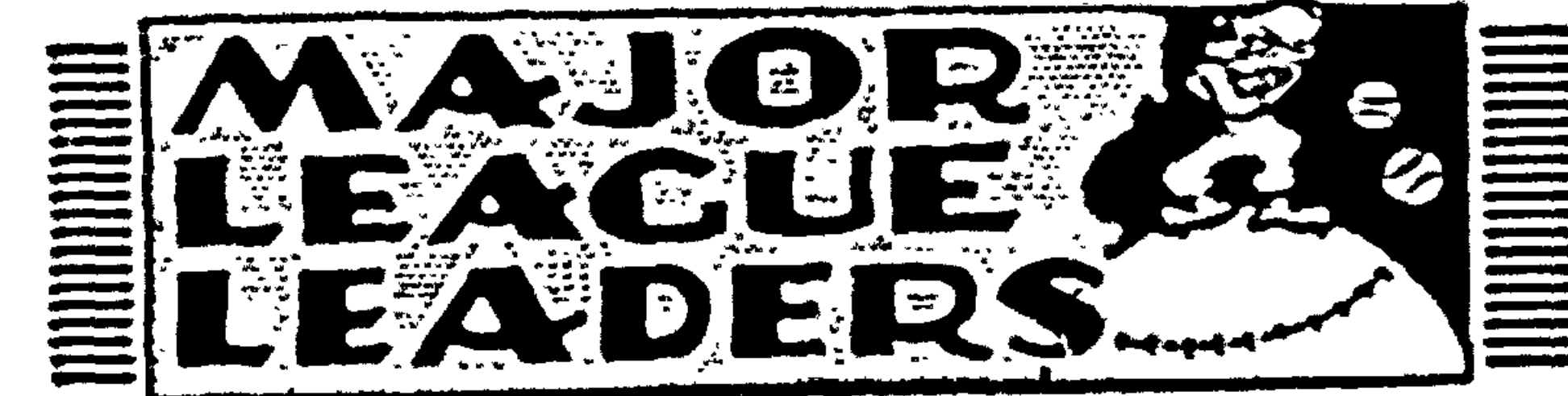
O'Neill intends to have Watkins in training for at least the next month before lining a bout. Watkins, 25 years old, showed great promise in starting his career several years ago.

Watkins, in his last fight, knocked out Frank O'Neill of Detroit on Promoter Hank Steiner's fight program here several weeks ago.

Bridgeport Team Defeats Shields

Bridgeport Junior High School defeated Shields, 11-2, yesterday in a non-league baseball game at Shields.

George Perry, Bridgeport hurler, fanned 11 in posting the win with teammate Roger Case collecting two hits.



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RATTING (based on 100 of batting average): Detroit, .211; Power, Kansas City, .211; Kasper, Detroit, .202; Mank, New York, .211; Kasper, New York, .211.	RATTING (based on 100 of batting average): New York, .232; Vidler, St. Louis, .241; Schmalzer, St. Louis, .231; Campanella, Brooklyn, .231; Lopez, Milwaukee and Cincinnati, Cincinnati, .231.
RUNS - Seattle, New York, 10; Kasper, New York, 26; Smith, Cleveland, 21; Kasper, Detroit, 21; Campbell, Chicago and Power, Kansas City, 26.	RUNS - Schmalzer, Brooklyn, 31; Park, New York, 30; Brown, Milwaukee, 29; Aaron, Milwaukee, 21; Ottum and Campanella, Brooklyn and St. Louis, New York, 26.
RUNS BATTED IN - Kasper, Detroit, 20; Kasper, 21; Vernon, Washington, 21; Zerkal, Kansas City, 21; Mank, 20; Burns, New York, 25.	RUNS BATTED IN - Campanella, Brooklyn, 26; Kierewski, Cincinnati, 22.
HITS - Kasper, Detroit, 57; Kasper, Detroit, 31; Smith, Cleveland and Power, New York, 41; Power, Kansas City, 42.	HITS - Mueller, New York, 33; Campanella, Brooklyn and Park, New York, 41; Schmalzer and Mank, St. Louis, 41.
DOUBLES - Jones and Atchaf, Boston, Boston, Detroit and Power, Wilson and Johnson, Kansas City, 9.	DOUBLES - Madson, Brooklyn, 11; Abbott, Milwaukee, 10; Campanella, Brooklyn, New York, Robinson, Philadelphia and Reynolds, St. Louis, 9.
TRIPLES - Fox, Chicago and Kasper, Detroit, 4; Kasper, Larry and Mank, New York, 2.	TRIPLES - Fox, Chicago and Mank, New York, 2; Brown and Aaron, Milwaukee, 4; seven players tied with 2.

Non-Grad Summary

Broad Jump—Won by Bill Douglas (P); 2. Hayes Jones (P); 3. Hudson Ray (P); 4. Alex Barge (P); 5. Mary Cagle (P). 10—20-feet-3½.

120-yard high hurdles—Won by Hayes Jones (P); 2. Jim Taylor (P); 3. Tom Steiner (P); 4. Tom Steiner (P); 5. Tom Steiner (P). Time—15.2 seconds.

220-yard dash—Won by Namon Smith (C); 2. Fredman Watkins (P); 3. Charles Thrash (C); 4. William Humphrey (P); 5. Celester Hopkins (P). Time—23 seconds.

800-yard run (first heat)—Won by Bill Douglas (P); 2. Dave Bartholomew (C); 3. Howard Wright (AH). Time—2:09.3.

800-yard run (second heat)—Won by Abe Huerta (H); 2. Rodney Trevis (P); 3. Frank Babo (AH). Time—2:09.

1600-yard relay—Won by Pontiac (Hayes Jones, Jim Shooter, Charles Robinson and Charles Spann); 2. Saginaw High; 3. Arthur Hill; 4. Bay City Central; 5. Flint Northern. Time—2:52.7.

100-yard dash—Won by Namon Smith (C); 2. Marty McLean (H); 3. Charles Thrash (C); 4. John Brown (P); 5. Celester Hopkins (P). Time—10.3 seconds.

500-yard dash (first heat)—Won by John Saary (P); 2. Jim Shooter (P); 3. Bill Lewis (AH). Time—2:52 seconds.

500-yard dash (second heat)—Won by Larry Hollis (AH); 2. Archie Brooks (P); 3. Bill Ringer (C). Time—2:53.5 seconds.

150-yard low hurdles—Won by Hayes Jones (P); 2. Jim Taylor (P); 3. Tom Steiner (P); 4. Tom Steiner (P); 5. Tom Steiner (P). Time—15.2 seconds.

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Pole vault—four-way tie for first between Jim Cheney (C), Frank Whitlock (P), Ted Munger (P) and Jim Collins (P); 2. Howard Wright (AH); 3. John Hrusman (H). Time—10-feet-10½.

High jump—Won by Hudson Ray (P); 2. Henry White (P); 3. Two-way tie between Jim Taylor (P) and Alex Barge (P); 4. Namon Smith (C); 5. Bill Mead of Bay City Central in 1949.

New Prexy

Herbert F. Forster was elected president of the St. Andrew's Athletic Association last night. Other officers named were Carl Rocco, vice president; Robert Bordeaux, secretary; and Arthur Giffin, treasurer. Forster succeeds Bordeaux as president.

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