

Sprinter Hurt, Sits Out Final

Trojans Tally in 12
Events; Denby 2nd

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Despite the loss of star sprinter Jerry Green, Miller High swept to its fourth City League track title in six years Thursday over a lightning fast track at Denby.

The balanced Trojans scored in 12 of 13 events to tally 59 points as East side schools finished one-two-three. Denby was second with 37 points and Pershing third with 32.

GREEN, who led qualifying in three events Tuesday and set a record of 21.8 in the 220, was sidelined with a pulled muscle.

"We realized Jerry had injured his side Thursday after anchoring our 880-yard relay team," said Coach Leroy Dues. "But naturally we were hoping that the injury might come around to permit him to run in the finals."

It was apparent from the start that something was wrong with Green. He withdrew from the broad jump, where his 27 61" jump of last Tuesday stood up anyway, and pulled up halfway down the stretch in the 100-yard dash finals.

Dues immediately scratched him from the 220 and substituted Fred Freeman in the 880-relays.

Green's absence cost Miller at least 10 points but it wasn't needed.

While the 17-year-old senior was being treated in the locker room, his teammates swept to four firsts and tied for first in the high jump.

WILBERT WILSON, a junior, won the half-mile in 2:01.7. Ermin Crowley won the shot-put with a toss of 53 feet, 10 1/2 inches. Al Clark and Roger Jackson tied for first in the high jump with two others.

The Trojan relay team of Woodrow Thomas, Johnson Beasley, Luther III and Freeman won in 1:55.4.

With Green absent from the sprints Central's Bill Stephens won both the 100 and 220 to become the meet's only double winner.

Denby's Jerry Bocci won the mile as expected with a 4:32 performance. It was Denby's only victory but the Tars picked up points in seven other events to nose out Pershing, the de-throned champion, for second place.

A Northern medley relay team of Clarence Willis, Joe Collins, Roosevelt Wilson and Dave Benson accounted for the day's only record when it covered the three-quarter mile distance in 2:28.8.

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