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Plans Formulated for Prep Track Classic Here

Plans have been formulated for a "Champion of Champions" track and field meet here May 30, bringing together the top high school performers from all parts of the state.

The event, sponsored by the Kalamazoo Junior Chamber of Commerce, will be conducted for the Olympic Fund. All proceeds from the night meet will be turned over to the fund.

A committee on the big meet, headed by Elf Pedler, Central High School track coach, met Thursday night to draw up plans for the event.

Here's what will be offered local track and field fans the night of May 30 if invitations are accepted:

A look at the eight best Michigan prep athletes in every event competing against each other in a real champion of champions showdown. Invitations will be tendered on the basis of performances in the regional and state prep finals.

An exhibition college mile with a field to include Western Michigan standout Bill Pyle and top milers from Michigan, Michigan State and Michigan Normal.

Several other exhibition races, including local junior high school athletes, are also planned.

Bringing together the top eight performers in each event, the 100 yard dash through the mile, regardless of enrollment class will

give local fans a glimpse of such renowned prep stars as Pete Dant, the Alpena sprint sensation, Hayes Jones, Pontiac's one-man track team, and several Detroit stars who otherwise miss the chance to compete against out-state runners.

George Dales, Western Michigan College track coach, and Jack Moss, Gazette sports writer, are in charge of the selections for the meet.

Other assignments include: Rolla Anderson, meet manager; Wayne Falan of Paw Paw, referee; DeGay Ernst of Grand Rapids and Henry Hutt of Kalamazoo, starters; Ted Sowle of Grand Rapids Catholic Central, clerk of course; Bob Mowerson of Battle Creek and Bob Culp of WKZO, awards; Ernie Kirkman of Portage and Roy Walters of State High, rules and officials; Dick Meyerson of the JCC, business manager and announcer; Max Doolittle of the JCC, recorder, and Dob Grow of Kalamazoo, head marshal and John Milroy of the JCC, queens and housing.

INVITE GUESTS

There will be programs prior to the start of the running events. Gov. Williams and Kalamazoo Mayor Glenn Allen have been invited to speak. State high school athletic director Charles E. Forsythe has been named honorary referee.

Central, State, St. Augustine, schools have been asked to name queens to aid in award presentations at the meet. Medals for the meet will be donated by WKZO and the Gazette will present a trophy to the school of the athlete named "most outstanding" in the meet.

Adrian Race Driver Hurt

INDIANAPOLIS, May 11 (AP)—Marvin Pifer, a 28-year-old Korean War veteran from Adrian, Mich., won't drive, as he had hoped, in the 500-mile Indianapolis Speedway race May 30.

Pifer, who passed his driver's test only May 3, was seriously injured yesterday when his racer slammed into a wall in a practice spin.

Witnesses said the car skidded to the inside of the track while going an estimated 135 miles an hour around the northwest turn, did a half-spin, then crossed the track and smacked into the wall.

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