

3 Half-Milers Pace Favored Pershing

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Pershing High can be grateful for strength in the distance runs if it wins the Metropolitan League track and field championship at Denby tomorrow.

The semifinal eliminations were held yesterday and Pershing, leader in the East Side meet last week, qualified 10 individuals and two relays, while Cody, West Side victor, placed nine individuals and two relays.

Three of Pershing's qualifiers, however, were in the half-mile run, in which Cody failed. Six places count in the finals so Pershing is certain to score not less than seven points. It could get 13 or more as the winner of an event receives 10 points. The rest of the scoring is 8-6-4-2-1.

In the half-mile eliminations,

Lonnie Sanders took the first heat with Ed Topps third, Joe Forrest placing third in the second heat. Sanders had the fastest time, 2:05.2.

In addition, Pershing has Steve Jarman in the mile, in which no trials were held yesterday. No Cody miler qualified in the West Side meet. A place in the mile could decide the team honors.

Besides the distance men Pershing has Ron and Don Hale in the 220; Don Hale, 100 and broad jump; Ron Benson, 440; Sanders, high jump; Dick Popp, shot put, and the fastest teams in the medley and half-mile relays.

2 PLACE IN 100

Cody placed John Hopeck in the high hurdles; Jim Ruddy and Chuck Novotny, 100;

Ruddy, low hurdles; Novotny, 220; Hugh Granfeldt, 440; Carl Genslak, pole vault, high jump and broad jump. It had the second fastest time in the sprint relay and the third best in the medley.

Behind the leading contenders came Mackenzie with eight individuals and a sprint relay, Northern seven and a sprint relay, Redford six, Western four and a sprint relay, Denby four, Miller four, Eastern three and a medley relay, Cass Tech two, Northeastern two, Chadsey two, Northwestern one and a medley relay, Southwestern and Central one each, and Cooley a medley relay.

SHOT PUT - Edsel Reid (Chad.); Marc Silber (Mum.); Tom Downham (Red.); Bruce Netzer (Mum.); Leonard Cranston (Red.); Dick Popp (Persh.); Clyde Sumner (East.). Best distance by Reid, 50 feet, 4 1/4 inches.

120-YARD HIGH HURDLES - Cecil Thomas (Miller); Charles Hunter (Mack.); Ralph Donaldson (SW); Mike Dinkins (NE); John Hopeck (Cody); Chester Scott (Cass). Best time by Thomas and Hunter, 15.4 seconds.

MEDLEY RELAY - Pershing (Eddie Humphrey, Ron Bass, Ron Hale, Melvin Benson); Northwestern, Cody, Mumford, Cooley, Eastern. Best time by Pershing, 2:31.1.

100-YARD DASH - James Ruddy (Cody); Bob Manning (West.); Don Hale (Persh.); Larry Dear (North.); David Shevitz (Mum.); Charles Novotny (Cody). Best time by Ruddy, 16.1 seconds.

HIGH JUMP - Ed Stewart (Miller); Lionel Ashford (West.); James Oliphant (Mack.); Dan Sowell (North.); Karl Jackson (Chad.); Don Byard (Mack.); Carl Genslak (Cody); John Tipton (East.); Lonnie Sanders (Persh.); Emmet Porter (Cent.); Henry Burch (North.). Best height by Stewart, Ashford, Oliphant, Sowell, Jackson and Byard, 5 ft. 8.

440-YARD DASH - Ronald Benson (Persh.); Richard Jaros (Red.); Dan Watkins (Central); Hugh Granfeldt (Cody); Ashford (West.); Bill Watson (Mack.). Best time by Benson, 50.7 seconds.

POLE VAULT - Genslak (Cody); Don Gilliam (East.); Ron Jenkins (Mack.); Steve Force (Denby); James Oliphant (Mack.); Jerry DeHennau (Denby); Don Judd (Red.). All tied at 10 ft. 8.

120-YARD LOW HURDLES - Ruddy (Cody); Rudy Nurmi (Denby); Sowell (North.); Hunter (Mack.); Thomas (Miller); Scott (Cass). Best time by Ruddy, 13.2 seconds.

220-YARD DASH - Manning (West.); Novotny (Cody); Larry Hudak (Denby); Ron Hale (Persh.); Don Hale (Persn.); Shevitz (Mum.). Best time by Manning, 22.8 seconds.

880-YARD RUN - Lonnie Sanders (Persh.); William Dougall (Red.); Edward Topps (Persh.); James Green (Mack.); Charles McCarthy (Red.); Joe Forrest (Persh.). Best time by Sanders, 2:05.2.

BROAD JUMP - Watkins (Cent.); Terry Burrell (North.); Dinkins (NE); Tom Patrick (NW); Genslak (Cody); Sowell (North.); Thomas (Miller); Don Hale (Persh.). Best jump by Watkins, 21 feet, 11 1/4 inches.

HALF-MILE RELAY - Pershing (Ron Benson, Ron Bass, Ron Hale, Don Hale), Mumford, Northern, Cody, Mackenzie, Western. Best time by Pershing, 1:36.6.

Austin Advances To Baseball Final

Dave DeBusschere didn't have his usual stuff yesterday but that didn't keep Austin High from defeating Lourdes, 8-5, to gain the final round in the Parochial League's First Division playoffs.

The tall right-hander, who

2 Sandlot Clubs Click for 29 Runs

Chippewa Eagles and Pepsi Cola batters did some lusty hitting yesterday to gain one-sided victories in Class A of the Recreation League.

The Eagles collected 15 hits, including home runs by Bob Steele (who also had a triple) and Sam Poole, whipping Detroit Diamond, 14-5. Pepsi hit-

pitched two no-hit games this season, walked five batters and gave up six hits before left-hander Gary Mettie relieved him with one out in the sixth inning. He held Lourdes hitless for 1 2/3 innings.

When DeBusschere was removed, Austin was leading, 6-4, the result of John Brecht's home run in the sixth with Bob Decker on base. George Stiel made the game safe in the seventh on another home run that scored Mettie.

DeBusschere and Dick Kozik, of Lourdes, each had three hits.

Austin faces St. Ladislaus' at Manz Field, Conner and Mack, Friday at 3 p.m. for the title won last year by St. Patrick's.

Singles by Tony Plackowski and Bob Reedy in the second inning produced the run that gave St. Alphonsus' a 1-0 victory over Sacred Heart and a berth in the Second Division final. Joe Gurney gave up six hits and had 12 strikeouts, walking none. Loser Ron La-secki also gave up six hits.