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Courier Paces Esky; Stemac Ties In Vault

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MARQUETTE—Sault Ste. Marie, Munising and Pickford successfully defended their Upper Peninsula track and field crowns on a deserted field here Saturday.

Soo's Blue Devils retained the Class B championship with a fourth place finish in the final event of the day, the 880 relay race. The two points gained in that event gave Soo 28 to top the field of 15 teams. The Stephenson Eagles won the race and finished with 26½ points for second place. Ishpeming and Iron River tied for third with 25 each.

The Class C Munising stave off a strong Waterford bid to win with 54½ points. The Cardinals finished second with 51.2 points.

The Pickford Panthers ran away from the field in Class D-E, scoring 54½ to 34.9 for Channing, their nearest rival.

It was Soo's third straight U. P. crown and fifth in the last seven years. Pickford's victory was its seventh straight.

Despite unfavorable conditions stemmed most links for new U. P. records, but two outstanding athletes overrode the Upper Peninsula standards.

Dave Manders, Kingsford strongman of all-state football fame, broke the old record in the shot-put by flipping the shot 52 feet, 7½ inches to shatter the Class B 1946 record of 50 feet 2¼ inches set by Bob Mitchell of Negaunee.

In Class C Ray Kroki of Waterford soared 6 feet, 1¾ inches to win the high jump event. The old record was 5 feet, 11 inches set by Bill Glasser of Bessemer in 1946.

Considering the adverse weather, the times and distances were fair through the afternoon finals. Some outstanding performances were turned in by the current crop of U. P. stars.

Bob Percy of Iron River took three firsts, winning the high hurdles in 16.0 and the low hurdles in 25.2. Bob Wills was also a triple winner in Class B with firsts in the broad jump at 20-7½, the 100 dash in 10.4 and the 220 in 23.1.

Manders needed all the distance he could get in the shot put as Stephenson's Oscar Nelson also got off a 50-plus heave for second place. Defending champion Ron Armstrong of Soo finished third.

The Escanaba Eskymos finished in a tie with Menominee for seventh place in Class B with 19 points each. Escanaba's mile relay team and fourth in the 880. Tom Lamoreaux second in the 880, Mike Mihelic third in the high hurdles and Bob Douglas fourth in the low hurdles and the mother relay team placed fourth.

Ron Jacko, Escanaba vaulter Mike Stemac finished in a six-way tie for first place at 10 feet, 6 inches.

In Class D-E, Rock placed a strong third in total points. Warren Skrivanek of Nahma won the mile event in 4:58.9 and Wes Williams of Rock finished second in the 880 in 2:16.1. Rapid River also won the 880 relay.

Soo's big point production in Class B came in the 440 yard dash in which Blue Devils won both places. Tom Gosnell was first and Phillip Gilroy took the first section and Bill Cooper the second, in identical times of 55.9.

Summaries:

Class B

High Jump (5' 7½") — 1. Bob Perry (IR); Warren Lidema (Esk), 4. Bill Cooper (Soo), 4-5. Larry Hopkins, (IW), Wayne Stelzer (Cal)

Pole Vault (10' 6") — 1. (Tie) Mike Stemac (ES), Ron Jacko (Stag), Jim Sandell (Steph), Bill Cooper (Soo), Bob Johnson (IR), Joe Nowasky (Soo).

Medley Relay (3:42.4) — 1. Menominee, 2. Manistique, 3. Soo, 4. Escanaba, 5. Calumet.

Mile (4:53.2) — 1. Bob Perry (IR), 2. Wayne Stelzer (Cal), 3. Mike Mihelic (Esc), 4. Bill Hallstrom (Cal), 5. Dan Pecore (Manz).

100 Yd. Dash (10.4) — 1. Bob Wills (Esk), 2. Dennis Boettcher (Soo), 3. Bob Reno (Man), 4. Dick Gosnell (Soo), 5. Jim Sandell (Steph).

Mile (4:53.2) — 1. Tom Anderson (Stag), 2. Bob Braasenhoop (IR), 3. Dave Rasor (Steph), 4. Dave Yoder (Manz), 5. Gerald Gilroy (Soo).

Shot Put (52' 7½"—New Record) — 1. Dave Manders (Kings), 2. Oscar Nelson (Steph), 3. Barry Armstrong (Soo), 4. Chas. Belanger (Cal), 5. Roger Carlson (Manz).

100 L. H. (15.1) — 1. Bob Perry (IR), 2. Mike Mihelic (Esc), 3. Oscar Nelson (Steph), 4. Bob Douglas (Esc), 5. Jim Larson (Cal).

440 Yd. Run (55.8—Two sections, same time) — 1. Wendell Gilroy, Soo; 2. Bob Marsden (Soo); 3. Bob Studdard (Esc); 4. John LaBonte (Esk), Section 2 —

1. Bill Cooper (Soo), 2. Tom Gosnell (IR), 3. Burke Gosney (Man), 4. Jack Rohke (Stag)

220 Yd. Dash (23.1) — 1. Bob Wills (Esk), 2. Dennis Boettcher (Soo), 3. Dick Gosnell (Soo), 4. Warren Stachowski (Steph), 5. Dennis Boettcher (Man)

880 Relay (1:39.9) — 1. Stephenson, 2. Ishpeming, 3. Menominee, 4. Soo, 5. Ironwood

100 Yd. Run (11.1) Section 1— 1. Jim Collins (Stag), 2. Peter Lamoreaux (Esc), 3. Dennis Boettcher (Man), 4. Ted Kilpatrick (IW)

880 Yd. Run (2:14.6) Section 2— 1. Ken King (Esc), 2. Paul Rasmussen (Stag), 3. Jim Taube (Cal), 4. Jim Rank (Soo)

Broad Jump (19' 9½") — 1. Bob Perry (IR), 2. Dennis Boettcher (Steph), 3. Joe Nowak (Steph), 4. Joe Nowak (Steph), 5. John LaBonte (Esk)

CODE — Calumet (Cal), Escanaba (Esc), Horicon (Hori), Holy Name (Hol), Menominee (Men), Negaunee (Stag), Manistique (Man), Marquette (Marq), Menominee (Men), Negaunee (Stag), Soo (Soo), Stephenson (Steph).

TOTAL POINTS—Calumet 54½, Negaunee 29½, Manistique 26, Menominee 19, Escanaba 19, Calumet 19½, Marquette 16, Kingsford 5, Ironwood 4½, Iron River 2½, Holy Name 2½, Hancock 2.

Class C

High Jump (5' 11¾")—New Record — 1. R. Kroki (Wa), 2. D. Gradzick (Wa), 3-4-5. S. Morse (Bes), C. Milnes (Wa), G. Pirie (Bes), C. Milnes (Wa), G. Pirie (Bes), 4. Nelson Tom (Bes), Dave Dallmanti (Hes), Glenn Frost (LL)

Shot Put (47' 7½") — 1. J. Corgiat (Bes), 2. M. Feldhausen (Wa), 3. Ed Kroki (Wa), 4. Henry L., 5. G. Kozlowski (Wa)

Broad Jump (19' 8") — 1. R. Kroki (Wa), 2. A. Moody (Mu), 3. Masters (Mu), 4. Don Hawtow (LL), 5. D. Dvorgene (Wa), Stuart Delene (Ls)

100 Yd. Dash (11.3) — 1. D. Carpenter (Bes), 2. R. Kroki (Wa), 3. Ken Sober (LL), 4. Perry (Mu), 5. Miller

Mile (4:52.8) — 1. B. Briggs (Mu), 2. B. Thoren (HB), 3. John Hendrickson (LL), 4. Z. Morris (Wa), 5. Fred Shaefer (Bu)

880 Relay (1:46.6) — 1. Bessemer, 2. Lowell, 3. Waterford, 4. Chase, 5. Houghton

Pole Vault (10' 11") — 1. G. Milnes (Wa), 2. B. Johnson (Mu), John Hunters (Hc), 4-5. Joe Peterson (L), Glen Pratt (LL), 2

100 L. H. (15.6) — 1. Miller (Mu), 2. T. Milnes (Wa), 3. Moody (Mu), 4. S. Delene (LL), 5. Bigin (Wa)

220 Yd. Dash (25.1)— 1. D. Carpenter (Bes), 2. Ken Sober (LL), 3. Ed Kroki (Wa), 4-5. Milnes (Wa), Perry (Mu)

440 Yd. Run (57.8) — 1. Roger Kreiger (Bes), 2. D. Gaierick (Wa), 3. Karl (Mi), 4. Tom Stall (LL), 5. Gilbert (Wa), 6. Phillip Szymczuski (Hes), 3. Chas. Johnson (Bes)

880 Relay (1:42.6) — 1. Bessemer, 2. Wakefield, 3. Manitou, 4. Lake Linden, 5. St. Ignace

100 Yd. Run (1:14.7) — 1. Waldo Jacobson (Bes), 2. Ken Sober (LL), 3. Jacobson (Bes), 4. Wes Mc- (Bu), Section 2 — 1. Clark Westcott (Ls), 2. Perugia (Bes), 3. G. Higgins (Bes), 4. Tvanda (HB)

TOTAL POINTS—Manistique (Mic) 54½, Wakefield (Wa) 33.2, Bessemer (Bes) 32, Lake Linden (LL) 19 7-26, L'Anse (L) 14 11-26, Houghton (Hec) 13.2, St. Ignace (St) 6, Baraga (Ba) 5, Bishop Baraga (HB) 5, Loretto (LO) 4 2-3, Chassell (O) 0.

Class D-E

Pole Vault (10' 7") — 1. W Harmon (Fr), 2-3. Paul Makela (Cha), Kerry Noel (Gre), 4-5. Gene Williams (Ri), Fred Smith (Bl), Ken Wiercioch (Cha)

Mile (5:09.2) — 1. Warren Skrivanek (Ro), 2. Don Mattson (Cha), 3. Mellinos (De), 4. John Sergo (Bl), 5. Stevenson (Pi)

120 H. H. (16.8) — 1. Ken Tornala (Cha), 2. Allen Tornala (Cha), 3. William Clegg (Pi), 4. Don Harrison (Ni), 5. Noel Bacon (Pi)

Medley Relay (1:47.7)—1. Pickford, 2. Rock, 3. Peters, 4. Evart, 5. Chassell

100 Yd. Dash (11.7) — 1. Dick Olds (LDP), 2. R. Stevenson (Pi), 3. Larry Farley (G), 4. Al Pistal (P), 5. Bill Kibbie (P)

Mile (4:59.9) — 1. Warren Gosnell (St), 2. Mike McCarthy (Pi), 3. Jim Johnson (Pi), 4. Dick Zaccardi (Ri), 5. Bob Plough (LDP)

High Jump (5' 6") — 1. Don Klaustrous (De), 2. Carroll Kinnikinen (Bl), 3. Bob Plough (LDP), Ron McConney (Pi)

220 Yd. Dash (25.8) — 1. Dick Olds (LDP), 2. R. Stevenson (Pi),

3. Larry Farley (G), 4. Gerald Bolin (St), 5. Al Pistor (Pi)

100 L. H. (1st Heat 13.5, 2nd Heat 13.7; Finals 13.1) — 1. Al- den Tornala (Cha), 2. Ken Tornala (Cha), 3. Jim Lockhart (Cha), 4. Jim Jackson (Ced), 5. Bill Clegg (Pi)

440 Yd. Run (1st Heat 58.2; 2nd Heat 58.9) — 1. Paul McDonald (Ced), 2. Gene Leach (Pi), Jim Larson (R), Ken Tobbe (Pi), 5. Kent Long (C), Duane Boroth (B), Dave Taylor (Pi), Jim Gleason (Gre)

880 Yd. Run (1st Heat 2:18.4); 2nd Heat 2:18.1) — 1. Ted O'Brien (Pi), 2. Jack Hogan (B), 3. Marcus Kuljukka (Champ), 4. Anthony Lee (De), 5. Wes Williams (Ri), 6. Jim Gleason (Gre), Mike Grotheus (Pi), 8. Jim Meyer (Fre)

880 Relay (1:43.4) — 1. Rapid River, 2. Chassell, 3. Colsrville, 4. Iron Mountain

Broad Jump (19' 9½") — 1. Don Olds (Pi), 2. Allen Tornala (Cha), 3. Stevenson (Pi), 4. Carrol Kinnikinen (B), 5. Joe LaBreck (B)

TOTAL POINTS: Pickford (Pi) 39, Rapid River (RR) 34, Delta (De) 32 1/3, Elsen (Els) 9, Rivers (Riv) 8 1/3, Gwinn (Gw) 8½, Garden (G) 6, Cooks (C) 5, Champion (Champ) 2, Vulcan (V) 2, Alpha, (A) 0, Hermansville 0, Powers 0.

Old Track St Win In Lowe Championshi

The old stagger—Boyne City, Petoskey and Rapid River—dominate Michigan's high school track championships.

Only East Grand Rapids was able to provide a new touch to the same old story Saturday as the state's preps competed for track honors at several sites.

East Grand Rapids accumulated 39 points to win the Class C Finals for the fourth straight year in Class A, Boyne City for the second year in Class C and Brethren again in Class D.

A host of individual record smashers added flavor to the meets.

Six marks were broken or equaled in the Class D meet at Mount Pleasant. Champion Brethren accounted for half as it piled up 87¾ points to runnerup Beaverton's 2.5. Class D's only double winner was Ludington Bee Pioneer for the 100-yard and 220-yard runs for Brethren.

Boyne City edged Grosse Ile 23-22 for Class C honors. The champs won the 880-relay in record 1:36.5 by inches and set a new record for Class C. Grosse Ile's Chuck Pelic was a triple winner, notching the 120 - yard high hurdles, the broad jump and the 180-yard low hurdles.

Bob Hoffman of Frankenmuth was another brilliant Class C performer as he traveled 220 - yards in 21 seconds flat.

East Grand Rapids accumulated 39 points to win Class B honors. Sturgis is winning Class B honors. River Rouge carried East Grand Rapids down to the final event — the 880-yard relay — before succumbing. Sturgis River Rouge finished with 29 points.

Rapid River, which captured Steph- ens and took Upper Peninsula Class B honors 28 - 26½, Bob Wills of Ishpeming was a triple winner, grabbing the 100 and 220 - yard dashes and the broad jump. Bo

LITTLE LEAGUE PRACTICE

The Little League Yankees will play a practice game against the Braves at 6:15 Tuesday at Boyce Park.

Tommy Atkinson, Alabama scout, had the school track as his spring when he covered the

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