Krause County Champion

Champion of Champions was an appropriate name for Saturday afternoon's track meet at Viking Field as far as Bendle High's Paul Krause was concerned.

The meet, sponsored by the Flint Olympian Games track committee, was labeled in such a way because the leaders of both Genesee County Leagues, Classes B and C, were invited to compete.

With all the potential of a fine decathlon prospect, Krause was the meet's champion — winning four first places in impressive style.

He first proves his ability to run (and hurdle) with a 15.4 seconds 120-yard high sticks victory. Then he demonstrated his ability to jump—copping the high jump with a fine six-foot effort and the broad jump with a 21-foot-3 leap.

He saved the best for last, clearing 12 feet in the pole vault. It was a Viking Field record, bettering 11.7½ by Northern High's Jim Collins in 1956.

It was a fine over-all effort for Krause and was in keeping with the caliber of performances in all events. Linden
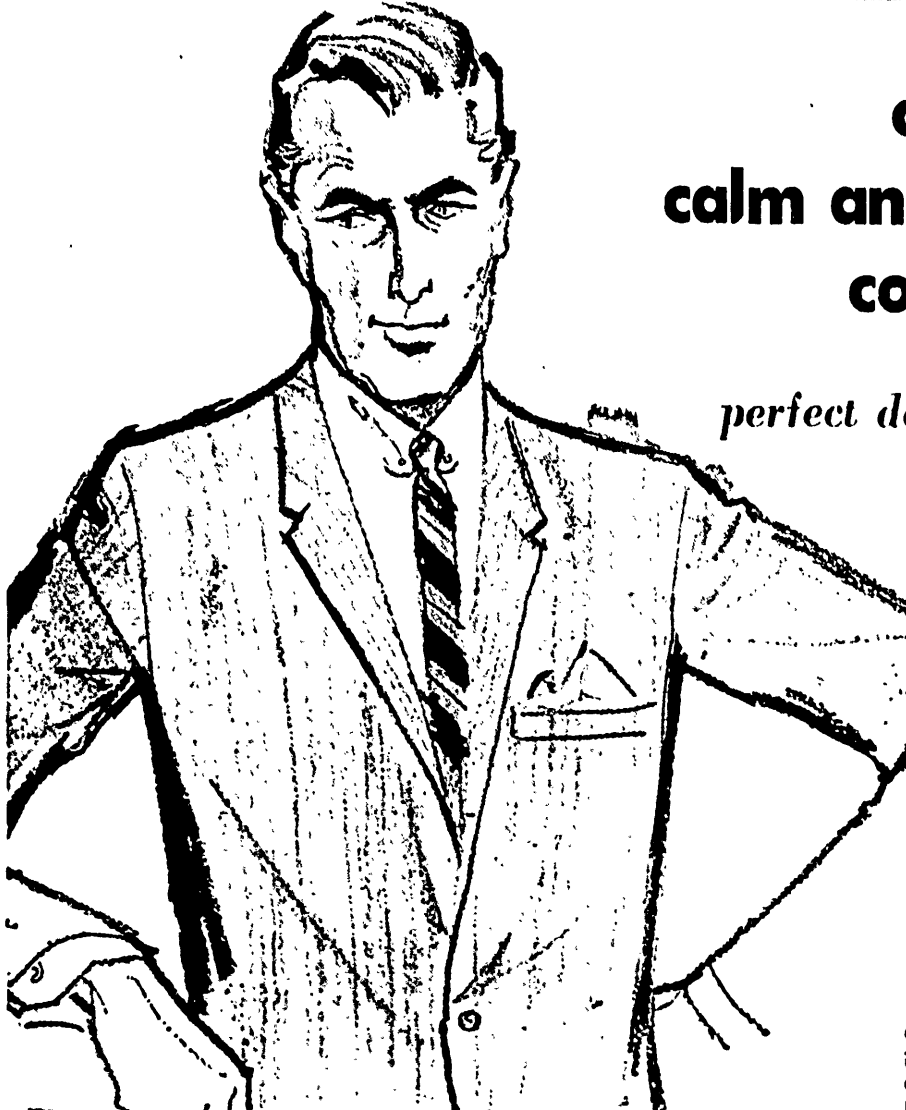
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120-yard high hurdles — 1. Paul Krause (Bendle); 2. Harold Barden (Fenton); 3. Bill Chaney (DYE). T—:15.4.

Medley relay — 1. Dye (Barry Mishall, Dick Odykirk, Marv Anderson, Buck Miley); 2. Kearsley; 3. Bentley. T—2:31.6.

100-yard dash — 1. Carl Bekofske (Grand Blanc); 2. Harold Huff (Fenton); 3. Paul McCormick (Davison). T—:10.4.

880-yard run — 1. Frank Skolowski (Linden); 2. Jim English (Swartz Creek); 3. Dan Neeley (Mt. Morris). T—2:00.9. ↑Field record, bettering 2:02.1 by Central High's George Friedriechsen this season.

440-yard run — 1. Dave Hildebidle (Mandeville); 2. Bob Taylor (Fenton); 3. William Gallan (Kearsley). T—:51.6.

180-yard low hurdles — 1. Barden (Fenton); 2. Tom Kehler (Dye); 3. Larry McPherson (Bentley). T—:20.4.

220-yard dash — 1. Bekofske (Grand Blanc); 2. Huff (Fenton); 3. Bill Hajec (Fenton). T—:23.1.

Mile — 1. Jim Barnett (Bendle); 2. Jim Neuhausen (Clio); 3. Jim Cooley (Fenton). T—4:36.6.

880-yard relay — 1. Dye (Mishall, Odykirk, Anderson, Miley); 2. Fenton; 3. Kearsley. T—1:31.7.

Shot put — 1. Jack Patton (Fenton); 2. Jerry Wright (Bentley); 3. George Alward (Bendle). D—51 feet.

Broad jump — 1. Krause (Bendle); 2. Barden (Fenton); 3. Bekofske (Grand Blanc). D—21-3.

High jump — 1. Krause (Bendle); 2. Tied, Mike Marzonie (Kearsley) and Walt Henry (Swartz Creek). H—6 feet.

Pole vault — 1. Krause (Bendle); 2. Tied, Don Earty (Bendle), Duc Sibley (Bentley) and Bill Keller (Mt. Morris). H—12 feet (Field Record, bettering 11.7½ by Northern High's Jim Collins).

High's Frank Skolowski won his 880 race by 80 yards and even though he wasn't pushed was clocked in a field record 2:00.9 minutes. It bettered 2.02.1 by Central High's George Friedriechsen earlier this Spring.

Class C Dye proved its relay-team caliber against Class B rivals, taking both the medley in a fine 2:31.6 time and the 880 with the unit of Barry Mishall, Dick Odykirk, Marv Anderson and Buck Miley.

The rest of the firsts went to Class B boys, Grand Blanc's Carl Bekofske being the only other double winner in the 100 (10.4 seconds) and .220 (23.1) dashes. Harold Barden of Fenton won the low hurdles (20.4), Jim Barnett of Bendle the mile (4:36.6), Dave Hildebidle of Mandeville the 440 (51.6) and Jack Patton of Fenton the shot put (51 feet).

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