Southwestern Opens With 72-37 Track Win

By VINCE SIKORA

Southwestern High swept three events and staged a successful track inauguration Tuesday afternoon with a 72-37 victory over visiting Walled Lake.

Floyd Bates won two events and tied for a third and Jim Bracy captured two other tests in the first meet ever on the Colts' cinders. All winning efforts became track standards.

Bates captured both hurdles, tied Hamp Morris with the best high jump and got the Colts' 880 relay team off to a winning start to account for 15¼ points. Bracy added a third for 11 points.

Southwestern, which hosts Waterford in a 4 p.m. Thursday meet, swept the low hurdles, high jump and broad jump with Bracy's 20-foot 2½-inch leap taking the latter event.

Coach George LeBrasseur's Blue and White home forces won eight of the 13 events with Al Talbot clearing 10-6 to take the pole vault.

Bates' 15.6 high hurdles clocking, Talbot's winning vault and Ed French's 40-4 toss in the shot put became Colt records. Bates had a 15.7 effort, Talbot a 9-6 leap and French a 38-4 toss last year.

One of the best running feats failed to bring a Colt point. It came in the mile relay with Art Tallman, handling the third leg, running a strong 440. He faced a 35-yard deficit — incurred when the second Colt runnner dropped the baton — but changed it to a stride lead that was erased by Walled Lake anchorman Jim Webb.

The summary:

120 high hurdles—1, Floyd Bates (S) 2, Mike Vandervelt (WL), 3, Hamp Morris (S). T—:15.6.

Mile relay—Walled Lake (Norm Mosley, Bill Craigie, Larry Wort, Jim Webb). T—3:44.3.

100 1,—Norm Smith (WL). 2. Glenn Ernest (S) 3, Jim Bracey (S). T—:10.5.

440—1, Bill Hackett (WL). 2, Paul Harris (S). 3, Harry Tolbert (S). T—:54.5.

220—1, Bracy (S). 2, Ernest (S). 3, Mike Buffmyer (WL). T—:23.1.

880—1, Chester Harris (S). 2, Dave Nelson (WL). 3, Jim Cole (S). T—2.05.8.

Mile—1, Paul Lawson (WL). 2, Joe Florida (S). 3, Mike Waddle (WL). T—4.56.9.

880 relay — Southwestern (Bates, Bill Whitaker, Roger Elford, Ernest). T—1:37.

180 low hurdles—1, Bates (S). 2, Morris (S). 3, Whitaker (S). T—:21.

Shot put—1, John Van Sicklen (WL). 2, Ed French (S). 3, Foot Franklin (S). D—43.8.

High jump—1, Bates (S) and Morris (S) tied. 3, Don Younger (S). H—5-8.

Pole vault—1, Al Talbot (S). 2, Norm Smith (WL). 3, Wes Cottrell (WL). H—10-6.

Broad jump—1, Bracy (S). 2, Whitaker (S). 3, P. Harris (S). D—20-2½.

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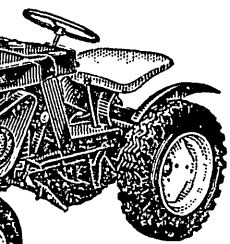

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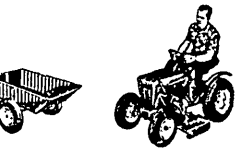

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A FIRST—Jim Bracy (right) of Southwestern sprints to victory in the 220-yard dash Tuesday in the first track meet held on the Colts' cinders. The Colts defeated Walled Lake, 72-37. Below are Bracy (left) and Floyd Bates who combined for 26¼ points. Bracy had two firsts and a third, Bates two firsts (in the hurdles), a tie for first in the high jump plus running a leg on the Colts' winning 880 relay club. (Journal Photos)

Tribe's Strong Windup Earns First Track Win

By LEN HOYES

Central High slammed the mile and 880 events Tuesday at Dort Field en route to its first track victory of the season. The Indians totaled 57 3-10 points to Saginaw High's 51 7-10.

Coach Carl Krieger's forces went into the last four events trailing by two points. But Bob Deneen (4:46.4), Barry Potter and Ed Bagley swept the mile and John Shaw (2:06.6), Malcolm Alexander and Ben Cooper slammed the 880 to assure the Tribe triumph.

and in the broad jump where Bob Barnett leaped 20-10¾. Jim Toles shared the high jump victory with four Saginaw entries.

While Central won only four events, it placed second in all except two of the 10 events where second places scored points.

Central has a 1-1 record for the year.

The summary:

120 high hurdles—1. Jerry Tillman (S). 2. John Turner (C). 3. Jewell Baxter (C). T—:15.6.

Mile relay—1. Central (John Shaw, Bob Deneen, Connie Connor, Herc Mitchell). T—3:37.8.