

# Trackmen to Run Indoors

By LEN HOYES

An indoor preview of the outdoor state track championship is a possibility Friday night in the 10th running of the Saginaw-Arthur Hill Invitational Track Meet at Central Michigan University's field house in Mount Pleasant.

Eight Saginaw Valley Conference members — everyone except Southwestern High — join Mount Pleasant, Traverse City, Muskegon and Lansing Eastern Highs in the 12-school field. Field events and preliminaries begin at 6 p. m. and the first running final starts at 8 p. m.

There's ample evidence to indicate Friday's winner is the team to beat for the state outdoor championship. Valley schools have monopolized the state crown since 1943 with the exception of 1951. Moreover, seven of nine previous Mount Pleasant champions have gone on to capture the outdoor title.

Ironically, Northern High (1957 and 1958) is the only Mount Pleasant champ which failed to maintain mastery through the state meet.

While it's too early in the season to assess strength, precedent dictates that Northern and Pontiac are the teams to beat Friday night. Northern has finished first or second seven times in nine

years and was third the other two years. Pontiac never has finished lower than second at Mount Pleasant.

Pontiac totaled 47½ points to Northern's 32 last year. Arthur Hill was third, Muskegon fourth and Central fifth with 15½ points.

Then came Saginaw, Traverse City, Lansing Eastern, Midland, Mount Pleasant, Bay City Central and Bay City Handy.

Coach Norbert Badar has three of last year's scorers to lead the Vikings' bid for a fourth cham-

ampionship. Dennis McGee tied for second in the 60-yard dash and ran on the winning four-lap relay team. Hue Edwards ran on the four-lap relay unit, and the runner-up medley relay team and tied for fifth in the broad jump. Charles Moore ran on the medley team.

Central Coach Carl Krieger has six scorers back. John Shaw was second in the 880-yard run and Bob Deneen was runner-up in the mile. Jim Toles tied for third in the high jump. Bob Barnett was fourth in the broad jump and Ben Cooper and Malcolm Alexander ran on the fourth-place medley relay team.

The Indians have not been strong contenders in the indoor meet. Except for a championship in 1959, their best showings were third places in 1952 and 1958.

Central's championship and two titles by Saginaw High in 1952 and 1954 are the only breaks in the Northern-Pontiac monopoly on first and second places.

Three defending champions are included in the 323 individuals entered from the 12 schools.

One is Pontiac's hulking Bradell (Bill) Pritchett whose 56-8 shot put created the only 1960 record. Another is Mount Pleasant's Mike Buchanan who won the broad jump at 22-3. The third returning champ is Muskegon's Ruben Mitchell whose 6-2¼ effort won the high jump.

### The records:

- 65 high hurdles—7.8 by Hayes Jones, Pontiac, 1956.
- 65 low hurdles—7.3 by Namon Smith, Bay City Central, 1957 and Joe Mason, Arthur Hill, 1960.
- 60 dash—6.3 by Ron Watkins, Central, 1959.
- 440 dash—53.2 by Marvin Pierce, Saginaw, 1954.
- 880 run—2:02.9 by George Friedrichsen, Central, 1959.
- Mile run—4:38.7 by Bill Milum, Central, 1959.
- Four-lap relay—(704 yards)—1:16 by Saginaw, 1954.
- Broad jump—22-9½ by Hayes Jones, Pontiac, 1954.
- Shot put—56.8 by Bredell Pritchett, Pontiac, 1960.
- High jump—6-5½ by Hudson Ray, Pontiac, 1958.
- Pole vault—12-3 by Jerry Cahill, Muskegon, 1958.
- Mile relay—Event run for first time this year.
- Medley relay—(1½ miles)—6:03.8 by Central (Gary Grunshaw, Jim Heusel, Paul Neely and Oscar Barnett), 1959.

## 'Gams' Garza Grapples Here

Legs and arms help make a wrestler and Dick (Mr. Michigan) Garza has 'em both. Those limbs will be in action Friday night at IMA Auditorium when Garza meets Dynamite Johnny Gates in one of four bouts on Promoter Leo Donoghue's mat show starting at 8:30.

Garza in 1952 won his Mr. Michigan title and qualified for the Mr. America contest in Hollywood where his legs were judged tops in the individual judging. No other state athlete has ever placed higher in national competition so Garza remains as Mr. Michigan.

Garza is married to a Detroit singer-dancer who is billed as "exotic." She has appeared in several Flint night spots.

Garza and Gates will mix in the first bout. Chene and Kamlikoff meet in the feature, with other bouts showing off Tiny Tim and Panchó Lopez, a pair of midgets, and a tag-team match featuring Brute Bernard and Mr. X against Luis Martinez and Gentleman Jim Hady.

Derwood Dowdy, IMA box office manager, said this morning that the window will be kept open tonight until 9 for wrestling ticket reservations and pickup. He asked that as many persons as possible pick up their tickets tonight to avoid the last-minute jam-up at

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