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Trojans Land Fifth in Class A Invitational

Central's Trojan track team, a question mark going into their first meet of the season Friday night at the Saginaw-Arthur Hill Invitational at the Central Michigan Fieldhouse, more than exceeded the hopes of the coach, Dick Frank, to grab a fifth place in the final standings in a field of 12 Class A teams from over the entire state. Winner of the meet was Flint Northern which nipped a fine Muskegon Reds squad by 2 2/3 points, winning with an even 36 points with the Reds trailing with 33 4/9 points. Saginaw was third with 22 1/10. Pontiac Central, last year's champion had 18½, Traverse City 15 1/2 and Flint Central 14 to complete the first division.

Central thinclads had not put on spikes, had run on nothing except the gym floor or the sidewalks at the school, and unsuccessfully were handicapped more than any other team in the meet for this reason. Still, they did as well in most events as they had in previous years and surprised in a few other events.

A breakdown of the various events showed the following:

Scott Hummell shared a three way tie for first place in the high jump going six feet in his first meet of the year and he took a fourth in the high hurdle finals. While not placing, another good performance was a 5-8 in the high jump by Harry Neuman.

George Boehm landed a third place in the shot with a 47 3¼ inch heave, one of the longest in his three year career and the season is just getting under way.

Three Trojans cleared 11 ft. in the pole vault, Stan Claycomb, Ken King and Mike Nerbonne, with the former clearing 11-6 to share in a six way tie for first place. Central should be well set for future meets in this event, both Nerbonne and King had near misses before going out at 11-6, indicating both will be able to reach this height in the near future.

"We found three potential hurdlers in the meet, even though they didn't show last night," Coach Frank commented. He referred to John Sebright, Joe Neihardt and Dave Dague, to go along with Hummell and Jim Anderson.

The dashes didn't show too much last night because of the short distance, 60 yards. Dague, John Loevers and Elmer Manville were eliminated but again, additional workouts on the sliders are bound to improve their time.

Beth Chum Schroetenboer and Ron Jones posted good times for this early in the season in the half mile. The former ran a 2:13, the latter a 2:16 in the medley relay. This, with a 57 second quarter by Dale Ealy and a 53 quarter by John Knorr resulted in a fifth in the medley.

Paul Stessel ran a 4:30 mile in his first start, exactly the pace set for him by the Trojan coach. He could have taken a second in his specialty but a stagger line confused him and he let up just before the finish line permitting another runner to nip him at the tape. Bob Rothermel ran 5:19 to finish just out of the running. Jim Roe was another near miss in the open 880 but ran a good race to open the season.

Quite a rhubarb developed after the medley relay race when one team ran an extra lap. When it become apparent after the final event that the final team results would not be altered, no action was taken and the runners in that heat actually ran with a 176 yard handicap.

Central will meet Algoma, here next Saturday at Thirlby Field in a dual meet to open the home schedule. Practices are scheduled to start at Thirlby Field next Monday afternoon.

Summary of the meet—

Broad Jump: 1st, Roberts (Musk); 2nd, McCauley (Pon. C.); 3rd, Moore (Musk); 4th, Coleman (Fl C); 5th, Urst (Fl N). Distance 20 ft. 9 in.

Pole Vault: 1st, Claycomb (TC), Stewart (Pon C), Fedler (Musk), Ferguson (Sag), Pickel (Musk), all tied. Height 11 ft. 6 in.

High Jump: 1st, Hummell (TC), Scott (Sag), Washington (Fl N), tied; 4th, German (Musk), Strong (Musk), Mitchell (Musk), Kellum (Sag), Simmons (BCC), tied. Height 6 feet.

Shot Put: 1st, Pritchett (Pon C); 2nd, James (Mid); 3rd, Boehm (TC); 4th, Camp (BCC); 5th, Brim (BCC). Distance 57 ft. 9 in.

65 Yd. Hurdles: 1st, Green (Musk); 2nd, Tillman (Sag); 3rd, Mitchell (Musk); 4th, Hummell (TC); 5th, Buchanan (MP). Time 8.8 seconds.

440 Yd. Dash: 1st, Edwards (Fl N); 2nd, Brasch (Sag); 3rd, Nelson (MP); 4th, Handy (BCC); 5th, Campbell (Pon C). Time 52.4 seconds. (New meet record).

Medley Relay: 1st, Saginaw Arthur Hill; 2nd, Flint Northern; 3rd, Lansing Eastern; 4th, Saginaw; 5th, Traverse City (Schroetenboer, Ealy, Knorr, Jones). Time 4:04.2 minutes.

60 Yd. Dash: 1st, McGee (Fl N); 2nd, Hostetler (MP); 3rd, Kimble (Fl N); 4th, McCauley (Pon C); 5th, Roberts (Musk). Time 6.3 seconds. (Tied meet record).

Mile Run: 1st, Dessen (Fl C); 2nd, Goodspow (Sag AH); 3rd, Stessel (TC); 4th, Hauwel (Musk); 5th, Bagley (Fl C). Time 4:40.3 minutes.

95 Yd. Low Hurdles: 1st, McGee (Fl N); 2nd, Hiatus (Sag); 3rd, Green (Musk); 4th, Mitchell (Musk); 5th, Mabry (Fl C). Time 12. (New meet record).

880 Yd. Run: 1st, Shaw (Fl C); 2nd, Sponseller (MP); 3rd, Moore (Fl N); 4th, Brim (BCC); 5th, Peck (Pon C). Time 2:09.3 minutes.

Four Lap Relay: 1st, Flint Northern; 2nd, Muskegon; 3rd, Pontiac Central; 4th, Lansing Eastern; 5th, Saginaw Arthur Hill. Time 1:13.4 minutes.

Final score	Points
1. Flint Northern	36
2. Muskegon	33 4/5
3. Saginaw	22 1/10
4. Pontiac Central	18 1/2
5. Traverse City	15 1/2
6. Flint Central	14
7. Mt. Pleasant	12
8. Saginaw Arthur Hill	10
9. Lansing Eastern	7 1/2
10. Bay City Central	6 3/5
11. Midland	4
12. Bay City Handy	0

FAVORED 6 TO 5

NEW YORK, Apr. 8 (UPI) — Danny Moyer of Portland, Ore., was an 6 to 5 favorite to reverse a decision against Argentina's Jorge Fernandez tonight in a 10-round nationally-televised bout at St. Nicholas Arena. The bout will be shown over the A.B.C. network starting at 10 p.m. (EST). Oddly, Fernandez is an underdog although he outpointed Moyer in their first meeting at Madison Square Garden last October.

ZEPHYRS LOSE

ST. PAUL, MINN., Apr. 8 (UPI) —An under-manned St. Paul team scored two goals in each period last night to turn back the Muskegon Zephyrs, 6-2, in an International Hockey League playoff game. The triumph gave the defending champion Saints a 3-1 edge in the best of seven final series for the Turner Cup. The fourth game of the series will be played here tomorrow night.

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