

## U. OF D. STADIUM ONLY SUMMER SITE

# City Track Facilities Lacking

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Except for the annual high school meets, Detroit has been without a championship track meet for 15 years, according to Ernie Smith, who's been associated with the Michigan Amateur Athletic Union for more than 30 years as an athlete and official. The problem in recent years had been a lack of facilities. Except for the University of Detroit and the high schools, there isn't a track available within the city limits which has the equipment to conduct a meet.

"We called off two meets last year because we couldn't get a track," Smith said. "The city doesn't own a hurdle and the high schools, which have the needed equipment, are closed down in the summer. There have been AAU meets in the suburbs but none in Detroit."

### SAD SITUATION

This is the unhappy situation facing a city trying to get the 1968 Olympic Games and Smith, Michigan AAU president Leo Solakin and other dedicated individuals are doing something about it. They're holding the state open championships in U. of D. Stadium today.

"The university has donated the track and all

we have to do is pay for cleaning the place," Solakin said. "I hope we make some money and if we do

## Sports for Youth

it will be donated to the Detroit Olympic Fund."

Smith, a 62-year-old former distance runner, be-

lieves the only thing which will put track on its feet here is to have the age group competition for boys and girls.

"Swimming has gone for age-group meets with phenomenal success," he declared, "and it should result in more and faster performers for the United States by the time the 1964 Olympics are held in Tokyo."

### 3 CLASSES TODAY

Today's meet is divided into three classes—junior (18 years old and under); senior (19 and over), and women. Half of the meet's more than 150 contestants

are in the junior events. These are chiefly school-boys.

The young stars include Bernard Cage, Public



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School League high and low hurdles champion from Pershing; Matti Kilpelainen, pole vault co-champion from Cooley; Jack Lackey, who ran the mile in 4:24 for Ecorse; Jerry DePalmer, a broad jumper for Ecorse; Brian Moore, a cross-country runner from Cass; and Nate Carr, of Chadsey, a 100 and 220-yard sprinter.

### TAKE FILMS

Others are Clement Chapman, a quarter and half miler from Chadsey; George Carr, a miler and half miler from Central; Reginald Gardner, who runs the 100 and 220 and broad jumps for Central; and 16-year-old Timo Kilpelainen, of Cooley, who has thrown the javelin over 160 feet and the discus over 100 feet. Timo, Matti's youngest brother, also pole vaults.

Jim Bibbs, of the Detroit Track Club, has en-

tered Paulette Clair, 12; Juanita Boyd, 10; Norma Bramson, 10; and Rita Harvey, 10, in the women's 100-yard dash.

Louis Scott, Eastern High's sensational runner, competes in the senior mile today. Scott set the PSL mile record of 4:13.2 last year, coming back last June with a 1:54.3 clocking for the half mile.

Frank McBride, Wayne State track coach, said films would be taken today and shown at the meeting of the International Olympic Committee in October at Baden-Baden, West Germany, where Detroit hopes it will be awarded the 1968 Olympic Games.

## Rules Meetings Set by MHSAA

The Michigan High School Athletic Association has announced that Lower Peninsula football rules meetings will be held at 13 sites in the next two weeks.

A representative of the MHSAA will be in attendance at each of the meetings. Rule changes, points of emphasis in the rules and other pertinent matters will be discussed.

A movie entitled This Is Football will be shown. All meetings will start at 8 p.m. Here are the dates and sites:

Aug. 26, Central Michigan University; 27, Hillsdale High School; 28, Gaylord High School and Lansing Sexton; 29, Cadillac High School and Garden City High School; Sept. 3, Saginaw Arthur Hill and Ann Arbor High School; 4, Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills and Flint Northern; 5, Western Michigan University and Port Huron High School; 9, Ferndale High School.

## Edgewood Members Raise Caddy Scholarship Fund

Caddying at Edgewood Country Club this summer are three youngsters who can look forward to a college education.

That's because members at the club have raised more than \$3,000 to provide for three scholarships—one at the University of Michigan, one at Michigan State University and one at Michigan Tech.

The club staged a special day this week in order to raise the money. Members were charged \$25 to play and the caddies volunteered their time to tote clubs. The six Fuller brothers who own Edgewood donated lunch and dinner.

While the idea was tried for the first time last year, it was much more successful this week with 100 members turning out. Additional contributions by members unable to attend pushed funds past the \$3,000 mark.

A committee of eight made up of six members, club professional Paul VanLoosen and caddy master Jim Dewling will select the three scholarship recipients.