Mason-Dixon Games from Shirley & Archie Owens

Louisville, Ky, Feb. 17:-The trials of the hurdles failed to predict what the final would be like as the field was not a particularly strong one overall. Mamie Rallins had to do it alone, and do it she did! Mamie drove from the blocks with what is fast becoming the "best start in hurdling" and flew down the long straight to cover the 70 yard course in 8.7s, one-tenth under Inge Schell's 1966 world record. Constantly improving Debbie Lansky of the Wolverine Parkettes was a good second in 9.2 while Gail Boyd of the Dregon TC nosed out Topeka's Diane Vann for the umpteenth time this season 9.4 to 9.5.

The finals of the 70y dash saw Wyomia Tyus, Willye White, young Rhonda Fleming, Mattelene Render and Kathryn Jones going for the title. Tyus was off fast, but at 50y White and Fleming drew even with the Olympic Champ. At the 65y marker White eased into a slight lead and held it to the tape in a very close finish.

Young Nancy Shafer won her first important indoor half mile victory as she took the measure of a field which included Lori Schutt of Champaign, Illinois; Pam Bagian, Wolverine Parkettes; Donna Simpson, MDYF; Kathy Moore, WP; Kathy Rogers of Topeka; Cheryl Bridges of Indiana State U, the National Junior Cross Country Champion; and Angie Smith, MDYF. Simpson and Smith set too fast a pace on the big 220y track, but Shafer and Schutt soon took command and separated themselves from the field by 20-25 yards. Schutt led most of the way, but Shafer kicked through to win by twelve yards in 2:14.9s.

Tennessee State and Mayor Daley staged a terrific show in the 440y relay. Willye White beat Tyus to the turn and gave teammate Kathy Jones a slight lead over TSU's Marcella Daniel. Una Morris pulled within a yard on her leg against Toi McCoy and Mamie Rallins held off Render to give the Chicago crew a great win over TSU 47.8 to 47.9 - both fantastic times for the indoor 440.

Willye White scored a win over 1967 Indoor Champion Martha Watson in the long jump and Eleanor Montgomery, much to the surprise of no one, annexed the high jump.

RESULTS: 70y, 1-White 7.7; 2-Tyus 7.7; 3-Render (TSU) nt; 4-

many); 2-Debbie Lansky 9.2; 3-Gail Boyd 9.4; 4-Diane Vann 9.5 (9.4h). LJ, White 20'11/2; 2-Martha Watson (TSU) 19'7/2; 3-Pat Richardson 18'3%; 4-Judy Toenboehn )Ozark TC) 17'8. HJ, 1-Eleanor Montgomery (TSU) 5'8; 2-Connie Peterson (Iowa TC) 5'2; 3-Liz Sharp (Illini TC) 5'0; 4-Julia Farr (Ohio TC) 5'0. 880y, 1-Nancy Shafer (Canton TC) 2:14.9; 2-Lori Schutt (Un) 2:16.0; 3-Pam Bagian (Wolverines) 2:21.2; 4-Kathy Rogers (Topeka CC) 2:21.4. 440y Relay, 1-MDYF 47.8; 2-Tennessee State University 47.9; 3-Topeka Cosmo Club 51.2: 4-HP YWCA, Ft. Worth 53.8.

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