

Jones Wins 100 at 9.8, 220 at 21.6

# Saginaw High Second in 'A' Meet

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FLINT—Reggie Jones and his Trojan buddies almost did it.

Jones won the 100 and 220-yard dashes to takeover for Marshall Dill as the state's top prep sprinter and along with Cal O'Neal, Larry Foster, Mike Thomas and Richard Stevenson, took second place in the state behind champion Oak Park in Class A at Houston Stadium Saturday afternoon.

Oak Park won with 31 points ahead of the Trojans with 26 1/2. Ann Arbor Pioneer was third with 26, followed by Livonia Franklin and Allen Park with 23, Grand Rapids Union 22 and Lansing Sexton 20. Midland finished way back in the pack with five points.

All other Saginaw area Class A schools had entries but did not place in any event.

The situation was similar for Oak Park and Saginaw. The champion Redskins had only five athletes entered in the meet as did the Trojans. Both teams placed in the same four events, but Oak Park did no worse than fourth and got more points for the relays.

Oak Park took first in the final event of the meet, the 440 relay, to clinch first. Saginaw was ahead going into the 440. Oak Park also was second in the 880 relay and got a second in the 100 and fourth in the 220 from Mike Rollins.

Jones won the 100 with a time of 9.8 and the 220 at 21.6. He joined O'Neal, Foster and Thomas for a fourth in the 880 relay at 1:30.3. The time would have been better, but a runner from another team got in front of Jones on the anchor leg just after the handoff. It is doubtful it cost the Trojans first in the event.

Stevenson replaced Bob Chapman in the 440 relay and along with Foster, O'Neal and Thomas placed seventh at 43.7 seconds. Chapman was withheld from the meet for a failing to make practice session Friday.

Jones was happy with his double victory—the only athlete to do so Saturday—but felt he could have done better.

"I'm feeling good now, but I'm not satisfied. I was shooting for the records in the 100 and 220, but just couldn't get them. I had some good competition today," said Jones after his brilliant 220 win for his best time in the event this season. "Last year



**THE TAPE BREAKS**—And with it goes a first place for Saginaw High's Reggie Jones in the 100-yard dash at 9.8 seconds. He also won the 220 at 21.6 as the meet's

only double winner and led the Trojans to a second place finish just four and a half points from champion Oak Park. The Redskins Mike Rollins (far right) was second in the 100 and fourth in the 220 along with a leg of the 440 relay the champs won (Saginaw News Photo by Leland R. Watrous)

when I finished in the middle of the pack in both events I told myself then I would win it this season," Jones continued, "it's what I've been working for all year long. Next year I'll take a crack at those records." Saginaw High coach Claude Marsh was a happy guy as his runners surrounded him with the big second-place trophy they had just received held high. It was his best performance as Trojan track coach and the best since Saginaw High won the state in 1952. "You've got to give those kids a lot of credit. They worked hard and came through for us when we needed it. Little Richard Stevenson stepped in for Bob

Chapman and did a great job. Our relays were just great," Marsh said.

You know a guy like Reggie is great for something like track. He never loses his cool and has great concentration. All that's on his mind is running the race he's entered in and doing well. He had a great day. All the guys did, and the best part of it is they'll all be back except Cal," said Marsh. Four state records were set in the meet, and another was just seven-tenths of a second off the mark. Nat Wdurnham of Farmington set a record in the pole vault at 15-0 to wipe out the 14-6 1/2 record of Dave Leitner of Grand Haven and Larry Biskner

of Waterford. Reggie Ferguson owns the new high jump mark at 6-9. The Flint Northwestern ace topped the old mark of 6-8 by Freels Bacon of Flint Central and Dean Ousterhout of East Lansing. Detroit wipershing's Tim Harris, Tom Clark, Darryl Davis and Gene Ellerbe set a mark in the mile relay at 3:19.5 to top the old mark of 3:20.5 by Ecorse, Detroit Cooley's Nicholas Ellis set a new standard in the two mile at 9:14.8 over Dave Baker of Flint. Kearsley who owned the record at 9:15.4. Miller Dave Wood of Grand Rapids Union won the event at 4:13.9 and the record is 4:13.9.