## **Cooley, Cass polish acts in Friendship meet**

## By Michael James THE DETROIT NEWS

THE DETROIT NEWS Detroit Cooley and Cass Tech turned out to be the best of the friends who gathered for Saturday's annual Operation Friendship Track and Field Championships at Univer-sity of Detroit Jesuit High. The Cooley boys and Cass Tech girls — both among the favorites in the Class A state meet next Saturday — tuned un by winning the Friend.

- tuned up by winning the Friend-ship trophy in a big way. Both won Public School League champion-

Public School League champion-ships Thursday. Cooley finished with 71 points in the Friendship boys meet, followed by U-D Jesuit with 53. Cass, with 100 points, doubled the score on runner-up Livonia Ladywood. Overall, the PSL boys won the

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Friendship title, 267-225. The Cath-olic League girls won the same honor, nipping the PSL, 242-238. "It was kind of a tough day for us after we ran so hard Thursday," Cooley Coach Gene Ballard said. "We had some high intensity out there. Now, it's on to the state meet and we're looking forward to it." Cass Tech Coach Bertha Smiley, who called the PSL championships a

Cass Tech Coach Bertha Smiley, who called the PSL championships a tune-up for the state meet, said the Friendship was just another tune-up. The second-year coach hoped the strong showing would carry over into the state final, where Cass has been runner-up five of the last six years. Ann Arbor Pioneer has won six consecutive state championships. Several double winners and

strong relays sparked the Cass effort. Tamar Holley won the shot put in 35

feet, 5<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches and the discus in 106-10. Jelene Boyd won the 100-meter hurdles in 14.9 seconds and the 300 hurdles in 46.0. Shameakia Dun-

woody won the 100 in 12.1 but did not compete in the 200. The Techni-cians also won the 800 relay (1:43.1) and the mile relay (3:59.7). Cooley, which won the mile relay

(3:21.2), also got first-place finishes from David Norman in the 800 (1:54.1) and Marco West in the 200 (22.0)

(22.0). U-D Jesuit scored a double after winning the A-B championships and the Catholic League portion of the Friendship title for the first time time 1921.

Strong performances were turned in by U-D's Nick Saracino, who won the 3,200 (10:05.9) and Ben Rodgers, who finished second in the long jump

(22-11¼) and the 200 (22.3). Ladywood Coach Joe Peruski got a pleasant surprise as his team re-bounded from a third-place finish in the Catholic League A-B meet to beat the rest of the league for the Friendship finalist trophy. Ladywood's Rebecca Willey ac-counted for 24 of her team's 50 points with first in the high jump (5-2).

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Other top performances:
Benedictine's James Mosley won the shot (53-9) and discus (146-10).
Osborn's Jarrett Jackson won the long jump (22-11¼), 400 (48.6) and finished second in the 110 hurdles (14.5).

(14.5). ■ The Henry Ford girls 3,200 relay team (9:47.0) ran the state's third-fastest time.

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