

1928 Season review...

1928 TRACK TEAM

Nel Tucker, a four year track man and football star, was elected captain of the '28 track squad. Nel is a "wizard" at the hurdles and he and Caborn should make a great pair this year.

The '28 team will be even better than the one of last year. There will be several veterans on the squad namely Captain Tucker, Binkley, Hasselbach, Lerch, Miencer, Hetrick, Siegenthaler, Caborn, Althoff, Don and J. W. Miller, and Wonderly.

F. H. S. TRACK AND FIELD MEN BUSY

This will be a busy week for Coach Ross and his group of cinder path and field men. The athletes were having a shindig all their own this afternoon, an inter-class meeting in which great rivalry exists and in which each and every individual will revert back to the school class to which he belongs in the regular periods of study. This meeting should be hot.

During the remainder of the week Fostoria and Port Clinton should be met with and Captain Melson Tucker and his weight men, jumpers, hurdlers, dashers and distance toilers should get some right smart work for the great jousts to come.

There are said to be any number of good men out for track and field honors this season and this list includes such stars as Captain Tucker, Althoff, Hetrick, J. W. Miller, Titsworth, Bob Ross, Meincer, Binkley and many others whose names are enrolled in high school victory columns in basketball, football and other red-blooded sports.

PORT CLINTON GIVES SURPRISE PARTY TO LOCAL TRACK TEAM

Fremont high's track team ran into a surprise at Port Clinton on Thursday afternoon, when they bumped against a sturdy, well-balanced opponent and lost, 58 to 37. Fremont athletes took but four firsts out of the eleven events, with Harold Althoff being the best point getter for the locals. The blond haired athlete took first in the high jump and pole vault and finished second in the broad jump and third in the shot put. Pat Hetrick streaked in first in the half mile event and J. W. Miller showed his heels in the 440 yard event, for the only other firsts taken by Fremont.

Port Clinton swept the dash events, the 100 and 220. They also won the mile and the mile relay, and their field men took the javelin throw, shot put and broad jump.

While the upset was surprising to Fremont high adherents, yet it was not thoroughly disheartening, as Port Clinton has a clever group of athletes and in addition had the benefit of more training than the locals. It was the first meet for Fremont and it was also the first time the mile and half-mile runners had run the distances with competition. The meet served to reveal some weaknesses of the team which Coach Ross will endeavor to iron out.

Perry was the Port Clinton star. He won both the 100 and 220 yard dashes, took second in the shot put, tied for second in the pole vault and finished third in the broad jump.

TRACK - FIELD RECORDS THAT F. H. S. HEROES HAVE SET UP

Smith, Ross, Wendler and
Emmons on List With
Althoff, Bowers and
McCarthy

By COLONEL

Since construction work was started on Harmon field's new four p cinder track, one of the most modern of its kind in any high school lot in the country, the Messenger sports editor has been fairly imbasted with requests for information on the records of track and fields as listed in the hall of fame the haven of purple and white. Who holds the mark for the century?

Who is the gink that made the longest broad jump?

What records are held by such heroes as Harold Wendler and Towner Smith?

Who was Fremont high's best eight shover?

Who is the best pole vaulter?

These are just a mere few. There are oceans more of them.

The writer has dug deeply into the records and he had quite a difficult time at that, in uncovering some of the marks held by the best track and field men in the school on the brow of the

thoroughfare that is named after Croghan, who made the British relay team and the Indian "Puppy Pounders" do their stuff at the famous Fort Stephenson track meeting years and years ago.

Towner Smith, famous "Mercury Foot" of 1920 and a lad who has a few football marks stored away in fame's hall here, is the laddo who holds three school records at the present time. Towner, who is now a resident of Miami, Fla., made the 100 in 10 1-5; the 220 dash in 22 3-5, and the 440 in 52 seconds.

This is a pretty fair collection of marks for one man to hold, but Towner was made of the sterner stuff and he employed it when in college and was one of the greatest middle distance men in the west. His marks have stood the test of eight years of competition.

The Mile Run

Now, coming down to the mile run, you'll find that a lad named E. Thurn did the 5280 foot stretch in 4 minutes, 53 1-3 seconds, which isn't bad for a high school performer.

William (Bunk) Ross, famous coach of Fremont high, holds the 220 low hurdle record right up there in high school records. "Bunk," who used to be as nimble on his pins as a turkey on a hot griddle, stepped out and topped the timber in 27 1-5 seconds. If you don't think this is some running and leaping get out some night and steal watermelons when the farmers are watchful and the fences are high.

Now comes a paragraph regarding the track exploits of Harold Wendler. No story regarding Fremont high athletics would be complete without a bit relative to the quiet, smiling star with the twinkling eyes and the scampering feet. "Windy" is better known in football circles, but he also was plenty hot in track and field lines.

Harold of Kirksville, Mo., where the corn grows tall and the Indians still yodel a war cry now and then or then and now, once did the broad jump for a leap of 21 feet and 3-5 inches. It still stands, although it was recorded way back in 1920, and even before Cal Coolidge said he did not choose to run with the G. O. P. team.

The Pole Vault

Guess who holds the pole vault record up there where the purple and white almost rivals Old Glory at times on the flag pole?

Nope, not Sabin Carr, Charley Hoff, Gilbert or any of those ordinary gooks. It belongs to a man much bigger.

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CAPTURES FIRST IN DUEL WITH TRIO OF OTHER HIGH SCHOOLS

Binkley and Althoff Big Point Getters; Tiffin is Second; F. H. S. Now Showing Form

"Bunk" Ross and his Fremont high trackers invaded the precincts of Tiffin yesterday afternoon and landed all sprawled out at a four-cornered track meeting in which they competed with the stars of Columbian high, Tiffin; Bellevue high and Oak Harbor.

It was a track meeting in more than one sense of the word, Fremont galloping away to an easy first. The purple and white athletes went right at their chores. They took nine firsts out of 15 and massed up a total of 68 points.

Columbian high was second with 33½ points; Bellevue garnered third with 19 points, and Oak Harbor finished in the rear with 1½ points.

"High Pockets" Binkley, all rested up after the basketball cam-

paign, was the individual star of the session, taking 15 points. "Whitey" Althoff, famous cage captain, was a close second with 14 points. Binkley took three firsts and Althoff won two firsts, a second and a third.

Beard, Bellevue sprinter, fell as he neared the tape in the century dash and broke a collarbone. He finished second to Binkley in the hot sprint, however.

The meeting was well conducted and was staged under the auspices of Heidelberg college.

Summary of events:

100 yard dash—Binkley (F), Beard (B), Lucas (B); 11 seconds.

220 dash—Binkley (F), Althoff (F), Moore (B); 24.4 seconds.

440 dash—Miller (F), Cleveland (T), Kramb (OH); 51.1 seconds.

Half-mile—Neiderhauser (T), P. Hetrick (F), Jones (F); 2 minutes, 16.4 seconds.

Mile run—Neiderhauser (T), Karlovetz (F), Wonderly (F); 5 minutes, 4.4 seconds.

Mile relay—Fremont won, Caborn, Hetrick, Wonderly, Miller.

120 high hurdles—Montague (T), Karn (B), Tucker (F); 19.1 seconds.

220 low hurdles—Karn (B), Montague (T), Lucas (B); 29.3 seconds.

Broad jump—Binkley (F), Wenger (B), Althoff (F); 19 feet, 8 in.

Javelin throw—Payden (F), Lerch (F), Kerchner (T); 124 feet, 6 inches.

Discus—Hasselbach (F), Blum (T), Lerch (F); 115 feet, 6 inches.

Pole vault—Althoff (F), Meinzer (F), Reitz (B); 10 feet.

Shot put—Blum (T), Flechtner