

1945 District Meet...

15-MAN TRACK SQUAD ENTERS DISTRICT RUN

Three Tennis Players Will Also Compete At Bee Gee Saturday

A squad of 15 trackmen and three tennis players will compete in the district track and tennis eliminations in Bowling Green on Saturday, Coaches Whitey Althoff and Bill McConnell said today.

The track team which will seek qualifying places for the state meet in Columbus next week-end will be virtually the same as finished second in Buckeye league competition last week, but Althoff has juggled the line-up somewhat.

The Little Giants will be without an entry in the 440-yard dash in an effort to strengthen the two relay teams.

The Ross mentor said that John Erchenbrecher and Bob Sampsel would run the 100 and Dick Robbins and Bernie Kellogg the 220. Jerry Larkins and Fred Stetzel will be in the half-mile and Fought will be the lone mile entry. For the 880 relay team he has Erchenbrecher, Dick Mohler, Sampsel and Robbins and for the mile relay, Erchenbrecher, Sampsel, Robbins and Larkins.

Two Will Qualify

Mohler and Myron Robertson will run the high hurdles with Robertson teaming with either Joe Pasch or Wally Whitcomb in the low timbers.

Mohler and Robertson will be in the high jump and Mohler and Dean Rogers in the broad jump. Bob Bowersox and Whitcomb are the pole vault entries, while Bill Miller and Al Johnson will heave the shot and Miller and Bud Inks the discus.

At least 15 Class A teams are expected to be entered including the defending champion, Toledo DeVilbiss, and competition is expected to be exceptionally keen. Only the first and second place men in each event will qualify for Columbus. Qualifying heats in all sprints, all field events and the hurdles will be held Saturday morning.

In a surprise move, McConnell has entered Al King in the tennis singles and Kent Darr and Ted Hiltv in the doubles. Tennis competition is expected to be light with only DeVilbiss, Lima Central and Norwalk entering teams in addition to Fremont.

LITTLE GIANTS PLACE FIFTH IN DISTRICT

Bill Miller Wins Discus As Squad Scores 20 Points

Scoring 20 points by placing in seven of the 14 events, Ross high's Little Giants finished in fifth place in the district track meet in Bowling Green Saturday.

The meet was won by Toledo DeVilbiss, defending champion, with 44 points. Wauseon was second with 31. Toledo Scott and Toledo Central tied for third, each with 25, to place ahead of Fremont. Trailing them were Bowling Green, 19½; Toledo Woodward, 17; Toledo Libbey, 13; Lima Central, 9; Lima South, 8; Bryan, 3½; Findlay, Toledo Waite and Kenton, 3 each, and Montpelier, 1.

Bill Miller, husky weight man, paced the Fremont forces by scoring nine points, taking a first in the discus with a toss of 128 feet 8 inches, or 11 feet farther than he ever threw it before, and a third in the shot put with a heave of 45 feet one inch, which was two feet nine inches short of the winning distance.

Second In 880

Jerry Larkins finished second in the half-mile run, stepping the distance in two minutes 6.8 seconds which was just six-tenths second slower than Foulkes of Lima Central, who won the event.

Next best was Dick Robbins, third in the 220 dash, while Dean Rogers was fourth in the broad jump with a leap of 19 feet 9 inches. Myron Robertson was fifth in the high hurdles after having run two preliminary heats, and the mile relay team of John Erchenbrecher, Bob Sampsel, Larkins and Robbins was fifth in that race.

The Little Giants made a good showing in the district meet, especially in finishing ahead of Bowling Green, and both Miller and Larkins qualified for the state meet in Columbus this week-end.

Team Drops Out

Coach Whitley Althoff had no entries for the 440 dash and Erchenbrecher failed to qualify for the 100. Mohler didn't qualify for the high hurdles and Robertson failed to make the finals in the low hurdle race.

In the half-mile relay, Fremont had tough luck when the baton was knocked from Erchenbrecher's hand as he hit the first turn on the first lap and the team withdrew. In the preliminary for the pole vault, Bob Bowersox went nine feet nine inches, his best of the season, but in the finals he couldn't clear nine feet.

Toledo DeVilbiss, the meet winner, scored but two firsts but had enough all-around strength to cop five seconds, two thirds and one fourth and a fifth for sufficient points.

Individual star of the competition was Hal Robinson, speedy Wauseon athlete, who won the 100

and 220 dashes, the high and broad jumps to account for 24 of his team's 31 points.

Results of the district meet:

Shotput: Won by Duhart (Woodward); Ligibel (Scott), 2; Miller (Fremont), 3; Witty (Waite), 4; Todd (DeVilbiss), 5. Distance: 47 ft. 10 in.

120-Yard high hurdles: Won by Hoover (Scott); Saelzler (Toledo Central), 2; Kettlewell (Findlay), 3; Crummley (DeVilbiss), 4; Robertson (Fremont), 5. Time: 16.2s.

Pole vault: Won by R. Brown (DeVilbiss); Merillat (Wauseon), 2; Wooley (Lima South), 3; Raymond (Bryan), and Metz (Scott), tied 4. Height: 11 feet.

100-Yard dash: Won by Robinson (Wauseon); Day (DeVilbiss), 2; Schultz (DeVilbiss), 3; Bey (Libbey), 4; Richmond (Bowling Green), 5. Time: 10.1s.

Mile run: Won by Gernheuser (Woodward); Gestalder (Toledo Central), 2; Brown (Kenton), 3; Mawhorr (Lima South), 4; Williams (BG), 5. Time: 4:47.8.

Discus: Won by Miller (Fremont); Saelzler (Toledo Central), 2; Lewis (DeVilbiss), 3; Merillat (Wauseon), 4; Tyler (Montpelier), 5. Distance: 128 ft. 8¾ in.

880-Yard relay: Won by Libbey (Krall, Shaw, Zin, Bey); DeVilbiss, 2; Bowling Green and Scott tied 3; Waite, 4. Time: 1:35.38.

High jump: Won by Robinson (Wauseon); Bradley (BG), 2; Titus (BG), 3; Todd (DeVilbiss), Haynes (Woodward), and Merillat (Wauseon), tied for 4. Height: 5 ft. 9 in.

440-Yard dash: Won by Hall (DeVilbiss); Coyle (Toledo Central), 2; Saelzler (Toledo Central), 3; Ulrich (Lima Central), 4; Wright (Lima Central), 5. Time: :52.5.

220-Yard low hurdles: Won by Hoover (Scott); Maas (BG), 2; Kershner (Lima South), 3; Eschenhofen (Bryan), 4; Gillespie (BG), 5. Time: :26.6.

Broad jump: Won by Robinson (Wauseon); Day (DeVilbiss), 2; Haynes (Woodward), 3; Rogers (Fremont), 4; Bey (Libbey), 5. Distance: 21 ft. 5 in.

880-Yard run: Won by Foulkes (Lima Central); Larkins (Fremont), 2; Hall (DeVilbiss), 3; Seeman (Scott), 4; Shook (BG), 5. Time: 2:06.2.

220-Yard dash: Won by Robinson (Wauseon); Day (DeVilbiss), 2; Robbins (Fremont), 3; Gross (Scott), 4; Crawford (DeVilbiss), 5. Time: :23.0.

Mile relay: Won by Toledo Central (Bok, Coyle, Gestalder, Saelzler); Libbey, 2; DeVilbiss, 3; Bowling Green, 4; Fremont, 5. Time: 3:37.4.





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Best But Once

Taken by large, the efforts put forth by Behr, over and over, were good. But they weren't as good as the results attained in Cleveland. Salem and Columbus, the only one instance was the winning performance at Bowling Green topped the records for which results are at hand.

Hal Robinson of Wauseon leaped 20 feet 10 1/2 inches, the broad jump and that was tops, by an inch and a half, among the meet's broad jumpers. Green, of Cleveland, competing in Cleveland's east side qualifier, jumped an even 21 feet, and Sybil Rhodes, in a recent meet, jumped 20 feet 5 1/2 inches, while Wade (2) of East Palestine, competing in a street meet, 20 feet 3 1/2 inches. No broad jump was listed out of Columbus.

Even for this one event, times were slower, distances shorter and fields smaller at Behr than in the other qualifying centers. Not by much in several events, but enough to make the question arise: Will the repeat on the Ohio State track. Merely for the sake of comparison, to take the results, event by event.

Pole Vault Close

In a shot put Duane of Toledo, Woodward, was first with 47 feet 10 inches at Pawling Green. Maxmuk, Cleveland Liner, third, 49 1/2; and Kroll and Cleary of Delaware, Willis, 48 feet five inches, to tie his effort. Youngstown, fourth, topped it 46 feet seven inches and McWilliams, Cleveland East, 45 feet seven inches.

Hoover, Toledo Scott, was the winner in the high hurdles and his 10.2 seconds was the best in the five meets. Best time was made by McCormick, Rocky River, 10.3. Second best time was Carter, Euclid Central, 13.4; Wade, Akron North, 15.6, and Schaefer, Columbus North, 15.7.

At Bowling Green, Brown of DeVilbush, pole vault, had a leap of 11 feet which wasn't bad and was topped but once. Bokros, Strutters, cleared the bar 11 feet, two inches. Four John Marshall, made 10 feet 10 inches and Culmer, Cleveland Shaw, at 10 feet nine inches. The vault was erased at Columbus.

Miller Second

First 100 yards was run by Johnson, Columbus East, clocked in 9.9 seconds. Robinson made it in 9.1 at Behr. Same time as second, Akron East, but was slightly faster at Atzal, Cleveland East Tech, 9.5, and Taylor, Pawling Green. Behr's 100 yards in the 220 was fourth, however. Jackson, Akron East, made it in 10.4; Atzal, 10.5; and Taylor, 10.5; and Pawling, in 22.6.

For the mile, Ruperti, Columbus Central, was first with 4:56.6, trailed by Sewell, Cleveland West Tech, 4:53.4; Davis, Akron East, 4:53.8; and Johnson, 4:53.9, and Gerneheuer, Woodward, 4:57.8. In the half-mile, Hutt, Columbus West, was first with a time of two minutes nine-tenths second. Mills, Lakewood, was next best, 2:03.6, with Wilkerson, 2:04.1, third in 2:04.2; Utinich, Collinwood, 2:06.9, and Orfaneades, Cuyahoga Falls, 2:07.6.

The discus throw of Fremont's Bill Miller—128 feet 8 1/2 inches—ranked him first. Second, another, had a heave of 137 feet 4 1/2 inches; Bain, Columbus East, 133 feet; Campbell, Akron North, 130 feet 3 1/2 inches; and Roth, Cleveland West, 125 feet nine inches. Johnson, Pawling, and Emerson, Shaker Heights, cleared the bar at five feet 11 1/2 inches. Foster, Marion, jumped five feet 9 1/2 inches and Smith, Akron North, five feet six, making up the B-D jump of five feet nine third best.

Fast Relays

Hal Johnson won the 440 at our district meet and had the third fastest time. Bailey, Columbus East, did the quarter, 51 seconds, and Salem's Akron, Buechel, in 53.9. Hall was next with 52.5, trailed by Masse, Rhodes, 53, and Zimmerman, 54.5. Slaton, 55.6. Best time in the low hurdles was the 25.8 seconds of McCormick, Rock River, with Salem, Akron North, and Lewis, Columbus Boxley, next with 26 seconds; Hoover, 26.2; and Lawson, John Adams, 27 seconds.

There were some fast times chalked up in the relays. In the half-mile event the Columbus North quartet was clocked in 1:52.8; the Lakewood, 1:53.2; and 1:53.8; Cleveland East Tech,

Chance Appears Slim

What chance has Toledo DeVilbiss, winner of the northern half of the northwest district track meet, to repeat its conquest when the state championship is at stake at Columbus this weekend? Off-hand, after a cursory examination of what other district results are available, the answer would have to be "Not much."

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1:37.8; Wadsworth, 1:38.3 and Toledo, 1:38.5. The only time it was Warren, 1:39.5; Rhodes, 1:39.8; Toledo Central, 1:37.5. Of course all these boys and teams aren't going to perform the same as Columbus, which might be as fast. And then they might be faster. Hence we say it appears very doubtful if northwestern Ohio will win the title.

TOLEDO RALLY TOPS MILLERS

Louisville Retains Association Lead By Scant Margin

By United Press Louisville retained its lead in the American Association standings by a few lone percentage points, but it was the losing end of a 7 to 2 contest with the seventh-place Kansas City.

Kansas City made seven hits, four for seven runs to defeat the Cardinals, who had 10 hits.

The game was called in the eighth inning to allow the Colonels to catch a flight.

A scheduled game between Louisville's two closest contenders, the Milwaukee Brewers and the Indianapolis Indians, was rained out.

In a night doubleheader, Pawling Green and the Columbus Red Birds split a pair. The first went to St. Paul, 6 to 4, and the second to Pawling, 5 to 3. The Red Birds, leading 8 to 0 when the game was called, in the sixth.

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The Mud Hens to seven scattered hits and 10 runs, 7 to 5, when the game ended early.

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SPRINGFIELD ADDS TO LEAGUE LEAD

By United Press Springfield, which had the league-leading Giants rolled ahead with another half-game added to their margin today after an easy 10 to 2 victory over the St. Louis

Marion Cardinals in the only game scheduled last night.

The Cardinals' prospects move over to Newark, which still is in second division.

Third-place Middlestown and fourth-place Zanesville Marion tries to make up for last night by going after Zanesville.

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