

Just like home

Leafs win McCormick meet in Sterling

DuWayne Dietz Field in Sterling proved to be a favorable site for the Geneseo varsity boys track team as the Leafs claimed top team honors in the annual John McCormick Invitational held Friday, May 8.

The meet, normally held in Geneseo, was moved to Sterling due to work being done on the track at J.D. Darnall high school. Work on the track was completed on Wednesday, May 6 but it was too late to change arrangements.

The change in sites had little effect on the Leaf tracksters, something which pleased Coach Don Fredericks.

"We had a number of kids who had personal bests and it is hard to ask for more than that. The hard work they have put in is starting to show. This was a big step forward for us," he said.

Teams and scores in the meet were Geneseo (115), Metamora (96), Ottawa (83), Dixon (72), Kewanee (51), Galesburg (47), Rock Falls (37), Princeton (36), Sherrard (7), Alleman (6), LaSalle-Peru (5) and Rochelle (3).

Ben Hahn had a huge meet for the Leafs, winning two individual events and anchoring one first place relay team. His time of 11.01 seconds in the 100 was a personal best, as was the 50.10 second clocking in the 400. Hahn's 400 time is behind only Mike VanDeVelde's 1991 time of 49.2 seconds in J.D. Darnall high school history.

"Ben had a monster meet for us. He has been improving all season and something like this was bound to happen eventually. He is peaking at the perfect time of the season," said Coach Fredericks.

In addition to Hahn's first place finishes, winning efforts were turned in by the 400 relay team of Derek Wright, Jon Smith, Nick Sable and Hahn (44.12 seconds) and the 800 relay team of Smith, Eric Newton, Jeremy Holke and Sable (1:32.80).

Also earning first place was the

weightman's relay team of Ryan Sheddin, Andy Porter, Seth Graham and Nate Culbertson, which was clocked at 49.15 seconds. This was a non-scoring event.

Second place finishers for the Leafs were Tom Britton in the triple jump; Andy Snook in the 1600 and 3200; Hahn in the 200 and Newton in the 110 meter high hurdles.

Britton's effort of 43'1/2" in the triple jump was fourth in school history and his personal best by over 10 inches. Snook's time of 9:36.1 was third in school history and chopped five full seconds off his previous best. He finished second to Metamora distance ace John Weigle in both distance events.

Third place finishers for the Leafs were Jim Van Acker in the shot put and Newton in the 300 meter intermediate hurdles. Van Acker's heave of 49' in the shot put was a personal best.

Also achieving personal bests, but not cracking the top three in their events, were Britton in the high jump (5'10"), David Farmer in the 110 meter high hurdles (15.8 seconds) and 400 (53.1 seconds) and Eric Misfeldt in the 1600 (4:39.97).

The Geneseo freshman boys team competed in the Sterling Frosh Invitational held Monday, May 11 and placed second in the six-team meet. Teams and scores were Sterling (88), Geneseo (79), Princeton (50), Dixon (28), Kewanee (20) and Rochelle (14).

Jeff Causemaker led the Leafrosh with a pair of wins, capturing the triple jump (37'7-1/4") and 110 meter high hurdles (10.11 seconds).

Single event winners were Josh Inch in the 3200 (10:54.2) and Jeremiah Waggoner in the 1600 (5:18.8).

Also placing first was the 1600 relay team of Troy Boelens, Eric Durian, Mike Poppen and Dan Flood (3:57.68).

Second place finishers for Geneseo included Poppen in the shot put and discus and Boelens in the high jump, long jump and triple jump.

Finishing third were Andy Nissen in the pole vault; Shane Hudnall in the 100 and 200; Eric Durian in the 800; Flood in the 400 and the 400 relay team of Nissen, Steve Jerbi, Flood and Hudnall.

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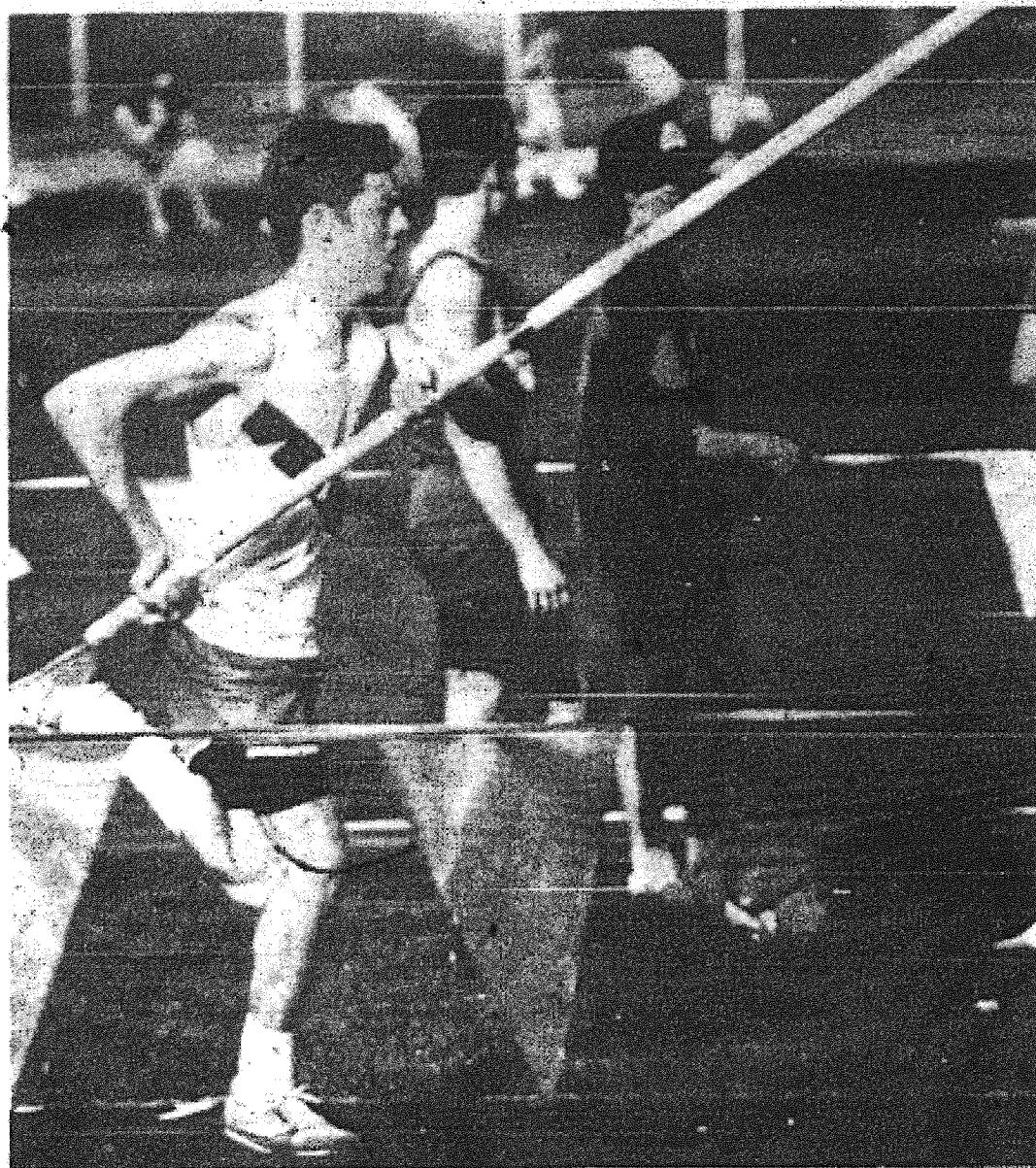
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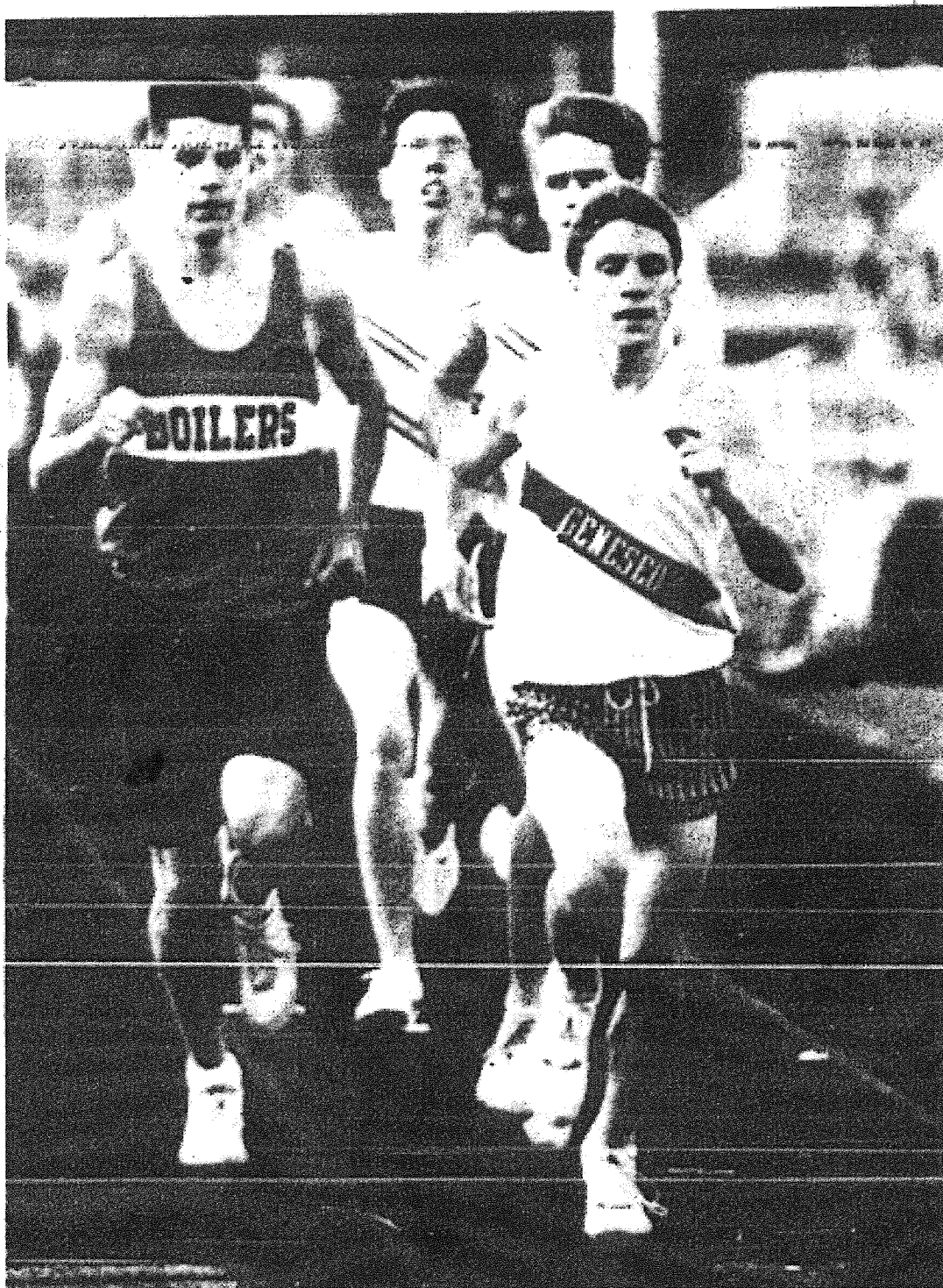
EYEING THE BAR. Leaf pole vaulter Brady Rasmussen has his sights set on clearing the bar during the Friday, May 8 John McCormick Invitational held at Sterling high school. Geneseo placed first in the meet. For more information, see the accompanying story.

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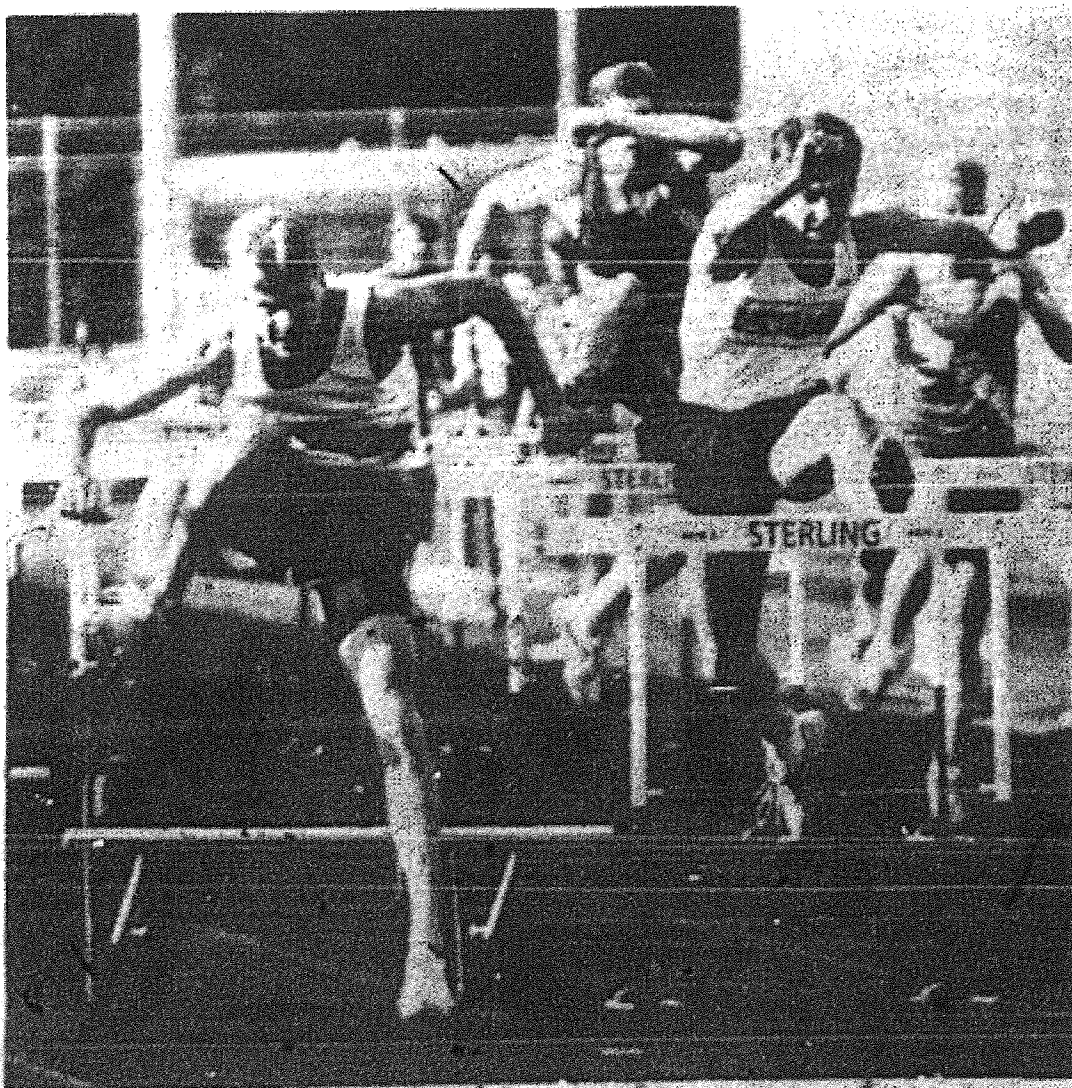
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CELEBRATION TIME. Assistant boys track coach Marty Martins, flanked by Shane Hudnall (left) and Jeff Causemaker, celebrate Geneseo's second place finish in the Sterling Frosh Invitational on Monday, May 11. Causemaker claimed a pair of individual wins in the meet. For details, see the accompanying story.



Republic photo by Jerry Hahn

HEADING HOME. Leaf distance ace Andy Snook claimed second place finishes in the 1600 and 3200 races to help the Geneseo varsity boys track team to a first place finish in the John McCormick Invitational held Friday, May 8 in Sterling. See the adjoining story for details.



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CLIPPING A HURDLE. Sophomore hurdler Eric Newton (left) placed second in the 110 meter high hurdles to help Geneseo to a first place team finish in the John McCormick Invitational held Friday, May 8 in Sterling. For more information, see the adjoining story.

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McCormick Inv.

5/09/92 at Sterling

Shot (3rd) Van Acker 49-0

(4th) Culbertson 47-2 3/4

Disc Graham 126-10

Porter 116-4

HJ Britton 5-10

Pierce 5-8

PJ (6th) Sager 11-6

Rasmussen N.H.

LJ (5th) Britton 19-9 1/2

Lavery 18-1 1/2

TJ (2nd) Britton 43-0 1/2

Lavery 40-6

3200R. (6th) 8:33.4 Pierce (61) 2:10.2 Missett (60) 2:04.5 Anderson (59) 2:06.9 Neumann (59) 2:11.8

400R. (1st) 44.12 Wright 12.66 J. Smith 10.17 Sable 11.93 Hahn 10.01

3200 (2nd) Swook 9:36.1 65-2:17-3:29-4:41-5:55-7:10-8:25 →

(5th) Taets 10:19.7 68-2:25-3:44-5:04-6:24-7:45-9:07 →

110H.H. (2nd) ^{New South Rec} Newton 15.26 15.63 15.40 Farmer 15.8 pre semi D.Q.

500 (1st) Hahn 11.01 11.34 11.42 (4th) Sable 11.55 11.56 11.37

800 (6th) Anderson 2:07.2 (62) Pierce scratch

800R. (1st) 1:32.80 J. Smith 23.56 Newton 23.81 Holke 22.26 Sable 22.88

400 (1st) Hahn 50.10 (5th) Farmer 53.1

300IH. (3rd) Newton 42.00 (4th) Wright 42.40

1600 (2nd) Swook 4:32.2 64-2:14-3:23 → (6th) Missett 4:39.27 64-2:16-3:31 →

200 (2nd) Hahn 22.87 (6th) J. Smith 23.59

1600R. 3:37.9 Farmer 56.9 Holke 55.3 Sable 54.0 Pierce 52.5

Big Bay (1st) Sheldon 12.43 Porter 13.1 Graham 12.3 Culbertson 12.6

1992 GENESEO JOHN MCCORMICK BOYS' TRACK INVITATIONAL

3200m RELAY - 1) Dixon (Cuffey, Wood, Gillam, Schwarz), 8:13.58 2) Metamora (Bochman, Stuber, Jones, Hodel), 8:18.45 3) Princeton (Moore, Ross, Coates, Mitchell), 8:19.68 4) Ottawa (Bell, Aichele, O'Connell, Aunyan), 8:21.51 5) Kewanee (Bral, Fulton, Breed, Faoro), 8:29.52 6) Geneseo (Pierce, Misfeldt, Anderson, Newmann), 8:33.38

400m RELAY - 1) Geneseo (Wright, Smith, Sable, Hahn), 44.12 2) Galesburg (Walter, Harris, Ramage, Roberson), 44.17 3) Metamora (Sprodlin, Goodman, Brown, Ramaley), 44.67 4) Kewanee (Davis, Flagg, Suzukake, Jones), 44.97 5) Princeton (Rossler, Towne, May, Wright), 45.51 6) Ottawa (Larsen, Gerding, Roper, Swartz), 45.93

3200m RUN - 1) Weigel, Metamora, 9:26.08 2) Snook, Geneseo, 9:36.10 3) Anderson, Kewanee, 10:03.10 4) Brunick, Dixon, 10:16.30 5) Taets, Geneseo, 10:19.66 6) Bender, Rock Falls, 10:21.97

110m HIGH HURDLES - 1) Larson, Ottawa, 14.58 2) Newton, Geneseo, 15.26 3) Hilton, Ottawa, 15.3 4) Lundberg, Princeton, 15.46 5) Labar, Dixon, 16.67 6) Kilday, LaSalle-Peru, 16.88

100m DASH - 1) Hahn, Geneseo, 11.01 2) Ramaly, Metamora, 11.10 3) Jones, Kewanee, 11.40 4) Sable, Geneseo, 11.55 5) Davis, Kewanee, 11.56 6) Roberson, Galesburg, 11.62

**TRIPLE JUMP - 1) Collier, Dixon, 44'10 2) Britton, Geneseo, 43'½ 3) Harris, Galesburg, 42'8½ 4) Coates, Princeton, 40'10 5) Kleinline, LaSalle-Peru, 40'8½ 6) Funderburg, Rock Falls, 40'7

SHOT PUT - 1) Mustain, Galesburg, 51'2½ 2) Blohm, Princeton, 49'8 3) VanAcker, Geneseo, 49' 4) Culbertson, Geneseo, 47'2 ¾ 5) Draminski, Kewanee, 46'6 6) Guthrie, Dixon, 46'1½

800m RUN - 1) Rodriguez, Rock Falls, 2:00.37 2) Bell, Ottawa, 2:02.41 3) Gillam, Dixon, 2:04. 4) Bourque, Kewanee, 2:06.25 5) Haworth, Galesburg, 2:06.86 6) Anderson, Geneseo, 2:07.19

400m RELAY - 1) Geneseo (Smith, Newton, Holke, Sable), 1:32.80 2) Kewanee (Davis, Flagg, Faoro, Jones), 1:33.30 3) Metamora (Grampp, Goodman, Brown, Ramaley), 1:33.82 4) Princeton (Rossler, Towne, May, Wright), 1:34.94 5) Ottawa (Gerding, O'Connell, Gallaway, Swartz), 1:37.25 6) Rock Falls (Ramos, Etnyre, Cox, Johnson), 1:37.96

DISCUS - 1) Roper, Ottawa, 150'11 2) Funderberg, Rock Falls, 147'10 3) Blohm, Princeton, 136'6 4) Kinsey, Sherrard, 135'10 5) Suarez, LaSalle-Peru, 135'8 6) Ohlson, Princeton, 135'4

**400m DASH - 1) Hahn, Geneseo, 50.10 2) Stpadlin, Metamora, 50.54 3) Stallings, Dixon, 52.06 4) Segler, Metamora, 52.19 5) Farmer, Geneseo, 53.06 6) Gauley, Sherrard, 53.51 NEW RECORD

**300m INTERMEDIATE HURDLES - 1) Collier, Dixon, 39.58 2) Larson, Ottawa, 41.12 3) Newton, Geneseo, 42.00 4) Wright, Geneseo, 42.40 5) Dutton, Metamora, 43.31 6) Backman, Metamora, 43.63 NEW RECORD

POLE VAULT - 1) Datti, Ottawa, 13'6 2) Solberg, Ottawa, 13' 3) Thatcher, Matamora, 12'6 4) Dominique, Galesburg, 12'6 5) McNaught, Kewanee, 12' 6) Sager, Geneseo, 11'6

HIGH JUMP - 1) Funderburg, Rock Falls, 6'4 2) Hilton, Ottawa, 6'4 3) Stralow, Matamora, 6'2 4) TIE - LeBar, Dixon & Dalen, Rochelle, 6'0 6) Backman, Metamora, 6'

**1600m RUN - 1) Weigel, Metamora, 4:20.06 2) Snook, Geneseo, 4:32.17 3) Anderson, Kewanee, 4:33.89 4) Stuber, Metamora, 4:36.65 5) Haworth, Galesburg, 4:38.45 6) Misfeldt, Geneseo, 4:39.97 NEW RECORD

500m DASH - 1) Ramage, Galesburg, 22.64 2) Hahn, Geneseo, 22.87 3) Jones, Kewanee, 23.23 4) Ramoly, Metamora, 23.29 5) Taylor, Kewanee, 23.51 6) Smith, Geneseo, 23.59

WEIGHTMAN'S RELAY - 1) Geneseo (Sheddan,Porter,Graham,Culbertson), 49.15 2) Rock Falls (Jannssen,Matznick,Simester,Funderberg), 49.85 3) Ottawa (O'Donnell,Hagenbauch,Johnson,per), 49.82 4) Princeton (Schwarz,Gibson,Blohm,Ohlson), 50.63 5) Kewanee (Flack,DeBord,raminski,Vincent), 52.14 6) LaSalle-Peru (Billard,Suarez,Goff,Carus), 53.52

1600m RELAY - 1) Dixon (Schwarz,Gillam,Stallings,Collier), 3:27.97 2) Ottawa (Bell,O'Connell,Larsen,Hilton), 3:33.40 3) Rock Falls (Ramos,Steder,Kopp,Rodriguez), 3:33.69 4) Metamora (Segler,Bachman,Brown,Sprodlin), 3:33.80 5) Sherrard (Cauly,Young,Woodward,Keck), 3:34.10 6) Princeton (Clayton,Ross,Coates,Wright), 3:34.43

LONG JUMP - 1) Collier, Dixon, 21'2½ 2) Shay, Metamora, 20'2 3) Paprocki, Alleman, 20'1 4) Ramage, Galesburg, 19'11½ 5) Britton, Geneseo, 19'9½ 6) Welgat, Kewanee, 19'8½

**DENOTES NEW RECORDS

TEAM STANDINGS

1. Geneseo	115	7. Rock Falls	37
2. Metamora	96	8. Princeton	36
3. Ottawa	83	9. Sherrard	7
4. Dixon	72	10. Alleman	6
5. Kewanee	51	11. LaSalle-Peru	5
6. Galesburg	47	12. Rochelle	3