

Leafs win bragging right's meet with Braves

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Bragging right's were definitely on the line Tuesday night when the Geneseo boys track team hosted the Annawan Braves.

In what was somewhat of a historic night at the Geneseo track, the Maple Leafs came out on top 106-40 against the Braves.

According to Geneseo Coach Mel Snook, the teams probably last met in a varsity contest in the late 1970's at the now-dropped Henry County Meet.

Even though the score was a little lop-sided, the meet was something that coaches of both teams thought was a good idea.

"As far as bragging right's go, I would have to say that for a school their size and having competed less than 24 hours earlier and winning their conference title, they did a great job today," Snook said

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of the Braves, the champions of the Lincoln Trail Conference.

"I hope our team gained some respect for Annawan and appreciate their efforts," Snook added.

Annawan Coach Wayne Brau said he was glad to bring his Braves to Geneseo.

"I'm glad to be here and I know the kids are too," Brau said. "I would like to see it be an annual thing," Brau added.

At the same time, Brau mentioned his team was a little worn out.

"We're coming off a big meet last night, so we're a little tired tonight," Brau said. "It's kind of like an elaborate practice for us," he added.

Although the final score might not show it, the Braves

held their own with the Leafs in several events.

Nick Mitro won the high jump for Annawan with a leap of 5'10". Mitro cleared 6'4" earlier this season.

Also, Brandon Batten won the 800 for Annawan with a time of 2:08.57.

For Geneseo, Curt Russell had another impressive showing for the Leafs.

Russell won the long jump with a leap of 20' 05 1/2".

The 6-foot-6 junior also showed that big guys can be fast as well by winning the 100. Russell edged the speedy Chris Foes with a time of 11.38. Foes was second with a time of 11.44.

Also for the Leafs, Josh Reschke, Kyle Fluck and Justine Trujillo all had first-place finishes in at least one event.

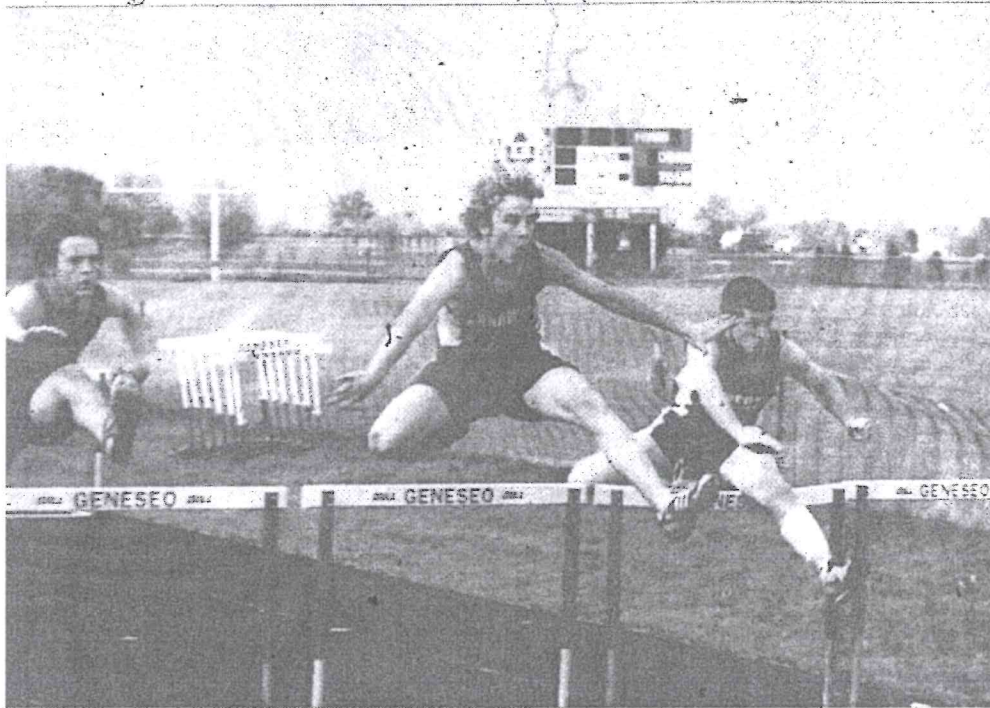
To Snook, the meet with the Braves showed that a three-class system would benefit Illinois.

"I believe we saw a good example today of the need for a third class in Illinois. Rock Island versus Geneseo—tough for us to win. Geneseo versus Annawan—tough for Annawan to win. Geneseo versus schools our size at sectional and state—who knows what could happen," Snook said.

A NIGHT AT THE TRACK

Geneseo vs. AnnaWan

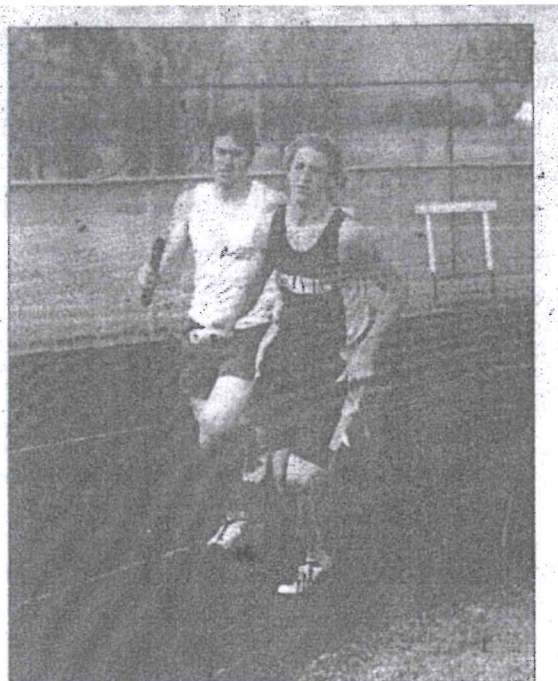
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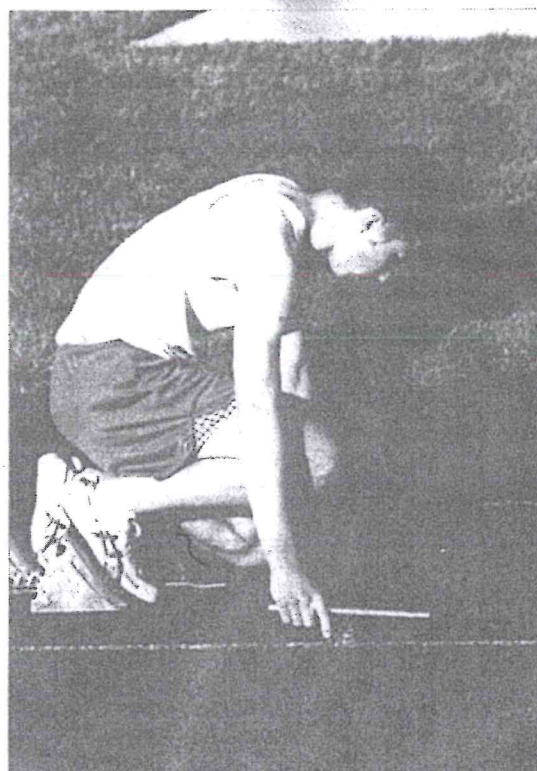
Geneseo and AnnaWan squared off for the first time in a varsity contest since the late 1970's Tuesday night. These determined hurdlers gave it all they had at the meet.



Geneseo's Jim Kiss gets airborne in the long jump for the Maple Leafs.



**Geneseo's Kyle Fluck gets set to pass
Annawan's Garrett Gripp Tuesday
night in the 3200 relay.**



**Geneseo's Luke Steinkopf gets set to
take off for the Maple Leafs in the
400-meter relay.**



The meet's complete results are listed below:

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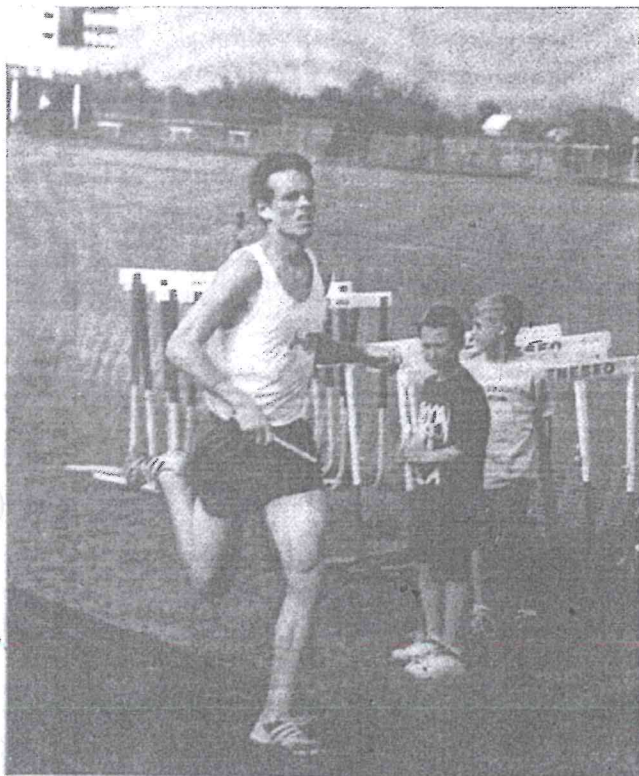
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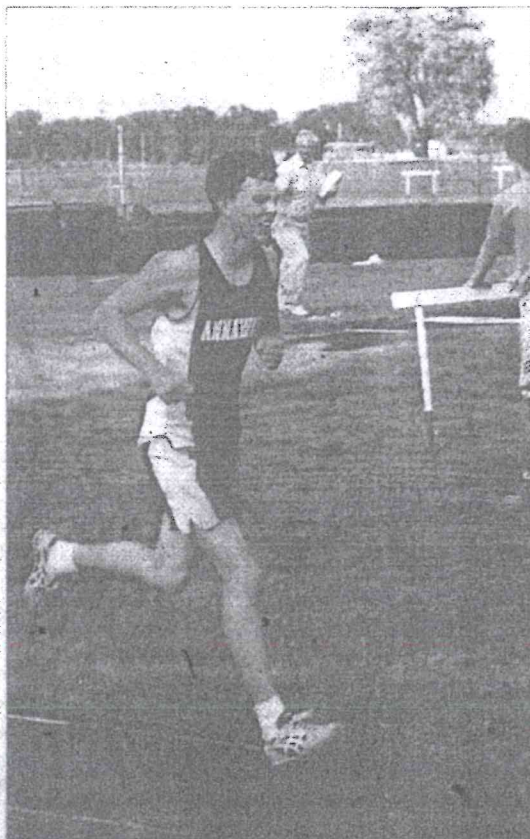
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Justin Trujillo runs for the Maple Leafs against Annawan Tuesday.



Bobby Foerder helps out the cause Tuesday night in Geneseo. The Braves are champions of the Lincoln Trail Conference.

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