

# Unbeaten Franklin Routs Foes In League Meet

Sparked by the brilliant performances of Mike Jinnett, Joe Jinnett, Mark Newman, Ken Yuhass and Dave Dawe, Franklin High's powerful track team completed a sweep over Northwest Suburban League rivals with an easy victory in the conference meet.

Franklin collected 74½ points followed by Birmingham Groves 41, Thurston 40, Oak Park 29, N. Farmington 24 and John Glenn 17½.

The Patriots defeated each of the five teams in dual meets in handy fashion but there was

some thoughts that the league finale might have a different turn.

SUCH WASN'T to be. Groves Thurston and North Farmington pressed the champions through the first five events and Groves actually was in front at one point.

That's when the Jinnett brothers, Newman, Yuhass and Dawe took over and it was all Franklin from that point on.

Mike Jinnett won the 400 in :19.6 over the water covered track and then anchored

Franklin to stunning triumphs in the 800 and mile relays.

Newman sped away from his opposition in the low hurdles to win in :20.0, Yuhass had too much kick for Mike Rollins of Oak Park in the 200 in :22.6 and Dawe was yards the best in the two mile in the league record clocking of 9:50.4.

That bettered the previous mark of 9:52.5 set by Paul Habel of North Farmington in 1969.

It was one of three records to go the boards and a fourth was tied by Franklin in the 800 yard relay with a time of 1:30.8. That equaled the 1:30.8

by North Farmington in 1966.

Larry Foote, of Oak Park, cracked the standard for the long jump with a leap of 21' 4". The former record of 21' 4" was set by Collins of Oak Park in 1968.

Craig Boyak, of Thurston, accounted for the third record when he cleared 13' 1" in the pole vault, bettering the 12' 6" set by Wood, of Groves, in 1968.

It was a remarkable showing considering that the meet was halted for almost a half hour by downpours that

threatened to postpone action for another day.

ONLY THE FACT that Franklin has an asphalt track and that officials were able to get the field events out of the way before the rains enabled the meet to continue.

If there was a standout, it had to be Mike Jinnett who doled with brother Joe in the 400 and then staged a remarkable burst of speed in the final 100 yards of the mile relay to pull away from his Thurston rival.

He also made chambers of the opposition in the final lap of the 800-yard relay.

It was a brilliant climax for the football track star who completed in the state meet today in East Lansing and then will prepare to leave for the U.S. Naval Academy in mid-June to enroll as a freshman.

Franklin won six events, Oak Park three, Thurston and Groves two each and North Farmington one.

Mike Povierski accounted for Thurston's second victory with a toss of 53' 11½" in the shot put.

It was a very satisfying victory for Coach Bob Holmes

who became the second coach of Franklin High history to guide a team to an unbeaten season.

The summaries:

**800-YARD RELAY**—Won by Franklin (Middlebrook, Newman, Yuhass, M. Jinnett); 2, Oak Park; 3, Thurston; 4, Farmington; 5, Groves. Time 1:30.8. (League record set in 1968 by North Farmington).

**HIGH JUMP**—Won by Smith (Oak Park); 2, Burke (Franklin); 3, Chester (Groves); 4, Gale (John Glenn); 5, Boyer (Glenn). Height—6' 1".

**LONG JUMP**—Won by Foote (Oak Park); 2, M. Gow (N. Farmington); 3, Bentley (Groves); 4, Gleason (Franklin); 5, Young (Glenn). Distance 21' 4". (New record, better mark of 21' 4" by Collins, Oak Park, in 1968).

**SHOT PUT**—Won by Povierski (Thurston); 2, Craig (Franklin); 3, Hosen (Thurston); 4, Fushling (N. Farmington); 5, Mabile (N. Farmington). Distance 53' 11½".

**800-YARD RUN**—Won by Winterbottom (N. Farmington); 2, Mandrich (Thurston); 3, Wanner (Groves); 4, Chester (Franklin); 5, Lindensmith (Groves). Time 2:00.1.

**HIGH HURDLES**—Won by Rantz (Groves); 2, Lee (Franklin); 3, M. Gow (N. Farmington); 4, Brandt (Thurston); 5, Gale (Glenn). Time 15.2.

**MILE RUN**—Won by Reason (Groves); 2, Lockwood (Glenn); 3, Vancov (Glenn); 4, Buchman (Franklin); 5, Van Tyl (Franklin). Time 4:29.

**100-YARD DASH**—Won by Rollins (Oak Park); 2, Yuhass (Franklin); 3, Mandrich (Thurston); 4, Craighead (Oak Park); 5, Young (Glenn). Time 10.1.

**POLE VAULT**—Won by Boyak (Thurston); 2, Borowsky (Glenn); 3, Cordes (Groves); 4, Joe fourth (Franklin and Gale (Glenn). Height 13' 1". (New league record, former record 12' 6", better mark of 12' 6" by Wood of Groves in 1968).

**400-YARD DASH**—Won by M. Jinnett (Franklin); 2, J. Jinnett (Franklin); 3, Woelke (Thurston); 4, Royal (Thurston); 5, Kaplan (Oak Park). Time 45.8.

**LOW HURDLES**—Won by Newman (Franklin); 2, M. Gow (N. Farmington); 3, Rantz (Groves); 4, Bair (Franklin); 5, Soho (Glenn). Time 20.0.

**TWO-MILE RUN**—Won by Dawe (Franklin); 2, Bassett (Thurston); 3, Cwik (Franklin); 4, Mills (Groves); 5, Amal (Groves). Time 8:50.4. (New record, better mark of 8:52.4 by Habel, N. Farmington, in 1968).

**220-YARD DASH**—Won by Yuhass (Franklin); 2, Rollins (Oak Park); 3, Fushling (Franklin); 4, McKindless (Franklin); 5, Barnett (Groves). Time 1:28.

**MILE RELAY**—Won by Franklin (Cheney, Quinn, J. Jinnett, M. Jinnett); 2, Thurston; 3, Groves; 4, N. Farmington; 5, Glenn. Time 3:28.2.

## RU Ties Lakers For Baseball Title

Plymouth did its best, for neighboring Redford Union High, but it wasn't enough.

The result: Redford Union wound up as co-champ with Allen Park for the Suburban Six League baseball title.

Each had 7-3 conference mark and the race went down to the final day of the season.

REDFORD UNION emerged a 5-1 winner over Bentley while Allen Park rallied in the final inning for a

protested 3-2 decision over Plymouth.

"We might still be playing," said coach Wayne Sparkman who complained about a call by the umpire which permitted the winning run to score with two out in the bottom of the seventh inning. "There was no question that we had the runner forced at the plate," said Sparkman. "But the ump said our catcher didn't have his foot touching the plate. It was a bad call and not a very good way for Allen

Park to wind up sharing the crown."

But in the Redford Union camp, the school was celebrating its fifth outright or shared league title in eight years.

Bill Booker went the route for Redford Union and didn't allow any hits until two were out in the sixth when Bentley clicked for back-to-back singles. He struck out eight and walked three. Redford Union scored once

in the first after a walk to R.J. LeRoux and a double play attempted misfired for Bentley.

The Townshipers added two runs in the third when LeRoux was safe on an error, stole second and came around on two sacrifices. Then Bill Herbert singled, took third on an error and scored on Mike Johnston's single.

LeRoux singled in the fifth and moved to third on Mel Durand's single. Then

Johnson delivered a sacrifice fly and Glenn Richmond followed with a RBI single.

Bentley's only run came with two out in the seventh on a hit batsman, two walks and a wild pitch.

PLYMOUTH TOOK a 1-0 lead at Allen Park when Jack Mathias tripled in Dave Hesse in the first inning and then added its second run in the fourth on singles by Mathias, Jim Grimmer and Stan Britton.

Allen Park counted once in the fourth without the benefit of a hit and it was Plymouth in front, 2-1, when the last of the seventh rolled around.

The Parkers scored once on a single and three straight hit batters. Then came the disputed play at the plate and the victory which resulted for Allen Park and with it the right to share the title with Redford Union.

Losing pitcher Dale Robinson allowed only two hits.



HEADING HOME for victory in the hurdles as he helped Franklin win the league meet is Mark Newman. His victory was one of six for the Patriots.

## Falcons Have Little Trouble Winning Conference Honors

What a season it's been in track for Farmington High. Unbeaten in nine dual meets, the Observerland Relays champ...winner of the regional... and now the champs of the Inter-Lakes conference for the second season in a row and fourth in the last five.

Winning 10 of the 14 events at Waterford, Farmington ran away with the league crown.

THE FALCONS scored 126 points to 91 ½ for runnerup Pontiac Northern.

Livonia Stevenson was third with 56 followed by Walled Lake Central 35, Southfield Lathrup 33½, and Waterford 26.

Mark Timmons and Randy Pender, each with two victories, led Farmington. Timmons took both dashes; Pender both hurdles.

In the evening's most spectacular race, Mike McGlothlin of Farmington beat out Chris Danielson of Waterford and Mike Taylor of Pontiac Northern in the mile.

Timmons tied the 100-yard dash league record of 10 seconds.

Stevenson came up with only one winner in Neal Bwby in the high jump.

Here's how Farmington won the meet and Stevenson and Lathrup entries placed:

**LONG JUMP**: 1-Kemp (Farm); 4-Bender (Farm); 5-Lampkin (Stew); 6-Babcock (Stew).

**POLE VAULT**: 1-N. Durham (Farm); 2-Baglin (Lath); 3-Budget (Farm); 4-Percival (Stew); 5-Crusher (Stew). Height: 13 feet, 11 inches.

**800-YARD RELAY**: 1-Farmington; 2-Lathrup; 3-Stevenson; 4-Bowby (Stew). Time 14.9.

**400-YARD**: 1-Hildebrandt (Farm); 2-Mathie (Stew); 3-Wilson (Stew). Time: 1:58.8.

**HIGH HURDLES**: 1-Pender (Farm); 4-Bowby (Stew). Time 14.9.

**LOW HURDLES**: 1-Pender (Farm); 2-Stankin (Farm); 3-Bowby (Farm); 4-Kemp (Farm). Time 20.2.

**MILE**: 1-McGlothlin (Farm); 5-P. Oppenheimer (Stew); 6-Nutall (Farm). Time 4:21.2.

**100-YARD**: 1-Timmons (Farm); 4-Walberg (Lath); 5-Guthbaum (Farm). Time 10 (Tie league record).

**220-YARD**: 1-Timmons (Farm); 2-Raddant (Lath); 3-Guthbaum (Farm). Time 22.8.

**440-YARD**: 2-Raddant (Lath); 4-Carroll (Farm); 5-Wilson (Stew).

**TWO MILE**: 1-Donahoe (Farm); 5-Burton (Farm); 6-Oppenheimer (Stew). Time 9:55.8.

**SHOT PUT**: 1-Massey (Farm); 3-Fedrow (Stew); 4-Shipley (Stew); 5-Mepler (Lath); 6-Cook (Farm). Distance: 52 feet, 7 inches.

**HIGH JUMP**: 1-Bowby (Stew); 2-Lath (Stew); 3-N. Durham (Farm); 4-Tied Boyd (Lath). Height: 5 feet, 8 inches.

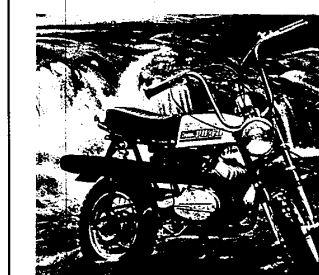
**MILE RELAY**: 1-Farmington (Hildebrandt, Carroll, McGlothlin, Stankin, J.W. Stevenson); 2-Lathrup. Time 3:28.9.



SPEEDING AWAY from competition in the 440-yard dash is Franklin's Mike Jinnett. He was the standout star for the Patriots, winning the 440 and anchoring the winning half-mile and mile relay teams.

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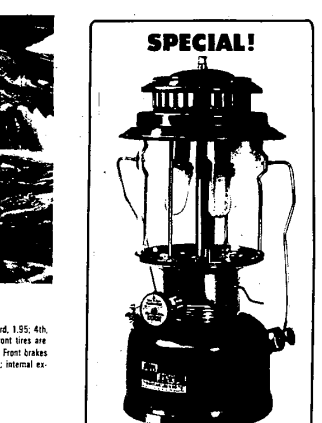
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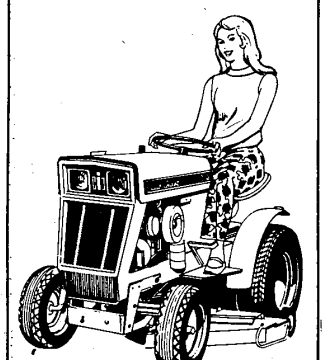
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## Farmington Grabs Crown In Baseball

Some coaches handle teams for a decade or two decades and never come up with a champion.

Coach Dick Roy, in his first crack at handling the Farmington High baseball team, will find it tough to beat what he's accomplished in his first season: winning the Inter-Lakes League title.

THE FALCONS clinched the crown Wednesday by downing Pontiac Northern, 8-3, in that was a "must" game.

If Pontiac had won, Northern would have taken the title with the best percentage in the final standings.

But the win gave Farmington an 11-3 mark to Northern's 9-4 with one league game left for each side—and that game would have no bearing on the race.

Talking about his first year title, Roy said: "Well, we could top it next year by going 15-0 in the league."

FOY HAD TO BE especially proud of the way the Falcons came back against Pontiac. Farmington fell behind, 3-0, and with rain and thunderstorms hanging over the area, it began to appear dismal indeed for the Falcons.

But after going four innings without a run, they finally cashed one in the fifth when Randy Eckerman slammed a homer.

That blow set off the Falcons.

In the sixth, Paul Kupferschmidt and John Holappa singled and Eckerman walked to fill the bases.

Up came Tom Rowley...and bang...he socked one out of the park. It was a grand-slam homer and Farmington had the lead 5-3.

Just to make sure, the Falcons scored three more runs in the seventh when Ecomneau, Kupferschmidt, Holappa and Eckerman all singled.

Ecomneau pitched the distance against Northern.

After a shaky start, he lightened up and gave up only five hits. He fanned two and walked two.

Farmington now starts its bid for bigger things...the state Class A title.

The Falcons will host North Farmington Monday and it's a sure-fire bet the game will match Farmington ace John Fleming against John White, the ace of the North Farmington staff.

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