

Bulldogs Win Half of Events as They Continue as County Track Kings

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Having safely wrapped up its third straight Putnam track title and its ninth in the last 10 years, Columbus Grove track team will go after another trophy to add to its overflowing trophy case this Friday.

The Bulldogs, who won seven of the events and posted five seconds, are favored to dominate the annual Northwest Conference meet which will be held this Friday at the Pandora track. The NWC event will follow the same pattern as the county meet, with the field events and the track preliminaries in the afternoon and the track finals at night.

Grove amassed 78 points – most of them in the evening track finals – for its county championship. Leipsic put a strong challenge to the Bulldogs, leading them at the end of the field competition in the afternoon, but the Vikings were no match in the running that evening. They finished with 61 3/5 points.

Three teams were bunched close together in third, fourth and fifth places. Pandora-Gilboa collected 22 5/6 points, Ottawa Sts. Peter and Paul 21 1/2 and Continental 21 1/3. Next was Glandorf with 14 1/3 and Ottawa Public with 2 1/3.

LEIPSIC BROKE two records in the meet, both of which were held by former Viking athletes. Ed Rigel tossed the shot 44'10½" eclipsing the old mark set by Dale Chamberlain in 1956 by 4½".

Chamberlain's record in 1956 was 44'6 ¼". Thus his toss was eclipsed by 4¼".

Larry Rigel knocked six-tenths of a second off the 440 yard run record set by Larry Johnson in 1955. Rigel's time was 53.2 seconds.

Leipsic won the five events, but their depth couldn't match that of Grove and the Bulldogs piled up their winning margin on second, third, fourth and fifth places.

Grove had two finishers in nine events and failed to win points only in the discus, while Leipsic had two point earners in four events and did not score in two.

There were three double winners in the meet. Lynn Darbyshire of Grove took both the 100 and 220 yard dashes and the Bulldogs' Dwight Nichols won both hurdle events. Ed Rigel of Leipsic also won the discus throw in addition to his record breaking shot put effort.

OTTAWA STS. PETER AND PAUL won the only other undisputed first place besides those taken by Grove and Leipsic. The Trojans' Bob Annesser went 10'2" in the pole vault. Ottawa's Ken Mullet tied with Grove's Bob Kissel for second place in that event.

The high jump championship was split three ways among Stan Kessler of Continental, Dale Basinger of Pandora and Jack Nienberg of Glandorf who all went 5'3" in the only other event not won by one of the first two teams.

SUMMARY

Columbus Grove 78, Leipsic 61 3/5, Pandora-Gilboa 22 5/6, Ottawa SPPS 21 1/2, Continental 21 1/3, Glandorf 14 1/3 and Ottawa Public 2 1/3.

*NR SHOT PUT - Ed Rigel (Leipsic) 44'10½"

DISCUS - Ed Rigel (Leipsic)

POLE VAULT - Bob Annesser (SPPS) 10'2"

HIGH JUMP - Stan Kessler (Continental) Dale Basinger (PG) Jack Nienberg (Glandorf) 5'3"

BROAD JUMP - Dan Soloman (CG) 17'8"

120 Yd HIGH HURDLES - Dwight Nichols (CG) 17.0

180 Yd LOW HURDLES - Dwight Nichols (CG) 22.2

100 YARD DASH - Lynn Darbyshire (CG) 10.7

220 YARD DASH - Lynn Darbyshire (CG) 23.8

*NR 440 YARD DASH - Larry Rigel (Leipsic) 53.2

880 YARD RUN - John Welty (CG) 2:13.4

MILE RUN - Denny Ellerbrock (Leipsic) 5:03.0

880 YARD RELAY - Dwight Nichols, Dan Soloman,

Jim Altstaetter & Lynn Darbyshire (CG) 1:38.4

MILE RELAY - Dan Keck, Bob Wyant, Dick Mangus

and Larry Rigel (Leipsic)