

Army Edges Trackmen As Moran Sets Record

Ed Moran's outstanding record-breaking performance went for naught Saturday as Lion trackmen dropped a close 54-46 decision to the undefeated Cadets at West Point.

The Blue and White flash ripped off an unprecedented 2:10.0 in the 1000-yard run to set a new Penn State indoor and new Army fieldhouse record.

Moran looked strong coming down the homestretch as he kicked out with a burst of speed and pulled far away from the rest of the field at the finish.

Moran's dazzling time was just 1.8 seconds short of the world indoor record of 2:08.2 set by Don Gehrman in 1952 and tied by Arnie Sowell in 1955.

Making Moran's time even more impressive was the fact that just a couple of events before he had run a 4:16.1 mile. He finished in a first place tie in that mile with teammates Fred Kerr and Dick Engelbrink.

Only a disputed baton pass in the one-mile relay kept the Lion boardmen from upsetting the undefeated Army tracksters. A potential 51-49 win became a 54-46 loss when the Cadets gained the five points for the relay victory instead of the Lions.

Finishing the third lap, Bob Szezyler and Army's Schaeffer were running neck and neck. Upon reaching the position for the baton change, Schaeffer cut in front of Szezyler forcing him to reach over the Army runner to pass the baton to the waiting anchor man, Dick Hambright.

Deprived of a smooth pass



ED MORAN
... another record

and running start, Hambright was several yards behind at the outset of the anchor lap, and although he closed the gap considerably it was just too big of a lead to overcome. The Black and Gold Army man crossed the finish line six-tenths of a second before the Blue and White.

The Nittany men captured four

out of six blue ribbons in the running events and won the two-mile relay with ease. But Army's dominance of the field events won the victory for the home team.

Only sophomore Ron Beard broke the Cadets' stranglehold in the field as he won the pole vault with his best performance of the year, a 13' 3" leap.

—by JOHN BLACK

Summaries:

Mile Run—Three way tie for first place between Moran, Kerr and Engelbrink of Penn State, 4:16.1
600 yard run—1. Hambright (PS) 2. Salter (A) 3. Gray (A), 1:12.4
60 yard High Hurdles—1. Roessler (A) 2. Farlera (PS) 3. Johnson (A), 7.5
60 yard High Hurdles—1. Brown (PS) 2. Waters (A) 3. Chappell (A), 6.5
1000 yard run—1. Moran (PS) 2. Hanne (A) 3. LaHoff (PS), 2:10.0. (new fieldhouse record)
2 mile run—1. Greene (A) 2. Engelbrink (PS) 3. Kerr (PS), 9:17.2
Mile Relay—1. Army (Knoblock, Salter, Schaeffer, McGinnis) 3:21.8; 2. Penn State
2 Mile Relay—1. Penn State (Davies, Schwab, LaHoff, Moran) 7:52.0; 2. Army
Shot Put—1. Nance (A) 52' 5 1/4"; 2. Clements (A) 49' 6"; 3. Tullar (PS) 48' 3/4"
Broad Jump—1. Humphries (A) 22' 11"; 2. Schappell (A) 22' 7"; 3. Hoas (A) 21' 11"
High Jump—1. LaBorne (A) 6' 1/4"; 2. Tie between Fariera (PS) and Roessler (A) 5' 10"
Pole Vault—1. Beard (PS) 13' 3"; 2. Young (A) 13' 0"; 3. Gross (PS) 12' 9"

'48, '56 Olympic Teams Coached by Wettstone

Gene Wettstone, Penn State gymnastics coach, directed America's gymnastics entry in the 1948 and 1956 Olympics. His Nittany Lion teams have won eight Eastern and four national collegiate titles, and will be a top contender for similar honors this season.

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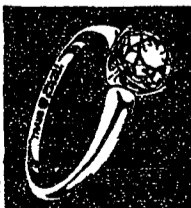
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