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DUAL HEPTAGONAL CHAMPIONS



Seated: Norman Beachley, Lawrence Lattomus, Donald Farley, Paul Loberg, Andrew Dadagian (captain), Richard Stanton, John Morris, Michael Browne
 Second Row: Coach Montgomery, Edward Mihm, Peter Todd, John Rosenbaum, Howard Shearer, Albert Hall, Arthur Boland, Richard Abell, Edward Ratkowski (Assistant Coach)
 Third Row: John Ewers, George Kendall, Sergio Betancourt, Richard Lewis, Frederick Weicker, James Marshall, Richard Allman, Thomas Arnott (manager), Jeffrey Malstead
 Back Row: Robert Gerlough (Frosh Coach), Robert Zeitlin, William Carpenter, Robert Boice, Robert Guelcher, William LaLonde, Donald Feldman, William Gibson

Cornell enjoyed one of her best seasons in many a moon as the track team won six dual meats and two Heps titles to finish the season undefeated. The indoor season opened as the Red defeated Dartmouth 64½-44½. Three meet records fell as John Rosenbaum won the mile in 4:26, Mike Browne won the 1000 in 2:16.3, and the 2-mile relay of Howard Shearer, Paul Loberg, Rosenbaum and Browne won in 8:04.8. An omen of the future was noticeable as Cornell won all the running events.

Cornell's next victim was Army by a score of 61-48. Outstanding in this meet was the mile relay who won in 3:23, the best in Barton Hall in 16 years. Al Hall set the only record by winning the weight. Strength was again demonstrated in the running events as the Red took 1-2 in the 600, 1000, and mile.

The week before the Heps the team showed well by finishing 7th in the IC4A's against some of the best teams in the country. At this meet Coach Montgomery was given a Bulova watch by the IC4A Coaches Association as the coach of the year. Point winners in this meet were Browne,

who was 2nd in the 1000 behind Sowell of Pittsburgh, Hall with a 2nd in the weight, Captain Dadagian with a 4th in the 440, and Norm Beachley with a 4th in the pole vault.

Following the storybook Heps victory described elsewhere the Big Red avenged last year's defeat at the hands of Yale—defeating them 60½-48½. By far, the outstanding man was Mike Browne who set meet records in both the mile and the 1000 winning the former in 4:20.2 and the latter in 2:14. Also of note was the mile relays winning time of 3:18.2 which proved to be the fastest indoor time in the country. The outcome of the meet was in doubt until Loberg and Don Farley finished 1-2 in the 2 mile to take the pressure off. Other winners for Cornell were Beachley in the pole vault, Dick Mathewson in the hurdles and Larry Lattomus in the 600. With this competition the indoor season ended and the team had a breather before the outdoor season.

Cornell showed she had lost none of her strength and
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JOHN F. "JACK" MOAKLEY

On Saturday night, May 21, 1955, John F. "Jack" Moakley died at his home on Willard Way here in Ithaca. To many former track men and others who had been associated with him, it meant the passing on of not only a great coach, but a friend. This was evidenced by the many letters, telegrams, and phone calls that were received from all over the United States.

Coach Moakley had an outstanding record while at Cornell University. His record though familiar to many, deserves mentioning since it is unequalled in track history. In his fifty years as head coach he put Cornell on the map. His teams won ten outdoor and three indoor IC-4A championships. His cross country teams brought home the bacon 17 times in the IC4A's with eleven of the titles coming in succession. Accumulated among his teams are 76 individual IC4A titles. Probably his most noted pupil was John Paul Jones who set a world's record in the mile run. He was also the coach of the 1920 United States Olympic team.

His active service to Cornell track teams ended in 1949 when he retired from active coaching. The IC4A meet program of that year was dedicated to him for his long and successful contribution to American track and field.

Further tribute was given him when a new athletic building, Moakley House, was erected in his honor in 1952.

Jack Moakley was a great teacher, a great coach, a great man. He will never be forgotten.

Spring Season

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power by beating Colgate 101-38 in a meet which saw the Red first in 14 of the 16 events. The following week found the team at the Penn Relays and they turned in a performance unmatched since 1951. Cornell showed much overall strength in winning 18 medals and 4 watches. Winning the Hep mile relay in 3:20, the Red also placed 2nd in the Championship of America mile Relay and Sprint Medley, 3rd in the 2-mile relay, and 4th in the Distance Medley Relay. Thus, the team placed in every relay that they were entered in and all this against some of the best teams in the country. The thrill of the meet was provided in a bitter way as Andy Dadagian lost to Villanova's Charley Jenkins in the last few strides of a lap in which Jenkins was timed in 46.5.

After the impressive showing at the Penn Relays, Cornell again journeyed to Penn for a dual meet and emerged victorious 93-47. The Red had three double winners in Andy Dadagian, Dick Mathewson, and Mike Browne.

Following the Heps, Cornell made it an undefeated season by swamping Princeton 85½-52½. Al Hall set a new Cornell and meet record in the hammer with a throw of 186' 2½". The meet was never in doubt as Cornell won 10 of the 16 events. Included in the winners circle were Mathewson in both hurdles races, Browne in the 880, Rosenbaum in the mile, Farley in the 2 mile, Hibben in the high jump, Beachley in the pole vault, Marshall in the javelin and Allman in the shot.

This is a team that will be remembered not for its individual stars but for its overall strength and its great team spirit. As one observer commented, "The Cornell track team was a tough one to beat because it more than made up in spirit what it may have lacked in individual efforts."

Cornell Track Alumni Club

The meeting was called by Coach Montgomery on January 11, 1955, at Statler Club.

It was agreed to retain the name of "The Waste-basket" for the newsletter to alumni.

The name of the Club is to be "The Cornell Track Alumni Club" and the dues to be \$2.00 per year. The purpose of the club is to promote better track facilities for teaching track at Cornell.

Non-Cornell Alumni interested in Cornell Track (such as many of our officials) can be Associate Members for same dues.

It was agreed that the club should have a board of directors, composed of four alumni graduates and four undergraduate officers and a permanent secretary.

The present board will be: Charles Treman, Jr., Walter Heasley, Robert Beck, and Robert Kane, with Paul O'Leary as alternate.

It was suggested we ask Hunt Bradley if he would become permanent secretary of the club. Hunt accepted the offer.

It was further agreed that all members of any track squad whether lettermen or not are eligible to become members of the Cornell Track Alumni Club upon graduation or leaving Cornell.

It was agreed that nothing but undergraduate information in competition be printed except in rare cases of former Cornell track men that might be competing in the Olympics, etc.

A dues slip is here enclosed and we would appreciate it very much if you would fill out your check for two or more dollars immediately and send it to Spiked Shoe Society, Cornell University.

Spiked Shoe Banquet

The annual Spiked Shoe Banquet was held at the Lehigh Valley Restaurant on May 24. The meeting opened at about six o'clock with a choice medium rare steak with all the trimmings. With an undefeated season under our belts, we were in pretty high spirits.

After dinner President Mike Browne opened the ceremonies with a round of applause for the new members, who have provided the depth to this year's team. He then introduced Walter Ashbaugh as the main speaker. Walt gave an interesting and often amusing anecdote of his travels with the 1952 U.S. Olympic Team to Finland and subsequently to England and Scotland with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Moore.

Dean O'Leary then presented the George "Jinky" Crozier Award to Dick Stanton, who did exceptionally well as a member of the mile relay team. Coach Montgomery awarded the Shorty Lawrence Memorial Trophy to Al Hall as the most improved track and field athlete, the Everett L. Colper Award to Norm Beachley as the outstanding pole vaulter, and the John Gattling Award to Captain Andy Dadagian as the senior who has done the most for the team.

Andy Dadagian praised the team for its outstanding performance and said that what most impressed him was the fact that wherever we went many of the other teams would be rooting for us in the big meets. He finished by announcing the election of Albert Hall as next year's captain.

John Ewers was elected the varsity manager for the next year, while Jeff Malstead will manage the Freshmen.

The Spiked Shoe elections saw Jim Marshall instituted as President, Peter Todd, Vice-President; George Kendall, Secretary, and John Rosenbaum, Treasurer.

Indoor Heptagonals

On March 8, Cornell played host to the eight Ivy League teams and Army and Navy in one of the most exciting indoor track meets in Heptagonal history. From the start everyone knew it would be close, the question was, which of the top teams had the little extra fight needed to come out ahead.

The first event showed how hard a meet it was going to be as Yale's Thompson and Henderson topped Cornell's Al Hall in the 35-lb weight. In the shot put, Thompson and Henderson again took one-two to put Yale out in front. Art Boland got Cornell started in the evening events, with a third in the 60-yard dash in a whisker—close finish with Markisohn, Kyasky and Thresher. Captain Andy Dadagian and Larry Lattomus really brightened the Big Red's hopes, taking one-two in the 600. Michael Brown followed with a great race to win the 1000 in very close and exciting finish. In the mile, after a slow start, Cornell's John Rosenbaum and Harvard's Wills fought all the way with Wills outkicking Rosey in the stretch.

Army's Bob Wray kicked the last lap to dethrone Cornell's defending champ Don Farley in the two mile. Mathewson ran a beautiful flight in the 60-yard high hurdles to take second behind Rittenburg of Harvard.

Before the running of the mile relay and the finish of the pole vault, it was a three team race with Harvard and Yale in stronger shape than Cornell. In the mile relay, Lattomus got the lead for Cornell; Art Boland ran a great second leg; John Morris who had been sick, kept the lead; and Captain Andy Dadagian outstepped the field in a thrilling finish. Seconds later, Norm Beachley came through with a Herculean vault of 13' 4" to tie Yale's Donegan for second and give Cornell the Heptagonal Championship.

Outdoor Heptagonal Meet

"A team made up of fighters that will not give up is a team that is hard to defeat." This was Coach Montgomery's comment after Cornell won the outdoor Heptagonal meet by $\frac{1}{2}$ sth of a point.

The meet started as Al Hall, Cornell's captain-elect heaved the hammer 193' 7" which would have been a new National Collegiate record but for an oversized circle. Tom Hibben placed high in the high jump; Art Boland took 5th in the 100 with 9.9. Mike Brown ran a great 1:54.9 to win the 880. In the mile, Rosenbaum ran 4:19.8 to take a close third over a highly touted field. This, in Monty's opinion was the turning point in the meet — if there was only one.

Captain Dadagian, who in broad jumping hurt his leg, tied up in the 440 but still ran 48.8 for 5th. In the same event Larry Lattomus ran an outstanding 48.6 to take 3rd. Don Farley ran 9:37 to take 2nd in the two mile. Dick Abell, who ran his best effort in both hurdles, ran two fine outstanding legs in the 440 relay which took a surprising 4th.

When all events save the mile relay had been run, Cornell needed a 1st in that event faster than 3:18.1 if they were to win. Art Boland was unable to run because of a bad leg. So Old Reliable, Dick Stanton stepped in and ran 49.5; compared with great performances by Lattomus, Captain Dadagian, and "Moose" Morris who ran anchor and would not be passed by Harvard's great Alpers who was fresh; Cornell ran 3:18.0 to take the event and their second Heptagonal Championship in 1955. It is hard to remember a more exciting meet!

Coaches Corner

What turned out to be a most successful track season in years at Cornell was due to the fighting spirit and team morale such as this locker room has rarely seen. With Captain Dadagian having his greatest year and the whole team coming through in the big meets Cornell won the Indoor and Outdoor Heps and all dual meets both indoor and out, beating Dartmouth, Army, Yale, Colgate, Princeton and Pennsylvania, thus becoming the first Cornell team to go through a season undefeated. Certain individuals were outstanding and it was by their efforts that the team won both Hep meets from stronger Yale and Harvard squads.

Mike Browne and John Rosenbaum doubled in the 880 and mile; Paul Loberg and Don Farley ran 2 miles often doubling in 880 or mile; Norm Beachley became our consistent 13' vaulter; Dadagian and Larry Lattomus could be counted on for a 1-2 in the 440 or 600 with Boland and Morris sprinting and joining the above two to form a mile relay that ran the fastest indoor mile relay in the U.S. (3:18.0). Although hampered by injuries we had the services of the greatest replacement a team could want in the person of Dick Stanton. A senior from Montclair who has been overshadowed each year by such runners as Lingel and Sebald, he filled the shoes of each man on the relay team at least once in the season. All of the relay men have hit 48 to 48.9 with Dick running 49.5, his best in the outdoor Heps when Art Boland strained a muscle. We will always remember how Norm Beachley's 13' 4" vault gave us the Indoor Heps over Yale. He did it again in the Outdoor Heps to tie for first. Perhaps the greatest achievement in recent years was made by junior Al Hall in the hammer throw at Princeton. He threw 193' 7", farther than any Cornell man has ever thrown, and the second farthest in American history, only to lose this distinction because of a mismeasured circle. With another season to go, Al has a good chance of breaking his record.

Another up and coming Hammer thrower is Sergio Betancourt from Panama, a sophomore who threw the 16-pound ball 173' at the Heps and finished 6th. Dick Allman, soph shot putter is improving regularly. His best put was 48' 5" for 6th spot.

Dick Mathewson showed good improvement in the high and low hurdles. Dick broke up the favored Harvard twins in the indoor meet by taking second and then broke their hearts in the outdoor season by winning the high hurdles and placing 5th in the lows. His 14.4 at Penn Relays is his best effort.

Dick Abell, a Soph Hurdler has also improved with each meet, and led off on the 440 relay that placed 4th in the Heps.

Tom Hibben Junior has helped loads this year in the High Jump by getting a piece of the scoring in every meet. His $\frac{3}{4}$ point was a big factor in the $\frac{1}{2}$ sth of point win in the Outdoor Heps.

Howie Shearer, another soph who has been plugging along in the 880 and 1000 has improved and should be a great help next year.

Seniors graduating this year will leave many holes in our team that the Frosh and Sophs will have to plug up. Their names are as follows: Captain Dadagian, Larry Lattomus, John Morris, Dick Stanton (the Hep mile champion team), Norm Beachley, Dick Mathewson, Michael Browne, Paul Loberg, Don Farley, Joe Simon, Fred Weicker, Dick Lewis, William LaLonde.

Freshmen Track

The freshmen who turned out for track last Fall had more potential than has been seen in a freshman class for years. We had a premonition of what was to come with the performance of the cross country team — our hopes were fulfilled when the track men beat Colgate, Alfred Varsity, Cortland State Teachers Varsity, Ithaca College Varsity, Penn State and Wyoming Seminary to wind up the year with a perfect score. Only scholastic difficulty on the part of some freshmen kept us from having the greatest freshman track team ever assembled at Cornell.

The following men have been the backbone of the frosh team:

Paul Boguski, Roslyn, N. Y.—Hammer

Perry Chapman, Cooperstown, N.Y.—

100, 200, LH, XC

Italo Cosentino, Seneca Falls, N. Y.—BJ, HJ, Discus

David Eckel, New York City—Mile

Robert Endries, Norwich, N. Y.—Shot, Discus

Robert Garrett, Pabesonia, Pa.—Shot

Arlon Gerager, Hamburg, N. Y.—2 mile, XC

John Ingley, Washington, D.C.—440, 880, javelin

John King, Delmar, N. Y.—HJ, BJ, HH, LH

Jerry Knapp, Watertown, N. Y.—Decathlon

Clayton Larson, Westport, Conn.—Hammer

John Little, Rochester, N. Y.—Mile, 2 Mile, XC

Robert Lyle, Pittsburgh, Pa.—880, Mile, 2 Mile, XC

Robert McAniff, Boston, Mass.—100, 220, 440, HJ

Kirk McCreary, Hamburg, N. Y.—2 Mile, XC

Jack McFadden, Los Angeles, Cal.—220, 440, 880

Earl McHugh, Kansas City, Mo.—100, 220, 440

Herman Meisner, Pleasantville, N. Y.—PV

Michael Midler, New Rochelle, N. Y.—

880, Mile, 2 Mile, XC

John Morrison, Wilmette, Ill.—440

Wake Myers, Greenville, S.C.—100, 220

Wes Nichols, New York City—880

Irvn Roberson, Philadelphia, Pa.—100, 220, LH, BJ

Donald Schive, Tenaflly, N. J.—100, 220, LH, BJ

Max Schlopy, Gifford, Pa.—PV, Discus, BJ

Barry Tharp, Auburn, N. Y.—440, HJ

William Trimble, Collingwood, N. J.—100, 220, BJ

Don Vichick, Euclid, Ohio—Hammer, Discus

David Wagner, Dayton, Ohio—HH, HJ

Warren Webster, Wellesley, Mass.—Hammer

David Williams, Summit, N. J.—100, 220

Andrew Winebrenner, Flavoner, Pa.—PV

Frank Wyskiel, Manchester, N. H.—Javelin

Highlights of Season

John King—6' 2" in HJ; 21' 6" in BJ

Jerry Knapp—195' javelin; 23' 4" in BJ; 6' 1" in HJ; 136' Discus; 15. 1 HH; 42' Shot Put; 10' 6" in pole vault.

Irvn Roberson—24' 4" in BJ; 24 sec. LH; 9.7, 100

John Ingley—49.6 quarter; 186' Javelin

Robert Garrett—46' 4" in Shot

A Note of Thanks

It was through the efforts of many Cornell alumni who are constantly writing to me about outstanding students who are track men and then by diligent work on their part and follow up letters from me that we are able to get many of these boys interested in Cornell. Keep up the good work.

—Coach Lou Montgomery

Last Issue of Waste Basket

The Wastebasket is published mainly for the benefit of Cornell Alumni interested in Track and Field at Cornell. Some 600 copies are sent through the mail twice a year at a cost of \$80.00 an issue. At present we have roughly \$30.00 in the bank and still owe \$60.00 for the Fall issue. This spring we are faced with another \$80.00 debt, making the total \$110.00.

Cornell track has once again regained the national prominence that it had years ago. The track team had the most successful season in many a year, winning both the indoor and outdoor Heptagonal championships — Ivy League to you football fans—and undefeated in all dual meets both indoor and outdoor. Cross-country in winning the Heptagonal championship the past two years, with this year's frosh also IC4A champions, have also moved into national prominence.

It is not fair to ask the track men to defray the expense of publishing, and mailing the paper to you. Tuition is now \$1000.00 per year and food is not the cheapest item in the world. They have enough troubles of their own to stay in school.

For the past few years I have pleaded with the track alumni through the medium of this paper to establish a track alumni club for the promotion of track at Cornell and other useful purposes not properly absorbed by AA.

Some showed an interest but the number was discouragingly small.

It seems unfair to ask the few local track alumni to sponsor the Wastebasket. Most of them give their time to officiating at meets and are always available to the coaches for help and guidance. NOT MORE THAN 15 different alumni sent in their contribution.

Gentlemen, this is rather discouraging evidence of interest in Cornell track! 600 receive copies twice a year while only 15 or 20 send in their financial help. Many do send in their latest address and well wishes, expressing an interest in receiving the Wastebasket, but offer no financial support.

The undergraduates enjoy sending you the paper—they enjoy publishing it—but they are doing it for you and not for ourselves. They know what is going on in track at Cornell. DO YOU? DO YOU CARE? ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Unless the return of many alumni contributions is received after this issue, we will be forced to curtail any future issues.

Sincerely,

Louis C. Montgomery

Head Coach of Track