

FORMERS AND PERFORMANCES RECALLED!

The 1-2 finish for Sections Eight and One was not anything new, as in 28 years, no other Section has won a State Crown. Section Eight has won 23 titles and Section One the other five.

Trailing Sections Eight and One in the 11-team field were Section Eleven (Suffolk County) 45; Section Nine (lower Catskill) 35; Section Three (Central New York) 34½; Section Five (Rochester area) 25; Section Six (Buffalo area) 13; Section Two (Capitol District) 9; Section Four (Southern Tier) 7; Section Ten (Northern New York) 1; and Section Seven (Champlain Valley area) 0.

Will smashed the existing state and meet records in the shot put with a toss of 65 feet 1½ inches and made it a double with a flip of 177 feet 9 inches in the discus.

The only other Section Eight triumphs came from Joe Morris of New Hyde Park in the 440 in a time of 48.3 seconds and Dave Friedfeld of Bellmore J. F. K. in the two-mile (9:11.6).

Meanwhile, New Rochelle's Rudy Reavis was winning the high jump for the second straight time with a state and meet record leap of 7 feet even.

Teammate Les Gordon bounded 48 feet 1½ inches on his last attempt of the day to edge Rome Free Academy's Kevin Parker (47-10¾) for triple jump honors and the quartet of Willie Poelnitz, Derek Gaines, Gerry Whitted and Steve Strother added New Rochelle's third winning performance with a clocking of 1:29.2 in the 880 relay.

Section One also got a tremendous lift from another double winner, Mike Willis, a hurdler from Roy. C. Ketcham High School in Wappingers Falls. Willis ran off with top honors in the 120 high hurdles in a time of 14.0 and in the 330 intermediate hurdles with a clocking of 38.3.

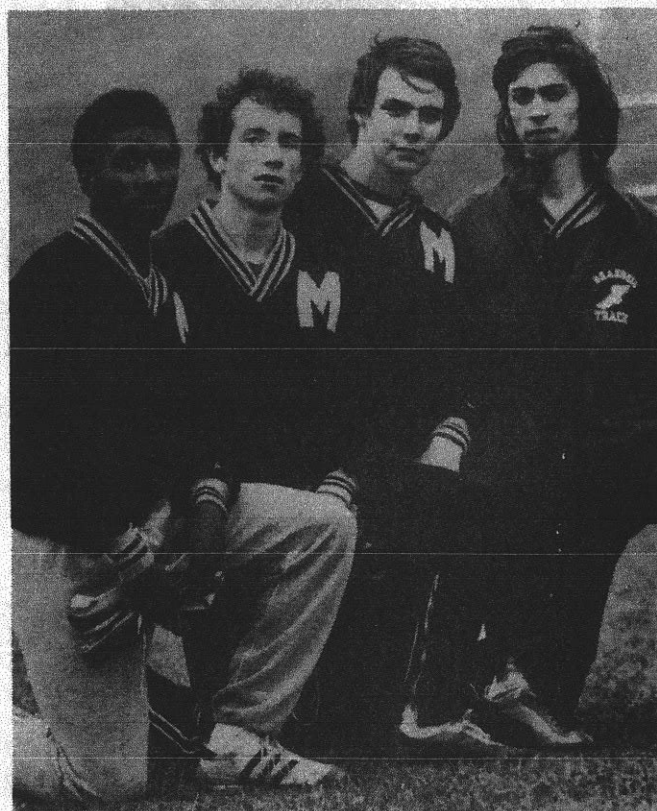
The final Section One triumph came in the mile relay, where Mount Vernon's foursome of Valjean Garrett Pernell Bess, David Washington and Bill Johnson prevailed in 3:19.4.

The Suffolk County squad got first place performances from Riverhead's Waverly Atkins in the 220 (21.9) and Bay Shore's Dan McDaniel in the long jump (22-4½) as well as a two-mile intersect-

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880 Relay Champs: The New Rochelle quartet of, from left to right, Willie Poelnitz, Derek Gaines, Gerry Whitted and Steve Strother won event in a clocking of 1:29.2.



Two Mile Relay Champs: The Rochester McQuaid team of Tom Lott, John Farrell, Tim Lawrence and Tom Horton breezed to honors with a time of 7:48.2, good enough for a new State and Meet record.