

## Track Athletics



THE past year has been by far the most successful in the history of track athletics at the Lewis Institute. Other branches of athletics have been successful to a more or less marked degree, but the track team has outshone all the rest. This fact is especially gratifying to all Lewisites, in view of the fact that the policy of the Institute looks toward the promotion of gymnasium, track, and field athletics, to the ultimate elimination of football and baseball. Regular gymnasium and track athletics constitute the most legitimate department of school sports. They have not the dangerous and wasteful disadvantages of football and baseball. They do not require more than a half hour's daily practice, do not exhaust the contestants extremely, and hence they conflict least with their studies. For these reasons the policy of Lewis Institute is becoming more and more marked, on the part of both faculty and students, as favoring the clean, legitimate sports of the gymnasium, track, and field over football and baseball.

At the beginning of the season the Lewis track team was small and entered but few events in the earlier meets. Nevertheless, at the first meet of the year our strength was shown by our victories in two events out of three in the Secondary School section of the First Regiment Athletic Association meet. These events were the forty-yard dash, won by Hogenson, and the relay race, won by Hogenson, Savage, French, Callan, Adams, and Delves.

A little later a four-man relay team went to Cincinnati to compete in the Ohio state championship meet. These men, running in the following order—Hogenson, Savage, Delves and Adams—were beaten by the strong Hyde Park team of Chicago, but were able to defeat all the Indiana and Ohio runners.

Our next contest was in Milwaukee, whither we went with the hope of capturing the Central Amateur Athletic Union banner in the relay race for secondary schools of the West. The competition proved to be such that lack of good condition in one of our men served to defeat us. Deakin,