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The attachment is a copy of The First Meeting and Organization of The Oklahoma Track Coaches Association which took place in Jan. of 1965 at Tulsa McLain H.S. in Tulsa, OK.

Sorry it is not in better looking shape. I have been hauling it around for all these years and my wife gave me orders to start cleaning out the storeroom and see if there was anything in it that I did not want her to throw away.

You might want the article for you archive records. It sure brings back fond memories and super Gentlemen/Teacher/Coaches who I have had the good pleasure of being associated with through the years. I had no idea the organization would grow and become so big and active as you gentlemen have made it. Your official's visions, hard work and efforts have certainly made it The Best in the United States, as well as our web page!

Please give my regards to all and if I can be of any help, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Dorsey Jack Reirdon



## EDISON'S PIERCE NAMED CHAIRMAN OF TRACK GROUP

Edison track coach Hugh Pierce was named chairman of the newly-founded Oklahoma Track Coaches Association, it was announced Saturday.

Pierce, who guided the Eagles to the state Class AA title last season, presides over a list of temporary officers named at last week's Championship Track Clinic held at McLain. Scot coach Dorsey Reirdon was named co-chairman.

Permanent officers will be chosen at a meeting scheduled May 7 at Duncan, site of the AA-A-B track meets on May 7-8.

The group is similar to other state high school coaching associations. It will offer a sounding board for the coaches in working



HUGH PIERCE

with the governing Oklahoma Secondary School Activities Association.

Items for discussion at the first meeting include establishing central locations for state track meets, holding conference meets one week prior to the regionals, and naming a committee for cross country.

Seven coordinators were named to contact coaches across the state. They are Norman's Bob Williams and Hale's Glen Chowins for Class AA; Leonard Wray and Glen Stone, both of Shawnee, for Class A; and Dewey's Bill Williams, Sequoyah's Rex Sumner and Comanche's Ron Hendricks for Class B.

Five college coaches are on an advisory board—Oklahoma State's Ralph Higgins, Tulsa's Buster Johnson, Oklahoma's J. D. Martin, Oklahoma City's Jack Daniels and Oklahoma Baptist's Bruce Drummond.



Clinic lecturers at McLain include (from left), Norman's Bob Williams, Edison's Hugh Pierce, OBU's Bruce Drummond.

## Track Clinic Slated At McLain Saturday

The elite of Oklahoma's track and field world will gather in Tulsa Saturday for the first annual Championship Track Clinic at the McLain High School auditorium.

About 500 coaches and athletes are expected for the daylong program.

McLain track coach Dorsey Reirdon has arranged a series of 10

lectures by state authorities. Demonstrations and question-and-answer sessions also are scheduled.

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Higgins is a two-time coach of U.S. Olympic teams, Martin, named only this season as head

### Track Clinic

9 a.m.—Bob Williams, Norman, "Human Factors Concerning Track Athletes."

9:30—Buster Johnson, Tulsa University, "Sprint Relays and Triple Jump."

10:00—Hugh Pierce, Tulsa Edison, "880."

10:30—Bruce Drummond, Oklahoma Baptist, "Distance Running."

11:00—Orlando Hazley, Oklahoma City Moon Junior High, "100-Yard, 220-Yard Dash."

11:30—Lunch.

12:30—Ralph Higgins, Oklahoma State, "40, Mile Relay, Broad Jump."

1:00—Mike Ryles, Ada High School, shot put and discus demonstration.

1:30—Jack Daniels, Oklahoma City University, "Public Relations, Physiology of Athletes."

2:00—J. D. Martin, Oklahoma, "High Jump, Pole Vault, Hurdling."

3:00—Jim Phillips, Lawton Eisenhower, "Organization of Track Workouts."

Sooner coach, holds the Pan-American Games decathlon record.

Drummond, in his ninth season at OBU, was a distance star for Oklahoma in his collegiate days. Daniels, who did a year of graduate study at Stockholm's Royal Gymnastic Institute, won a silver medal in the 1956 Olympics and a bronze in the 1960 Games, both in the pentathlon.

High school coaches are Norman's Bob Williams, Tulsa Edison's Hugh Pierce, Oklahoma City Moon's Orlando Hazley and Lawton Eisenhower's Jim Phillips. Mike Ryles, state shot put recordholder, will give a demonstration on his specialty.

Coaches may register for \$3, while athletes through college age may attend for \$1.