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MERLE A. SHOEMAKER, 80, of Jonesboro died Friday in Flinn Memorial Home, Marion. He was former basketball coach 11 years in Adams County and Montpelier, retired in 1974 as principal and math teacher in the Mississinewa School System after 24 years, and was an underwriter for Columbus Life Insurance Co. 49 years. He also qualified as a pole vaulter for the Olympics in 1936. Surviving are his wife, Marjorie; two sons; brother, Albert of Bryant; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Services are 10:30 a.m. tomorrow in Needham-Storey Funeral Chapel, Gas City.