

CHAMPIONS KEEP HARRIER TITLES

**KAZOO CENTRAL, NAPOLEON
RETAIN LAURELS IN MEET
HERE; ECORSE NEW CHAMP**

Two teams successfully defended championships and a pair of new marks were established as more than 100 high school athletes competed in the twelfth-annual regional interscholastic cross country run here Saturday under the sponsorship of Michigan Normal College.

For the third successive year Kalamazoo Central and Napoleon High Schools romped off with the titular honors in Classes A and C-D respectively. The new champion is Ecorse High School, which displaced Wayne in Class B.

Although his team finished no better than seventh in the final rating, Forest Spencer, lanky Lansing Eastern harrier, turned in the best performance of the meet, when he covered the two miles in 10:28 to establish a new record in Class A to win the individual title. Spencer clipped 22 seconds off the previous mark of 10:48 set by Loughed, Sault-Ste. Marie, in 1932. The other new mark was made by a Napoleon runner, Borders, who finished first in Class C-D in 11:02.4 to better the time made by a Napoleon runner, Snow, in 1932 of 11:09. Gordon Sanderson, diminutive Wayne runner, repeated his triumph of last year to capture first place again in Class B. His time was 10:48.7 which is 1.7 seconds above the existing mark.

Class in Class A

Kalamazoo Central captured the Class A honors again by finishing runners in second, ninth, sixteenth, seventeenth, and thirty-sixth positions for 80 points. The race for the title was close with Lansing Central following with 87 points, and Ann Arbor and Ferndale tying for third with 88 points each. Other teams to score were: Jackson 100, Monroe 101, Lansing Eastern 125, and Flint Central 160. Royal Oak entered but two runners.

A close race was also staged between Ecorse and Dearborn for the championship in Class B with the former winning, 43 to 50. Wayne, defending champion, was third with 80, while others to score were River Rouge 107, Howell 109, Rochester 130, and Plymouth 162.

Only three schools entered the Class C-D chase with Napoleon first with 28 points, Sand Creek second with 59, and Romulus next with 62. Hanover entered two harriers also.

The regional meet here was one of three held in the state, the annual interscholastic event having been dropped last year.

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