

Saginaw High Captures Class A State Track Crown on Rain-Soaked Field

R. G. Johnson Repeats State Championship in Broad Jump

Tribe Shares 8th, Vikings 11th; Eggleston Puts on Amazing Show in Class C Division

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Ann Arbor — With only 21 points, Saginaw High won the State Class A track title Saturday at a rain-soaked University of Michigan Ferry Field.

That amazing low-point total was three less than won the Class C crown. But even more amazing was Ray Eggleston, who



Bernard... Best of Year

scored all 24 of East Jackson's points to earn a title share with Ann Arbor University High.

This was a day of confusion. Not only did Eggleston splash to the best individual showing in 20 years, but everything except thunder tried to shake highly favored Saginaw out of the Class A crown.

Flint Northern and Flint Central failed to make a serious title bid in Class A, which saw six teams finish within four points of the champion Trojans.

R. G. Johnson repeated as broad jump champion in helping North-

ern notch 11 points and 11th place. Lacey Bernard's second-place in the shot put was Central's best effort in an 8th-place tie and a 12-point total.

Johnson leaped 21 feet 8 3/4 inches on his last jump, beating his nearest contender by more than 10 inches. Bernard, who hadn't reached 49 feet all season, heaved the shot 51 feet 2 1/4 inches to finish second behind Arthur Hill's Carl Diener.

Diener, the defending champion who hadn't reached 50 feet all season, let loose with a 52-foot 3 1/4-inch toss.

Saginaw coach Herb Korf isn't superstitious, but he would have been if the Trojans hadn't finished on top. A black cat passed in front of the Trojan bus as it left Saginaw's Alumni Field Saturday morning and nearly everything went wrong in the meet.

George Herm, who has been bothered with a sore muscle in his hip all year, had the muscle go bad in the medley relay. He was running the first leg of the event and couldn't finish, finally stumbling and falling half way around his 440 distance.

Saginaw had the best qualifying time in the State in that event in the Regionals.

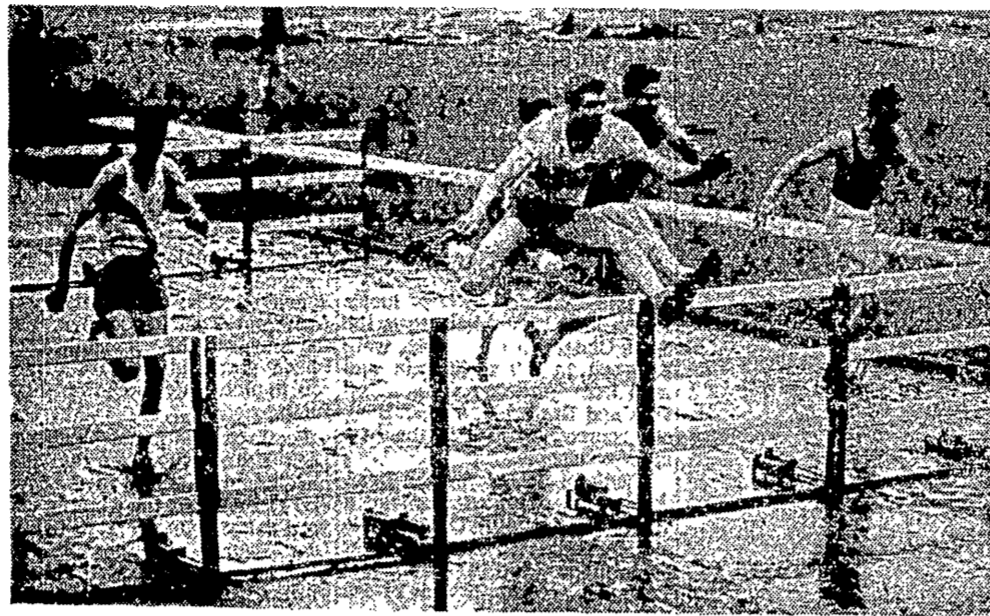
Herm, a good broad jumper, also failed to place in that event. Jim Bukawski, a good hurdler, came up with an elbow injury. It was nothing serious, but it kept the senior from using his usual hurdle form. He didn't qualify in the highs and placed only fifth in the lows.

In the all-important 880-yard relay, No. 2 runner Jack Herrigan had his elbow bumped while exchanging the baton. He dropped the baton and his team didn't finish.

Actually, it was the pole-vault event that won for Saginaw. Going into that event, Saginaw had 19 1/2 points, Pontiac 19, Highland Park 18 1/2, Kalamazoo Central 18, Grand Rapids Union 17 1/2 and Grosse Pointe 17.

The Trojan vaulter, Gilbert Hill, also ran into some bad luck, breaking the pole he had used all season. Still he managed to leap 11 feet 3 inches with a borrowed pole to tie for fifth place.

While most of the runners were bothered by the puddles on the track, husky Eggleston thrived on the slippery lanes. He won the high and low hurdles and the high jump and broad jump. It was the best individual per-



ONE OF FOUR VICTORIES—Ray Eggleston of East Jackson High was the first runner over the fourth hurdle in the Class C 120-yard high hurdle event Saturday at Ann Arbor's Ferry Field. He finished first, too, for one of four individual titles. He scored all of East Jackson's points as his team tied Ann Arbor University High for the title. Bob Hamilton (left) of Oxford finished third, Bill Long (third from right) of Leelanau finished second and Pat Mulquenny (right) of Grosse Isle finished sixth. (AP Wirephoto)

formance since Clare McDurmon won four events for Caro in 1932.

In the hurdles, Eggleston was clocked in 21.2 seconds in the lows and 15.8 seconds in the highs. He leaped 21 feet 7 1/4 inches in the broad jump and cleared 5 feet 10 inches in the high jump.

Still young Eggleston was disappointed. "My coach said we could win the title if I placed in the quarter-mile," said Ray. "I placed fifth. A fourth would have won for us."

Saginaw won with only one first place, Bob Pildner taking one heat of the half-mile. The Trojans added a fourth and sixth in the pole vault, a fifth in the low hurdles, a fifth in the pole vault, a second and sixth in the high hurdles and a tie for third in the high jump.

The teams that followed were Pontiac 19, Highland Park 18 1/2, Kalamazoo Central 18, Grand Rapids Union 17 1/2, Grosse Pointe 17, Jackson 16, Ann Arbor and Flint Central 12, Mt. Clemens 11 1/2 and Flint Northern, Wyandotte and Ypsilanti 11. The rest had 10 points or less.

Besides Bernard's showing in the shot put, Central earned points on a third in the half-mile by Bill Epps, a fourth in the medley relay (Ken Moore, Chuck Lambert, Jim Popoff and Bill Cole) and a third in the quarter-mile by Ulus Silk.

The favored Central 880-yard relay team failed to place when meet officials caused a mixup in the lanes in which batons were to be exchanged. Central's team of Moore, Silk, Popoff and Lambert started in the inside lane and were supposed to switch in the outside lane alternately. But the officials gave the boys wrong instructions and each had to stop and move across the track to make his exchange.

The only other Northern place was second in the 880 relay (Northern had the center lanes and wasn't bothered by the wrong baton exchange instructions) with Jim McGill, Gary Crowell, Frank Neal and Johnson.

Class A

Shot Put—Won by Carl Diener, Saginaw Arthur Hill, 52 feet, 3 1/4 inches; second, Lacey Bernard, Flint Central, 51 feet, 2 1/4 inches; third, Jarv Walz, Bay City Central, 49 feet, 3 1/4 inches; fourth, Lee King, Saginaw, 48 feet, 5 inches; fifth, John Grote-wahl, Highland Park, 48 feet, 2 1/4 inches; sixth, Andy Sheppard, Saginaw, 46 feet, 5 1/2 inches.

Broad Jump—Won by R. G. Johnson, Flint Northern, 21 feet, 8 3/4 inches; second, William Fitch, Jackson, 20 feet, 10 inches; third, Charles Herwood, Wayne, 20 feet, 9 1/4 inches; fourth, Valnerly Davis, Ferndale, 20 feet, 6 3/4 inches; fifth, Alonzo Harris, Pontiac, 20 feet, 4 1/2 inches; sixth, Don Franklin, Ann Arbor, 20 feet, 3 3/4 inches.

880-Yard Relay—Won by Mt. Clemens (Joe Folsom, John Samuels, Willie Thomas, Melvin Beckus); second, Flint Northern; third, Pontiac; fourth, Highland Park; fifth, Grand Rapids Central; sixth, Grand Rapids Union, Saginaw Arthur Hill (2-way tie). Time, 3:34.2.

120-Yard High Hurdles—Won by Dale Griffin, Jackson; second, Duane Root, Wyandotte; third, Jim Engram, Highland Park; fourth, Bill Lansing, Detroit; fifth, Jim Bukawski, Saginaw; sixth, Bob Schlaefke, Saginaw Arthur Hill. Time, 2:08.8.

Medley Relay—Won by Dearborn Fordson (Don Bender, Bob Waypa, Hector Collinga, Jim Kruther); second, Kalamazoo Central; third, Bay City Handy; fourth, Flint Central; fifth, Saginaw Arthur Hill; sixth, Grand Rapids Union. Time, 2:36.4.

Pole Vault—Won by Stuart Galka, Grand Rapids Catholic Central, 12 feet; second, Louis, 43 feet, 6 inches; sixth, Eugene Ostman, Sparta, 43 feet, 2 inches.



Johnson... Champ Again

James Hinkle, Jackson, 11 feet, 9 inches; third, Bob Barr, Ann Arbor, Bill Lee, Mt. Clemens, 11 feet, 6 inches; fifth, Gil Hill, Saginaw; Larry Massaeh, Hamtramck, 11 feet, 3 inches.

100-Yard Dash (first section)—Won by Terry Barr, Grand Rapids Central, second, Jadva Ahmed, Highland Park, third, Ulus Silk, Flint Central; fourth, Albert Russell, Port Huron. Time, :51.5.

440-Yard Dash (second section)—Won by Ralph Gray, Grosse Pointe; second, Robert Crow, Grand Rapids Creston; third, De La-Jarone, Dearborn; fourth, Dave Malcolm, Kalamazoo Central. Time, :53.4.

120-Yard High Hurdles—Won by Duane Root, Wyandotte, Art Liles, Saginaw; second, James Ingram, Highland Park; fourth, Emil Nlemchak, Hamtramck; fifth, Jule Bush, Grand Rapids Union; sixth, Tom Hall, Saginaw. Time, :35.6.

80-Yard Dash—Won by Alonzo Harris, Pontiac; second, Bill Le Baron, Grand Rapids Union; third, John Johnson, Kalamazoo Central; fourth, Ray Ratzel, Grosse Pointe; fifth, John Trueth, Grand Rapids Union; sixth, Don Ware, Port Huron. Time, :22.6.

High Jump—Won by Howard Neely, Ypsilanti, 6 feet, 6 inches; second, Don Franklin, Ann Arbor, 5 feet, 11 inches; third, Bernard Jones, Highland Park; Coleman Jewett, Ann Arbor, Lee King, Saginaw, Joe Rogers, East Detroit, 5 feet, 10 inches (4-way tie).

One Mile—Won by Don Widthrott, Bay City Central; second, Jim Seldi, Ypsilanti; third, Bernard McGavin, Detroit; De La-Salle; fourth, Harry Black, Grand Rapids Union; fifth, Gerald Zitney, Dearborn Fordson; sixth, John Ronald Don Uyl, Holland. Time, :4:38.3.

880-Yard Run (first section)—Won by Bob Pildner, Saginaw, second, Frank Valle, Benton Harbor, third, Richard Brown, Grand Rapids Central, fourth, George Johnson, Pontiac. Time, :2:01.2.

880-Yard Run (second section)—Won by Robert Schaller, Grosse Pointe; second, Ron Bogler, Kalamazoo Central; third, William Epps, Flint Central; fourth, Marvin Quist, Grand Rapids South. Time, 2:04.6.

100-Yard Dash—Won by Alonzo Harris, Pontiac; second, John Johnson, Kalamazoo Central; third, Ray Ratzel, Grosse Pointe; fourth, William Lebaron, Grand Rapids Union; fifth, Melvin Beckus, Mt. Clemens; sixth, John Trueth, Grand Rapids Union. Time, :10.3.

Class A Totals—Saginaw 21; Pontiac 19; Highland Park 18 1/2; Kalamazoo Central 18; Grand Rapids Union 17 1/2; Grosse Pointe 17; Jackson 16; Ann Arbor, Flint Central 12; Mt. Clemens 11 1/2; Flint Northern, Wyandotte, Ypsilanti 11; Dearborn Fordson, Grand Rapids Catholic Central 8; Grand Rapids Creston, Lansing Sexton 3; East Detroit 2 1/2; Dearborn, Grand Rapids Grosse Pointe, Port Huron 2; Grand Rapids South, Holland 1.

Class C

440-Yard Dash (first section)—Won by John Oney, Ypsilanti; second, Ernie Summer-ville, Plainwell; third, Tom Bowen, Clarkston; fourth, Gene Fleming, Gaylord. Time, :54.4.

Shotput—Won by Bill Fenton, St. Louis, 49 feet, 8 3/4 inches; second, Charles Krahnke, Charlevoix, 44 feet, 6 1/4 inches; third, Don Whiteford, East Jordan, 44 feet, 6 inches; fourth, Jim Hamilton, Goodrich, 43 feet, 7 inches; fifth, Fred Corbus, St.

City Games Slated Today

Rain May Cancel Both Baseball League Tilts

Despite two days of drenching rain, the second round of the City Class A Baseball League was still scheduled for this afternoon at Atwood Stadium.

Commissioner Burt Smith said late Saturday that the field would be inspected about 11 o'clock this morning to decide whether or not to play.

"The stadium can take a lot of rain without being rendered unplayable," Smith said. "If the rain stops by early Sunday morning I think we'll be able to go," he added.

The first game today has Buick meeting Chevrolet in the 1:30 o'clock opener with Giants and Hall's squaring off in the 3:30 afterpiece.

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