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## Flint Northern Favored To Win 'A' Track Honors

### Eastern in Darkhorse Role in State Finals at Michigan State Saturday

Michigan's top high school track performers converge on East Lansing Saturday to compete in the annual state prep meet. Two of the four state titles—Class A and C—will be decided on the Michigan State college track.

Schools in the Class B and D classifications compete at Ann Arbor.

Flint Northern, paced by its brilliant sprinter, Leon Burton, is favored to take the Class A honors, with Lansing Eastern rated to finish in the top five bracket.

Individuals qualified for the finals in last Saturday's regional meets. First, second and third place winners in each of the regionals is entered in the final meet of the season.

First action starts at 10:30. Finals in the Class A shot put and broadjump are scheduled for the morning competition, as are the Class C high jump and pole vault. Necessary preliminaries will be held in other events.

Activities will resume at 2 p.m. to complete the meet. There is a charge of 30 cents for children and 60 cents for adults.

Eastern, winner of its first regional title in 20 years, has seven individuals in the meet, plus two strong relay teams. Sexton did not qualify anyone for the finals.

The Quakers best bet to win a first will be Jim Miller in the shot put. Miller is undefeated this spring, and if he can hit over 51 feet—as he has done—he could bring home a blue ribbon. Another strong contender for a first will be Bob Schroeder in the mile. Schroeder is also undefeated and has turned in some of the best times among the state's milers this year.

Dave Williams, who has been the backbone of Eastern's successful team this year, could place in both of the sprints, probably doing best in the 200-yard dash. Williams won the 220 regional title, but has been beaten twice in the century.

Other Eastern qualifiers are Frank Mann, broad jump; Dick Lewis, quarter mile; Frank Green, half-mile; Ed Carey, half-mile; and the medley and half-mile relay teams.

East Lansing will have two competitors at Ann Arbor, Doug Ousterhout in the low hurdles and Otwell Derr in the quarter-mile.

Flint Northern's Burton won three firsts in the Ann Arbor regional and is favored to win state titles in all three events Saturday. Burton won the 100-yard dash in 10.10 seconds; set a regional record in the broad jump with a leap of 21 feet 6½ inches; set another unregional record when he won the boys 180-yard low hurdles in 19.2 seconds. He also anchored Northern's Rex winning sprint relay team.

Northern has the balance to win

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## Houtteman Gets Call

### Faces Chisox in Night Game as Tigers Open Home Stand

DETROIT, May 22 (AP)—The Detroit Tigers, having seen how the other teams live, and envying every one of them, return home tonight to meet the Chicago White Sox in the opener of a three-game series.

Thirteen games off the pace, the Tigers will use righthander Art Houtteman (1-3) in their first night game of the season at Briggs stadium. He'll be opposed by Saul Rogovin, another righthander, who has a 2-4 record.

The Tigers have made the full seven-city tour of the American league, compiling a weak 4-13 record. At home it's 5-11.

While they continue to slip at the end of the 12-game road trip, there was some hope in the fact that the pitching staff showed signs of waking up. In the last six games, the Tigers have received three complete games from Houtteman, Ned Garver and Ted Gray. That's as many as in their first 27 games.

But just when the pitching seems to be getting in shape, the hitters

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the title, as the school qualified an even dozen athletes in nine events.

Although lacking the all-around power it boasted last year, Everett qualified six for the Class C meet here. The Vikings' representatives qualified last week at Mt. Pleasant when the teams finished second behind regional champion St. Louis.

Two of Everett's qualifiers are repeaters from last year. They are George (Whitey) Price and Dick Content, both pole vaulters.

Everett will also have Bob Burchfield, shotput victor in the regionals, Bruce Brooks in the high jump and pole vault, Bob Prince in the half mile, Ted Ohmer in the high jump and Price in the low hurdles.

A strong area entry will be Class B Howell, which gained spots in 11 events last week while winning the regional title at Ann Arbor. The Highlanders have one returning point maker from last year's squad that gathered six points in the state meet. He is Lynn Holley, a miler who finished sixth in the state meet and won the event this year in the regionals.

Howell's leading qualifier this year is Marshall Borden who won the 100 and 220-yard dashes, placed second in the shotput, and ran a leg with a victorious 880-yard relay team last week.

Only other returning qualifiers in the area are Dick Ewing of Okemos and Herb Hagenbuch of Haslett. Last year Ewing placed fourth in the 220-yard dash and fifth in the 100-yard dash. Hagenbuch was sixth in the 100-yard dash for Haslett's only point. Okemos had 11 points due to Ewing's effort and a second in the 880-yard relay and sixth in the medley relay.

Other area qualifiers are:

**Capital Circuit**  
 Everett: Content, pole vault; Burchfield, shotput; Price, low hurdles and pole vault; Brooks, high jump and pole vault; Prince, half mile; Ohmer, high jump; and a medley relay team.  
 Howell: Borden, 100 and 220-yard dashes; shotput; Bob Brown, 180-yard low hurdles; Lynn Holley, mile run; broad jump; Milne Brewer, 440-yard dash; Roger Smith, 440-yard dash; Charles Culver, 880-yard run; Harold Wright, high jump; pole vault; and 880-yard relay.  
 Eaton Rapids: Chuck Connelly, broad jump.  
 Charlotte: Dean Carey, 440-yard dash; Bob Potter, 880-yard run; and Stewart Southworth, pole vault.  
 Grand Ledge and Mason did not enter the regionals.  
**Ingham County**  
 Okemos: Ewing, 100 and 220-yard dashes; Gerald Roosa, 440-yard dash and 880-yard relay team (Bob Davidson, Lyle Davis, Roosa and Ewing).  
 Haslett: Hagenbuch, high jump, broad jump, 100-yard dash, 180-yard low hurdles; Gary Raymond, high jump.  
 Williamston: (No qualifiers).  
 Stockbridge: Bill Fouty, broad jump.  
 Fowlerville: Pat Sutton, 440-yard dash; Willard Dysinger, high jump.  
 Leslie, Holt and Dansville did not enter teams in the regionals.

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