

Inkster Takes

In State Prep

• All-Time Mark

● Set in Shot

By George Maskin

The greatest shot put throw ever achieved by a high school trackman in Michigan highlighted Saturday's annual state prep championship at Ann Arbor and East Lansing which produced the following team titlists:

Class A—Saginaw.

Class B—Inkster.

Class C—Lansing Everett

Class D—Brethren.

For Saginaw, it marked the return to the winners' circle for the ninth time in 12 years; for Brethren it's third straight crown.

Cracks All Records

Most of the spotlight fell on 17-year-old Joel Boyden, a Muskegon High senior who stands six-four and weighs 265 pounds. His toss of 57 feet flat cracked the state Class A mark, the all-time best throw in any Michigan high school competition and, of course, won him the state title.

The old "A" record of 54 feet 4¾ inches was set in 1948 by Tom Johnson of Muskegon Heights. That same year saw Bob Carey of Class C Charlevoix and later a star with Michigan State and the Los Angeles Rams, heave the 12-foot iron ball 54 feet 7½ inches in the state championship.

In other than state-meets, the best known puts carried 56 feet 6 inches with Johnson and Saginaw Arthur Hill's Don Schliesswohl holding the distinction.

Correct Figures

● Boyden made his great effort on his second toss Saturday after his first effort of 55 feet, 9½ inches also had clipped the state record. Officials first announced he has thrown 57 feet 2½ inches. Then, using a steel tape, they announced the correction.

Inkster, in winning its first state title in the school's history, totalled 39 points to runnerup Ludington's 24 13-22.

Inkster's Herman Frederick won the 220-yard dash and Ron Butler a section of half-mile. In addition, Inkster set a new "B" record in the sprint relay with a clocking of 1:31.4, topping the old mark of 1:32.4 made by East Lansing in 1938.

Saginaw, as expected, had its hands full to dethrone Flint Northern. Saginaw totalled 35 points to Northern's 32, with the final event, the pole vault, deciding the crown.

Wins in Three Events

Lansing Everett beat out Marlette for the "C" crown while Brethren ran away in "D" with 58½ points. Second-place Spring Arbor had 36½.

Dick Beane of Brethren was the top winner of the day. He won the 120-yard high hurdles, tying his own state mark of 15.7 seconds; the high jump and the low hurdles. He also ran on the sprint relay team which tied Spring Arbor for first.

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Track Score

● CLASS A
Saginaw 35, Flint Northern 32, Saginaw Arthur Hill 23, Ypsilanti High 14½, Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills 13, Ann Arbor High 13, Grand Haven 13, Lansing Eastern 12, Benton Harbor 9, Kalamazoo Central 9, Battle Creek Central 8, Grand Rapids Catholic Central 8, Lansing Sexton 8, Pontiac 8, Traverse City 7½, Grosse Pointe 7, Birmingham 6, Muskegon Heights 6, Ferndale 5½, Dearborn Fordson 4½, Detroit Catholic Central 4½, Grand Rapids Union 4, Plymouth 4, Bay City Handy 3, Detroit St. Joseph 3, Bay City Central 2, Dearborn 2, Grand Rapids South 2, Jackson 2, Mt. Clemens 2, Owosso 2, Royal Oak 1½, Monroe 1.

CLASS B
Inkster 39, Ludington 24 13-22, St. Louis 15½, Battle Creek Lakeview 15, Sparta 11, Grandville 10 16-55, Cheboygan 9, Mt. Pleasant 9, East Lansing 8, Utica 6½, Big Rapids 6 1-11, Charlotte 6 1-15, Petoskey 6, Grand Rapids Godwin Heights 6, Tecumseh 6, Kalamazoo State High 6, Romulus 5½, Adrian 5, Greenville 5, River Rouge 5, Troy 5, North Muskegon 5, Dearborn Lowry 5, Grand Rapids Kelloggville 4, St. Clair 4, Marshall 4, Hart 4, Dowagiac 3 1-5, Livonia-Bentley 3, Allegan 3, Bad Axe 3, Niles 3, Buchanan 3, Oxford 3, Milan 3, Flint Mandeville 2, Centerline Busch 2, Trenton 2, Orchard Lake St. Mary 1 1-5, Warren 1 1-11, Grand Rapids Wyoming 1, Rochester 1, Romeo 1, Walled Lake 1, Flint Kearsley 1, Auburn Heights Avondale 1, Davison 1, Howell 1-11, Fenton 1-11, Caro 1-11, Van Dyke Lincoln 1-11, Cass City 1-11, Detroit Lutheran 1-11, Sandusky 1-11.

CLASS C
Lansing Everett 26 2/3, Marlette 20, Cassopolis 17½, Shelby 16, Reed City 13, Keego Harbor 12, Clarkston 11 5/8, Scottville 11, Athens 9, Shepherd 9, Paw Paw 8½, Ann Arbor University High 8, Galesburg 7, South Lyon 7, Wyandotte A. E. Smith 6, Litchfield 6, Howard City 6, Lansing Boys Vocational 6, Grayling 5, Lakeshore 5, Marion 5, Merrill 5, Newaygo 4½, Capac 4, Grand Rapids Lee 4, Marine City 4, Ypsilanti Lincoln 4, Whitehall 3, Bloomfield Hills 3, Comstock Park 3, Farwell 3, New Buffalo 3, East Jackson 2, Eastland 2, Hemlock 2, Houghton Lake 2, Lake Odessa 2, Three Oaks 2, Lansing St. Mary 1½, Benzonia 1, Caledonia 1, Clinton 1, Nashville 1, Stanton 1, Berrien Springs 1/6, Mancelona 1/6, White Cloud 1/6.

CLASS D
Brethren 58½, Spring Arbor 36½, Eau Claire 23, Beau City 21 13-14, Otisville 11 3-7, Vermontville 11 3-7, Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart 11, Bear Lake 9 13-14, Galien 9, Dewitt 8, Grass Lake 8, Kingston 8, Ellsworth 6½, Baldwin 6 3-7, Weldman 6, Michigan Deaf School 5 3-7, MIO 4½, Wolverine 4½, Free Soil 4, Martin 3, New Lothrop Maple Grove 2½, Stevensville 1 13-14, Fairview ½, Dimondale ½, Detroit University School 0, Morey 0, Morrice 0, New Baltimore 0, Onekema 0, Suttons Bay 0, Vanderbilt 0, Vestaburg 0.