

Dant, Willie 1-2 in Century



TIES RECORD FOR 100-YARD DASH—Alpena's Sebort (Pete) Dant (left center) is shown lunging just ahead of Bay City Central's Willie Smith (right center) enroute to a record-tying 100-yard :09.8 in the Class A finals at East Lansing Saturday. Smith was clocked in :09.85. Dick Marentette of Detroit Catholic Central was third by five yards, Jesse Boyd, Ypsilanti, fourth; Ernie Lansdown, Flint Northern, fifth and Blaire Maitre, Flint Central, sixth. (AP Wirephoto.)

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EAST LANSING — Pontiac rolled up more than three times the point total of second place Flint Northern to sweep the Class A track title here Saturday, but Northeastern Michigan made its presence felt with the tremendous speed shown by Alpena's Sebort (Pete) Dant and Bay City Central's Willie Smith in the 100-yard dash.

Dant tied the existing Class A record with a time of :09.8, set by George Hester of Detroit Northern in 1925 and equalled by Detroit's Eddie Tolan in 1927, running for Cass Tech. Smith ahead until a final lunge by Dant, was clocked in :09.85.

Dant then thurned out a :21.4 in the 220-yard dash, but the record run was disallowed because gusty winds were blowing more

than five miles an hour at the time. The record that escaped Dant is a :21.7 set by Hester in 1925 and matched by Pontiac's Alonzo Harris in 1953.

The Chiefs rolled up 51 13/14 points in an awesome display of power, with runnerup Northern scoring 17 points, Saginaw High third with 15 13/14, Kalamazoo fourth with 15, Detroit Catholic Central fifth on 13, Bay City

Central sixth with 12 3/4 and Alpena seventh with 12, tying Ypsilanti.

Willie Smith declined to enter the 220 to save his energy for two events for the 880-yard relay, and the move paid off for Coach Ken Loop's quartet as Central speeded to its fastest time of the year to win first place. The Wolf-pack team of Willie Smith, Frank Santoviz, Chuck Gatza and Na-

mon Smith clicked off a time of 1:32.8, their fastest time to date for a new school record, as was Willie's effort in the century run.

Other Central points were won by Bob O'Kon in a tie for third place in the high jump at 5-9 1/2, won by a Pontiac duo, Alex Barge and Hudson Ray, at 6-3 1/2.

Pontiac was paced by Hayes Jones with two first places in the broad jump and 120-yard high hurdles, his time of :14.5 setting a new record, the old mark a :14.6 by Horace Smith of Jackson in 1941.

Other Class A marks to fall were the :49.7 clocking of Bill Campbell, Dearborn-Fordson, in the 440-yard run, and the three-quarter mile medley relay team of Fordson which posted a 2:28.1, topping a 1953 Flint Northern team's standard of 2:29.7.

Inkster in Class B and Brethren in Class D took team honors at Ann Arbor with 27 1/2 and 46 1/2 points, respectively, while in Class C along with the Class A's at East Lansing, Reed City scored 17 1/2 points to just edge Cassopolis with 17, the latter's total all won by Henry McNary, Jr. McNary won both the 100 and 220-yard dashes, and finished second in the broad jump.

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Artificial Leg No Handicap for '500'

BY DALE BURGESS
INDIANAPOLIS, — (AP) — Cal Niday of Pacoima, Calif., one of the country's top auto race drivers in spite of an artificial leg, set the pace Saturday in the third qualifying session for the 500-mile race May 30.

Holding up the tradition of such past one-legged racers as Al Miller, of Standish, and the late Bill Schindler, Niday was the fastest of 12 qualifiers with a 10-mile run at 140.302 miles an hour.

Eight cars were qualified last weekend, leaving 13 positions in the starting field to be filled in final trials today.

Nobody was hurt in three accidents.

Niday, driving the Indianapolis D-A Lubricants Special, was one of the five drivers who passed 140 miles an hour, but they didn't approach the qualifying record of 142.580 set last Sunday by Jack McGrath of Inglewood, Calif.

Jimmy Davies, another Pacoima resident, had the second best speed of 140.274 in a Bardahl Special.

Jimmy Bryan, of Phoenix, the 1954 AAA national driving champion, qualified a Dean Van Lines Special at 140.160. Pat Flaherty of Chicago, another "500" veteran, did 140.149 in the Dunn Engineering Special.

Eddie Russo of Crown Point, Ind., set a record of 140.116 for a

first-time qualifier.

Al Herman of Allentown, Pa., a dirt track veteran but never a "500" starter, earlier set a rookie record of 139.881 in the Martin Brothers Special. The late Larry Crockett of Columbus, Ind., made the old mark of 139.557 last year.

Chuck Weyant of Springfield, Ill., lost his Detroit Federal Engineering Special on the northwest turn but barely brushed the wall. He came in under his own power.

Others who qualified Saturday were Bob Sweikert of Indianapolis in the John Zink Special, Jimmy Reece of Oklahoma City in the Malloy Special, Jimmy Daywalt of Indianapolis in the Sumar Special, Duane Carter of Speedway City in the Agajanian Special, and Jim Rathmann of Miami in the Belond Miracle Power Special. All were between 139 and 140 miles an hour, except Rathmann, who averaged 138.707.

The 20 cars that have qualified so far have averaged 140.100 miles an hour. The 33-car starting lineup last year averaged 138.632.

The STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE				GB
W.	L.	Pct.		
New York	21	11	.656	—
Cleveland	21	12	.636	1 1/2
Chicago	19	12	.613	1 3/4
Detroit	19	15	.559	3
Washington	14	15	.483	7
Boston	15	21	.417	8
Kansas City	13	20	.394	8 1/2
Baltimore	10	23	.303	11 1/2

Saturday's Results

Detroit 3, Cleveland 2
Baltimore 000 201 100—4 11 3
New York 420 030 00x—9 9 0
Wilson, Kuzava (6) and Smith; Kucks (2-1) and Berra. L-Wilson (2-4), HR—Robinson 2 (2nd and 3rd), Berra (5th).
Kansas City 011 001 001—4 11 0
Chicago 020 202 01x—7 11 0
R. Shantz, Herbert (6), Sain (7) and W. Shantz; Donovan, Trucks (9) and Lollar, WP—Donovan (5-1), LP—R. Shantz (3-4), HR—Wilson (7th).
Boston 000 000 000 000—0 6 3
Washington 000 000 001—1 10 2 (12 Innings)
Brewer, Kinder (11) and White; Pascual, McDermott (8), Ramos (12) and Fitzgerald. W—Ramos. L—Kinder.

Today's Games

Cleveland at Detroit — Wynn (3-1) vs. Carter (2-5).

Boston at Washington — McDermott (2-4) vs. Henry (1-0).

Baltimore at New York (2) — Palica (2-3) and Johnson (0-1) vs. Ford (5-1) and Lopat (0-4).

Kansas City at Chicago (2) — Kellner (5-1) and Ceccarelli (0-2) vs. Keegan (0-1) and Fornieles (3-1).

NATIONAL LEAGUE				GB
W.	L.	Pct.		
Brooklyn	28	8	.765	—
New York	19	14	.576	6 1/2
Chicago	20	15	.571	6 3/4

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Bad Axe garnered four points in Class B, Sandusky 1, Cass City 9/14, and Caro 1/2 to round out the area entries totals. In Class C, Houghton Lake had six points, Unionville 5 1/4, and Oscoda 5 for Thumb and Northeastern Michigan scoring, while in Class D, Kingston scored 17 1/2, Wolverine 15, Fairview 8, and Whittemore 2.

Traverse City's Francis Wana-geshik placed fifth in the broad jump and shared in the tie with O'Kon and five others for the third in the high jump. He also placed fourth in one heat of the 880-yard run, while teammate Bob Pemberton ran a sixth in the 220-yard dash won by Dant.

Bay City Central was limited somewhat in potential points in the shot put when Bill Grein, regional winner last week with a toss of better than 49 feet, came up with a bad ankle sprain this past Thursday and failed to get loft to the iron ball Saturday.

Among Class C point-getters from the Thumb and Northeastern Michigan areas, Jim Butler of Oscoda finished second in one heat of the 880; Lyle Houthoofd tied for third in the pole vault; Dick Brohl, Oscoda, took third in one section of the 440-yard run; Unionville a third and Deckerville a fourth in the medley relay; Ed Fritz of Houghton Lake a first in the shot-put, with a toss of 47-10 3/8; and Fred Garsa, Deckerville, a first in the broad jump with a leap of 21-3 5/8.

Cass City's fraction of a point came on Jack Clara's sixth-place tie in the high jump, and Carl Patterson's tie in the pole vault, which also included Caro's Dave Corradi in the fifth place slot.

Larry Essenmacher of Bad Axe garnered a fourth in the Class B shot put and Jim Bennett of Sandusky finished sixth in the broad jump.

Roland Joles of Wolverine won both the Class D 120-yard high and 180-yard low hurdles, with Don Varden of Kingston second in the latter event, and Milt Rhoads of Farview fourth and Bill Gladding of Wolverine sixth in the same competition. Rhoads also took a second in the 100-yard dash and John Pavlik of Whittemore a third in one heat of the 440.

Bill Bunker, also of Wolverine, helped score for his school with a fifth in the 120-yard high sticks.

Kingston's Don Long was in a third place tie in the broad jump and the school scored in third place in the medley relay, with Wolverine also finishing fifth in the same event.