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Rain, Mud Ruin Competition in State Track Meets

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Only the champions at Michigan's high school track and field meets Saturday at East-Lansing and Ann Arbor had any fun.

It was a miserable, cold, wet and discouraging day for contestants, fans, officials and sportswriters alike as Pontiac, in Class A; St. Joseph, in Class B; Boyne City, in Class C; and Covert, in Class D, earned championships.

It was Pontiac's third straight crown. Covert won for the second straight year.

U.S. Completes Davis Cup Sweep Of West Indies

By the Associated Press

The United States' Davis Cup tennis squad completed a shut-out over the British West Indies Sunday in its first-round match of the American Zone eliminations.

Singles victories by Bernard (But) Bartzten and Grant Golden of Wilmette, Ill., at Port of Spain, Trinidad, made the final score 5-0. The United States, led by Vic Seixas, had clinched the series by winning the first two singles Friday and the doubles Saturday.

The Americans thus qualified for a zone semifinal series with Venezuela beginning at Caracas next Friday.

In Sunday's windup matches, Bartzten defeated Peter Valdez, 6-1, 6-1, and Golden, substituting for Seixas, defeated Ian MacDonald, 8-6, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

Meanwhile Belgium, Denmark, Poland and Italy won the last four berths in the quarterfinal lineup of the European Zone tournament.

PROBABLY NO one had a worse weekend than Joel Arvilla, a 17-year-old senior from Charlevoix who came over 200 miles to throw the shot in Class C. Arvilla was still in East Lansing Sunday night and won't be going home for a few days. He never got to throw the shot.

Arvilla used his head to stop the flight of a 12-pound shot thrown by an unidentified youngster. He suffered a concussion and long gash behind his right ear and is confined to the MSU health center. He will be released Wednesday or Thursday.

Willie Prewitt, the Willow Run broad jumper, was far from his celebrated best. Four weeks ago he jumped 24 feet 3 inches at Mansfield. Saturday in the mud-caked Perry Field pit he won at 20 feet 5 1/2 inches.

REG GILLARD, who won both high and low hurdle regionals, couldn't even place Saturday for Flint Northern. The failure of Gillard, plus the fact that Northern's medley relay team was disqualified after winning its event, cost the Vikings the title.

For the first time in many years not a single record was broken in any class and the weather was to blame.

Pontiac won again because it got a superlative effort from its three high jumpers — Hudson Ray, Alex Barge and Fred Brooks who finished with an unprecedented 1-2-3. That gave the Chiefs 15 of the 33 points they earned in their title quest.

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