

State Track Meet Lacks Precision

East Lansing—Saturday's big track carnival, the largest in Michigan prep circles, was billed as the state finals in class A and B but it lacked the smoothness and precision that goes with Grand Rapids' dual meets at Grand Rapids' Houseman field.

It was utter confusion throughout the most of the day. Right from the opening event in the morning preliminaries through the afternoon finals the program was running from 30 to 60 minutes late.

The class A pole vault, scheduled to start at 1 p. m. didn't get started until 4. The class B pole vault, started at 10:30 in the morning, lasted until 3:45 and then the A vaulters took over the scene.

Saturday's crowd of 3,500, was the largest to witness the state finals in years. This is the first time the A and B classes were run on the same field.

Dave and Dick Ernst, Grand Rapids track officials, were the official meet starters Saturday. Dave handled the A races while Dick took care of the B groups.

A total of 184 schools with more than 1,100 youngsters, competed in the gigantic affair. Class A listed 76 with class B having 108.

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