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9 Records Set in Class A Track Meet

Flint Team Takes Title

Mile and 880 Runs Best in the Nation

By RON VOYLES
EAST LANSING (AP)—Coaches agreed the Class A State High School Track and Field meet at East Lansing Saturday was the greatest day in the history of prep track in Michigan.

An amazing total of nine new records were set and one was tied in the 12 events.

No Wind
The weather was ideal—warm and sunny—and there was no wind to annoy the record book.

Probably the best times in the history of record-setting were the winning mile of 4:12.2 by Lou Scott of Detroit Eastern and the flashy 880 time of 1:53.3 by Walt Wilson of Inkster Roblesland. Both were reported as the best outdoor high school times for the distances in the country so far this year.

Flint Northern was the team champ with 27½ points followed by Flint Central in second with 22 points. Kalamazoo Central was third with 19. Pontiac Central fourth with 17 and Niles Bay City Central and Detroit Southeastern tied for fifth with 16 points each.

Set 880 Relay Mark
Kalamazoo Central won the 880 yard relay in a record 1:53.3, bettering the former record of 1:58.0 by Flint Northern tied Detroit Mackenzie for first in the mile relay. The record time was 3:24.5, shattering the former fastest time of 3:26.1.

Hill Lee helped Flint Central into second place with his winning pole vault height of 14 feet six inches, bettering the former height of 13 feet three inches.

The only events that saw no records were the broad jump shot put and 180 yard low hurdles.

Ernie Long of Flint Central set the pace in the first final by setting a new class A time of 1:42 in the 120 yard hurdles. The old record of 1:44 was set by Hayes Jones, the 1962 Olympic medal winner, when he was running for Pontiac Central in 1962.

Al Washington of Flint Northern set a new high in the high jump with his winning leap of six feet five inches, barely above the former record of six feet four and 9/16th inches.

Lou Scott of Detroit Eastern ran away from the field in the mile run, winning in a record 4:12.2, well below his record last year of 4:17.4.

Walt Wilson of Inkster Roblesland cut deep into the former record time of 1:57.2 in the 880 yard run by winning in the flashy 1:53.3.

Both the mile and the 880 times were reported as the best outdoor high school records in the country so far this year.

George Wesson of Detroit Southeasterns did the 440 yard dash in 49 seconds flat, bettering the former record of 49.7.

Bill Rayner of Niles won the 200 yard dash in 21.4, bettering the former record of 21.7.

In addition, the 100 yard dash time of 30.8 by Wilbur Johnson of Flint Northern tied the existing Class A record.

State Track Summaries

CLASS A
(Winners and B.C. Regional Finals)
100-yard dash—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 1:42.
200-yard dash—Bill Rayner, Niles, 21.4.
400-yard dash—George Wesson, Detroit Southeastern, 49.
800-yard dash—Walt Wilson, Inkster Roblesland, 1:53.3.
1,600-yard dash—Lou Scott, Detroit Eastern, 4:12.2.
1 mile—Lou Scott, Detroit Eastern, 4:12.2.
2 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 9:37.
3 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 14:45.
4 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 20:05.
5 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 25:35.
6 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 31:05.
7 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 36:35.
8 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 42:05.
9 mile—Bill Lee, Flint Central, 47:35.
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School For Deaf Wins In Class D

MOUNT PLEASANT (AP)—Michigan School For the Deaf took its third consecutive state Class D track and field title in the competition at Central Michigan University here Saturday.

Taking three individual crowns and two team firsts, MSD earned 41 points to edge Brother Norman Dickson, usually a strong contender, with 36.

Ron Fry of University set two records, one of them in preliminary competition, and Dave Hoag of Merrice set one record and tied another.

Fry ran the 100 low hurdles in 20.3 in preliminary competition, breaking the record of 20.5 set by David Woods of Wolverine in 1961. He was slower in the final, but won the event in 20.4.

Hoag also set a record of 22.5 in the preliminary running of the 225-yard run, bettering the 1958 winning time of 22.8 set by David Woods of Wolverine in 1958.

Hoag tied the 100-yard dash mark of 18.2 set in 1952 by Donald Bessert of Sutton Bay in 1952 and tied by Kenneth Beane of Brother Norman Dickson in 1958.

Mike Bowers of Litchfield won the high jump with a 64 leap. Dave Pakous of MSD won the shot put with a toss of 45 feet, 10 1/2 inches, and Abram Powell ran the 40 for the school in 31.75.

He ran the 120 high hurdles in 1:54, breaking the record of 1:55 set by David Wood of Wolverine in 1962.

Dave Hoag, Merrice, A. Bill Johnson, Litchfield, and Mike Bowers, Litchfield, were named MVPs.

Paul Paul, Pontiac St. Paul, was MVP of the team.

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Gary Rugg Wins 'B' Shot Crown

ANN ARBOR (AP)—A strong team taking a third in the 100-yard dash, and a fourth in the 200-yard dash. One record was established. The competition at Central Michigan University here Saturday.

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MSU, Northwestern Nines Split Pair

EAST LANSING (UPI)—Michigan State and Northwestern split the Big Ten Conference doubleheader state title. His teammate, Ron Vassar at 20 points.

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Gophers Take 2 From Purdue Nine

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI)—The Minnesota Gophers bombed Purdue 12-5 in the first game of a doubleheader yesterday and then squeaked a 2-1 second game win to wrap up the Big Ten season with a strong 9-6 record.

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