

# Covert Wins Title

## Repeats as State 'D' Track Champ

MOUNT PLEASANT (AP) — Perennial Class D powerhouse Covert won its second consecutive Michigan High School track championship Saturday on the Central Michigan University track.

Coach Ron Clark's squad, displaying balance and depth but failing to win an event, collected 38 points to win its fifth Class D crown.

Covert was forced to hold off a determined bid by Lake City which finished with 36 points.

With 46 teams earning points in the annual meet, Freesoil and Grosse Pointe U. High finished in a deadlock for third place with 27 points each. Ypsilanti St. John and Ann Arbor U. high tied for fifth with 26 points each.

Five records were set in the meet.

Ed Papes of Freesoil cleared 12 feet to establish a new mark in the pole vault, erasing the record of 11-10½ set by Gary Tessman of Centreville in 1961.

Jack Larson of St. Joseph Catholic lowered the 440-dash record with a time of :51.3. Robert Booker of Baldwin set the old mark of :51.7 in 1956.

Jim Pegg of Martin was clocked in 2:01.2 in the 880-yard run to eclipse the time of 2:02.7 set by Phil Huber of St. Joseph Catholic in 1963.

Records were set in both relays with Ann Arbor U. High taking the 880-yard event in 1:34.25 and Grosse Pointe U. High the mile in 3:35.2.

Terry Barnes of Centreville was the meet's only double winner. He won the 120-yard high hurdles in :15.75 and the 180-yard lows in :20.7.