

Prep Vaulteur Hits 14 Feet

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MT. PLEASANT — A Michigan schoolboy reached the 14-foot barrier as a pole vaulter here Saturday.

Ron Shortt, a Farmington High Senior, set one of two records in the Class A division of the Central Michigan Relays when he pole vaulted 14 feet.

"It was a goal which both he and his father were pointing at," explained Mrs. James Shortt from her home in Farmington. "He had just hit 13 feet, 9½ inches in a dual meet earlier in the week and

was confident he could hit 14 feet."

Ron, an All-Conference football halfback, is a student of pole vaulting.

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"WE HAVE all sorts of books on pole vaulting around the house," said Mrs. Shortt.

"He reads and studies them all particularly those by John Pennel and Bob Seagren."

The state Class A record is 13 feet 11¼ inches set by Wayne Lambert of Saginaw Arthur Hill in 1964. Shortt is the first Michigan schoolboy to reach 14 feet.

If he is to get Lambert's record he'll have to do it all over again at Michigan's Ferry Field on May 21. State records can be set only in the state finals.

Another proud mother Saturday was Mrs. Alcuin Wiench of Ann Arbor, whose son, Tony, broke the shot put record here with a heave of 59 feet 9 inches.

"If you ever hit 58 feet call us collect," Mrs. Wiench had told her son early in the season.

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TONY MADE that call Saturday but his mother missed

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Ypsi Runners Win at Ecorse

Ypsilanti High won five firsts and set two records Saturday to win the annual Ecorse Relays with 51 points. Ecorse was second with 45 points followed by

Inkster with 44 and Birmingham Groves with 30.

Ron Strang of Lutheran West turned in the day's top individual performance when he won the mile in 4:21.2.

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the connection. She was out having her hair done.

They in a 235-pound senior at Ann Arbor High who Saturday threw the shot two feet further than he had ever thrown it before.

Flint Central won four firsts and scored in three other events to successfully defend its Class A title with 21 points. Pontiac Central was second with 46 points.

Haslett ran away with the Class C crown. Its first championship here since 1960. Haslett scored 49 1/2 points to 22 for runnerup New Haven.

Rains Friday night turned the Chippewa oval into a muddy mess. There wasn't a single record set in the running events.

Two-mile relay—Flint Central (20) won, followed by Ann Arbor (14), Pontiac Central (10), and New Haven (8).

Four-mile relay—Flint Central (18) won, followed by Ann Arbor (12), Pontiac Central (8), and New Haven (6).

Eight-mile relay—Flint Central (16) won, followed by Ann Arbor (10), Pontiac Central (6), and New Haven (4).

Twelve-mile relay—Flint Central (14) won, followed by Ann Arbor (8), Pontiac Central (4), and New Haven (2).

Twenty-mile relay—Flint Central (12) won, followed by Ann Arbor (6), Pontiac Central (2), and New Haven (0).

Thirty-mile relay—Flint Central (10) won, followed by Ann Arbor (4), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

Forty-mile relay—Flint Central (8) won, followed by Ann Arbor (2), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

Fifty-mile relay—Flint Central (6) won, followed by Ann Arbor (0), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

Sixty-mile relay—Flint Central (4) won, followed by Ann Arbor (0), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

Seventy-mile relay—Flint Central (2) won, followed by Ann Arbor (0), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

Eighty-mile relay—Flint Central (0) won, followed by Ann Arbor (0), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

Ninety-mile relay—Flint Central (0) won, followed by Ann Arbor (0), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

Hundred-mile relay—Flint Central (0) won, followed by Ann Arbor (0), Pontiac Central (0), and New Haven (0).

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