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Area Tracksters Almost Empty-Handed At State Meets



RACING TO RECORD: Pontiac Central's Bill Tipton pulls away to quick lead on route to record-setting performance in 120-yard high hurdles. Tipton, regarded as the finest prep hurdler in the nation, clocked 12.3 in Class A final although he was running into 13 mile-per-hour wind. (Staff photo)

Williamson, Welburn Only Winners

Ten records were broken and one tied during state high school track and field competition at three sites Saturday, but southwestern Michigan athletes came up almost empty-handed when they passed out the blue ribbons.

Only two area runners were able to fight their way into the winners' circle while three regional team champions — Niles, Grand Haven, Hartford and Covert — fell short in their bid for state crowns.

New state track kings crowned Saturday were Battle Creek Central in Class A, Romeo in Class B, Langsborg in Class C and Detroit St. Charles in Class D.

The strongest area team performance came from Hartford in the Class C meet at Mount Pleasant, where coach Ed Goulet's Indians picked up 24 points but had to settle for their second straight triennial final, tying Traverse City St. Francis for runner-up honors.

Hartford also had one of the two individual area champs in



ONLY AREA CHAMPS: Bob Williamson (left) of Hartford and Nick Welburn of Lawton were only southwestern Michigan winners in state track competition Saturday. Williamson won low hurdles in Class C meet at Mount Pleasant while Welburn won Class D two-mile run. (Staff photos)

Miller Barber Winner Of Oklahoma Playoff

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Miller Barber added to the number of victory today after beating Gary Player in a playoff for the Oklahoma City Open Golf Tournament title after rain delayed play of the final round for one hour and 45 minutes.

"I don't remember it felt good," said Barber, who rolled in a two-foot birdie putt on the third hole of a sudden death playoff. "This is nice. I'm very, very pleased."

Barber's only other victory in a nine-year professional career was the 1964 Cajun Classic. Here he was the unheralded challenger as he steadily pulled into a tie with Player on the back nine, and then birdied the final hole to cause the playoff.

Player, golfing in the three-hole, Stockton opened strongly in the final round, going four-stroke under par, but he shot a five-over-par 48 on the back to limp to within 17.

George Archer had a 286 total, good for third place, and Terry Capor and Kermit Zanley were at 292. Stockton and Bob Charles, who fired a 67 Sunday, were tied for sixth at 282.

First prize money was \$13,200, and Player took home \$7,322 for second.



BARBER CLIPS PLAYER: Miller Barber supplies body English as he roots home birdie putt on third hole of sudden-death playoff with Gary Player to win \$13,200 first-place check in Oklahoma City Open golf tournament. (AP Wirephoto)

U.S. Netters Near Davis Cup Victory

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The United States, buoyed by the doubles victory of Clark Graebner and Marty Riessen, took a 2-1 lead into today's decisive singles matches against Mexico and U. S. Captain George Maclean confidently predicted success in the North American Davis Cup final.

"We're in the driver's seat now," Maclean cheered after Graebner and Riessen — as expected — stormed to a straight

Texas Sprinter Equals Record

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) — Jimmy Hines sets his sights on world sprinting records while looking to a possible future in professional football like Bob Hayes.

The 20-year-old Texas Southern junior flashed 100 meters in a world record-equaling 10 seconds flat Saturday night in the California Relay and earlier this season had run a 9.1 for 100 yards.

Those times matched the best at those distances by Olympic champion Hayes who now stars with the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League.

Hines, however, played football at Florida A&M while Hines has restricted his collegiate participation to track.

"I hope to play pro football after I get out of college," Hines said. "I have already been approached by teams in both leagues. I don't play college ball because Coach (Stan) Wright doesn't like his trackmen to play."

At the finish it was Hines edging Oregon State freshman Willie Fuller, also timed to 10.6, and Nebraska's great Charles Greene, who was clocked 10.1.

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Buckeyes Nip Western For District Title

CARBONDALE, Ill. (AP) — Western Michigan has lost out in a bid to win the NCAA baseball championship.

The Broncos split a doubleheader with Ohio State Saturday, but needed a sweep of the two-game knockout NCAA District Four playoff to stay in the tournament.

The victory sent Ohio State to Omaha, Neb., for the college world series June 13-16.

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100 Yards	Jimmy Hines	9.1
200 Yards	Jimmy Hines	18.8
400 Yards	Jimmy Hines	38.2
800 Yards	Jimmy Hines	1:26.6
1 Mile	Jimmy Hines	3:11.1
2 Mile	Nick Welburn	8:11.5
4 Mile	Gregory Hines	16:2.4
8 Mile	Gregory Hines	32:48.0
16 Mile	Gregory Hines	1:05:11.5
32 Mile	Gregory Hines	2:10:11.5
50 Yards	Bill Tipton	12.3
100 Yards	Bill Tipton	25.2
200 Yards	Bill Tipton	51.8
400 Yards	Bill Tipton	1:03.8
800 Yards	Bill Tipton	2:08.8
1 Mile	Bill Tipton	4:13.8
2 Mile	Bill Tipton	8:27.8
4 Mile	Bill Tipton	16:51.8
8 Mile	Bill Tipton	33:43.8
16 Mile	Bill Tipton	67:27.8
32 Mile	Bill Tipton	134:55.8
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