

Class A Track Summary

East Lansing (AP) — Final standings of the top 10 teams in Saturday's Class A state highway track and field championships at Michigan State University.

1, Detroit Redford Union, 27. 2, Battle Creek, 22. 3, Saginaw Valley, 20. 4, Northern and Southgate, 22. 5, Pontiac Central, 16. 6, Detroit Mackenzie, 26. 7, Flint Central, 11. 8, East Lansing, 10. 9, Lansing and Midland, 17. 10, Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills 16.

Pole Vault—1, Mark Whittaker, Flint Central, 13-9 1/2. 2, Sig Lillie, East Lansing, 13-7. 3, Jeff Dennis, Saginaw MacArthur, 13-7. 4, Tom McAuley, Port Huron Northern, 12-2. 5, Charles Kline, Wayne Memorial, 12-1. 6, Wayne Memorial, 12-1. 7, Wayne Memorial, 12-1. 8, Wayne Memorial, 12-1. 9, Wayne Memorial, 12-1. 10, Wayne Memorial, 12-1.

220-yard Dash—1, Marshall Dill, Detroit Redford Union, 27.1. 2, Dave Anderson, Birmingham Groves, 22.2. 3, Larry Williams, Farmington, 22.3. 4, Mel Baags, Roseville, 22.6. 5, Nancy Hughes, Dearborn Heights, 22.7. 6, Ed Rhodes, Benton Harbor, no time. 7, Darryl Arnold, Detroit Mackenzie, no time. 8, Dave Frame, Belleville, 21-13.

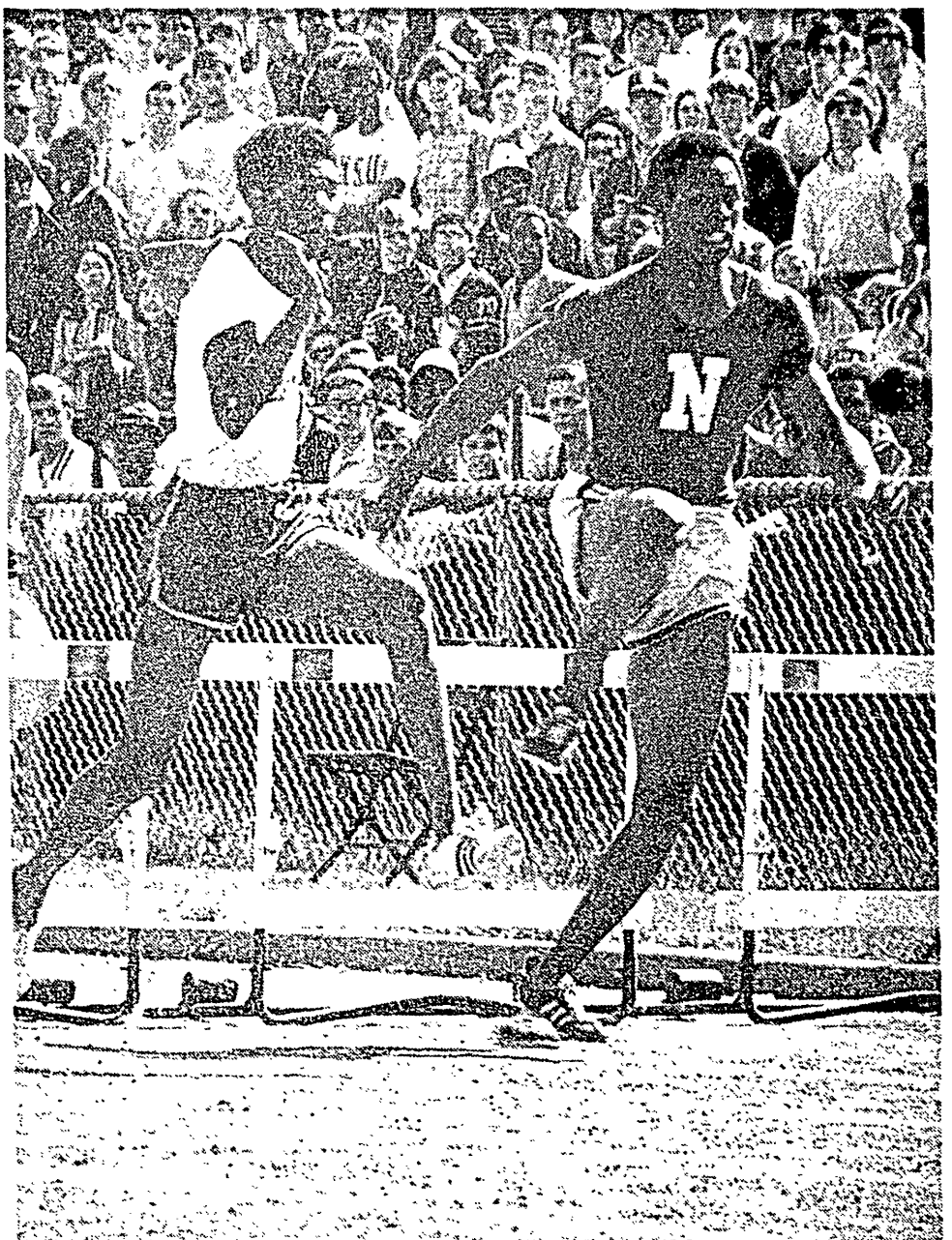
880-yard Run—1, Keven Reabe, Drayton Plains Kettering, 1:42.7. 2, Al Cornwell, Battle Creek, 1:45. 3, Randy Tipton, Detroit Thurston, 1:54.6. 4, Dave Collins, Livonia Franklin, 1:55.0. 5, Russ Jones, Kalamazoo Central, 1:55.3. 6, Ron Champagne, Harper Woods Notre Dame, 1:55.8. 7, Don Simon, Ann Arbor Notre Dame, 1:55.8. 8, Roger Cleaver, Detroit Kettering, no time. 9, Roger Cleaver, Detroit Kettering, no time.

880-yard Relay—1, Detroit Mackenzie (Carlos Woods, Ken James, John Ware, Darryl Arnold), 1:29.5. 2, Flint Central, 1:29.9. 3, Detroit Central, 1:31.4. 4, Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills, 1:30.2. 5, Detroit Redford Union, 1:30.4. 6, East Lansing, 1:30.6. 7, Battle Creek Central, 1:30.7. 8, Ferris State, 1:30.7. 9, Kalamazoo Central, 1:30.7. 10, Detroit Southeastern, 1:30.8.

One-mile Run—1, Steve Donforth, Temperance, 4:16.8. 2, Bill Franklin, Detroit Redford, 4:17.5. 3, Mike Goodwin, Jackson Parkside, 4:18.3. 4, Fred Pierce, Grand Blanc, 4:18.8. 5, Greg Daniels, Waukegan, 4:19.2. 6, Doug Brown, Harper Woods Notre Dame, 4:19.6. 7, John Sneli, East Lansing, 4:19.8. 8, William Kuhn, Detroit Redford Union, 4:22.8.

120-yard High Hurdles—1, John Morrison, Detroit Redford Union, 1:13. 2, Mel Reeves, Pontiac Northern, 1:14. 3, Don Kurkowski, Birmingham Brother Rice, 1:14. 4, Fred Howell, Livonia Bentley, 1:17. 5, Larry Donstan, Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills, 1:18. 6, Pat Nowak, Dearborn, no time. 7, Doug Hammel, Grasse Pointe South, no time. 8, Charles Langston, Flint Central, no time.

100-yard dash—1, Ken James, Detroit Mackenzie, 10.0. 2, Marshall Dill, Detroit Redford Union, 10.1. 3, Jerry Creek Central, 10.1. 4, Mel Baags, Roseville, 10.1. 5, Dave Anderson, Birmingham Groves, 10.2. 6, Dick Ross, Detroit Southeastern, no time. 7, Rodney Rhodes, Benton Harbor, no time. 8, Connie Cowan, Detroit Kettering, no time.



Central's Charlie Langston Trails Pontiac Northern's Mel Reeves at This Point



Mark Whittaker . . . Best Vault Takes State Title

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Central Hurdler, Colt Vaulters Save Their Best to Last

By LEN HOYES
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EAST LANSING — Slim Charlie Langston of Flint Central and scrappy Mark Whittaker of Flint Southwestern saved their best efforts for last Saturday.

Langston won the 180-yard hurdles in 19.3 seconds and Whittaker cleared 13-9 1/2 to win the pole vault in the 62nd Class A state track meet at Michigan State's Ralph H. Young Field.

Neither was expected to win but this was a day when determination made the difference.

CENTRAL's other points came from Langston's eighth place in the high hurdles and second in the 880 relay where Tom Ridley, Langston, Reg Barnett and Bob Patton ran in that order. Langston had the fastest leg, according to Coach Carl Krieger.

Southwestern's other points came from Greg Robinson, Warren London, Tim Broden and Roy Dukes who finished seventh in the mile relay.

Until Saturday, Whittaker never had cleared more than 13-7 1/2 in competition. Ironically, that leap came in the regionals where he had to settle for second place.

he could handle Morrison who was one of the Mansfield Relays standouts and trimmed Langston emphatically in the Huron and Spartan Relays during the indoor season.

And it appeared that the Tribe star would have to settle for a "good race but you lost" accolade at the final hurdle on Saturday. At that point Morrison led by half a stride but suddenly Langston burst forward to break the tape.

"HE WAS just ready. He psyched himself for this race," said an admiring Willie Polk of Flint Northern who was unable to run because of injury. Polk was among the first to congratulate Langston who was a double winner in the Saginaw Valley Conference and regional meets.

Two records were broken. Waterford Kettering halfmiler Kevin Reabe knocked

LANGSTON turned the tables on Detroit Redford Union's great hurdler, John Morrison, who earlier had won the 120 highs and was the odds-on favorite to be the meet's only double winner.

Whittaker was unable to win the regional championship eight days earlier.

The victories supplied zip to an otherwise drab year for the Flint area contingent.

Central's 18 points for seventh place was the best team finish but it's been 17 years since Flint's best ranked that low.

HIS STATE championship was a triumph of mind over matter. He suffered a shoulder separation during wrestling season and as recently as the city meet on April 25 experienced considerable pain on almost every vault.

For a time Coach Gordon Spencer figured Whittaker might have to turn in his pole because of the injury.

Langston, who weighs only 119 pounds, didn't experience any injuries but almost no one in the audience — except Langston, perhaps — figured

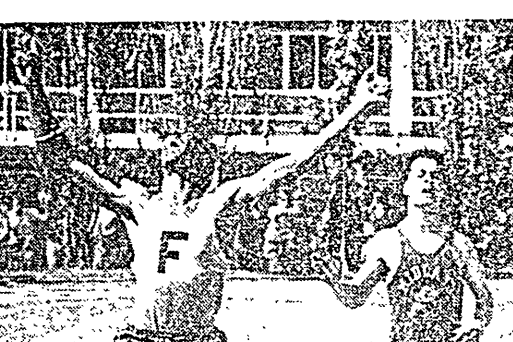
three-tenths of the record in 1:52.7 and Detroit Ford quartermiler Mike Holt shaved a half second from his 1968 record in 48.3.

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Journal Photos by ROBERT PARKS
Class A state track championships at East Lansing. They trailed only Detroit Mackenzie. The nine points helped the Tribe total 18 points for seventh place among

SECOND BEST — Central High's 880-yard relay team of (from left) Bob Patton, Reggie Barnett, Charlie Langston and Tom Ridley Saturday finished second in the



TWO-FOR-TWO — Mike Holt of Detroit Ford nips Midland's Mike Murphy while lowering the 440 record to 48.3 seconds in the Class A state meet Saturday. Holt owned the previous mark of 48.8 and was the only repeat champion.

THE TITLE went to Redford Union with 29 points, the lowest championship total in five years. But when Battle Creek collected 28 points in 1964 a different scoring system was used. On that basis, Saturday's total was the smallest since Saginaw High took the 1952 title with 21.

Morrison supplied 15 of those points, with his 14.3 victory in the highs and second place in the lows. Redford Union also finished 20 in the mile and fifth in the 880-yard relay.

Battle Creek, champion two straight years, was runner-up with 24. Then came Southgate and Pontiac Northern with 22. Pontiac Central 21 and Detroit Mackenzie 20. Others in the top 10 were Midland with 17-7, East Lansing 16 9-14 and Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills 16.

Flint Southwestern shared 12th place with 12 points.

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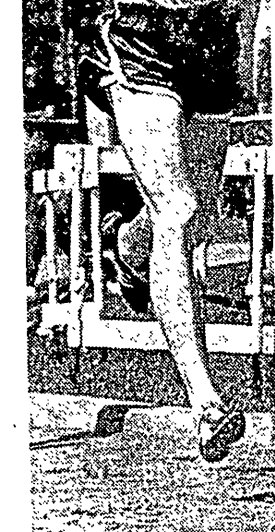
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FLYING—Waterford Kettering's Kevin Reabe has both feet off the ground as he zips toward a record 1:52.7 victory Saturday in the 880 at the Class A state meet. His was one of two records broken in the 62nd meet.

Kaline, Northrup Overpower Angels

DETROIT (AP) — Al Kaline drove in three runs with a pair of homers and Jim Northrup hit a bases-empty homer as the Detroit Tigers trimmed California 4-2 Saturday, sending the Angels reeling to their ninth consecutive setback.

Kaline's two-out homer in the sixth inning, after a walk to Mickey Stanley, erased a 1-0 California lead.

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Northrup's drive was his seventh of the year.

"I have hit them higher but never longer," he said as he toweled himself in the Tiger dressing room.

"It was a fast ball and I hit it as hard as I ever hit a ball in my life. I knew it was going to carry and as I made the turn at first I could see that it had gone in," said Northrup.

"The weather was perfect for that type of hit today for the wind was blowing out and the air was light so the ball carried well."

Northrup said he usually got a hit or two off Brunel, but "I never tear him up, nor does anyone else for he is a real good control pitcher. He generally throws a lot of sliders but out there today he was throwing a lot of curves."

Willie Horton, who struck out twice, walked and flied out, got a considerable number of boos when he struck out the second time.

The Horton fans were in force, however, as several groups marched about with signs reading, "Welcome Home, Willie," and "Luv That Willie."

CALIFORNIA

Alomar 2b	4 0 20	Stanley ss	3 1 0
Vass rf	2 0 0	Repos lf	2 0 0
Morton ph	1 0 11	Kaline rf	4 2 23
Wilhelm p	0 0 0	WHorton lf	0 0 0
Frigoli ss	4 0 10	Tracowski ss	0 0 0
Repos cf	3 1 11	Cash lb	4 0 20
Reichardt lf	4 0 10	Freshwick c	3 1 11
Northrup cf	4 0 0	Northrup cf	3 1 11
Sofronio lb	4 0 0	Wert 3b	3 0 0
Donnan 3b	2 0 0	Hiller p	0 0 0
Brunel p	2 0 0	Hiller p	0 0 0
Johnson lf	0 1 0	Dobson p	0 0 0

Total 31 2 52 Total 29 4 4

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Foyt Claims Pole Position For Indy 500

By DALE BURGESS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (AP) — A.J. Foyt Jr. and Sr. picked up about \$25,000 in special prizes Saturday as junior won the pole position for his 12th 500-mile race May 30 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

The younger Foyt's father is his chief mechanic in a Houston, Tex., race car building operation which they hope will produce an unprecedented fourth victory in the Memorial Day Auto classic.

Head mechanics got a big slice of qualifying prizes.

A.J. Jr., instead of being delighted at beating 24 other drivers in Saturday's 10-mile qualifications, was annoyed because he didn't break the track record.

"I was real disgusted," said the former national champion said after being clocked at 170.568 in his orange Coyote-ford. "We should have broken the record." He had done 172.3 in practice.

He said a waste gate struck in his engine.

Foyt's speed nevertheless was the best ever made by a piston engine at the track but missed the over-all record of 171.559 made last year by Joe Leonard, San Jose, Calif., with a turbine engine ineligible under this year's speedway rules.

Foyt said, "I didn't dream I had won the pole until after Mario Andretti and my teammate, Roger McCluskey, had run."

Mario, twice the Indianapolis pole winner, had the second-best speed of 169.851 in his Hawk-Ford backup car. He demolished his new Lotus-ford, which had been running faster, in a fiery crash last Wednesday.

Andretti, of Nazareth, Pa., complained of a sudden wind on the northeast corner of the track while he was running. Other drivers said the track got slicker and slower as the day advanced. Foyt ran in the first half-hour.

Foyt and Andretti will share the front row of the starting field next Friday with Bobby Unser of Albuquerque, N.M., last year's winner and USAC national champion, who qualified his Lola-Offenhauser at 169.683 Bobby set the old qualifying record for a piston engine at 169.597 last year.

The 25 cars that qualified averaged 167.341 m.p.h., compared with 165.812 for the first 25 last year.

The total qualifications for one day missed a 1953 record by only two cars. The rush was announced for a complete rain-out of trial scheduled last weekend.

An estimated 150,000 fans who got rain tickets last week appeared to be back en masse, along with a few thousand friends. The Speedway never released attendance figures but it was an enormous crowd.

MAJOR Standings LEAGUE

American League				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	21	13	.705	—
Boston	25	14	.641	3 1/2
Detroit	20	17	.541	7 1/2
New York	20	22	.476	10
Washington	20	24	.455	11
Cleveland	10	25	.286	16 1/2

National League				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	28	14	.667	—
Pittsburgh	20	20	.500	7
St. Louis	19	21	.475	8
New York	18	21	.462	8 1/2
Philadelphia	17	21	.442	8 1/2
Montreal	11	26	.297	14 1/2

Today's Probable Pitchers				
Team	Pitcher	Team	Pitcher	Team
Baltimore	McGlothin	3-21	Chicago	John
California	(McGlothin 3-21)	at Detroit	Scottie	(Pattin 3-21)
Seattle	(Pattin 3-21)	at Cleveland	(Paul 1-2)	Oakland
Oakland	(Nash 3-2)	at Baltimore	(McNally 6-0)	New York
Kansas City	(Nelson 3-3)	at Washington	(Hannon 2-3)	Minnesota
Los Angeles	(Boswell 4-5)	and Woodson 1-1	at New York	(Peterson 6-4)
Houston	(Peterson 6-4)	and Bahson 1-6)	2	

Saturday's Results				
Team	Score	Team	Score	Team
Cincinnati	11	Montreal	2	Philadelphia
Detroit	4	California	2	(Stane 4-0)
St. Louis	3	at Cincinnati	(Merrill 3-2)	New York
San Francisco	3	at Houston	(Lamar 2-3)	St. Louis
Los Angeles	5	at Pittsburgh	(Gibson 5-2)	at Los Angeles
San Francisco	5	at St. Louis	(Olsen 6-2)	Chicago
Los Angeles	5	at St. Louis	(Olsen 6-2)	at San Diego
Houston	5	at St. Louis	(Olsen 6-2)	at San Diego
Philadelphia	6	at Atlanta	(Hanks 3-5)	and O'Brien 2
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