

### Valley Track

East Division  
 Team scoring—Southwestern (SW) 55, Flint Central (C) 51, Midland (M) 39½, Saginaw (S) 36½, Bay City Central (BC) 33.

Shot put—1. Doug Van Meter (M), 2. John Roberts (M), 3. Dave Plegas (M), 4. Calvin O'Neil (S), 5. Don Sanger (SW), 6. 53.17.

High jump—1. Bruce Horden (M), 2. Fred Lakes (C), 3. Thorne Pruitt (S), 4. Tim Dan Evans (S) and Randy Hoyle (M), H-6.1.

Long jump—1. Ken McKinnon (S), 2. Lakes (C), 3. Jim Simons (SW), 4. John Houston (C), 5. Jim Richardson (M), D-20.87.

880 relay—1. Southwestern (Flint Dav-12, Paul Todd, Joe Farah, Ralph Smith), 2. Saginaw 3, Bay City Central (Houston, Tony Hill, Al Bove, Tom Rid-12), T-1:30.1.

800—1. Ken Hood (C), 2. Mender Johnson (S), 3. Jeff Chown (BC), 4. Mark Kolb (M), 5. Randy Curry (M), T-1:51.8.

120 high hurdles—1. McKinnon (S), 2. Carl Murphy (BC), 3. Richardson (M), 4. Joe Curry (C), 5. Mike Stuparek (M), T-1:15.1.

1 mile—1. Kelli Kline (C), 2. Mike McNea (SW), 3. Eric Greenhalgh (M), 4. Bob Pekrandi (BC), 5. Paul Roth (M), T-4:26.5.

100—1. Smith (SW), 2. Houston (C), 3. James Robertson (SW), 4. Tim Davis (SW), 5. Ridley (C), T-1:10.0.

440—1. Rick Janowiak (BC), 2. Mel Stocker (C), 3. Reggie Barnett (C), 4. Rick Rankin (S), 5. Willie Craig (C), T-50.5.

Pole vault—1. Fred Bellairs (C), 2. Jay Hehn (SW), 3. Bruce Remington (BC), 4. Dave Lidell (SW), 5. Scott Tyson (SW), H-13.0.

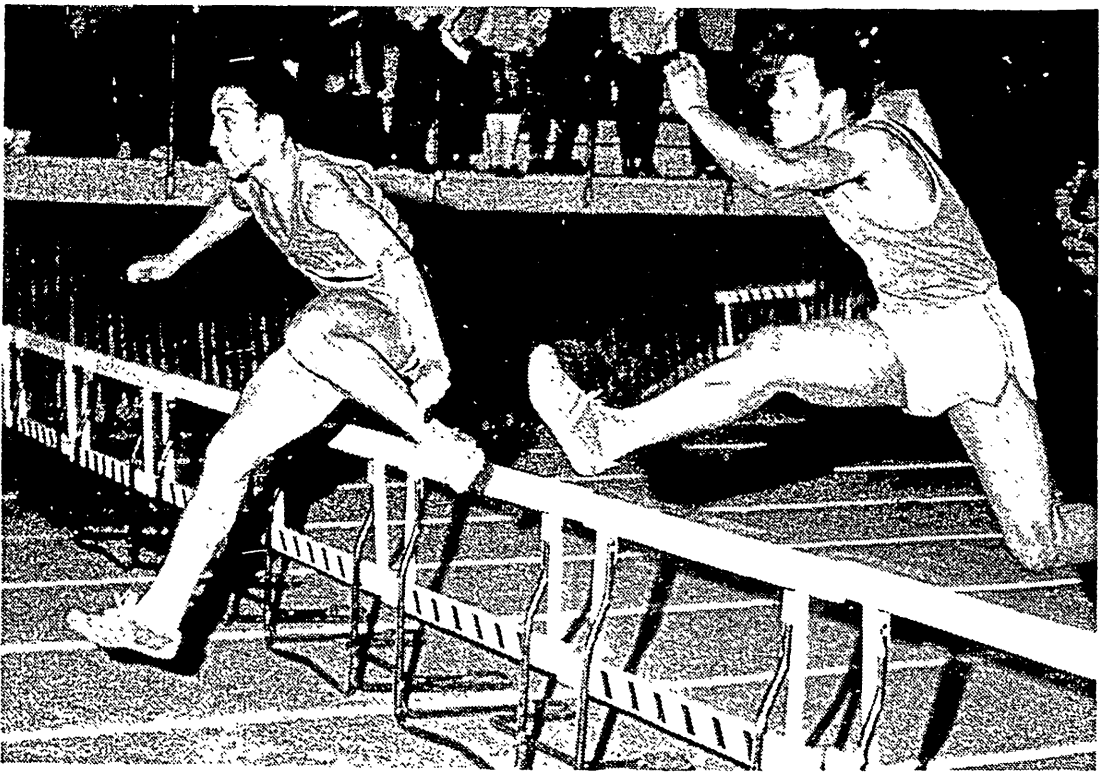
180 low hurdles—1. Murphy (BC), 2. Richardson (M), 3. McKinnon (S), 4. Stuparek (M), 5. Curry (C), T-20.5.

Two mile—1. Sam Torres (SW), 2. Bruce Johnson (BC), 3. Frank Tokish (SW), 4. Doug Rockwell (SW), 5. Bob Hunt (BC), T-9:26.7. (Breaks meet record of 9:34.2 by Jim Morse, Flint Central, 1967).

220—1. Smith (SW), 2. Davis (SW), 3. Houston (C), 4. John Farah (SW), 5. Hurley Coleman (S), T-27.2.

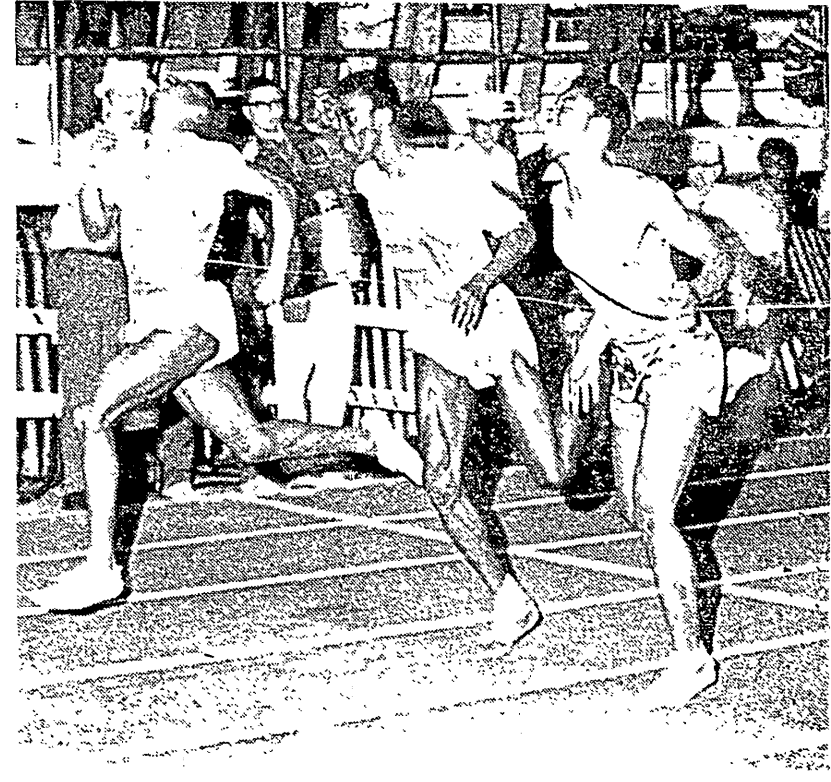
440 relay—1. Central (Hood, Barnett, Craig, Stocker), 2. Saginaw, 3. Bay City Central, 4. Midland, T-3:25.1.

West Division  
 Albuquerque, 7, El Paso, 4, 11 Innings Dallas-Fort Worth, 1, Amarillo, 6, 15 Innings Memphis, 5, Shreveport, 4, 11 Innings Arkansas, 6, San Antonio, 5.



SHINING STARS — Northwestern's Delma Williams (left) and Northern's Ron Light were the stars in the West Division of the Saginaw Valley Conference track meet Friday night. Williams won two events, including the

low hurdles where he leads Light midway through the race, and scored 16½ points. Light defeated Williams in the high hurdles and scored 16 points to lead Northern to the championship.



NORTHERN TAKEOVER — A victory by Ron Polk (left) and second place by Mel Kelly (center) in the 220 help Northern virtually clinch the West Division title

Friday night at Houston Stadium. Northwestern's Mike Blanchard was third in the race where Northern scored 12 points and got a solid lead.

# Northern, SW Win Valley Track Titles

## Northwestern, Central Are Close Runnersup

By LEN HOYES

If someone can find a way to subdivide the Saginaw Valley Conference a couple more times, there's no telling what might happen to Flint's track success.

While all the Valley schools were competing in one meet, Flint schools captured 11 of the last 13 championships. Except for 1967 and 1968 when Pontiac Central reigned, it was Central, Northern or Southwestern on top.

FIVE TIMES Flint schools placed one-two.

When the Valley split into East and West divisions with Northwestern High's admission last September, the track meet which was the prep attraction of Michigan — with such contestants as Hayes Jones, Bill Tippon and Herb Washington — became two meets with five teams apiece.

So what happened?

Flint's one-two punch not only was continued but also was doubled.

FRIDAY NIGHT at Houston Stadium it was all Flint as Northern ousted Northwestern, 62-58½, for the West title and Southwestern nipped Central, 55-54, for the East crown.

Except for the early moments when Midland held the East lead and Pontiac led the West, the chief questions centered around which of the Flint teams would succeed the Chiefs who won the first hard-surface meet a year ago at Houston Stadium.

In both cases, 12-point speers in the 220-yard dash made the difference.

SOUTHWESTERN took a seven-point edge into the mile relay and it's a good thing because the Colts finished fifth in a five-team race. Northern had only a 5½-point bulge and needed at least fourth place but chased Northwestern to a meet record of 3:20.2 while also breaking the record.

This was a night when another meet record was set: Perfect weather. Friday's weather may be equaled but never can be broken because no improvement is possible. The finals began in 78-degree temperature and it was 72 at the finish. The wind was so silent that the gauge often stood still.

Yet, it remained for the distance men to crack the records.

THE SPRINTERS can't be faulted for missing the records because they were going against such items as 9.5 in the 100, 21.5 in the 220, 13.5 in the high hurdles and 18.5 in the lows. It'll be a while before they fall.

But Northwestern's Ray Johnson, a strong half-miler, and Southwestern's Sam Torres, a wisp of a lad for a two-miler, showed 'em how.

Johnson covered the half mile in 1:55.3, knocking 2.7 seconds from the record. Torres sliced 7.5 seconds from the record in 9:26.7.

Later, Les Clerkley, who had won the 440 in 49.9, and

Johnson delivered the payoff punches to Northwestern's mile relay record after Nate Johnson and Henry Smart had kept Northern's fine quartet within hailing distance.

THE DISTANCE men may have grabbed the records but the sprinters grabbed the titles.

For instance, Southwestern collected 29 points in the sprints with a 1-2-4 finish in the 220, 1-3-4 in the 100 and an 880 relay victory. Senior Ralph Smith, the outstanding performer in the East Division, was the spark in all three races, winning the 100 in 10.0, the 220 in 22.2 and anchoring a 1:30.1 relay.

SW also collected 11 points in the two-mile with a 1-3-4 finish.

Even so, one had to feel sorry for Central's runner-up finish because the Indians opened the door for Southwestern by dropping the baton in the 880 relay and finishing fourth when they should have been second.

THE TRIBE had four first places and placed in 12 of 14 events but didn't have the sprint depth to match the Colts.

Northern also traveled the sprint route to victory.

It scored the same 29 points in the 100, 220 and relay with identical finishes. Ron Polk won the 220 in 22.8 and Tom Jackson the 100 in 10.1 and they were the keys to upsetting city champion Northwestern.

Whereas SW had help, Northern didn't get any nor did it need any. It was a case of Coach Norbert Badar having his full team present for the first time at a major meet this season. Jackson and Mel Kelly, who combined for 18 points, Friday, were the men who had been absent for one reason or another when needed most.

NORTHERN also got a 12-point lift from Ron Light, who placed in three events and won the high hurdles.

Northwestern placed in all 14 events and had the meet's top scorer in Delma Williams but still couldn't pull off the victory. Williams was the West's only multiple winner, taking the long jump (21-1) and low hurdles (20.1) and scoring 16½ points. NW's six victories led all 10 teams but it didn't have the depth to match Northern.

In the East scoring, Midland had 39½, Saginaw 36½ and Bay City Central 33. In the West, Pontiac Central had 42½, Bay City Handy 42 and Saginaw Arthur Hill 13. Every team except Arthur Hill had at least one victory.

West Division  
 Team scoring—Flint Northern (N) 62, Flint Northwestern (NW) 58½, Pontiac Central (PC) 42½, Bay City Handy (H) 42, Saginaw Arthur Hill (AH) 13.

Shot put—1. John Ray (P), 2. John Merz (AH), 3. Fernando Terrall (NW), 4. Dennis Jansen (H), 5. Tom Jackson (N), D-54.1.

High jump—1. Conningella Russell (P), 2. Jim Smith (H), 3. Bill Gerrish (AH), 4. Jim Spann (N), 5. Tie, Doug Gibbs (NW) and Mark Elzinao (H), H-6.5.

Long jump—1. Delma Williams (NW), 2. Avron Brock (P), 3. Bob Burnett (H), 4. Ron Light (N), 5. Terry Cole (P), D-21.1.



NW's Ray Johnson . . . Finishing Record 880 Run of 1:55.3 in Valley Meet

## Killebrew, Powell Continue HR Barrages

By DICK COUCH  
 Associated Press Sports Writer

National League baseballs might have a corner on the home run market today, but Joe Cronin's monogrammed stock is getting a long ride too—off the bats of Harmon Killebrew and Boog Powell.

While NL hitters were poling a record 30 home runs Friday, Minnesota's Killebrew and Baltimore's Powell continued their torrid long ball pace for the American League division leaders.

Killebrew slammed his fifth homer in as many games as the Twins nipped Cleveland 7-6 to remain atop the West Division and Powell swatted his eighth homer in 14 games propelling the East Division leading Orioles to a 6-1 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

The homers, ninth of the season for each slugger, were among 12 hit in the AL, where league President Cronin's signature adorns the horsehide.

Jim Spencer and Roger Repoz accounted for three runs with homers in California's 4-2 nod over the New York Yankees; Sal Bando knocked in four runs with a homer and single as Oakland drubbed Boston 7-1 and Kansas City mauled Detroit 9-3 in other games.

Killebrew's two-run wallop in the fifth inning gave Minnesota a 4-2 lead, but the Indians struck for four runs in the sixth, the last three on a homer by rookie Ray Foster.

The Twins pulled it out in the seventh on George Mitterwald's

two-run blast and a run-scoring single by Tony Oliva.

Powell tied Milwaukee's Danny Walton for the league RBI lead, by smacking a three-run homer in the first inning that sent the Orioles on the way to their fourth consecutive victory. The big first baseman has delivered 25 runs, 11 of them in four games against the White Sox.

The Angels stayed within one-half game of Minnesota in the West by surviving a two-run ninth inning homer by New York's Ron Woods after Spencer's two-run shot in the third and Repoz' leadoff homer in the seventh built a 4-1 lead.

Spencer also stroked two singles, raising his league-leading batting average to .391.

Chuck Dobson, backed by Bando's slugging, blanked the Red Sox on three hits until the ninth, when Carl Yastrzemski ruined the shutout bid with a leadoff homer. Dave Duncan drilled an inside-the-park homer for the A's.



SOLO DASH — Southwestern's Ralph Smith has the finish to himself as he wins the 220 in 22.2 seconds Friday night at Houston Stadium. Earlier he won the 100 in 10.0 and anchored the winning 880 relay team. With 13½ points, he was the top individual in the East Division of the Saginaw Valley track meet and led SW to the team championship.

# NL Batters Have Field Day, Hit 30 Home Runs

By HERSCHIEL NISSENSON  
 Associated Press Sports Writer

Going . . . going . . . gone.

That was the National League story Friday, as big sluggers and light hitters alike zeroed in on the fences for a record 30 home runs in a mere seven games.

Willie Mays of the Giants, Tony Perez and Hal McRae of the Reds, Billy Williams of the Cubs and Bob Robertson of the Pirates walloped two apiece to set the pace. But the list also included blasts by such unrenowned sluggers as Van Kelly, Chris Cannizzaro, Bob Barton and Dave Campbell of the Padres, Gary Sutherland of the Expos, Byron Browne of the Phillies and Hal King of the Braves. Even relief pitcher Dave Roberts of the Padres got into the act, and his was the last one of the night to equal the AL standard.

When the bombing had subsided, these were the results: Chicago Cubs 10, Cincinnati 7; Atlanta 8, St. Louis 7; San Francisco 7, New York Mets 1; Houston 7, Pittsburgh 5; Los Angeles 8, Philadelphia 4 in 12 innings; San Diego 11, Montreal 1 in the opener of a two-nighter and Montreal 7, San Diego 6 in the 11-inning nightcap.

The Cubs and Reds combined for nine homers in their slugfest, with Williams driving in four runs as Chicago's six-game losing streak and Cincinnati's string of eight victories ended.

Besides Williams, Perez and McRae, J. C. Martin and Jim Hickman of the Cubs and Johnny Bench of the Reds also homered.

King's solo homer in the seventh inning enabled the Braves to edge the Cardinals. It served the Cards right since they were the only team that didn't contribute to the home run barrage.

Hank Aaron got the Braves even in the sixth with a three-run homer off Bob Gibson, his 12th of the season. Rico Carty extended his hitting streak to 26 games with an infield single and the Braves matched their longest winning skid—10 games—since they moved from Milwaukee.

Mays showed his old New York fans a thing or two and his two homers—career Nos. 605 and 606—helped rookie Miguel Puento to his first big league triumph.

Bobby Bonds hit an inside-the-park shot for the Giants while New York's Ken Boswell spoiled Puento's shutout bid with a solo shot in the eighth.

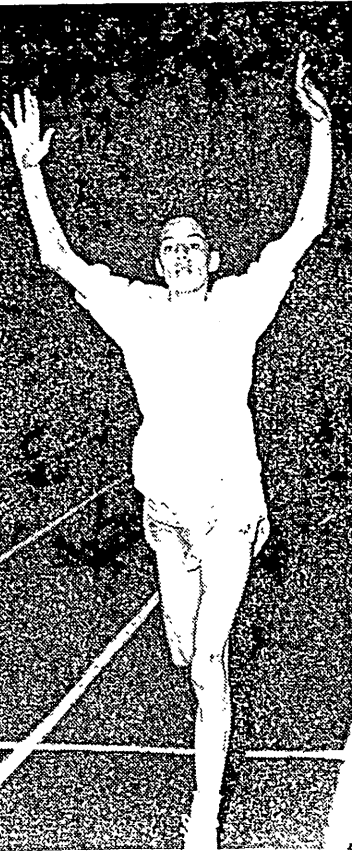
Tommye Agee of the Mets set a club record by hitting in his 19th straight game.

Pitcher Jim Rany's infield hit broke a sixth-inning deadlock and Joe Morgan followed with a two-run triple to spark Houston past Pittsburgh, despite Robertson's two homers. Doug Rader connected for the Astros.

The Dodgers snapped a 4-4 tie with Philadelphia in the 12th in two-out doubles by Willie Davis and Wes Parker and Bill Sudak is iced it with a three-run homer. The Phillies had tied it with three late-inning solo shots—by Browne, Deron Johnson and Don Money.

Two-run homers by Kelly and Cannizzaro highlighted San Diego's first-game victory but Montreal won the nightcap when Gary Ross wild-pitched the winning run home from third base. The Padres wasted home runs by Nate Colbert, Barton, Campbell and Roberts. Rusty Staub homered for the Expos.

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 West 9 10-12 28 Barnett 9 33 21  
 Baylor 9 11 19 Bradley 8 11 17  
 Chmlin 10 1-11 21 DBschere 8 22 16  
 Erikson 5 4 6 14 Frazier 12 12-12 36  
 Garrett 3 2 2 8 Reed 25 0 0 4  
 Tresvant 0 3 3 Bowman 3 0 1 6  
 Eann 0 0 0 Russell 1 0 0 2  
 Hairston 2 2 2 6 Stolwirth 1 22 4  
 — Rlorson 2 1 2 5  
 Totals 28 23-28 99 Totals 46 21 23 113  
 Los Angeles . . . . . 21 18 27 30-99  
 New York . . . . . 38 31 25 19-113  
 Fouled out—Los Angeles none. New York none  
 Total fouls — Los Angeles 19. New York A-19,500.



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