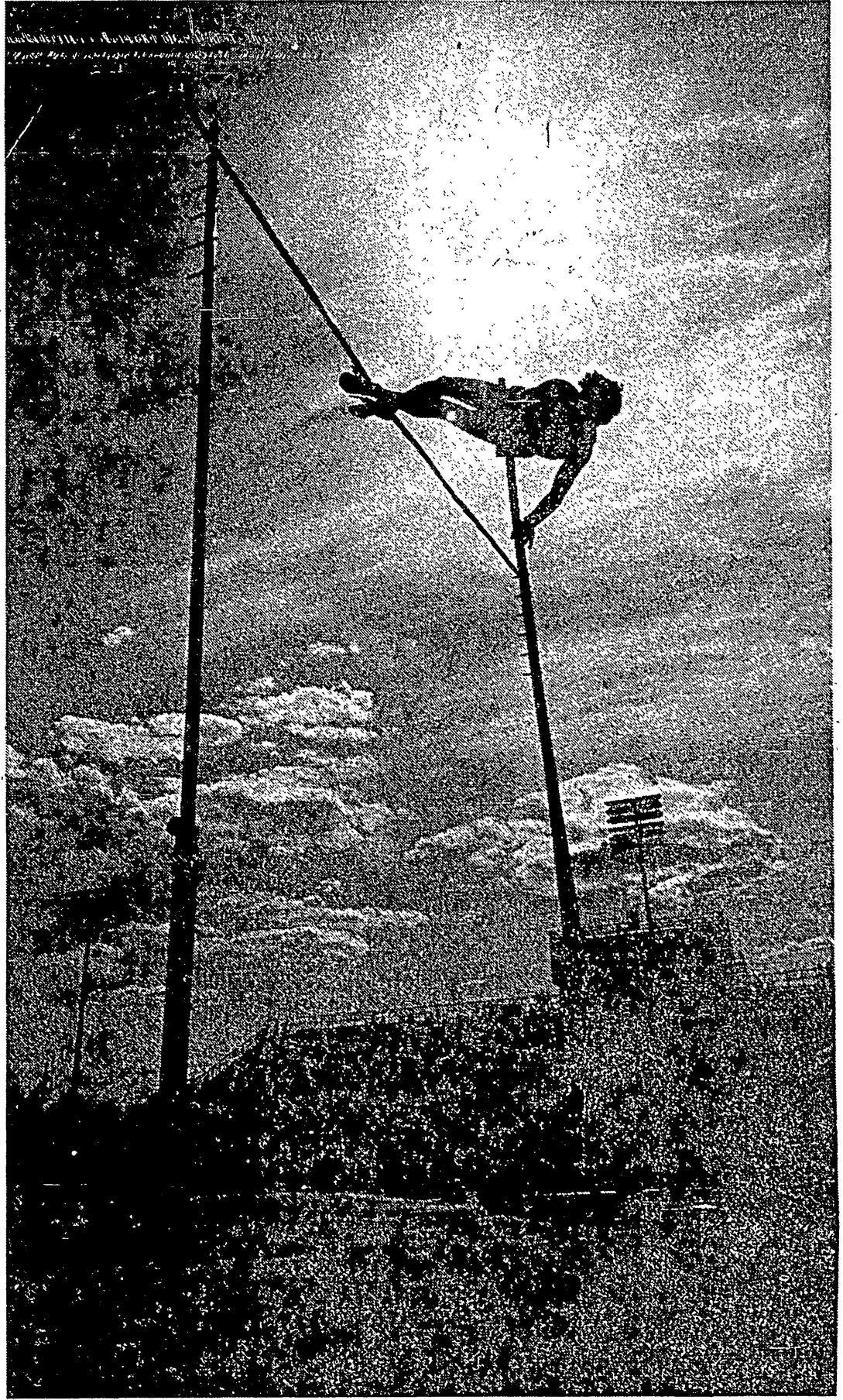




Up, over to record for Stokes

Jim Stokes, Kearsley High senior, claimed a record of 15-6 $\frac{3}{4}$ for the pole vault Saturday in the Class A state meet at Houston Stadium, keeping the title he won in 1973. At left, he shows muscular forearms as he races down the runway, then (right) he heads up and over the bar. He failed three times at 15-11, narrowly missing his second trial. (Journal Photos by Barry Edmonds)

Angels 4, Tigers 1



Three Flint athletes grab Class A crowns

By LEN HOYES
Pontiac Central spent a frustrating afternoon chasing a bunch of first places but ended as champion of the 67th Class A Stadium.
Although failing to get a first place, the Chiefs piled up 52 points in eight events to easily outdistance Ann Arbor Pioneer which totaled 35.
Five second places fattened the Chiefs' total and they picked up five other places, doing most of the damage in the hurdles where they accumulated 18 points.

THE FLINT area contingent would have needed an all-star team to overhaul Coach Roger Shepler's balanced outfit which produced the school's sixth Class A title but its first since 1960.
Flint had three champions: Kearsley pole vaulter Jim Stokes who won for the second straight year and claimed a meet record of 15-6 $\frac{3}{4}$; Northern half-miler Keith Young who won in 1:53.7; and Northwestern's Terry Thames who long jumped 23-1 $\frac{1}{4}$.
Stokes' record was the last of four for the afternoon. After his last rival failed at 15-1, he cleared 15-6 $\frac{3}{4}$ easily on his first try and narrowly missed on his second attempt at 15-11. "I thought he had it," said Coach Don Marsh, "but I was glad he got the record. I'm as happy as if I had done it myself."

NORTHERN, eighth with 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ points, was the best of the Flint area
Ortonville champ in C

Special to The Journal
CAPAC — Ortonville used early scoring in a pair of victories and the Class C district baseball championship.
The Black Hawks scored their three runs in the first two innings to win the opener over North Branch, 3-1, then erupted for four runs in the first two innings to win the opener over North Branch, 3-1, then erupted for four runs in the first inning to down Yale in the championship tilt, 4-3.
Mark Hoolihan went the distance against North Branch, striking out eight and allowing just three hits. He lost his shutout in the final inning.
The Black Hawks' first run came on Al Folley's RBI single. Two more were added in the second with Mike Oertel plating one with a single and Kendall Smith the second with a double.
Smith and Mike Hoolihan had two hits apiece in the first game.
Ortonville had only one hit in its four-run outburst against Yale. The Black Hawks benefitted from two walks, a hit-batsman, two wild pitches and Folley's two-RBI single. Mike Hoolihan collected two more hits in the nightcap.
Ortonville (12-6) advances to next Saturday's Class C regional tournament at Reese. It plays the winner of the Williamston district.
The line scores:

Ortonville	120	000	0-3	6	1
North Branch	000	000	1-1	3	0
Yale	010	020	0-2	4	0
Yale Ryan, Randy Clark (1) and Randy Hicks, Bill Dewrock, Mark Hoolihan (5) and Reneaud, W. Dewrock, L. Ryan.					

teams. After accumulating those points in the first six events, the Vikings were shut out and never challenged for the team lead.
Beecher's best total in its Class A history, 16 $\frac{1}{2}$, was ninth and Grand Blanc, tied for 10th with 15, also had its best total and finish.
Southwestern scored 14, Northwestern 11, Central 10, Kearsley 9 and Swartz Creek 4. Sixty-six of the 136 teams who had at least one qualifier failed to score.
Quarter-mile relay teams from Beecher and Southwestern tied for

second place and Brian Groves of Brand Blanc chased Northern's Young to victory.
BUT THE SECOND place of Northern high jumper Anthony Borwn was a heartbreaker. He and Darrell Williams of Grand Rapids battled evenly throughout the day. After both missed for the third time at 6-9, they were exactly even in misses and trials.
Thus, a jumpoff was necessary. Before Williams finally cleared 6-9 to

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Linden, Powers 2-3 in Class B

Wind puffs, poof goes Strozier's record bid

By BRUCE JOHNS
Journal Sports Writer
EAST LANSING — Puff went a burst of wind and poof went Dwayne Strozier's claim to the state's oldest track record.

Strozier, Powers Catholic's brilliant junior speedster, ran the 220 dash in 21.2 seconds Saturday in the Class B state meet and appeared to erase the 29-year mark of 21.8 set by East Grand Rapids' Robert Swain.

However, the official operating the anemometer said the wind was blowing above the maximum 4.47 miles per hour to disallow Strozier's heroics.
IT WAS only one of a couple of

disappointments for the Flint area. Linden and Powers saw their efforts for the championship fall a few points short as Dearborn Heights Robinchaud captured the Class B title with 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ points. Linden improved its sixth-place

finish of a year ago by taking the runnerup spot with 42 points and Powers was third with 41.
Five records were shattered with Powers's 440 relay quartet of Rob McCall, Steve Charland, Bruce Waggoner and Strozier being timed in 43.7. The former standard of 43.9 was shared by Oxford and Mt. Morris.
The 16-year-old Strozier was obviously disappointed when informed his 220 time wouldn't be inserted into the record books.

Montrose girls best in C-D

Special to the Journal
ALMA — Hats off to Montrose's girls' track team!
The Rams of Coach Cathy Markland capped a tremendous season here Saturday by easily winning the state's Class C-D state track meet.
Montrose totaled 62 points for 39 for second-place Williamston. Bath was

third with 32 points and Hazlett fourth with 31.
Montrose collected three firsts, both relay teams winning and senior Brenda Pyrc claiming the 440-yard dash title. Miss Pyrc plus the 880 and 440-yard relay quartets were undefeated in 1974.
The 880 team of Grace Love, Roni Nogaj, Sabrina Schmidt and Brenda

Pyro won in 1:53.5 and the 440 quartet of Valerie Horne, Nogaj, Schmidt and Mary Nickoley captured that race in 51-flat. Miss Pyrc won the 440 race in 59.4.
Miss Horne, a sophomore, also placed second in long jump at 17 feet, 6 inches and fourth in the 100-yard dash.
Bonnie Tallman was fourth in the mile run, Miss Nogaj fourth in the 220

and Mary Nickoley sixth in the 220. Denise Cline was sixth in the 80-yard hurdles and Lisa Barnese eighth in the 880 run.
Bendle's Sue Peel was third in the shot put with a distance of 35 feet, four inches.
Montrose's Vicki Green was sixth in the high jump and seventh in the long jump.

THE WIND gauge official said there was little breeze during the 220 when the field was running the curve but it "gusted" to 6.555 when Strozier hit the straightaway. "It was the biggest puff we had all day," said the official.
Although Strozier missed the record, he was still the meet's outstanding individual.
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It was easy in the 220 dash for Powers Catholic's Dwayne Strozier as he has a huge lead over runnerup Randy Rife of Linden

Journal Photo by ROBERT PARKS



Northern's Keith Young shows strain of 1:53.7 time in 880

—Journal Photos by BARRY EDMONDS

3 Flint athletes grab Class A titles

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win, he had jumped 24 times and Brown 25 times. "Whew, what a day. I never thought it would end," Brown said. He said he usually jumps only 12 or 13 times per meet.

The race of the day was the two-mile where Pat Davey of Birmingham Brother Rice lowered the meet record to 9:00.4 by beating the defending champ, Mike McGuire of Farmington. Davey, the son of former pro boxer Chuck Davey, led most of the race to avenge his loss to McGuire in the 1973 meet.

Other records went to relay teams, Detroit Kettering at 42.8 in the 440 and Detroit Central at 3:18.5 in the 880. Pontiac Central's winning total was the second biggest in 18 years, just missing the 54 by Detroit Northern in 1971.

"Yet, Shepker wasn't elated, despite the title.

"I thought we would have scored at least sixty but everything seemed to go wrong," he said.

Shepker probably was disappointed for his runners, especially hurdler Kevin Jackson. Rated the No. 1 high hurdler in the state, he finished only eighth and later was sixth in the lows. Ironically, it appeared that most of his problems in the highs was an elbow battle with teammate Bill Mitchell who finished second. He also was runner-up in the lows.

SHEPLER FIGURED a minimum of 24 and a possible 30 points in the hurdles but had to settle for 18.

Miler Steve Elliott, also a consistent front runner, was beaten in the final 220 by Ed Grabowski of Orchard Lake West Bloomfield whom he had handled easily during the season.

Long jumper Kerry Cato, who defeated Thames in the Saginaw Valley Conference meet, was outdistanced by six inches by the NW ace Saturday. And the Chiefs' mile relay team had to settle for second place to Detroit Central's record.

But Ann Arbor Pioneer also failed to take a first and shot its wad in the first five events, totaling 26 points.

Among the other Flint area contestants, Southwestern's Willie Turner jumped a school record of 6-6 for third place in the high jump. Central's Don Tooley was fourth in both hurdles and Swartz Creek's Craig Thomas tied for fourth in the high jump.

Also scoring were Gary Burks of Northwester, Gerald Sherrill, Steve Vaner and Mike Bowen of Northern and Vince Adams of Beecher.

Flint area relay teams
880-3 Beecher (Homer Mosley, Joe Wilkerson, Vince Adams, Greg Knox)
MILE-3 Grand Blanc (Jim Manutes, Jeff Vollaire, Brian Groves, Steve Barnes) 10, Kearsley (Bob Whitman, Lyle Habbershaw, Bob Herron, Paul Buck)
440 relay-Tie 2nd Beecher (Joe Wilkerson, Moss Rison, Vince Adams, Homer Mosley), Tie 2nd Southwestern (Dexter Shankle, Beamon Veasley, Carlisle Richardson, Don Moore).



Terry Thames . . . saves best for last in long jump

Wind puff ruins bid by Strozier

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In addition to the 220 victory and anchor leg on the record-setting 440 relay units, Strozier also won the 100 with a time of 9.8.

LINDEN'S outstanding sophomore sprinter Randy Rife rated a legitimate contender for second most valuable performer by running No. 2 behind Strozier in both dashes and anchoring the Eagles' 440 relay team to a second-place finish.

Rife turned the 100 in 9.9 and the 220 in 21.9. His relay team consisting of Mark Bradley, Bruce Szcodronski and Dallas Parks was timed in 44.2.

Robichaud replaced Ecorse as champion because of its outstanding relay squads. Its 880 unit won with a record time of 1:29.3, the mile quartet was first in 3:24.3 and the 440 foursome took fifth to account for 25 points. Ten more were added with third and fifth-place finishes in the 100.

Heading into the final two events, the mile and 440 relay, Powers was leading with 31 points, Robichaud had 30½ and Linden 30.

ROBICHAUD picked up the 10 points in the mile relay but Linden retained its hopes with an eighth-place finish. Despite Rife's sparkling anchor leg to pilot the Eagles to second place in the 440 relay, the Dearborn team managed to score five points with its sixth-place effort to lock up the title.

Barry Bailey combined with Rife to bolster Linden's total by taking second in the high hurdles and fifth in the lows. Inkster's Ed Poindexter, who won the lows and was runnerup in the highs last year, captured both hurdles.

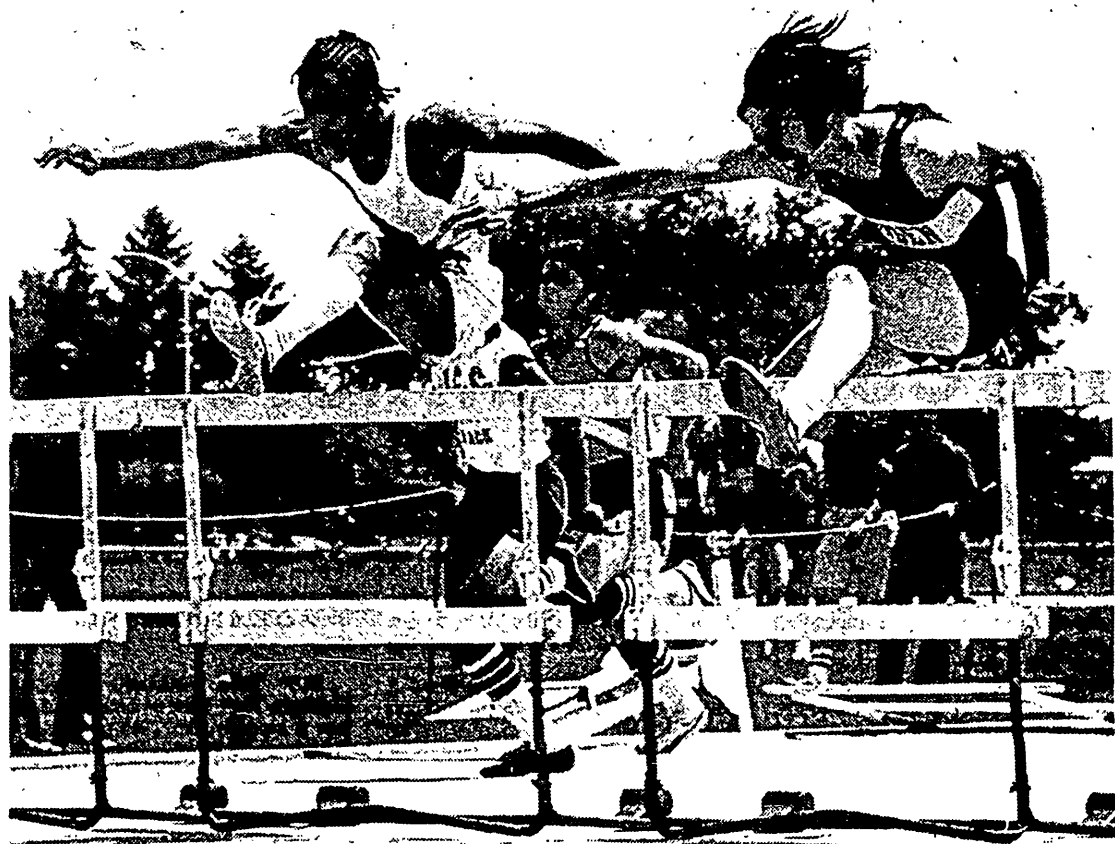
Bailey cleared the final high hurdle ahead of Poindexter but Inkster ace had the speed in the final sprint distance to win by a nose. Both were clocked in 14.7. Bailey appeared to injure his leg in the highs and was timed in 20.5 in the lows compared to Poindexter's winning 19.8.

BILL HALL took fourth in the 880 run for Linden with a time of 1:56.9 and the Eagles' mile relay team of Ken Wheatley, Ken Reed, Rick Murphy and Hall capped the scoring by placing eighth with a time of 3:28.2.

Steve Sugar was second in the pole vault for Powers, Waggoner was fifth in the 220 in 22.9, Kevin McColley was seventh in the mile in 4:27.8 and the 880 relay team of Mike McCarthy, Charland, McCall and Waggoner took ninth in 1:33.2.

Sugar was in excellent form in clearing every height through 13-foot, 11-inches. When the bar moved to 14-3, Sugar cleared it on two of his three attempts but hit the bar on the way down with his right arm. Mark Langlois of Muskegon Catholic Central cleared 14-3 the first try and won with that height.

HOLLY WAS the only other Flint area team to score. Mike Moses turned in his best long jump effort of 22-6 to



CLOSE —Linden's Barry Bailey clears the final high hurdle ahead of Inkster's Ed Poindexter but he latter gained the edge in the final sprint distance to win the event. Both were clocked in 14.7. Bailey also took fifth in the low hurdles to help Linden finish second in the Class B state meet with 42 points. (Journal Photos by Robert Parks)

take second place and Larry Ashley was seventh in the low hurdles in 20.7 to account for the Bronchos' nine points.

Hamady, Ainsworth, Mt. Morris, Bentley and Fenton were the other local teams represented.

Joining Strozier and Poindexter as a double winner was Dave Farst, the excellent middle distance runner from Niles Brandywine. He won the 880 run in 1:53.9 and took the 440 in 49-flat.

Other record performances came from Jeff Swanson of Battle Creek Penfield with a high jump of 6-8½, Grosse Ile's Jack Sinclair with a two-mile run of 9:17.2 and Tom Duits of Hastings with a 4:13.1 mile.

Mason's Randy Foss, considered the best shot putter in the state, won his specialty with a heave of 58-10 and Al Charles of Muskegon Reeths Puffer was ahead of Moses in the long jump at 22-11½.

MAJOR Standings LEAGUE

American League					National League				
East					East				
	w	l	pct.	GN		w	l	pct.	GB
BOSTON	26	21	.542	½	St. Louis	25	22	.532	—
Milwaukee	24	21	.533	—	Philadelphia	26	23	.531	—
Boston	26	22	.542	½	Montreal	20	20	.500	1½
Cleveland	23	25	.479	3	New York	21	28	.429	5
Baltimore	22	24	.478	3	Chicago	18	26	.409	5½
Detroit	22	24	.478	3	Pittsburgh	18	27	.400	6
New York	24	27	.471	3½					
West					West				
Oakland	28	21	.571	—	Los Angeles	37	14	.725	—
Kansas City	25	23	.521	2½	Cincinnati	27	20	.574	8
Chicago	22	22	.500	3½	Atlanta	26	22	.542	9½
Texas	24	24	.500	3½	Houston	27	25	.519	10½
California	23	26	.469	5	San Francisco	27	26	.509	11
Minnesota	20	24	.455	5½	San Diego	18	37	.327	21

Saturday's results
Detroit at California, night
Baltimore at Texas, night
Boston 8, Chicago 0
New York 6, Minnesota 5, 13 Innings
Cleveland 5, Kansas City 2
Oakland 4, Milwaukee 1

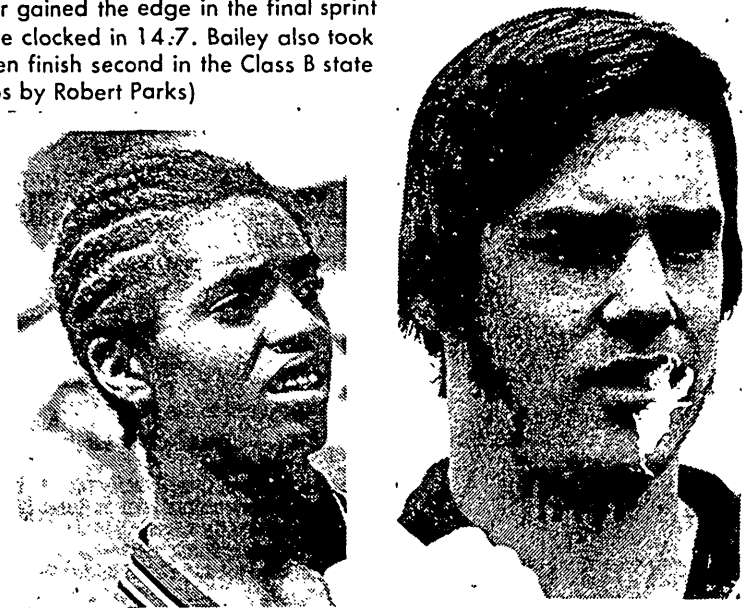
Today's probable pitchers
Milwaukee Wright 5-5 at Oakland Hunter 7-5, 4:30 p.m.
Detroit Fryman 1-3 at California Tanana 4-6, 5 p.m.
Baltimore Cuellar 6-3 at Texas Clyde 3-1, 7 p.m.
New York Stottlemyre 5-6 at Minnesota Corbin 3-0, 2:15 p.m.
Kansas City Spillhorst 5-4 at Cleveland G. Perry 8-1, 1 p.m.
Chicago Bahne 5-4 at Boston Cleveland 3-5, 2 p.m.

Saturday's results
New York 3, Houston 1
Los Angeles 10, Chicago 0
Pittsburgh 14, Cincinnati 1
St. Louis 3, San Diego 0
Philadelphia 6, San Francisco 2
Atlanta at Montreal, night

Today's probable pitchers
Atlanta Capra 3-2 at Montreal Rogers 7-3, 2:15 p.m.
Houston Griffin 6-1 at New York Parker 1-3 or Sadecki 2-1, 2:05 p.m.
Los Angeles Sutton 6-4 at Chicago Reuschel 3-4, 2:15 p.m.
San Francisco D'Aquisto 3-5 at Philadelphia Lomborg 4-5, 1:35 p.m.
San Diego Jones 3-8 at St. Louis Curtis 3-5, 2:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh Klson 2-2 at Cincinnati Norman 4-5, 2:15 p.m.

Tournament baseball

Greater Flint Invitational Tournament
Games Monday
At Lincoln Park — (semifinals) Powers Catholic vs. Swartz Creek, 6 p.m. Central vs. Grand Blanc, 8.



Holly's Mike Moses
Runnerup in long jump

Powers's Steve Sugar
Second in the pole

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