

WICHITA EAST, AUGUSTA, DOUGLASS WIN STATE TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

Augusta and Douglass Successfully Defend 1956 Titles

Wichita East massed $43\frac{5}{8}$ points to walk off with their tenth Class AA track and field title in the past fifteen years. Shawnee Mission scored 29 points to come in second, while Wyandotte and Topeka battled it out for third and fourth place honors with $18\frac{3}{8}$ and $17\frac{1}{4}$ points respectively.

Augusta, the defending Class A king, pulled a minor upset in nipping Haskell, 19-18. The mile relay had to be completed before the Class A crown could be claimed by the 1956 champion. Fredonia collected 15 points for third-place honors as Hays, with 13 points, edged past fourth-place Pratt.

Douglass defended its 1956 Class B title by a narrow 19 to $18\frac{1}{2}$ margin over second place Plains. It was necessary for the crowd to wait for the final results in the pole vault in order to know who would take home the championship Class B trophy. Haviland was third with 13, followed by Meade and Riley with 11 points each.

The meet was held in Shocker Stadium at Wichita University, on May 17 and 18. Although rain slowed down the preliminary events on Friday, clear skies prevailed on Saturday and aided in running off one of the smoothest state meets in recent years.

Bob Vernon, a junior from Oberlin, whirled the discus to a new all-classes record as he tossed the platter 169 feet 10 inches to wipe out the old Class A record of 158 feet $6\frac{1}{4}$ inches set by Gene McCurdy of Hays in 1955. Haskell's Bill Mills and a swift mile relay team from Marion were the only other record-breakers. Mills ran the mile in 4:23.8 to beat his own all-classes record of 4:26. Marion's mile relay foursome of Junior Bledsoe, Jim Christensen, James Gilbert and Wade Robertson ran a 3:28.1 to erase Haskell's old mark of 3:29.9 set in 1954.

Following is a complete list of team scores and a summary of the meet by classes:

Class AA

Wichita East $43\frac{5}{8}$; Shawnee Mission 29; Wyandotte $18\frac{3}{8}$; Topeka $17\frac{1}{4}$; Wichita North $13\frac{1}{2}$; Highland Park $12\frac{3}{4}$; Hutchinson 12; Lawrence 10; Ottawa $8\frac{1}{2}$; Manhattan 8; Fort Scott $7\frac{3}{4}$; Independence 7; Wichita West, Coffeyville, Great Bend 6; Argentine $5\frac{3}{8}$; Hayden, Junction City, Washington 5; Arkansas City $3\frac{3}{8}$; Salina 3; Rosedale, McPherson $2\frac{3}{8}$; Turner 2; Wellington $\frac{3}{4}$.

120-Yard High Hurdles—1. Bowles, Hutchinson; 2. Peterson, Great Bend; 3. Evans, Highland Park; 4. Buzzi, Arkansas City; 5. Bryan, Shawnee Mission. Time 14.8.

100-Yard Dash—1. Rearick, Wichita East; 2. Butts, Shawnee Mission; 3. Moore, Topeka; 4. Turner, Independence; 5. Seder, Great Bend. Time 10.1.

Mile Run—1. San Romani, Wichita East; 2. Ralston, Topeka; 3. Davis, Wichita West; 4. Robinson, Washington; 5. Williams, Ottawa. Time 4:29.7.

880-Yard Relay—1. Wichita East; 2. Shawnee Mission; 3. Hutchinson; 4. Topeka; 5. Coffeyville. Time 1:30.7.

Shot Put—1. McCarrier, Wichita North; 2. Favrow, Argentine; 3. Meek, Fort Scott; 4. Cavanaugh, McPherson; 5. Pilens, Wichita East. Distance $54\frac{3}{8}$.

440-Yard Dash—1. Redick, Wyandotte; 2. Baker, Wyandotte; 3. Bradley, Shawnee Mission; 4. Rearick, Wichita East; 5. Ochel, Wichita West. Time 50.3.

180-Yard Low Hurdles—1. Turner, Independence; 2. Evans, Highland Park; 3. Bowles, Hutchinson; 4. Smith, Junction City; 5. Buzzi, Arkansas City. Time 19.4.

880-Yard Run—1. Wagner, Coffeyville; 2. Davis, Wichita East; 3. Lyon, Wyandotte; 4. Tague, Rosedale; 5. Martin, Shawnee Mission. Time 1:58.0.

Medley Relay—1. Shawnee Mission; 2. Highland Park; 3. Salina; 4. Wichita East; 5. Hutchinson. Time 3:40.1.

Broad Jump—1. Gardner, Wichita East; 2. Woods, Fort Scott; 3. Tolson, Ottawa; 4. Van Hook, Turner; 5. Robinson, Argentine. Distance $21\frac{1}{4}$.

220-Yard Dash—1. Rearick, Wichita East; 2. Bradley, Shawnee Mission; 3. Baker, Wyandotte; 4. Butts, Shawnee Mission; 5. Seder, Great Bend. Time 21.6.

Mile Relay—1. Wichita East; 2. Shawnee Mission; 3. Topeka; 4. Wichita West; 5. Wyandotte. Time 3:26.7.

High Jump—1. Nelson, Manhattan; 2. Tie—Cloud, Wichita East; Shull, Wichita North; 4. Tie—Loy, Topeka; Thye, McPherson; Reid, Arkansas City; Benton, Topeka; Comley, Wyandotte; Terril, Rosedale; Addison, Wichita East; Reardon, Argentine. Height 5-11.

Pole Vault—1. Tie—Longstaff, Topeka; Schmanke, Ottawa; 3. Cunningham, Manhattan; 4. Tie—Woods, Fort Scott; Andres, Highland Park; Simpson, Wellington; Cloud, Wichita East; Van Hook, Turner. Height $12\text{-}5\frac{1}{2}$.

Javelin—1. Connor, Hayden; 2. Schick, Lawrence; 3. Smith, Junction City; 4. Ragan, Lawrence; 5. Turner, Shawnee Mission. Distance 202-8.

Discus—1. McCarrier, Wichita North; 2. Ragan, Lawrence; 3. Allen, Washington; 4. Chelesnik, Wyandotte; 5. Patterson, Highland Park. Distance $151\text{-}9\frac{1}{4}$.

Class A

Augusta 19; Haskell 18; Fredonia, 15; Hays 13; Pratt 12; Oberlin, Effingham, 10; Ellis 9; Haven 8 1/5; Smith Center, Leoti, Oakley 8; Stafford 6 1/2; Hoisington, Olathe, Hillsboro, Marion 6; St. John, Dighton, Anthony 5; Hugoton 4 1/2; Wakeeney, Kingman 4 1/5; Clay Center, Neodesha, Concordia, LaCrosse 4; Harper, Scott City 3 1/2; Bonner Springs 3 1/5; Marysville, Andale, Kinsley 3; Clearwater, DeSoto 2; Russell 1 1/5 Colby, Mulvane 1.

120-Yard High Hurdles—1. Stucker, Effingham; 2. Hooker, Leoti; 3. Ashbaugh, Ellis; 4. Britton, Kinsley; 5. Langley, Stafford. Time 14.5.

100-Yard Dash—1. Alexander, Hays; 2. Wheeler, Oakley; 3. Moore, Smith Center; 4. Adams, Augusta; 5. Anderson, Fredonia. Time 10.1.

Mile Run—1. Mills, Haskell; 2. Dotson, Concordia; 3. Wilson, Haskell; 4. Carnes, Haskell; 5. Moon, Pratt. Time 4:23.9 (New Record).

Mile Relay—1. Marion; 2. Hoisington; 3. Haskell; 4. Russell; 5. Augusta. Time 3:28.1 (New Record)

Shot Put—1. Hendsen, Anthony; 2. Renner, LaCrosse; 3. Tritt, Pratt; 4. Tie—Vernon, Oberlin; Beal, Fredonia. Distance 49-8 1/2.

440-Yard Dash—1. Heim, Haven; 2. Adams, Augusta; 3. Anderson, Fredonia; 4. Pilkington, Pratt; 5. Harper, Hugoton. Time 50.8.

180-Yard Low Hurdles—1. Stucker, Effingham; 2. Ashbaugh, Ellis, 3. Hooker, Leoti; 4. Langley, Stafford; 5. Harder, Hillsboro. Time 19.4.

880-Yard Run—1. Graszek, Olathe; 2. Berschauer, Wakeeney; 3. Tebbutt, Marysville; 4. Bear, Haskell; 5. Katz, Kinsley. Time 1:59.2.

Medley Relay—1. Fredonia; 2. Augusta; 3. Haskell; 4. Smith Center; 5. Mulvane. Time 3:40.2.

Broad Jump—1. Harder, Hillsboro; 2. Porter, Neodesha; 3. Moore, Smith Center; 4. Ashbaugh, Ellis; 5. Fechner, Colby. Distance 23-2.

220-Yard Dash—1. Alexander, Hays; 2. Adams, Augusta; 3. Heim, Haven; 4. Wheeler, Oakley; 5. Graszek, Olathe. Time 21.5 (No Record—Wind).

880-Yard Relay—1. Pratt; 2. Clay Center; 3. Hays; 4. Oakley; 5. Marion. Time 1:33.1.

High Jump—1. Diel, Dighton; 2. Tie—Hollis, Hugoton; Langley, Stafford; 4. Richetti, Hoisington; 5. Eisele, Fredonia. Height 6-1 1/2.

Pole Vault—1. Tie—Murphy, Fredonia; Baker, Oberlin; Phye, Harper; Fouser, Scott City; 5. Tie—Brittian, Kingman; Reynolds, Bonner Springs; Galyardt, Russell; Schoenberger, Wakeeney; Albright, Haven. Height 11-6.

Javelin—1. Chadd, St. John; 2. Hill, Augusta; 3. Reichenberger, Andale; 4. Gardner, Clearwater; 5. Royer, Leoti. Distance 174-9.

Discus—1. Vernon, Oberlin; 2. Koon, Kingman; 3. Fealey, Bonner Springs; 4. Siscoe, DeSoto; 5. Tritt, Pratt. Distance 169-10 (New Record).

Class B

Douglass 19; Plains 18 1/2; Haviland 13; Riley Meade 11; Quinter, Wathena, Copeland, Jetmore 10 Halstead 9; Lewis 8; Lakin 7 1/2; Mahaska 6; Lorraine Conway Springs, West Mineral, Burrton 5; Pjevna, Elm dale 4 1/2; Belle Plaine, Frontenac, Sylvia, Norwich, Cold water 4; Preston, Walton, Randall, Lansing, Oxford 3 Bronson, Powhattan, Logan, Milford, Fall River, Moun Hope, Geneseo, Arma, Gardner, Blue Mound, Maize Pretty Prairie, Mound City 2; Waterville, Clifton, Cimarron, Cottonwood Falls, Leon, Ford 1; Hope, Peabody 1/2.

120-Yard High Hurdles—1. Nelson, Riley; 2. Rich Protection; 3. Burrows, Lakin; 4. Covert, Meade; 5. Herrmann, Waterville. Time 14.6 (No record—wind)

100-Yard Dash—1. Ferguson, Douglass; 2. Berry Copeland; 3. Sneed, Haviland; 4. Bliss, Logan; 5. Head Milford. Time 10.15.

Mile Run—1. Kraus, Conway Springs; 2. Schrag Norwich; 3. Voth, Walton; 4. Wood, Fall River; 5. Damman, Clifton. Time 4:40.6.

880-Yard Relay—1. Plains; 2. Halstead; 3. Douglass; 4. Gardner; 5. Ford. Time 1:33.4.

Shot Put—1. Miller, Wathena; 2. Lusker, Frontenac; 3. Rudzik, Jetmore; 4. McCormick, Mount Hope 5. Mooney, Burrton. Distance 51-11 5/8.

440-Yard Dash—1. Sneed, Haviland; 2. Berry Copeland; 3. Martin, Quinter; 4. West, Blue Mound 5. Head, Milford. Time 51.7.

180-Yard Low Hurdles—1. Vail, Plains; 2. Wegmet Belle Plaine; 3. Nelson, Riley; 4. Covert, Meade; 5. Sieber, Mahaska. Time 19.95.

880-Yard Run—1. Dragoo, Mahaska; 2. Stice Meade; 3. Skerko, Lansing; 4. Nicholson, Maize; 5. Brinkman, Cimarron. Time 2:02.8.

Medley Relay—1. Halstead; 2. Lewis; 3. Douglass 4. Mound City; 5. Cottonwood Falls. Time 3:44.5.

Broad Jump—1. Soeken, Lorraine; 2. McVey, Cold water; 3. Anderson, Oxford; 4. Wingate, Pretty Prairie 5. Martin, Quinter. Distance 21-5 3/4.

220-Yard Dash—1. Sneed, Haviland; 2. Ferguson Douglass; 3. Nelson, Riley; 4. Berry, Copeland; 5. Mobley, Leon. Time 22.0.

Mile Relay—1. Plains; 2. Lewis; 3. Preston; 4. Geneseo; 5. Arma. Time 3:34.1.

High Jump—1. Tie—Fliginger, Plevna; Ballew, Elm dale; 3. Tie—Dawson, Bronson; Rockhold, Powhattan Boone, Quinter. Height 5-9 3/4.

Pole Vault—1. Rudzik, Jetmore; 2. Tie—Vail Plains; Wilson, Lakin; 4. Hodges, Douglass; 5. Tie—Cordes, Hope; Bentz, Peabody. Height 11-9.

Javelin—1. Lane, West Mineral; 2. Harris, Sylvia 3. McElroy, Randall; 4. Hodges, Douglass; 5. McVey Lakin. Distance 178-3 1/2.

Discus—1. Miller, Wathena; 2. Mooney, Burrton 3. Shutts, Meade; 4. Rudzik, Jetmore; Zagar, Arma Distance 152-1 1/4.