

1963 STATE DECATHLON

East High School - Nashville, TN

June 5-6, 1963

FINAL RESULTS

By JIMMY DAVY

MADISON junior Chuck Boyd gave Nashville its second

champion in the 12 years of TSSAA State decathlons yesterday, rolling to victory on 7,941 points at East's Keyes Stadium.

BOYD HAD ONLY one winning event yesterday, but that was a 10 feet, 9 inch pole vault—three inches better than he had ever vaulted—and it put him out of range of most of the field.

Boyd's winning total was just 29 points under the record 7,970 posted by Memphis Central's Winston Wolf in 1960 and the second best winning accumulation in the history of the event.

Sammy Clay of East Ridge was second with 7,636 points followed by John Mays of Memphis Catholic with 7,361 and Knox South's Jay Cole with 7,560.

DEFENDING champion David Alexander of Knox South was a distant eighth, but his 6,990 points were 90 more than

the 6,900 required to win last year at East.

Only one record fell in the final five events yesterday under a wilting sun at the East stadium.

That was a 4:44.6 clocking in the mile run turned in by Cumberland's Jim Lamberson. The Indian thinciad lowered the record 4:45.0 run by Copp-

ley Vickers of Knox Fulton in 1959.

BOYD, WHO WAS a member of THE NASHVILLE TENNESSEAN's All-City football team as a quarterback, practically nailed down the coveted TENNESSEAN Athlete of the year award to be announced next week.

The superbly conditioned Ram 11th grader carried 4,116 points into the final day of competition and outdistanced the field to join Ryan's Frank Halliburton as Middle Tennessee's only decathlon winners since it all began in 1952.

Halliburton won in 1959 with 7,000 points which at that time was a record. Wolf broke it the next year.

The Results

FINAL LEADERS

Chuck Boyd, Madison, 7,941; Sammy Clay, East Ridge, 7,636; John Mays, Memphis Catholic, 7,361; Jay Cole, Knox South, 7,560; Tommy Jernigan, Union City, 7,348; Scott Kirkpatrick, Germantown, 7,111; Dean Vaeth, Memphis CBHS, 7,038; David Alexander, Knox South, 6,990; Jim Treace, Memphis Central, 6,924; Kyle Morrell, Johnson City, 6,894; Mike Butler, Kingsbury, 6,849; Bobby Shelton, Kingsbury, 6,714.

EVENTS

DISCUS—Billy Satterfield, Nash. East; Tommy Jernigan, Union City; Jay Cole, Knox South. Distance—136-8.

HOP-STEP-JUMP—Scott Kirkpatrick, Germantown; Jay Cole, Knox South; Sammy Clay, East Ridge. Distance—42-2.

POLE VAULT—Chuck Boyd, Madison; three-way tie for second (Jay Cole, Knox South; Sammy Clay, East Ridge; Tommy Jernigan, Union City). Height—10-9.

120 HIGH HURDLES—Kyle Morrell, Johnson City; Ronald Irvin, Donelson; tie for third (Boyd, Madison; John Mays, Memphis Catholic). Time—15.8.

MILE RUN—Jim Lamberson, Cumberland; Mike Butler, Kingsbury; Bobby Shelton, Kingsbury. Time—4:44.6.

(Breaks TSSAA decathlon record of 4:45.0 by Coppley Vickers, Knox Fulton, 1959).

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FIRST DAY RESULTS

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CHUCK BOYD, Madison's talent-rich junior, scored a soaring 4,116 points yesterday to take the lead at the end of five events in the annual TSSAA State decathlon at East's Keyes Stadium.

BOYD, MAKING a determined bid for THE NASHVILLE TENNESSEAN'S Athlete of the Year award, led all competitors in the broad jump with a leap of 21 feet, 2½ inches and placed among the top three in both the high jump and 100-yard dash.

While Boyd was within 2,800 points of the winning total posted last year by Champ David Alexander of Knoxville South, he by no means carries a commanding lead into today's final five events.

Alexander, back to defend his 1962 crown, is second with 3,889 points followed by Jay Cole, Knoxville South; John Mays, Memphis Catholic; Scott Kirkpatrick, Germantown, and Sammy Clay of East Ridge. All these competitors have more than 3,800 points.

THE COMPETITION continues today, beginning at 1

p.m. Events include the 120-yard high hurdles, discus, pole vault, hop-step-jump and the mile run.

Two TSSAA State decathlon records fell yesterday in the afternoon heat at Keyes Stadium.

Cole, the Eaststate Regional winner, established a record in the high jump with a measurement of 5 feet, 11½ inches. This is well under his record-shattering 6-2 jump in the State track meet, but nevertheless broke the 5-10½ posted in 1959 by Ryan's Frank Halliburton.

Halliburton, by the way, is Middle Tennessee's only decathlon winner since the present series began in 1952.

UNION CITY'S Tommy Jernigan put his name in the decathlon record books by heaving the shot 50 feet, 9¾ inches. It was well over the record -49-9 held by Knox

East's Don Whedbee since 1958.

The results:

DECATHLON LEADERS

Chuck Boyd, Madison, 4,116; David Alexander, Knoxville South, 3,889; Jay Cole, Knoxville South, 3,879; John Mays, Memphis Catholic, 3,874; Scott Kirkpatrick, Germantown, 3,845; Sammy Clay, East Ridge, 3,821; Dean Vaeth, Memphis Christian Brothers, 3,796; Jim Treace, Memphis Central, 3,743; Tommy Jernigan, Union City, 3,681; Mike Lopicolo, Memphis Christian Brothers, 3,613; Kyle Morel, Science Hill, 3,528; Billy Satterfield, Nashville East, 3,515; Bill Mays, Memphis Catholic, 3,501.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Shot Put—Tommy Jernigan, Union City; Jay Cole, Knoxville South; Dean Vaeth, Memphis CBHS 50 ft. 9¾ in. (state record).

Broad Jump—Chuck Boyd, Madison; Scott Kirkpatrick, Germantown; Sammy Clay, East Ridge; 21 ft. 2½ in.

High Jump—Jay Cole, Knoxville South; Chuck Boyd, Madison; Bill Dick, Nashville Overton; 5 ft. 11½ in. (state record).

100 Yard Dash—Mike Lopicolo, Memphis Christian Brothers; Chuck Boyd, Madison; John Mays, Memphis Catholic; :10.2.

440 Yard Dash—Jim Treace, Memphis Central; Sammy Clay, East Ridge; Mike Lopicolo, Memphis CBHS; Ronnie Peterman, Battle Ground Academy, tie; :54.0.