

1955 Kansas Relays Summary

University Class

Quarter Mile Relay

1. Texas (Dean Smith, Al Frieden, Jerry Prewit, Bobby Whilden), :41.2; 2. Minnesota (Bill Garner, Jack Dryer, Buri Carmicheal, Harry Nash), :41.9; 3. Houston (Doyle Jones, Jerry Beck, Danny Boone, Jim Bigham), :42.0; 4. Kansas (Frank Mastin, Blaine Hollinger, Ralph Moody, Dick Blair), :42.2.

Half Mile Relay

1. Texas, 1:25.7 (Frank Daugherty, Jerry Prewit, Bobby Whilden, Dean Smith); 2. Oklahoma A&M, 1:25.8 (Jack Hays, Fred Schermerhorn, Marion Muncrief, J. W. Mashburn); 3-4 Houston, 1:26.6 (Doyle Jones, Charles Petkovsek, Danny Boone, Jerry Beck); Missouri (Leven Gray, Bill Constantine, Robert Massengale, Adam Fischer).

Mile Relay

1. Oklahoma A&M, 3:11.6 (Jack Hays, Fred Schermerhorn, Bill Heard, J. W. Mashburn); 2. Texas 3:14.4 (LaVern Voigt, George Auld, Jon Totz, Dick Foerster); 3. Rice, 3:14.8 (George Salmon, Travis Walton, Don Rucek, Harold Griffin); 4. Missouri, 3:14.9 (Adam Fischer, Pete Orr, Harold Beard, Bob Massengale) new record. Old record 3:14.8 by Oklahoma (Harry Lee, Quannah Cox, Chuck Coleman, J. W. Mashburn) 1952.

Two Mile Relay

1. Texas (Hulen Hale, Bob Hanson, Tom Rogers, Dick Foerster); 2. Rice (Herald Griffen, Max Royalty, Dale Spence, Don Pucek); 3. Iowa (Ira Dunsworth, Keith Brown, Murray Keatings, Dick Ferguson); 4. Missouri (Morris McQuinn, Ron Smith, Duane Kelly, Harold Beard) 7:50.4.

Four Mile Relay

1. Oklahoma A&M (Henri Geller, Bjorn Bogerud, Sture Landqvist, Fredrik Eckhoff); 2. Arkansas (Jim Tennison, Tal Hooker, Allen Eshbaugh, Ed Morton); 3. Missouri (Charles Albert, Tom Fort, Charles Williams, Lynn Romann); 4. Colorado (Jim Wyatt, Jim Funk, Rich Pick, Ed Johnson) 17:51.1.

Distance Medley

1. Kansas (Lowell Janzen, Mike Swanson, Bernie Gay, Allen Frame); 2. Oklahoma (Wilbur Derrick, Dick Dudley, Bob Buchanan, Ron Reed); 3. Texas (Jim Caruthers, Robert Hanson, Tom Rogers, Hulen Hale); 4. Oklahoma A&M (Fred Ashmore, Bjorn Bogerud, Fredrik Eckhoff, Sture Landqvist) 10:10.8.

Sprint Medley

1. Oklahoma A&M (J. W. Mashburn, Jack Hays, Marion Muncrief, Bill Heard); 2. Oklahoma (Johnny Dahl, Juel Sweattee, Chuck Folsom, Ron Reed); 3. Missouri (Pete Orr, Roger Ornduff, William Campbell, Bill Duncan). Only three teams competed. Time 3:22.8, new record. Old record 3:24.3 by Oklahoma (Chuck Coleman, Jim Finley, Jerry Meader, Bill Jacobs) 1950.

College Class

Half Mile Relay

1. Abilene Christian, 1:27.0 (Leonous Fry, Don Conder, James Segrest, Bobby Morrow); 2. North Texas State, 1:27.8 (Jimmie Weaver, Boyd Dollar, Mike Hagler, Dean Renfro); 3. Compton College, 1:28.6 (Ralph Butler, Lionel Daniel, David James, Edmund Mendellsohn);

4. Pittsburg State, 1:28.7 (Don David, Melvin Coates, Oliver Estes, Bob Wooten).

Mile Relay

1. North Texas State, 3:16.2 (Jimmie Weaver, Jimmie Huffman, Mike Hagler, Paul Patterson); 2. Emporia State, 3:17.1 (Donald Blow, Ed Rowley, Henry Thompson, Bill Tidwell); 3. Oklahoma Baptist, 3:19.1 (Bill Baker, Bill Miller, Charles Weed, Jay Chance); 4. Philander Smith, 3:19.8 (Allan Moore, Roy Taylor, Herbert Elliot, Ron Horsham). Ties record by Abilene Christian (George Adrian, Burl McCoy, Don Conder, Leon Lepard) 1954.

Two Mile Relay

1. Oklahoma Baptist (Bill Miller, Jim Gaddy, Waynel Gee, Burch Oglesby); 2. Howard Payne; 3. Fort Hays State; 4. Pittsburg State. Time 7:51.

College Sprint Medley

1. North Texas State, 3:24.4 (Mike Hagler, Boyd Dollar, Dean Renfro, Paul Patterson); 2. Emporia State 3:25.4 (Henry Thompson, Bill Davis, Don Blow, Bill Tidwell); 3. Compton College, 3:36.9 (Clavin Brown, Earl Hall, Ralph Butler, Art Andrew); 4. Philander Smith, 3:40.4 (Allan Moore, Ronald Horsham, Willie Taylor, Herbert Elliott). New record. Old record Compton Jr. College, 3:27.1 (Williamson, Gentry, Brown, Walters) 1949.

Distance Medley

1. Abilene Christian (Don Conder, Dave Ashley, Tom Bell, Paul Johnson); 2. Beloit (Donald Larson, Gunnar, Gilje, James Anderson, Donald Gierich); 3. Oklahoma Baptist (Charles Weed, Butch Oglesby, Cogan Wright, Glenn Scott); 4. Howard Payne (Allen Pitts, Louie Hays, Leslie Fambrough, Don Shepard). Time 10:24.9.

Invitation College Sprint Medley

1. College of Emporia (Willie Gaines, Norman Smith, Jack Rickard, Lloyd Elm); 2. Missouri Valley; 3. Ottawa; 4. Kansas Wesleyan. Time 3:37.8.

Junior College Sprint Medley

1. McCook (Larry O'Donnell, Gerald Kapeller, Bill O'Brier, Rex Moore), 3:42.2; 2. Arkansas City, 3:45.1; 3. Coffeyville, 3:45.2; 4. Dodge City, 3:46.4.

High School Class

Kansas High School Mile Relay

1. Shawnee Mission (Dick Newell, Gene McCravy, John Peppercorn, Ken Welch); 2. Wichita East; 3. Lawrence; 4. Highland Park. Time 3:30.3.

Kansas City, Mo. 880-Yard Relay

1. Southwest (Bob Bininger, Bob Nickell, Bob Wallace, Mike Crowley); 2. East; 3. Southeast; 4. Central; 5. Westport. Time 1:31.7.

Individual Events

100-Yard Dash

1. Dean Smith, Texas; 2. Dick Blair, Kansas; 3. Jerry Prewit, Texas; 4. Al Frieden, Texas. Time :09.4 (record-tying time disallowed because of wind).

120-Yard High Hurdles

1. Bob Derrick, Oklahoma; 2. Ronnie Pruitt, Houston; 3. Ken Kelly, North Texas State; 4. Bill Constantine, Missouri. Time :14.3.

High Jump

1. Bernard Allard, Notre Dame, 6'7 $\frac{1}{8}$ "; 2. Art Carder, Washburn, 6'6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 3. Fritz Connally, Texas A&M, 6'5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 4. John Whatley, Hardin Simmons; Robert Lang, Missouri; Leon Wells, Kansas; Lester Stevens, Iowa, 6'3 $\frac{1}{8}$ ".

Broad Jump

1. Kermit Ellis, Oklahoma A&M, 24'9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 2. Erwin Cook, Oklahoma, 23'7"; 3. Blaine Hollinger, Kansas, 23'4 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 4. Gene Wilson, Kansas State, 23'0".

Pole Vault

1-2-3-4-5. Stephen James, Rice; Earl Poucher, Florida; Stewart Walker, Colorado; Dave Rogers, Minnesota; Tom Mayville, Central Michigan, 13'4".

Shot Put

1. Bill Nieder, Kansas, 56'9 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2. Herman Johnson, Texas A&M, 52'8"; 3. Thomas Bonorden, Texas A&M, 52'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 4. Orville Trask Rice, 51'1 $\frac{1}{8}$ ".

Discus Throw

1. Bob Thamm, Drake, 159'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Robert Van Dee, Oklahoma, 158'1 $\frac{1}{8}$ "; 3. Ray Burrus, West Texas State, 155'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 4. Dale Yonkey, Minnesota, 154'5".

Javelin Throw

1. Don Sneegas, Kansas, 217'8 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2. Les Bitner, Kansas, 210'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 3. Morris Muelenthaler, Iowa State, 208'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 4. John Parker, Kansas, 202'2".

Special Events

Glenn Cunningham Mile

1. Wes Santee, Kansas; 2. Theodore Wheeler, Fort Leonard Wood; 3. Bob Soth, Drake; 4. Clayton Scott, Kearney State. Time 4:11.4.

400-Meter Hurdles

1. Gene O'Connor, Kansas State; 2. Ray Russell, Kansas State; 3. Jay Chance, Oklahoma Baptist; 4. Bob Gerdeman, Omaha. Time :53.7.

3000-Meter Steeplechase

1. Bob Nicholson, Kansas; 2. Dick Wilson, Kansas; 3. Bob Ferguson, Iowa; 4. Jerry McNeal, Kansas. Time 9:51.7.

Hop-Step-Jump

1. Kent Floerke, Kansas, 49'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Bob Smith, Kansas, 46'4 $\frac{1}{8}$ "; 3. Erwin Cook, Oklahoma, 45'1"; 4. Keith Ballard, unattached, 44'9 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". New record. Old record 47'2" by Jim Gerhardt, Rice, 1952.

Decathlon Summary

Final Standings

1. Jim Podoley, Central Michigan6340*
2. Edd Roberts, Oklahoma A&M6114
3. Joe Savoldi, Michigan State5890
4. Philip Mulkey, Springfield, Missouri 5872
5. Dale Saxton, Eastern New Mexico5377
6. Russell Smith, Ft. Knox5313
7. Robert Kemp, Beloit5278
8. Bryan Valett, Cornell5023
9. Al Lange, Santa Ana, California4993
10. Marion Hudson, Dana4865
11. Willie Stevens, Ft. Leonard Wood4682

	Mark	Points
100 Meter Run		
Roberts	:10.8	986
Podoley	:10.9	946
Savoldi	:10.9	946
Smith	:11.0	908
Stevens	:11.25	800
Valett	:11.3	800
Lange	:11.4	767
Kemp	:11.6	706
Mulkey	:11.4	767
Hudson	:11.4	767
Saxton	11.7	678

	Mark	Points
Broad Jump		
Podoley	23'2½"	808
Mulkey	22'10¾"	779
Hudson	22'3½"	722
Stevens	21'9¾"	678
Smith	21'5¾"	651
Lange	21'2½"	629
Valett	20'11¾"	610
Roberts	20'11¼"	608
Savoldi	20'9"	592
Saxton	20'5¾"	572
Kemp	20'5½"	570

	Mark	Points
Shot Put		
Savoldi	46'¾"	773
Mulkey	42'5¾"	666
Kemp	41'½"	627
Podoley	40'4½"	609
Hudson	39'2¼"	576
Saxton	38'11½"	570
Valett	37'9¾"	541
Smith	36'11¾"	521
Lange	35'10"	493
Stevens	33'8¾"	442
Roberts	33'7¾"	440

	Mark	Points
High Jump		
Hudson	6'2"	858
Podoley	6'1"	832
Smith	6'1"	832
Savoldi	6'1"	832
Saxton	6'1"	832
Lange	6'1"	832
Mulkey	5'10¾"	758
Kemp	5'9½"	722
Roberts	5'7¾"	678
Stevens	5'7¾"	678
Valett	5'5¾"	625

	Mark	Points
400 Meter Run		
Roberts	:49.6	876
Podoley	:51.4	744
Smith	:52.7	660
Savoldi	:53.2	630
Mulkey	:53.8	594
Stevens	:54.2	570
Hudson	:54.8	540
Kemp	:54.9	535
Valett	:55.0	530
Saxton	:55.7	495
Lange	:55.8	490

	Mark	Points
110 Meter High Hurdles		
Roberts	:14.5	953
Savoldi	:14.8	867
Stevens	:14.8	867
Podoley	:14.9	840
Mulkey	:15.6	673
Smith	:15.9	612
Valett	:16.0	593
Saxton	:16.3	540
Kemp	:17.5	359
Lange	:18.2	272
Hudson	:18.8	208

	Mark	Points
Discus Throw		
Kemp	126'9¼"	588
Savoldi	124'3¼"	566
Roberts	123'10"	563
Smith	118'11½"	526

	Mark	Points
Saxton		
Mulkey	118'9½"	524
Podoley	115'6½"	500
Hudson	111'5¾"	468
Stevens	108'5"	445
Lange	102'11½"	407
Valett	101'0"	394
Valett	88'2½"	309

	Mark	Points
Pole Vault		
Kemp	12'0"	574
Lange	12'0"	574
Mulkey	11'6¾"	524
Saxton	11'6¾"	524
Valett	11'0"	457
Podoley	11'0"	457
Roberts	9'11½"	338
Savoldi	9'6¾"	296
Stevens	did not clear first height	000
Smith	did not clear first height	000
Hudson	did not clear first height	000

	Mark	Points
Javelin Throw		
Saxton	180'10"	628
Hudson	167'8¼"	548
Valett	167'½"	545
Podoley	144'½"	418
Kemp	143'6"	416
Mulkey	142'9"	413
Roberts	135'6¾"	378
Savoldi	134'½"	370
Smith	128'8¾"	344
Lange	126'9¼"	335
Stevens	106'3"	236

	Mark	Points
1500 Meter Run		
Roberts	4:55.4	294
Smith	5:00.4	259
Podoley	5:06.9	218
Lange	5:08.8	207
Hudson	5:09.8	201
Mulkey	5:10.1	198
Kemp	5:13.3	181
Savoldi	5:45	18
Saxton	5:46	14
Valett	5:46.2	13
Stevens	5:48.3	4

*New Kansas Relays record. Old record by Jim Podoley, Central Mich., 6128 points, 1954.

Triple-Crown Winners

120-yard High hurdles:
 Lee Sentman, Illinois, 1929 (:15.3); 1930 (:15.6), 1931 (:14.6)
 Sam Allen, Oklahoma Baptist, 1934 (:14.6); 1935 (:14.5); 1936 (:14.8)

100-yard Dash:
 Thane Baker, Kansas State, 1951 (:10.0); 1952 (:09.5); 1953 (:10.0).

High jump:
 Tom Poor, Kansas, 1923 (6-1¼); 1924 (6-4); 1925 (6-5½)

Pole vault:
 Earle McKown, Emporia State, 1923 (12-9); 1924 (13-½); 1925 (13-2¾)
 Beefus Bryan, Texas, 1938 (13-11¾); 1939 (14-2); 1940 (13-3)*

Shot Put:
 Hugh Rhea, Nebraska, 1930 (48-6); 1931 (49-2½); 1932 (47-½)
 Elmer Hackney, Kansas State, 1938 (50-4); 1939 (52-1½); 1940 (49-5½)
 Darrow Hooper, Texas A&M, 1951 (51-8½), 1952 (53-9), 1953 (55-3½).

Discus throw:
 Darrow Hooper, Texas A&M, 1951 (145-5½), 1952 (152-8½), 1953 (163-2½).

Glenn Cunningham Mile
 Glenn Cunningham, Kansas, 1932 (4:02.5)**; 1933 (3:53.3)**; 1934 (4:12.7); 1936 (3:57.1)**; 1939 (4:29.2)

* tie with Dick Higgins, Missouri.
 **1500 meters

Most Outstanding Performers

1948—Harrison Dillard, Baldwin-Wallace

Broke Kansas Relays' and world record with :13.6 performance in 120-yard high hurdles.

1949—Bob Walters, Texas

Scored upset victory over classy field and set Relays record of 6-8 3/16 in high jump.

1950—Bill Carroll, Oklahoma

Set Relays' record of 14-5 in pole vault.

1951—Don Cooper, Nebraska

Set new Relays and National inter-collegiate record of 15¼ in pole vault, becoming first collegian in history to reach that magic level outdoors.

1952—Wes Santee, Kansas

Ran unofficial 4:11.6 Mile in anchor carry of Four-Mile relay, and unofficial 3:02.0 in 1320 leg of Distance Medley. Jayhawkers won both events.

1953—Darrow Hooper, Texas A&M

Completed first twin triple-crown in Relays history by winning Shot Put in 55-3½, second longest cast in meet annals; and Discus throw in 163-2½, the third most lengthy peg on the Relays books.

1954—Wes Santee, Kansas

Ran second-swiftest Mile in American history, up to that time, 4:03.1, to bag Glenn Cunningham feature. Overcame 90 yard deficit in anchor carry of Distance Medley with 4:12.6 to fire Jayhawkers to that title.

1955—Dean Smith, Texas

Won wind-blown 100 in :09.4, anchored Longhorns to victory in 880 relay and led off for winning 440 baton team.