Mile relay triumph gives WM track title

OXFORD, Ohio (AP) — Western Michigan's young mile relay foursome finished second in the final event Saturday to bring the Broncos from behind for their first Mid-American Conference track title in five years.

Western Michigan trailed Eastern Michigan by five points going into the closing relay. The Broncos' second place slipped them by the Hurons with 110 points to 107.

Eastern Michigan, failing to score a point in the closing event in the three-day meet in Miami Stadium, held onto to second place, however.

DEFENDING CHAMPION Kent State finished third with 90 points, Bowling Green was fourth with 72 1-3 and Central Michigan fifth with 70. Then came Ohio University with 64, Miami with 60, Ball State with 40 2-3, Northern Illinois 20 and Toledo 16.

The Broncos' depth, along with four first places, returned Western Michigan to the dominance it enjoyed over the conference a decade ago. Western won 13 of 14 MAC track championships, beginning in 1958.

"Our mile relay knew what it had to do. I didn't have to say anything to them. We weren't that worried about Eastern Michigan," said Western Coach Jack Shaw.

OXFORD—Results Saturday in the 30th Mid-American Conference track and field championships at Miami University (all running distances in yards unless otherwise indicated):

Javelin-1, Ron Parisi, Western Michigan, 240-0. 2, James Crook, Miami, 210-10. 3, Mike Schomer, Western Michigan, 207-4. 4, Torn Johnson, Central Michigan, 203-10. 5, Vince Yantko, Ohio University, 1961. 6. Charles Dempwolfe, Ohio University, 189-7.

Hammer—1, Mike Schomer. Western Michigan, 182-9. 2, Fred Breidenbach, Kent State, 176-9. 3, Wayne Willis, Kent State, 176-7. 4, Jim Wetenhall, Eastern Michigan, 176-5. 5, Geoff Lawrence, Miami, 175-11. 6, Pat Sting, Central Michigan, 175-4.

Mile-1, Tom Duits, Western Michigan, 4,943, 2, Gary Desiardins, Bowling Green, 4:06.0. 3, Joe Dubina, Kent State, 4:08.0. 4, Dan Landman, Western Michigan, 4:09.0. 5, Jim Deren, Eastern Michigan, 4:10.4. 6, Dave Burkhart, Eastern Michigan, 4:12.2.

120 High Hurdles—1, Bruce Greene, Ohio University, 14.5. 2, Greg Hefner, Kent State, 14.5. 3, Dave Richardson, Western Michigan, 14.7. 4, Bob Cornwell, Western Michigan, 14.7. 5, Gary Adams, Toledo, 14.7. 6, Jeff Dils, Eastern Michigan, 14.9.

440—1, Ron Taylor, Bowling Green, 47.8. 2, Darwin Marshall, Kent State, 48.5. 3, Todd, Western Michigan, 48.8. 4, Gary Burks, Central Michigan, 48.8. 5, Dave Hernandez, Central Michigan, 48.9. 6, Greg Fugua, Ohio University, 49.0.

100—1. Brian Storm, Bowling Green, 9.8. 2, Russ Bailey, Eastern Michigan, 9.8. 3, Ken Delor, Eastern Michigan, 9.9. 4, Calvin Knox, Miami, 10.0. 5, Bruce Taylor, Eastern Michigan, 10.1. 6, Keyin Green Miami, 10.2.

van, J. Kappes, Calvin Knox, Kevin Green), 42.1. 2. Eastern Michigan, 42.3.3. Central Michigan 42.3. 4. Bowling Green, 42.4. 5, Western Michigan, 42.7. 6, Kent State, 42.9.

440 Intermediate Hundles — 1, Bob Cornwell, Western Michigan, 52.4. 2, Bruce Greene, Ohio University, 52.9. 3, Dave Richardson, Western Michigan, 52.0. 4, Jeff Dils, Eastern Michigan, 53.5. 5, Jim Howell, Ball State, 53.8. 6, Jim Yount, Central Michigan, 54.2.

Pole Vault—1, Booker Wellman, Eastern Michigan, 15-6. 2, Dick Krause, Central Michigan, 15-6. 3, Nat Durham, Eastern Michigan, 15-0. 4, Ken Kelly, Ball State, 15-0. 5, Wes Teeple, Eastern Michigan, 14-6. 6 (1ie), Jeff Opelt, Bowling Green, Tom Bunner, Ball State, and Dave Butler, Ball State, 14-6.

220—1, Russ Bailey, Eastern Michigan, 21.8. 2, Kvin Geen Miami, 21.9. 3, Ron Taylor, bowling Geen 22.0. 4, en Delor, Eastern Michigan, 22.1. 5, Al Bates, Western Michigan 22.3. 6, Brian Storm, Bowling Green, 22.4.

Three Miles—1, Tim Zimbaugh, Bowling Green, 13:57.4, 2, Jeff Shoemaker, Ball State, 14:00.7, 3, Nick Ellis, Eastern Michigan, 14:02.3, 4, Dave Smith, Eastern Michigan, 14-04.4, 5, Ed Konicki, Miami, 14:07.7, 8, Phil Hinck, Toledo, 14:10.7

Green, 1:51.7, 2, Jim Newton, Central Michigan, 1:52.0, 3, Steve Banovic, Central Michigan, 1:52.2, 4, Dennis Stefanich, Toledo, 1:52.9, 5, Mike Thompson, Western Michigan, 1:53.1, 6, Bill Dunlap, Kent State, 1:53.7.

Triple Jump—1. Mike Mimms, Ohio University, 51-9/2, meet record; old record, 50-11. Aaron Hopkins, Toledo, 1958. 2. Steve Harden, Kent State, 49-9/2, 3, Al Ogenfeyemi, Ohio University, 48-6/4. 4, Terry Thames, Eastern Michigan, 47-1/2, 5, Al White, Miami, 47-6/2, 6, Lew Maclin, Bowling Green, 47-2/4.

High Jump—1, Mike Winsor, Central Michigan, 7-1, meet record; old record, 71a, Ted Downing, Miami, 1958. 2. Bob Francis, Kent State, 7-0. 3. Darrell Williams, Western Michigan, 6-10. 4. Eric Wagner. Onlo University. 6-10. 5. Willie Turner, Western Michigan, 6-8. 6. Larry Fortner, Miami, 6-8.

Discus—1. Doug Kortmever. Northern Illinois. 175-5. 2. Geoff Lawrence, Miami, 175-2. 3. Mark Siegal, Kent State, 170-8. 4. Steve Cameron, Kent State, 169-7. 5. Boo Craft, Kent State, 161-6. 6. Mike Schomer, Western Michigan, 160-6.

Mile Relay—1, Central Michigan (Dave Hernandez, Tim Sutton, Jim Newton, Gary Burks), 3:15.4, 2, Western Michigan, 3:16.0, 3, Ohio University, 3:16.7, 4, Miami, 3:17.5, 5, Ball State, 3:18.4, 6, Northern Illinois, 3:18.7.

Team Standings—Western Michigan 110, Eastern Michigan 107, Kent State 90, Bowling Green 72 1-3, Central Michigan 70, Ohio University 64, Miami 60, Ball State 40 2-3, Northern Illinois 21, Tolego 16.

SHOT PUT-1, Bruno Pauletto, Central Michigan, 601/4 (conference record - old mark 59-1, Tom Jones, Miami, 1955); 2, Matt Byrnes, Notrhern Illinois; 3, Geoff Lawrence, Miaml. 3,000-METER STEEPLECHASE - 1, Mike Irmen, Kent State, 8:59.0; 2, Jeff Shoemaker, Ball State; 3, Phil Hinck, Toledo; 4, Ed Grabowski, Eastern Michigan; 5, Brian Crosley, Ball State. LONG JUMP-1, Steve Marden, Kent State, 241/4; 2, Terry Thamas, Eastern Michigan, 23-5; 3, Mike Mimms, Ohio University, 231/2. Decathlon-1, Jim Howell, Ball State, 6,989 points; 2, Dale McBruin, Western Michigan; 3, Charles Dempwolfe, Ohio University.