

WEATHER, \$ REASONS

Schoolboy Track Hitting Big Time

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any squad without too much traveling.

The season is climaxed of course by the state championships in all classes on Saturday, May 23.

The big relays, such as this affair, offer prestige and attractiveness for both the school that can win the big trophy and the individuals who can race off with the handsome medals.

AND THE PROGRAM already is paying big dividends for Michigan.

Three former Michigan high school track stars, hurdler Hayes Jones of Pontiac Central and Eastern Michigan University, hurdler Rex Cawley of Farmington and Southern California, and sprinter Henry Carr of Northwestern High and Arizona State, will be among the favorites to earn berths on the 1964 U.S. Olympic squad.

River Rouge, which only two weeks ago swept to its fourth straight state Class B basketball title in this same building, scored in 10 of the 15 events here Friday to demonstrate it has made a rapid and effective transition from basketball to track.

Rouge won with 48½ points, despite seeing star hurdler Willie Betts beaten in both the high and low events. Lamar Miller, Jr., son of coach Lamar Miller of Willow Run, showed his back to Willie in both finals.

Finishing behind Rouge in the team scoring were Willow Run 19, Wyoming 14, Lutheran West 13, Lakeview 10, and Lansing O'Rafferty 9.

AFTER FINISHING second in five of the first seven events, Rouge got a victory from Boice Bowman in the broad jump and then triumphs from both its 880-yard and shuttle hurdle relays to finish off a field of 39 other contenders.

Miller also picked up a third

in the broad jump to account for 13 of his team's 19 points.

One of the day's finest individual performances came from Jim Stewart of Lakeview, who played at forward for the Wildcats against Rouge in that basketball finale.

Stewart cleared 12 feet 7¼ inches to win the pole vault.

Saturday 68 Class A squads take over the fieldhouse facilities with preliminaries scheduled for 1 p.m. and finals for 6 p.m.

SHOT PUT: 1—Bob Johnson, Vassar; 2—Lam Samuels, River Rouge; 3—Drew Lutz, Battle Creek Harper Creek; 4—Bill Johnson, Fremont; 5—Randie Dietz, St. Fore.

POLE VAULT: 1—Jim Stewart, Lakeview; 2—Dan Haycox, Battle Creek Penfield; 3—Robert Sanbasi, Ionia; 4—Don Ward, Grand Rapids Kelloggville; 5—Bill Bekkerins, Fremont. Height—12 feet 7¼ inches.

TWO-MILE RELAY: 1—Oxford (Tom Swift, Tom Reiner, Jim Sarr, Rich Evans); 2—River Rouge; 3—Lansing O'Rafferty; 4—Dearborn St. Alphonsus; 5—Holland West Ottawa. Time—8:42.4.

30-YARD HIGH HURDLES: 1—Lamar Miller, Willow Run; 2—Willie Betts, River Rouge; 3—Richard Pullen, Wyoming; 4—Dave Graves, Clarenceville; 5—Ron Friedrich, Detroit Lutheran West. Time—57.7.

SPRINT MEDLEY RELAY: 1—Lansing O'Rafferty (Joe Campbell, Joe Heiser, Larry Bahar, Jerry Beatty); 2—Wyoming; 3—Battle Creek Springland; 4—Grand Rapids Forest Hills; 5—Haskell. Time—3:34.4.

40-YARD DASH: 1—Gary Knapp, Grand Rapids Forest Hills; 2—Boice Bowman, River Rouge; 3—Herman Holly, Willow Run; 4—Bob Howard, Fremont; 5—Mike Lantry, Oxford. Time—58.5.

30-YARD LOW HURDLES: 1—Lamar Miller, Willow Run; 2—Willie Betts, River Rouge; 3—Ken Wallace, Detroit Lutheran West; 4—Jim Stewart, Lakeview; 5—Kurt Baines, Lowell. Time—58.3.

HIGH JUMP: 1—Dave Shepard, Stockbridge; 2—Bruce Potter, Haskell; 3—Russ Palmier, Grand Rapids Kelloggville and Frank Price, River Rouge; 4—Laf Crozier, Jackson St. Johns; and Gary Knapp, Grand Rapids Forest Hills. Height—4 feet 1 inch.

SHUTTLE HURDLE RELAY: 1—River Rouge (Ike Barnier, Ed Crutched, Boice Bowman, Willie Betts); 2—Detroit Lutheran West; 3—Lakeview; 4—Fenton; 5—Battle Creek Harper Creek. Time—1:27.

880-YARD RELAY: 1—River Rouge (Ike Barnier, John Sikes, Bill Wood, Boice Bowman); 2—Detroit Lutheran West; 3—Willow Run; 4—Wyoming; 5—Lansing O'Rafferty. Time—1:34.4.

BROAD JUMP: 1—Boice Bowman, River Rouge; 2—Bill Finnot, Haskell; 3—Lamar Miller, Willow Run; 4—Garry Miller, Vassar; 5—Ken Wallace, Detroit Lutheran West. Distance—21 feet 8½ inches.

MILE RUN: 1—Ken Coates, Wyoming; 2—Dan Sage, Rouge; 3—Joe Coleman, Fremont; 4—Israel Davila, St. Louis; 5—Dave Jones, Battle Creek Penfield. Time—4:29.4.

MILE RELAY: 1—Battle Creek Springland (Andrian Andre, Dave Hudson, Richard Kistalski, Gorea Bauer); 2—Haskell; 3—River Rouge; 4—Holland West Ottawa; 5—Ramen. Time—3:24.4.

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