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DENNIS LAMINAN
(Roseville)

KEN DYER
(Ann Arbor)

BOB JOHNSON
(Vassar)

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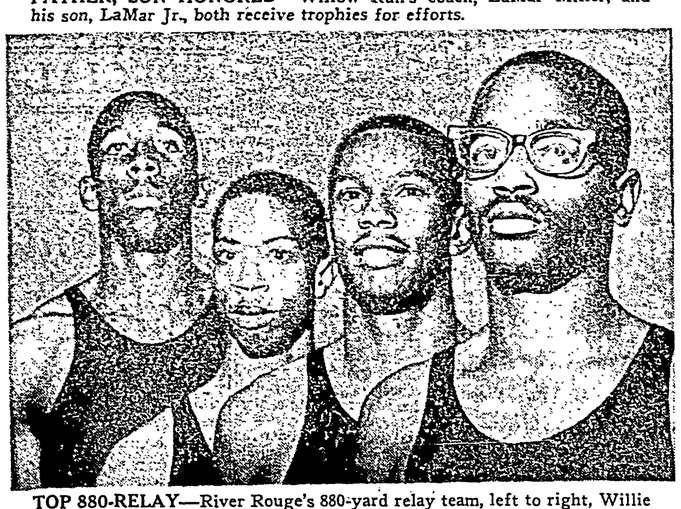
NEWS' ALL-STATE TEAM SALUTES TOP PREP PERFORMERS

Father, Son Gain Track Honors

RULE MILE RELAY—Redford High's winning mile relay quartet, left to right, William Merckel, Dennis Smith, Dave McKelvey, Curtis Smith.

FATHER, SON HONORED—Willow Run's coach, LaMar Miller, and *his son, LaMar Jr., both receive trophies for efforts.*


TOP 880-RELAY—River Rouge's 880-yard relay team, left to right, Willie Betts, John Sykes, Boice Bowman, Clarence Sabbath.

By KEN WILLIAMS

Seldom, if ever, does a father-and-son combination of coach and athlete realize a state high school title in the same year. But Willow Run's Coach LaMar Miller Sr. and LaMar Miller Jr. were exceptions this season.

As one of the finest hurdlers in the state, LaMar Jr. contributed a cluster of vital points to Willow Run's dethroning of River Rouge as the Class B kingpin.

Willow Run settled for a 38-35 point margin and, in the consistent style which he had displayed throughout the campaign, LaMar won both the low hurdles (18.9 seconds) and broad jump (21 feet, 11¾ inches) and took a third in the high hurdles.

Winning one state event is a distinctive feat in itself, considering a prep athlete is competing against the best of the crop that has been screened by previous elimination meets.

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BEST SHOWING

During the regular season, Miller's performances were equally impressive. His peak clocking for the high hurdles was a 14.2 seconds.

Considering that Rouge had been a perennial power in both basketball and track, rival observers appraised the Willow Run state triumph as an outstanding coaching feat, too.

In view of their combined success, The Detroit News has selected LaMar Jr. as an All-State low hurdle member of its second annual All-State track squad and his father as "Coach of the Year."

A total of 18 other athletes also comprised the choices for the 13 track and field events. Both Coach Miller and each of the All-State members will be presented appropriately engraved trophies by The News.

Two other double-winners in the state finals, both in Class A, were also selected. They are sprinter Arnie Williams, of champion Battle Creek Central, and high hurdler Henry Patino, of Lansing Everett, which was third in the team ranks at the recent Ann Arbor showdown.

Williams, a 5-foot-10, 155-pound junior, paced the 100 in 9.8 seconds and the 220 in 21.3 Earlier in the season he ran the 100 in 9.7, a mark unequaled in the state.

Patino weathered stubborn challenges from teammate Dick Speights in taking the high hurdles in 14.3 seconds and the low hurdles in 18.8.

BEST OF MILERS

Two of the most prominent All-Staters were Bloomfield Hills' crack miler Bob Richards and East Grand Rapids' ace half-miler Ron Kutschinski. Richards coasted to the state mile title in 4:17.3 in contrast to his peak clocking of 4:16.2.

Kutschinski took the state 880 in 1:55.3 and he was the state's most consistent performer in both the half-mile and 440. He achieved the season's peak performances with times of 1:53.7 to 1:55.1 for Dearborn's John Spain in the 880 and had 49.5 in the 440 to 49.7 for Redford's Dave McKelvey.

Lansing Sexton's fleet-footed Willie McKissic was accorded the 220 All-State berth and Royal Oak Kimball's state champion Rod Ford the 440 honor. Under state meet pressure on a dry track, Ford was timed in 51.2 and he was trailed by Howell's Rick Dunn and McKelvey.

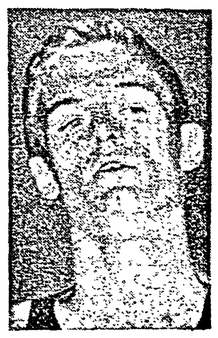
CITE CONSISTENCY

McKissic earned recognition primarily on the basis of consistency throughout the season. In the state finals he was second to speed merchant Williams in the 100 and then came back to wind up third behind the Battle Creek kingpin in the 220.

All four All-State choices in the field events were state champions.

Saginaw Arthur Hill's Wayne Lambert, a 6-foot-1, 175-pound senior, set a Class A record by pole vaulting 13 feet, 11¾ inches and Ann Arbor's Ken Dyer, a 6-3, 160-pound senior, posted a high jump mark of 6 feet, 7¾ inches.

WAYNE LAMBERT
(Saginaw Arthur Hill)


RON KUTSCHINSKI
(East Grand Rapids)

Roseville's Dennis Laminan paced the broad jump ranks with a wind-assisted 24 feet, 3 inches. In addition to Miller, the only other Class B All-Stater for an individual competition was Vassar shotputter Bob Johnson, a 6-foot, 190-pounder. Like Williams, Johnson also is a junior. Bob's record toss of 57 feet, 5 inches in the state finals exceeded the Class A's 56 feet, ¾ inches by Garden City champion Jim Foss.

In the relays, the All-State units were Detroit Redford's mile foursome of Bill Merckel, Dennis Smith, Curtis Smith and Dave McKelvey, and River Rouge's 880 quartet of Clarence Sabbath, Willie Betts, John Sykes and Boice Bowman.

After Southeastern took the state mile relay honors, Redford climaxed the campaign by setting a Public School League record of 3:23.4 as Southeastern finished fourth. Rouge's unit accounted for the state Class B 880 relay title.

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News' All-State Track Squad

RUNNING EVENTS

100—Arnie Williams, Battle Creek Central.
220—Willie McKissic, Lansing Sexton.
440—Rod Ford, Royal Oak Kimball.
880—Ron Kutschinski, East Grand Rapids.
Mile—Bob Richards, Bloomfield Hills.
Low Hurdles—LaMar Miller Jr., Willow Run.
High Hurdles—Henry Patino, Lansing Everett.

FIELD EVENTS

Broad Jump—Dennis Laminan, Roseville.
High Jump—Ken Dyer, Ann Arbor
Shot Put—Bob Johnson, Vassar.
Pole Vault—Wayne Lambert, Saginaw Arthur Hill.

COACH OF YEAR

LaMar Miller Sr., Willow Run.

RELAY EVENTS

880 Relay—River Rouge (Clarence Sabbath, Willie Betts, John Sykes and Boice Bowman).
Mile Relay—Detroit Redford (Bill Merckel, Dennis Smith, Curtis Smith and Dave McKelvey).

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Final Top Performances

Final top track performances by Michigan high school athletes for 1964 as tabulated by Bruce Waha, Redford High coach (key for listings below: n—nonwinning; i—indoors; w—wind assisted; h—heat; c—around curve; B—Class B school; D—Class D school):

100-Yard Dash

('63 Best, 9.7—Class A, 9.8)

Arnie Williams, Battle Crk. Cent.	9.7
Jerry Massie, Warren	w 9.7
Sam Robinson, Mt. Clemens	w 9.7
Willie McKissic, Lansing Sexton	9.8
Bob Cooper, Flint Central	wn9.8
Otha Trice, Northeastern	9.9
Horace Coleman, Central	9.9
Steve Strauch, St. Theresa (B)	9.9
Harold Olds, Grand Ledge	9.9
Ed Szych, Warren Lincoln	9.9
Tom Smith, Lansing Everett	n 9.9
Howard Dubin, Birm. Seaholm	w 9.9
Dave Himmel, Port Huron	w 9.9

220-Yard Dash

('63 Best, 21.3w—Class A, 21.4)

Horace Coleman, Central	21.1
Ron Hampton, Central	n 21.2
Arnie Williams, Battle Crk. Cent.	w 21.3
Willie McKissic, Lansing Sexton	21.4
Bob Cooper, Flint Central	wn21.4
Sam Robinson, Mt. Clemens	21.5
Kim Bauschka, Adrian	w 21.5
Otha Trice, Northeastern	n 21.6
Dave Himmel, Port Huron	w 21.7
Otis Newkirk, Pontiac Central	21.7
Ron Gordon, South Haven	21.7
Jerry Missig, Warren	w 21.8
Harold Olds, Grand Ledge	w 21.8
Rich Ryals, Lansing Everett	wn21.8

440-Yard Run

('63 Best, 49.0—Class A, 49.0)

Ron Kutchinski, E. Gr. Rapids	49.5
Dave McKelvey, Redford	49.7
Rick Dunn, Howell	49.8
Rod Ford, R. O. Kimball	49.9
Dave Searles, Kalamazoo Central	50.4
Jim Rapp, Lansing Everett	50.4
Jim Barnes, Mt. Clemens	50.4
Dag Jones, Saginaw Arthur Hill	50.4
Jim Wright, Eastern	n 50.4
Dave VerMerris, G. R. Christian	50.5
Don Hampton, Jackson Parkside	50.5
Ron Jean, Lansing Sexton	n 50.5
Jerry Feil, Roseville	n 50.5
Pat Wilson, Roseville	50.6
Dave Harder, Adrian	n 50.6

880-Yard Run

('63 Best, 1:53.3—Class A, 1:53.3)

Ron Kutchinski, E. Gr. Rapids	1:53.7
John Spain, Dearborn	1:55.1
Bill Schoen, Birm. Seaholm	1:56.0
Joe Reno, Battle Crk. Central	1:56.3
Art Link, Redford	1:56.3
Dave Roberts, Southgate	1:56.4
Dale Sage, Reese (C)	n 1:56.5
Gary Baird, Montrose (C)	1:57.2
Brian Moore, Cass Tech	1:57.3
George LeRoy, Mt. Clemens	1:57.3
Pat Wilson, Roseville	1:57.3
Bob Richards, Bloomfield Hills	1:57.4
Dave McKelvey, Redford	1:57.4
Ron Nebring, Kalamazoo Central	1:57.4
Larry Zabawa, Madison	n 1:57.4

One-Mile Run

('63 Best, 4:11.3n—Class A, 4:13.2)

Bob Richards, Bloomfield Hills	4:16.2
Art Link, Redford	4:16.8
Dennis Hunt, Farmington	n 4:18.2
Dion Stewart, East Lansing	4:18.4
Jim Giachino, Kal. U. High	4:20.1
Jack Lackey, Ecorse	4:20.9
Jim Olson, Seaholm	4:21.3
Keith Reid, Thurston	n 4:21.5
Jamie Dennis, Birm. Seaholm	n 4:22.6
Ken Coates, Wyoming (B)	4:22.9
Brian Moore, Cass Tech	4:23.0
Steve Bishop, Vicksburg (C)	n 4:25.5
Dean Rosenburg, N. Muskegon	n 4:26.0
Bill Washington, Pershing	n 4:27.3
Bob Sutherland, Dearborn	4:27.4

120 High Hurdles

('63 Best, 14.1—Class A, 14.2)

LaMar Miller, Willow Run (B)	h 14.2
Doug Montgomery, Romulus	14.2
Henry Patino, Lansing Everett	w 14.3
Don Witt, Whitehall (B)	w 14.3
Dick Speights, Bat. Crk. Cent.	w 14.3
Frank Haggerty, Cath. Central	wn14.4
Willie Betts, River Rouge (B)	wn14.4
Andy Martin, Dearborn	14.5
Nelson Graham, Mt. Morris (B)	14.5
Dick Kamischke, Southlake	wn14.6
Vern Bradley, Ecorse	wn14.6
Ken Hett, Birm. Seaholm	14.7
Jim Evans, Berkley	14.7
Al Payne, Midland	w 14.7

180 Low Hurdles

('63 Best, 19.0—Class A, 19.0)

Henry Patino, Lansing Everett	w 18.8
LaMar Miller, Willow Run (B)	w 18.9
Dick Speights, Bat. Crk. Cent.	wn19.0
Al Payne, Midland	wn19.0
Frank Haggerty, Cath. Central	19.2
Nelson Graham, Mt. Morris (B)	wn19.2
Bernard Cage, Pershing	wn19.4
Jeff Scubel, Birm. Groves	19.5
Andy Martin, Dearborn	n 19.5
Jim Evans, Berkley	19.6
Bill Krisinski, Dowagiac (B)	19.6
Ron Hamel, Musk. Heights	19.6
Ken Hett, Seaholm	wn19.6
Al Rennick, Flint S'western	wn19.7

880-Yard Relay

('63 Best, 1:28.7—Class A, 1:29.5)

Lansing Everett	1:28.2
Lansing Sexton	1:28.6
Battle Creek Central	1:29.2
Mt. Clemens	1:29.8
Roseville	1:29.8
Ypsilanti	1:30.1
River Rouge (B)	1:30.3
Detroit Central	1:30.3
Flint Central	1:30.5
Ecorse	1:30.7
Willow Run (B)	1:30.8
Kalamazoo Central	1:31.0
Thurston	1:31.0
Birm. Seaholm	1:31.2

One-Mile Relay

('63 Best, 3:23.5—Class A, 3:24.5)

Roseville	3:22.0
Thurston	3:22.9
Ypsilanti	3:23.4
Kalamazoo Central	3:23.6
Temperance Bedford	3:23.9
Redford	3:25.5
Southeastern	3:25.6
Lansing Everett	3:25.7
Lansing Sexton	3:25.9
Pershing	3:26.0
Central	3:26.1
Ecorse	3:26.1
River Rouge (B)	3:26.3
Eastern	3:26.3
Dearborn	3:27.1

Shot Put

('63 Best, 57-11½—Class A, 60-4¾)

Bob Johnson, Vassar (B)	58-4
Jim Foss, Garden City	57-4¼
Lou Fournier, Cheb. Cath. (C)	56-8¼
Bill Gould, Adrian	55-4½
Jerry Patton, Saginaw	55-2½
Steve Dowling, Midland	54-6¼
Denis Lamb, Southfield	54-5¼
Mel Collins, Melvindale	54-5
Jim Mathews, Northwestern	54-3¼
Cliff Kittle, Flint Atherton (B)	54-1
Jerry Walmsley, Jackson	1 54-1
Ron Thompson, Kalamazoo Cent.	54-0
Dennis O'Meara, Mt. Clemens	53-6
Bill Jibson, Fremont (B)	53-5
Dave Long, Harper Creek (B)	53-2

Pole Vault

('63 Best, 13-6½—Class A, 13-6)

Wayne Lambert, Sag. Arth. Hill	13-11¾
Les Hanspard, Pontiac Central	13-8¼
E. Ver Hage, Hdsnv. U. Chr. (B)	13-7½
Jim Haviland, Kettering	13-6¼
Mat Kilpelainen, Cooley	13-6
Will Webster, Dowagiac (B)	13-5¾
Mary Hamel, Garden City	13-4
Bob Banhagel, Ionia (B)	13-1
Jim Stewart, Lakeview (B)	13-½
Earl Hock, Kettering	13-0
Steve Pitcher, Walled Lake	13-0
Ken Felt, Saginaw Arthur Hill	12-10
Fred Schnarr, Lansing Everett	12-9¾
Dale Ervin, Kalamazoo Central	12-9½
Tom Black, East Lansing	12-9½
Dale Kutchey, Davison	12-9½

Broad Jump

('63 Best, 23-5½—Class A, 23-8⅞)

Dennis Laminan, Roseville	w 24-3
Jerry Palmer, Ecorse	w 23-9
John Harris, Pontiac Northern	22-11½
Bob Cooper, Flint Central	22-10¾
Fred Bolle, East Detroit	22-10½
Willie Iverson, Pershing	w 22-8¼
Lindsey Henderson, Ln. Sexton	22-7½
George Sheler, G. R. Gdwn Hts.	22-7
Don Robbins, St. Charles (B)	22-6½
John Rudley, Benton Harbor	w 22-6
Bill Patmon, Southwestern	w 22-5¾
Jim Donnelly, Clarenceville (B)	22-5
Fred Carver, Kalamazoo Cent.	22-5
George Miller, Vassar (B)	22-3¾
Stan Mizinski, Roseville	22-3½

High Jump

('63 Best, 6-7½—Class A, 6-5)

Ken Dyer, Ann Arbor	6-7¾
Leroy Blasingame, Flint Central	6-5¾
Del Littlejohn, Jackson	6-5¾
MacHenry Johnson, Flint Central	6-5¾
Wm. Crawford, Flint S'western	6-5¾
Fred Carver, Kalamazoo Central	6-4¼
Rick Hunt, Adrian	6-4
Stan Allen, Eastern	6-4
Bill Goodson, G. R. Ottawa	6-3¾
Jim Miller, Sturgis	6-3½
Dave Shepard, Stockbridge (B)	1 6-3½
Hary Loisell, Flint Holy Redm. (B)	6-3¼

PSL BASEBALL WINDUP

Osborn Set for Playoffs

Osborn will join Northern as the East Side representatives in the Public School League semifinal baseball playoffs next Tuesday with Cody and Southwestern, the West Side contenders.

Osborn qualified by whipping Pershing, 5-2, yesterday, while Northern made it Thursday with a 7-0 conquest of Pershing. These three schools finished in a three-way tie in the regular season and thus a playoff was necessary. Cody and Southwestern qualified earlier.

Tuesday's semifinals will put Osborn against Cody and Northern against Southwestern. Both games will start at 3 p.m. at Northwestern Field.

Strong relief pitching by Mike Moore preserved Osborn's victory yesterday.

Osborn jumped to a 3-0 lead in the first inning as Jerry Warsaw, Danny Trenchmontagne and Nick Thompson all singled and later scored.

Soccer Plays 'Outcast' Role in Prep Sports

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