RU Beats Stevenson To Win Anders Tournament

By R.T. THOMPSON

Although playing in a county
fair atmosphere with lights of
carnival rides from the
Livonia. Jaycee Livonia 21
Festival surrounding the
playing field and even cutting
down the area of the bormal
diamond, Redford Union's
Panthers turned their fourth
appearance in the finals to an
8-5 victory over Livonia
Stevenson to win the seventh
Les Anders Memorial
baseball tournament.

By GEORGE MASKIN Sports Editor

It's that time of the year to pass out the spring sports bouquets. When it comes to track and the coach-of-the-year in Ob-serverland, step forward Bob Holmes of Livonia's Franklin High Schol.

High School.

The 32-year-old Holmes turned a school, pretty much unsung as far as track had been concerned, into one of the

area's powers. Franklin went 8-0 in dual

Franklin went 8-0 in dual meets, won the Northwest Suburban League and the Belleville Relays titles and placed third in the regionals. Along the way, Franklin performers smashed six

school records,
"THINGS JUST fell in
place," said Holmes who has

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Holmes Named

Coach Of Year

from injuries. We were healthy all along." Holmes sees the Franklin team doing well again next

year.
"We were basically a young team this past season, so all looks well for us next spring." The biggest loss will be that of Mike Jinnet, one of the finest quartermilers in the state.

state.

Holmes, himself, formerly
ran track and cross-country

and played basketball first at

end the uprising.

THAT WAS the end for the Spartans as Ferguson struck out three of the seven batsman to face him in the sixth and

to face hm in the sixth and seventh.

Meanwhile, Richmond doubled with two out and two on in the sixth to send Bill Herbert over the plate.

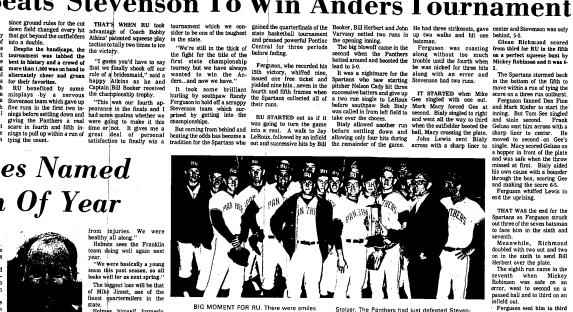
The eighth run came in the seventh when Mickey Robinson was safe on an error, went to second on a passed ball and to third on an infield out.

Ferguson sent him to third on a sacrifice bunt and then LeRoux finished the job with a squeeze bunt that found the squeeze bunt that found that found that found that found the squeeze bunt that found that found that found the squeeze bunt that squeeze bunt that found the squeeze bunt that squeeze bunt the squeeze bunt that squeeze bunt that squeeze bunt the squeeze bunt that squeeze bunt the squeeze bunt that squeeze bunt the squeeze bunt the squeeze bunt that squeeze bunt the sque

LeRoux finished the job with a squeeze bunt that found Robinson darting across as Bialy made the throw to first. Richmond was the big gunner for the victors with two doubles. LeRoux contributed a double and a single and Rooker two singles.

Booker two singles.

Bialy had a perfect day for Stevenson, cracking out three singles in as many trips to the plate.



where as Randy Ferguson (black jacket)

Bobby Atkins and Captain Bill Booker receive the Les Anders Memorial trophy from

son, 8-5, to win the championship on their fourth trip to the finals. (Photo by Tom Dono-

'Happiest Moment'For Atkins

BOB HOLMES

completed three years as the "OUT" for Bob Atkins, the head track coach at the school after serving two as an assistant. Before that he was on the coaching staff at Bryant Junior High in Livonia.

"For one thing, we had some young fellows who did better than we might have expected. Then, too, and perhaps most important, for the first time we stayed away saying.

Sports Edifor

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And, then, last Wednesday, it was Redford Union which downed Livonia Stevenson in the title game the title game in the showing of this team has really surprised me, Alkins declared.

ATKINS SINGLED out day's district play batting league games...the latter credit and had hit safely in 22 to 16 77 games the hustle which made the difference.

RU never has had a 400 showed the other kids on the litter for the entire regular scann. In addition he won without enthusiasm and without enthusiasm and

a centerfielder-pitcher:

"Bill had the best year with
the bat that any kid ever has
had for me in high school,"
said Akins. And it should be
noted that Akins has
once stars over the years.

He hit safely in 20 of the 27
tames and in all 10 of RU's
losses.

THE THIRD STANDOUT.
THE OF COURSE, is pitcher Randy
Ferguson, who, in beating
Stevenson in the title game,
chalked up his 12th decision of
the season against only two

difference.

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Lenny Dicks Named C'ville Top Athlete WARD

Lenny Dicks, who played three sports to earn 11 letters, was voted Clarenceville. High School's most outstanding all-around athlete. Dicks received that trophy and tied for another trophy as the outstanding football player in the Clarenceville Athletie Boosters Club annual recognition banque. It took three ballots among

Ti took three ballots among the coaching staff to pick Dicks, said Athletic Director Chuck Thompson, but there was some consolation for that youngster Dicks beat-Rick Stearns.

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Stearns two days later was selected outstanding somior athlete at the school's honors convocation.

TO WIN his trophies, Dicks played four years of football as a linebacker, guard and tackle; wrestled for four years, winning conference and league championships in the 165-pound class; and was catcher on the baseball team for three years.

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He missed some of his senior year in wrestling in synchronized swimming; Chuck Wehner, wrestling; Rob Stearns, to earn the outstanding senior athlete award, played football; was runnerup in the state in the floor in the state in the special for the typing event in the state in the sigh imprevent in the state in t

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