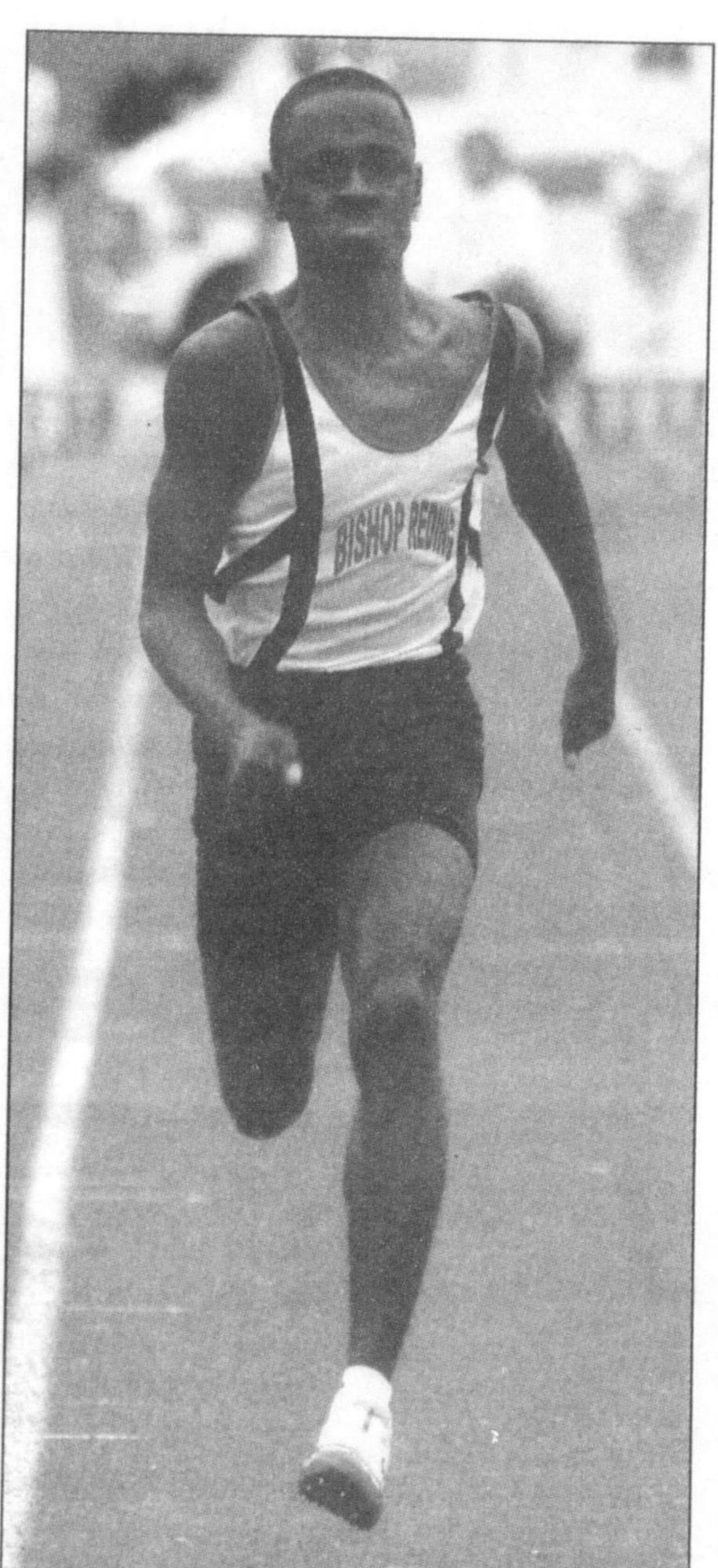


Bennett runs his way to solid finishes at OFSAA



HERB GARBUTT / SPECIAL TO THE CHAMPION ON THE RUN: Wayndale Bennett competes in Friday afternoon's junior boys 100m in Etobicoke.

Reding competitor makes finals in 100 and 200m

Wayndale Bennett is nothing if not versatile.

Proving he's as capable on the track as he is in the field, the 16-yearold Bishop Reding Secondary School student reached the finals in both the junior boys 100 and 200m at OFSAA this past weekend in Etobicoke.

A provincial representative in the long jump last spring, he placed seventh in the 200m with a 23.71s effort and stopped the 100m clock at 11.75s for eighth-place honours.

Reaching the finals in both events came as a welcome surprise for the local teen, who was only ranked 13th in the 200m and 15th in the 100m heading into the weekend.

"I got a pretty good start in each and it felt good to make the finals," said Bishop Reding's lone OFSAA competitor.

Losing just a slight step and one spot in the 100m after a 11.48 preliminary finish that was good enough for seventh Thursday afternoon, Bennett came in just a split second behind Rob Kiraly of Northern Collegiate Institute Friday afternoon.

On Saturday he preserved through a heavy downpour to place seventh in both the preliminary (23.52s) and final.

