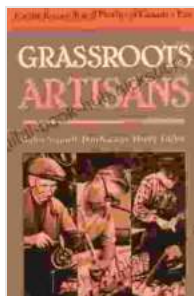


Walter Stansell, Dan Sarazin, Henry Taylor: The Record Stands Unmatched



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In the annals of running, few records have stood the test of time like the one set by Walter Stansell, Dan Sarazin, and Henry Taylor. On May 21, 1964, the trio of American distance runners set a world record in the 4 x 1500 meter relay that has remained unbroken for over 50 years.

The race was held at the Modesto Relays in Modesto, California. Stansell, Sarazin, and Taylor were all members of the University of Oregon track and field team, and they were considered to be among the best distance runners in the world.

The race started with Stansell running the first leg. He handed off to Sarazin, who ran the second leg. Taylor ran the third leg, and he gave the team a slight lead going into the final leg.

The anchor leg was run by Stansell, who had to hold off a challenge from Jim Ryun, who was one of the best middle distance runners in the world at the time. Stansell was able to maintain his lead, and he crossed the finish line in a time of 14:39.2.

The record set by Stansell, Sarazin, and Taylor has stood the test of time. It is the oldest standing world record in track and field, and it is considered to be one of the most impressive records in the sport.

The Men Behind the Record

Walter Stansell was born in 1943 in Eugene, Oregon. He was a talented runner from a young age, and he went on to have a successful career at the University of Oregon. After graduating from college, Stansell went on to compete in the Olympics and other international competitions.

Dan Sarazin was born in 1944 in Salem, Oregon. He was also a talented runner from a young age, and he went on to have a successful career at the University of Oregon. After graduating from college, Sarazin went on to compete in the Olympics and other international competitions.

Henry Taylor was born in 1942 in Portland, Oregon. He was a talented runner from a young age, and he went on to have a successful career at the University of Oregon. After graduating from college, Taylor went on to compete in the Olympics and other international competitions.

The Record-Setting Race

The 4 x 1500 meter relay race at the Modesto Relays was a highly anticipated event. Stansell, Sarazin, and Taylor were all considered to be

among the best distance runners in the world, and they were expected to challenge the world record.

The race started with Stansell running the first leg. He ran a time of 3:49.0, which gave the team a slight lead. Sarazin ran the second leg in a time of 3:49.8, which extended the team's lead.

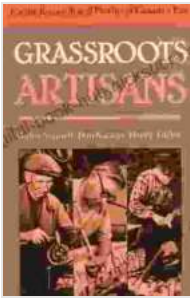
Taylor ran the third leg in a time of 3:50.2, which gave the team a commanding lead going into the final leg. Stansell ran the anchor leg in a time of 3:50.2, which gave the team a final time of 14:39.2.

The record set by Stansell, Sarazin, and Taylor was a remarkable achievement. It was the first time that the 4 x 1500 meter relay world record had been broken in over 20 years, and it has stood the test of time for over 50 years.

The Legacy of the Record

The record set by Stansell, Sarazin, and Taylor is a testament to their athleticism, determination, and teamwork. It is also a reminder of the golden age of American distance running. In the 1960s, American distance runners were dominant on the world stage, and Stansell, Sarazin, and Taylor were among the best of the best.

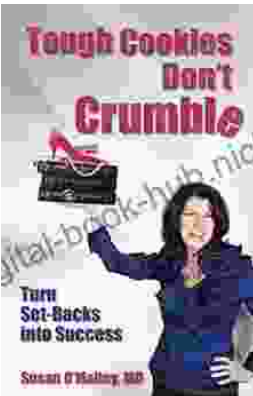
The record set by Stansell, Sarazin, and Taylor continues to inspire runners today. It is a reminder that anything is possible if you set your mind to it. It is also a reminder that teamwork and determination can overcome any challenge.



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