

# FIELD DAY IS ROARING FARCE.

## DISQUALIFICATION OF PARSONS CREATES LOUD ROW.

Accidental Wine in so Much of the Programme as Was Decided. Event Starts Late, as Usual—Some Good Records Are Made in the Scrappy Contest.

Beginning the usual hour late and ending in the customary wrangle over a decision of the judges, yesterday's field day between Occidental and U.S.C. added another farce to the records of intercollegiate athletics in Southern California. Though the understanding at first was that amateur athletic rules would govern, toward the last it looked much as if the regulations drafted by the late lamented Marquis of Queensberry would be called into action. Knots of excited partisan sympathizers held forth with great gusto and exceeding noise in the field; canes and hands whirled to and fro, and the only wonder is that somebody's self-restraint did not break bounds and precipitate the "rough house" that was evidently brewing. Happily that was avoided, though it would have been little more of an evil than the continuous gabfest that held forth from 5 to 6 o'clock last night in Fiesta Park.

Athletes in this section are so accustomed to scrappy field days that they are considered the natural thing and are not held in the contempt with which a visiting sportsman views them. The public—at least that part of it which pays admission—is interested in the struggle for athletic superiority and not the efforts of the young men for oratorical and argumentative supremacy, that being a matter well provided for at the interscholastic debates. It is a pity the day ended as it did. Several really excellent records were made and others seemed in prospect, when in the 440-yard run Parsons of U.S.C. was disqualified for fouling by cutting off an Occidental runner. The judges agreed upon the action, but nevertheless it precipitated a row, and the upshot of the argument was Coach Cutter's removal of his men from the field.

Hagerman, Occidental, won the broad jump on his first attempt, which resulted in a distance of 20ft. 3in.—an excellent effort. Nobody else came within two feet of him, and most of the contestants finished under 20 feet. Hagerman's jump is a new interscholastic record.

Parsons, who is quite a runner, won the hundred-yard dash in 10 3-16s., and ran a dead heat in the 220 with Townsend, another U.S.C. man. In this event Parsons showed a remarkable knack of taking up the whole track, which culminated in his victory in the 440 event being thrown out by the judges for fouling.

The hammer throw was a joke; the shot put was not at all sensational, but the high jump produced a close and exciting contest, with a maximum height of 5ft. 6in., which is good work. The inability of Broderson and Hammack to settle this event made the judges call it a draw, which caused a resort to the rules, showing the officials had no authority to do such a thing, but about that time the 440-yard wrangle settled all further doing for the day. So far as the contest had gone the score stood 28 to 28 in Occidental's favor, spitting the points in the high jump.

Such events as were run off follow:

Hundred-yard dash—Parsons (U.S.C.) won, Hagerman (O.) second, Roberts (O.) third; time 10 3-16s.

Hammer throw—Buell (O.) 20ft. 10in., won; B. Miller (U.S.C.) 16ft. 4 1/2in., second; Wieman (O.) 15ft. 8in., third.

Mile run thrown out.

Broad jump—Hagerman (O.) 20ft. 3in., won; C. Spaulding (O.) 19ft. 2in., second; Edwards (U.S.C.) 18ft. 10in., third.

Shot put—Broderson (U.S.C.) 20ft. 4in., won; Banash (O.) 19ft., second; B. Miller (U.S.C.) 18ft. 11 1/2in., third.

Two-hundred-and-twenty-yard dash—Dead heat between Parsons and Townsend (U.S.C.) time 24s.

High jump—Thompson (O.), 5ft. 6in., won; Broderson (U.S.C.) and Hammack tied.

Four-hundred-and-forty-yard dash—Parsons (U.S.C.) disqualified for fouling; Hagerman (O.) given first; Miller (O.) second, Ham (U.S.C.) third; time 54s.

Considerable amusement was afforded in the high jump by the piece of scantling which did duty as a cross bar. Man after man would hit it, but the refractory timber stood pat, and only a hard jolt would tumble it from the supports.

Last night the track captains of the two teams got together and mutually agreed to throw out the mile event, as it was run one lap short. The relay cup was not awarded. U.S.C. defaulted to Occidental in the other events. The decision of the judges in the 440-yard dash was accepted. This left the final score about 35 to 28 in Occidental's favor.