

TWENTY-THREE FOR MERRILL.

OCcidental COACH PUTS FEW WINNERS ACROSS LINE.

U.S.C. Wins Field Meet by Very Large Score—Richardson Proves the Star Performer of Day—Four Elements Combine to Make Meet a Success.

Bearing a defeat that was crushing, complete and disheartening, Occidental returned home, last night, completely humiliated after failing to take first place in a single event in her track meet with the University of Southern California. U.S.C. piled up a total of 89 points, to 23 for Occidental.

As was predicted, U.S.C. had little difficulty in defeating Occidental in the track meet yesterday. The Presbyterians scored but few points, none on first place, but her men showed grit and stamina in sticking out the long losing contest to the end. Richardson of U.S.C., the wizard from Santa Paula, was the star of the meet. He took four firsts yesterday. In two of these he made Southern California collegiate records. One was his mark of 134 feet 8 inches in the hammer throw, and the other the pole vault, which he cleared at 14 feet. Some apprehension was caused when his pole splintered under him. He fell ten feet, but by remarkable control dropped without suffering any hurt. His other winnings were made in the shot put and high jump.

Perfect weather, excellent track, well-filled bleachers and close rivalry between colleges, combined to make the meet a big success. The teams were of comparative equal strength. Parsons, the crack sprinter for U.S.C., was disqualified, while Bird, star short-distance man for O. C., was out of the dashes because of injuries. Cheered by waving colors and hearty yells and songs, both sides entered the fray with high hopes. Three hours later Occidental was dragged from the arena after the spiked shoe of her opponent had been placed in triumph upon her athletic chest.

The university won every first place, a majority of second places, and were not surpassed in the number of thirds. Notwithstanding the one-sidedness of the score, the match was exciting throughout, and many minor incidents added to the interest.

The first pistol cracked for the start of the high hurdles. It was a close, pretty race and Lennox won by a slight margin. Comstock, who was touted to win, tripped and fell hard over a bar near the finish, and as Occidental partisans had taken pains to wedge tight all the hurdles in his lane after he had been placed, "Commie" took occasion to express to them his opinion of the procedure. The low hurdles furnished much interest to the spectators also.

The dashes were no less exciting. U.S.C. won three places in the 100-yard event, Hodge, the dependence of the opposition, finishing fourth. The winning trio, Shute, Cooper and Thompson, repeated the one-two-three process in the 200-yard dash. The quarter-mile trick was really between Lennox and Hodge. Hodge gained in a terrific sprint for the finish, but U.S.C.'s man won because of the advantage he had obtained on the back stretch.

Estoppey, for U.S.C., paced his opponent for nearly two laps in the mile run. He soon fell back, while Nordahl, with his marvelous long stride, took the lead and won a speedy race practically against time, as he made his own pace many yards ahead of the bunch. The time was 4:30.3-5. Carver for Occidental made a creditable race and got second.

Fine grit was shown by both factions in the two-mile grind. This was Estoppey's race and he led his competitors as they gradually shrunk from his brilliant-but hard suit. Garbutt took second. He is a mere boy of cadaverous build who never ran until this season. He lacks both muscle and strength, but his symmetrical form, which is much admired, permits him to win, as he wastes not an ounce of energy.

The 880-yard run furnished Nemire his opportunity. Bonner and Spring of Occidental took second and third. Curt and Schaeffer, of Holmes's team, could not stand the gaff and quit early.

The relay, the last one on the card, was the one that convulsed the bleachers. The scarlet-and-gold men expected Coach Merrill's engineers to win this and didn't care, but at the end of the first quarter realized they had a show and went after it. The first two relays of men ran evenly, but Shute gained over Clark, his running mate, in the third quarter. Hodge started out on the last lap to win this back for his school, but it was a Douglasian trick and he didn't succeed. Nordahl won, making the Methodist victory complete.

It was 23 for Occidental; U.S.C.—89. Sum-

mary:

The 120-yard hurdles—Lennox (U.S.C.,) F. Thompson (O.,) Wieman (O.,) time, 16 1-5 sec.

The 100-yard dash—Cooper (U.S.C.,) Shute (U.S.C.,) Thompson (U.S.C.,) time 10 2-5 sec.

Mile run—Nordahl (U.S.C.,) Carver (O.,) Estoppey (U.S.C.,) time 4 min. 50 3-5 sec.

The 440-yard dash—Lennox (U.S.C.,) Hodge (O.,) Fuller (U.S.C.,) time 54 4-5 sec.

Two-mile run—Estoppey (U.S.C.,) Garbutt (U.S.C.,) Gordon (O.,) time 11 min. 5 3-5 sec.

The 200-yard hurdles—Elliott (U.S.C.,) Burek (U.S.C.,) F. Thompson (O.,) time 28 sec.

The 200-yard dash—Shute (U.S.C.,) Cooper (U.S.C.,) Thompson (U.S.C.,) time 23 1-5 sec.

The 880-yard run—Newmyre (U.S.C.,) Bonner (O.,) Spring (O.,) time 2 min. 6 3-5 sec.

Hammer throw—Richardson (U.S.C.,) 134 ft. 8 in.; Burek (U.S.C.,) 119 ft.; Marshall (O.,) 112 ft. 9 in.

Shot put—Richardson (U.S.C.,) 37 ft. 5½

in.; Comstock (U.S.C.,) 36 ft. 1½ in.; Burek (U. S. C.,) 35 ft. 9½ in.

Pole vault—Richardson (U.S.C.,) 11 ft.; Comstock (U.S.C.,) 10 ft. 6 in.; Merrill (O.,) 10 ft. 1 in.

High jump—Richardson (U.S.C.,) Haigler (U.S.C.,) McKee (O.,) height 5 ft. 7 in.

Broad Jump—Chandler (U.S.C.,) 20 ft. 4 1-4 in.; Thomas (O.,) 19 ft. 10 1-4 in.; Haigler (U.S.C.,) 19 ft. 10 in.

Relay race—Burek, Newmyre, Shute, Nordahl (U.S.C.,) C. Blee, Carver, Clark Hodge (O.) Time 3 min. 39 sec.

Officials: Referee—Cromwell; starter—Hamilton; clerk—Clark; announcer—Best; inspectors—Thompson, Best, Solomon and Cleland; judges of finish—Lawton, Holmes and Cleland; judges of weights—Solomon, Haggerty, Irwin Miller; judges of jumps—Hammock, Carnes, Coates, Braden; timers—Hemple,

Lawton, Merrill.