

U. S. C. WINS BIG HONORS.

First in Conference Meet by Good Margin.

Captures Eight Out of Fourteen First Places.

Thomson and Stone Are Best Individual Men.

U.S.C., 17; Pomona, 17; Occidental, 11; Whittier, 5.

The track and field athletes of U.S.C. scored a decisive victory over Pomona, Occidental and Whittier in the annual conference meet at Harvard Field yesterday afternoon.

The Methodists assumed the lead early in the contest, and the other contestants gradually fell behind as the scores in the events were registered. The real contest was between Pomona and Occidental for second place. The Tigers were second until three-fourths of the events were run off, when Pomona came up strong and fell in behind U.S.C.

No intercollegiate records were broken, but all the races were exciting and closely contested. All the reversals in form occurred outside of the ranks of U.S.C., and the Methodists assumed many points that they had not claimed in the "dope" sheets.

Occidental began to go on the rocks when Harr failed to place in the 100 yard dash on account of being sent back for jumping the gun, when Thomson was crowded back into third place in the low hurdles by Lennon of U.S.C. and Parker of Pomona, and when Curran, pole vaulter, and Bonner, ball-thrower, failed to break into the points.

Pomona did not fall far behind the expectations of its supporters, but the lead that U.S.C. got through the failure of the Highlanders to hold up their end made it impossible for the Claremonters to get within striking distance of the Methodists.

About 150 persons were on the bleachers. The Occidental and Pomona supporters equaled in numbers the viewers that crowded the U.S.C. section, but the Whittier contingent was small. These college boys hoarse and well-trained rooting clubs maintained a continuous volume of noise that swept out over the field and encouraged the athletes to do their best. The color display was gorgeous. Each rooting faction occupied reserved sections in the bleachers that were decorated with college colors, and the waving pennants and bobbing runners' hats formed a bright waving mass that shone brilliantly in the sunlight.

BIG MAJORITY.

U.S.C. was eight firsts, four seconds and five thirds; Pomona took four firsts, four seconds and eight thirds; Occidental captured one first, seven seconds and one third, and Whittier took one first. The Methodists' abundance of good all-around material, and the lack of many first-place men by Pomona and Occidental were responsible for the result of the meet.

Mills of Whittier college was the only Quaker who broke into the points. He won the mile race in 16:4-1/2, the fastest time that has been made in the south for two years. The Quaker ran Sturges of Pomona and Hall and Scott of U.S.C. off their feet, opening up a sprint in the home stretch that made him an easy winner.

Fred Thomson of Occidental was the best individual performer, scoring seventeen points for the Highlanders. He took first place in the high hurdles from Lennon of U.S.C. in a heart-breaking finish, and captured second in the shot put, hammer throw and broad jump and third place in the low hurdles. The latter event went to Lennon of U.S.C. in the closest finish of the day. Thomson, Lennon and Parker of Pomona started over the last hurdle simultaneously, but Lennon ran through his hurdle and he and Parker reached the tape a few inches before Thomson.

Capt. Stone of Pomona won first in the 100 and 40-yard dashes and in the broad jump. In none of the events was he pressed hard to win, and he did not reach his best marks in any of them. Capt. Ross of Occidental finished an easy second to Stone in the quarter-mile race, and Thomson of Occidental was only a few inches behind the Pomonian in the broad jump.

Trotter of U.S.C. threw the shot 42 feet 1 inch, falling five and three-quarter inches behind his intercollegiate record. Thomson of Occidental reached 41 feet 7 1/2 inches. Thomson led Burck of Occidental for some time in the hammer throw, but the Methodists landed first place on a good toss from a triple turn.

U.S.C. won the relay event, with Occidental second and Pomona third. The Methodists got a big lead on the first lap and Pomona was well ahead of Occidental, but although U.S.C. never was passed, Thur and Scott of Occidental overtook Pomona on the last two laps and landed the Tigers in second place.

FLASH IN PAN.

Capt. Mills of Whittier started the track events by winning the mile race in the good time of 16 minutes and 28 1/2 seconds, thereby securing five points, the only place won by a Quaker.

Hall surprised the field by running an second, seven yards behind Mills and three yards to the good of Scott, the second U.S.C. entry, while Sturges, the Pomona crack runner, finished fourth.

Delar, Bruce and Sharpless were strung out a half to the rear. As the runners came through the far gate on the final lap, Scott was leading Sturges by a yard and fighting hard. The Pomona runner started to sprint a furlong from the finish and passed Scott a hundred yards from the tape, Delar dropping to the rear and Hall, with a wonderful spurt, passing the great Scott on the last turn and finishing a strong second.

Capt. Stone of Pomona captured the century event in one of the greatest finishes of the meet, barely a foot separating Martin and Trotter of U.S.C., who got second and third, respectively. On the first start all the runners jumped the gun except Parker of Pomona, and he was given a yard advantage. Again the sprinters got set and again starter Hempel was obliged to call back Trotter, Burr and Ross, who jumped the signal. Martin and Stone were a yard ahead of the field on the third start, and at the gun

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vent off they bounded together down the stretch. Trotter and Baer fought hard for third honors to within twenty yards of the tape, when Trotter, with a great sprint, passed Baer and began to press Martin for second. Sloane was never headed and maintained his advantage by inches over Martin to the string, the Pomona captain taking the event by but a few inches. The time was 10 1-5 seconds.

Thomson took the first track event for Occidental in the high hurdles, when he beat Lennox and Burek of U.S.C. in a sensational finish. Lennox got a fine start and was the first runner to top the initial stick, Burek

and Kenneker took the first hurdles together, and Thomson was a foot behind. With great strides the Occidental sticker passed barrier after barrier, pulling down the lead of Lennox to twenty yards and forging ahead by inches in one of the greatest races of the day. The 'varsity captain fought hard, and with Burek took the last hurdle but a scant foot behind Thomson. The final sprint of ten yards decided the event, Thomson winning by a foot from Lennox.

QUARTER MILE.

Seven starters toed the mark at the beginning of the quarter-mile dash, Rush of Occidental having the pole. Sloane of Pomona took the lead on the last lap, with Wallace and Case of Pomona struggling for the remaining point. Sloane kept the race well in hand down the stretch, winning in the slow time of 54 seconds flat. Rush finished second, two yards ahead of Case of Pomona, with Wallace fourth. The time was exceedingly slow, and Sloane could have bettered the mark considerably if he had been pressed.

In the furlong event the runners again appeared overanxious to get away, and both Baer of Occidental and Joose of Pomona were penalized two yards for jumping the first gun. Martin got a splendid start, and jumped to the lead on the first curve. Baer ran a great race and gained slowly but surely on Martin until the two men tore down the home stretch side by side.

The pace was severe, and both the leaders were exhausted as they came to the string, Martin winning by a scant foot, and Baer a good yard ahead of Reid, who took the third point for Pomona. The time of 23s. flat was fast for a curved track.

Capt. Lennox ran a beautiful race in the low hurdles, showing his heels to Parker and Thomson in one of the fastest events of the meet. The Occidental hurdler was doped to win easily, and he got the pole on the start. The stickers tore around the curve at a terrific clip, and Lennox and Parker were seen to be fighting neck and neck for the lead. Thomson closed the gap fast and passed both Parker and Lennox twenty yards from the finish. As the men took the last hurdle it looked like a dead heat, but Lennox let out his last kink and took the honors by inches, Parker

snatching second from Thomson in the last yard.

NEWMIRE BEATEN.

H. Gower of U.S.C. caused consternation in the grand stand by stealing first place from Newmire in the half-mile in one of the prettiest races of the day. Bonner of Occidental had the pole and got a good start. Carver was second and Newmire was third, as they raced through the gate and disappeared behind the building. As the bunch emerged from the opposite gate, Newmire was in the lead by five yards, with Carver second and Bonner third. The first lap was covered by Newmire in 57s., and as the field passed the bleachers Gower began closing the gap, passing Bonner and Carver before he got to the gate again.

As the bunch came through the second gate for the last time, Newmire and Gower were running side by side, with Carver ten yards to the rear, and O'Brien and Bonner still farther behind. The two Methodists ran neck and neck to the last fifty yards, when Gower let out his reserve and passed Newmire, winning by five yards. Carver was three yards behind Newmire. The time was 2m. 41-5s.

Pomona took all the points in the two-mile event, Sturgis, Lorbee and Rau finishing in the order named, yards ahead of Montgomery of Occidental. The event was uninteresting till the last lap, when Montgomery sprinted in a supreme effort to pass

Rau, and causing Lorbeer and Sturges to let out more speed as they came down the stretch.

Sturges took the pole on the third lap, with Lorbeer, Rau, Montgomery and White strung out behind. On each lap Sturges increased his lead till the final 100 yards, when the Occidental grinder spurted, but failed to get in the point.

GREAT RELAY.

The relay furnished the most sensational race of the meet, Lennox winning the last lap from Daer by the safe margin of seven yards from Rush of Occidental with Sloane a five yards to the rear. The feature of the race was the performance of Baer, who gained ten yards on Reed in the third lap, passing Carver of Pomona, and giving the second position to Rush for the last lap but five yards behind Lennox.

Roberts, Newmire and Case ran the first lap, Newmire beating Case fifteen yards to the tape, with Roberts another fifteen yards behind Case. It looked like a walkaway for the Methodists, and Burek, O'Brien and Conrad finished the second lap about the same distance apart. Baer of Occidental got the pass from Conrad, and tore like a flash after the receding Carver. The Occidental runner passed the Pomona third lapper just as he passed through the far gate, and with great strides began to eat up the intervening distance of twenty yards to Reed, the 'varsity runner. Baer ran well, and was but seven yards behind Reed as he gave the pass to Rush.

Lennox was too fast for the speedy Rush, however, and although Rush made up perhaps two yards on the back stretch he was unable to further cut down the lead of the lengthy Methodist captain, and Lennox finished strong five yards ahead of Rush, with Sloane a like distance behind Rush. The time was 3m. 26s.

FIELD EVENTS.

Burek won the first of the field events from Thomson after the Presbyterian had made the best mark in the qualifying trials of 121 ft. On the third trial in the finals Burek threw the missile 122 ft. 10 in., snatching the honors from Thomson who was unable to surpass his qualifying mark. Richardson was third with a mark of 115 ft., Kenneker and Clark failing to qualify. The throwers had much trouble with the big ball, Conrad once letting the weight slip when he had made but half his third turn, the ball flying just over the heads of several of the judges.

The shot put furnished a great exhibition with Trotter and Thomson both putting the weight over forty-two feet. Trotter on his first effort hurled the weighty sphere 42 ft. 1½ in., with Thomson making a mark of 41 ft. and Clark of Pomona third with 39 ft. Conrad and "Big" Kenneker failed to qualify after three attempts, and Trotter, Thomson and Clark finished in the same order as in the semi-finals, Trotter's best mark being 43 ft. 2 in., Thomson making 42 ft. 7½ in.

Murray took the high jump for the Methodists after a drawn out struggle. Murray, Lorbeer of Pomona and Gordon of Occidental were tied for first place at 5 ft. 8 in. for three trials. The judges gave each of the three contestants three more trials, the winner to take the event in the smallest number of trials. Murray took the bar clearly on his second attempt, Gordon topping the height on his third try and Lorbeer failing to jump over the bar until his fourth trial.

Richardson annexed the pole vault at 11 ft., winning from Seward and Pierce of Pomona in a hotly contested struggle. Carus dropped out of the running at 10 ft. 6 in., and Pierce

failed to get higher than 10 ft. 9 in. On the last trial of the final Richardson cleared eleven feet, beating Seward by one inch for the first honors.

Capt. Sloane captured the broad event easily, winning by a margin of six inches from Thomson of Occidental. Goodsell of U.S.C. finished third with a mark of 20 ft. 2½ in. Martin of U.S.C. was the fourth man to qualify, and cleared 19 ft. 9 in.

Mile run—Won by Mills (Whittier); Hall (U.S.C.,) second; Scott (U.S.C.,) third. Time, 4m. 39 4-5s.

The 100-yard dash—Won by Sloane (Pomona); Martin (U.S.C.,) second; Trotter (U.S.C.,) third. Time, 10 1-5s.

The 120-yard hurdles (high)—Won by Thomson (Occidental); Lennox (U.S.C.,) second; Burek (U.S.C.,) third. Time, 16 1-5s.

The 440-yard dash—Won by Sloane (Pomona); Rush (Occidental,) second; Case (Pomona,) third. Time, 54s.

The 220-yard dash—Won by Martin (U.S.C.,) Baer (Occidental,) second; Reid (Pomona,) third. Time, 23s.

The 220-yard hurdles (low)—Won by Lennox (U.S.C.,) Parker (Pomona,) second; Thomson (Occidental,) third. Time, 26 1-5s.

The 880-yard run—Won by Gower (U.S.C.,) Newmire (U.S.C.,) second; Carver (Pomona,) third. Time, 3m. 4 1-5s.

Two-mile run—Sturges and Lorbeer (Pomona,) tied for first; Rau (Pomona,) third. Time, 10m. 41 3-5s.

Hammer throw—Won by Burek (U.

S.C.;) Thomson (Occidental,) second; Richardson (U.S.C.,) third. Distance, 122ft. 10in.

Shot put—Won by Trotter (U.S.C.;) Thomson (Occidental,) second; Clark (Pomona,) third. Distance, 43ft. 2in.

High jump—Won by Murray (U.S.C.;) Gordon (Occidental,) second; Lorbeer (Pomona,) third. Height, 5ft. 8in.

Broad jump—Won by Sloane (Pomona;) Thomson (Occidental,) second; Goodsell (U.S.C.,) third. Distance, 21ft. 7½in.

Pole vault—Won by Richardson (U.S.C.;) Seward (Pomona,) second; Pierce (Pomona,) third. Height, 11ft.

Mile relay—Won by U.S.C. (Newmire, Burek, Reed, Lennox;) Occidental (Roberts, Conrad, Baer, Rush,) second; Pomona (Case, O'Brien, Carver, Gloare,) third. Time, 3m. 35s.

Officials—Referee and starter, Walter Hempel; judges of finish, Sumner, Easterly, Cooper; timers, Royard, Test, Robb; judges of weights, Willett, Braden, Wright; judges of jumps, Hammond, Harris, Davenport; inspectors, Hatch, Tangeman, McDowell, Thompson; clerk, Crossman.