

TROJAN TEAM RAN AWAY WITH THE A.A.U. MEET.

Fred Kelly in the Greatest Form in Which He Has Been Seen This Season—Feature of the Meet Was the Game Exhibition of Paul Pritchard — Thomson and Drew Divide Honors.

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THE wonderful track team of the University of Southern California ran away with the A.A.U. championship of the south by an overwhelming score of 37. The L.A.A.C. was second with 18½ points, followed by Occidental with 17½, Pomona with 11, Pasadena High 3, Manual Arts 1, Anaheim High 1, unattached 1, Santa Ana High 1, Long Beach High and the Y.M.C.A. 1 point each.

Shut out of the points in only two events, the Trojans captured no less than seven first places and in three events first and second places went to Comstock's crew.

With the local track season complete, the Trojans find themselves in the position of having finished in the foreground of every meet in which they have competed.

Fred Kelly was in form far surpassing any that he has shown this season. In the high hurdles the peerless Trojan tore away from Ward and Thomson in the last thirty yards, crossing the tape a winner by a few feet in the wonderful time of 15 seconds flat, a performance spoiled only by his tipping over of one hurdle.

DISTANCED FRED THOMSON.

In the low hurdles he lit out from the start and was never headed. For the first time this year he seemed to get his stride and dashed over the tape yards ahead of Fred Thomson in the really great time of 24 seconds flat.

In the broad jump the Trojan for once seemed to really care and far surpassed any of his previous performances by leaping 22 feet 1 inch and taking third place in the event.

The real feature of the meet was the two-mile run in which Paul Pritchard of Occidental gave one of the bravest exhibitions ever seen on a Southern track.

Determined to retrieve his defeat of last week, the Tiger freshman started out like a race horse. He was fifty yards to the good at the end of the fourth lap and at the end of the fifth had increased it to 75 yards.

In the meanwhile, trailing far in the rear was Ernest Fisher, one-time Pomona star, his peculiar springing stride carrying him along with peculiar grace and apparent ease. He was last at the first lap, but at the end of the fifth had pulled up to third, a yard back of Teeters.

On his sixth lap he began to let himself out. Teeters was determined not to be passed and for the entire lap fought bravely to keep second place, but the boy in the blue sappers was not to be denied and as he passed Teeters in front of the grand stand at the end of the sixth lap the exhausted Trojan collapsed in a heap.

This sprint had brought the Hun star to within forty yards and the seventh lap brought him within thirty yards of the flying Tiger runner.

THE LAST LAP.

At the sound of the gun for the last lap, the Tiger leaped out on his accustomed sprint and here for the first time he knew that there was something wrong.

The sandy-haired youngster bravely struggled to stride out, but the spring was gone. Fisher, his head stuck out like that of a greyhound, began to sprint. Stride after stride he gained on the fast-tiring Tiger.

In front of the clubhouse he drew even. For a few steps the Tiger pulled himself together and kept pace with his rival, but Fisher was not to be denied and drew slowly past. His eyes dimmed and glassy, the plucky Tiger tried to catch up, but his deadened muscles failed to respond.

Fisher dashed on around to the finish, but the eyes of the crowd for once were not on the winner. At the last turn, Pritchard, his haggard face drawn and pale, stopped. He could do no more. A cheer from the bleachers spurred him on and slowly he walked down the straightway while officials kept eager hands from helping him.

Ten yards from the finish the dogged spirit of the Tiger aroused him to a final effort. With a look of anguish upon his face, he broke into a trot and staggered across the tape

into the arms of his brother, defeated, but not beaten.

DREW AND THOMSON.

Fred Thomson, world's champion all-round athlete and Howard Drew, the Trojan sprinter, divided individual honors with fifteen points apiece. Drew captured both sprints by a block and took the broad jump with a leap of 22ft. 5 3/4-in. Thomson won the shot put and hammer throw, second in the low hurdles and third in the high hurdles and discus.

Bill Kendrick, the human hairpin of U.S.C., sprang a huge surprise when he captured the high jump at 5ft. 11 1/4-in. after jumping off a tie with Anderson of Santa Ana, considered the certain winner, and Jim Johnson of the L.A.A.C. The skinny Trojan has had a clean record of first places during the year with the exception of the California meet.

Bill Annie of Occidental and Clarence Beebe of Anaheim had rather hollow victories in the mile and half-mile runs. Annie clipped off the distance in 4m 23 3/8s and finished a hundred yards to the good, while Tipton loafed in an equal distance behind Beebe in the half. Beebe's time was 2m. 1-3s.

IN THE QUARTER.

Larry Gillette ran true to form in the quarter, nosing out Johnny Cook of Occidental by two yards in 51s. flat. The Tiger took the lead at the start, but Gillette passed him on the backstretch. In front of the training quarters, Adkinson, the Santa Ana High School boy, threatened Gillette's lead, but coming into the stretch Cook passed Adkinson while the Hun captain loafed over the line a winner.

The High School eight-man relay was an awful thing. Bill Penn of Manual won it for his team on the second lap by giving his man a ten-yard lead. By the time Hughes of Manual started the last lap, he had twenty yards on Wark of Long Beach. The beach flyer cut it down to ten yards, but the task of finishing first was too much for him.

SUMMARY.

The 100-yard dash—Drew (S.C.) first, Gillette (P.) second, Bradley (S.C.) third; time, 9.4s.

Mile run—Annie (O.) first, La Follette (P.) second, Welfer (S.C.) third; time, 4m. 33.3s.

Hammer throw—Thomson (A.C.) first, Bailey (S.C.) second, Cooper (Y.M.C.A.) third; distance, 144ft. 1in.

The 120 high hurdles—Kelly (S.C.) first, Ward (S.C.) second, Thomson (L.A.A.C.) third; time, 11s. One hurdle down.

Discus throw—Bagnard (P.H.S.) first, Clement (S.C.) second, Thomson (A.C.) third; distance, 127ft. 1in.

The 440-yard dash—Gillette (P.) first, Cook (O.) second, Adkinson (S.A.) third; time, 51s.

Broad jump—Drew (S.C.) first, Smead (M.A.) second, Kelly (S.C.) third; distance, 22ft. 5 3/4-in.

The 220-yard hurdles—Kelly (S.C.) first, Thomson (A.C.) second, Smead (M.A.H.S.) third; time, 35s.

The 320-yard dash—Drew (S.C.) first, Bradley (S.C.) second, Wark (L.H.S.) third; time, 33.3s.

Shot put—Thomson (A.C.) first, Bagnard (P.H.S.) second, Craig (S.C.) third; distance, 42ft. 11in.

The 880-yard run—Beebe (A.H.S.) first, Tipton (S.C.) second, Bickford (O.) third; time, 2m. 1-1s.

Two-mile run—Fisher (Un.) first, Pritchard (O.) second, Bangerter (M.A.) third; time, 19m. 10s.

Pole vault—Watkins and Borgstrom of U.S.C. tied for first; Johnson (A.C.) and Coffey (O.) tied for third; height, 11ft. 7in.

Relay—Occidental won; no time taken.

SPECIAL EVENTS.

High School 100-yard dash—Penn (M.A.) first, Jamason (L.A.) second, Wark (L.H.) third; time, 14.3s.

Grammar-school 100-yard dash—Houston (Harvard School) first, Webb (A.N.) second, Thomson (Berbank) third; time, 16.3s.

Grammar-school relay, 440 yards—Berendo won. Thirtieth-street Intermediate second, Berbank third; time, 51s.

High School relay, one mile (eight men)—Manual Arts won, Long Beach second; time, 7m. 7 1/2-s. New world's record for High Schools.