

NEW RUNNERS WILL APPEAR

Questions to be Answered With Performances

Strength of Team Certain to be Uncovered

Field Events Likely to Get Major Attention

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If the Trojan question marks can be swept as well as did the recent interrogation point of the



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Army society, a University of Southern California, and look forward to entering a successful track-and-field season. For upon the answers to a few various question marks sailing around Howard Field these days depend the success or failure of Coach Crowwell's athletes.

Will Capt. Charley Borah get back to the form that made him the sprint sensation of the country in his freshman and sophomore years?

Will Jim Stewart, now that he is eligible, be as good as his early promise?

Will Warren Woodruff continue to improve in the two-mile, as he did last year?

Will Jack Williams come through, as he is able, to replace Lee Barnes in the pole vault?

Will Jerry Farnon and Lee Bastajian turn out to be quarter-milers fast enough to step in last season's shoes?

Will Jimmy Payne, if he stays out of the high hurdles, have a good season in the low?

Will Jim Hill ever jump more than 24 feet again?

Will Dana Powers prove a capable running mate for Charley Mober in the high?

These are only a few of the question marks which have Crowwell guessing. If you can answer you to all of them, and mean it, stop right up and get your medal. Crowwell, you're perfect.

CAN BORAH COME BACK?

After two great seasons as a freshman and a sophomore, in which he won everything he tried, except two races, Borah succumbed to his studies last season, and even his first in making the Olympic team failed to give him a good year. This season Borah is still staggering under the burden of long hours in the dental clinic, standing on his feet all afternoon, and reporting for practice when he gets through at 8 o'clock. If it wasn't for the fact that he is captain, and that the Trojans need every possible point, Borah probably wouldn't even be with the team.

Jim Stewart has spent two years trying to satisfy the requirement that he had sufficient units to graduate from high school with grades good enough to satisfy the Pacific Coast Conference and has managed to maintain a sufficiently high average in his university work. He is totally eligible, and all that he needs to do now is carry out his early promise. He will concentrate on the high jump and weight events, and if he lives up to his best form, can score points in all three against any team on the Coast.

Woodruff was another guy in a Cardinal and Gold shirt last season till he topped the mighty Henry Cox of Stanford. Then, and there he became the best two-miler in the history of the university. If he can show that same good form this season, he will be unbeatable in any ordinary meet.

MAXWELL ONLY VETERAN

When Chick Sayers, Willie Lewis and Marshall Smith graduated, Crowwell was left with only "Red" Maxwell on his hands in the quarter-mile event. Farnon and Bastajian are the most promising prospects. The former ran a 1:11-4 quarter last Friday with Bastajian a short distance behind. That isn't bad early-season time and if the pair can improve, the Trojans may yet have enough men to mount a relay team.

Payne was the best high-school low hurdler in the country when he entered S.C., and has been the best college performer on the Coast ever since. He tried the high hurdles last season, and suffered some nasty falls, which laid him up most of the time. He has abandoned the high this year, and will try the 100 yard with Borah and Dick Walker.

Hill as a sophomore, was a sensation with a jump of something like 24 ft. 6 in. Last year he ran that Coast record shattered by one of the numerous Stanford broad jumpers, while he himself was pattering around close to the 24-foot mark most of the year, but never up to his best. If he is due for a good season this year, his points will be highly acceptable.

Powers chose not to go out for track last season, although he was eligible, but this year is likely to be a running mate for Charley Mober. His ability in the high stakes is well enough known, but of late he has turned his attention to broad jumping, and hopes to follow in old Reynolds's footsteps. Reynolds, now track coach at L.A. High, did both events for the Trojans a couple of years ago.

SOME MORE QUESTIONS

These are a number of the questions. A few others worrying the Trojan coaches are:

Will Dick Walker be as good a sprinter as he looked in his freshman year?

Will Ed George get down to 1:24 and a fraction in the half, as he did once last season?

Will Bob Swade come through in the mile, as is finally hoped by all concerned?

Will Jimmy Neilliam ever

throw the javelin 190ft., as he did in practice last year?

And more others than Coach Cromwell likes to think about.

The Trojan team is strictly a puzzle. If all the "ifs" can be answered in the affirmative, the Trojans will not have to fear Stanford, or anybody else this year.

A lot of these questions will be answered tomorrow at the annual A.A.U. relays in the Coliseum. Most of the Trojan athletes will perform in the various events on the program, and on the showings made, Cromwell will be more or less able to anticipate what they will do when the dual meet season gets under way.

In addition to the various relay events the field performances are going to attract a lot of interest. What with two Olympic champions performing in the shot and discus, the javelin affair boasting four men who can better 200 feet, a flock of high-class pole vaulters, high-jumpers and broad-jumpers, this usually overlooked part of the meet is likely to become the main attraction.