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STANFORD STADIUM, May 8. (Exclusive)—Southern California's long reign as dual-meet champion of the Far West's intercollegiate track-and-field circles remained unshaken here this afternoon as the Trojans came through in grand style to beat Stanford, but the victory was completely overshadowed by one of the most phenomenal accomplishments in athletic history.

The score of 74½ to 56½ was more lopsided than anticipated, largely because of the collapse of Stanford's relay team which ran with no chance to win the meet even if they copped the baton-passing event. But it remained for Capt. Bill Sefton and his Cardinal and Gold teammate, Earle Meadows, to bring 2000 fans to their feet by clearing 14ft. 8½in. on successive attempts for a new world's record in the pole vault.

SEFTON FIRST

Nothing like it—two men from the same team breaking the same record at the same height on the same afternoon—has ever been recorded in track and field history.

First Sefton turned the trick as the crowd roared. The altitude was measured accurately before Sefton made his spectacular leap so Meadows did not have to wait around as was the case last month at the Coliseum when Capt. Bill established the old mark of 14ft. 7¾in. Earle quickly girded his loins, came bounding down the runway and then soared over the bar with as much ease and grace as Sefton displayed only a few seconds before.

EACH SATISFIED

The two great Trojan athletes dashed into each other's arms and were immediately smothered by hilarious team-mates. It was all done so quickly and with such ease that the two sensational vaults actually took much less time than it does to write about what happened.

Neither tried anything higher. Each was satisfied with joint ownership of the record, which will probably be broken again before the two Trojans complete their careers.

In a way it was unfortunate

for Earl Vickery, Jack Wiershauser and Bob (Tiger) Alexander that Sefton and Meadows completely hogged the limelight with their spectacular finish to one of the most brilliant dual meets I ever saw.

CLINCHES VICTORY

For Vickery clinched victory for the Trojans by winning the all-important low hurdles, last event on the program save the relay, when the score stood 61½ to 55½ in Troy's favor.

This was a notable achievement in view of the fact that Weiershauser had been clocked in 23.2s. for Stanford, and had already distinguished himself by winning the furlong and grab-

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being an unexpected second in the hundred. A child could tell that Jack was hot and Jack knew he could tie the meet by winning the low hurdles.

But Vickery had the staff, came out of the chute well ahead and maintained a comfortable lead right down to the finish. And then, just to make victory sure, Leland Laford came along to grab second and that was the meet. Worn by his Herculean efforts in other events, Weiershauer faded badly in the hundred and it remained for Hewitt to take third place and the odd point for Stanford. The time of 24.64 showed how done up Weiershauer was by his previous running. He ran fifth in his final appearance.

ALEXANDER COPS TWO

Alexander twice gave Stanford boosters high hopes of victory. He first won the mile and then took the breath-robbing two-mile. He was the only double winner of the day.

Dink Tompkinson denies that he ever said Stanford would score 88 points in this meet, as was written up here. All right, Dink, have it your own way, but quotations seldom appear in print without being uttered.

Dean Cromwell naturally was very happy tonight. He had particular praise for Vickery and Laford, who ran brilliantly when put to what the boys call the acid test. Three meet records were broken. Alexander's 4m. 20.84 mile erased the old mark of 4m. 23.24. DeLoe Thurber did 6ft. 7in. in the high jump to erase the old standard of 6ft. 6in. made ten years ago by Bob King of Stanford. And then there was the pole vault mark which Meadows held at 14ft. 8½in.

STANFORD BREAK

Returns on the mile were as anticipated with Alexander putting on a closing sprint which was too much for Ned Jensen to combat. The crafty Stanford had allowed his Trojan foe to lead until they came off the final turn and then Tiger switched on the heat and came home a winner by twenty yards. March took the odd point for the Redskins and this, too, was according to schedule.

The 100-yard dash was next and Stanford supporters got their first chance to cheer for unexpected points when Weiershauer slipped in between Adrian Talley and George Boone for second place. This was quite a shock to the Trojans. Neither Talley nor Boone ran up to his best, and Clark Crane, 11 with the flu last week, went unplaced. The time of 10.14 testified to the lack of speed by the Trojans who have done much better in the past.

Thus the score at the end of two events was tied, 9 to 9.

REDS LEAD

Billed as one of the hottest races on the program, the 400 then was run. Ray Malet and Bill McCurdy merely lay back until the final turn and then raced away from Bob Olson, who fought gamely to the end, beaten by two yards, the same margin Malet had on his teammate. The time was 48.24, and Stanford jumped into a 13-to-10 lead.

Returns on the shot then came over the loud-speaker and Stanford boosters vent the air as Tompkinson's mighty threesome shot out Owen Hansen. These stories about what Reynolds, Hersey and Montgomery had been doing during the week were no run custard, for they each beat Hansen's best effort on their first attempts and Owen was never able to catch up.

The marks were 66ft. 4½in. for Reynolds, 49ft. 6½in. for Hersey and 49ft. 7½in. for Montgomery. Hansen's best was 49ft. 4½in., below his top for the season. The clean sweep sent Stanford out in front, 26 to 10.

HEALTY HUNS 14.38

Ray Staler and Lloyd Olson then did their stuff in the high hurdles for Troy, the former running a beautiful race to win in the splendid time of 24.26. Olson had to expend every ounce of energy to grab third over Hewitt of Stanford as Hawkins of the Redskins trailed Staley to the tape for second. The Trojan duo writtled the tally down to 29 to 16 in Stanford's favor.

Cromwell's javelin throwers then jumped into the breach and pulled Troy's sinking stock up again by sweeping this event. Chuck Seger did 150ft. 2in. on his second throw and that was enough to win. Frank Martin and Bob Kiborn promptly followed with and their marks of 130ft. 1½in. and 130ft. 7½in. were too good for Stanford's Shaw, who did 120ft. 2½in. This put the score 29 to 25 in favor of the Reds.

HIGH JUMP WIN

Twice Thurber and Jerry Graetz two-timed Norman Morrison of Stanford to get better than expected in the high jump, the former clearing 6ft. 7in. and

vainly trying for a new world's record of 6ft. 10in. Graetz uncocked his best leap of the year, 6ft. 5in., to beat Morrison for second. Thus for the first time during the afternoon the Trojans went ahead, 32 to 20.

Stanford was getting a bit shaky at this point but it was right here that Alexander got in his best legs. He and team-mate Harrison trailed Portanova and Yates of Troy during several laps of the grueling two-mile. Then when Harrison faded, leaving the Trojans in line for first and second, Little Tiger did his stuff. As in the mile he merely trotted along behind the leaders until the final curve. Then he called on his reserve strength and Stanford's seat accorded him an ovation as he passed first Portanova and then Yates to hit the tape a winner by ten yards. It was a mighty crucial stage of the meet and left the score 37 to 23 in S.C.'s favor.

Broad jump returns came next with Troy's Don Skinner and George Boone bagging first and second while Toigt of Stanford surprised by taking third from Crane. Score: S.C., 43; Stanford, 28.

INDIANS CUT LOOSE

At this point Tompkinson's runners cut loose again with Capt. Bill McCurdy and Carl Mahurin trailing S.C.'s Phil Haulac in the 800. Haulac ran his heart out and finished flat on his face over the line for the odd point. The time was 1m. 55.74. The 8 points moved the score to 48 to 44 and the fans were going nuts.

Came the furlong with Weiershauer's fighting finish providing one of the greatest individual feats of the day. Talley led all the way, but faltered ten yards from home and the stout-hearted Indian kept plugging along to win by inches, with Crane third. The boys backed a seven-mile wind which helped to account for the slow time of 22.48, S.C.'s lead was cut to one point, 50 to 49.

GASPAR CLICHÉ

Phil Gaspar kept the men of Troy in the running by taking second in the discus, his toss of 120ft. 4in. being the best he has hung up during his brief Trojan career. Pete Zager's 110ft. 8½in. bagged first and Griffin of the Reds was third at 100ft. 9½in. Score: Stanford, 55; S.C. 51.

The pole vault was a foregone conclusion, with Meadows and Sefton assured of first and second and Howe of S.C. and Vic Howe of the Reds already tied for the odd point.

This left the count 61½ to 52½ for S.C. with the only doubtful event yet to be run—the 220-yard low hurdles, inasmuch as Stanford was a clinch for 5 points in the relay.

IRON MAN HELTS

So they lined up for the finale with Vickery and Laford carrying Troy's hopes and the Indian iron man, Weiershauer, weighted down by the necessity of getting no worse than first to tie the meet. And being human, Jack just wasn't equal to the terrific schedule they mapped for him this afternoon.

The relay was an anticlimax, with a makeshift Stanford team losing despite a gallant last lap by Capt. McCurdy. Running the first lap for Stanford, Hyde went lame, lost valuable yards and that finished the Reds.

100-yard dash—Won by Alexander, Stanford, 10 yards ahead, 10.14; second, Jensen, Stanford, 10.24; third, March, Stanford, 10.44; fourth, Weiershauer, Stanford, 10.54; fifth, Olson, Stanford, 11.04.

400-yard dash—Won by Malet, Stanford, 48.24; second, Olson, Stanford, 49.24; third, Jensen, Stanford, 49.74; fourth, Hansen, Stanford, 50.24.

800-yard dash—Won by Alexander, Stanford, 1:55.74; second, Haulac, Stanford, 1:56.74; third, Toigt, Stanford, 1:57.74; fourth, Portanova, Stanford, 1:58.74.

1,600-yard dash—Won by Weiershauer, Stanford, 3:55.74; second, Yates, Stanford, 3:56.74; third, Portanova, Stanford, 3:57.74; fourth, Haulac, Stanford, 3:58.74.

1 mile—Won by Alexander, Stanford, 4:20.84; second, Jensen, Stanford, 4:21.84; third, March, Stanford, 4:22.84; fourth, Weiershauer, Stanford, 4:23.84; fifth, Olson, Stanford, 4:24.84.

2 miles—Won by Alexander, Stanford, 8:41.74; second, Jensen, Stanford, 8:42.74; third, March, Stanford, 8:43.74; fourth, Weiershauer, Stanford, 8:44.74; fifth, Olson, Stanford, 8:45.74.

100-yard hurdles—Won by Vickery, Stanford, 24.26; second, Hewitt, Stanford, 24.36; third, Hawkins, Stanford, 24.46; fourth, Jensen, Stanford, 24.56.

220-yard hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 24.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 24.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 24.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 24.56.

440-yard hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 48.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 48.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 48.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 48.56.

1 mile hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 1:36.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 1:36.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 1:36.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 1:36.56.

1.5 mile hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 2:11.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 2:11.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 2:11.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 2:11.56.

2 mile hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 2:56.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 2:56.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 2:56.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 2:56.56.

3 mile hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 4:31.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 4:31.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 4:31.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 4:31.56.

4 mile hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 6:06.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 6:06.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 6:06.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 6:06.56.

5 mile hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 7:41.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 7:41.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 7:41.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 7:41.56.

6 mile hurdles—Won by Staler, Stanford, 9:16.26; second, Olson, Stanford, 9:16.36; third, Hewitt, Stanford, 9:16.46; fourth, Hawkins, Stanford, 9:16.56.