

Trojans Set Track Marks

Two Records Broken, Pair Tied as S.C. Beats Oxy, 70-52

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It's business as usual for Coach Dean Cromwell's S.C. track squad, which means the Trojans are well on the road to their 10th consecutive N.C.A.A. crown.

This they demonstrated yesterday as the Troy spike brigade, overcoming tremendous handicaps, downed Occidental, 70-52, in their traditional season opener at Patterson Field.

Two Records Set

Confronted with the task of beating time and distance as well as the Bengal athletes, S.C. came through with two new meet records and another pair equaled.

The honor of setting the new standards went to Earl Audet, national A.A.U. champion and the biggest man on the squad, and Roland Sink, the tiniest Trojan, who celebrates his 18th birthday today. Audet comphed the shot out 51ft. 5in., eclipsing the mark of 50ft. 5in., but due to the bulging impost went unplaced.

Sink, reeling off a perfectly scheduled four-lapper, breasted the tape in 4m. 22.6a., just .4 of a second under the clocking accredited to Leroy Weed of S.C. in 1942.

Lawrence Sparkles

Al Lawrence who, like Sink, is a freshman, tied the high-hurdle record of 14.7a. established by Johnny Blewener, another Trojan. And in the same race he was given credit for bettering the S.C. freshman tall-timber mark of 14.8a., which has remained in the books since 1916, when Fred Thomson turned the trick.

Probably the most surprising performances, however, were contributed by Paul Iacono, middle-distance man, who evened the 880-yard figure of 1m. 55.9a. and came back to win the one-lap contest in 59.5a.

As the actual race was run, Iacono placed only third in the half mile, so big were the handicaps. But in most cases Troy came home winging in front—like true champions.

Following is the summary together with handicaps:

- Shot-put—Pickard (O.) 240, 8a.; (120, 6a.); Hansen (O.) 230, 8 1/2a.; (70, 20a.); Lawrence (O.) 220, 8a.; (120, 4a.) Audet, S.C., set new meet record of 210, 7a., competing from scratch. Former mark, 20ft. 9in.
- 150—Thompson (O.) 1a.; Audet (S.C.) 1a.; Iacono (S.C.) scratch. Time, 1m. 55.9a. (Iacono tied 1a 1m. 55.9a. as equal meet record set by Earl Johnston, S.C., in 1935.)
- 100—Hoffman (S.C.) 4ft.; Middleton (O.) 2ft.; Gross (S.C.) scratch. Time, 15.1a.
- High hurdles—Lawrence (S.C.) scratch; Lawson (O.) 12ft.; Morris (S.C.) scratch. Time, 14.7a., new meet record. (Old mark set by John Blewener, S.C., 14.8a. in 1940.)
- 1/2 mile—Sing (S.C.) scratch; Patten (S.C.) 2a.; Partridge (O.) 2a. Time, 23.5a., new meet record. (Old mark set by Leroy Weed, S.C., 4m. 23a., 1942.)
- 120—Gross (S.C.) scratch; Noonan (O.) 12ft.; Gray (S.C.) 10ft. Time, 22.5a.
- High jump—Tie, Brooker (O.) 4ft. 7in. (20, 1) and Gray (S.C.) 4ft. 7in. (20, 1) Kawwass (S.C.) 4ft. 7in. (20, 1)
- Pole vault—Tie, Vanderhoof (O.) 12ft. (scratch); and Harriott (O.) 12ft. (20, 1) Loren (S.C.) 12ft. 6in. (17, 1)
- 440—Lawson (S.C.) (scratch); Alexander (S.C.) 20ft.; Merley (S.C.) 18ft. Time, 59.5a.
- Low hurdles—Middleton (O.) 24ft.; Middleton (O.) 24ft.; Lawrence (S.C.) (scratch.) Time, 14.7a.
- Broad jump—Hoffman (S.C.) 23ft. 6 1/2in. (14a.); Brooker (O.) 22ft. 6in. (12, 11a.); Middleton (O.) 22ft. 8 1/2in. (12, 10a.)
- Discus—Morris (S.C.) 120ft. (25ft.); Pickard (S.C.) 120ft. (27ft. 6in.); Lawson (O.) 120ft. (23ft.)
- Javelin—Jackson (O.) 147ft. (25ft.); Lawson (O.) 125ft. 11 1/2in. (17ft. 6in.); W. Gray (S.C.) 124ft. 7in. (scratch.)
- 400-yard relay—S.C. (O. Gray, Hoffman, Gross, Curry.) Time, 44.1a.
- Final score: S.C. 70; Occidental, 52.