

Troy Flyer Triumphs by One Foot

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RATCLIFFE STADIUM, Fresno, May 13—Pell-Mel Patton ran the first official 9.3s. 100-yard dash in track and field history here this afternoon.

The lithe SC student thus shattered the official world's record of 9.4s. as he defeated Lloyd LaBeach of Panama in a special race by a foot. Patton is co-holder of the 9.4s. mark.

There were five watches on the race, three official and two checkers. Of the official timepieces two had 9.3s. and one showed 9.4s. The alternate watches read 9.3s. and 9.4s. We are proud to say we were with the majority. Our clock showed 9.3s. on the nose.

Here's how they read: Chief Timer T. C. Winstead, 9.3s.; J. C. Trombetta, 9.4s.; Edwin C. Kratt, 9.3s.; alternates: Dr. Floye Hanes, the Caltech track coach, 9.3s.; Dr. Earl Coleman, 9.4s.

One Mile Headwind

Conditions were ideal. There was a one-mile-an-hour headwind and the temperature a pleasant 90 degrees.

The crowd of 300 fans sensed the sensational as soon as the official timers gathered. It was a surprise, however, as there were four false starts before Starter Bob Stuehle sent them away.

Patton was away flying while LaBeach, visibly nervous after causing at least three of the breaks at the start, was practically stuck at the marks. Patton had about a yard lead as early as 20 yards out and held it till the 80-yard mark.

LaBeach Closes Fast

Then LaBeach made his move. He closed the gap fast. At 95 yards Patton still looked like a certain winner. But LaBeach had such terrific momentum by that time that it was practically a dead heat.

Patton, a 6ft. 152-pound native Angeleno, attended University High before matriculating at SC. His unmatched speed run came just 24 hours after the International Amateur Athletic Federation, meeting in London, approved his 9.4s. race at the California Relays in Modesto last year as equalling the world record.

Others who held the former mark are Frank Wykoff, another Trojan, who did his flashing on May 10, 1930; D. J. Joubert of South Africa, who did it in 1931 but wasn't put on the official records until last year; Jesse Owens, Ohio State U star, on May 25, 1935, at Ann Arbor, Mich., and Clyde Jeffrey, Stanford, at the Long Beach Relays in 1940.

One Inch to Spare

After a complete check of instruments engineers announced the track measured exactly 100 yards and one inch. Meteorologists (there were five officials present) described the wind as southwest, or slightly against the runners.

The mark was officially approved by Referee Amos Alonzo Stagg.

Five men went to their marks, two having scratched themselves just before race time. Others in the race were Heck of College of Pacific, Abercrombie, Fresno State freshman; and Younger, another Bulldog yearling. Cliff Bourland of the LAAC and Roland Maples of California withdrew.

But the others were just in there for atmosphere. This was the first meeting of the season between the two world's fastest humans and it was a true classic.

Looking at Tape

Patton, so excited he could hardly bring out the words, said, "I can hardly believe it is true. I really didn't believe I was going as fast as that. I didn't feel it was my fastest race. I wasn't conscious of LaBeach or any other runner. I was only looking toward that tape."

Coach Dean Cromwell, who will be Pell-Mel's boss in the Olympic Games, stated, "He is by far the world's fastest human of all time, eclipsing all other aspirants to that honor. He is a very fine young man. I can think of no one I'd rather see do a 9.3s. 100."

OPEN COLLEGIATE

100 invitational)—Patton (SC), LaBeach (Bittners, Oakland), Heck (COP), Abercrombie (Fresno State freshman), Younger (Fresno State freshman), Time, 9.3s. (better official record of 9.4s.)

500-meter run—Vierra (Fresno State), Vefling (California), Kline (Olympic Club, San Francisco), Seamount (California), Blair (California), Chapman (San Francisco City College), 15m. 43.4s.

110-meter high hurdles—Kretz (Stanford), McKee (Stanford), Baliste (Arizona State), Lawrence (LAAC), Kent, Stanford, Halderman (SC), 14.3s.

400-meter hurdles (first heat)—Cochrane (LAAC) 52.2s.; Schnell (SC), 54.2s.; Birmingham (San Jose State), 54.6s.; Russell (Stanford), 56s.

Second heat—Pirces (LAAC), 54.7s.;

Beck (San Diego State), 54.8s.; Halderman (SC), 55.2s.; Martin (Fresno State), 55.8s.

100-meter dash — LaBeach, (Bittners, Oakland), Bourland (LAAC), Anderson (California), Urzery (Arizona State, Tempe), Heck (COP), Lightner (UCLA), Powell (Santa Barbara), Younger (Fresno State), 10.3s. (ties accepted world record, by Jesse Owens, Ohio State, and Harold Davis, California).

Javelin—Seymour (LAAC), 224ft. 5/8in.;

Likens (San Jose State), 217ft. 3/8in.;

Held (Stanford), 213ft. 8in.; Friedenbach

(California), 193ft. 9/16in.; Peoples (LAAC),

198ft. 1in.; Wassoe (Olympic Club), 198ft.;

Miller, (Arizona State), 194ft. 4/16in.

440-yard relay — Southern California

(Beaman, Prasier, Hager, Patton); LAAC;

Bittners (Oakland); California, San Jose

State, UCLA, 40.9s.

Broad jump—Steele (San Diego State),

23ft. 11/16in.; Barksdale (Bittners, Oak-

land), 24ft. 8/16in.; Patsalis (SC), 23ft.

4/16in.; Aihara (SC), 23ft. 4in.; Santo

(Stanford freshman), 23ft. 2/16in.; Likow-

ski (California), 23ft. 10/16in.; Friedenbach

(California), 23ft. 10in.

High jump—Barksdale (Bittners, Oak-

land), 6ft. 6in.; Stanich (UCLA), 6ft. 3in.;

tie between Hanger (California) and

Barnes (unattached), 6ft. 4in.; tie among

Coleman (California), Kirk (LAAC), Mar-

tin (Olympic Club) and W. Smith (Olympic

Club), 6ft. 2in.

Shot-put—Shipper (UCLA), 53ft. 4/16in.;

Bavies (SC), 53ft. 4/16in.; Delaney (Olympic

Club), 53ft. 1/16in.; Thompson (LAAC),

53ft. 1/16in.; Kerr (Olympic Club), 53ft.

11/16in.; Chandler (Stanford), 50ft. 10/16in.;

Springer (SC), 50ft. 5/16in.; Shey (LAAC),

49ft. 5/16in.

Medley relay (440-880-1320-mile)—

Southern California (Steele, Pruitt, Bova,

Sink); LAAC, Stanford, Olympic Club,

UCLA, California, San Francisco State

College, Time, 10m. 7.8s.

Two-mile relay—Los Angeles Athletic

Club (Steward, Berry, Wilson, Fulton),

UCLA, California, San Jose State, Olympic

Club, 7m. 42.2s. (Southern California won

the event but was disqualified because

lead-off man, Carmen Bova, dropped the

baton).

880-yard relay — Southern California

(Beaman, Prasier, Hager, Patton), UCLA,

Los Angeles Athletic Club, California, San

Jose State, Stanford, 1m. 26.6s.

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Javelin—Porch (Modesto), 183ft. 5/16in.;

Cullen (San Mateo), 181ft. 1/16in.; Dil-

ingham (Baltus), 177ft. 1/16in.; Amalre

(Bakersfield), 175ft. 1/16in.; Herington

(San Bernardino), 175ft.

Medley relay (440-880-1320-mile, enroll-

ment under 1000)—Santa Ana (Conner,

Brett, Landreth, Bailey), Mt. San Antonio,

Bakersfield, Riverside, Visalia, 10m. 48s.

(New meet record, old record 10m. 48.2s.

by Santa Ana in 1947).

Discus — Cullen (San Mateo), 141ft.

2/16in.; Dorich (Compton), 136ft. 11in.;

Valentich (Bakersfield), 136ft. 7/16in.; Kot-

off (Pasadena), 133ft. 1/16in.; Alworth (Mo-

desto), 131ft. 11in.

120-yard high hurdles—Brooks (Stock-

ton), Walden (LACC), Parks (Menlo), Ba-

tiste (Compton), Woods (Compton), 14.8s.

880-yard relay (enrollment under 1000)—

Menlo, Reedley, Riverside, Santa Ana, 1m.

36.7s.

Broad jump—Evans (LACC), 23ft. 6/16in.;

Stevens (San Diego), 22ft. 7in.; Okamura

(Stockton), 22ft. 5/16in.; R. Gallagher

(Vallejo), 22ft. 2/16in.; Mack (San Mateo),

22ft. 1/16in.

Two-mile relay — Glendale (Bredon,

Kamanski, Ward, McMillan); Los Angeles

City College, Stockton, Santa Ana, Com-

pton, Time, 8m. 5s.

100—Mitchell (LACC), Williams (River-

side), Sims (LACC), Gipson (Tall), Baker

(LACC), 9.8.

Medley relay (440-880-1320-mile)—Glen-

dale (C. Kamanski, D. Kamanski, Ward,

McMillan), Compton, San Bernardino, San

Francisco, Stockton, 10m. 37.6s.

Pole vault—Zimmerman (Compton), 12ft.

6in.; tie between Van Huesen (Menlo)

and McInnis (John Muir), 12ft.; tie among

Landon (LACC), Tingler (LACC),

Smith (LACC), Urbe (Placer), Stahl

(Reedley), Maxwell (Sacramento), Dennis

(Sacramento), Keyser (Stockton), Gulp

(Stockton), Maynard (Visalia) and King

(San Mateo), 11ft. 6in.

Shot-put—Davis (Menlo), 50ft. 4/16in.;

Morton (Compton), 47ft. 1/16in.; Seroante

(Vallejo), 45ft. 9/16in.; Moore (Compton),

44ft. 11/16in.; Poque (John Muir), 43ft.

11/16in.

HIGH SCHOOLS

Distance medley relay (440—880—1310—

mile)—Hanford, Bakersfield, C. K. Mc-

Clatchy (Sacramento), Tulare, Fowler,

11m. 6.1s.

Shot-put—Mathias (Tulare Union High),

54ft. (new meet record, old mark, 52ft.

9in. by Fred Fard, Pittsburg, 1946);

Wilhoite (Merced) 53ft. 8/16in.; Kostenko

(Placer, Auburn), 49ft. 9/16in.; Stine

(Fresno), 48ft. 6/16in.; Cederland (Turlock),

47ft. 11/16in.

High jump—Brandage (Fresno Tech),

6ft. 13/16in.; Mathias (Tulare), 6ft. 1/16in.;

Mahoney (Oakdale), 5ft. 11/16in.; tie be-

tween Cooper, Sasser and Creech, Reedley,

5ft. 11in.

Discus—Iness (Tulare), 148ft. 6/16in.

(new meet record, old record by Mathias,

Tulare, 141ft. 11/16in., 1947); Mathias

(Tulare), 141ft. 6/16in.; Erickson (Kings-

burg), 131ft. 11/16in.; Savage (Delano),

118ft. 7/16in.; Adams (Santa Inez), 117ft.

1/16in.

Pole vault—Balfour, C. K. McClatchy

(Sacramento), 13ft.; Johnson (Coalinga),

12ft.; tie among M. Bettencourt, (Han-

ford), C. Bettencourt (Hanford), Nus-

baum (Kingsburg), Red LeMoore, Likins

(Roosevelt, Fresno), Cederland (Turlock),

11ft. 6in.

Broad jump — Gerver (Visalia), 22ft.

7/16in.; Hare, (George Washington, San

Francisco), 21ft. 5/16in.; Robinson (River-

dale), 21ft. 8/16in.; Whitfield (Modesto),

21ft. 7in.; Marks (Roosevelt, Fresno), 21ft.

2in.

120-yard high hurdles—Mathias (Tu-

lare), Blevins (Fresno), Pascoe (Coalinga),

Taylor (Coalinga), Wham (San Juan),

14.6s. (ties meet record by Mathias in

1947).

Fresno

Intercollegiate

- 100 Yard Dash (Special Invitational)**—Patton (USC); LaBeach (Bitnere); Heck (COP); Abercrombie (Fresno State Fresh); Younger (Fresno State Fresh), :9.3; (new world's record; old world's record, :9.4, set by Frank Wyckoff, USC, 1931; Jesse Owens, Ohio State, 1935; Clyde Jeffrey, Stanford, 1940); also new west coast relays record; former mark, :9.4, set by Hal Davis, California, 1942.)
- 100-meter Dash**—LaBeach (Bitnere); Bourland (LAAC); Anderson (California); Uery (Arizona State); Heck (COP); Lightner (UCLA); Powell (Santa Barbara); Younger (Fresno State Fresh); :10.2 (ties world record, set by Jesse Owens, 1936, and Hal Davis, California, 1941, and establishes a new west coast relay record, since the event is new this year).
- 8,000 Meter Run**—Vierra (Fresno State), Yelling (California), Kline (Olympic Club), Beaumont (California), Blair (California), Chapman (SF City College)—15 min., 43.4.
- 120 Yard High Hurdles**—Kreitz (Stanford), McKee (Stanford), Battiste (Arizona State), Lawrence (LAAC), Kent (Stanford), Halderman (USC)—:14.3.
- Medley Relay (440-880-1,320-Mile)**—Southern California (Blosson, Pruitt, Bova, Sink); LAAC, Stanford, Olympic Club, California, S. F. State, 10:07.8.
- Shot-Put**—Shickey (UCLA), 53 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Bayless (USC), 53 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Delaney (Olympic Club), 53 ft. 1/2 in.; Thompson (LAAC), 53 ft. 1/2 in.; Ker (Olympic Club), 50 ft. 11 1/2 in.; Chandler (Stanford), 50 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Springer (USC), 50 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Hershey (LAAC), 49 ft. 5 1/2 in.
- 100 Yard Dash**—Mitchell (LAAC), Williams (Riverside), Sims (LAAC), Gipson, Taft, Baker (LAAC), 9.8.
- Pole Vault**—Zimmerman (Compton), 12 ft., 6 in.; tie for second between Van Hussen (Merio), and McGinnis (John Muir), 12 ft.; tie for fourth among Lardon (LAAC), Tingler (LAAC), Smith (LAAC), Uribe (Placer), Stahl (Redley), Maxwell (Sacramento), Dendra (Sacramento), Keyser (Stockton), Culp (Stockton), Maynard (Visalia), King (San Mateo), 11 ft. 6 in.
- 400 Meter Hurdles**
(Two heats; fastest time wins.)
- First Heat**—Cochran (LAAC), :52.2; Schell (USC), :54.2; Birmingham (San Jose), :54.6; Russell (Stanford), :56.
- Second Heat**—Price (LAAC), :54.7; Back (San Diego), :54.8; Halderman (USC), :55.2; Martin (Fresno State), :55.8.
- Javelin**—Seymour (LAAC), 224 ft. 1/2 in.; Likens (San Jose), 217 ft. 3 1/2 in.; Held (Stanford), 213 ft. 8 in.; Friedenbach (California), 203 ft. 9 1/2 in.; Peoples (LAAC), 198 ft. 1 in.; Waseoe (Olympic Club), 198 ft.; Miller (Arizona State), 194 ft. 4 1/2 in.
- 440 yard relay**—Southern California (Beaman, Frazer, Hager, Patton); LAAC, Bitnere, California, San Jose, UCLA, 40.9.
- Two mile relay**—L. A. AC (Steward), Berry, Wilson and Fulton); UCLA, California, San Jose, Olympic Club, 7:42.2.
- 880 yard relay**—Southern California (Beaman, Frazer, Hager, Patton); UCLA, LAAC, California, San Jose, Stanford, 1:28.6.
- Broad Jump**—Steele (San Diego), 25 ft. 11 1/2 in. (new west coast relays record); Barkdale (Bitnere), 24 ft. 8 1/2 in.; Patsalla (USC), 23 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Altara (USC), 23 ft. 4 in.; VanBant, Stanford Fresh), 23 ft. 2 1/2 in.; Likowski (California), 22 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Friedenbach (California), 22 ft. 10 in.
- High Jump**—Barkdale (Bitnere), 6 ft. 6 in.; Stanich (UCLA), 6 ft. 5 in.; tie for third between Hager (California) and Barnes (unattached), 6 ft. 4 in.; tie for fifth among Coleman (California), Kirk (LAAC), Martin (Olympic Club) and Smith (Olympic Club), 6 ft. 2 in.
- 880 Yard Relay**—(Schools under 1,000 enrollment)—Selma (Young Roberts, Day, Donabedian); Placer; Taft; Delano; Oakdale, 1:33.4.
- Hop, Step and Jump**—Evans (LAAC), 47 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Barkdale (Bitnere), 46 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Hastings (Long Beach JS), 46 ft. 9 1/2 in.; Backus (LAAC), 46 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Birmingham (San Jose), 45 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Minor (UCLA), 45 ft. 7 1/2 in.; Egman (Santa Barbara), 44 ft. 11 1/2 in.
- Discus**—Dodge (Olympic Club), 159 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Lewis (UCLA), 152 ft. 2 1/2 in.; Linn (San Jose), 150 ft. 1 1/2 in.; Denmark (San Jose), 149 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Flood (Olympic Club), 148 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Overhouse (San Jose), 146 ft. 11 in.; Iness (Tulare High), 146 ft. 1/2 in.
- Mile Relay (special for college freshmen)**—USC (Stocks, Nicholson, Mitchell, Bernard); Stanford, UCLA, Fresno State, Occidental, Nevada; 3:21.9 (establishes west coast relays record. This as a new event).
- Mile Relay**—LAAC (Wachtler, Kerna, Bourland and Junorville); USC, California, University of Arizona, UCLA; 3:14.9.
- Mile Relay (special college class)**—Pepperdine (Taylor, Valerio, Edison, Travis); Santa Barbara, San Jose, San Diego, Redlands, Nevada; 3:18.6.
- Pole Vault**—Smith (Olympic Club), 14 ft. 3 in.; Montgomery (USC) 14 ft.; tie for third among Paddock (California), Rasmussen (Oregon), Smith (unattached), Overhouse (San Jose), Hart (USC), Sanders (USC), Kring (Olympic Club), 13 ft. 6 in.