

Trojans Smash Relay Record

SC's 4-Man 880-Yard Baton Passers. Score in 1m. 24s.

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Southern California's sprint relay team anchored by the incomparable sprint flash, Fell-Mel Patton, put wings on its feet again last night for the second straight time in a week and shattered the recognized half-mile record by a full second in the ninth annual Coliseum Relays.

The thundering Trojan quartet was clocked in 1m. 24s. flat, which was four-tenths second faster than the same quartet ran at the West Coast Relays in Fresno a week ago tonight.

Troy's sensational performance brought the crowd of 48,528 roaring spectators to its feet for echoing applause that resounded through Memorial Coliseum.

The world mark came almost immediately after Fortune Gordien of the San Francisco Olympic Club had shattered the American record as well as the Coliseum mark when he flipped the discus out 180ft. 8in., only a foot $\frac{3}{4}$ inch behind the world's record.

More Thrills

Aside from these, the huge crowd had plenty of thrills, as Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, Dutch housewife, won two races by terrific margins and then anchored the Glendale Lions 440-yard relay team to victory.

A third Coliseum mark went by the boards when Wilbur (Moose) Thompson, Los Angeles AC star and Olympic Games record holder, hurled the 16-pound shot 53ft. $\frac{5}{16}$ in.

There was no question from the starting gun that the Trojan quartet was out to better its own mark of six nights ago.

Perfect Pass

Although he was running on the outside in staggered lanes, George Pasquali, lead-off man for the record-shattering four, ate up the difference and made a perfect baton pass to Ron Frazier. He was even with the pole runners by that time and had built up a 3-yard lead when he handed the stick to Norman Stocks. Again the pass was perfect and Stocks ran away from Compton, Stanford and Oklahoma A&M, massed together behind. Norman made the final pass to Patton with a terrific stretch and Mel was flying when he took the baton, 10 yards in front of Compton's fleet Bill Fell.

The great Patton, holder of the world's hundred yard dash mark and applicant for the furlong record, promptly walked away from Fell. Stanford, Oklahoma and UCLA were left far in the ruck as he roared down the back stretch at the tape.

Terrific Start

Patton breasted the string 18 yards in front of Fell, and was unofficially timed in 20 seconds flat with a terrific running start to his credit. Compton was an easy second with Stanford third.

Stan Cundiff and Dr. Floyd Hanes of the official timers both caught the team in 1m. 24s. Dave Nelson's watch read 1m. 24.1s. Wendell Smith and Huber Smutz of the alternate clockers had 1m. 24.2s. and Mel Shuer's watch read 1m. 24.2s. There was no wind.

Gordien had three sensational throws to his credit. The U.S. Olympic star pitched the platter 179ft. 3in., 180ft. $\frac{1}{16}$ in. and 180ft. 8in. in as many throws.

Aside from Patton's great running to give Troy victories in both the 880-yard and 440-yard relays, Mrs. Blankers-Koen stole the spotlight as an individual performer with Craig Dixon of UCLA also making a great showing. The Holland matron won the 100 meters by 8 yards in 12s. flat, the 80-meter hurdles by 30 yards in 11.5s., and then closed a wide gap on the last leg of the relay to edge out the Mercury Club girl quartet from Montreal in the 440-yard relay.

Dixon, in the absence of the

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world's champion, Harrison Dillard, who could not suit up because of a pulled muscle in his back, captured both the open hurdle races with ease. He was clocked in 14.1s. in the highs and 23.1s. in the lows.

Nation's Best

To top off the evening's performance on a cinder track that had to be burned to dry it out after the rains, the great Rice mile quartet turned in the fastest time for the nation when it beat a swift field in 3m. 13.3s.

Southern California blew a chance for a possible additional world's record in the 2-mile relay when Bob Chambers lost the baton 40 yards from the finish.

The big half-miler, member of the Olympic team, was just passing the tiring Jack Dianetti, anchorman for Michigan State, when he fumbled the stick. He caught Jack's arm with the baton and when they became unentangled, the stick was rolling on the cinders.

Dianetti went on to win for Michigan State in 7m. 35.6s., 1.1s. behind the world's record, with Oklahoma A&M second 15 yards back. Chambers retrieved the errant baton in time to take third for Troy.

Surprise Winner

Bob Work of UCLA was the surprise victor in the 100-yard dash after Lloyd LaBeach, Panamanian star, pulled up lame at the halfway point. Work was ahead at the time and stayed off a final burst by Compton's Fell to win in 9.7s.

Herb McKenley of Jamaica lived up to form by taking the open quarter in 47.3s., beating Dave Bolen, his veteran rival, by a yard. Oxy's Bill Parker was third.

OPEN DIVISION

440-yard relay—Southern California (Panual, Scott, Frazer, Patton), 2yds.; Compton, 3yds.; Oklahoma A&M, 1yd.; Wayne University, 46.7s.

Two-mile relay—Michigan State (Irman, Drustler, Mack, Dianetti), 13yds.; Oklahoma A&M, 20yds.; SC, 40yds.; UCLA, 7m. 38.4s.

100-meter dash (women)—Fanny Blankers-Koen, 8yds.; Betty Lawrence, Westwood, 4yds.; Marguerite Phillips, Newton, Los Angeles, 3yds.; Joan Graham, Montreal, 12s.

120-yard high hurdles—Craig Dixon, UCLA, 4yds.; Bill Anderson, Compton, 3yds.; Dick Alliser, SC, 1yd.; Horace Smith, Mich. State, 14.1s.

Shot-put—Wilbur Thompson (LAAC), 53ft. 3in.; Lew Davis (Stanford), 53ft. 1 1/2in.; Bill Barless (SC), 53ft. 3in.; Chandler (Stanford), 53ft. 1/2in.; Swasey (SC), 51ft. 7/8in.

100-yard dash—Bob Work (UCLA), 6s.; Bill Fell (Compton), 1yd.; John Bradley (SC Fresh), 1/2yd.; Roger Reinke (Panama), 9.7s.

440-yard dash—Herb McKenley (Long Branch AC), 1yd.; Dave Bolen (ex-Colo. Univ.), 4yds.; Bill Parker (Occidental), 1/2yd.; Jeff Lawson (UCLA), 47.3s.

Broad jump—Fred Johnson (Michigan State), 34ft. 8 1/2in.; Gar Bryan (Stanford), 34ft. 6 1/2in.; Lawrence Wright (Wayne), 33ft. 1 1/2in.; Al Lawrence (SC), 33ft. 1 1/2in.; Henry Ahara (SC), 33ft. 1/2in.

80-meter hurdles (women)—Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen (Holland), 30yds.; Betty Sibold (Glendale Lions Club), 1/2yd.; June Kent (Montreal), 11.8s.

High jump—Tie between George Stanish (UCLA) and Jack Ruzette (San Diego State), 6ft. 3in.; tie among Willie Dancer (Santa Barbara College), Jack Barnes (SC) and Gar Bryan (Stanford), 6ft.

Pole vault—Bob Richard (ex-Illinois), 14ft. 4in.; tie between Bob Smith (Pan State) and John Montgomery (SC), 14ft.; Walt Jensen (Middlesex JC), 13ft. 6in.

800-yard relay—Southern California (Panual, Frazer, Starks, Patton), 18yds.; Compton College, 1/2yd.; Stanford, 1/2yd.; Oklahoma A&M, 1m. 24s. (New world's record, old mark, 1m. 23s. by Stanford in 1971.)

220-yard low hurdles—Craig Dixon (UCLA), 3yds.; Fred Johnson (Mich. State), 2yds.; Joe Scott (SC), 1yd.; Al Lawrence (SC), 23.1s.

Discus—Fortune Gordien (Olympic Club), 140ft. 5in.; Sam Iness (Compton), 140ft. 3 1/2in.; Taylor Lewis (UCLA), 139ft. 7 1/2in.; Steve McKee (Stanford), 137ft. 6in.; Cita Chandler (Stanford), 136ft. 3 1/2in. (Winning distance better American record, 1961, 27 1/2in., Bob Fisch, Minnesota, 1971.)

Mile relay—Race (Jim Hoff, Otha Bond, Ted Cox, Arthur Brown), 4yds.; Stanford, 4yds.; Texas A&M, 4yds.; Compton, 3m. 13.7s.

Women's 440-yard relay—Glendale Lions (Vina Kirby, Betty Lawrence, Lorea Beck, Fanny Blankers-Koen), 3yds.; Mercury Club, Montreal, 20yds.; Valley Lions Club, 18yds.; Orange County Club, 52.8s.

College two-mile relay—SC Fresh (Gene Cleary, Barton Norton, Fred Whiting, Lloyd Jenson), 3yds.; Occidental, 10yds.; Riverside JC, 8yds.; Los Angeles AC, 7m. 57.3s.