

# CALIFORNIANS TAKE NCAA TOP SPOTS

BY PAUL ZIMMERMAN, Sports Editor

California again established conclusively that it leads the world in track and field athletics yesterday when Southern California, UCLA and Stanford took the top three-team spots in the 28th annual NCAA championships. Coach Jess Hill's Trojans won impressively with 55 2/5 points.

Not only did three California teams head the scoring parade, but California athletes won half of the 14 individual championships.

One record was broken and three were equaled during the long afternoon of competition at Memorial Coliseum before the crowd of 21,370 spectators who showed their partisanship when they cheered loudest for the day's two double winners, Mel Patton of Troy and Craig Dixon of UCLA.

## Fuchs Sets Mark

Jim Fuchs, the Yale Adonis, set the only National Collegiate record during the afternoon when he put his giant body behind his final shot-put effort and flipped the 16-pound ball out 56ft. 1 1/2 in. to break by a lone inch the nine-year-old mark set by the late Al Blozis of Georgetown.

Patton and Dixon, besides racking up 20 points each for the first and second place teams, also joined in the record tying, along

with Mal Whitfield, Ohio State half miler and Olympic Games record holder.

Pell Mel equaled the NCAA record of 20.4s. in the 220-yard dash after winning the hundred in 9.7s., and Dixon tied the high hurdles figure of 13.9s. before he went on to win the low barriers in 22.7s.

Whitfield, a former prep school star here, was clocked in 1m. 50.3s., which equaled the 880-yard mark for this classic.

The final team standings of the 10 leaders showed the following total scores:

Southern California	55 2/5
UCLA	31
Stanford	30
Michigan State	26
Penn State	25
Seton Hall	23
NYU	23
Yale	22
Wisconsin	22
Ohio State	16

Aside from the failure of strong Michigan State to break through the solid California front in the team scoring, the biggest upset of the day came late after part of the crowd had left.

This came in the pole vault when little Bob Smith of San Diego State surprised the nation's best to clear 14ft. 3in. on his first try to win the stratosphere specialty as favored John Mont-

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# Hill Praises Fighting Troy Heroes

BY JOHN DE LA VEGA

There was plenty of chatter all through the 28th annual NCAA meet at the Coliseum yesterday as the brilliant field flashed its spikes before the appreciative assemblage.

Perhaps you'd like to hear what some of the luminaries were saying when the dust had settled.

Coach Jess Hill of the victorious Trojans was shaking his head as we approached but there wasn't a negative meaning to it. He said, "You can't deny athletes like Bob Pruitt, Dick Attlesley, Wells DeLoach and Henry Alhara when they come through the way they did. Deep down I knew they could do it but coming through the way they did is entirely to their credit."

## Bow to Hill

The genial mentor, in his first year as headman, did a masterful job of bringing the boys along and certainly deserves a deep bow.

In taking third in the 880, Pruitt was clocked in 1m. 50.8s, which is way under the SC school record of 1m. 52.3s., held by Ross Bush. Because it wasn't a winning effort, however, he won't get credit for it.

Pruitt had several good explanations for his terrific race. "It was the first time I ever went out on a hot pace. Coach told me to do it and not be afraid, so I followed orders. Also, Cliff Bourland (ex-Trojan great) had a gang stationed all around the stadium and they sure yelled me in," he stated.

Attlesley, known to have great potentialities except for a tendency to barge into the barriers,

# Patton, Dixon Bag Doubles; Fuchs Cracks Shot Record

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gomery of Troy dropped by the wayside when he ticked the bar with his chest on his final try at 14 feet.

Patton, Dixon and Whitfield ran into much sterner competition than had been expected.

The Trojan sprinter, holder of the world's record in the hundred and an applicant for one in the furlong, went into the finals suffering from a slight knee injury which slowed him down, but not enough for the sensational young Seton Hall star, Andy Stanfield, to catch him.

## Mel Pulls Away

Mel pulled away from Stanfield at the 60-yard mark and won by a stride in the hundred. They were almost shoulder to shoulder at the century in the 220-yard race, but there Patton turned on the steam and again won by a yard in the record-tying time of 20.4s. This equaled Ralph Metcalfe's record posted in 1933 for Marquette.

Dixon, who like Patton is unbeaten this year, had a comfortable victory margin in the high barriers when he tied the record of 13.9s. which Ed Dugger of Tufts set nine years ago. Dick Attlesley of Troy was a surprise second, a yard and a half back.

But in the low hurdles it was different. Craig went out to a good lead early and almost blew it trying to level out and pace himself, as James Gehrdes of Penn State came booming up on the inside late. Dixon turned on the heat again and was able to stave off the threat, but only by a foot at the tape. The time here was 22.7s.

## Whitfield Whizzes

Whitfield, the former Jefferson High School star here before he went to Ohio State, ran far back in the field during the first lap of the half mile. Only on the last turn did he turn on the power, running wide to take the lead.

Although he held it to the tape and won by two feet, Herb Barten of Michigan almost caught him at the end, and Bob Pruitt of SC was likewise within touching distance. The time posted by the Olympic record holder of 1m. 50.3s. was the same as that chalked up in 1937 by John Woodruff of Pittsburgh. Pruitt was clocked in 1m. 50.8s., the best effort of his career.

Fuchs was trying for nothing more than the record when he sent the shot out 56ft. 1 1/2 in., because none of the standings had changed from the previous day's qualifying and his was the final throw of the event. He shook his head violently, a characteristic of his form, reared back and uncoiled with the towering toss.

Stanley Lampert of NYU was almost a foot back with 55ft. 2 1/2 in., and Stanford's blond giant, Otis Chandler, was a close third with a best effort of 54ft. 1 1/2 in.

Besides the individual victories for California athletes in the two sprint and hurdle races; Whitfield's half-mile triumph, and Smith's pole vault victory; the Golden State collected again in the javelin throw when Bud Heid of Stanford gave the NCAA record a close call by pitching the spear 224ft. 8 1/2 in., with Delf Pickarts of Santa Barbara a close second.

## Decisive Victors

The way Charles Moore Jr. of Cornell was running yesterday, Whitfield should be glad he concentrated on the half. The son of a former Olympic Games star, Moore was clocked in 47s. flat.

Don Gehrman of Wisconsin

and Horace Ashenfelter of Penn State won the mile and two-mile races without the slightest opposition. The Badger miler went out in front from the start, ran the first quarter in 59.5s. and turned the half-way mark in 2m. 4.7s.

Bill McGuire of Missouri, who finished second, took over to set the pace past the three-quarters pole but Gehrman's last-lap spurt took him to the tape 20 yards in front for a 4m. 9.2s. mile, fastest in America this year.

Ashenfelter won the 2-mile by 35 yards and gave the NCAA record of 9m. 2.6s. quite a brush as he was timed in 9m. 3.9s. He, too, led most of the way and rounded the first mile in 4m. 27.5s. With a little pushing he could have broken the record.

## Frank Triumphs

Victor Frank, Yale's other half of the victorious weight events combination, was closely pressed by Byrl Thompson of Minnesota as he won the discus throw with a pitch of 168ft. 9 1/2 in. The Gopher giant was second with a toss of 166ft. 2 1/2 in.

Dick Phillips of Brown took the high jump honors at 6ft. 7 in.,

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run better than the fondest expectations in the high hurdles.

"He finished only a yard and a half behind Craig Dixon's recent besting 13.96, race and the lanky Bruin didn't gain an inch on him the last 40 yards.

Said Dick, "Once I got out there in the early part I knew I could stick. Everything went well this time and I felt strong all the way to the tape."

**DeLoach's Triumph**  
It was also a personal triumph for DeLoach, who has been struggling to reach his peak of two years ago. He turned in his very greatest race and was caught by Hill 47.64 in the 440 as he slipped Stanford's Larry Hoff for fourth.

Hoff did his good stint on Friday when he got out 21st, 14th in the broad jump to land in second after the trials and yesterday dropped only one notch. There was no getting around it on Friday. Hoff got again pulled have with the help of 24th leapers entered.

**Matchless Mel Patton**, who drove to his fourth and fifth spot, 11 points, indicated that he almost didn't take his marks yesterday.

**Kare Rotherford Patton**  
"My lane was quite over in the morning and I feared after I warmed up it would give in. I had a better one in the 100 but since I was able to win I decided to stick the works in the 220. Gone it was a good thing because the Stanford boy stuck right to me."

Another Trojan, Ronnie Frazer, went over the low hurdles for a 100. "I didn't run an even race but I finished strongly, got points, worried at the start when I found myself my back, but I settled down and ran a good race. I was not a little Smith of Michigan State figured going over the last two hurdles and I passed him as we headed for the tape."

**Bruce Come Through**  
Going across town, Coach Ducky Olson was pleased to see that he had acknowledged congratulations for his Westwooder's second-place effort. "I was quite surprised at the meet the UCLA had scored in an NCAA meet, the previous top being 17 in 1948.

The wheel, of course, was Dixon. Olson was pleased to see that he had scored for the low hurdles at 22.54, after taking the highs. The latter year, in his collegiate career, with 25 straight victories this year.

Dixon said he didn't feel Attley's presence in the highs but was plenty started by Jim DeLoach's presence in the low hurdles. "I suspected Smith would be over and I kept looking for him on my right. When Charles 'Big Red' came up early and started to back, I tied up in the 100. I think we both tightened up going over the last hurdle and he became mighty close to slipping me at the finish."

Bob Work got his third in the 100 the hard way. He got his usual running start, stumbled about the 10-yard mark, recovered and was a clear six-pointee at the finish.

"I can't explain it," said the chunky little flash. "It happened several times before. It's a miracle I could get back up there."

**Spike Sparks**  
Mel Whitford, 61, 500 and 1000 yard runner, was the star of the meet as he was by John Woodruff of Pittsburgh. Whitford's 500 yard race was the only one in which he had not been the runner-up in the NCAA and Stanford State.

David Smith of UCLA, sixth in the 1000, was the runner-up in the 1000. Delonnie's Bill Porter, after being pulled out of the meet, was the 440 low hurdler without the "low" hurdle and was an excellent runner. He was the runner-up in the 440 low hurdles.

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**HERE IS HOW TROJANS TOOK NCAA TEAM TITLE**  
The Trojans won the NCAA team title yesterday at the Coliseum with 35 2/3 points, trailed by UCLA, 31, and Stanford, 30. Here's the summary of final events with first six places scored 10-60-40-30-20-10.

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**1600 yd.—Bill Gammage (Stanford) 4:40.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 4:40.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 4:40.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 4:40.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 4:40.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 4:40.00.**

**3200 yd.—Bill Gammage (Stanford) 9:50.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 9:50.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 9:50.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 9:50.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 9:50.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 9:50.00.**

**6400 yd.—Bill Gammage (Stanford) 20:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 20:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 20:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 20:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 20:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 20:00.00.**

**12800 yd.—Bill Gammage (Stanford) 40:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 40:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 40:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 40:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 40:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 40:00.00.**

**25600 yd.—Bill Gammage (Stanford) 80:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 80:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 80:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 80:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 80:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 80:00.00.**

**51200 yd.—Bill Gammage (Stanford) 160:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 160:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 160:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 160:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 160:00.00, Bill Gammage (Stanford) 160:00.00.**



**HOME FEE** — Don Gehrmann, Wisconsin star, romps home 200 yards of wind mile in 4m. 9.66.

# BIG YEAR FOR HILL

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weldership... he used to coach the pigskinners at Iowa and Yale... and served a stretch at St. Mary's Pre-High... Neil McCarty, the legal eagle, sitting with Dean Cameron... Charles Hunter, former Olympic Club coach, barged in from Guatemala, where he has been putting over a mammoth sports program for the Central American republic.

# Homeing Chorus

The first roaring chorus of amazed exclamations occurred at 2:50 when Defending Champion Bud Hill of Stanford pitched the javelin 224 feet to take over the lead from Perkins of Santa Barbara, who had done 221 feet in Friday's preliminary... Mearns Nicholas of the Coliseum had to send to Pomona College at the last minute for javelins because his javelins did not conform to NCAA specifications... First a pellet later when Mike Klesmann of Illinois cleared six feet in the high jump... Shorty Davis of Stanford moved into the select 34-foot circle on his last shot-out try, but it still got him no better than fourth, which shows how rugged was the competition.

Tale's Jim Fuhs was the first to win a title, promptly at a 1:00 clock doing 34.7, 34.9, after Anonymous Dick Nash had said "Fuhs now up for his final trial, let's see you break the record, Jim" ... which the stalwart son of Eli promptly did... Thirty seconds later Troy's Jack Barnes

laid a ding-dong battle in the stretch for half-mile honor, with the Olympic kick winning by one seventh of a mile... To me it was the greatest race of the day, the most thrilling and most exciting... Trojan surprise by slipping through on the rail, just as DeLoach had, to grab a strong third.

Whitfield had been content to stride alone loosely in the middle of the pack until 100 yards from home when he turned on the heat, and equaled a record which had stood for 12 years.

**Candidate for Success**  
Young Mr. Andy Stanford of Seton Hall is going to be quite a spinner... He gave the great Patton a real fight in both events.

If nothing happens to hurt him between now and next June, Stanford is my candidate to win the sprint crown in the 1950 NCAA meet... With three events left, the two-mile, pole vault and low hurdles, SC had the meet in the bag with 48 points to 30 for Stanford and 21 for UCLA.

Starker Bob Stroh of Pomona College was a picture of superior splendor in his masterly panned cream pants... Got 'em all away, too, without a recall, save in the mile of all things where one over-eager heaver jumped the gun... Horace Admister of Fresno State, the two-time winner, developed his wind pronouncing his name... He outlanded the field from the Coliseum to Ketchikan, finishing 35 yards in front of Drew... Several of the potential elite-lappers dropped out and nobody in the crowd seemed to blame them... Admister looked as if he could run down an antelope.

# EQUALS MARK—Pell-Mel Patton sprints to 90.4, 220

giving SC star battle all the way to the tape.

# TROJANS WIN TITLE

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after leaving such name stars as Irving Mondachin of NYU and Vern McGrew of Rice tied in second place at 47.60.

Michigan State got its only first place in the broad jump, which Fred Johnson won, as expected, with a jet-propelled leap of 25ft. 21st, Johnson burr his leg in this event, however, which forced his withdrawal from the low hurdles, where he would have been a certain point winner.

The extra point needed to beat Stanford, by getting a tie for fourth in the broad jump, George just missed the bar by a thin margin of 47.60.

Heidi's Jewell wins plus 100 points Chandler and Lewis Davis picked up in the short-out support the bulk of the digits for the Indians. Jay Bryan's fourth in the broad jump and fifth in the 220-yard dash added six more points. Downing McKee's fifth in the high hurdles and Larry Hill's fifth in the quarter field beat Stanford's scoring.

**Title Sewed Up**  
Southern California had the team title sewed up by this time, but a third place in the low hurdles would have given the team from Lansing the second spot in the standing.

In the final analysis, it was all-around team strength that gave Coach Hill's Trojans the victory. They scored in ten of the 14 events, with Patton's 20 points for two firsts the big haul, of course. Attley's second in the highs plus three third places turned the trick. Henry Ahrens captured a third in the broad jump, Ron Frazer a third in the low hurdles, and Pruitt the same spot in the half mile.

In addition, Wells DeLoach snagged fourth in the quarter; Bill Baynes a fifth in the shot; and Joe Sempe sixth here. Jack Barnes tied with six others for fourth in the high jump and Montgomery topped off the scoring for Troy by getting a tie for fourth in the pole vault.

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