Matson Zips 440 in 46.9 at Modesto

MODESTO, May 17 (P)— All-American Football Star Ollie Matson—the University of San Francisco's one-mantrack team—stamped himself a top contender for a berth on

the U.S. Olympic squad when he won the 440-yard dash in the California Relays tonight in 46.9.

The world's record is 46 by Herb McKenley of Jamaica, BWI.

The 200-pound fullback star of last year laid off the pace for the first 390 yards, then put on a spurt to come from third place and finish going away from. Gene Cole, formerly of Ohio State. It was the fastest quarter mile clocked in the country, this year.

Easy Win
Matson finished third in the

Matson finished third in the 400-meter race in the Los Angeles Coliseum Relays last night behind George Rhoden of Morgan State, Baltimore, and Mal

Whitfield of the U.S. Air Force. Rhoden is the 400-meter world recordholder at 458. It was the second time this year that Marson; had gun 440 yards. Whitfield, Olympic 800 meters champion and holder of the world's 880-yard record of 18-92, ran the anchor lap of the two-

champion and holder of the world's 890-yard record of 1:49-2, ran the anchor lap of the two-mile relay tonight to give his U.S. Air Force team an easy win. He finished 35 yards ahead of California's Lon Spurrier. The team time of 7:36-3 set a new meet and stadium record. In

team time of 7:36.3 set a new meet and stadium record. In his 880-yard leg tonight Whitfield was timed in an unofficial 1:53.4. Former Seattle high school boy

Former Seattle high school boy Jimmie Gathers, now with the Air Force, won the open 100yard dash, in 9.7 seconds, beat-

Continued from Sixth Page San Francisco Olympic Club was fourth. ing out John George of Califor-The relays program was dedinia in a blanket finish. cated to Brutus Hamilton, Uni-Slender Bob Simon, making versity of California track and field coach, who will serve as a thrilling mile run on the final head coach of the U.S. Olympic leg, led Stanford to a surprise team this summer. win in the open medley relay. Southern California won the Simon, starting some 25 yards 880-yard relay in 1:24.7, clipping behind the pace-setting Art Gar-cia of SC, took the lead and one-tenth of a second off the old took the lead and relays and Stadium record set last staved off the stocky Trojan in ear by SC's team. Texas finthe sprint to the tape. He won ished second but was disqualiby a shoulder. The time for the fied for crowding in. In the re-440-880-1320 yards-one-mile relay sed order of finish, UCLA was was 10:01.3. Simon's unofficial placed second, California third mile time was 4:11. and Stanford fourth. The Navy Olympic team from Jack Davis of SC beat out Los Alamitos was third and the World Recordholder Dick Attlesey of the Navy Olympic team by a foot in the 120-yard high hurdles. The time was 14 seconds flat. George Brown of UCLA, the country's leading broad jumper, took his specialty with a meet and Stadium record leap of 25ft. 8% in. Last week in the Fresno Relays he jumped 26ft. 3¼in.





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