

# 'I Just Went to Sleep,' Says Sowell

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To paraphrase the old song, "Arnie doesn't run here any more."

Arnie Sowell, the smooth-running University of Pittsburgh speedster whose 1:49.1 earlier this year was the fastest half-mile ever run by an American collegian, failed to qualify in the NCAA 880 heat yesterday.

And he blamed no one but himself.

"I just went to sleep, it was my own fault," said the little junior, defending champion in this event.

## Finishes Fourth

Sowell finished fourth in the slowest of three heats behind Lowell Janzen of Kansas, Dick Foerster of Texas and Frank McLaughlin of St. Joseph's. The time was 1:52.5.

Sowell said he just plain old forgot that only three were to qualify and that somewhere around the two laps he thought the first four made the big one.

"The starter told me three qualified, the coach told me three qualified, but somehow I figured that fourth was okay," Sowell said in disgust. "It's my fault. It was just stupid."

## Sowell 'Kicks Self'

From the stands it appeared as though Sowell wanted to go faster but was boxed by McLaughlin on his left, Janzen just ahead and Foerster to his right. But Sowell said no.

"I could have gotten out. I could have qualified easily. I had a lot left," he insisted. Then he added, "I deserve a kick in the pants."

Thousands of track red-hots, looking ahead to what figured to be one of the great half-miles of all time, agreed.

Sowell's coach, Carl Olson, sought permission from the Games committee last night to enter the lithe runner in today's 23-man mile field. The request was denied.

Sowell's skull wasn't the day's only one.

## 'Keyed Too Tight'

St. Joe's Mike Larrabee was tossed out of the first 440 semifinal heat for two false starts after galloping 48 1/2 to finish second in the first heat. There were six runners, including Larrabee, in the first semi and four were to qualify. The two slowest qualifiers were clocked in 49.

"I was just keyed too tight," Mike explained. "Just too anxious."

St. Coach Jess Mortensen said, "It served him right."

when asked for an opinion. "I had him figured for a fourth, too," Jess revealed.

Illinois' Willard Thomson, defending champion in the 120 highs, won his heat in 14.4, but he pulled up with a cramp in his left thigh at the finish of the first 220 low-hurdle semifinal.

"I think it's just a cramp," Thomson said after treatment in the dressing room, "and I think I'll be able to go tomorrow. I pulled the same muscle last February." Thomson has a best this year of 13.8 in his favorite race.

Larrabee was the day's only casualty via the gun-jumping route. The starter, Willard Greim, wore a microphone over his shoulders and his every command was audible to the 3870 in the stands.

Caltech's Phil Conley held the NCAA javelin record for about three minutes. He cut loose with a toss of 231ft. 5in. to erase the NCAA standard of 228ft. 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. established by California's George Roseme in 1952. Then along came BYU's Chuck Higgins with a 232ft. 5in. throw to beat him and Oregon State's Gerry Church sailed one out 232ft. 6in. to lead everybody.

# NCAA SUMMARIES

440: First heat—1. Mashburn (Okla. A&M), 47.9; 2. Ward (Indiana), 48.2; 3. Dahl (Oklahoma), 48.3; 4. Anderson (Arizona), 49.1. Second heat—1. Jenkins (Villanova), 47.8; 2. Ellis (UCLA), 47.9; 3. Morton (SMU), 48.2; 4. Scrugus (Michigan), 48.4. Third heat—1. Gosper (Mich. St.), 48.2; 2. Larrabee (SC), 48.5; 3. Messengale (Missouri), 48.6; 4. Turner (Fresno St.), 48.6.

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100: First heat—1. Golliday (Northwestern), 9.5. (Ties Coliseum record set by Paddock, LAAC, 1926; Wykoff, SC, 1931; Patton, SC, 1947-49; Stanfield, Seton Hall, 1950); 2. Blair (Kansas), 9.7; 3. Pollard (Penn St.), 9.7; 4. Ganer (Minnesota), 9.7. Second heat—1. Watson (Florida), 9.7; 2. Smith (Texas), 9.7; 3. Coyle (SC), 9.8; 4. McBride (Houston), 9.9. Third heat—1. Nash (Minnesota), 9.6; 2. Haines (Penn), 9.8; 3. Prewitt (Texas), 9.8; 4. Gary (Wash. St.), 9.9.

120 HIGH HURDLES: First heat—1. Thomson (Illinois), 14.4; 2. Constantine (Missouri), 14.6; 3. Nelson (Stanford), 14.8; 4. Stevens (Iowa), 14.8. Second heat—1. Shankle (Duke), 14.2; 2. Campbell (Indiana), 14.3; 3. Ball (UCLA), 14.7; 4. Mathews (Iowa), 14.8. Third heat—1. Pratt (Manhattan), 14.2; 2. Youkers (Penn St.), 14.4; 3. Savoldi (Mich. St.), 14.5; 4. Biberstein (Kansas), 14.6.

SHOT-PUT (seven qualify)—1. Neider (Kansas), 57ft. 3in.; 2. Jones (Miami, O.), 56ft. 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 3. Martin (SC), 56ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 4. Meyer (Oxy), 55ft. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 5. Vick (UCLA), 55ft. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 6. Grier (Penn St.), 54ft. 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; 7. Wright (San Jose St.), 54ft. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

880: First heat—1. Janzen (Kansas), 1:52.5; 2. Foerster (Texas), 1:52.5; 3. McLaughlin (St. Joseph's), 1:52.6. Second heat—1. Courtney (Fordham), 1:51.1; 2. Gray (Michigan), 1:51.2; 3. Cryer (Illinois), 1:51.3. Third heat—1. Gayton (Washington), 1:52.3; 2. Heard (Okla. A&M), 1:53.3; 3. Patterson (Texas), 1:53.3.

220: First heat—1. Golliday (Northwestern), 20.9. (new meet and Coliseum record around curve. Old meet mark, 21.1. Ewell, Penn St., 1940, Old Coliseum mark, 21, LaBeach, Panama, 1950); 2. Pollard (Penn St.), 21.3; 3. Flodin (Michigan), 21.6; 4. Brown (Michigan), 21.7. Second heat—1. Markisohn (Princeton), 21.9; 2. Watson (Florida), 22; 3. Shearer (Boston), 22.1; 4. Brownsberger (Stanford), 22.1. Third heat—1. Gary

(Wash. St.), 21.4; 2. Blair (Kansas), 21.5; 3. Flinn (Acorn), 21.6; 4. Whilden (Texas), 21.9.

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JAVELIN (seven qualify)—1. Church (Oregon St.), 232ft. 6in.; 2. Higgins (Brigham Young), 232ft. 5in.; 3. Conley (Caltech), 231ft. 5in.; 4. Bittner (Kansas), 221ft. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 5. Garcia (Arizona St.), 221ft. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 6. Oliver (Puerto Rico), 216ft. 10in.; 7. Cantello (La Salle), 216ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

BROAD JUMP (seven qualify)—1. Shankle (Duke), 24ft. 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 2. Andrews (Arizona), 24ft. 1in.; 3. Hermann (Stanford), 23ft. 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; 4. C. Cook (Lewis and Clark), 23ft. 6in.; 5. E. Cook (Oklahoma), 23ft. 4in.; 6. Pedigo (Oregon), 23ft. 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.; 7. Smith (Kansas), 23ft. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

220 LOW HURDLES: First heat—1. Constantine (Missouri), 23.3; 2. Mathews (Iowa), 23.5; Thomson (Illinois), 23.6; 4. Clarke (SC), 23.8. Second heat—1. Pratt (Manhattan), 23.7; 2. Youkers (Penn St.), 24.2; 3. Rosellini (UCLA), 24.2; 4. Derrick (Oklahoma), 24.3. Third heat—1. Burton (Miami, O.), 23.5; 2. Stevens (Iowa), 23.9; 3. Yates (Utah), 23.9; 4. Clark (Abilene Christian), 23.9. Fourth heat—1. Luttrell (Stanford), 23.5; 2. Holloway (UCLA), 23.7; 3. Woodson (Illinois), 23.9; 4. Gray (Missouri), 23.9.

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DISCUS (seven qualify)—1. Koch (SC), 166ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 2. Drummond (UCLA), 163ft. 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 3. Mathias (Occidental), 162ft. 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 4. Vereen (Georgia Tech), 161ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; 5. Vick (UCLA), 161ft. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; 6. Hexter (Oxy), 157ft. 10in.; 7. Grier (Penn St.), 156ft. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

NUMBER OF QUALIFIERS—Kansas, 7; UCLA, 6; Penn St., 5; SC, Missouri and Texas, 4 each; Iowa, Occidental, Oklahoma and Stanford, 3 each; Duke, Florida, Illinois, Manhattan, Miami of Ohio, Michigan State, Michigan, Minnesota, Northwestern, Oklahoma A&M and Washington State, 2 each; Akron, Arizona State, Brigham Young, Caltech, Fordham, Georgia Tech, Houston, Indiana, LaSalle, Lewis & Clark, Oregon, Oregon State, Pennsylvania, Princeton, Puerto Rico, St. Joseph's of Philadelphia, San Jose St., Southern Methodist, Villanova and Washington, 1 each.