Marks Fall in Mt. SAC Relay Meet

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Dave Tork did it.

The 27-year-qld Marine

Heutenant from Camp Pendleton, who finished second at Santa Barbara recently when John Uelses set a world pole vault record of

world pole vault record of 16 ft. 34 in., got even Saturday in the fourth annual Mt. San Antonio Relays. Tork scaled 16-2 to junk Uelses' mark before it ever

had a chance to become official,

The quiet but confident athlete then ordered the bar elevated to 16-5, but failed to fly over at that dizzying altitude.

Dave's record vault, which came on his second try at

only a small remnant of the crowd, for it didn't happen until 6:15 p.m., long after everything else was over. However, three very im-

the height, was viewed by

portant people were in the

stands-Tork's wife and two small daughters. He bounced up from the sawdust as the bar still jiggled and reached over to kiss and embrace his family. Two other vaulters. George Davies of Arizona State, whose 15-101/4 of last

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year still is the recognized world mark, and Gerald Pratt, former Dorsey High and Los Angeles City Col-lege boy now enrolled at Texas Southern, still were in the hunt at 16-2, but failed after Tork had succeeded. Tork Passed

Though the event got under way at 1 o'clock with 22

entries, Tork passed until the bar reached 15 feet. He

Mt. SAC Highlights Vault-16ft. 2in., Dave Tork. progress) were voted the

Discus - 198ft. 6in., Al Oer-meet's two top performers. ter. 440 - 46.0, Ulis Williams,

Mile - 3:59.9, Jim Grelle. Mile relay - 3:07.5, Arizona eyed throng of 10,000.

cleared it on his first try. went over again on his national collegiate mark of first try at 15-7, and was 3:07.5 in the mile relay - 4:00.1, behind the great Herb well over on his first try at and this despite one very Elliott at the Compton Invi-

U. his best was 141/2. Entering the Marines in 1958 he remained pretty much of a vaulting nobody until this year, when he cleared 15-81/4 the day Uelses became the first ever to do 16 feet

outdoors. The greatest discus freefor-all of all time also ma-

terialized. Out of it came the second longest throw in history, an

effort of 198ft. 6in. by big Al Oerter, two-time Olympic Games champion, who was representing the New York Athletic Club. Oerter needed a big one

to win, for world record holder Jay Silvester (199-21/2) uncorked a 195-7 throw The day's program also produced the fourth mile un-

der four minutes by an American when Jim Grelle of the Los Angeles Track Club zipped to a 3:59.9 clocking Oerter and Grelle (while

the pole vault was still in

Dave Tork

Several others likewise came through with superlative Grelle, paced for two laps performances before the pop- by Bill Kozar, but totally

market prices. Arizona State set a new and 59.1

only an 11-9 vaulter in high college 880 standard to 3:57.6; Jim Beatty, with 3:58 school and at West Virginia 1:48.6

tition with a lifetime best of 194-11/2. He proceeded to do 190, 190-8 and 188-8. Then he fouled, but came right back with that 198-6 and finished with another 190 for anamazing series. His happiness was abruptly halted upon discovering that somebody had swiped

Thirteen meet

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tumbled Saturday and another was equalled.

State freshman from Comp-

ton, was another who en-

joyed a large day. He won the 440 in 46 flat, equalling

the best time in the country

this year, and then blazed to

a 45.9 as anchor man on that

record mile relay combine.

alumnus, went into action against all-star compe-

Oerter, 25-year-old Kansas

Williams

records

Arizona

his discus while he was accepting a trophy on the victory stand. Second to Elliott

without company thereafter, Records fell like stock turned his sub-4 trick with quarters of 58.5, 60.5, 61.8

His best previous time was

16-2 only to knock off the bad pass of the baton. Ray tational of 1960. bar coming down. Van Asten of Mt. SAC low- Only Americans to do bet-

The new champion was ered his own national junior ter are Dyrol Burleson with

and Don Bowden with 3:58.7.

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