Aussie Clocks 13:25.8; **Snell Barely Holds Off** Grelle in 3:56.4 Mile

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In the chill confines of Memorial Coliseum Friday night a red-hot Ron Clarke of Australia raced to world records for the three mile and 5,000 meters.

This amazing performance came a few minutes before Peter Snell of New Zealand, Angels' Swift double gold medal victor in the 1964 Olympic Games, Edges Orioles the featured mile of the

viously enjoyed the marrow chilling atmosphere as he trimmed better than seven seconds off his own global marks.

He was clocked in 13:00.4 at the three mile mark and ran the final lap in 61 se-conds to a remarkable to a remarkable 13:25.8 time in the 5.000.

Athlete of Meet

Clarke's best previous was 13:07.6 for the shorter distance, turned in last been ber. His global record of 13:33.6 for the 5,000 was esta blished earlier this year. He was a unanimous choice for athlete of the meet honors.

Only a desperate lunge in to the tape saved Snell from defeat in the Compton mile as he stood off the closing rush of Jim Grelle, after tak-ing the lead 300 yards from the finish

They were timed in 3:56.4 well short of the world and meet marks held by Snell. It was the closest call the New Zealander has had in many a year of world record breaking.

3:56.8 For Ryun

Jim Ryun, phenomenal prepster from Kansas, also closed with a rush for third place. His time of 3:56.8 was his best and the fastest per-formance ever for a high school lad.

Grelle, veteran former Or egon University runner, was clocked in 55 seconds for the final lap as he closed in on Snell with 75 yards to go, caught him 20 yards from the tape, but couldn't quite match the power of the Zealander, Less than three inches separated them at the

By contrast, Clarke's victo was a runaway with Ne ville Scott of New Zealand

Compton Invitational before in Photo, 4-3 BY JOHN HALL

The Compton invitational wasn't the only speed show n town Friday night

They even added a photo finish at Dodger Stadium where Marcelino Lopez captured his seventh victory the Angels staged and a track meet of their own in nabbing a 4-3 verdict over the Baltimore Orioles.

A crowd of 7,103 saw the Birds nearly spoil it all though, as they rallied for two runs in the ninth inning and had the bases jammed and chirping before fireman Bob Lee got Boog Powell to pop up for the final out

Lopez (7-3) had breezed into the last frame with a 4-1 lead, but the 21-year-old Cuban had thrown a bundle of pitches and manager Bill Rigney caled for Lee after Lopez walked leadoff batter Brooks Robinson.

Lee nearly wasn't up to it this time as the Birds pecked

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dual between the two dis-Compton College to the tape tance stars from Down Un-by a stride. der through the early stages. der intoug, took charge a high hurdles, Ralph Boston hile and a half from home returned to the long jump pit and promptly pulled away to to win by almost a foot over Gayle Hopkins with a construction of the second second second second second over Gayle Hopkins with a second second

iseum records, nine meet 5 turned in at Modesto. narks and three American figures were erased during the evening of great perfor-evening came in the 410

spiced with an American re-in 30x7 for a new meet easy c ord t y in g performance Colliseum mark. when Wyomia Tyus of Ten-nessee State ran away with the feminine 100-yard dash star came on with a blazing finish to pass Jay Luck, for-finish to pass Jay Luck, for-10.5.

This matched her mark osted last year and exceedd the Coliseum and Compon meet figures

Closest Finish

By all odds the closest filish of the evening develin the 880-yard run ped Bill Crothers of Canada arely staved off the closing the Striders, to win by cant inches

The Canadian silver me al winner in the Olympics aced into a two yard lead arely won in a blanket fiaish at the tape as he out-asted the fast-closing Hose and Nelson, All three were locked in 1:48.7

In the absence of the phe omenal prepster Richmond lowers Jr., from Alabama, Blaine yard victory in the 120ard high hurdles over Don hy in 139

Flowers, flown here in the to overnor's plane, had ithdraw because of a slight ? uscle pull suffered earlier The chill night n the week. The chill n ir made it inadvisable iim to compete

Strong Spurt

Williams, Ulis with trong spurt around the final urn, got a big jump on Mike arrabee, Olympic gold me al winner, to take the 440-ard dash over the chamion in 46.4, winning by five ards

Hal Connolly turned in the irst of the several meet reords early in the festivities then he tossed the hammer 25 feet 4 inches.

This was well short of his world's best of 233-2 posted



lat Modesto lest Saturday at night.

Fred Kuller of Santa Ana College took the 100 in 9.5 as After a stride - for - stride he led Pablo McNeil of

the early stages, After finishing third in the took charge a high hurdles, Ralph Boston He was clocked at 4:17.5 leap of 25-8 3/4. It was well a or the initial mile and 8:40 behind his world record at the 2-mile point. Eight Co-breaking performance of 27-

Cawley Upset

in the 440-which Ron yard hurdles The 26th annual event was Whitney of the Striders wor piced with an American re- in 50.7 for a new meet and

> finish to pass Jay Luck, for mer Yale star, and Rex Caw ley, Olympic champion, as two favorites missed the their strides as they negotiat ed the last two sets of bat

timed in and Cawley in 51.4.

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