It's Still 'Bruin Town' in Track; USC Falls, 83-62

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Los Angeles is the track capital of

Coach Jim Bush's amazing UCLA team romped over favored USC for the second straight year, 83-62, with 14,448 sun-drenched fans as witnesses Saturday at the Coliseum.

"It is even more gratifying than last year," Bush confided. "All year long I've heard how they were going to beat us good. Our kids just won it

with heart."

They also won it with a remarkable 14 second-place finishes out of 15 events, and the only event they missed was when their expected second-place man, miler Rick Romero, finished first instead,

Romero's 4:02.3 mile turned the meet in the Bruins' favor and the Trojans never were able to recover. Romero not only ran favorite Dennis Carr into the ground, but he also took so much out of the Trojan distance star that Carr ran dead last in 9:44.2 in the two-mile.

Nearly a Minute Slower

This was nearly a full minute slower than Carr had run one month ago.

Three perfect baton passes enabled the UCLA 440-yard relay team of Bernard Okoye, Don Domansky, Ron Copeland and Harold Busby to equal the world record of 39.6 and nip the Trojans in one of track history's greatest sprint relays.

Okoye, the little East Nigerian who was filling in for the injured Norm Jackson, trailed Earl McCullouch by about two yards when he handed off to Domansky. Fred Kuller and Domansky raced down the back-stretch without the margin changing, but the Bruins picked up a yard on the pass.

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Copeland made up the difference
on O. J. Simpson, and as the two
teams came to the final pass they
were dead even. Copeland and Busby
made a perfect exchange and before
Lennox Miller got going, the Bruin

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MC CULLOUCH PULLS A FAST ONE—USC's Earl McCullouch (right) clears last barrier in high hurdles a stride ahead of UCLA's Ron Copeland, Earl won event with a wind-aided 13.3. Copeland had a 13.4. Times photo by Art Rogers gaining, but down the final 40 yards Busby fought courageously to hold off the straining Trojan. It was a great win for the Bruins, giving them a psychological lift over Trov. It was a bitter loss. for no other team had ever before run 39.7 and been beaten. Miller Sets 2 Marks Miller proved his sharpness later by setting two meet sprint records with a Nine records were set as

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sonh was two yards away

Miller appeared to be

and winging.

9.4 100 and a 20.6 220. one world - class performance after another made Saturday's show the greatest collegiate dual meet ever held The two hurdle races were won by Trojans, but in entirely different ways. In the highs, McCullouch blazed out of the blocks

with a fantastic start, having a two-yard edge on Copeland as they raced over the first barrier. Slowly, almost imperceptibly, the big Bruin crept up on Earl the Pearl, but he wasn't quite up to catch-

Too Much Wind

McCullouch's time was 13.3, only one tenth off the world record, but it was nullified by a 5.38 m.p.h. wind, slightly over the allowable 4.47.
Roger Johnson, the
Bruins' co-captain from New Zealand, moved out to a five-yard lead on Geoff Vanderstock in the intermediate race, but the powerful Trojan pulled even over the last hurdle and beat Johnson to the

tape. The result was the fastest 440 hurdle race in seconds. with UCLA record.

the world this year, 50.2 Johnson's 50.6 well under his own Other meet records were set by four Trojans, Dave Buck with a 1:48.4 halfmile, John FitzSimons 251 - 10 javelin throw, Gary Carlsen with 196-2 discus and Bob Seagren with a 17-1/2 pole

other, with Copeland's 46.1 anchor lap from a near standing start helping the Bruins to a 3:11.1 clocking. Eleven Bruin point win ners came through with the greatest performances of their career and the 125 pound Romero, the big-

vault. UCLA's mile relay team accounted for the

gest Bruin of them all.

accounted for two impor-

tant ones. After his 4:02.3

mile, two seconds better

improvement, for an unexpected second place. The

Bruins didn't really need

it by that time, but his

performance was symbolic of the winner's spirit

than his best ever. came back with a 9:11.4 two-mile, a seven-second

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Light (UCLA), 22.2; 2. Sleby

(UCLA)

(UCLA), \$3.61 no other

155 (UCLA), 16.2; 2. 6.7; 3. Davis (UCLA),