

# Seagren Shines ---As a Hurdler!

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"Lane assignments for the intermediate hurdles . . . in lane 5, Bob Seagren."

This announcement over the public address system snapped the 2,974 track fans at the Coliseum out of their lethargy. There he was, the world's greatest pole vaulter, lined up at the start of track's most grueling individual event.

It was no gag, as most spectators may have believed.

Seagren eased off the blocks in perfect stride, cleared the first hurdle as if he had done it all his life, and left teammate Geoff Vanderstock, the world's eighth-ranking intermediate hurdler, several strides behind.

After the first 220 Seagren was still ahead, but at the ninth hurdle he missed his step, chopped his stride and leap-frogged the hurdle. Vanderstock swept past to win in 53.1, but Seagren raced him to the wire in 53.4.

It was the first time in his life Seagren had ever run more than five of the 36-inch hurdles at one time.

Seagren, who also won the pole vault at 16-6, was as pleased as if he had regained his world vault record.

"I thought Van was playing with me," Bob said. "When I heard him coming at me around the turn,

I thought everyone was going to pass me. I got greedy and tried to speed up, and that caused me to miss the next to last hurdle."

Coach Vern Wolfe, who admitted the race was all Seagren's idea, was equally pleased.

"He'll run it at least two more times," Vern said with a wink, pointedly referring to the May 4 dual meet with UCLA.

Although Seagren had been working out at longer distances, this was his first intermediate hurdle race ever. He and Vanderstock, along with Don Shy and Bruce Johnson, once held the national JC hurdle relay record at Mt. San Antonio.

Seagren's eight points contributed to USC's overwhelming 112-33 win over Stanford, the most points ever scored against the Indians. The previous high was 108 by USC in 1946.

And for the statistically minded, Seagren's feat was the greatest vault-intermediate hurdle "double" of all-time. Yes, it had been done before. On Feb. 18, 1961, Dan Burger vaulted 13-9 and ran a 53.4 race in Pretoria, South Africa.

The two mile produced a meet and three school records as sophomore Ole Oleson won in USC record time of 8:44.6. Another soph, Greg Brock, set a Stanford mark of 8:49.8. Freshman Jeff Marsee broke his own Trobabe standard with 8:47.4.

LONG JUMP—1, Earl McCulloch (USC), 24-1/2; 2, Craig Vaughan (S), 24-7/8; 3, Randy Beardslee (USC), 23-1/2.

POLE VAULT—1, Bob Seagren (USC), 16-6; 2, Paul Wilson (USC), 16-0; 3, Steve Flannery (S), 14-0.

SHOP PUT—1, Steve Johnson (USC), 32-7; 2, Brodie Dyer (USC), 32-9/16; 3, Len Moore (S), 31-4.

JAVELIN—1, Tom Coffey (S), 22-0; 2, Eric Christensen (USC), 22-4; 3, Bill Barendsen (USC), 19-4.

400 RELAY—1, USC (McCulloch, Fred Kuller, G. J. Simpson, Lennor Miller), 2:17 (meet record, old mark 40.8 USC, 1967); 2, Stanford, 41.4.

100—1, Miller (USC), 14; 2, Kuller (USC), 17; 3, Simpson (USC), 18.

400—1, Carl Trentadue (USC), 4:57.9; 2, John Link (USC), 4:58.3; 3, Jim Leffler (S), 4:51.4.

1200—1, McCulloch (USC), 3:40; 2, Tom Massey (S), 3:51; 3, Wilson Bowls (USC), 3:51.

400—1, Jim Ward (S), 47.3; 2, Geoff Vanderstock (USC), 47.7; 3, Rich Joyce (USC), 48.8.

800—1, Steve Lehner (USC), 1:21.6; 2, Johnson (USC), 1:24.4; 3, Dave Harrington (S), 1:25.0.

1600—1, Howard Becker (USC), 1:51.6; 2, Terry Tubb (USC), 1:51.6; 3, Craig Grant (USC), 1:51.8.

400H—1, Vanderstock (USC), 33.1; 2, Seagren (USC), 34.4; 3, Jarvis (USC), 35.3.

800—1, Miller (USC), 32.8 (meet record, old mark 31.8 Dwight Middleton (USC), 1964); 2, Kuller (USC), 31.4; 3, Simpson (USC), 31.4.

HIGH JUMP—1, Peter Boyce (S), 4-10; 2, Greg Heel (USC), 4-8; 3, Kennedy (USC), 4-4.

TWO MILE—1, Ole Oleson (USC), 8:44.6 (School and meet record, old school record, 8:47.3, Oleson 1961); old meet mark, 8:54.4 John Link (S); 2, Greg Brock (S), 8:49.8; 3, Chuck Metz (S), 8:50.0.

MILE RELAY—1, USC (Joyce, Heel, Trentadue, Becker); 2, U.C.; 3, Stanford.

TRIPLE JUMP—1, Tim Barrett (USC), 47-1/2; 2, Massey (S), 47-1/8; 3, Vaughan (S), 46-0/8.

FINAL SCORE: USC 112, Stanford 33.

## NON CONFERENCE

USC Fresh 84, Golden West 68

## TOP MARKS

100—Coffey (USC Fresh), 11.9; Dickerson (USC Fresh), 11.9; 400—Christensen (Golden West), 49.4; Mile—Dyer (USC Fresh), 4:15.0; 2 Mile—Marsee (USC Fresh), 8:47.2; 5000—Sellers (USC Fresh), 9:51.0; 10 Mile—Robert (Golden West), 49:54.0; 400 Hurdle—USC Fresh, 47.7.

JT—Papp (USC Fresh), 191.7; SP—Buckler (USC Fresh), 52.7; 1000—Artemovitch (USC Fresh), 132.4.