

CAL WINS NCAA CROWN; MANN SHATTERS RECORD

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DES MOINES—Ralph Mann, a one-time also-ran at Carson High School, and the University of California, a school which didn't score a point in last year's meet, had it all going for them Saturday and ran off with the big prizes in the NCAA track and field championships at Drake Stadium.

Mann, a 21-year-old junior at Brigham Young, shattered the world record in the 440 hurdles with a time of 48.8, and California, getting a surprise second from Rich Dunn in the triple jump, captured the team title with 40 points.

UCLA, which never recovered from a dropped baton in the 440 relay trials Thursday, finished eighth with 27 points, just five points ahead of USC, which was 10th with 22.

Mann took a half a second off the old record of 49.3, set by South Africa's Gert Potgieter in 1960, but he almost lost the headlines to Kansas sophomore Jan Johnson, who came within a whisker of clearing 18 feet in the pole vault.

Johnson went over 17-7 to win the event which was held in the Drake

Fieldhouse because of rain. His mark bettered the world indoor record of 17-6 set this winter by Kjell Isaksson of Sweden, but the mark was disallowed because of a sloping runway.

Although the Bruins never made a run at the title, Wayne Collett emerged as one of the individual heroes, running 49.2 behind Mann to also break the world record, and then coming from fourth in the mile relay to give UCLA a 3:06.1 victory with an awesome 41.8 anchor.

Collett was much closer to Mann at the finish than his time would indicate. It appeared that he ran no worse than 43 flat, because he was less than two yards back and closing.

"You bet I was worried about him," said Mann afterward. "From the last hurdle to the tape seemed like three miles."

Collett was the early leader, but he still has trouble making the transition from 13 to 15 steps on the sixth hurdle, and he lost his momentum on the far turn. Mann caught him between the seventh and eighth hurdle and then held him off in the drive to the wire.

Collett had the misfortune to draw the eighth lane, which is right up against the railing in Drake Stadium, while Mann was well placed in the fifth lane.

"It's amazing he was able to break the world record in that lane," said Mann.

Luck of the Draw

UCLA's John Smith, who finished fourth in the 440, also drew the eighth lane, and coach Jim Bush said, "That's the way things have been going for us for three days. But that's the luck of the draw. I don't want to make any alibis. Cal did a great job. They deserved to win."

California's victory was the first for the school since 1922 and came in the first coaching year of Dave Maggard, the 30-year-old former Bear weightman who placed fifth in the 1968 Olympic shot put.

"Maybe I should retire now," said Maggard after accepting the team trophy.

Oregon was the team to beat, but the Ducks faltered when Mac Wilkins failed to make the javelin finals and when Roscoe Divine dropped out of the mile with 1 1/4 laps to go after suffering an Achilles injury in practice. Villanova's Marty Liquori, with a 54.5 last lap, was the winner in 3:58.9.

The Webboots wound up with 35 points to tie Kansas and BYU for second. Washington State was next with 31, followed by Oregon State with 30, so Pacific 8 schools grabbed six of the top 10 places.

Trojan Disappointment

USC, as it turned out, actually could have been right-in there if Joe Antonovich had qualified in the discus and Ole Gleson had succeeded in defending his three mile title.

"Joe suffered a groin injury in practice Sunday," said coach Vern Wolfe, "and he just couldn't drive off his leg."

The Trojans got another bad break when Steve Smith, on a warmup vault in the rain, before the event was moved indoors, lost control and fell into the box, injuring his hip.

One of the day's biggest surprises was USC's second place finish to Cal in the 440 relay with a quartet of Mike Jackson, Monty Turner, Ken Jones and Edesel Garrison.

"Not had I a four 10-flat sprinters," grinned Wolfe. "You won't believe it, but I was watching Turner and

he actually made up more than a yard on Isaac Curtis.

Track Notes

Mann, 6-4 and 185, is a bridegroom of two weeks. His wife is the former Jackie Alvarez, a former homecoming queen at Carson High where Mann was a 14.2 hurdler and got only one college offer, that from BYU. He competed several times against Collett, who ran for Gardena, and said, "All I ever saw was the back of his shorts. This is the first time I've ever beaten him. He ran a great race, considering he hasn't had that much experience in the intermediates. If he'd run the quarter today, I'm sure he would have won it." Mann revealed that his mother was born in Des Moines and that his grandmother still makes her home here. Collett, on Mann: "He's a tremendous athlete. He worked very hard to get where he is."

Johnson, 5-11 and 165, is a 19-year-old sophomore from Chicago. His best previous vault was 16-6½. On his third try at 18 feet, he appeared to have it made, but he barely brushed the bar with his chest on his descent and the bar, after hanging for a se-

cond, jiggled off. "I know. I can make 18 feet now," said Johnson who will be seen in the National AAU championships Friday and Saturday at Bakersfield.

The 440 was a stunner for the second straight year as Curtis Mills of Texas A&M finished third in 45.8. Villanova's Larry James was the winner in 45.5. Last year, it was Mills who did the upsetting beating Lee Evans in world record time of 44.7. "I ran a terrible race today," said Mills. "I went out much too fast. That's the last time I'll do that. I'm going to win next week in Bakersfield."

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4 In Each Heat Qualify For Final

FIRST HEAT—1. Gray (Missouri), 21.0; 2. Turner (Oregon State), 21.2; 3. Smith (Occidental), 21.3; 4. Fratkin (William & Mary), 21.4. Others—6. Masters (California), 21.7.

SECOND HEAT—1. Goodrich (Indiana), 20.7; 2. Curtis (California), 21.1; 3. Green (Kentucky) 21.4; 4. Hart (California), 21.4. Others—5. Smith (Oregon State), 21.5; 7. Robinson (UCLA), 21.9.

Final

1. Turner, 20.6; 2. Gray, 20.7; 3. Goodrich, 20.7; 4. Curtis, 20.8; 5. Green, 21.1; 6. Smith, 21.3. Others—Hart finished 7th in 21.4, but disqualified for running out of lane.

440

Final

1. James (Villanova), 45.5; 2. Turner (Murray State), 45.8; 3. C. Mills (Texas A&M), 45.8; 4. Smith (UCLA), 46.0; 5. Ulan (Rutgers), 46.0; 6. Garrison (USC), 46.1. Others—8. Palmer (Cal State LB), 47.3.

Final

1. Swenson (Kansas State), 1:46.3; 2. Collins (Oregon State), 1:46.5; 3. Sandison (Washington State), 1:47.0; 4. Winzarried (Wisconsin), 1:47.3; 5. Michael (Cal Poly SLO), 1:47.9; 6. Kaczka (South Carolina), 1:48.6.

MILE

Final

1. Liguori (Villanova), 3:59.9; 2. Woffle (Bowling Green), 4:00.1; 3. Michael (William & Mary), 4:01.9; 4. Savage (Westmont), 4:02.6; 5. Smart (Washington), 4:02.7; 6. Mosser (West Virginia), 4:03.5. Others—Divine (Oregon), did not finish.

THREE MILE

Final

1. Prefontaine (Oregon), 13:22.0 (meet record, old mark, 13:33.8. Gerry Lindgren, Washington State, 1966); 2. Bjorklund (Minnesota), 13:25.5; 3. Buertke (Villanova), 13:27.8; 4. Kardong (Stanford), 13:28.0; 5. Fredericks (Penn State), 13:30.0; 6. Robb (Providence), 13:39.0. Others—12. Olson (USC), 13:51.0; 17. Lough (Cal State LB), 14:28.2; 18. Adams (Washington), 14:51.6; Winsor (San Diego State), did not finish.

3,000 METER STEEPLECHASE

Final

1. Sink (Bowling Green), 8:40.9 (meet record, old mark, 8:44.4, Jim Barkley, Oregon State, 1969); 2. Liebenberg (Western Michigan), 8:44.5; 3. Savage (Oregon), 8:45.6; 4. Silvious (Eastern Kentucky), 8:50.4; 5. Hindley (BYU), 8:52.6; 6. Bayham (Miami, Ohio), 8:56.9. Others—11. Thomas (Stanford), 9:18.2; 12. Johnson (Washington), 9:39.0.

Final

1. Mann (BYU), 48.8 (world, American, collegiate and meet record, old world mark, 49.3, Gert Polgierer, South Africa, 1960; old American mark, 49.6, Rex Cawley, USC, 1963; old collegiate and meet record, 49.6, Cawley, 1963, and Mann, 1969); 2. Collett (UCLA), 49.2; 3. Williams (San Diego State), 50.3; 4. Wharton (Idaho State), 50.6; 5. Rondeau (Texas El Paso), 50.7; 6. Seymour (Washington), 51.2.

440 RELAY

Final

1. California (Couser, Curtis, Masters, Hart), 40.3; 2. USC, 40.6; 3. Indiana, 40.6; 4. Oklahoma State, 41.2; 5. Cal State (LB), 41.5; 6. Texas A&M, 42.1.

MILE RELAY

Final

1. UCLA (Langston, 48.2; Smith, 45.6; Lyman, 47.5; Collett, 44.8), 3:06.1; 2. Rice, 3:07.6; 3. Tennessee, 3:07.8; 4. Oregon, 3:08.1; 5. Abilene Christian, 3:08.5; 6. Murray State, 3:08.9.

TRIPLE JUMP

Final

1. Gill (Cal Poly SLO), 51-9/4; 2. Dunn (California), 50-5/4; 3. Salter (Pittsburgh), 50-4/4; 4. McClure (Middle Tennessee), 50-3/4; 5. Vanley (Texas El Paso), 50-2/4; 6. Lanier (Cincinnati), 49-8/2. Others—7. Meredith (Stanford), 49-5/4; 8. Fraser (California), 48-10/4.

POLE VAULT

Final

1. Johnson (Kansas), 17-7; 2. Alarotu (BYU), 17-0; 3. Heglar (Texas El Paso), 17-0; 4. tie between Carrigan (Stanford)

and Sakala (UCLA), 16-0; 6. Roberts (Rice), 16-0. Others—7. Ernst (Washington State), 16-0; Simpson (UCLA) and Smith (USC), did not clear height.

DISCUS

Final

1. Van Reenen (Washington State), 190-9; 2. DeBernardi (Texas El Paso), 189-8; 3. Salb (Kansas), 188-5; 4. Knop (Kansas), 185-1; 5. Wolf (Oregon), 178-9; 6. Murphy (USC), 178-7. Others—8. Strauts (Oregon), 174-0.

JAVELIN

Final

1. Skinner (Tennessee), 270-8; 2. Schmidt (North Texas State), 252-11; 3. Feldman (Washington), 262-5; 4. Collins (Clemson), 254-5; 5. Koubota (Pittsburgh), 251-2; 6. Wallis (Army), 246-6. Others—10. Wilkins (Oregon), 229-1; 11. Rigby (Oregon State), 227-7; 12. Kennedy (California), 222-4.

DECATHLON

CONTESTANTS AND FINAL POINT TOTALS—1. Wanamaker (Drake), 7,406; 2. Vesala (Cal State LA), 7,199; 3. Wedman (Colorado), 7,045; 4. Dixon (Cal State LA), 6,854; 5. Wells (Utah), 6,817; 6. Balema (San Diego State), 6,812. Others—9. Long (Cal State LB), 6,712.

110-METER HH—1. Wanamaker, 14.9. Others—Dixon, 15.4; Balema, 15.5; Vesala, 15.9; Long, 16.9.

DISCUS—1. Kenward (Colorado), 162-2. Others—Long, 133-2; Vesala, 125-1; Dixon, 124-11; Balema, 108-0.

POLE VAULT—1. Wedman, 16-2. Others—Long, 13-3; Vesala and Balema, 12-0; Dixon, 11-6 1/4.

JAVELIN—1. King (New Hampshire), 204-11. Others—Dixon, 201-6; Balema, 185-3; Vesala, 164-0; Long, 159-0.

1,500-METERS—1. Galloway (Florida State), 4:23.7. Others—Vesala, 4:34.0; Long, 4:47.4; Balema, 4:48.4; Dixon, 4:57.6.

FINAL TEAM SCORES

California 40, Oregon, BYU and Kansas 35, Washington State 31, Oregon State 30, Texas (El Paso) 28, UCLA 27, Villanova 26, USC 22, Bowling Green 18, San Diego State 17, Tennessee 16, Wisconsin and Colorado 14, Indiana 13, Cal State (LA) 12, Ohio U., Kansas State, Drake and Dartmouth 10. Others—Washington 9, Stanford 7, Redlands 4, Cal State (LB) 2. Note: Points scored by college division athletes not counted in scoring.