

# Texas El Paso Wins NCAA Crown on a Wet Track

## UCLA Second, USC Third in Rain-Delayed Meet; Bell, Ripley Vault 18-1 for Collegiate Record

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PROVO—On a rainy, windswept night that seemed to dampen the drives of UCLA and USC, an international team from Texas El Paso marched to the team title in the 54th NCAA track and field championships Saturday at Brigham Young University.

The Miners, two-time NCAA indoor champions, scored 55 points to 42 for runnerup UCLA and 37 for third-place USC.

The meet was held up one hour by a driving rainstorm which hit after Earl Bell of Arkansas State and Dan Ripley of San Jose State broke the collegiate record in the pole vault by clearing 18-1.

When action resumed, UCLA's hopes started to wash away in the high hurdles when Clim Jackson finished fifth after getting off to a poor start.

USC seemed to be in fair shape after winning the 440 relay in 39.09, but then just about everything went wrong. Ken Randle finished only fourth in the 440; Tom Andrews failed to place in the 440 hurdles; James Gilkes was beaten by Tennes-

see's Reggie Jones in the 220, and the discus throwers managed to collect only one point.

"We just fell apart at the seams," said coach Vern Wolfe, whose Trojans were co-favored with the Miners. "We've got a lot of young kids who have done a great job all year, but they just couldn't get it together tonight."

The Bruins were hardly a disappointment. They got a win from Benny Brown in the 440 and still managed to get 10 points in the high hurdles as freshman James Owens finished second to Larry Shipp of Louisiana State.

Brown ended three years of frustration in this meet by coming from fifth place on the turn to win going away in 45.34.

"I just ran my own race," said the Bruin senior. "I relaxed for the first 110 yards, then started to build on the turn. I didn't worry about anyone else in the race."

The day before, Brown announced he was shooting for John Smith's world record of 44.5. After the race, he said, "When the rains came, I sort

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of got the blahs. I think everybody got the blahs."

Of UTEP's 55 points, 44 were scored by foreign athletes—three Kenyans, two Swedes and an Australian.

"We're still the American champion of the NCAA," said Bush, who has waged a long, unsuccessful campaign to have alien athletes barred from this meet.

The coach of the Miners is 41-year-old Tod Banks, a former cross country runner for Ducky Drake at UCLA. Two years ago he succeeded Wayne Vandenburg, and the prospects weren't the best after Steve Williams and some other top athletes decided to leave school. He quickly filled the gaps with a host of overseas performers and now is certain to be named coach of the year.

"It's just great," he said. "To win both the indoor and outdoor NCAA in the same year is something you dream about. Our kids worked hard and they deserved it."

UTEP's only individual winner of the night was Kenyan James Munyala, who ran away with the steeplechase in 8:47.93. Wilson Waigwa, another Kenyan, settled for third in the mile, won by Villanova's Eamonn Coghlan in 4:00.06.

Coghlan passed Waigwa in the stretch, then held off a determined bid by San Jose State's Mark Schilling, second in 4:00.37. Defending champion Paul Cummings of Brigham Young, the leader after three laps, faded badly and wound up seventh.

Bell and Ripley broke the collegiate record of 18-0 1/2 set by Steve Smith of Long Beach State and Jan Johnson of Alabama in 1972. Bell, a 19-year-old sophomore who had a previous best of 17-8, was declared the winner of the event on the fewer-misses rule.

Ripley's mark equaled the world amateur indoor record he set in the Sunkist Invitational last winter at the Sports Arena.

What happened to the Trojans?

"My legs felt awfully tight," said Andrews who had been picked to finish in the top three in the intermediates. "I usually go 13 strides for the first six hurdles, but I had to go 15 all the way. I just couldn't get going. I don't know if it's the altitude or what but I've had trouble breathing all three days."

Randle said, "I just didn't have it. I couldn't keep my arms moving and I didn't have any leg lift. Maybe I didn't want it bad enough. Next year, maybe it will be different."

Wolfe said, "Most of the kids will be back next year, and hopefully they learned some lessons tonight. We'll just hope for the best."

## Track Notes

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(TULSA), 14:00; 3. Foster (North Carolina State), 14:08; 4. Roland (Kansas State), 14:21; 5. Jackson (UCLA), 14:23; 6. Johnson (USC), 14:34. Others: 7. Turner (Long Beach State), 14:52; 8. Ngono (Washington State), disqualified for false start.

#### 3,000-METER STEEPLECHASE

##### Final

1. Munyala (UTEP), 8:47.93; 2. R. Smith (Wichita State), 8:57.69; 3. Barger (Oregon), 9:00.54; 4. Staysney (Western Kentucky), 9:01.17; 5. Roche (Ruiger), 9:02.28; 6. McDonald (Kansas), 9:06.29. Others: 12. Oloo (Oregon State), 9:30.6.

#### 400 RELAY

##### Final

1. USC (R. Williams, Simmons, Randle, Gilkes), 39.99; 2. California, 39.49; 3. Arizona State, 39.74; 4. Texas Christian, 39.76; 5. Texas, 39.31; 6. UCLA (Owens, Wilmoth, Wilson, Brown), 40.03.

#### MILE RUN

##### Final

1. Coghlan (Villanova), 4:00.06; 2. Schilling (San Jose State), 4:00.37; 3. Waligud (UTEP), 4:01.23; 4. Heidenrich (Indiana), 4:02.34; 5. Speirs (Rutgers), 4:04.39; 6. Jones (Idaho State), 4:05.34. Others: 11. Dappelt (Oregon), 4:32.6; Feig (Oregon), did not finish.

#### 220

##### 3 in Each Semifinal Heat Qualify for Final

FIRST HEAT—1. Whitaker (San Jose State), 20.91; 2. Edwards (Cal Poly, SLO), 21.18; 3. Bracy (Oklahoma), 21.32.

SECOND HEAT—1. Gilkes (USC), 20.70; 2. R. Jones (Tennessee), 20.80; 3. Presta (Arkansas State), 20.84. Others: 5. Minor (Washington State), 21.16.

THIRD HEAT—1. Joseph (Seton Hall), 20.95; Broadhead (Texas A. & M.), 21.01; 3. Brown (Arizona), 21.03. Others: 6. Franco (Washington), 21.52.

#### Final

1. R. Jones (Tennessee), 20.60; 2. Gilkes (USC), 20.67; 3. Edwards (Cal Poly, SLO), 20.73; 4. Whitaker (San Jose State), 20.98; 5. Broadhead (Texas A.&M.), 21.04; 6. L. Brown (Arizona), 21.08.

#### 400 IH

##### Final

1. Caudill (Indiana), 50.44; 2. Taylor (Occidental), 51.00; 3. Williams (Kentucky State), 51.04; 4. Schwab (Penn.), 51.15; 5. Galley (Baylor), 51.16; 6. Shine (Penn State), 51.25. Others: 7. Andrews (USC), 51.51.

#### 440

##### Final

1. B. Brown (UCLA), 45.34; 2. Frazier (Arizona State), 45.39; 3. Taylor (Texas Southern), 45.92; 4. Randle (USC), 45.94; 5. Sands (Penn State), 46.39; 6. Hicks (Washington), 46.61. Others: 7. Shorts (Long Beach State), 46.71.

#### HIGH JUMP

##### Final

1. Shanklin (Northeast Louisiana), 7-1; 2. Kotinak (UCLA), 7-0; 3. R. Smith (Kansas), 7-0; 4. Fields (Seton Hall), 7-0; 5. Livers (San Jose State), 7-0; 6. lie among Embree (Harvard), Berrineau (Georgia), DeLoeur (Baylor) and Woods (Oregon State), 6-10.

#### 800

##### Final

1. Eneyard (Utah State), 1:47.01; 2. Veitramp (Oklahoma), 1:47.66; 3. McLean (Bucknell), 1:47.93; 4. Francis (Boston College), 1:48.43; 5. Schappert (Villanova), 1:48.55; 6. lie between Dean (Weber State) and Schultz (BYU). Others: 9. Robinson (California), 1:55.9

#### TRIPLE JUMP

##### Final

1. Livers (San Jose State), 55-1; 2. Grimes (UTEP), 54-2½; 3. Taylor (UCLA), 54-1½; 4. Cochee (USC), 53-7; 5. Seay (Kansas), 53-14; 6. Hall (Arizona State), 53-2w.

#### THREE MILE

##### Final

1. J. Ngono (Washington State), 13:22.73; 2. Geis (Oregon), 13:26.76; 3. Tibadulza (Nevada, Reno), 13:27.54; 4. Jeff Wells (Rice), 13:29.52; 5. Trullillo (Army), 13:42.15; 6. Rose (Western Kentucky), 13:46.50. Others: 8. Taylor (Oregon), 13:55.6; 9. Kimoto (Washington State), 13:59.0; 12. R. Brown (Oregon State), 14:47.8.

#### DISCUS

##### Final

1. McGoldrick (Texas), 190-1 (batters second best throw); 2. Smith (Colorado State), 190-1; 3. Hielftos (Penn State), 187-10; 4. McMath (Tennessee), 183-10; 5. Voorhoes (Oregon), 181-10; 6. Eider (USC), 180-0. Others: 7. Gun-

ther (UCLA), 176-4; 8. Gardner (Long Beach State), 175-10; 9. Frappellitti (USC), 174-4; 12. Overton (California), 162-4.

#### MILE RELAY

##### Final

1. Washington (Tinner, Belur, Franco 45.1; Hicks 45.9), 3:05.10; 2. Kansas (Benson 45.4), 3:05.59; 3. Baylor (Carter 45.9), 3:05.60; 4. USC (Conners 45.3, Simmons 45.5, Andrews 46.0, Campbell 46.0), 3:06.82; 5. California (Robinson 45.7), 3:08.04; 6. Howard, 3:08.22.

#### FINAL TEAM SCORES

1. Texas El Paso 55, UCLA 42; USC 37, San Jose State 32, Kansas 27, Tennessee and Oregon 24, Brigham Young 21½, Washington State 20, Washington 17, Illinois 16, Arizona State and Long Beach State 15, Indiana, Arkansas State and Nevada, Reno 14, Texas and Villanova 12, Penn State and Western Kentucky 11, LSU, California, NE Louisiana, Utah State, Northeastern and E. Michigan 10. Others: Occidental 8, Oregon State 4½. Attendance—15,841.