## **USC Hits a Low** in Track at UCLA

## Bruins Roll to 107-47 Victory; **Brown Beats Green in Sprints**

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UCLA went 31 years without winning a dual track and field meet from USC. Then, Jim Bush became UCLA's coach in 1965 and the Trojans couldn't beat the Bruins every year as they had in the past.

The meets were usually competitive, attracted big crowds and world class performances were commonplace.

But on a dismal Saturday at Drake Stadium, the once intense rivalry hit a new low-a low for USC, that is,

UCLA was expected to easily beat USC and it did, routing the Trojans, 107-47, before only 5,800. It used to be standing room only for UCLA-USC meets with crowds in excess of 15.000.

Bush wasn't gloating, noting that there was no excitement to the meet (the crowd certainly wasn't aroused). "We've got to get the stands filled," he said.

"It's the only way to make money for our budget."

## Meet Decided Early

UCLA sprinter Eric Brown provided the only exciting note when he won the 100 and 200 meters in 10.20 seconds and 20.39-equaling and setting a personal bestand anchored the Bruin sprint relay team to victory.

The Trojans won only two events-the 110-meter high hurdles with Tonie Campbell (13.55) and the mile relay (3:08.49). But the Trojans got a break in the relay when UCLA's Joe Parker, running the second leg, dropped the baton, losing considerable ground to Mike Sanford before he retrieved the stick. Bush said that Sanford knocked the baton out of Parker's hand

Anyway, it had no bearing on the outcome of the meet. That was decided (if there was any doubt) at 2:52 p.m. when, after 13 events, UCLA had clinched the meet with a runaway 81-32 lead.

It was among USC's worst dual meet losses. And it was, of course, UCLA's most lopsided win in the series. California beat USC, 105-26 in 1921, and Stanford rolled it up on the Trojans, 104-18, in 1908. But records weren't Continued from First Page available for USC's meets with some other teams, in

cluding track clubs So is this once competitive series doomed for extinc-

tion? USC is deemphasizing dual meets (it had only two this year) because of the 14-man scholarship limit USC Coach Vern Wolfe wants to continue the rivalry with UCLA. "I don't want to drop this meet . love it," he said. "But it might be the only love it," "But it might be the only dual meet

we'll have Can the Trojans ever beat the Bruins again?
"Some year we'll hit it big," said Wolfe, adding that
the Trojans recruited well this year and will be a factor

in the NCAA and Pacific 10 meets next year. USC is in-eligible to compete in these meets this year because of violations of conference rules Wolfe said that USC didn't use i scholarships this season because of the school's ineligi-

bility status for the two big meets.

"I'd give anything if the roles were reversed for four or five years," the USC coach said. Wolfe was alluding to the fact that UCLA has a large squad comprised of some walk-on (nonscholarship) athletes because of low tuition costs at the state school.

## He said that tuition at USC is pushing \$6,000.

**Bush Offers Rebuttal** "I'm tired of hearing this talk about the 14 scholar-ships and walk-ons," Bush said. "Nothing has been said about us winning a few meets when there were unlimit

ed scholarships. "You compete with what you have on the field and you don't make excuses. We took our lumps (from USC) for 33 years (33 straight meets from 1934 through

1965) But Bush doesn't want the UCLA-USC dual to fall into the "endangered species" category. He said he ex-pects USC to be strong again and that he loses a lot of

athletes from his team, which he called his dual meet team.

The Bruins are 8-0 in dual meets this year and, most likely, will be named the No.1 dual meet team in the country again by Track & Field News.

Aside from the future of the series between the schools, Brown was the outstanding performer on a

chilly, overcast day. He took the baton about a yard behind USC's Bill Green in the 400-meter relay and beat the Trojan to the

tape as UCLA was timed in a fast 39.33. Then, he blazed to wins in the 100 and 200, beating Green again. Green, the Olympic Trials winner in the

400, didn't run in his specialty. 'It was the one gamble we took," Wolfe said of his decision to put Green in the sprints rather than the 400. "I fully expected Green to run both sprints," Brown

aid, "because I was our only entry. Brown, a junior from Bethel, Va., who came to UCLA on a football scholarship, said he was primed for a big

effort Saturday. "It wasn't the usual atmosphere for a UCLA-USC

meet because USC wasn't as strong as they have been, he said. "But USC's forte is the sprints and hurdles, so it didn't make much difference to me."

Brown, 5-11 185, is apparently moving into the world class picture with his performances Saturday and he

said he's looking forward to meeting such big name sprinters as James Sanford and Stanley Floyd next Sun-day in the UCLA-Pepsi Invitational at Westwood.

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