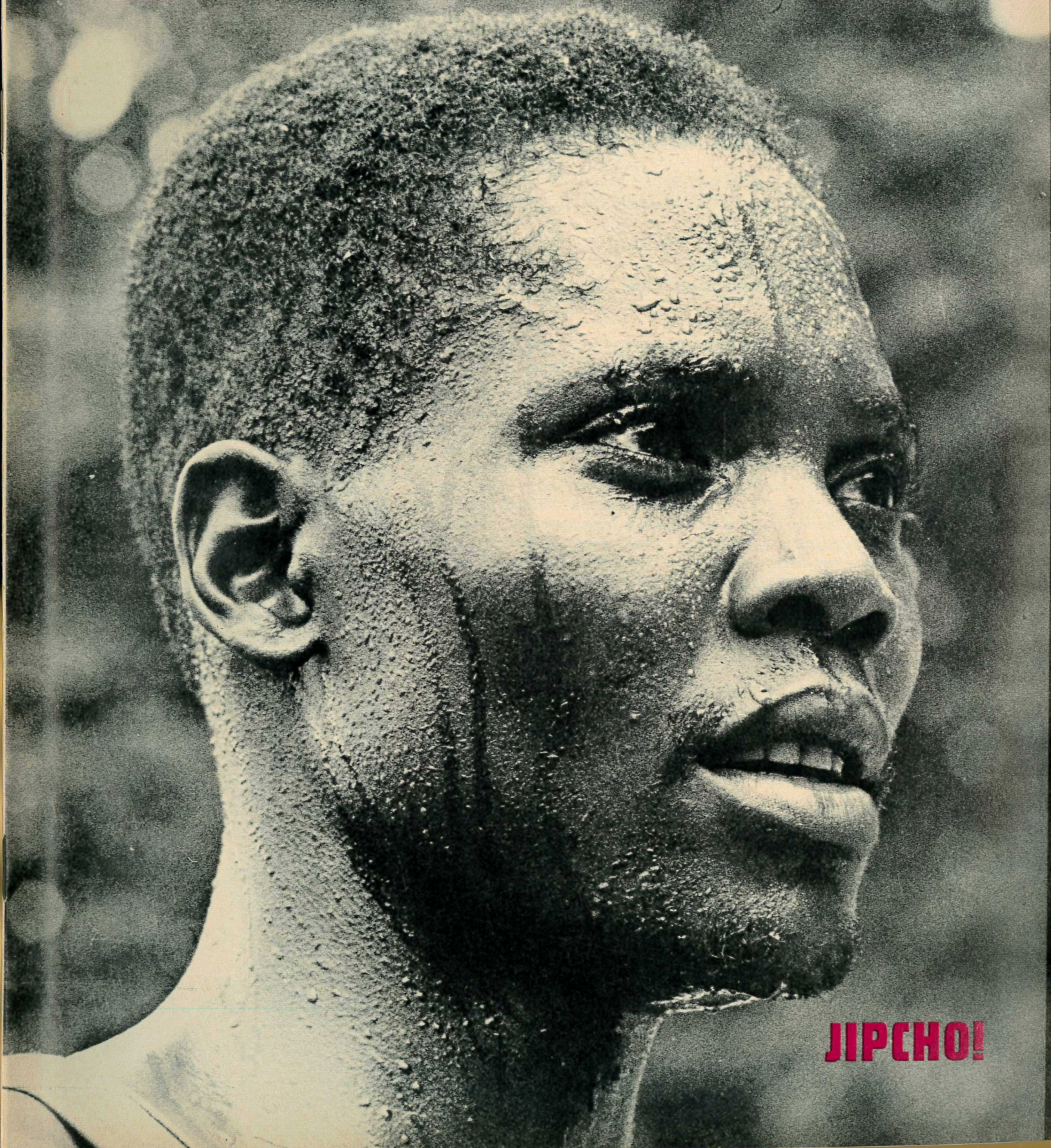


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UP FRONT

Ben Jipcho has stormed his way into steeplechasing history in stunning fashion, following up his 8:19.8 world mark with a super 8:14.0 and then history's 2nd-fastest mark ever of 8:18.2. As if that wasn't enough, he also covered 1500m in 3:36.6 and a mile in 3:52.0, 3rd-fastest ever. /Tony Duffy/

Jipcho Hottest as Africans Star in Scandinavia

The 1973 US season was a great one, but the European campaign is better. There is no sign of post-Olympic blues this year.

The big revelations of the season have come from the talented Africans. Ben Jipcho, now fully emerging from behind the massive shadow of Kip Keino, is stamping himself as the leading candidate to succeed his countryman as the most versatile runner around. His steeple brilliance confirmed by a pair of world records earlier in the year, Jipcho hasn't let up, smashing his own record down to 8:14.0, then recording another time (8:18.2) superior to anyone else ever. But he has also been a stunning performer in the 1500/mile, approaching Jim Ryun's mark in the latter with 3:52.0. And Ryun's other record, the 1500, was given a scare when talented Tanzanian Filbert Bayi sped 3:34.6.

Also stirring up the scene are other Africans such as intermediate hurdler pacer John Akii-Bua, 10,000 leader Richard Juma, highly-ranked steepler

Evans Mogaka and a trio of fleet 2-lappers (Mike Boit, Cosmas Silei and Daniel Omwanza).

Not that the rest of the world has been standing still. Rod Milburn removed Martin Lauer—and a host of others—from the high hurdle record ranks with a metric 13.1. And what about Marcello Fiasconaro? Touted as Europe's 1-lap hope a year ago, he is suddenly the world's fastest ever at 2-laps. He's still learning the event. Emiel Puttemans has been untouchable in the 5000, dragging Steve Prefontaine to an American record in one race.

The fun part is that everything should get better, with the biggest meets supposedly yet to come. The Europeans must still complete the European Cup semifinals and final, and "students" from around the world have the World University Games, not to mention the 3 big duals the US will be contesting: West Germany and Switzerland in Munich, Italy in Turin and the USSR in Minsk. The Juniors will meet Poland, West Germany and the USSR.

INTERNATIONAL

MUNICH INTERNATIONAL

Malan's Early Birthday Present a Record 1000m

Munich, W. Ger., June 24—Danie Malan gave himself an early birthday present by lowering the world 1000m record to 2:16.0 in the Olympic Stadium he was barred from as a citizen of South Africa. Malan's effort, 1 day before his 23rd birthday, came in a special competition before 35,000 spectators attending the Munich scholastic championships in the 72 Olympic Stadium.

Malan's black countryman Joseph Leserwane, a 46.1 400 sprinter, darted to the front in the race with Malan some 6m back but a good 3 steps in front of his leading West German rivals, Munich 1500 finalist Paul-Heinz Wellmann and 800 Olympian Josef Schmid. At 650m, rabbit Leserwane stepped aside, Malan accelerating noticeably. Wellmann went after him despite being hampered by Leserwane's exit from the track ("That cost me a half-second," said Wellmann afterward), but couldn't collar the flying South African. Malan whizzed past 800m in 1:48.0 and a 28.0 final 200 shaved 0.2 from the mark first set by then-East German Jurgen May in 65 and matched by Westerner Franz-Josef Kemper in 66. Wellmann closed well for a 2:17.6 in 2nd.

Whooping, Malan happily raised his arms high after the finish. "What, a world record?! More than anything, I have to thank Joseph," he said as he hugged his countryman. He later revealed the assault on the record was a planned effort; following an earlier 2:18.0 in Munich, "I found how much I have inside". Malan is now looking at the world 800 mark.

A classy javelin match-up pitted Olympic champ Klaus Wolfermann against Soviet master Janis Jusis, who said before the meet, "My countrymen will forget my slip at the Olympics if I throw a world record here." But an enormous rain storm just after the throwing started ended any such hopes for either thrower. Lusic reached 289-3 in the 1st round to Wolfermann's 283-10 for the victory, but the Olympic champion still beamed. "I never would have believed I could throw so far so soon after my elbow injury," Wolfermann said, referring to the limb hurt on his 308-8 world record throw.

/attendance 35,000/ 1000m, Malan (S Afr) 2:16.0. WB, WAR; 2. Wellmann 2:17.6; 3. Schmid 2:19.3. JT, Lusic (SU) 289-3; 2. Wolfermann 283-10.

ITALY-CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Fiasconaro Culminates Conversion to 800—1:43.7

Milan, It., June 26-27 /from Roberto Quercetani/—Marcello "March" Fiasconaro, billed as a potential record-breaker in the 800 ever since he ran 1:47.7 on a poor track, in the rain, in a solo effort at Bergamo, Italy, in April of 72 in only the 5th race of his 2-lap career, administered a mighty coup de grace to the 1:44.3 world record 16 races later with a scintillating 1:43.7.

The climactic 21st race (counting finals only) for the 24-year-old South-Africa-born Italian came on the 2nd day of the Italy-Czechoslovakia meet on the same track Rudolf Harbig ran his legendary 1:46.6 record in 1939 which stood for 16 years. The last Italian to hold a world middle distance record, Luigi Beccali with his 3:49.0 1500 in 1933, also set his mark on the Milan oval. On this hot evening, Fiasconaro drew lane 1—and kept it for the entire distance. He led virtually from gun to tape, a most unusual way of breaking a world 2-lap record.

With Czech Jozef Plachy his only serious rival in a 4-man field, Fiasconaro needed only a short distance to gain the lead, hitting 200m in 25.0. As the others closed in on the pole after 300m (per the new international rules), March was clearly ahead and Plachy could only follow in his wake as the Italian passed the bell in 51.2. At 600m (1:16.5), Fiasconaro had a sizable lead on Plachy; entering the homestretch Plachy actually turned back—as if he feared Italy might have another "Fiasco" in store for him. Although tiring



Both Danie Malan (r) and Marcello Fiasconaro, here contesting the South African Games 800, lowered world marks, Malan with a 2:16.0 1000m and Fiasconaro with an unexpected 1:43.7 800. /Tony Duffy/

a bit at the end, Fiasconaro finished in good fashion with a 27.2 final 200 for 1:43.7 (a semi-automatic electric timer showed 1:43.71). Plachy was 2nd in 1:45.9, a half-second off his PR. Fiasconaro's onslaught also removed Pekka Vasala's 1:44.5 European best.

After his fantastic race, Fiasconaro was overwhelmed by well-wishers and admittedly lost the rest of his nervous energies, to the point of foregoing anchoring the 1600 relay later that night. March's chief claim as a potential world beater over 2 laps was his basic speed (10.5w, 21.2 and, above all, a fine string of 400 times in the 45.5/45.9 range topped by a PR 45.5 for 2nd in the 71 European Championships). On the 1st day of the Milan meet he won the 400 in an easy-appearing 45.9. His coach, Stewart Banner, was well aware of his pupil's great organic resistance and thus led him to seriously try the 800. March himself valued his recent training work at 50% harder than his 1st-ever season (70/71), at the end of which he missed the continental 400 title by 0.04. In South Africa earlier this year, he compiled 2 fine 1-day doubles: 46.2/1:46.4 on March 26 and 1:44.7/46.1 on April 27.

The Milan affair also featured a fine discuss battle as Italian Silvano Simeon spun a national-record 209-6 to best Olympic champ Ludvik Danek's 205-9. Czech Pavel Penkava scored a 1500 PR of 3:38.6 to best the formidable Italian duo of Francesco Arese-Gianni Del Buono.

/June 26(a)-27(b); evening meet, hot both nights/ 200(b), Mennea 20.6. 400(a), Fiasconaro 45.9. 800(b), Fiasconaro 1:43.7 WB, WAR, ER; 2. Plachy (Czech) 1:45.9. 1500(a), Penkava (Czech) 3:38.6; 2. Arese 3:39.0; 3. Del Buono 3:39.3. HJ(a), Dal Forno 7-2¼. DT(b), Simeon 209-6 NR; 2. Danek (Czech) 205-9. 5. Teams: Italy 108-Czechoslovakia 103.

WORLD GAMES

Meet of Year: Jipcho Smashes Steeple Record; Puttemans Drags Pre to US 5000 Mark; Bayi Paces Far-Out 1500

Helsinki, Finland, June 27-28 /from Hakan Nordqvist/—The "world" was very evident in the annual World Games, with a bevy of competitors from various parts of the globe contributing to the best meet of the season. Leading the way was the hot African duo of Ben Jipcho and Filbert Bayi.

"I want to lower my steeplechase record to about 8:14," said Kenyan Jipcho before the meet. And what a prognosticator he was, smacking that time right on the nose to chop 5.8 from his 9-day-old record.

The race began at 8:00 p.m. the 1st day. The early pace was slow, then one-time record holder Jouko Kuha took over, leading through 2 laps in 2:12. The first kilometer was passed in 2:49.0 (compared with 2:46.8 in the previous record), but from then on it was all Jipcho. Running in an all-red uniform, Jipcho steadily picked up the pace, moving through the halfway point in 4:09.6, well ahead of the 4:11.5 pace in his previous record. Countryman Evans Mogaka made a pretense of holding on until 2700m but was outclassed. Jipcho covered his last lap in 61.0, with the final time reading 8:13.91 on the electric timer. "I am certain I can do much better," offered irrepressible Ben. Behind Jipcho, Mogaka was passed by Swede Anders Garderud, whose 8:21.2 missed his own European record by just 0.4. Mogaka hit a PR 8:24.0 in 3rd as 10 bettered 8:40, with 7 under 8:30.

"I am afraid of being tired," was Bayi's pre-race comment, "but I shall run as I know how to." It was a different way. Typically, Dave Wottle quickly raced to the back of the pack, which was a long way behind Bayi, as the Tanzanian had scooted the initial 100m in a blazing 12.8. He hit 200, 300 and 400 in 26.0, 39.3 and 53.6 (Jim Ryun did 56.7 in his WR). No one else was close as he passed through the 800 and 1200 markers with 1:51.6 and 2:52.2 (Ryun 1:57.5 and 2:54.0). But between 1200 and 1300 his form began to fall apart, although he showed no facial strain, even as he crossed the line in 3:34.6, the No. 3 clocking ever.

Although the race was fantastic from the point of view of the winning time, the depth was simply stunning. Wottle displayed his usual kick (the same one he had unleashed the first day to win the 800 in 1:45.3, his 2nd-best time ever) to move to 2nd with a PR 3:36.2. Jipcho completed a fine 2-day double with a PR 3:36.6 in 3rd. Although 1500 times mean little to most American eyes, a conversion of times to mile equivalents will open more than a few eyes: 1. Bayi 3:34.6 (3:51.8); 2. Wottle 3:36.2 (3:53.5); 3. Jipcho 3:36.6 (3:53.9); 4. Jacky Boxberger 3:36.8 (3:54.1); 5. Francesco Arese 3:36.8; 6. Pekka Paivarinta 3:37.2 (3:54.6); 7. Mike Boit 3:37.6 (3:55.0); 8. Vladimir Panteley 3:37.8 (3:55.2); 9. Tom B. Hansen 3:37.8; 10. Andre De Hertoghe 3:38.0 (3:55.4); 11. Steve Prefontaine 3:38.1 (3:55.5); 12. Johannes Mohammed 3:38.4 (3:55.8). US fans went nuts when



(L) Filbert Bayi won a big 3:34.6 1500, then miled 3:52.6. /Don Chadez/
(R) Emiel Puttemans cruised 13:16.0, 2nd fastest 5000 ever. /Ed Lacey/

the NCAA featured 8 under 4:00. This race had 12 under 3:56.0!! And the 12th-placer was faster than the NCAA winner.

Shortly after the steeple record, the fans were treated to a classy 5000. Pre pushed the pace through the first 2-kilos, with Olympic champ Lasse Viren close behind and world record holder Emiel Puttemans running easily in the pack. Pre led a late-race surge, but Puttemans cruised by with a strong last-lap kick, doing the last 200 in 26.0 to finish off a world-leading 13:19.6. "I didn't realize that the race was this fast," said Pre of his American record 13:22.4 in 2nd. "When he passed me I let him go because I thought I was



/Fionnbar Callanan/

Ignorance is Bliss

Yevgeniy Arzhanov versus Rick Wohlhuter and/or Dave Wottle. For a while, the 2-lap confrontation of the year was promised by the US-USSR meet. Now, it looks as if the US-Italy meet will be even better, with new world record holder (1:43.7m) Marcello Fiasconaro to battle the US duo.

"I am waiting impatiently for the meet," says Italy's first-ever 2-lap record holder. "I hope very much that Wohlhuter will be present. I don't know who will win—perhaps him, perhaps me. I was surprised by his world record, but I think a little less than the rest of the world was. What I still don't know are Wohlhuter's capabilities. I remain convinced that to reach 1:44 (1:44.6y converted)—which is what the American has done—is within the reach of some half-dozen runners in the world right now. For reasons I don't know, I think that the world record of 1:44.3 was a little slower than most other records and we will be witness to a major evolution."

March is confident that his record will not last long. Does he think that it will last out the year? "The answer has been given by Wohlhuter—it is no," he says. "I would be very surprised if this record doesn't fall, and I can very

well imagine a time of 1:43.0. And I think, realistically, that to win at Montreal, it will be necessary to do 1:42, perhaps even 1:41. But that is nothing extraordinary, simply a psychological barrier. It is necessary to prove that to run regularly at 1:43 is a possible and normal thing—that's what I think."

A rugby player who only took up track in the fall of 70, Fiasconaro has very little track experience in general, and even less at 2-laps, his record coming in only his 21st final. "My most evident advantage is my ignorance," he claims. "I know nothing of the 800—of its history or its current limits. The day when I realized 1:44.7 (in early 73, chopping a full second off his PR), I was very strong and undoubtedly would have been able to beat the world record, but I didn't know that I was so close. Otherwise I could have been persuaded to do better."

"This year, I shall not be totally an 800 runner. The Italian Federation has asked me to double in the European Cup prelims. I understand very well their point of view and I will do this, but I think it will destroy some of my brilliance in the 800. This doesn't bother me, since I still like the 400 very much. From the day that I reach 45.0 (or a little less), I will certainly have reached my limit there. By concentrating solely on the 800 this year, it would be easier for me to succeed in a great performance, but it seems to me I should wait until 74 for that, at the European Championships in Rome. After the dual with the Americans this year the Cup semifinal in August will be the most important meeting, and I should be in good form to run the 400, 800 and 1600 relay. I will be very happy if I can help Italy to qualify for the finals. That is what everybody here expects."

"I am not aware at the moment of the role that I can play at this distance—I run without preconceived ideas. You can say in a way that I do have more confidence in myself now. Perhaps I am a little bit limited in speed. Right now, I am between 21.3 and 21.5 in the 200, but I am assured from all sides that this is sufficient by a large margin for an 800 runner. Personally, I am not so sure of that. In the future we will be able to clarify this subject. You know, I think that between now and Montreal another could be born more rapidly than I—a runner who could make an important step in this specialty." /L'Equipe/



Ben Jipcho celebrates his 8:19.8 steeple record, the start of a distance orgy that included an 8:14.0 record, 3:36.6 1500 and 3:52.0 mile. [Horst Muller/]

Jipcho Still Looking Ahead

It was just after Ben Jipcho had become the first steeplechaser in history to dip under 8:20 with his 8:19.8 in Helsinki June 18. "I hope to lower this mark to 8:14 this year," said the broad-smiling sensation from Kenya. Jipcho was already looking ahead to bigger things.

And that world mark was only the beginning of a stupendous series of efforts by the 30-year-old successor to Kip Keino as Kenya's distance master. Six days after his initial record, he steepled 8:24.6. Then on June 27, also in Helsinki, Ben blasted the record to exactly that 8:14.0 he hoped for. The

going to finish 2nd in a 13:30 race. Had I known that the race was this much faster I might have tried harder and I think I could have put up a much better fight. Now I want to stay in Finland and get into shape for some serious races." Paul Mose set a Kenyan record 13:23.2 in 3rd, young Dave Black of Britain PR'ed with 13:24.6 in 4th, and Viren, beset by injuries all year, got a seasonal top of 13:28.0.

Yet another hot African, Uganda's John Akii-Bua, became the most unpopular athlete of the meet following his 49.3 to 49.6 win over Ralph Mann in the intermediates. Well ahead over the last barrier, the jovial Akii-Bua turned and motioned for Mann to come ahead and make a better race of it. He was whistled and booed into the ground for his actions by the expert spectators (26,000 the first day and 24,000 the next—50,000 total!).

In an affair which featured such spectacular track action, field events were overshadowed, and generally not of the same quality. A notable exception was the javelin, where home-son Hannu Siitonen continued his hot throwing, hitting 293.3 to take the measure of Janis Lulis (286-10%). Siitonen's fine series averaged 282-2½.

/June 27(a)-28(b)/—200(b), Karttunen 20.7 =NR; 2. Kornelyuk (SU) 21.0; . . . 4. Sang (Ken-N Car Cent) 21.1. 400(b), Newhouse (Phil PC) 45.4; 2. Kukkoaho 45.6; 3. Musyoki (Ken) 45.8. 800(a), I-1. Wottle (B Green St) 1:45.3; 3. Fromm (EG) 1:45.4 =NR; 3. Winzenried (CW) 1:46.4; 4. Ohlert (EG) 1:46.9. 11-1. Boit (Ken-En NM) 1:46.0; 2. Silei (Ken) 1:46.8; 3. Schloske (WG) 1:48.7. 1500(b), Bayi (Tanz) 3:34.6 AfrR; 2. Wottle 3:36.2; 3. Jipcho (Ken) 3:36.6; 4. Boxberger (Fr) 3:36.8; 5. Arese (It) 3:36.8; 6. Paivarinta 3:37.2; 7. Boit 3:37.6; 8. Pantyeley (SU) 3:37.8 =NR; 9. Hansen (Den) 3:37.8; 10. De Hertoghe (Bel) 3:38.0; 11. Prefontaine (Ore) 3:38.1; 12. Mohammed (Eth) 3:38.4. St(a), Jipcho 8:14.0 WB, WAR, AfrR; 2. Garderud (Swe) 8:21.2; 3. Mogaka (Ken) 8:24.0; 4. Wagner (WG) 8:26.2 NR; 5. Maranda (Pol) 8:27.6; 6. Kantanen 8:28.8; 7. Voje (Nor) 8:29.8; 8. Villain (Fr) 8:34.0.

5000(a), Puttemans (Bel) 13:19.6 (12:55.8y); 2. Prefontaine 13:22.4 AR, CR (12:56.8y); 3. Mose (Ken) 13:23.2 NR (12:57.2y); 4. Black (GB) 13:24.6 (12:59.0y); 5. Viren 13:28.0 (12:59.2y); 6. Hermens (Hol) 13:31.2 NR (13:01.8y). 10,000(b), Juma (Ken) 28:15.2 (27:25.4y); 2. Mose 28:16.4; 3. Haro (Sp) 28:18.0; . . . 11. Viren 29:05.8

next day he outran 1500 men the likes of Jacques Boxberger, Francesco Arese, Pekka Paivarinta, Mike Boit, Vladimir Pantyeley and Steve Prefontaine as he finished 3rd in that fabulous World Games race with 3:36.6. Then on July 3 Jipcho shocked again: a 3:52.0 mile, only 0.9 off Jim Ryun's world record, the quickest non-Ryun mile in history and 3rd-fastest overall. Finally, on July 4, another super steeple of 8:18.2, 2nd-speediest ever, as Swede Anders Garderud sliced the European best to 8:18.4 behind Ben.

Thus did the prison guard from Nairobi emerge sensationally from the shadow of Keino, whom he paced to Kip's 68 Olympic 1500 win. Ben's first international emergence in the steeple came in 70 with his Commonwealth 2nd in a PR 8:29.6 and 6th world ranking. A year later he starred in pre-Olympic competition in Munich with an 8:29.8 steeple win followed by a 13:40.8 5000 triumph the next day over Ian Stewart and Lasse Viren. But at Munich, Jipcho again played 2nd to Keino, winning the steeple silver medal in 8:24.6 but missing out on the 5000 final.

Ben's real global breakthrough started in January at the African Games as he matched Garderud's 8:20.8 world mark. The rest is history.

Jipcho is known as a man who hates weak moments. When he registers what he considers a failure—like the silver medal at Munich instead of the gold he confidently felt he could win—he works even harder. His way of life was hard and he still carries the drive to succeed. He is an orphan who has never seen his parents. But Jipcho knows himself well and knows that if he is to succeed, it is all up to him.

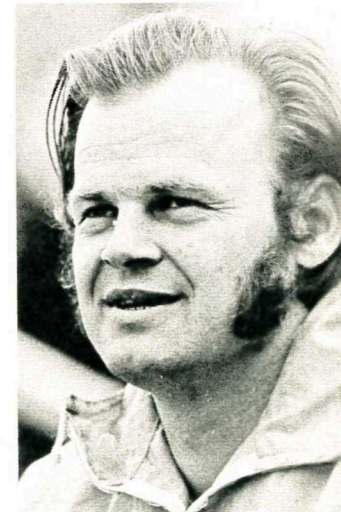
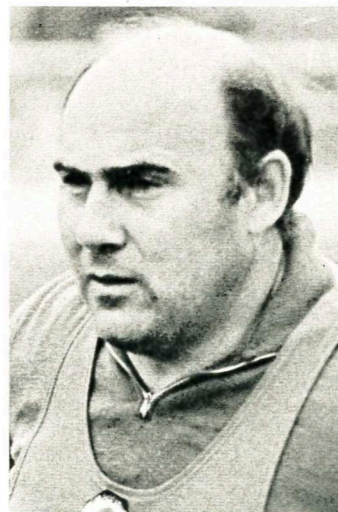
That is why he has built a crude steeple barrier as well as a water jump on the athletic field at the prison school where he is assigned. They are made from thick branches but they do the job for Ben. But like many of his fellow African athletes, Jipcho's training is hardly conventional. After his first record, he said, "I have trained only 4 times a week in the past months, usually not more than 6M per workout." Then to his fellow prison officer and distance compatriot Richard Juma, Jipcho turned and said, "You know we must run 10,000m together. I think 27:50 would come." He admits, "I might have made a mistake when I started running by doing too much long mileage. It is better to run shorter, but fast, and out in the country. For the steeple runner that is ideal."

Jipcho began running 6 years ago, but feels that business concerns may end his career before Montreal. He has a large farm near Mt. Elgon, several hundred miles from Nairobi, managed by his wife and cultivated by 9 workers. A business selling corn cultivating machinery also flourishes. But Ben is in Nairobi, a long way from his 3 daughters and wife, who is expecting a 4th child. "It is because of this that I doubt I will run all the way to Montreal," he says. "I am too far from my family. I will decide after Christchurch [and the 74 Commonwealth Games]."

But Jipcho still has his sights set on lowering his steeple record even further. "I want to better my record as soon as possible—because Emiel Puttemans can do much better," he feels. "I regret I haven't done more in the 1500 and flat 3000. My 3:36.6 1500 gave me as much pleasure as my 8:14.0. Right now, I am certain I can go well under 8:10 in the steeplechase—which pleases me because of the battle it imposes."

110HH(b), Milburn (Sn U) 13.3; 2. M. Wodzynski (Pol) 13.4; 3. Siebeck (EG) 13.6; 4. Kimayo (Ken) 13.6 NR, AfrR. Heats(b, ok): 1-1. Milburn 13.5; 2. Siebeck 13.6; 3. M. Wodzynski 13.6 400H(a), Akii-Bua (Uga) 49.3; 2. Mann (Strid) 49.6.

LJ(a), Williams (Sn Cal) 26-1. TJ(b), Saneyev (SU) 54-1¼. DT(a), Bruch (Swe) 210-5; 2. Kahma 208-7. HT(a), Bondarchuk (SU) 233-4½. JT(b), Siitonen 293-9 (293-9, 285-2, 282-3½, 284-0, 280-7, 267-6); 2. Lulis (SU) 286-10% (f, 236-7½, 282-10%, 286-10%, f, 265-1); 3. Kinnunen 276-8½.



(L) HT pacer Anatoliy Bondarchuk (243-3) spun 251-3½ foul. /Mezavilks/ (R) Janis Lulis' 299-7 avenged OG loss to Klaus Wolferrmann. /Mezavilks/

STOCKHOLM INTERNATIONAL Jipcho Nears Ryun in Mile, Coasts Super Steeple

Stockholm, Sweden, July 2-3—After a career spent mainly under the shadow of the great Kip Keino, super Ben Jipcho is rapidly asserting himself as a worthy successor to his now-professionalized countryman. At the Stockholm stop on the international tour, Jipcho found the time to move to 2nd on the all-time mile list, displacing Keino, then cruised to the No. 2 steeple clocking of all time (behind his own WR).

It was that insatiable "speed-freak" Filbert Bayi who set up the mile. Even more incredible than in his recent 3:34.6 1500, the Tanzanian passed through the first 2 400s in an unbelievable 52.5 and 1:51.0. In the middle of the 2nd lap, Jipcho was almost 80m behind, as was the rest of the field. Bayi forged on, hitting the 1200 post in an unparalleled 2:52.2. With 450m remaining, Bayi looked around to see Jipcho about 30m behind him, but moving up. Jipcho caught his rival with about 150m remaining. Doggedly holding on, Bayi led through the 1500, 3:36.4 to 3:36.6 (Jipcho equaling his PR). But with 60m left, Jipcho sprinted away, finishing in 3:52.0, a time surpassed only by the 3:51.1 and 3:51.3 clockings of Jim Ryun. Bayi's 3:52.6 runnerup time is No. 4 ever. Not even in the same race, Len Hilton edged Emiel Puttemans for 3rd as both clocked respectable 3:56.0s.

The next day, the tough Jipcho hit the track for the steeple. "I just ran to win, not to set another new world record," he said after his 8:18.2 triumph. "I felt sure of winning all the time, but [Anders] Garderud started to press me during the final 2 laps. I'm sure I can go below 8:14.0 in another race." He didn't beat the Swede by much, Garderud setting a European record of 8:18.4 close behind.

In a Scandinavian season which has so far been highlighted by the superb running of Africans, Kenyan Mike Boit also stood out here, recording a PR 1:45.2 to cop the 800 over countryman Cosmas Silei (1:46.1).

On the field, Dwight Stones and Tom Woods continued their fine high jumping, while Janis Lusia, Ricky Bruch and Al Feuerbach were throw victors.

July 2(a)-3(b); attendance 20,000 each day/—400(a), Newhouse (Phil PC) 45.8. 800(a), Boit (Ken) 1:45.2; 2. Silei (Ken) 1:46.1; 3. Dyce (Jam-United AA) 1:46.2; 4. Winzenried (CW) 1:46.9; 5. Luzins (Quant) 1:47.0. Mile(a), Jipcho (Ken) 3:52.0 NR (3:36.6m); 2. Bayi (Tanz) 3:52.6 NR (3:36.4); 3. Hilton (P Coast) 3:56.0 (3:40.5); 4. Puttemans (Belg) 3:56.0; 5. Garderud (Swe) 3:57.1. Steeple(b), Jipcho 8:18.2; 2. Garderud 8:18.4 ER; 3. Kantanen (Fin) 8:23.4; 4. Mogaka (Ken) 8:25.0; 5. O'Brien (Aus) 8:26.4. 5000(a), Haase (EG) 13:38.8. 110HH(a, O, O), Milburn (Sn U) 13.4. 400H(b), Akii-Bua (Uga) 49.7; 2. Bolding (P Coast) 49.9.

HJ(a), Stones (P Coast) 7-4¼; 2. Woods (Ore St) 7-3; 3. Heikkila (US) 7-¼. PV(b), Smith (P Coast) 17-4¼; 2. tie, Isaksson & Tracaneli (Fr) 17-2¼. LJ(b), Williams (Sn Cal) 25-1½. SP(b), Feuerbach (P Coast) 68-9½; 2. Almstrom 66-9¼; 3. Bruch 65-5½; 4. Hoglund 64-5¼. DT(a), Bruch 212-11; 2. Powell (P Coast) 211-1. JT(b), Lusia (SU) 286-1.

ZURICH INTERNATIONAL Milburn Finally Catches Metric Highs Record

Zurich, Switzerland, July 6—July 7 would have been the 14th anniversary of Martin Lauer's historic 13.2 for the 110m highs. But Rod Milburn (who else?) removed the longest-standing record still on the books with a 13.1 clocking at an international affair held, most fittingly, in Zurich—the city where Lauer made his mark in 1959.

"I feel great, man, just great," said the excited Milburn. "I heard an official say 12.9, but I'll settle for 13.1. Under the best conditions I could have run 12.8. But I hit a hurdle and had to correct my stride. I guess that cost me 2 10ths. Then the track was wet and that may have cost me another 10th." Milburn had one false start, but was out of the blocks quickly anyway. "I heard this camera click and off I went," he revealed. "The track was wet but it was good and warm. There were no turkeys in this race." Olympic runnerup Guy Drut finished a well-beaten 2nd in 13.6.

The meet also featured a couple of almost-records. Squatty Anatoliy Bondarchuk confirmed his class in the hammer with a 240-0 victory. But he created a big stir in the warmup period with a measured throw of 251-3¾, 7½" better than Walter Schmidt's world record.

Emiel Puttemans gave further evidence to his claim of being the top distance runner around today with a 13:16.0 5000, a clocking only he has bettered. In an obvious attempt at his own world record of 13:13.0, Puttemans followed the early pace-making efforts of countryman Andre DeHeroghe, who did the work through the first 2000m.

South African Danie Malan was also after a world record, this one in the 800. Swiss Hansueli Mumenthaler was the rabbit this time, with Malan falling to 6th in the early going and Soviet Yevgeniy Arzhanov following the lead closely. Malan moved even at the halfway point, then sprinted away in recording a convincing 1:44.9 win. Arzhanov equaled the Soviet record of 1:45.3 in 2nd, with Britain's Andy Carter getting a national record 1:45.5 in 3rd.

/attendance 12,000; complete summaries in the next issue/—200, Borzov (SU) 20.6. 800, Malan (S Afr) 1:44.9; 2. Arzhanov (SU) 1:45.3 =NR; 3. Carter (GB) 1:45.5 NR. 1500, Hilton (P Coast) 3:41.2. 5000, Puttemans (Belg) 13:16.0. 110HH, Milburn (Sn U) 13.1 WB, WAR, AR, CR; 2. Drut (Fr) 13.6. 400H, Bolding (P Coast) 49.5. HJ, Woods (Ore St) 7-2¼. DT, Powell (P Coast) 200-8½. HT, Bondarchuk (SU) 240-0.



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OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

Jipcho, Bayi Hot Elsewhere, Too—8:24.6, 3:35.7

Bergen, Nor., June 13—JT, Siitonen (Fin) 295.4.
Malmö, Swe., June 14—400, Newhouse (Phil PC) 45.5. PV, Isaksson 17.4%. SP, Bruch 65-11% (betters NR but shot 4 grams light after competition after weighing legal beforehand). DT, Bruch 217-2 (also 216-5%); 2. Toukko (Fin) 215-2%; 3. Danek (Czech) 197-1%.

Oslo, Nor., June 19(a)-20(b)—Hans Hoglund, NCAA shot champ from UTEP and Sweden, became the 4th longest US college shot heaver of all time as he punched a national record 67-7 in the Sweden-Norway match. Hoglund needed his PR to best discuser Ricky Bruch who improved to 66-6%, and young teammate Hans Almstrom, who PRed with 65-4%. 1500(a), K. Kvalheim (N-Ore) 3:40.1; 2. A. Kvalheim 3:40.3. Steeple(b, 1 hurdle missing), Sornes 8:29.8; 2. Vojc 8:30.8. PV(b), Isaksson (S) 17-2%. SP(a), Hoglund (S-UTEP) 67-7 NR (66-6%, 66-9%, 67-7, f, 64-5%, f); 2. Bruch (S) 66-6% PR 3. Almstrom (S) 65-4% PR. DT(b), Bruch 210-6%. Teams: Sweden 110-½-Norway 101½.

Warsaw, Pol., June 20(a)-21(b)—Further results from the Kusocinski Memorial reveal that Dwight Stones continued his stellar high jumping, clearing 7-4¼, while Jim Bolding hurdled 1-lap in 49.3. Ryszard Skowronek's decathlon total equaled 8208, making him history's 6th-highest scoring performer. Olympic 3rd-placer Ryszard Katus totaled 8021 with a big boost from a 13.8 high effort, matching the decathlon best but apparently windy. 100m(b, w), Nowosz 10.1. St(b), Kondzior 8:29.6. 110HH, Heats(b): l(w)-1. L. Wodzinski 13.5. II-1. M. Wodzinski 13.5. 400IH(b), Bolding (P Coast) 49.3. HJ(b), Stones (P Coast) 7-4¼. LJ(b), 2. Cybulski 26-1½. SP(b), Feuerbach (P Coast) 67-5½. DT(b), Wolodko 200-8½; 2. Powell (P Coast) 200-5½. JT(b), Nemeth (Hun) 272-10½; 2. Krupinski 270-1½; 3. Schmidt (P Coast) 262-5½. Dec(a-b), Skowronek 8208 (10.8, 24-9¼, 45-9¼, 6-6¼, 49.3, 14.5w, 145-11, 15-5, 212-4¼, 4:39.4); 2. Katus 8021 (10.8, 23-1¼, 48-4, 6-2, 49.3, 13.8w, 141-9¼, 15-1½, 195-1¼, 4:39.3).

Keuruu, Fin., June 22—800, Boit (Ken-En NM) 1:46.4. JT, Siitonen 278-2½; . . . 6. Kinnunen 225-5½.

Eschweiler, W. Ger., June 22—400, Newhouse (Phil PC) 45.7. 800, Winzenried (CW) 1:46.6.

Kuortane, Fin., June 22(a)-23(b)—400IH(b), Mann (Strid) 49.5; 2. Koskei (Ken) 50.7. DT(a), Kahma 205-10. JT(b), Hovinen 267-3; 2. Siitonen 265-9%.

Saarijarvi, Fin., June 23(a)-24(b)—Ben Jipcho turned in yet another fast steeplechase, this time 8:24.6, to finish off a 2-day 5000-steeple double. His 5000 timed 13:40.8, as Lasse Viren, apparently recently slowed by a sore knee, ran 14:05.8 in 6th. 1500(a), Mohammed (Eth) 3:40.6; 2. Hilton (P Coast) 3:41.6; 3. Prefontaine (Ore) 3:43.1. St(b), Jipcho (Ken) 8:24.6. 5000(a), Jipcho 13:40.8; . . . 6. Viren 14:05.8. 400IH(b), Akii-Bua (Uga) 50.0; 2. Bolding (P Coast) 50.0; 3. Mann (Strid) 50.6. HJ(a), Stones (P Coast) 7-2½. PV(b), Smith (P Coast) 17-4%. LJ(a), Williams (Sn Cal) 25-5½. SP(a), Feuerbach (P Coast) 66-9¼. DT(a), Kahma 206-1; . . . 3. Powell (P Coast) 202-3½. JT(b), Siitonen 283-0; 2. Toivonen 277-1; 3. Kinnunen 272-11½; 4. Schmidt (P Coast) 259-10.

Paris, Fr., June 23(a)-24(b)—Winds blew Olympic silver medalist Guy Drut to 2 13.3s over the highs. Jacques Rousseau leaped a legal 26-6¼. Drut also vaulted 17-¾. 200(b, w), Ducasse 20.5. 800(b), Philippe (Fr-Fordham) 1:48.0. 1500(b), Boxberger 3:37.8. 110HH(b, w), Drut 13.3. Heats(b, w): I-1. Drut 13.3. PV(a), Tracanelli (Fr-UCLA) 17-4¼; 2. tie, Drut & Leroy 17-¾. LJ(a), Rousseau 26-6¼.

Furth, W. Ger., June 24—50kWalk, Weidner 4:05:24.2.

Aarhus, Den., June 24(a)-25(b)—Tanzanian Filbert Bayi set a mad pace in hurrying to a 3:35.7 1500; he clocked 53.4 at 400m, 1:51.9 for 800 and 2:52.0 for 1200 and pulled a relatively unknown trio to national records. Over 1000m, Mark Winzenried ran 2:17.9 to become the 2nd-fastest American ever at the distance. 1000(b), Winzenried (CW) 2:17.9. 1500(a), Bayi (Tanz) 3:35.7 NR; 2. Hansen 3:36.8 NR; 3. Gysin (Switz) 3:37.7 NR; 4. Scharn (Hol) 3:37.8 NR. 3000(a), Puttemans (Bel) 7:43.4; 2. Lauenborg 7:46.8 NR.

Soderhamn, Swe., June 25—HJ, Stones (P Coast) 7-3; 2. Woods (Ore St) 7-¼. SP, Feuerbach (P Coast) 67-8½. DT, Bruch 214-8½; 2. Powell (P Coast) 204-9%.

Tigu Mures, Rum.—DT, Naghi 207-9 NR.

Potsdam, E. Ger.—110HH, Bethge 13.6.

Toronto, Can., June 27(a)-28(b)—Maurice Peoples blazed a 45.5 400 while Grant McLaren won a battle of the kickers over 5000 to highlight the 2nd Pan-Pacific Games. Peoples in lane 3 blasted the 1st half of the 1-lapper to draw even by 200m with teammate Karl Farmer in lane 6; he held his massive lead to the tape. Seen to limp after the finish, Peoples later laughingly explained he had lost some means of support just before the finish line. Canadian McLaren and New Zealander Dick Quax followed Dick Buerkle's pace for much of the 5000 before Quax jumped into the lead with some half-a-lap left. Leading into the stretch, Quax inexplicably moved out to lane 2, thus opening the door for McLaren's kick. Grant won by 0.4 in 13:38.4, a Canadian record.

In other leading performances, Cary Feldmann pulled out a 270-8 jav win on the final throw of the competition, John Hawkins matched the Canadian high jump best with 7-1½, Robert Primeaux ran a strong homestretch for a 50.8 400 hurdles win and Rick Wohlhuter sprinted powerfully out of a box on the final straight for a 1:49.2 800 win.

100m(b), Washington (Cal Int) 10.5. 200(a), Dill (Mich St) 21.2; 2. Lutz (Kans) 21.2. 400(b), Peoples (Ariz St) 45.5; 2. Farmer (LASWJC) 46.9. 800(a), Wohlhuter (UCTC) 1:49.2. 1500(b), Dixon (NZ) 3:42.0; . . . 3. LaBenz (P Coast) 3:42.9. St(b), O'Brien (Aus) 8:36.6; 2. B. Brown (Fla TC) 8:37.4. 5000(a), McLaren 13:38.4 NR; 2. Quax (NZ) 13:38.8; 3. Buerkle (NYAC) 13:48.8. 10,000(b), Sato (Japan) 29:20.2. 110HH(b), Hill (Ft Mac) 13.7. 400IH(a), Primeaux (Tex) 50.8; 2. Knoke (Aus) 51.6.

HJ(a), Hawkins (Can) 7-1½=NR; 2. Dunn (Colg) 7-¼. PV(b), Dias (BA Strid) 16-10%.

LJ(b), Lanier (Cinc) 26-2¼. TJ(a), Craft (UCTC) 53-9¼. SP(a), Walker (SMU) 62-5¼. DT(b), Wilkins (Ore) 200-11½. HT(b), Farmer (Aus-UTEP) 212-5½; . . . 3. Hall (unat) 205-0; 4. Bregar (Navy) 201-4¼. JT(a), Feldmann (CNW) 270-8. 400R(a), US 39.7 (Dill, Crockett, Hammonds, Washington). 1600R(b), US 3:07.0 (Farmer, Primeaux, Lutz, Peoples).

Paris, Fr., June 28—Marcel Philippe, former Fordham half-miler who is now a French citizen, became the 7th-fastest performer ever over 1000m with his 2:17.0. He scored a 2.0sec win over European Indoor 800 champ Francis Gonzalez. Philippe's effort would better Juris Luzins' US record by 0.7.

Leipzig, E. Ger., June 30—100m(w), Kurrat 10.1.

Berlin, W. Ger., June 30—400, Schloske 45.4.

Deggendorf, W. Ger., June 30—JT, Wolferrmann 289-1.

Leipzig, E. Ger., June 30-July 1—Two swift hurdles races and excellent depth all around occurred in the East Germany-Great Britain international. Frank Siebeck, East Germany's 71 European champ, triumphed in a legal 13.5 high contest as young Berwyn Price matched the time in 2nd for a British record. Klaus Fiedler also clocked 13.5 in 3rd while 2-time European medalist Alan Pascoe could manage only 13.8 in 4th. But Pascoe had earlier run a PR 49.5 intermediates win. Dave Jenkins sprinted 45.6 for the guests, while home-sons Jurgen Haase (28:18.6), Dieter Fromm (1:45.6) and Jochen Sachse (235-4¼) scored top wins. 400, Jenkins (GB) 45.6. 800, Fromm 1:45.6; 2. Ohlert 1:45.9; 3. Cropper (GB) 1:46.8. 10,000, Haase 28:18.6; 2. L. Stewart (GB) 28:19.8; 3. Plain (GB) 28:20.6. 110HH, Siebeck 13.5; 2. Price (GB) 13.5 NR; 3. Fiedler 13.5; 4. Pascoe (GB) 13.8. 400IH, Pascoe 49.5; 2. Sherwood (GB) 50.6. HJ, Junge 7-1¼. TJ, Drehmel 54-0. SP, Briesenick 66-6. HT, Sachse 235-4¼. Teams: East Germany 113-Great Britain 93.

Athens, Gr., June 30-July 1—Rumania's 18-year-old Gheorghe Ghipu (9/30/54) lowered his own European Junior 1500 record to a fine 3:39.0 in a European Cup quarter-final meeting. He set his 3:40.4 mark earlier in 73. 1500, Ghipu (Rum) 3:39.0. St, Kontosoros 8:25.6 NR; 2. Cefan (Rum) 8:26.2 NR. PV, Papanicolaou 17-4¼. Teams: Rumania 42, Bulgaria 38%, Greece 36%.

Lisbon, Port., June 30-July 1—Werner Maier set a Swiss 1500 record of 3:39.2 in beating Ireland's and Villanova's John Hartnett by 0.2 in the 3rd European Cup quarter-final. Swiss Urs von Wartburg whipped the javelin 270-0. Teams: Switzerland 68, Yugoslavia 63%, Portugal 37%, Eire 29.

Koblenz, W. Ger.—1000m, Boit (Ken-En NM) 2:17.2; 2. Winzenried (CW) 2:18.1; 3. Wessinghage 2:19.2; 4. Schmid 2:19.5; 5. Kemper 2:23.9. SP, Briesenick 67-9.

Bratislava, Czech.—100m(w), Matousek 10.0.

UNITED STATES

Salisbury, Md., April 21—100(w), J. Polk 9.3.

Chicago, Ill., May 27—IH, Steele 50.7.

College Park, Md., June 9—HJ, Costello 7-0.

Las Vegas, Nev., June 9—Dwight Stones showed his high jump versatility by winning 2 competitions, one with the regular flop at 7-2 and the other with a PR 7-¼ in the straddle.

San Diego, Calif., June 23—HJ, Bernard 7-2.

San Bruno, Calif., June 23—DT, Wolf 190-10.

Seattle, Wash., June 26—PV, Taylor 17-2. SP, LeDuc 60-6¼. JT, Luke 265-5.

San Jose, Calif., June 27—SP, Marks 61-4.

East Los Angeles, Calif., June 28—DT, Lister 190-1. HT, DeAutremont 215-1 PR; 2. Frenn 214-4.

San Jose, Calif., July 4—SP, Samsam' 60-10.

East Los Angeles, Calif., July 5—DT, Lister 192-2.

HIGH SCHOOL

Gary, Ind., May 24—100, White (West, Gary) 9.4; 2. Hamer (Roosevelt, Gary) 9.5. 220, White 20.9.

Providence, R.I., June 2—HT, Ajootian (Classical, Providence) 201-5; 2. Barry (Hope, Providence) 199-10; 3. DeLaHunt (East Greenwich) 184-6.

St. Cloud, Minn., June 9—Rod Raver (Marshall, Rochester) moved into 4th on the all-time prep list with his 7-1 flop in the high jump.

Manhattan, Kans., June 9—PV, Scales (Lawrence) 15-8.

Seattle, Wash., June 19—St, Adams (Eatonville) 9:27.0. HJ, Darneille (Curtis, Tacoma) 7-0.

Porterville, Calif., June 22-23—Dec, 2. Stebbins (Oley Valley, Oley, Pa) 6545.

Seattle, Wash., June 26—JT, Atwood (Lakeside, Seattle) 233-1. □

FOR THE RECORD

The following record alterations have been reported since the II June issue: WB=world best; WAR=world amateur record; AR=American record; CR=collegiate record; ER=European Record.

5000m	13:22.4	AR, CR	Steve Prefontaine (Oregon)	Helsinki, Fin	June 26
800m	1:43.7	WB, WAR, ER	Marcello Fiasconaro (It)	Milan, It	June 27
St	8:14.0	WB, WAR	Ben Jipcho (Ken)	Helsinki, Fin	June 27
HHm	13.1	WB, WAR, AR	Rod Milburn (Southern U)	Zurich, Sw	July 6
		CR			



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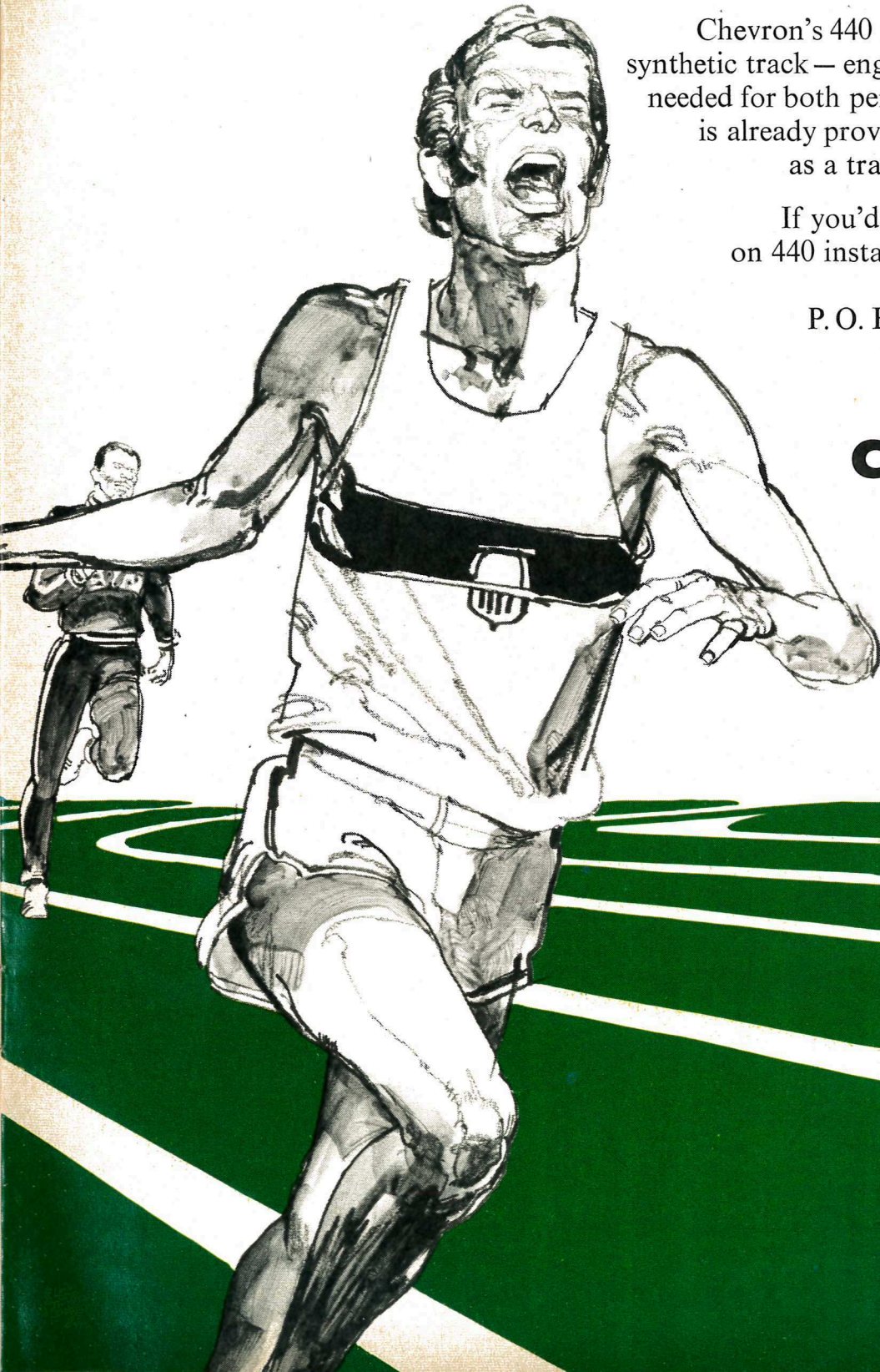
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100 METERS

9.1y	Steve Williams (SDTC)
9.2y	Ivory Crockett (Phil PC)
9.2y	Herb Washington (Cal Int)
10.1	Silvio Leonard (Cuba)
10.1	Pablo Montes (Cuba)
10.1	Jose Triana (Cuba)
9.3y	Guy Abraham (NMJC)
9.3y	James Amerison (Linc)
9.3y	Hasely Crawford (Trin)
9.3y	Ed Hammonds (Mem St)
9.3y	Carl Lawson (Jam)
9.3y	Kent Merritt (Va)
9.3y	Kofi Okyir (Ghana)
9.3y	Sandy Osei-Agyeman (Ghana)
9.3y	Don Quarrie (Jam)
9.3y	Steve Riddick (Norf St)
9.3y	Carter Suggs (N Car HS)
9.3y	Gerald Tinker (Kent St)
9.3y	Thomas Whatley (Ala)
9.3y	Ronnie Williams (CP/Pom)

Wind-Aided:

9.9	Felix Mata (Ven)
9.1y	Larry Burton (Purdue)
9.1y	Kent Merritt (Va)
9.1y	Don Quarrie (Jam)
9.1y	Dennis Schultz (Okla St)
9.1y	Gerald Tinker (Kent St)
10.1	Jaroslav Matousek (Czech)

200 METERS

20.1*	Carl Lawson (Jam)
20.1*	Don Quarrie (Jam)
20.3*	Steve Williams (SDTC)
20.4*	Ivory Crockett (Phil PC)
20.4*	Willie Deckard (Cal Int)
20.4*	Marshall Dill (Mich St)
20.4*	Mark Lutz (Kans)
20.4	Fred Newhouse (Phil PC)
20.4*	Chuck Smith (Cal Int)
20.5*	Wardell Gilbreath (NMJC)
20.5*	Rudy Reid (Trin)
20.5*	Steve Riddick (Norf St)

Wind-Aided:

19.8*	Carl Lawson (Jam)
19.9*	Gerald Tinker (Kent St)
20.3*	Mark Lutz (Kans)
20.3*	Dennis Schultz (Okla St)
20.4*	Barry Miller (Idaho St)

400 METERS

44.7*	Benny Brown (UCLA)
44.7*	Maurice Peoples (Ariz St)
45.0*	Fred Newhouse (Phil PC)
45.4*	Horst-Rudiger Schloske (WG)
45.5	Karl Farmer (LASWJC)
45.5	Maxie Parks (UCLA)
45.5*	Dennis Schultz (Okla St)
45.6	Marcello Fiasconaro (Italy)
45.6	Dave Jenkins (GB)
45.6	Alberto Juantorena (Cuba)
45.6	Markku Kukkoaho (Fin)
45.6*	James Redd (SDTC)
45.6*	Mike Singletary (Strid)
45.6*	Don Sturgal (Tex)

800 METERS

1:43.7	Marcello Fiasconaro (Italy)
1:43.9*	Rick Wohlhuter (UCTC)
1:44.4*	Danie Malan (S Afr)

1:45.2	Mike Boit (Kenya)
1:45.3	Yevgeniy Arzhanov (SU)
1:45.3	Cosmas Silei (Kenya)
1:45.3*	Dave Wottle (BGreen St)
1:45.4	Dieter Fromm (EG)
1:45.5	Andy Carter (GB)

1500 METERS

3:34.6	Filbert Bayi (Tanz)
3:52.0y	Ben Jipcho (Kenya)
3:53.3y	Dave Wottle (BGreen St)
3:36.8	Tom B. Hansen (Den)
3:36.8	Jacques Boxberger (Fr)
3:36.8	Francesco Arese (Italy)
3:37.2	Pekka Paivarinta (Fin)
3:54.6y	Steve Prefontaine (Ore)
3:54.7y	John Hartnett (Eire)
3:37.7	Rolf Gysin (Switz)
3:37.7	Mike Boit (Kenya)

STEEPLECHASE

8:14.0	Ben Jipcho (Kenya)
8:18.4	Anders Garderud (Swe)
8:23.8	Tapio Kantanen (Fin)
8:24.0	Evans Mogaka (Kenya)
8:25.6	Spyridon Kontosoros (Gr)
8:26.2	Gheorge Cefan (Rum)
8:26.2	Willi Wagner (WG)
8:26.4	Kerry O'Brien (Aus)
8:26.8	Doug Brown (US)
8:27.2	Barry Brown (Fla TC)

5000 METERS

13:16.0	Emiel Puttemans (Belg)
13:22.4	Steve Prefontaine (Ore)
13:23.2	Paul Mose (Kenya)
13:24.6	Dave Black (GB)
13:28.0	Lasse Viren (Fin)
12:59.8y	Dick Buerkle (NYAC)
13:29.6	Pekka Paivarinta (Fin)
13:30.8	Gianni Del Buono (It)
13:31.2	Jos Hermens (Holl)
13:32.0	Josef Jansky (Czech)

10,000 METERS

27:09.4y	Steve Prefontaine
28:10.0	Richard Juma (Kenya)
28:16.4	Paul Mose (Kenya)
28:17.8	Lasse Viren (Fin)
28:18.0	Mariano Haro (Sp)
28:18.6	Jurgen Haase (EG)
28:18.6	Seppo Tuominen (Fin)
28:19.8	Lachie Stewart (GB)
28:20.6	Bernie Plain (GB)
27:20.8y	Gordon Minty (GB)

110 HURDLES

13.0y	Rod Milburn (Southern U)
13.2y	Thomas Hill (Ft Mac)
13.4	Miroslaw Wodzinski (Pol)
13.4y	Charles Foster (N CarCent)
13.4y	Ricky Stubbs (La Tech)
13.4y	Tommy Lee White (Strid)
13.5	Guy Drut (Fr)
13.5	Petr Cech (Czech)
13.5	Klaus Fiedler (EG)
13.5	Berwyn Price (GB)
13.5	Charles Rich (UCLA)
13.5	Frank Siebeck (EG)
13.5y	Scottie Jones (Tex A&M)
13.5y	Danny Smith (Bah)

13.5y Gregg Vandaveer (Kans)

400 HURDLES

48.5	John Akii-Bua (Uga)
48.8	Jim Bolding (PCoast)
49.2*	Robert Primeaux (Tex)
49.3*	Ralph Mann (Strid)
49.5	Alan Pascoe (GB)
49.5*	Wes Williams (SDTC)
49.5*	Bruce Collins (Penn)
49.9*	Efren Gipson (Lamar)
50.0*	Mike Cronholm (Rice)
50.0*	Bob Casleman (Mich St)

HIGH JUMP

7.5	Dwight Stones (P Coast)
7-4½	Tom Woods (Ore St)
7-4	Rey Brown (CP/SLO)
7-3	Robert Joseph (Ariz)
7-3i	Vladimir Abramov (SU)
7-3i	Claude Ferragne (Can)
7-3i	Istvan Major (Hun)
7-3i	Kestutis Sapka (SU)
7-2½	Kurt Nielsen (Nebr Wes)
7-2 5/8	Viktor Bolshov (SU)
7-2 5/8i	Caba Dosa (Rum)
7-2 5/8i	Valentin Gavrilov (SU)
7-2 5/8i	Stefan Junge (EG)
7-2 5/8i	Vladimir Maly (Czech)
7-2 5/8	Ni Chih-chin (China)
7-2 5/8i	Jiri Palkovsky (Czech)
7-2 5/8i	Juri Tarmak (SU)
7-2 5/8	Vladimir Zhuravlyev (SU)

POLE VAULT

18-¼i	Steve Smith (P Coast)
17-8½i	Renato Dionisi (Italy)
17-6½i	Hans-Jurgen Ziegler (WG)
17-6	Mike Cotton (Fla)
17-6	Bob Richards (P Coast)
17-6	Dave Roberts (Rice)
17-5¾	Pawel Iwinski (Pol)
17-5¼	Kjell Isaksson (Swe)
17-5	Francois Tracaneli (Fr)
17-4¾i	Chris Papanicolaou (Gr)
17-4¾i	Reinhard Kuretzky (WG)
17-4¾i	Jean-Michel Bellot (Fr)
17-4¾i	Tadeusz Olszewski (Pol)

LONG JUMP

27-½	James McAlister (UCLA)
26-9¾	Randy Williams (Sn Cal)
26-6¾	Jacques Rousseau (Fr)
26-5½	Stan Whitley (Cal Int)
26-5¼i	Norm Tate (NYPC)
26-5i	Valeriy Podluzhniy (SU)
26-4¾	Hans Baumgartner (WG)
26-4¾	Jozef Miedzialek (Pol)
26-3¾	Chris Commons (Aus)
26-3¾i	Al Lanier (Cinc)

Wind-aided:

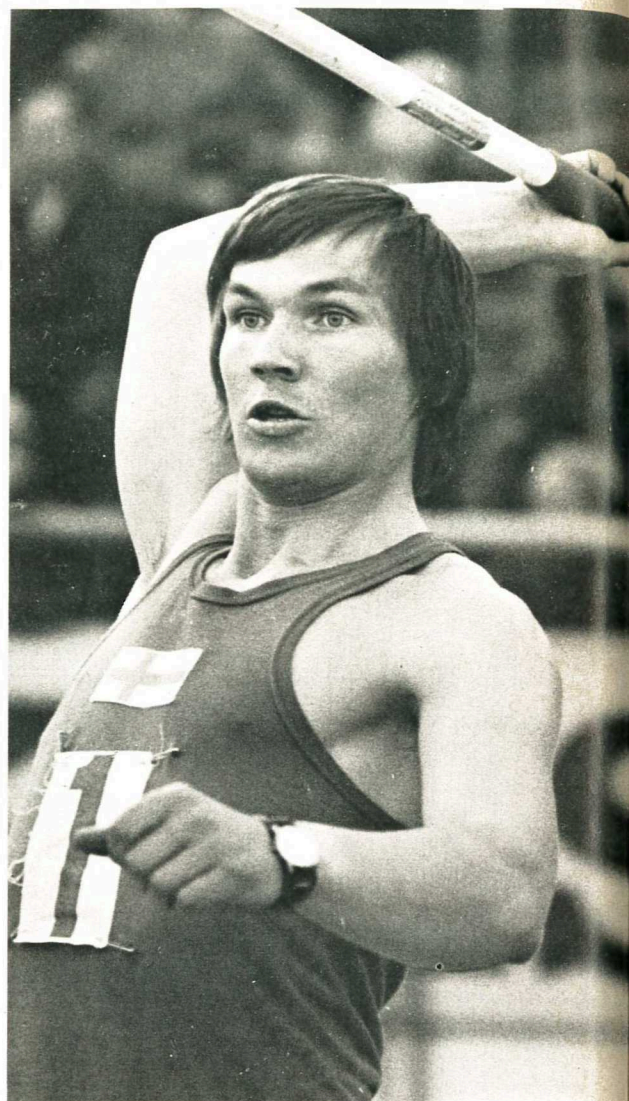
27-9	Randy Williams (Sn Cal)
26-9½	Danny Brabham (Baylor)
26-5½	Finn Bendixen (UCLA)
26-4¾	Al Lanier (Cinc)
26-4¾	Bill Rea (Pitt)
26-3	Josh Owusu (Ghana)

TRIPLE JUMP

55-11¾	Michal Joachimowski (Pol)
55-9¾	Gustavo Platt (Cuba)
55-8¾	John Craft (UCTC)
55-5¾i	Carol Corbu (Rum)
55-5½	Mikhail Bariban (SU)
55-½i	Viktor Saneyev (SU)
54-4¾	Barry McClure (MidTennSt)
54-4i	Nikolay Sinichkin (SU)
54-3¾	Eugeniusz Biskupski (Pol)
54-2¾	Mansour Dia (Sen)
54-2¾	Milan Tiff (UCLA)

Wind-aided:

54-6¾	Nikolay Sinichkin (SU)
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Hannu Siitonen has hurled the jav 308-1, 2nd-longest ever, hit over 290 several times and has bested Janis Lusia. /Muller/

54-3¾	Milan Tiff (UCLA)
54-2½	Heinz-Gunther Schenk (EG)
54-¾	Apostolos Kathiniotis (Gr)

SHOT PUT

71-7	Al Feuerbach (P Coast)
69-9½i	George Woods (P Coast)
67-9	Hartmut Briesenick (EG)
67-7	Hans Hoglund (Swe)
67-5½i	Valeriy Voikin (SU)
67-¼i	Wladyslaw Komar (Pol)
66-11½i	Gerd Lochmann (EG)
66-9¾	Hans Almstrom (Swe)
66-6¾i	Varoslav Brabec (Czech)
66-4¾	Jesse Stuart (Wn Ky)

DISCUS THROW

219-0	John Powell (P Coast)
217-2	Ricky Bruch (Swe)
216-9	Jay Silvester (Intmtn TC)
215-4	Pentti Kahma (Fin)
215-2½	Markku Tuokko (Fin)
214-2	Tim Vollmer (NYAC)
212-6	Mac Wilkins (Ore)
209-6	Silvano Simeoni (Italy)
209-2	Ken Stadel (Rice)
209-0	John Van Reenen (S Afr)

HAMMER THROW

243-3	Anatolii Bondarchuk (SU)
240-9½	Vasilii Khmyeleviskiy (SU)

240-1	Karl-Hans Riehm (WG)
237-1½	Reinhard Theimer (EG)
235-6	Valentin Dmitriyenko (SU)
235-4½	Jochen Sachse (EG)
234-11	Uwe Beyer (WG)
234-¾	Aleksey Spiridonov (SU)
234-0	Todor Manolov (Bul)
233-8½	Edwin Klein (WG)

JAVELIN THROW

308-8	Klaus Wolfermann (WG)
308-1	Hannu Siitonen (Fin)
299-7	Janis Lusia (SU)
298-4	Cary Feldmann (CNW)
290-10	Sam Colson (Kans)
284-3	Jorma Kinnunen (Fin)
283-2	Bill Schmidt (P Coast)
280-7	Seppo Hovinen (Fin)
278-6½	Bjorn Grimnes (Nor)
274-8	Fred Luke (CNW)

DECATHLON

8208	Ryszard Skowronek (Pol)
8188	Lennart Hedmark (Swe)
8121	Jeff Bennett (Eagle TC)
8100	Aleksandr Blinyayev (SU)
8021	Ryszard Katus (Pol)
8016	Toomas Berendsen (SU)
7938	Steve Gough (CNW)
7905	Regis Ghesquiere (Bel)
7887	Toomas Suurvali (SU) □

What Else Happened at the Nationals?

A lot happened at the national championships this year. So much, in fact, that even though we like to think our coverage was the best anywhere, we weren't able to tell all. These event-by-event notes should fill in many of the gaps of what else happened at the nationals.

100 YARDS

Although sprinters aren't usually noted for their longevity (US sprinters anyway), Ivory Crockett has been near the top of the heap for quite a while now. The 69 and 70 AAU champ, his 3rd this year was his 5th consecutive year in the top 6. Defending champ Robert Taylor was 7th this time around, his 4th time in the finals in the last 5 years.

NCAA champ Ed Hammonds of Memphis State says that the secret to his improvement is, "that I am running more relaxed." He also credits work on his start. "I have been concentrating the last 6 weeks on my starts," he said at Baton Rouge. "I felt that was the place that I could get better. This climaxes a lot of hard work that began after I recovered from a hamstring injury that knocked me out of the finals last year and caused me to miss the Olympic Trials. I placed 2nd in the indoor 60, but I wanted to show that I can win outdoors. It gave me a lot of personal satisfaction to beat my old teammate, Gerald Tinker." Hammonds' 4th in the AAU final is the best by an NCAA champ in the same year since John Carlos' 2nd in 69. The last NCAA champ to win the AAU in the same year was Nebraska's Charles Greene in 66.

Although he is best remembered as a long jumper, Jesse Owens was a more than creditable sprinter, recording one of the first legal 9.4s and the first recognized 10.2m. Owens recently said that he thinks it will be at least another 10-years before anyone breaks 9.0 in the 100. "The physical capabilities are there," he says, "but our top athletes in college and on the pro circuit are being distracted with material wants such as money and scholarships. Sooner or later, one of today's runners will make it, but they must concentrate and dedicate themselves more than some of the athletes have in the past several years."

Southern Cal's Don Quarrie looked like the man to beat in the NCAA 100 final after some impressive running in the prelims. Of course, that super-tight (0.11) 8-man finish gave no indication of dominance by anyone. If they had run 8 times, there might have been 8 different winners. Quarrie explained his 7th: "I came out too low. I never got into my lift. Actually, my start wasn't any worse than it was in the semi."

AAU runnerup Herb Washington almost didn't make it for the semifinals, missing the bus taking athletes from the motel to the stadium. He was walking several blocks away when the bus pulled out. Herb couldn't catch it, so he ran over to a nearby police car making a turn and explained his plight. The policeman picked him up, cut into traffic, raced after the bus and several blocks later pulled it over and let Herb board.

Although Steve Prefontaine and Dave Wottle are currently hot subjects, the No. 1 object of newspaper and wire service copy is still Steve Williams, double sprint winner at the AAU. That double has become an increasing rarity in the recent past. Since Andy Stanfield's victories in 49, only Art Bragg (54), Bobby Morrow (58) and Ray Norton (59-60) have pulled off the feat. Villanova's Frank Budd (61) is the last NCAA doubler. Budd also took the AAU 100 that year. Williams explained that part of the reason for

the relatively slow (9.4) winning time in the AAU were the 4 false starts: "I got cold during all that waste of time and I felt really sluggish." Williams also reveals that he enjoys competing with the San Diego TC more than at UTEP because, "Now I can pick and choose my races. It's good for my legs. Like at Mt SAC I was scheduled for the 100, 220 and relay. Well, it came up cold, so I just scratched from the sprints. Now if I were at UTEP I couldn't do that. There is a difference between a dual meet schedule and a BIG dual meet schedule. We had no easy meets at UTEP—we met all the biggies and that was hard on my legs." Here's one for the coincidence department—Williams' WR 9.1 came a year to the day after his world Junior 440 record of 45.2.

220 YARDS

Chief victim of the truncated time schedule in the prelims at the NCAA was eventual furlong champ Marshall Dill, running the last heat of the 100 and the first in the 220 back-to-back. "I was quite upset," he commented. "It was the first time I had ever been in a situation like that." Dill said at the time he was uncertain about his summer plans. "I've run for the past 3 summers and I just might take this summer off from running," he said. But after a 3rd in the AAU, he signed on as a member of the international squad.

Mark Lutz of Kansas had a string of hot races broken by his disqualification in the heats at the NCAA. Previously, he had taken the Big-8 and USTFF furlongs, and afterwards he nabbed 2nd in the AAU. But at the NCAA he was bounced for taking 3 strides on or inside his line. On going to Bakersfield he commented, "Winning out there would only make me feel better, not make me forget. I don't think I can make up for it." Always a quick closer (as he demonstrated at the AAU), Lutz said at the USTFF: "I've been working hard the last 2 weeks on my starts and on running the curve. I'm getting better every day."

After a 3rd in the College Division 100, Eastern Illinois Ghananian Sandy Osei-Agyeman pulled up in the semis of the 220 with a badly pulled muscle and had to be taken away in an ambulance.

Favored Don Quarrie didn't even run the final of the 220, collapsing in the blocks before the race went off. "I

felt dizzy," he recalls. "The doctor said it was heat prostration and he advised me not to run. In the semi, I started wobbling when I came off the turn. I didn't even know where I had finished."

The No. 8 furlonger in the US in 71, Adelphi's Dennis Walker has really had his problems in 73. The IC4A indoor 600 champ, Walker was the object of on-and-off suspension by the NCAA for competing in the US-USSR indoor as a relay member. But at the IC4A outdoor, after running the heats and finals of the 440 relay, heats of the 220 and heats and semis of the 100, a leg gave way in the 100 final. "I was hoping to compete in the NCAA and then in the AAU and go on some tours," he said. "Now? I guess pro track's the only thing to look forward to." He tried to run again in the Met AAU, but the injury, a tendon in back of the right knee, prevented him from running at full strength. After seeing the ITA meet a few days earlier he commented, "I saw the meet the other night at the Garden, but it bored me. There was no real competition, but I'll admit it was a good show."

Although he wouldn't admit to being excited about meeting Valeriy Borzov, Steve Williams said that he was looking forward to it, "especially in the 220—that's my best race." When asked beforehand if he could predict a winning time for the AAU final he commented, "You know I never worry about that—only what will win."

440 YARDS

That super Hayward Restoration meet was supposed to have featured a battle between Benny Brown and Maurice Peoples also, but Peoples didn't show. "It would have been ok if he'd been here," said Brown of his NCAA and AAU conqueror, "but I don't really feel ready for him yet. I didn't come up here to get back at him." Brown feels that all he needs now is some rest. "I'm just exhausted from running too many races too often at the end of the college season. Now I might do just light workouts until I get to Europe and then try to bust a good one over there."

With a PR 45.9 by NCAA 4th-placer Maxie Parks, UCLA claimed a 5th consecutive year with 2 sub-46.0 1-lappers. UCLA runners took 1-5 this year, 1-3 in 72, 1-4 in 71, 4th in 70 and 8th in 69, probably a good part of the reason that the school has now captured 5 NCAA mile relay titles



Ed Hammonds of Memphis State and Steve Williams of the SDTC each scored a pair of sprint wins. (L) Hammonds won the NCAA 100 in 9.4 and anchored the winning 440 relay team. /Chip Gane/ (R) World record holder Williams took both the 100 (9.4) and 220 (20.4) at the AAU. /Stan Pantovic/



Surprise AAU 440 runnerup Karl Farmer is one of 2 performers who has to choose between the Senior and Junior teams. /Chip Gane/

in a row.

A super (need we say more?) 1-lapper, Maurice Peoples is also a fine triple jumper when he wants to be. He hit a PR 51-10 in the NCAA qualifying round last year. "The 2 go together pretty well for me," he says. "The triple jump strengthens my legs and the quarter keeps me in shape."

The career of Dennis Schultz in the 440 has been a brief, but successful one. His 45.9 3rd at the NCAA came in what is believed to be just the 5th meet of his life at that distance. His PR 45.8 came in the meet before that, as he topped Big 10 champ Kim Rowe and SWC titlist Don Sturgal to take the USTFF title.

The aforementioned Don Sturgal passed open races at

the NCAA to concentrate on the anchor leg of Texas' previously undefeated mile relay squad. "I would like to run the 440 and 220 too," he said at Baton Rouge. "I probably would if we had a chance at the team title. But my major concern is the mile relay because we're supposed to be the best mile relay team here. Everybody here is still talking about Benny Brown and company, even though we've run a 3:05.7 and they've only run a 3:07. I just want to run something like a 45.5 anchor and make Benny run his butt off to catch me." Sturgal was close to what he wanted anchoring in 45.7 but unfortunately, Benny was already clear by the time it came down to the anchor lap.

880 YARDS

National Junior champ Keith Francis was already a hero to folks in his hometown of New Bedford, Mass. before he won that race in a PR 1:48.5. June 4 was earlier set aside as Keith Francis Day, reports correspondent Don Belisle.

Although he didn't make the NCAA qualifying standard of 1:49.5 in this country, Fordham's Marcel Philippe wasted little time showing some class racing in France, a country he is now eligible to represent in international competition. "It wouldn't be much of a performance in the US," he said in halting French to a group of reporters after setting a French 800 record of 1:46.5.

Former national record holder Ken Swenson (1:44.8m) plans to run again next year after the effects of a long bout with mono wear off. Although it was earlier rumored that he was going to sign with ITA, he recently commented he would rather not. "After 2 years in the Army," he said, "I've had enough of people telling me where to go and what to do."

AAU champ Rick Wohlhuter said that he blocked Dave Wottle out of his mind and just ran the race like any other. "I didn't want to think about him—and I didn't. Once I got the lead, I knew Dave was too far back to beat me." Wohlhuter declined an earlier chance to race against Wottle at the USTFF. "That was the last thing I needed," he commented.

Dave Wottle ran in the light blue of the USAF at Bakersfield, part of the beginning of his 3-month tour of duty, which extends through the summer and includes a trip to Europe. In the fall Wottle is expected to return to Bowling Green State to be a graduate assistant to coach Mel Brodt.

The 880 turned out to be one of the highlight races at the NCAA, but the characters looked different than one might have calculated them to be in the beginning of the year, when it seemed that 5 of the top 6 from 72 would be returning. But the super-tough 1:49.5 qualifying stan-

dard (the hardest of the meet), eliminated defending champ Willie Thomas, runnerup Ron Phillips (sick much of the year) and 5th-placer Marcel Philippe. Third-placer Tony Waldrop opted for the mile, leaving only 6th-placer Steve Bence, who duplicated his placing, while 7th finisher Rob Mango ended up 2nd.

ONE MILE

The "iron-man" of the NAIA, with 8 races covering 15.5M in just 51 hours, Texas Southern's Tommy Fulton stuck to the mile at the AAU, finishing a creditable 4th to become an alternate on the international team. When asked whether he would rather run his multiple races in 1 day (as he did at the NAIA Regional) or spread over 3 he commented: "It's hard to say, because usually all I need is that 40min or so between races. It also depends on how the races are scheduled. Like at the nationals, 6M was my last race, but it was first in the district. I think it's best to have the longest race at the end. It isn't hard to change tempo between the half and mile. In the long races I just adjust my tempo to the pace of the others. Actually, I find each race gets me prepared for the next one. I need a race to get loosened up. I don't know how to go to a meet and run just one race. I just have to run more than one."

Marty Liquori received a ribbing from southern California track figures Al Franken and Hank Ehrlich a while back about his mustache. "I'm glad you shaved it off," said Franken. "You look a lot better." Ehrlich agreed. "That's right. You're a handsome guy. Ugly people are the only ones who should grow a mustache or beard. Why did you want a mustache?" Liquori replied, "The mustache made me look older. Otherwise I look about 16. How would you feel if you had to watch a 16-year-old newscaster reading the news every night on TV?"

"I had planned to be in front when we reached the last turn," said Big 10 champ Ken Popejoy of his NCAA race, "but I waited too long. I figured I could outkick Wottle in the last straight, because I had done it twice already this year, but 3 guys shot by me on the curve—Wottle, Waldrop and McAfee—before I could get back into it." Popejoy still finished 5th with his 5th consecutive sub-4:00 of the year. He picked up a bad case of blisters during the race—one observer said the soles of his feet looked like a "mine field"—and they became infected in mid-week, so he was unable to go to the AAU.

NCAA runnerup Tony Waldrop, a North Carolina junior, reveals, "I really didn't have a plan for the race. I just wanted to get out there and get it over with. Mentally, it was getting to me waiting around for the start. I was looking for a 6th. I'm new to the mile and not used to running it." He also revealed that until this year he had run only 2 collegiate miles, and had never broken 4:18 as a prep. He was the 800 runnerup in 72.

"I learned something about myself tonight," said Dave Wottle after his big mile victory over Steve Prefontaine. "I learned I can handle a fast pace. My coach has always said my best race would come off a fast pace, but you never really know until you try it. So I really had no idea what would happen." Wottle also had a little adventure after the race. As people flocked around to congratulate him, a young man grabbed the famous hat from his head and made off with it. Dave chased him into a nearby field, where the guy tripped and Wottle fell over him, skinning his knees. But he got his hat back.

The wire services didn't do a very good job of reporting the facts on that super Hayward Field Restoration mile, at least in regards to where everybody stood on the all-time lists. Dave Wottle (3:53.3) becomes the No. 3 performer, with the No. 6 performance in the world. Steve Prefontaine (3:54.6) moves to =9th, and John Hartnett (3:54.7) is 11th. On a national level, Wottle moves to 2nd in the US, Pre =3rd, while Hartnett set an Irish national record.

STEEPLECHASE

Being "Confident with a Capital C" as he is [11 June], Doug Brown had a few words of warning for the Soviets after his AAU victory: "I think we have caught up to them in the steeplechase—they'll have to struggle this time."

Behind Brown in that muggy NCAA steeple, the only PR went to BYU junior Gary Cramer, with 8:45.2. The Drake Relays and WAC champ, Cramer said, "I usually

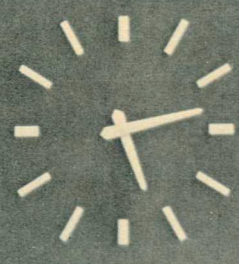
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Frosh Keith Francis (r) used a PR 1:48.5 to nip fellow yearling Dale Scott as the twosome went 1-2 in the Junior Championships. /Phil Bannister/

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We knew that Steve Prefontaine was becoming an institution—but this is ridiculous! The scoreboard at Baton Rouge was programmed to print out the school and mark for each of the top 5 placers. But instead of "Oregon", after the 3M we got "Pre". /Dennis Carollo/

have a certain memorized pace that I try to run and that way I have quite a bit left at the end. This is the first race I have lost this year, but when you lose to an 8:28 you don't feel as bad. I felt a little flat today, but I had a good season and haven't been over 9:00 all year." Correspondent Lynn Cannon reveals that Cramer had Perthes-Leggs disease when he was 3½. This is a serious condition in which the hip socket begins to rot away. If immobilized for a period of time, the condition sometimes clears up. Cramer wore a brace for 4½-years, during which time he could put no weight on the diseased leg.

THREE MILES

Without a doubt, the distance revelation of the championship season had to be Colorado junior Ted Castaneda. Going into the Big 8 meet with a 13:52.0 best, he hit a PR 13:37.4 to top favored John Halberstadt. At the USTFF he hit a PR 4:04.1 for 4th in the mile. In the NCAA 3M heats, he chopped a big chunk off his PR with a 13:21.2. "Pre's got everybody," he said of his chances in final, "but after him, everybody will be in there." Castaneda certainly was, moving to 2nd in a PR 13:10.6. At the AAU, he passed the three, going instead for a mile-6M double. He didn't make the mile final, but did get a PR 4:02.7 in the heats. And in the 6M he got another PR, and another 2nd, with 27:22.4, moving to 8th all-time US. And he thinks he could have won that Bakersfield race. "I should have started my kick sooner, coach," he told

Colorado assistant Jerry Quiller. "This is just a prelude of things to come for Colorado runners," the running revelation predicted.

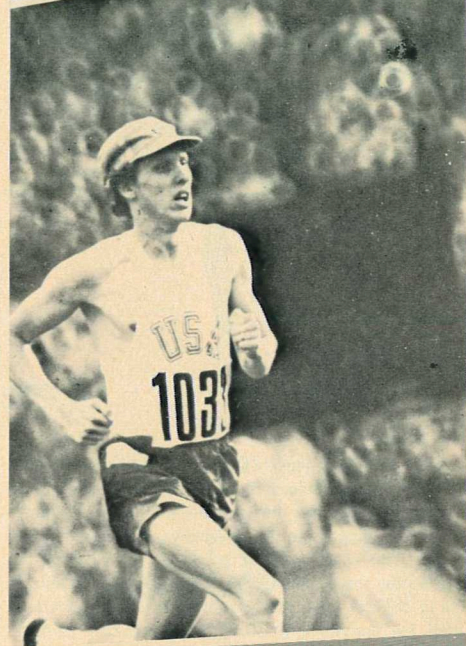
Although he ran a PR 13:14.8, a time faster than ever run before in the NCAA, Manhattan's Mike Keogh got only 5th with that quick time. Keogh ran a difficult triple at the IC4A, doing the 6M and 3M heats one day and the 3M final the next. "You know something," he said. "I'm sick of looking at this track. Forty-eight times around it in one weekend is just too much. I think I've earned a beer tonight. Maybe two... maybe more..."

Always eminently quotable, Steve Prefontaine was his usually voluble self at the NCAA: "Sometimes it seems that AAU rules work against runners instead of for them—and you can quote me on that." His comment was in relation to being reminded that he could get disqualified for pushing and shoving. He had said, "There was a lot of shoving and pushing early in the race [a heat]. I didn't mind it much. In fact, American runners have to get used to that type of thing if they expect to compete internationally. I even threw a few elbows and gave a few shoves myself." What had him angered against the AAU (this time) was the fact that he was having difficulties (since resolved) in getting a permit from the AAU to travel and compete in Europe... No, there's no truth to the rumor that the NCAA is thinking of changing the name of the 12-lap event to the "Pre-mile" in Steve's honor.

The ever-alert Pre soon discovered the perfect place to cool off after his 3M romp, getting a hand from runnerup Ted Castaneda as 7th-placer Ron Martin looks on. /John Morvant/



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Olympic Trials finalist (8th) and 72 NAIA champ **Dave Antognoli** of Edinboro State has had a frustrating 73 campaign. Injured for the first time in his career in the fall of 72, he slipped on ice in January, tearing ankle ligaments. This ankle problem progressed to a painful hip aggravation resulting from favoring the ankle. His mileage fell to 35M per week, mostly non-quality. At the NAIA he tried the marathon, finishing 3rd in his first 26-miler. Coach Doug Watts says that Dave left the meet enthusiastic and hopes to continue his distance running in the 10,000-marathon level for several years.

If anyone has any doubts that the AAU 6M was one hot race, think on this: Penn State's **Charlie Maguire** ran a PR 28:19.0, finishing only 12th. But that was 0.4 faster than the PR he set the week before at the NCAA—a race he won.

Eastern Michigan's **Gordon Minty** said he was shocked by how fast he ran in winning the AAU title. "I didn't think we would run that fast because we weren't running fast early on. But I was really happy with 200y left because I had a clear lead." Reflecting on a year which got him PRs at both 3M (13:10.6) and 6M (27:21.2), Minty commented, "I've been happy with my times all season. You always set your sights a little high and this year I achieved almost everything."

College Division champ **Chuck Smead** was a prep stand-out of whom little has been heard in recent years. "This is the first time in 5 years that I've run intervals on the track because I've had injuries and transferred schools (from Westmont to Humboldt State) and stuff like that. So this is my first real track season since I was a junior in high school."

NCAA 3rd-placer **Mitch Wiley** of BYU ran only 2:07.3 as a high school senior in Jackson, Wyo. He says that he didn't even try the mile because he didn't think he could race that far. A senior, Wiley never tried the six before this season, and his 28:21.2 PR in the NCAA is his 4th ever race at the distance.

The heat and humidity took their toll in the 6M at Baton Rouge, only 13 of 23 starters finishing. That is the lowest total to complete the race since 66, when 12 finished.

120 YARD HURDLES

Rod Milburn said at the NAIA that he felt that sub-13.0 is going to come sooner or later. "I feel like I could do it eventually," he commented, "but I have other

The 6M champs all picked up PRs:

(L) Eastern Michigan senior **Gordon Minty** hit 27:20.8 at the AAU. /Don Chadez/

(C) Penn State soph **Charlie Maguire** did 28:19.4 at the NCAA. /Don Wilkinson/

(R) Prep **Terry Williams** (Lompoc, Calif) used a 28:45.2 at the Junior. /Phil Bannister/



things to consider for the future." Foremost in his future plans is the possibility of pro football, although he has currently been unable to come to terms with the Los Angeles Rams. "I believe I showed the coaches I could play," he said. "But we're not together on money and I won't play football unless it's worth my while financially." He added, "I have to feel I can make it this year. If I didn't there would be no reason for even trying football." A Ram spokesman commented, "The chances of any 13th-round draft choice making our club are slim. But Rod has a lot of physical tools." If he doesn't go pro in football, Milburn might turn to ITA. "But I want to make sure it lasts more than just one year before I commit myself and lose my amateur status," he says.

Washington State's **Kip Ngeno** (no relation to the distance runner, John; both pronounce their last name nyenno, with a very nasal "ny" section) looked good in the heats of the NCAA, equaling the African record of 13.8 and beating defending champ **Jerry Wilson**. But he ran the 440 relay prelims 15min before the hurdle semis and ran a listless 14.2.

Hot early in the year (13.4w/13.5 as Kansas Relays), **Gregg Vandaveer** of Kansas didn't make it out of the heats at Baton Rouge. And he was only 6th at the USTFF. He wasn't exactly up to par by season's end however. In a late May training session he was long jumping on the artificial turf on the infield at Kansas and fell back on his head, suffering a concussion.

440 YARD HURDLES

AAU champ **Jim Bolding** credits much of his 73 success to not running in the school situation any more. "It's a different season when you're out of school and running for a club. When I was at Oklahoma State we had the big relays of Texas, Kansas and Drake which you had to be ready for in April. I ran the sprint relays as well as the hurdles, which meant a lot of races. But now I don't have



to do that." Bolding also revealed that former internationalist **Dixon Farmer**, now the coach at Michigan, has been helping him for the past 2-years, mostly by mail. "One of the things that helped me late this year was that Dixon and I got together the week before the AAU—which is pretty rare since he's in Ann Arbor and I'm in Stillwater—and worked on some technique stuff, trail leg stuff, because it's the end of my races where I've lost races all along."

Michigan State's **Bob Casleman** had a rather abbreviated season leading to his NCAA 3rd and AAU 4th, running in the hurdles in only 3 meets. "I was warming up at the Kansas Relays—practicing a 13-stride pattern between hurdles—but I wasn't warm enough and I strained a hamstring," he reveals. The injury kept him from doing much before early May.

HIGH JUMP

How does AAU champ **Dwight Stones** prepare for meets? "I found that if I play a few sets of tennis before a meet, I'm more relaxed the day of the competition. And I swim, too." Stones says that he is much happier competing for the Pacific Coast Club than he was for UCLA. Not that he had anything against UCLA, just the school scene competitively. "What do you have to get up for?" he asks. "One meet, the NCAA. That stuff's just not for me. I like high jumping too much to have just one thing to get ready for." Stones recently joined **John Radetich** as the only high jumpers ever to top 7ft with both the flop and straddle, rolling over a personal best 7-¾ with that "old-fashioned" style.

Although his 7-4 for 2nd in the NCAA was nothing to be ashamed of, Oregon State's **Tom Woods** wasn't satisfied. "I let the heat get to me psychologically," he offers. "I let it beat me."

POLE VAULT

The University of Florida pulled off a unique double this year, providing the vault winners at both the AAU Senior and Junior Championships. Senior **Mike Cotton** took the title at Bakersfield, while frosh **Will Freeman** used his home pit in Gainesville to take the Junior crown.

Bob Richards says that one of the proudest moments of his life was when he was vaulting at the Bakersfield Classic. "I was just getting ready to vault," he says, "and the announcer said, 'I guess we can drop the Jr. now. He's made 17-6 and his dad never did anything like that.' That

really made me feel good. For the first time that I can remember I was somebody—tied as the 2nd-best pole vaulter in the world—instead of just being the son of Bob Richards, the great Olympic champion."

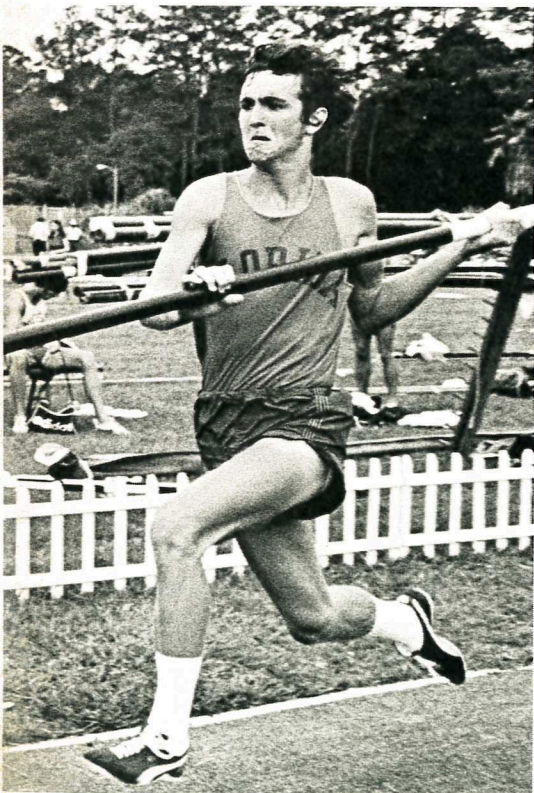
That was a clutch performance by Dave Roberts, taking his 3rd consecutive NCAA title with a 3rd-effort clearance of 17-4. "I knew if things went right I would normally make both 17-0 and 17-4 on my 3rd shot, but it's hard to predict what's going to happen in the vault." He also revealed that his injuries (fallen arch and twisted knee) prevented him from warming up prior to the event.

A surprise 17-3 vaulter in '72, Bob Slover was inactive outdoors in early '73 following shoulder surgery in April. "The doctors thought there was a bone chip in the ligaments of my shoulder," he says. "But all they found was a tiny sliver buried deep in the muscle. It was too hard to get at so they just tightened the ligaments. It feels great now; there's only a little restriction, but it feels stronger than ever." In his first competition since the operation, Slover did 6548 in his initial decathlon try, including a 14-0 vault on a light pole.

World indoor record holder Steve Smith and Pacific Coast Club teammate Bob Richards didn't show up for the AAU, reportedly because of an argument between the club and the AAU. Smith has yet to win an AAU outdoor title.

LONG JUMP

Finn Bendixen might have to be rated as the No. 1 upset winner at the NCAA—topping both Randy Williams and James McAlister as he did. It should also be noted that 2nd-placer Al Lanier pulled the same feat. "This is the greatest thing that ever happened to me," said the Norwegian record holder. "It was my final jump for UCLA and I wanted to end it well." Commenting on his performance in the Olympics, where he failed to qualify for the finals, Bendixen said, "At Munich I had a bad day. I just choked. It was the worst day of my track career." For a while at Baton Rouge, it looked as if Bendixen might not even qualify, hitting only 22-9/16 on his 1st



(L) Will Freeman was one of Florida's 2 national vault champs, recording his first-ever 16-footer to capture the Junior crown. /Phil Bannister/

(R) Clarence Taylor made his first appearance in national competition a big one, soaring a JC record 52-4 1/2 at the AAU. /LeMoyne Coates/

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jump.

Meanwhile, congenial Randy Williams was able to maintain his sense of humor throughout the NCAA debacle. "I told Finn that this was his graduation present," he said. Williams almost pulled it out on his last jump, getting off a mighty pop, but failed to come close to an optimum takeoff point. "Randy's last jump [25-7 1/4] could have won it," said Southern Cal coach Vern Wolfe, "but he took off at least 3" behind the board. That's 8" wide, so he lost about 10"."

How's that Williams-James McAlister battle coming, the result of which could very well decide the No. 1 ranking for the world this year? McAlister is currently ahead 4-3, topping his rival in the UCLA-Southern Cal dual, the California Relays, NCAA and Hayward Restoration, while Williams came out on top in the Pac-8, Vons Classic and the AAU.

TRIPLE JUMP

Winning the AAU triple gave John Craft another shot at an all-abiding goal: "I've never beaten [Victor] Saneyev outdoors, and I'm glad I'll get another crack at him." Craft has upset the world record holder in the last 2 US-USSR indoor affairs.

Two-time Olympian Dave Smith came out of his retirement to jump in the Kennedy Games, producing a 52-3/4 effort in his only meet of the year. "I was looking forward to just competing in one meet this year, and winning doesn't change a thing. To tell you the truth, I haven't seen a pit since that dismal day at Munich [when he bombed out in the qualifying]. I'd play some basketball and run around Lake Merritt in Oakland a few times. I think emotion got me more than anything, and the meet was just around the corner—so why not?"

One of the pleasant revelations of the AAU was soph Clarence Taylor of Forest Park CC (St Louis, Mo), who bounded to an all-time JC best of 52-4 1/2. "I'd like to believe that some day I'll jump 58ft," he says. "You gotta believe I do."

NCAA winner Milan Tiff revealed that as a youngster



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he had a tendon disease and that doctors told him he would never be able to do things like riding a bicycle, things that would require flexing of the knee. "The disease bothered me a little in last year's competition," he said, "but I've felt pretty good this year."

SHOT PUT

Western Illinois' **Doug Arendell** hit a PR 61-1 to win the College Division title, but passed on going to Baton Rouge because of exams. A senior, he is now considering retirement. "I'm gonna call it quits," he said at Crawfordsville. "I can't think of a better note to end on."

World record holder **Al Feuerbach** had a demanding schedule leading up to his AAU shot win, including a quick trip to Moscow with a stop for the national weightlifting championships (where he got 2nd) on the way back. "I lost 10lb and it affected me," he commented. "The shot was manhandling me instead of me manhandling it." Al is still sparring verbally with pro king **Brian Oldfield**. Oldfield has apparently been advancing a theory that Feuerbach (6-1/250) is larger than Brian (6-5/270) is. Oldfield maintains that because Al is more compact, he is larger. When informed of Oldfield's theory, Al commented, "He might be right. I might be bigger—until you include his mouth."

Ron Semkiw was one of 2 performers to make both the Junior and Senior squads (Karl Farmer in the 400 was the other), but doesn't know where to throw. "I'd like to compete on both teams," he said at Gainesville. "The meets are different days. If I can't do both, it's still up in the air which team I'll choose." Junior squad coach **Joe Healey** commented, "He might be wise to go with the Junior team. He could be the star of the meets, and it might help him in his development." There is no doubt that Semkiw was one hot performer during the big meets, getting 3 PRs: NCAA 63-3 4th, AAU 63-7 2nd, Junior 64-1 1st.

DISCUS THROW

Big (6-6/310) Texas soph **Bishop Dolegiewicz** became the school's first point scorer with the platter since 41 with his 6th at Baton Rouge. Apparently he was hampered severely by a leg cramp he developed shortly before the event, and he limped badly during the event. As someone said, when a 310-pounder gets a cramp, it's a big

one.

Two-time NCAA scorer **Zdravko Pecar** of Yugoslavia ended up 8th this year, his performance suffering as the result of his being stricken by a gall bladder attack. Pecar had set a national record of 195-0 at Modesto the week before.

Mac Wilkins was a little miffed by a newspaper story which referred to his AAU win as "an upset." Multiple Mac commented, "I don't think that (Jay) Silvester or (John) Powell believed that."

HAMMER THROW

"This has been a rough year for me in a lot of ways," said NCAA champ **Jacques Accambrey**. "Last year I was 'up' because of the Olympics, but this year I went out for football and did a lot of other things, and I had a hard time getting back in form."

Expected to return in good form in 74 is **Frank Bredice**, who had a promising indoor campaign with a 69-4 weight toss early, but was soon felled by a ruptured disc. At the time, he was having outdoor practice tosses in the 218 range. Bredice will be given a series of enzyme shots which are expected to dissolve the disc and relieve pressure on the affected nerve.

"I know that 218 isn't going to mean much in Europe this summer," says AAU champ **Ted Bregar**, "but I'm excited about gaining experience against some of the best hammer throwers in the world, and I have winning in mind. You have to think of nothing else but winning because the world wasn't built on 2nds and 3rds. Nobody cares who was 2nd."

NCAA runnerup **Peter Farmer** credits his improvement this year (from 221-11 to 228-8) to better technique. "Mostly due to technique," he says. "I'm stronger than last year, but my technique is so much better. I spent last summer in Europe and was coached by [world record holder] **Walter Schmidt's** coach. I hope to go back this summer and spend some time with a German club so I can learn more."

Washington State's **Tony Tenisci** became the first 4-time finalist in the NCAA hammer with his 7th at Baton Rouge, adding to his 3rd as a frosh, 7th as a soph and 8th as a junior.

The record most often broken at the NCAA was the stadium record in the hammer—which had never been

thrown there before. Springfield's **Harold Cramer** picked up the honor first with his 178-3 toss. From there it was raised 9 times: 180-8, 181-7, 195-11, 196-0, 197-6, 210-3, 212-11, 216-4 and 221-6, the last 3 going to winner **Accambrey**.

JAVELIN THROW

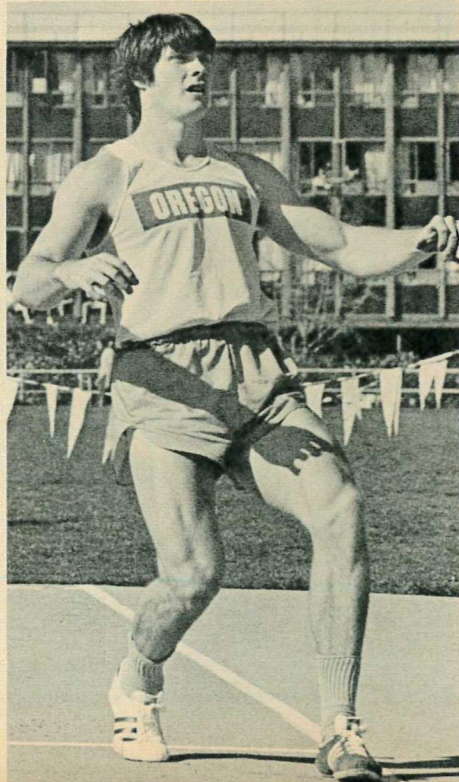
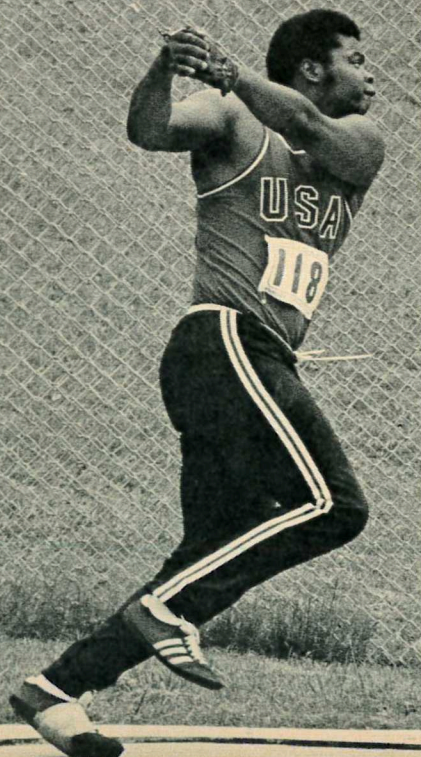
Except for that one big explosion (264-10) at the Texas Relays Texas frosh **Siggi Busha** didn't do much in 73, mainly because of a bad elbow. A recent column in the *Austin American* may give some insight on that injury. Someone commented that throwing the javelin was just like throwing a baseball (which it isn't). "That's right," said Busha. "You throw it the same way. That's the way they test you out in high school." The javelin is meant to be whipped by the whole body, not thrown with the arm. Arm-throwing is probably the greatest single cause of bad elbows among American javelin throwers. European throwers are not immune to such injuries, but they seem to suffer from them much less.

NCAA champ **Sam Colson** passed up the AAU to concentrate on his training. "I'm healthy now," he said after the NCAA. "It's just a matter of time to get it [his 290-plus form] back. I'll get it back this year. I'm going to start heavy weight-training now and work on my technique to get ready for the World University Games."

"I'm amazed and thankful I won here," said AAU champ **Cary Feldmann**. "Now I'm looking forward to beating [Janis] **Lusis**." He plans on an extended career. "Javelin throwers don't peak until they're 35, so why shouldn't I keep throwing? I have at least another 13-years. But I don't want to make it a business, just a recreation."

Everyone knows that TV exercises strong control over the way meets are run, but this is ridiculous. Some NCAA observers feel that ABC was responsible for The Deluge. Honest—here's how it went: **Siggi Busha** got up in the qualifying round for his 1st toss, but his jav went astray and landed in a nearby hedge (hereafter to be known as **Siggi's Bushes**), reportedly piercing an ABC cable laid within. Almost instantaneously, the thunder and lightning began and officials pulled the spear throwers off the field. The wisdom of their decision was soon evident as lightning bolts tickled nearby light standards and actually struck the scoreboard.

National Junior record holders **Alvin Jackson** and **Craig Brigham** were both victorious in the Juniors. (L) Jackson hit 202-1. /Steve Elbert/ (C) Brigham 10-evented 7357. /Jeff Johnson/ (R) They will be joined on the team by javelin victor **Rod Ewaliko** (243-11). /Johnson/

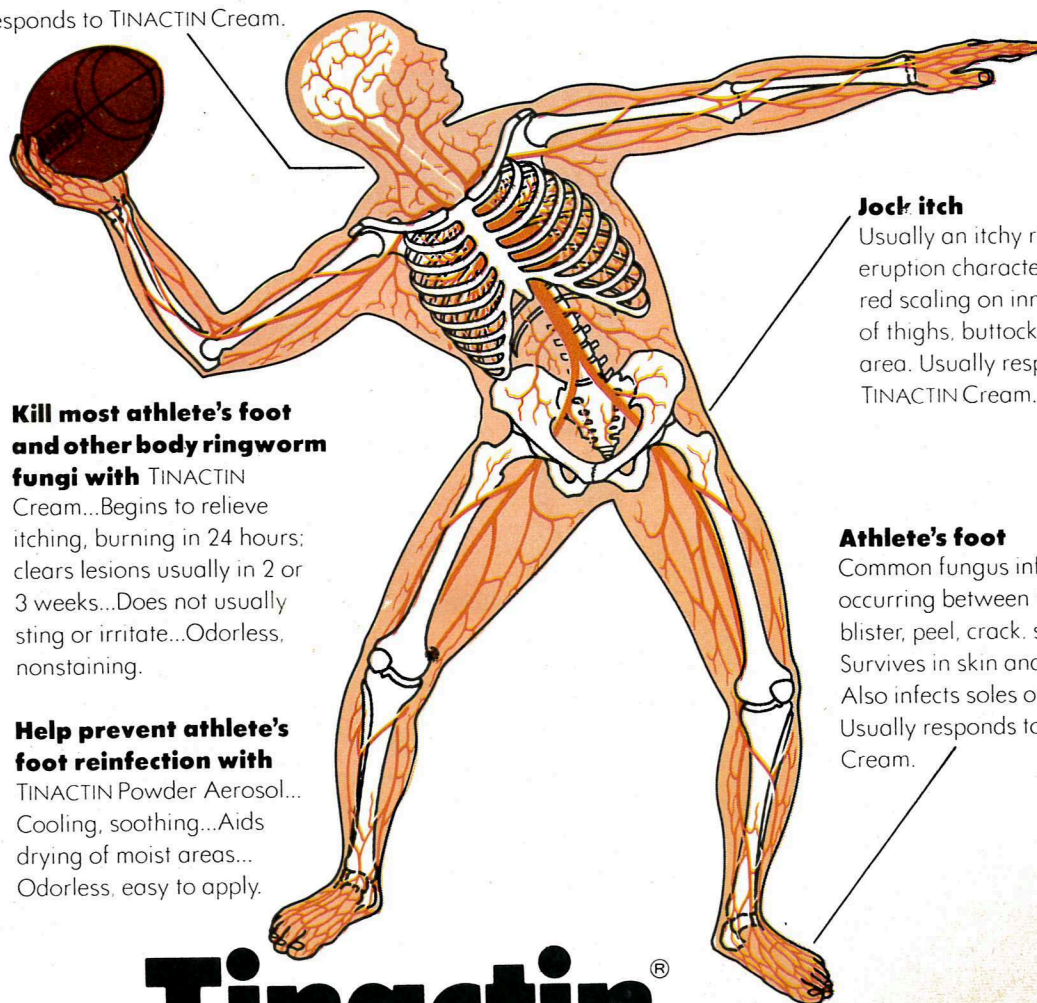


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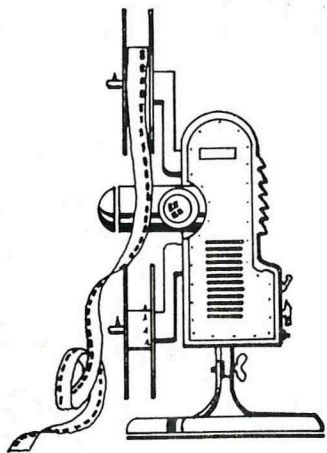
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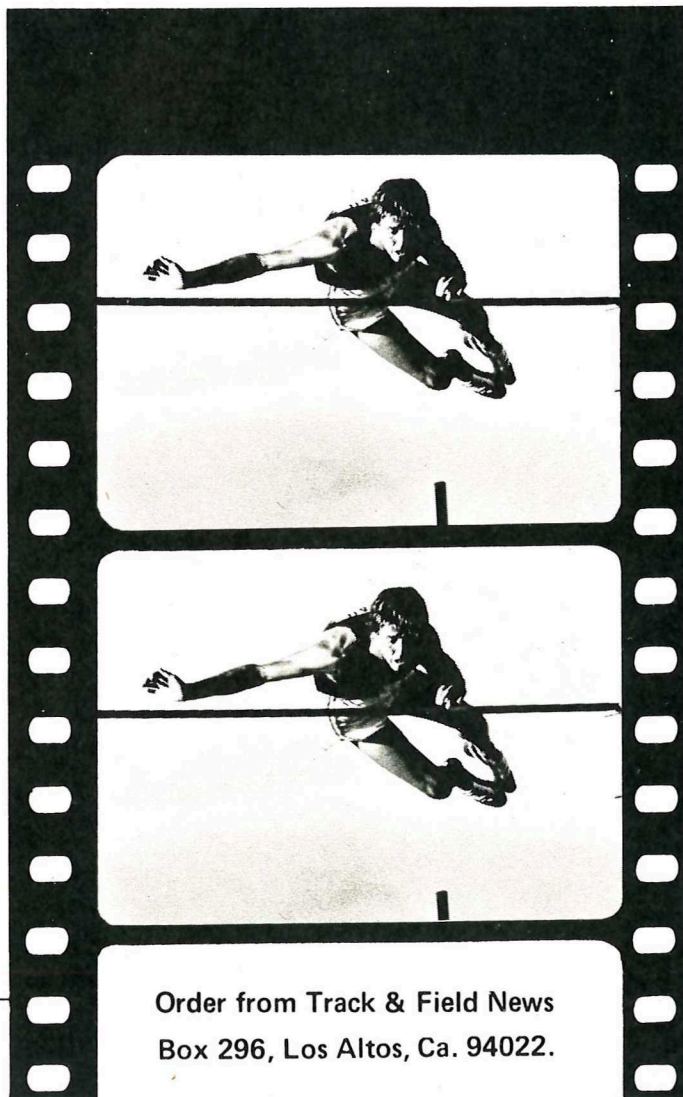
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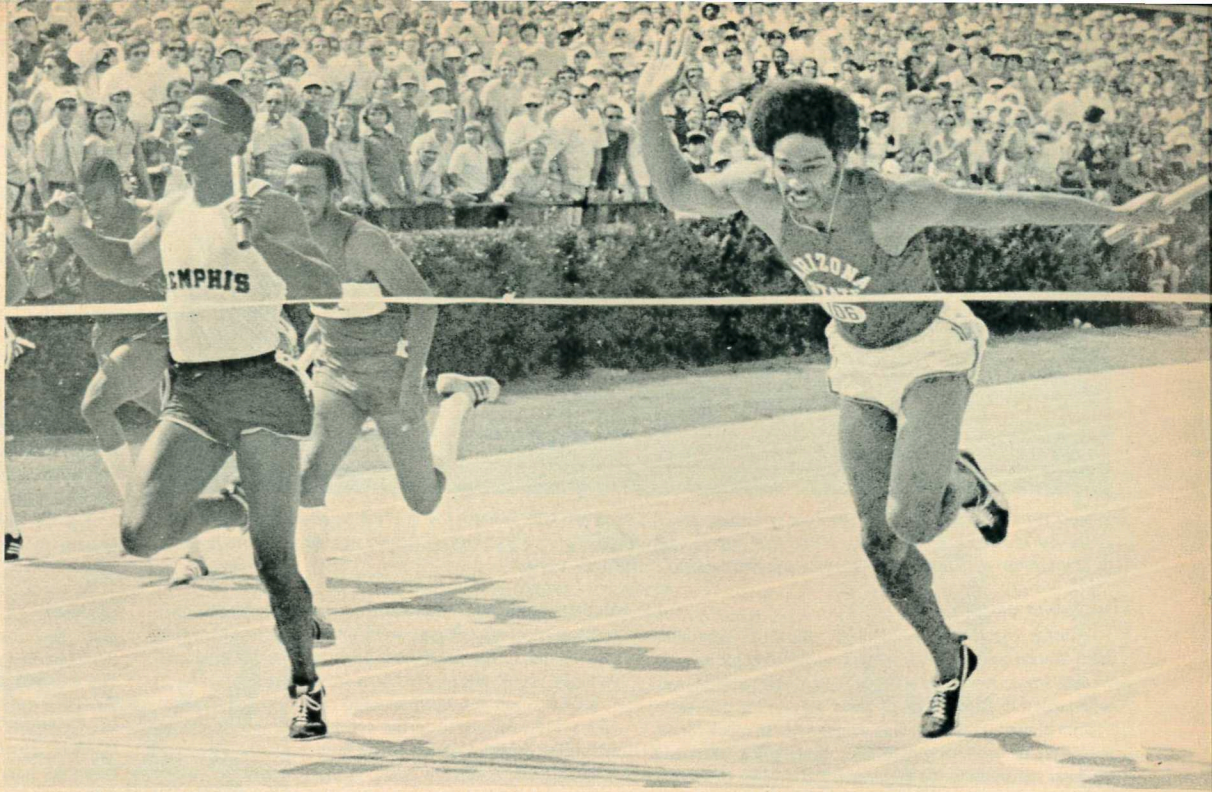
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Ed Hammonds picked up his 2nd NCAA gold by anchoring the Memphis State foursome to the 440 relay title in 39.6. A hot Maurice Peoples didn't confine his relay heroics to the mile baton event, running a super anchor here also to give Arizona State 2nd in 39.7. /Buddy Davis/



DECATHLON

Top newcomer for the year is NAIA champ Dave Bahr of Graceland. A big (6-3/205) senior, Dave got up to 7357 in his 1st year of serious competition despite problems with the technical events. In his first 3 years at Graceland, he tried only 2 10-eventers (and finished 1). A roommate of Olympian Bruce Jenner, Bahr met his wife through him. "It was fun to watch Bruce improve the way he did and I felt I could do the same," he says. "The decathlon creeps up on you—after you do one, you want to try another and do better."

Although he says he has worked only on running and weight training this season, Jeff Bennett's throwing has improved considerably. In the AAU he hit 41-9 and 125-7, both near his best, and topped it with a PR 205-10. Ironically, he was unsure of his condition at the start of the 1500 and after a slow early pace ran only 4:19.8, more than 10sec off his best. Three seconds faster would have given him the best 2nd day total ever by an American (surpassing Rick Sloan's 4011) while 4:15 would have

given him 8156 points to surpass Phil Mulkey as 3rd-highest scoring American ever.

Craig Brigham, high school recordman and this year's Pac-8 champ, regarded this season as a time for building: "If I had wanted to peak for a big performance I could have scored more. But I'm looking ahead and this year worked hard on over-distance running. It gave me more stamina. I'm stronger on the 2nd day and I recuperate faster between events." According to Oregon publicist Hal Cowan, injuries kept Craig from high jumping or vaulting except in competition.

Ron Evans has finished his track eligibility but will return to Connecticut to play goalie on the soccer team this fall. Then he hopes to resume his decathlon training in Florida.

Ask Roger George and his coach, Dutch Warmerdam, why the Fresno State junior has improved so much this year and you get the same answer: hard work. His jumping in particular has improved greatly, topped by his 6-8 leap in the nationals.

NCAA decathletes had trouble with the approach area

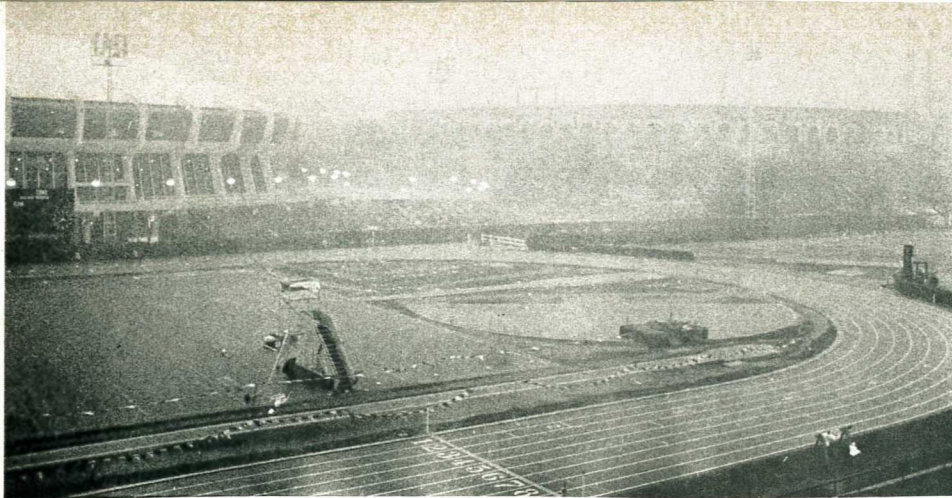
in the high jump. Rain made the regular run-up too wet, so they moved it to the sidelines of the artificial football field. "The approach was semi-downhill. The tilted take-off bothered me," said world decathlon HJ record holder (7-1) Bill Hancock of Southern Illinois. "It threw my takeoff leg off and tended to propel me into the bar."

Bruce Jenner has moved to San Jose, Calif., and fellow Olympian Jeff Bannister hopes to move there soon. Both intend to train seriously and are looking for jobs which will tie in with daily training and occasional competition. Jeff, who has competed in only 1 meet this year, says "I just haven't been able to be enthusiastic about the decathlon and I think it's largely due to my job situation. I don't like teaching high school and it's been tough getting another job."

NCAA winner Raimo Phil commented afterwards, "It was too bad Evans was hurt. He's a great competitor and a good guy. I admire him for his performance." Of his narrow win over George (accomplished by a PR 1500) he said, "I had good luck out there. The pace was too quick, much too quick for me. I knew I needed to stay within 10



Coming off the final turn, Peoples is beginning the strong stretch drive which culminated his 43.4, almost catching Don Sturgal at the tape. Benny Brown powered along to produce UCLA's 5th victory in a row. /John Morvant/



If you don't think *The Deluge* was a dandy storm, look at this photo. It's 3:40 in the afternoon and visibility is rather restricted. Note the hardy soul to the left of the judges' stand—he braved the height of the storm with just an umbrella for protection. /John Morvant/

or 20sec of him."

Shortly before the wind-up of the AAU decathlon, John Warkentin was commenting on how happy he was. He had a new, less tense attitude toward competition, was well settled in Santa Barbara where he and his wife were well employed, and never had enjoyed life so much. Soon thereafter he was flat on his back, undergoing treatment for heat exhaustion, his European trip dreams shattered.

Of the top dozen US decathletes for 1973 only Carl Wood, 9th at 7606, did not compete in the AAU. Meet officials waived qualifying rules to permit Russ Hodge, Jeff Bannister and Rick Wanamaker to compete even though they had no prior competition for the year.

With 2 events left, Steve Gough and John Warkentin were locked in a tight battle for 2nd place in the AAU decathlon—and the 2nd spot on the national team. On his 1st javelin toss, Warkentin did poorly. So what happened? Gough rushed over to tell his friend what he did wrong—advice that could have cost Steve his first European trip. And that's not at all atypical among the close-knit decathlon group.

Two years ago in the AAU, Si Tyler, Mr. AAU of the San Joaquin Valley in California, insisted that decathletes failing to make a mark in an event be given 1 courtesy point. This year he insisted the discus and javelin be measured in centimeters, in stubborn defiance of the clearly expressed rule that only even centimeters be used.

In the 5yr the NAIA has held the decathlon, it has been won by only 2 schools, Graceland with Bahr and Jenner and Oklahoma Christian with Bennett (twice) and Gary Hill.

Santa Barbara coach Sam Adams is going to ask the AAU to finance a yearly tour of Europe for 6-7 of the country's best decathletes. "I think if we can have a tour and take 6 or 7 guys over there for a month every year, we'll have seasoned decathletes in the Olympics. There have to be more rewards for decathlon performers."

RELAYS

"I really feel great," said Memphis State anchorman Ed Hammonds after he had given his squad the 440 relay title. "It was a great way to end my career at Memphis State. All we needed to do it this year was find a good 4th man and we knew we could win it." Returning from the team that didn't finish last year were Hammonds, leadoff Maurice Knight and No. 2 man Lynn Fox. Ed Taylor in 3 was the new face. Concerning the general state of athletics at Memphis State, which picked off 2nd in NCAA basketball this year, Hammonds said, "It was mostly basketball. I guess we showed the fans what they missed out on."

As usual, TV made lots of friends with the coverage of the NCAA meet. Few were more upset than those who were following the Texas mile relay squad. Lou Maysel of the *Austin American* commented: "Thanks to the magic of television, the mile relay at the NCAA was not shown to us interested viewers. Instead, for some inexplicable reason, ABC-TV ended its Wide World of Sports show Saturday with a taped hodge-podge of the long jump, an event actually staged on Friday. It was a very unsatisfactory ending for 90min of bumbling and was especially in-

furiating to Austin viewers who were waiting for this one event most of all." Maysel went on to comment that the phone lines to the paper were soon busy with calls from unhappy people wanting to know what happened.

UCLA coach Jim Bush revealed that he didn't want to take a 440 relay squad to the nationals. "The kids talked me into it," he said. "I wanted to drop the event, especially because it causes too many runners to double, triple and quadruple. But if they want it, I want it." The Bruins did one of their better passing jobs of the year, hitting 40.1, but that wasn't good enough to qualify in the high-pressure field.

ON YOUR MARKS

That super Hayward Restoration mile, won by Dave Wottle in 3:53.3, was supposed to be even better. At least, if meet officials had their way it would have been—they had a plan to bring pros Kip Keino and Jim Ryun to the race. "The NCAA said it was all right," said meet director Bob Newland. "Mike O'Hara of ITA said he'd love to have them come. But the AAU says you can't even have pros and amateurs on the same track, even if they're not competing against one another." Actually, it isn't solely the fault of the AAU. Even if they did amend their rules to permit such occurrences, athletes would still be violating international rules and would be ruled ineligible by the IAAF for such actions.

Asked if he had a personality conflict with AAU director Ollan Cassell, Pacific Coast coach Tom Jennings (who has been warring on-and-off with Ollan for some time now) commented, "Couldn't be—I don't think he has one."

Although the AAU meet could hardly be considered to have suffered from a lack of depth (in the higher positions), fields were sparse, with few competitors showing up for many. Among the likely reasons: 1. The distance between the NCAA (Baton Rouge) and the AAU (Bakersfield); 2. The Junior champs, to be held the next week; 3. The Golden West, held on the same day; 4. The Pacific Coast Club hassles with the AAU, keeping away some top performers; 5. The World University Games, a meet many collegians expressed more interest in—many stayed away to train.

"There is no way you can have a dynasty in track and field," said UCLA coach Jim Bush after his squad had picked off a 3rd straight NCAA title. "You can't switch guys from position to position like you can in football to fill vacancies and keep it going." People have been talking about UCLA's field event strength all year. Well, that's where they won the meet, scoring 32 points, enough to win by itself. The trackmen got 24.

How the mighty have fallen! Records show that powerful Southern Cal, which can claim 25 of 53 NCAA team titles, had probably its worst performance ever this year, finishing in 24th position with only 9 digits. In any previous meet in which Southern Cal scored (which is presumably every meet they have ever attended), the previous lows were 12½ points in 23 (that was good for 7th-place) and 10th-place in 70. "Just everything conceivable that could happen, happened," mourned coach Vern

Wolfe. "It was like reading a horror story."

Speaking of relatively poor performances, the whole Pac-8 was down this year, at least in winners, taking only 5 titles. That's the lowest total since 64.

Neil Amdur of the *New York Times* advanced an interesting theory on the relatively poor showing by eastern schools. One reason of course was that dismal weather bothered that part of the country this year, but the other, says Amdur, is "that emphasis among many eastern schools, particularly in non-Olympic years, seems to have grown for the intimacy and atmosphere of indoor competition as opposed to the outdoor season which leads to the one meet a year, the NCAA. By contrast, indoor competition is almost nonexistent among schools like UCLA, Oregon, BYU and Arizona State, the first 4 finishers at this year's outdoor meet."

The breakdown of NCAA titles by class in 73: seniors 11; juniors and sophs 4; frosh 0.

The 74 College Division meet has been awarded to Eastern Illinois (Charleston) over UC Irvine by a 50-3 vote.

As a conclusion to those aforementioned Lou Maysel comments on the TV coverage from Baton Rouge we print these comments from him: "ABC-TV may be spared the opportunity to make the same mistakes next year. The NCAA announced just last week that it has sold the TV rights for 18 of its events during the next 13-months to the North American Cable Company." After Texas Coach Cleburne Price informed the NCAA rules committee of the June heat factor in Austin (site of the 74 meet), the decision was made to hold the Saturday show at night next year.

Although he adopted a mellow stance afterwards, Steve Prefontaine was adamant in his thoughts about running in the Baton Rouge heat beforehand. As he told Leo Davis of the *Portland Oregonian*, "I've said it before and got in trouble, but I'll say it again, the NCAA has to learn that a good meet's first consideration is for the athlete, not for NBC or CBS or ABC or any other television network." Said Oregon State Coach Bernie Wagner, "Sprinters, jumpers and weightmen are delighted with LSU." But Wagner was quick to recognize the potential hazard of the hot weather posed to the distance runners. He was head of a special weather committee at Baton Rouge. "There is an index and experience table which takes into consideration temperature, humidity and heat radiation," he said. "Using that, we can judge whether it is unwise to continue. We knew by noon the last day whether the index was too high to permit the races (steeples and 3M) from being run on schedule." A heavy cloud cover allowed the races to go as scheduled, although as mentioned in the preceding paragraph, next year's Saturday session has been moved to the evening to forestall any possibility of similar complications. □

UCLA mentor Jim Bush had a baleful glare during the downpour—but he was all smiles after the Bruins took the team title. /Dennis Carollo/



WORLD NOTES

SPRINTS—HURDLES

Finnish 1-lapper **Ossi Karttunen** was pleased to win the "Olympic Day" meet 400 in East Berlin, but he wasn't overly happy with his 46.8 time. "Finnish 400 runners want to do as well as our distance colleagues," said Karttunen. "When Markku Kukkoaho ran 45.5 in 72 and placed 6th in Munich, he made a small breakthrough but we want to make much more headway." In his next meet, Karttunen lowered his PR by 0.6 as Kukkoaho won the Finland-Italy-Kenya 400 in 46.1, Karttunen matching the time in 2nd.

Silvio Leonard, new Cuban sprint find with a 10.1 world age-17 best already in 73, won't be 18 until this fall. "Naturally I would like to improve on that time," he says, "and catch and pass my countrymen Enrique Figuerola and Hermes Ramirez, who both have run 10.0."

France's **Jean-Claude Nallet**, 71 European 1-lap hurdle champion, has finally gotten the best of a foot injury which ended his Olympic-year ambitions and he is now in training again. He expects to run only flat 400s this year, but return to the hurdles in 74 to defend his European title.

MIDDLE DISTANCES

Yevgeniy Arzhanov, the USSR's Olympic 800 silver medalist, says, "I need a goal in sport just as in life. Something I can strive for, no easy goal but a difficult one that makes me work. For me, this means running under 1:44."

Mike Boit, Kenya's Olympic 800 3rd-placer and Eastern New Mexico distance star, already has his sights set on the 76 Montreal Games. "I feel I gained a lot of confidence and experience from competing in Munich," he says. "But I had only a short time to train for it. Now I have 4 years to get ready. I want to concentrate on the 800."

Boit and his new roommate at Eastern New Mexico are an interesting pair—because the roommate is South African **Danie Malan**, no slouch himself over 2-laps (1:45.1 behind Rick Wohlhuter's 1:44.6 record). Although Malan is a white from apartheid South Africa and Boit a black Kenyan, they are close friends. Boit just completed his freshman year at ENMU while Malan enters this fall. "We never thought about the political consequences," Malan told Dave Bush of the *San Francisco Chronicle*. "We just became good friends." Boit agrees: "I didn't think anything about Danie being a South African. He's just a good



Markku Kukkoaho has led Finland's 400 forces with a 45.5 PR in 72 and 45.6 in 73. /Muller/

friend." Malan phones home to Johannesburg to report the results after his races. "There's a lot of interest in our runners," he says, "and everyone I've talked to thinks my relationship with Mike is great."

On the subject of 800 world records, East Germany's 62 and 66 European 2-lap champion **Manfred Matuschewski** feels, "Yevgeniy Arzhanov and Pekka Vasala are the runners I have the most confidence in to break the record. They are not only record runners but also proven competitors. I believe they have the potential for careers as great as those of Peter Snell and Roger Moens, whom I ran against. Arzhanov is a runner with great endurance combined with speed, but he paid a premium in the decisive tactical moment in Munich. He has learned from that mistake."

And speaking of Olympic 1500 champ **Pekka Vasala**, he was married in late April and is reportedly taking his job as a sports shoe representative very seriously. After a strenuous Olympic year, he may rest in 73 to save his energies and ambitions for 74 and the European title meet. In fact, he is still recovering from an operation on his left foot. He attended the recent Finland-Italy-Kenya running events match as a spectator only.

Switzerland has a middle-distance "find" some European observers are comparing to the young **Jim Ryun**. **Bernhard Vifian**, only 17, ran 3:42.0 (worth 3:59.8 for a mile) on June 3. Vifian, from Lucerne, trains only once a week on the track, uses little interval work and emphasizes a strong endurance background. He ran 3:51.8 in 71 and 3:48.7 in 72.

DISTANCES

Belgian distance star **Emiel Puttemans** says records mean more to him than Olympic gold medals. "When Ron Clarke of Australia was running, everyone knew he was the best because he held practically every distance record," Puttemans told Mal Florence of the *Los Angeles Times*. "But he never won a gold medal. Records are important; you have to prepare from 2-5 years for records but you don't have to train that long to get a medal." Still, Puttemans trains twice a day only during the very peak of his season. "I've seen too many athletes who work, work, work and then get—how you say—burned out. I would rather be at the top in distance running for 3-4 years than be No. 1 for 2 months and not be heard from again."

Soviet 1500 man **Mikhail Zhelobovskiy** has apparently found his event at 5000. In only his 2nd race ever at the distance, he clocked 13:33.6, missing the Soviet record by just 0.4.

Old distance greats seem to fade away less now. **Gordon Pirie**, Britain's premier distance runner in the late 50s and 56 Olympic 5000 silver medalist, is now a professional coach for a New Zealand track club. Writes Australian correspondent Jack Pennington, "Gordon is as 'ever-confident' and fit as in his heyday. He is captain of the New Zealand orienteering [cross country running over unfamiliar terrain with only a map as guidance] team. Despite his fitness he got himself lost in dense bush in the Australia-New Zealand match in early June; in fact, the race was won by a mountaineer, as many, including Pirie, failed to finish. Gordon says he recently ran a 5000 time trial in 13:46 with Derek Clayton as a witness." That compares to the world age-42 best of 14:52.0 held by Alain Mimoun.

WALKS

The illness, first described as serious leukemia [11 April], which has sidelined British walker **Phil Embleton** is apparently not so serious. But he was in the hospital for 3 months with "kidney failure which was brought on by a blood disease for which I have to take medication for 2 years. The disease was caused by a virus. However, the doctors have encouraged me to keep racing since all this isn't expected to affect my condition. I hope to start training again in August—after I get my weight up. I'm about 140lb now as compared to my usual 155-160".

Soviet super-veteran walker **Vladimir Golubnichiy** is reportedly retired while East German Olympic champs **Peter Frenkel** and **Christoph Hohne** aren't (as first believed), although both are injured currently and not racing.

JUMPS

Czech **Jaroslav Broz** recently set a 26-1 national record, but still wasn't too happy. "I still have problems with my run-up," he said. "Once I get those ironed out, I'm sure I can hit 8m/26-3."

The wall between East and West Germany is crumbling ever so slightly—on the athletic field at least. West German vaulter **Reinhard Kuretzky** recently competed in the East Berlin "Olympic Day" meet, one of East Germany's biggest annual meets. "My competing in East Berlin means something special to me," Kuretzky said later. "The recognition of East Germany by West Germany is long overdue, as is competition between athletes from both nations."

THROWS

Three beefy Swedish shot putters seem intent on raising the Scandinavian nation to a prominent place in global shot circles. In the recent Sweden-Norway match, **Hans Hoglund** (73 NCAA champ from UTEP), Olympic discus bronze medalist **Ricky Bruch** and 19-year-old **Hans Almstrom** all pumped PRs. Hoglund hit a national record 67-7, Bruch 66-6½ and Almstrom 65-4¾. Writes Norwegian correspondent Erik-Willie Nielsen, "Hoglund returned from the US only 4 days before the match. He opened with 66-6½, which Bruch matched. Hoglund's 3rd throw was 66-9½ and his last, with a growl like a tiger, 67-7. Later Hoglund said he wanted to meet Al Feuerbach and surpass 70ft—hopefully at the same time." Hoglund is now history's longest left-handed putter. Almstrom, whose nickname "Plutten" means "shot put" in Swedish, upped his best from an earlier 63-5¾. And the ever-colorful Bruch was disappointed to lose his national record to Hoglund, but later laughed, "I'm still the best in the discus. Besides, Hoglund's record is still mine too—he used my shot." Almstrom later hit 66-9½ in Stockholm.

Czechoslovakia has apparently found 2 good young hammer throwers in **Josef Hajek** (6-2/243) and **Jaroslav Charvat** (6-1¼/231), both 22. Each has recently upped the national record, Hajek with 226-5, then Charvat with



Jaroslav Broz long leaped a Czech national record 26-1, but still wasn't satisfied. /Tony Duffy/



Sweden's shot putting big 3 get together after their explosions versus Norway. Hans Hoglund (r) hit a national best 67-7, Ricky Bruch (l) 66-6½ and Hans Almstrom 65-4¾ (66-9½ later). /Knut Holm/

226-6.

Klaus Wolferrmann began the training which led to his stunning 308-8 world javelin record in his first meet of 73 around Christmas time, writes Michael Gernandt. He concentrated on improving his delivery and was eager to find the whip effect used by Janis Lusic, his good friend and rival and the man after whom Wolferrmann patterns his style. He worked with throwing balls and on a self-made machine due to the heavy winter snows around his home of Burgkirchen (south of Munich). After his record throw, he said, "This is a wonder because I haven't thrown outdoors much and my technique is lacking." After his Olympic victory, Wolferrmann was probably the most sought-after West German athlete, attending many social functions. He also fulfilled 2 ambitions: he began building a house in Burgkirchen and he wrote a book on javelin throwing—a chapter having been written by Lusic. Around Christmas, though, Wolferrmann said, "When I drank a glass of champagne my fingers itched for a javelin." So it was back to training, often twice a day. As Gernandt writes, "Klaus is very single-minded. I'm too young to finish my career," he says. Germans call his type a *pfunds-kerl*, a very good fellow. Munich, the gold and the aftermath couldn't really change him. His feet are still firmly on the ground—no Armin Hary-type, no playboy-party lion-socialite, even though everyone knows and wants him." The 27-year-old—who has recently lost twice to Lusic—now wants to consistently throw beyond 85m/278-10½. "I am now measured by 308-8," Wolferrmann says, "but I don't want just that. I hope the day never comes when it is written, 'Wolferrmann won this meet but only at 91m/298-6½.'" And, as Gernandt writes, Klaus' feet remain on the ground. "It's dangerous to be dependent on the gold. Some day the glory is over. And on that day I want to be the man I was before Munich". I think Klaus has reached this. He is great in victory and defeat. Many West German gold medalists are still celebrating. Wolferrmann celebrates, too—in his own style.

Janis Lusic gained some measure of revenge over Wolferrmann in the West Germany-USSR match when he not only topped the record holder, but also posted history's best-ever 6-throw series—296-11, 283-4, 299-7, 295-1, 293-3, 273-1 for an average of 290-2½. Wolferrmann had suffered from a slight arm injury since his world record and this meet was his first all-out throwing in over 2 weeks. "I think Lusic has waited for this day since his loss in Munich," said Wolferrmann after his defeat.

ON YOUR MARKS

International Olympic Committee president Lord Killanin feels preparations for the 76 Montreal Olympics are making very good progress. "Everything is running according to plan," he said at the end of the late-June IOC executive board session. "About 4 months ago, I still had

some reservations about Montreal, but no more. Actually about 75% of the preparations are already made and transportation is a much easier problem than in Munich." He also announced executive board decisions designed to streamline the Games, chiefly by cutting down the numbers of officials and cutting the maximum number of entries in some sports. It is not known if track will be affected. Earlier in June, while visiting Mexico City, Killanin said he was against "chauvinism" in the Games and suggested flags and national anthems be eliminated. "Of course there will be flags and anthems at Montreal," he said, "but the IOC will discuss their use in future Games. The Olympic competition is between individuals, not nations."

Killanin's predecessor, 85-year-old Avery Brundage, married 37-year-old West German princess Mariann Reuss on June 20. The princess served as Brundage's interpreter at Munich; they met, however, in 59.

Continental China is reportedly undertaking a massive nationwide sports training program in hopes of preparing Chinese athletes for the 76 Montreal Olympics. The massive program has been highlighted by the 1st series of national meets in several sports since the 1966-69 cultural revolution which suspended athletic competition, army-wide competition in numerous sports and a steady stream of athletic delegations from abroad, including US swimming and basketball teams. However, IOC president Lord Killanin said recently China wouldn't be able to participate in any Olympics until it registers its national Olympic Committee. Killanin believed "China hasn't the 5 national sports federations necessary to constitute an Olympic committee".

The organizing committee for the 9th Maccabiah Games, to be held July 9-19 in Tel Aviv, Israel, has withdrawn invitations to 6 South African track athletes to comply with an IAAF ban against South Africa's participation in international events. South Africa is sending 112 other athletes to the Games in a variety of sports.

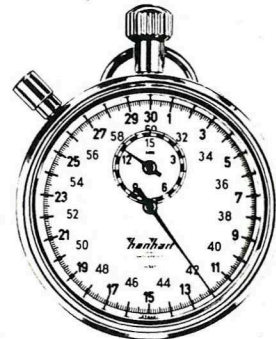
Almost 69% of white South Africans wanted more mixed-race sport in the nation, concluded a survey conducted by the pro-government newspaper *Rapport*. The survey showed 68.9% wanted more multi-racial, or so-called "multi-national" events. Just over 18% said they wanted less and about 12% had no opinion. A "multi-national" event, as distinct from a "multi-racial" event, is defined as one in which a team composed entirely of one race competes against a team of another without any racial mixing within the teams.

West Germany's Olympic organizers had 12 starters at Munich who shot something over 2500 times. All the starters were available from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. so competitors could work on their starts. Of the 228 races in the men's and women's competition, only 2 athletes were disqualified for 2 false starts. □

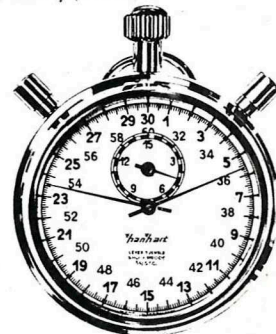
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9:40.0 Steve Keating (Xviran, Brooklyn)
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9:46.2 Bob Rutter (Prep, Seattle, Wash)
9:49.0 **Mitch Kingery (San Carlos, Calif)

TWO MILES

- 8:41.0 Craig Virgin (Lebanon, Ill)
8:53.2 Gordy Braun (Shoreline, Seattle)
8:53.2 Tom McChesney (S, Eugene, Ore)
8:54.8 Terry Williams (Lompoc, Calif)
8:55.0 Curt Alitz (Highland Falls, NY)
8:56.2 Matt Centrowitz (Power Mem, NYC)
8:57.6 J.J. Griffin (Centennial, Pueblo, Colo)
8:57.6 Robbie Perkins (Collegiate, Richmnd)
8:58.0 Reed Mayer (Snohomish, Wash)
9:00.2 Dave Taylor (Merced, Calif)

THREE MILES

- 13:36.8 Craig Virgin (Lebanon, Ill)
13:57.2 Robbie Perkins (Collegiate, Rchmnd)
14:02.8 J.J. Griffin (Cent, Pueblo, Colo)
14:09.0 Frank Bromberg (BrmngmU, MtBk, Ala)
14:10.6 Danny Schlesinger (Sndrsn, Raleigh, NC)
14:14.0 *Richard Kimball (DeLaSalle, Cncrd, Ca)

SIX MILES

- 28:45.2 Terry Williams (Lompoc, Calif)
28:47.8 Robbie Perkins (Collegiate, Rchmnd)
29:11.8 Danny Schlesinger (Sndrsn, Raleigh, NC)
29:57.0 *Richard Kimball (DeLaSalle, Cncrd, Ca)
30:07.2 Rich McCandless (Wstmnt, Cmpbl, Ca)
30:10.6 Mike Ruffato (Wshngtn, Frmt, Calif)
30:16.0 *Guy Arbogast (CrspiCrmte, Encno, Ca)
30:17.0 Gordy Braun (Shoreline, Seattle)
30:17.4 Frank Bromberg (BrmngmU, MtBrk, Ala)

MARATHON

- 2:23:47** Mitch Kingery (S Carlos, Calif)
2:31:57 John Foran (N Caanan, Conn)
2:33:36 *Craig Martin (Edmonds, Wash)
2:33:54 Alex Aguilar (Caif HS)
2:40:43 Sam Simakis (NptHbr, Nprt Bch, Calif)

120 YARD HURDLES

- 13.6 Tom Andrews (West, Bakersfield, Ca)
13.6 Carl Florant (Palo Alto, Calif)
13.7 Thomas Howard (Dunbar, Lubbock, Tx)
13.7 Reggie Blackshear (Metuchen, NJ)
13.8 Phil Stapp (Stuart, V Station, Ky)

- 13.8 Bernie Allen (Harrisburg, Pa)
13.8 Jay Herriage (Monterey, Lbbck, Tx)
13.8 *James Owens (N Del Rio, Sacramento)
13.8 Mike Johnson (Pasadena, Calif)
13.8 John Johnson (Williams, Alxndra, Va)

Wind-aided:

- 13.6 John Johnson (Williams, Alxndra, Va)
13.6 Mike Johnson (Pasadena, Calif)
13.7 Robert Adler (Uniondale, NY)
13.7 Greg Eckman (Perkiomen V, Clglvle, Pa)
13.7 Joe Myatt (Plainfield, NJ)

180 HURDLES

- 18.4 *Randall Jeffrey (Los Angeles, Calif)
18.7 *Mike Harris (Indio, Calif)
18.7 Wally Henry (Linc, S Diego, Calif)
18.7 *Fred Shaw (Muir, Pasadena, Calif)
18.8 *Joe Andrews (West, Bakersfield, Ca)
18.8 Billy Parmer (Lemoore, Calif)
18.8 Terry Peters (Pauls Valley, Okla)
18.8 Vernon Taylor (Oakland, Calif)
18.8 Rick Walker (Apple Valley, Calif)

Wind-aided:

- 18.6 Billy Parmer (Lemoore, Calif)
18.6 *Fred Shaw (Muir, Pasadena, Calif)
18.7 Byron Baptiste (Pasadena, Calif)
18.7 Willie Green (South, Wichita, Kans)
18.7 Rick Walker (Apple Valley, Calif)

180 HURDLES (Turn)

- 19.0 *Bob Cornwell (Mt Clemens, Mich)
19.1 Willie Henry (Linc, S Diego, Calif)
19.1 Calvin Vinson (Soldan, St Louis, Mo)

330 YARD HURDLES

- 37.3 Craig McPhail (Jones, Houston, Tex)
37.4 Alex Ray (Ball, Galveston, Tex)
37.4 Bill Becker (Mnchvllc, Nwprt Nws, Va)
37.4 Shifton Baker (Elgin, Tex)
37.5 Ron Gainey (Monahans, Tex)
37.5 *Bill Blessing (Hillcrest, Dallas, Tex)
37.5 Rod Schlipf (Wn Brnch, Chspke, Va)

HIGH JUMP

- 7-1 Rod Raver (Marshall, Rochester, Minn)
7-½ Bill Jankunis (N Dorp, Staten Is, NY)
7-¼ John Allen (Casa Grande, Ariz)
7-0 Jay Meister (Farmingdale, NY)
7-0 *Terry Burris (Whitehall, Columbus, O)
7-0 Warner Brown (Campbell, Smyrna, Ga)
7-0 Al Darnelle (Curtis, Tacoma, Wash)
6-11½ Lee Braach (Mt Rainier, D Moines, Wa)
6-11 John Hayes (Blanchet, Seattle, Wash)
6-10½ Greg Fries (S Gorgonio, S Brnrndno, Ca)
6-10½ Keith Guinn (ShwneMsn N, MsnKans)

POLE VAULT

- 16-2½ Tim Curran (CrspiCrmte, Encno, Calif)
16-0 James Smart (Liberty, Tex)
15-9½ Kim Scott (West, Madison, Wisc)
15-9 Manual Gonzales (Chandler, Ariz)
15-8½ *Gary Hunter (Northrop, FtWayne, Ind)
15-8½ *Tad Scales (Lawrence, Kans)
15-7½ Grant Glackman (Tcmsh, Lynnvle, Ind)
15-6½ Russ Rogers (Paschal, Ft Worth)
15-6½ Larry Hintz (Buchser, S Clara, Calif)
15-6 Jim Adlam (Abington, Pa)
15-6 Earl Bell (Jonesboro, Ark)

LONG JUMP

- 26-¼ Gerald Hardeman (Edsn, Fresno, Calif)
25-6½ Ted Hammond (Compton, Calif)
25-1½ Jerry Herndon (Cajon, S Brnrndno, Ca)
24-11 Willie Tate (West Memphis, Ark)
24-10½ Mark Cleghorn (Berkeley, Calif)
24-10 Jim Spillane (Pls Vrds, PV Estates, Ca)
24-7½ Alex Ray (Ball, Galveston, Tex)
24-7½ Mike Tyson (Charleston, W Va)
24-7 Mike McRae (Skyline, Oakland, Calif)
24-5½ John Davis (Bass, Atlanta, Ga)

Wind-aided:

- 25-4½ Jerry Herndon (Cajon, S Brnrndno, Ca)

- 25-¾ Mike Tyson (Charleston, W Va)
25-¾ Mark Cleghorn (Berkeley, Calif)
24-11½ Alex Ray (Ball, Galveston, Tex)
24-9 Milton Mitchell (Bryan, Tex)

TRIPLE JUMP

- 51-7½ Ron Livers (Eishnrw, Norristwn, Pa)
51-3¼ Jim Nathaniel (Bowne, Flushing, NY)
51-2½ *Don Duvall (North, Denver, Colo)
51-¼ Victor White (Harrison, Con Sprngs)
50-0 *Paul Jordan (Overbrook, Phila, Pa)
49-9 *Lewis Tucker (Wash Union, Estn, Ca)
49-4½ Tom Andrews (West, Bakersfield, Ca)
49-4 Kevin McCarthy (Cupertino, Calif)
49-1 *Willie Banks (Oceanside, Calif)
49-1 *Bob McClendon (Wash, Denver, Colo)
49-1 Charles Robinson (Fleming, Roanoke, Va)

Wind-aided:

- 49-8 Clint Harrell (Edison, Stockton, Calif)
49-7½ *Willie Banks (Oceanside, Calif)

SHOT PUT (12 lb)

- 69-3¼ Jim Neidhart (NwprtHbr, NprtBch, Ca)
67-8½ Dave Doupe (Inglewood, Calif)
65-10½ T.J. Humphries (Dlwry, PineBluff, Ark)
65-5½ Russ Vincent (Ballard, Seattle)
65-2½ Lonnie Shelton (Foothill, Bkrsfld, Ca)
63-5½ Bob Ringwall (Carteret, NJ)
63-2½ Wayne Bouvier (Eshnrw, Utica, Mich)
63-0 John Holladay (Sndrsn, Raleigh, N Car)
62-5 Tom Watson (MorrisKnolls, Dnrvle, NJ)
62-4½ Gary Weiss (Memorial, Madison, Wisc)

SHOT PUT (16 lb)

- 56-2 Dave Doupe (Inglewood, Calif)
55-7 Jim Neidhart (NwprtHbr, NprtBch, Ca)
55-4½ Lonnie Shelton (Foothill, Bkrsfld, Ca)
54-3½ Russ Vincent (Ballard, Seattle)
53-1½ Bob Ringwall (Carteret, NJ)
52-5 *Ron Klotzer (Union, NJ)

DISCUS (3 lb, 9 oz)

- 198-6 Dave Voorhees (Tulelake, Calif)
195-5 Lonnie Shelton (Foothill, Bkrsfld, Ca)
195-1 *Ray Burton (Vacaville, Calif)
194-2 Dave Hickson (Leland, S Jose, Calif)
194-0 Ralph Fruguglietti (Albany, Calif)
192-8 Ed Herman (Arcadia, Scottsdale, Az)
192-7 Robin Earl (Kent-Meridian, Kent, Wa)
189-3 *Mark McNaughton (McLane, Fresno, Ca)
187-9 Doug Oysteretter (Marina, S Lndro, Ca)
187-9 Richard White (South Windsor, Conn)

DISCUS (4 lb, 6.4 oz)

- 167-3 Lonnie Shelton (Foothill, Bkrsfld, Ca)
167-1 Dave Hickson (Leland, San Jose, Ca)
162-6 Robin Earl (Kent-Meridian, Kent, Wa)

HAMMER THROW

- 201-5 *Edward Ajeotian (Clssc, Prvdnce, RI)
199-10 *Emmett Barry (Hope, Providence, RI)
184-6 DeLaHunt (East Greenwich, RI)
182-7 Johnson (East Greenwich, RI)
177-10 Walter Garey (New Britain, Conn)

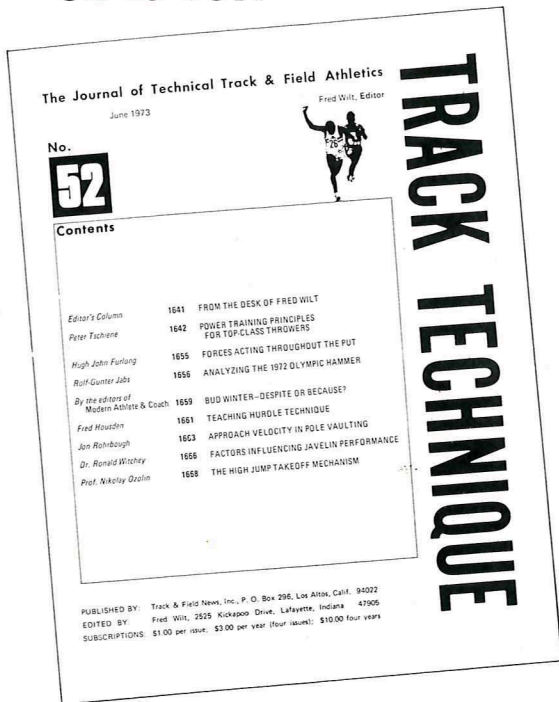
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- 233-1 Duncan Atwood (Lakeside, Seattle)
231-10 Van Shaw (Cranford, NJ)
231-12 Bill Wilcox (Holy Cross, N Orleans)
228-1 Pat Kaiser (MtAngelSem, StBndct, Ore)
225-4 Jim Kirby (EssexCath, Newark, NJ)
224-10 Buddy Blythe (Uniontown, Kans)
224-8 Gary Schaefer (Battle Ground, Wash)
224-4 Ray Ford (Bishop Kndrck, Nristwn, Pa)
224-0 Steve Held (Carrington, N Dak)
219-11 *Gene Lorenzen (EVal, Spokane, Wash)

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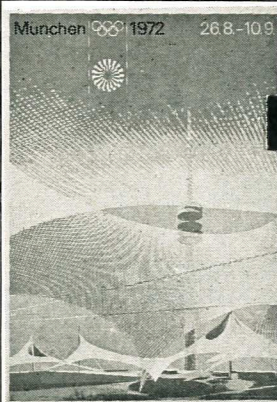
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STAN WRIGHT

Answers

HOWARD COSELL

Stan Wright had the unenviable task of trying to explain why the US's 100m sprinters were late for their 2nd round trials last summer in Munich [III March]. He was the coach responsible for the sprinters and was interviewed by ABC television's Howard Cosell shortly after the mix-up. Wright originally filed a suit against Cosell and ABC for libel after Cosell's probing interview but has since decided against the action. Here are excerpts from his May 23 press conference in New York City:

"The incident I was involved in at the Olympic Games in Munich last summer is something I will live with the rest of my life. The one harrowing experience in connection with my duties as sprint coach of the US team—the case of the 2 team members who, through a series of misunderstandings, misinterpretations, general confusion and a breakdown of communications from the German Organizing Committee, failed to appear for their trial heats—is as sad and discomfiting to me today as it was last summer.

"Dozens of phone calls and hundreds of letters poured into my home and the Olympic Village urging me to seek redress from Howard Cosell and his colleagues for an unfair, and inaccurate portrayal of my part in the incident. Frankly, my initial decision was not to do anything and let the matter drop despite the advice I had received. But, surprisingly, since then the pressure has intensified, if anything. Although the interview as broadcast has caused me great personal anguish and made me the recipient of many derogatory and negative responses, I am announcing that I will not launch a suit against Howard Cosell, ABC sports, the American Broadcasting Company, or any of the other parties connected with the broadcast of the Olympic Games to America.

"I want to make it crystal clear that I did not ask Mr. Cosell if I could appear on his program, but rather that he asked me if I could go on his

program, and I told him I would, only if he gave me the opportunity to tell why Rey Robinson and Eddie Hart were late and to let the people know that they were not irresponsible as members of the Olympic track team. Yes, in the interview, I took the responsibility but not as an admission of incompetence or negligence on my part. I took the responsibility at that time, and I would take the responsibility today, because of my loyalty and concern for the welfare of the athletes with whom I was working.

"I am a man of modest means. . . there is no way that I could raise sufficient monies needed for what could be a long, drawn out, time consuming legal battle. So I bring this non-suit to the attention of the public through the news media, so that I might protect in some way an athlete or official who might, in the future, find himself on the receiving end of a commentator like Howard Cosell—who could do to him what he did to me on his open mike before some 60 million persons—while at the same time forwarding his own very profitable career.

"Mr. Cosell said in the interview that the Paris edition of the *International Herald Tribune* had carried the correct time of the 100m heats that very day. Here is a copy of that edition. It does not carry a time schedule. Howard Cosell also said that I had a 1½-year-old schedule. The fact is that this so-called schedule was one that had been issued to all the coaches in Oslo about 1 month before. I think it is significant to mention that the *Stars and Stripes*, the armed services newspaper circulated in Munich, had the schedule showing the 100m 2nd round following the 10,000m heats. Another fact which Mr. Cosell did not mention, and of which he should have been aware, was that our own USOC administrative bulletin issued and distributed that same morning carried the same schedule that I had, the 100m 2nd round following the 10,000m heats.

"To my mind, the worst thing Mr. Cosell said during the interview was that Rey Robinson called me a culprit. This simply was not so. More important than doing a disservice to me in making that statement, was the disservice Howard Cosell did to that young athlete. While I didn't try during the interview to place the blame on anyone else, the truth of the matter is that I never received from the American officials or from the German officials, or from anyone, any notice of the change in the schedule, and that before leaving the stadium that morning, I showed my schedule for the afternoon events to the proper German official, who said it was correct.

"You may be aware that since the interview Howard Cosell has intimated that I expect special treatment because I am black. This is not true. I have always stood on my own merits as a man and have asked no special treatment in this respect. You boast, Mr. Cosell, of telling it like it is. Too bad you didn't."□

Baton Rouge: Race and Races

The city of Baton Rouge, and with it Louisiana State University, was the object of accusations concerning racist policies toward black coaches and athletes during the recent NCAA championships. The controversy was made public by a San Jose, Calif., sports writer after San Jose State assistant coach Larry Livers was turned away from several Baton Rouge establishments, and was referred to as "nigger" on several occasions.

"The thing that occurred," relates SJS coach Ernie Bullard, "was that there was a uniformed policeman at the door stating that a man couldn't come into the establishment. That was his [Larry's] constitutional right. At another place there was a black bartender who kind of kept his head down and said, 'He can't come in here'. It was an amazing situation."

According to Bullard, Livers, who is from the Philadelphia area, wanted to forget the whole thing and get away. But the 2 coaches, along with another assistant, Don Riggs, tested several other establishments (combination lounge-restaurants) and all responded similarly. Livers was not admitted, even to one establishment only a few blocks from the university.

The charges caught LSU officials totally by surprise. Especially Athletic Director Carl Maddox who made a special effort of being accessible to any individuals with complaints or problems.

"All I heard was compliments about the way the meet was going on," said Maddox when the story broke. "I don't absolve myself or the university of all responsibility as far as the community is concerned, but we do have to take that into consideration. Of course, I can't vouch for how our visitors were treated off campus. Particularly, I can't vouch for how they were treated across the river in other parts of town. But I can vouch for the treatment on campus. And I can vouch for how they were treated by our fans."

The conduct of the meet and response by the fans was definitely positive, though an interesting observation of spectator make-up was made—only a tiny fraction was black. That seems rather unusual since Louisiana's population (according to the 1973 Almanac) is 33% black. Treatment of athletes was generally good; in fact, Maddox says he has received hundreds of letters from coaches, participants and media people that took a bright view of what happened. Sadly, there were a few isolated racist incidents.

"Our assistant, Wendell Brown, went down there and heard things like, 'Niggers aren't allowed in here'," relates Washington coach Ken Shannon.

"And things were said to him on campus and while walking down the street. I do know that some of the Washington State athletes, a couple of them Africans, heard the word 'nigger' for the first time in their lives. They didn't know what the heck it meant."

Shannon explains he's not trying to act as a social conscience for the south. He's talking strictly as a coach. "If a young man works all year and he is emotionally, physically and mentally ready to peak at the NCAA and he gets down there and someone conks him over the head with a brick, well, as a coach, I'm really going to be mad."

Two reported problems occurred directly in the stadium as the meet transpired. Arizona coach Willie Williams relates: "On the day of the high jump, I went down to a hospitality room. I was rushing because I didn't want to miss any of Robert Joseph's high jumps. I got a bottle of coke, some sandwich squares, a cup and immediately left the room. As I got outside and was walking along the sidewalk hurriedly, one of the officials from LSU came by and said, 'Hey, boy, where are you going with that stuff'. At first it didn't dawn on me who he was talking to. Then I explained to him who I was and told him I didn't talk to people in those tones and I didn't appreciate being talked to in those tones. Then I went up into the stands."

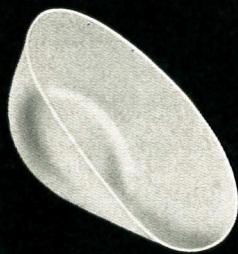
SJS sprinter Vince Breddell was warming up for a 220 race and needed a rubdown. He went to the training area and, according to Bullard, asked for a rubdown. He said the guys just kind of looked at him, smiled, walked over to get a coke and kept talking. So Breddell rushed over to Riggs for aid.

"It's just difficult for me to believe that the report [regarding Breddell] is not distorted," Maddox countered. "I can find no evidence of it. Our trainers are just flabbergasted since we believe we made every effort to be hospitable. In fact, we had trainers from the Pac-8 schools assisting our people." LSU officials insisted that numerous black athletes were taken care of by LSU trainers in the tent.

One person who backs up the LSU operation is Sam Skinner, a highly-regarded black newsman from San Francisco. "Carl Maddox was everywhere," says Skinner. "He urged people to call him at his office or at home, day or night if any problems arose. Nobody bothered to call him. Some of the complaints came up after everybody went home. Problems should be settled when they arise, not after they happen."□

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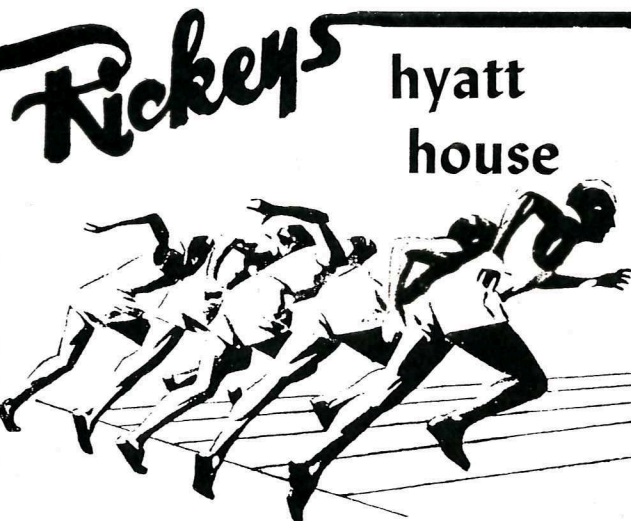
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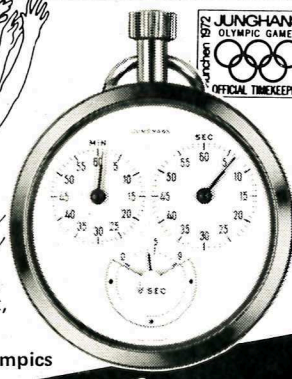
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A Year of Pros

by Don Steffens

The pros and cons of professional track and field have been discussed for years. After several abortive efforts in recent years, pro track was born in 1973. Fathering the International Track Association was Mike O'Hara, a southern California entrepreneur. Still, pro track is a widely debated topic. *Track & Field News* spoke with O'Hara shortly after the first season of professional track was completed. Here is that interview:

T&FN: *Looking at this year's meets artistically, from Pocatello through New York, what things happened that were important to you?*

O'Hara: Other than our initial Pocatello meet, which was completely experimental, we didn't jell until the San Francisco meet, which was our 4th. From there the performances were in the 70-80% bracket consistently. Salt Lake City was probably 80-85%. New York was probably 80% because of the great crowd and the way it loved what we were doing. I think the athletes got to know what was expected of them after San Francisco and as a result they bore down and learned how to pace themselves. The money became the critical factor rather than the times or anything else. This is important in any professional sport. Just like the golfers could care less if they win by 10-under-par or 5-under. This will probably cause a reorientation on the part of the track fan more than the sports fan. The sports fan isn't that close to the times, except for the 4:00 mile.

T&FN: *Do you feel the scheduling of meets can help improve marks?*

O'Hara: We haven't completely evaluated this yet. We know that some of our performers perform better with lots of meets and others perform worse. I don't think there is any question that next year we are going to spread out the meets over a greater time period. We will start early in January and our indoor season will probably terminate in April.

T&FN: *Do you anticipate going outdoors next year?*

O'Hara: Yes, we are definitely going outdoors next year. How much will be here and how much will be in Japan or Europe is predicated on sponsorship. We would undoubtedly have to add events to our current program. Lots of the events could be handled by some of our present athletes. My reaction to the European Track Federation's reported stand on pro track [any venues staging pro meets would be ineligible from hosting further competition sanctioned by the European federation of the IAAF] is that it sort of defeats any kind of competitive situation. I don't know if it is enforceable. I want to talk with some of those people and see if we can work together.

T&FN: *What is ITA's financial position at this time?*

O'Hara: We will either lose a little or make a little this year. Next year we will be far stronger. This year we had 8 sponsors and, for our first year, that's not bad. Of course, a couple of those were billion dollar companies. ABC has come in with a TV series, which will be considerably greater next year. Now we are able to concentrate on improving the product and getting people to come to the meets. Our sponsors this year were Western Airlines (2), Pacific Southwestern Airlines, Citizens Fidelity Bank (Louisville), Richmond Newspapers, UniRoyal, and Post Cereals (2). We don't have any new sponsors for next year yet because we are just now starting to work on those things. Those that came in last year have expressed an interest in coming back stronger next year. I would say we have a pretty good chance of finding an overall sponsor. That's the major effect of this first year. Those skeptics that said there is no room or we'll never make it, now are saying it can be improved here or there. We love criticism as long as people say it is possible.

T&FN: *How important was the New York City meet to you?*

O'Hara: That meet was vital, extremely vital. Not only from a sponsorship angle, but from an investor angle, too. It was very timely. There weren't any world records. For those who think meets are good only if you have world records, it wasn't the best. My viewpoint is much different.

T&FN: *Had you talked with the athletes to give them encouragement to perhaps put on a better show?*

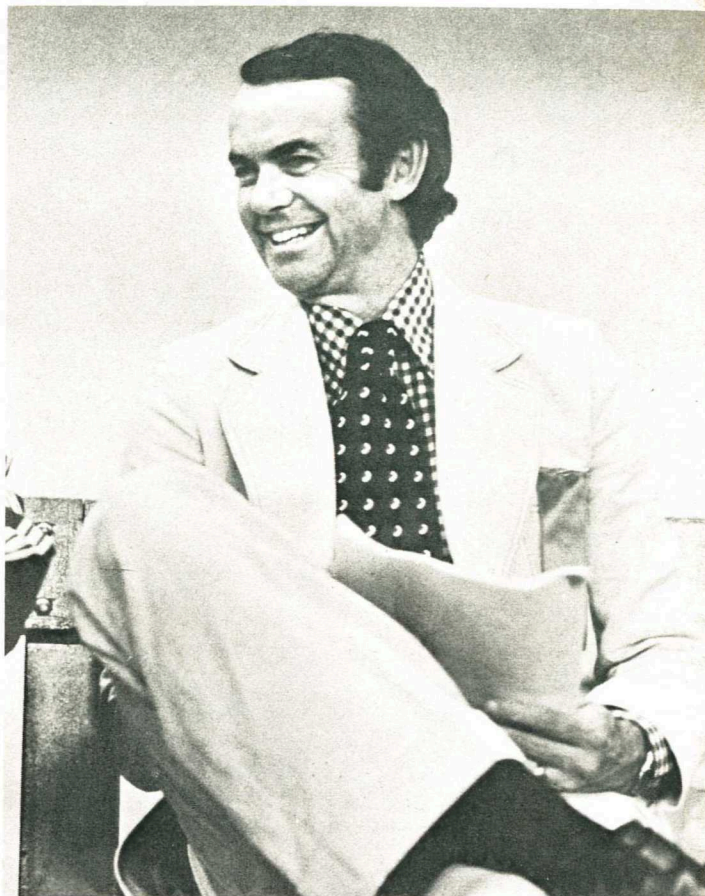
O'Hara: We had a meeting as a group the Saturday before the Richmond meet. We talked about Richmond and New York and how vital it was that we finish strong.

T&FN: *On the subject of attendance, how accurate have the attendance figures been, and how important are those figures to the people that you want to interest in sponsorships?*

O'Hara: The numbers I get are from our comptroller, and he's counting tickets sold. We've had instances where baseball games have moved into town the same day, like in Detroit. There was a tornado warning the night we were in Kansas City. There were a number of reasons why the people may not have shown. But we could care less, we would like to have had the bodies but nevertheless we did have those numbers. That is certainly part of the picture from the sponsor's standpoint. They want to know the numbers are there. Most of the sponsors are interested in a successful show, the television aspects, the amount of affirmative newsprint before the meet and after. In every city we have visited, we have received excellent ink.

T&FN: *What is the purpose and effect of clinics ITA has put on?*

O'Hara: It's a combination of generating interest and paying our dues. We feel like we should put something back in the pot. Those kids who get a



ITA president Mike O'Hara. /Rich Clarkson, Topeka Capital-Journal/

chance to be touched by great athletes have to benefit. Post Cereals loved the idea and is going to do the equivalent of a Punt, Pass and Kick competition with us. Something like Run, Jump and Put. Only it will be for little girls as well as little boys. That is Post's market. Plus, we are trying to put together a summer camp to be held in late August in Santa Barbara.

T&FN: *Which athletes are you interested in for next year?*

O'Hara: I don't think there is any secret, the scouting reports are easy—the guys that are making the headlines are the ones we want. It is a question of their desires, whether they want to stay amateurs or whether they can afford to become pros. The ones we would like to get are the obvious ones; the fellows that are most interested in us are the ones we will wind up with and the ones that aren't interested are the ones that will stay in their present position. We made the decision we wouldn't make any overt commitments until after the summer because there are so many amateur things going on.

T&FN: *Where would you like to take your tour next year?*

O'Hara: To establish ourselves in Europe, we are going to have to find somebody who knows Europe—we're kind of looking at the tip of the iceberg. The Japanese came over; in fact, they were at New York. They said they will make us a deal where we would make "x" amount and they will handle all our other expenses. If I can get that kind of a deal in Europe, that's ideal. Or if I can get some sponsorships to help take the risk out of the venture, then we'll give Europe a shot. At this point, going to Japan is about 50-50. They just want us to come over for 2 meets in Tokyo's Olympic Stadium and one outside of Tokyo. While on our way we would probably stop off in Hawaii and have an outdoor meet there.

T&FN: *Will the size of prize money change next year?*

O'Hara: A lot will depend on sponsorship, and so on. Post Cereals and several others are interested in the Grand Prix, which I'm certain will increase next year.

T&FN: *Are there any new problems you foresee for 1974?*

O'Hara: The big challenge is to make our concept more exciting. And that will be done by better athletes and better equipment. We are looking for ways to improve the program and do a better marketing job. I think that we will have some new stars to take up the PR load from Jim Ryan and Kip Keino and Brian Oldfield. We will definitely use them again, but only to the extent they can give. Last year they didn't know what they could and couldn't do. We haven't heard of anyone who doesn't want to come back next year. We will probably have some kind of tryout camp to make sure the athletes are in better shape than they were last year. We will start in-season and do all the things we couldn't do last year.

US Olympic Committee Promises New Look

Stung by post-Olympic criticism from all sides, the US Olympic Committee has promised a restructured new look, recommended major revisions in the Olympic eligibility code, and established an Athletes Advisory Council.

An organizational restructuring within 6 months was promised when the board of directors accepted a preliminary report of a sub-committee and ordered the group to draw up specific recommendations.

President Phil Krumm stated it is the obligation of the USOC to examine itself and make necessary changes to implement the broadest possible membership and to adopt a new look to reflect changes to update the operations of the current USOC.

The report called for closer cooperation between the directors and the 37 sport committees. It calls for representation by all segments of each sport but notes that under International OC regulations the representatives of the national sports federations must have a majority vote in the USOC. This means that the balance of power must remain with the AAU. Unmentioned is the question of the NCAA which withdrew from the USOC following the Munich Games.

Greater recognition was asked for the role of both athletes and the general public.

The USOC will recommend a major overhaul of the Olympic eligibility rules this fall at the joint meeting of the International OC, the National Olympic Committees and International Sports Federations. The far-reaching recommendations include: allowance of pay for TV appearances and authorizing books; reinstatement as amateurs of athletes now ineligible under rules which are later changed; removal of restrictions on an athlete who is professional in a different sport; liberalization of expense money during periods of training; reimbursement for money lost while preparing for national and international competitions; eligibility for coaches in all amateur competition; and removal of penalties against athletes who try out for professional teams, providing they receive no money and do not participate in a pro contest. In general, the USOC recommends that the restrictions on receiving money be applied only when it is paid for direct participation.

These recommendations stop short of an open Olympics in which amateurs and pros could compete against each other as they do in golf and tennis. But they do remove most of the bans which in the US, at least, long have been unacceptable. It must be noted, however, that the USOC is but one of more than 130 members of the IOC and that many countries are on record as favoring a more conservative approach to "amateurism".

Recommended by Krumm, the Athletes Advisory Council consists of 40 athletes, all of whom have participated in the Olympics and/or Pan-American Games. The new group consists of 7 athlete at large members of the USOC board of directors plus 33 others selected by the 7. Tracksters on the board are Frank Shorter, Bill Toomey, Willie Davenport, and Jesse Owens. Joining them on the council are Ken Moore and Doris Brown.

Named to the USOC track and field committee are Olympians Lee Calhoun, Bruce MacDonald, Ed Burke, Wade Bell, Dave Maggard and Shorter.

World University Games Trials Set for August

Trials for the World University Games (August 16-21 in Moscow) are scheduled to take place at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst on August 4-5. From this meet, 2 individuals will hopefully be selected to go on the WUG tour. The selection process is confusing due to an entry deadline of July 15 established by WUG officials.

According to Stan Huntsman, chairman of the track committee, each country is to submit a list of 4 individuals per event for the meet. Of those 4, 2 may participate in the WUG. Therefore, only the 4 whose names have been submitted have real reason to show up for the meet. If none of the 4 appear to be in proper condition, there is a chance no one will be taken.

To qualify, athletes must be full-time students between the ages of 17 and 28. Huntsman's selection committee will be sending out invitations to compete in the meet before July 15.

Metric 300 and 500 Sitting in No-Man's-Land

by R.L. Quercetani

Two of the most seldom run distances are the 300 and 500m. Their right to belong in the no-man's-land of track can hardly be disputed. Not surprisingly, marks made so far at these distances lag far behind top international values for either the 400 or 800, which can easily be explained by the fact that very few runners, if any, have ever developed a "fine touch" for such non-standard distances.

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Best performance on record for the 300—this distance, same as the 500, was ousted from the IAAF list of World Records in 1938—is 32.1 by versatile Jim Kemp of the US. According to the Portuguese Scoring Tables of Dr. Fernando Amado, this performance is worth no better than 20.5 for 200 or 45.5 for 400. To be equal in value to Lee Evans' world record for 400 (43.8), the 300 mark would have to go down to 30.9—which means 3 consecutive 100's in 10.3 each—a truly fantastic achievement if we keep in mind that the 300 tape is located in the early stages of anaerobic running, i.e. beyond the limit through which a well-trained sprinter can maintain his maximum speed.

Even in Europe, the 300 is run but seldom. The Swiss are, in a way, an exception to the rule. In a recent spring meet at Wallisellen, no fewer than 12 races were run at this distance (best time: 33.6 by Gerold Curti, 0.4 outside the national record). If top runners in other countries tried the 300 with a similar zeal, say in the early stages of the season, a record in the neighborhood of 31.5 would probably see the light of day before long.

The 500 might have been one of track's classic distances—if the sport was born not in England but in a metric-minded country. Here the best-on-record is even poorer, by Portuguese Table standards, than the 300. 60.6 for the half-kilometer is worth no better than 46.1 for 400 or 1:46.9 for 800. Ben Eastman of the US held the last official record with 62.0 (1934). Shortly before the outbreak of World War II, Ray Malott of the US and Rudolf Harbig of Germany unofficially shaved a few tenths off that mark. Especially the German, in view of his known ability as a 400/800 doubler, might have been the first to duck under a minute, if given serious opportunities. The present best-on-record mark was set by Josef Trousil of Czechoslovakia in 1965. The 1:00 dream recently entered the mind of 2 West German runners, Horst-Rudiger Schloske and Hermann Kohler: in different races, both equaled Trousil's mark. However, Lee Evans' 62.0 on a tight indoor track at San Diego may be regarded as a more meritorious achievement.

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US Sprinters Have Bad Manners

by Vince Reel

Let's do something about the starting of sprint and hurdle races! Although more prevalent in men's competition, it is also a factor in women's events—the presence of questionable or rolling or anticipating starts. Certainly the starters in the United States should learn a lesson from the excellent starting at the Munich Olympic Games where the occurrence of false starts was a fantastic rarity. At Munich, the runners were held in the "set" position from 2-6sec—and if you don't think this prevents rolling starts, you have another think coming.

Why do runners false start? Aside from the obvious and basic reasons of inexperience and the juvenile attempt to beat the gun, runners false start because they are afraid someone else is going to start ahead of them. If all runners knew everyone would receive an even and fair start, the jumps would practically disappear. Watch a men's 100 and you will see the many attempts to "sneak a start". Combine this attitude with the fast or the uncertain gun, and false starts and "rolls" become commonplace.

The object of a race is to determine who is the fastest runner—not who can guess the time of the firing of the gun. We need starters with enough determination to hold the runners in the set position until, as the rule book says, they are "set" and he remembers the rest of the rule which says "He shall not fire the gun while any competitor is in motion".

And while on the subject of starting, let's begin to obey the starter's commands as they are intended to be obeyed. It is only in the United States that athletes try to "psych each other out" by delaying tactics in getting on the mark and in getting "set". Europeans come immediately to their marks at the command. Americans saunter to the line, stretch their hands over their heads, bounce up and down a few times and then start to get to their marks. This kneeling is in turn followed by adjusting the hair, the glasses, brushing off the hands and deep breathing. Watch our foreign guests, or if traveling to a foreign land, watch the natives. They come to their marks immediately and while the Americans are waving and weaving, they remain in the original position and await the starter's command.

We need to adopt the proper procedure by our athletes and we need to school our starters in the adherence to rules and ethics. By allowing rolling starts, you simply penalize the competitor who is obeying the rules. This is like going to a concert scheduled to start at 8:30 and then sitting until 8:45 to allow the late-comers to arrive. So you penalize the people who have done what they were supposed to do (arrive on time) and cater to the slow, unprincipled individual who comes late and doesn't miss a thing. □

Vince Reel is the publisher and editor of Women's Track & Field World. Although his comments were written for that side of the sport, they are (as he says) even more applicable to the men.

It was supposed to be a letdown, this post Olympic year. But if this is a letdown, I'll take it.

The 59 man US Olympic squad was decimated. There were 10 retirements (Hart, Collett, J. Smith, Manley, Savage, Bruggeman, Seymour, D. Smith, Walker, and Schoterman) and 8 turned pro (Matthews, Evans, Ryun, Young, Jourdan, Seagren, Carrington and Oldfield). Another 7 were hurt, sick or otherwise did not compete (R. Robinson, Black, Swenson, Shorter, Bachelor, Moore, Johnson). And of those Olympians who did compete, another 8 (Taylor, C. Smith, Burton, A. Robinson, Woods, Silvester, Frenn and Gage) were not up to par for one reason or another.

And the casualty list was not confined to those who made the Olympic team. Many of those who came close also retired, turned pro or lost their Olympic year form.

So what happened? Off to a slow start, 1973 has developed into one of the most exciting seasons in recent memory. The marks have been outstanding and are getting better as the European season warms up. The competition has been keen. And there has been the always stimulating infusion of new blood.

Of the dozen dandies who stood out during the US season, half are new to the ranks of superstars. And all but two either were in college competition or were of college age. In alphabetical order they are:

Doug Brown. The gutty, confident Tennessee junior, who got up off the track to make the Olympic team, turned into a master steeplechaser. He's got the stuff to forge his own good pace and the strength and will to win on a kick. Doug is far off the fabulous times of Ben Jipcho, but he's not far behind the rest of the world and age is in his favor. Even last year he thought he "could run with the best of them" and at the rate he's improving he's probably right.

Al Feuerbach. Another year has taken the 25-year-old shot freak over the threshold. Maturity and the intelligent application of lessons learned have produced the world record and the ability to be consistent. His intense dedication, unhampered by other major interests, indicates even greater distances are yet to come.

Rod Milburn. For a while it seemed the hurdle champ might settle for a so-so season. He had pro football on his mind, and where do you go once you've won everything and set all the records? But Rod's competitive fires wouldn't permit anything like that and except for the AAU he manhandled the opposition in the same decisive, thrilling way.

Maurice Peoples. Overshadowed last year by the greatest crop of 1-lappers any country ever possessed, Peoples became a worthy successor when the 4 Olympians left the amateur scene. He's fast and strong and at his best when the stakes are highest and the competition toughest. What more can you ask?

Steve Prefontaine. No new star he, but better than ever. In all ways. He's better at his Olympic distance of 3M-5000m, faster at the mile, improved at the 6M. As courageous and cocky as always, he maintains a rapport with fans everywhere and serves up a large dose of a rare commodity in track—charisma.

Steve Smith. Hurt much of the outdoor season, Smith was the No. 1 gun of the indoor campaign. Breaking records in the most exciting of the field events, Smith pleased the fans with his unusually high opening heights and joyous reaction to success.

Dwight Stones. A precocious newcomer last year, this tall blond is now an assured veteran at 19. He's got everything it takes to go all the way but it's too early in his career to say just how far that is.

Mac Wilkins. In my book he's the most amazing athlete in the world. Being one of the best discusmen in the world—perhaps the best—is only a small part of it. Even his all around prowess with the 4 implements is only a portion of the story. The ability to be so good at such a tender age (22) in such diverse events is unparalleled in sport.

Randy Williams. This 19-year-old sophomom wasn't quite up to his Olympic champion standards this season. But he overcame problems to win the AAU, jumped far and well, and still looks like the only bet to challenge Bob Beamon's immortality.

Steve Williams. Everybody says he's certain to be the best sprinter ever and their chances of being right are good. There is no doubting his brilliant speed, smooth style (once he gets it into high gear), and awesome ability to pour it on.

Rick Wohlhuter. Impressive in the trials and in pre-Olympic preparation, but ill-fated in the Games, Rick had to wait until this year. Although not overly experienced, he races with savvy, finishes well and gives the impression he will be most difficult to beat.

Dave Wottle. All along he said he was a better miler than half-miler even though he had some doubts, as did most of us, after his 2-lap success last year. Now it's beginning to look as if Dave may have been right. But isn't that the kind of problem you would like to have, deciding whether you're the best there is at one distance or another? □

DONALD DUNCAN, Chicago, Ill.:

Well, I see the AAU has done it again—run national meets in yards to qualify for international competitions that will be contested metrically. This happened both at Bakersfield and Gainesville. What if those Senior races had been run at meters? Would Herb Washington have held off Ivory Crockett for another 9y or so in the 100? Was Mark Lutz ahead of Marshall Dill about a yard from the 220 tape? Pace would tell the tale in the 1500/mile, but to my mind there is little doubt that those can be 2 distinctly different races, with the owner of greater basic speed having an advantage in the shorter. I doubt that the outcome of international meets will be changed by this situation, but let's have the most-suited competitor there to do the job.

MIKE HALVERSON, Wheaton, Md.:

I am very impressed by the feats of non-competitive runners such as Marv Rothenstein. It seems to me that running should be an internal battle, not an external one with and against other runners. There is a runner in this town known simply as the "Midnight Runner". A former star competitor, he now only competes against himself. Among the solo feats he has accomplished are a 1:52 880, 3:59 mile, 8:46 2M and 2:19 marathon. If he should return to competition (as he is considering), he would very likely be the equal of the Frank Shorters, Marty Liquoris, Steve Prefontaines, etc.

KEN MYERS, Champaign, Ill.:

Did anyone catch the 6M times for the first 5 in the Munich 10,000 final? I assume Frank Shorter should be considered the US record holder, albeit unofficially. [Ed.: *It was virtually impossible to time splits at English distances on Munich's metric track.*]

REY O'NEAL, Tortola, Virgin Islands:

One has to question certain aspects of Dick Hill's attitude toward coaching and recruiting [II April]. Obviously, no one can dispute the quality of the product (i.e. so many international class athletes at a small Louisiana school like Southern), but the point might be raised that athletes like Theron Lewis, Harvey Nairn, George Anderson, Grundy Harris, Webster Johnson and Oliver Ford all ceased competition after leaving Southern. While it is possible that economics may have been a cause, could it not just as well be they were pushed in college to an extent that they became disenchanted with the sport? Anyway, time will tell if Hill's "prime beef" at San Diego State will follow the same trend.

GARY BROWN, Handley High School coach, Winchester, Va.:

Marty Liquoris' contribution to track doesn't stop with his performances in competition. On a recent visit to Winchester, he trained several times with Handley's distance runners and was very impressive as a person as well as a runner. Throughout his stay he was a constant source of encouragement for our runners. Too many times our running stars forget their performances on and off the track serve as examples for young runners. Our team expresses its thanks and wishes Marty the best of luck in coming seasons.

ERIC JOHNSON, Salt Lake City, Utah:

Steve Prefontaine is well known as probably America's best long distance runner. But does anyone realize just how great Pre was as a college runner? He never lost a college track race, be it trial or final. Although he did lose 2 Twilight miles, the 70 AAU 3M, races in Europe, the 69 NCAA cross country as a freshman and, of course, the 72 Olympics, on the track he never lost. Even Gerry Lindgren as a collegian didn't so completely dominate his peers.

R.L. SHOR, Arcata, Calif.:

In the World Notes mention about starting research [II May], it is stated the average reaction time from the instant the gun is fired until the muscle first moves averages 0.15sec. I wonder how many false starts have occurred, but were not recalled, in a sprint race started by a non-electric starting gun? For example, the command "set" is given; after 0.10sec, a sprinter has made up his mind that the gun is about to fire. After 0.20sec, the gun is indeed fired. Some 0.25sec after the command "set", the tense sprinter is on his way, approximately 1 step in front of the others who didn't move until 0.35sec after the command "set". According to human eyes and ears, and probably the best cameras made, the front runner didn't commit a false start. I wonder how many world records have been thus established?

HAROLD M. OSBORN, Doctor of Osteopathy, Champaign, Illinois:

You have a communication from Mark Murro [I April] in which he stated he had a "slipped disc". There isn't such a condition; you can have a ruptured or a herniated disc but not a slipped one. (I studied Osteopathy and have been a practicing physician since 1937 following an athletic career involving the 1924 Olympics and have since helped many athletes.) His pain and disability probably results from a "pinched nerve" which responds well to Osteopathic care. He should seek an Osteopath of the "Ten Finger" variety. . . one that manipulates and makes corrections instead of just trying the medical approach of using drugs.

BOB GIEGENGACK, USOC committee chairman, New Haven, Conn.:

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