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Columbia's Mejia Outshines All in Mexico

Mexico City, Oct. 18-20--The find of the Second International Sports Week has to be Alvaro Mejia, a 26-year-old Columbian whose two victories from Olympic medalists in the 5000 and 10,000 have rocketed him into the Olympic distance picture for the Olympics to be staged here two years hence.

Trained at 8700-foot Bogota but still a splendid distance potential at any altitude, Mejia displayed brilliant last lap speed and endurance to overtake Tunisia's Mohamed Gammoudi in the shorter event as both were timed in 14:20.0 and to overhaul Belgium's Gaston Roelants in the 10,000, 30:10.8 to 30:14.4. Neither time endangered Ron Clarke's world marks of 13:16.6 and 27:39.4 but both markedly improved on Gammoudi's winning times of last year: 14:40.6 and 31:27.8.

Tommie Smith's 20.3 around a curve for 200-meters looked remarkably effortless, particularly for a cold day and a track made slippery by a steady rain. He won by eight-tenths from a nameless field. In the 100-meters two days before, Tommie was left infuriated by a most inconsistent starter though it is quite problematical that he would have beaten Cuba's swift Enrique Figuerola, who held off the usually fast closing Smith as both timed a good 10.4 for the 8.95 mph wind they had to buck.

Other highlights included Italian hurdlers Eddy Ottoz and Roberto Frinolli, who smoothly skimmed over their 10 barriers to win their favorite events, 14.1 for Ottoz in the highs and 49.7 for Frinolli in the intermediates. Best of the field events was the hammer throw in which the three leading contenders of 1966 met with the result of Romuald Klim once again maintaining his superiority over world record holder Gyula Zsivotzky, 230'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 223'9", as Ed Burke, whose last meet was in July, managed only 211'0", to just nip Cuba's Enrique Samuel (209'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ").

(A detailed article of this meet will appear in the Nov. T&FN.)

100 (10/18), 1. Figuerola (Cuba) 10.4; 2. Smith (US) 10.4; 3. Gaines (US) 10.5. Heats (10/18), I-1. Figuerola 10.3; 2. Preatoni (It) 10.5; 3. Gaines 10.8. II-1. Smith 10.5.

200 (10/20), 1. Smith 20.3; 2. Preatoni 21.1... 5. Gaines 21.5. Heats (10/19), I-1. Smith 21.0. II-1. Preatoni 22.0; 2. Gaines 22.2.

400 (10/20), 1. Gayosso (Sp) 47.3; 2. Alvaro Gonzalez (Sp) 47.6. 800 (10/19), 1. Jungwirth (Czech) 1:51.9; 2. Kasal (Czech) 1:52.4; 3. Dufresne (Fr) 1:52.6; 4. Mumenthaler (Swit) 1:52.8. Heats (10/18), I-1. Jungwirth 1:49.6; 2. Dufresne 1:49.7; 3. Mumenthaler 1:49.9; 4. Panzano (Sp) 1:50.0; 5. Vera (Mex) 1:50.6; 5. Adams (WG) 1:54.3. II-1. Gonzalez 1:54.9; 2. Kasal 1:55.0; 3. Veyrat (Fr) 1:55.2; 4. Klaban (Aus) 1:55.3; 5. Balke (WG) 1:55.6.

1500 (10/20), 1. Tummler (WG) 3:50.6; 2. Finelli (It) 3:52.0; 3. de Hertoghe (Bel) 3:52.2; 4. Hoffman (Czech) 3:52.5; 5. Colin (Fr) 3:54.3; 6. Tyurin (SU) 3:54.7; 7. Odlozil (Czech) 3:56.2 (inj); dnf--Grelle (US). Heats (10/19), I-1. Colin 4:01.0; 2. Finelli 4:01.0; 3. Odlozil 4:01.2; 4. Allonsius (Bel) 4:01.2; 5. Kuryan (SU) 4:01.8. II-1. Hoffman 4:04.8; 2. Jorge Gonzalez (Sp) 4:05.1; 3. Grelle 4:05.7. III-1. de Hertoghe 3:58.9; 2. Tummler 3:59.8; 3. Tyurin 4:00.0; 4. Klaban (Aut) 4:00.4.

5000 (10/18), 1. Mejia (Col) 14:20.0; 2. Gammoudi (Tun) 14:20.0; 3. Tyurin 14:29.8; 4. Mecser (Hun) 14:39.8; 5. Martinez (Mex) 14:46.4... 14. Young (US) 15:30.0.

10,000 (10/20), 1. Mejia 30:10.8; 2. Roelants (Bel) 30:14.4; 3. Gammoudi 30:30.6; 4. Martinez 30:30.8; 5. Mecser 30:35.6; 6. Mikityenko (SU) 30:42.2; 7. Sasaki (Jap) 31:13.0.

3000St (10/19), 1. Roelants 8:58.6; 2. Texereau (Fr) 9:29.0; 3. Saruwatari (Jap) 9:29.0; 4. Labidi (Tun) 9:42.6; 5. Alvarez (Sp) 9:44.6; 6. Buendia (Mex) 9:49.8; 7. Kudinskiy (SU) 9:54.2 (fell). 110H (10/19), 1. Ottoz (It) 14.1; 2. Geeroms (Bel) 14.3; 3. Morales (Cuba) 14.4; 4. Bliznyetsov (SU) 14.5.

400H (10/18), 1. Frinolli (It) 49.7; 2. Geeroms 51.2; 3. Gayoso (Sp) 51.9.

HJ (10/18), 1. Skvortsov (SU) 6'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Azzaro (It) 6'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". PV (10/20), 1. Seagren (US) 16'8 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 2. Papanikolaou (Gr) 16'5"; 3. Bliznyetsov 15'9".

LJ (10/19), 1. Boston (US) 26'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Areta (Sp) 23'6 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". TJ (10/20), 1. Kalocsai (Hun) 54'2"; 2. Ciocchina (Rum) 54'0"; 3. Jaskolski (Pol) 53'1"; 4. Areta 52'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 5. Hernandez (Cuba) 50'11 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

SP (10/18), 1. Steinhauer (US) 61'5"; 2. von Moltke (WG) 50'4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". DT (10/19), 1. Oerter (US) 187'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Humphreys (US) 178'0"; 3. Steinhauer 157'8".

HT (10/19), 1. Klim (SU) 230'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Zsivotzky (Hun) 223'9"; 3. Burke (US) 211'0"; 4. Samuel (Cuba) 209'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

JT (10/20), 1. Lusia (SU) 268'9"; 2. Covelli (US) 253'8"; 3. Nikiciuk (Pol) 249'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 4. Pannelo (Cuba) 243'1"; 5. Tushaus (US) 237'1".

Roelants Ruins Clarke's 20,000m, Hour Marks

Louvain, Belgium, Oct. 28--Steeplechase great Gaston Roelants took a crack at two longer distances--20,000-meters and one-hour--and succeeded in smashing both world records by substantial margins. His time of 58:06.2 clipped an astonishing 1:16.6 from Ron Clarke's year-old 20 kilo mark. Roelants then continued on to cover 12 miles 1474 yards (20,664-meters) in one hour--467 yards (433 meters) farther than Clarke. His time at 10-miles was estimated as 46:45.0--superior to Clarke's 47:12.8 in a 10-mile race.

According to the Portuguese Tables, Roelants 58:06.2 is worth 1022 points, the same as Jim Ryun's 3:51.3 mile and his 12 miles 1474 yards is rated at 1025 points, equal to 7:42.8 (3000m), 8:19.6 (two-miles), 12:52.8 (three-miles), 13:22.0 (5000m), 26:56.2 (six-miles), 27:54.2 (10,000m) and 8:11.0 (steeplechase). The only distance runners with superior performances are Clarke and Kip Kein.

Roelants was paced by Henri Clerckx for the first 5000 in 14:46.6--right on world record pace. At this point, he increased the pace to 14:27.2 for a 10,000 time of 29:13.8. He continued to push the pace with subsequent splits of 14:24.0 and 14:28.2 adding up to a second 10,000 of 28:52.4. He ran the last 664 meters in 1:57.8. Second was Andre de Hertoghe in 1:05:03.0 for 20,000-meters.

Foreign News

EPHING, AUSTRALIA, Oct. 1--2Mile, Clarke 8:48.2; 2. O'Brien 9:00.6. HJ, Peckham 6'10"; 2. Sneazwell 6'8". JT, Carlton 257'5". WALTERTON-ON-THAMES, ENGLAND, Oct. 15--50Miles, Phillips 5:12:39.8 unofficial WR

LENINAKAN, USSR (1666m alt), 400H, Anisimov 50.8; 2. Kazakov 50.9. HJ, Martynov 6'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". TJ, Kurkyevich 54'4"; 2. Fyedosyev 53'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 3. Liigand 53'5 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". HT, Tribunskiy 213'10"; 2. Nikulin 213'2"; 3. Baltovskiy 213'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". SP, Gushchin 62'6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 2. Karasyov 60'3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". PV, Fyeld 16'1". LJ, Lepik 26'4 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". DT, Lyakhov 190'7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". 110H, Styepanenko 14.0; 2. Balikhin 14.0.

ATHENS, GREECE, PV, Papanikolaou 16'1".

CZECHOSLOVAKIA, DT, Danek 199'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

MARTIGUES, FRANCE, 3000; Jazy 7:59.0.

PRAGUE, CZECH, 100m, Kone (IC) 10.2; 2. Dudziak (Pol) 10.3. MANOSQUE, FRANCE, 1500, Jazy 3:41.7. Dec, Duttweiler (Switz) 7324 (11.4, 23'4 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 45'3 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 6'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 51.4, 15.1, 120'3", 14'5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 184'7", 4:40.7).

SAINT-MAUR, FRANCE, Oct. 12--2000, Jazy 4:56.2 WR (400 splits: 58.0, 1:58.7, 2:29.2, 2:59.6, 3:44.5, 3:58.6). 1000, Tousseint 2:20.9. 110H, Chardel 14.1. LJ, Pani 25'8 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". SP, Varju (Hun) 62'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 2. Colnard 59'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

ROME, ITALY, HJ, Gavrilov (SU) and Stadnikov (SU) 6'10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

WARSAW, POLAND, PV, Wecek 16'1".

HUNGARY, JT, Nemeth 262'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

WARSAW, JT, Sidlo 265'4". DT, Piatkowski 192'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

MULHOUSE, FRANCE, 1000, Lurot 2:20.5.

WARSAW, POLAND, HJ, Czernik 6'10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". JT, Sidlo 265'4" (100t meet over 80-meters (262'5 $\frac{1}{2}$)). SP, Komar 60'7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, LJ, Crawley 26'7" w. HJ, Peckham 6'10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". 2Mile, Clarke 8:42.6.

National News

AC, Washington, D.C., Oct. 23--JT, Dull (Md) 247'10".

SOUTHERN FEDERATION, Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 29--LJ, Boston (Strid) 26'3". TJ, Beamon 59'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Vernon (So Ill) 49'1". 6M, Moore 29:13.6 cross country. Mile, Redington 4:05.7. JT, Moschis (Tenn) 238'5".

All-Time Frosh Championships

by Jack Shepard

The freshman from Southern California scored 51+ points in a team victory over a frosh squad from Mt. San Antonio JC in an all-time freshman championship. The junior collegians scored 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ + points to top Kansas' 32 points, while Southern's relay and hurdle corps scored 31+. In all, 73 teams scored.

This championship was scored in the same fashion as the yearly frosh championship with the first six places receiving 10, 8, 6, 4, 2, 1 points respectively. The placings were obtained by using the top six marks from each event, including converted metric performances, with no other form of ranking, such as honors won or consistency, considered. All standard dual meet events were included as well as the 220 dash (straight), 220 low hurdles and 330 intermediate hurdles which were dual meet events until recent years.

Southern California received its points from six athletes and two relay teams. Lennox Miller scored 13+ points in the sprints, Paul Wilson added 10 more in the vault, and Dallas Long and Rex Cawley in the shot and 440 hurdles each picked up second place points. The big scorer, though, was Jim Ryun of Kansas, who collected 30 points with his impressive middle distance running. Bob Steinhoff garnered the Jayhawks other points with a fifth in the pole vault to give Kansas all of its points from a single season--1966. Second place Mt. SAC got half its digits from hurdler Geoff Vanderstock while Don Shy in the hurdles and Bob Seagren in the vault added eight each. Other top individual scorers were Randy Matson of Texas A&M with 18, Florida A&M's Bob Hayes with 14 1/6, and Les Mills of Foothill JC with 12.

The oldest mark on the list is Yale's F. N. Connor with a hammer mark from 1928. Jesse Owen's 1934 long jump scored for Ohio State and Hal Davis from Salinas JC has a 200-meter straight mark from 1940. Within the group listed are current or ex-world records by Jim Ryun (880 and mile), Charlie Dumas (high jump) and Bob Hayes (100-yards, tied). Of the 140 individual or relay marks listed, 96 or over two-thirds were made in the past five seasons and approximately one-fourth were made in the 1966 season alone.

*=foreigner; m=metric mark unconverted.

100: tie, Jim Freeman (Murray St/Fr), Bob Hayes (Fla A&M/Fr), Fred Kuller (Santa Ana JC Fr), *Lennox Miller (So Cal Fr), Craig Wallace (Ky St/Fr) and Travis Williams (Contra Costa JC Fr) 9.3.

220st: tie, Henry Carr (Ariz St/Fr) and Bob Hayes (Fla A&M/Fr) 20.1; 3. tie, Bill Cowings (Sequoias JC Fr), Hal Davis (Salinas JC Fr), Wally Johnson (Nn St/Fr), R. L. Lasater (E Tex St/Fr), *Jim Omaghemi (San Jose St Fr), and Ed Roberts (N Car C/Fr) 20.5

220t: tie, Harold Busby (UCLA Fr), *Lennox Miller (So Cal Fr) and Bernie Rivers (NM/Fr) 20.6; 4. James Hines (Tex So/Fr) 20.7; 5. tie, Tom Hester (Ariz St/Fr) and Norm Jackson (UCLA Fr) 20.8.

440: Lee Evans (San Jose CC Fr) 45.2m; 2. Ullis Williams (Ariz St/Fr) 45.8; 3. tie, Everett Mason (Sn/Fr), Ron Freeman (Ariz St/Fr), Vince Matthews (JC Smith/Fr), and Ray Saddler (Tex So/Fr) 46.2.

880: Jim Ryun (Kans Fr) 1:44.9; 2. Jim Dupree (NM/Fr) 1:47.5m; 3. Bob Hose (San Diego Mesa JC Fr) 1:48.3; 4. *Kent Andersson (En Ky St/Fr) 1:49.2; 5. George Hunt (Tex So/Fr) 1:49.3; 6. tie, Ray Van Asten (Mt SAC JC Fr) and Devone Smith (Cal Fr) 1:49.4.

Mile: Jim Ryun (Kans Fr) 3:51.3; 2. *Neill Duggan (Hancock JC Fr) 3:56.1; 3. Roscoe Divine (Ore Fr) 3:59.1; 4. *Mike Wiggs (So Ill/Fr) 4:03.4; 5. *Frank Murphy (Vill Fr) 4:03.8; 6. Richard

Romo (Tex Fr) 4:05.0.

2Mile: Jim Ryun (Kans Fr) 8:25.2; 2. Gerry Lindgren (Wash St Fr) 8:36.6; 3. Oscar Moore (So Ill/Fr) 8:48.6; 4. *Mike Wigg (So Ill/Fr) 8:53.4; 5. *Neill Duggan (Hancock JC Fr) 8:54.0; 6. *Al Lawrence (Houston Fr) 8:57.0.

120HH: Willie Davenport (Sn/Fr) 13.3; 2. Don Shy (Mt SAC J) 13.6; 3. tie, Arnaldo Bristol (Tex So/Fr) and Hayes Jones (En Mi Fr) 13.7; 4. tie, Billy Anderson (Compton JC Fr), Jerry Cerulla (Utah St/Fr), Elias Gilbert (Winston-Salem/Fr), Ervin Hall (Vill) and Paul Wilson (N Car C/Fr) 13.8.

220LHst: tie, Calvin Cooley (ACC Fr) and Willie White (LA Harbor JC Fr) 22.6; 3. tie, Ron Frazier (So Cal Fr) and James Liggi (Md St/Fr) 22.7; 5. tie, Jim Miller (Colo Fr), Herb Stevens (Tex Fr), and Don Styron (NE La St/Fr) 22.8.

330IH: Geoff Vanderstock (Mt SAC JC Fr) 36.4; 2. Jerry Cerullo (Utah St/Fr) 36.9; 3. tie, Ezunial Burts (Fres CC Fr) and John McIntosh (Mont St Fr) 37.1; 5. Ricky Rogers (Contra Costa JC Fr) 37.6. tie, Chuck LeMon (Wn Mich Fr) and Sherwood Tella (Ariz/Fr).

440IH: Eddie Southern (Tex Fr) 49.7m; 2. Rex Cawley (So Cal Fr) 50.6m; 3. Geoff Vanderstock (Mt SAC JC Fr) 51.3; 4. Dick Miller (Ariz St/Fr) 51.4; 5. Dick Howard (Compton JC Fr) 51.9; 6. *Tony Pickett (Houston Fr) 52.0.

HJ: Ed Caruthers (Santa Ana JC Fr) 7'1"; 2. Charles Dumas (Compton JC Fr) 7'5"; 3. Max Lowe (Foothill JC Fr) 7'11"; 4. tie, Otis Burrell (LA Valley JC Fr) and Joe Faust (Oxy Fr) 7'0"; 6. tie, *Peter Boyce (Stan Fr) and Ron Tull (Okla Fr) 6'10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

PV: Paul Wilson (So Cal Fr) 17'1"; 2. Bob Seagren (Mt SAC J Fr) 16'4"; 3. Larry Smith (Okla Fr) 16'2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 4. Andy Steben (Oxy) 16'3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 5. Bob Steinhoff (Kans Fr) 16'4 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 6. tie, Craig Carr (O Fr) and Brian Sternberg (Wash Fr) 15'8".

LJ: Greg Bell (Ind Fr) 26'2"; 2. *Rainer Stenius (LA St Fr) 25'10 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 3. Anthony Watson (Okla Fr) 25'9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 4. Jesse Owens (O St Fr) 25'7 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 5. tie, Bob Beamon (N Car A&T/Fr), Del Blanks (N Fr) and Willie Steele (San Jose St/Fr) 25'7".

TJ: *Mahoney Samuels (Foothill JC Fr) 51'10 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 2. Larry Freeman (Long Beach CC Fr) 51'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 3. Mike Woods (ELA JC Fr) 51'4. tie, Bob Beamon (N Car A&T/Fr) and Harold Thompson (Fres Fr) 50'8"; 6. Gerald Lee (Pierce JC Fr) 50'4".

SP: Randy Matson (Tex A&M Fr) 64'11"; 2. Dallas Long (So Fr) 63'7"; 3. Gary Gubner (NYU Fr) 60'9"; 4. Elvin Bethea (N Car A&T/Fr) 59'8"; 5. *Les Mills (Foothill JC Fr) 58'3"; 6. Dave D. (So Cal Fr) 57'9 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

DT: *Les Mills (Foothill JC Fr) 187'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Randy Matson (A&M Fr) 182'11"; 3. Karl Johnson (Ariz/Fr) 179'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 4. Jim Mc Ardle (Ariz/Fr) 177'6"; 5. Ed Mooney (Scottsbluff JC Fr) 175'11". 6. Steve Fite (Chaffey JC Fr) 174'7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

HT: *John Lawlor (Boston U Fr) 199'11"; 2. Cliff Blair (Boston U Fr) 177'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 3. Costas Anagnostopoulos (Mass Fr) 177'4"; 4. Bailey (Harv Fr) 173'9"; 5. Ed Styron (New Hampshire Fr) 173'5; 6. F. N. Connor (Yale Fr) 171'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

JT: *Lennart Hedmark (Penn St Fr) 263'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2. Delmon McN (La St Fr) 252'4"; 3. Larry Stuart (Santa Ana JC Fr) 247'5"; 4. George Moschis (Tenn Fr) 247'2"; 5. Glenn Ermatinger (NW La/Fr) 240'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

440R: tie, Baylor Fr, Southern/Fr, and Oklahoma Fr 40.7; tie, Louisiana St Fr and Texas Fr 41.1; 6. ACC Fr, Rice Fr and San Jose St Fr 41.2.

MileR: Southern/Fr 3:08.3; 2. Rice Fr 3:09.7; 3. Cal Fr 3:10.1; 4. Southern Cal Fr 3:10.6; 5. Southern Cal Fr 3:11.0; 6. Occidental Fr 3:11.2.

Scoring: 1. Southern California 51 1/6; 2. Mt San Antonio JC 32 $\frac{1}{2}$; 3. Kansas 32; 4. Southern 31 $\frac{1}{4}$; 5. Foothill JC 28; 6. Ariz State 25 $\frac{3}{4}$; 7. Santa Ana JC 21 1/6; 8. Oklahoma 20 $\frac{1}{2}$; 9. tie, Boston and Texas A&M 18; 11. New Mexico 17; 12. Texas Southern 13. Florida A&M 14 1/6; 14. tie, Southern Illinois and Texas 14; Louisiana State 13; 17. Compton JC 10 3/5; 18. Arizona 10 $\frac{1}{2}$; 19. Hancock JC, Indiana, Penn St, and San Jose CC 10; 23. UCLA 9 $\frac{1}{2}$; 24. ACC 9 1/3; 25. LA Harbor JC 9; 26. Utah St 8 3/5; 27. Rice 8 1/3; 28. Occidental 8 $\frac{1}{2}$; 29. tie, Baylor, Fresno CC, Long Beach, Los Angeles St, North Carolina A&T, and Washington St 8; Contra Costa JC 7 1/6; 36. California 6 $\frac{1}{2}$; 37. tie, East LA JC, Massachusetts, New York U, Oregon and San Diego Mesa JC 6; 4. tie, Kentucky St and Murray St 5 1/6; 44. tie, Eastern Michigan Maryland St, and Montana St 5; 47. tie, Eastern Kentucky St, Harvard, Ohio St, and Tennessee 4; 51. San Jose St 3 $\frac{1}{2}$; 52. JC Smith 3 $\frac{1}{4}$; 53. LA Valley JC 3; 54. North Carolina Col 2 23/30; 55. Virginia 2 3/5; 56. tie, East Texas St, Northern St, Salinas JC and Sequoias JC 2 1/6; 60. tie, Houston, New Hampshire, Northwest Louisiana and Scottsbluff JC 2; 64. tie, Chaffey JC, Colorado, North Louisiana, Oregon St, Pierce JC, and Yale 1; 70. Winston-Salem 3/5; 71. tie, Stanford, Washington, and Western Michigan 1/2.

Bulletin Board

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Longest Unbroken, Untied World Marks

compiled by Jack Shepard

The following list indicates the longest world record span in each of 45 events. If the mark was made prior to accepted world records an additional mark is recorded for the official record period. If the record span consists of more than one mark then the single longest unbroken and untied mark is also listed. *-prior to accepted record; a=since official records; u=single longest unbroken-untied mark; ut=longest untied mark where record was tied, but not broken on last date given. Present marks to November 10, 1966.

100y	*Arthur Duffey (US)	9.8, 9.6	29y5m25d	1899-1929
	Dan Kelley (US)	9.6	22y11m2d	1906-1929
	utDan Kelley (US)	9.6	7y9m5d	1906-1914
100m	Jesse Owens (US)	10.2	20y1m14d	1936-1956
	uCharles Paddock (US)	10.4	8y3m16d	1921-1929
200mst	*Bernie Wefers (US)	21.6, 21.2	25y7m4d	1895-1921
	Bernie Wefers (US)	21.2	24y9m24d	1896-1921
	utBernie Wefers (US)	21.2	13y11m28d	1896-1910
220y	*Bernie Wefers (US)	21.6, 21.2	25y7m4d	1895-1921
	Bernie Wefers (US)	21.2	24y9m24d	1896-1921
	utBernie Wefers (US)	21.2	13y11m28d	1896-1910
200mt	*James Carlton (Aus)	20.6	28y4m12d	1932-1960
	Andy Stanfield (US)	20.6	9y2d	1951-1960
	ut*James Carlton (Aus)	20.6	19y4m10d	1932-1951
	utaAndy Stanfield (US)	20.6	8y9m22d	1951-1960*
220yt	*James Carlton (Aus)	20.6	28y4m12d	1932-1960
	Andy Stanfield (US)	20.6	9y2d	1951-1960
	ut*James Carlton (Aus)	20.6	19y4m10d	1932-1951
	utaAndy Stanfield (US)	20.6	8y9m22d	1951-1960
400m	Ted Meredith (US)	47.4	11y11m15d	1916-1928
440y	Ben Eastman (US)	47.4, 46.4	16y1m12d	1931-1947
	uMaxie Long (US)	47.8	15y7m28d	1900-1916
800m	Rudolf Harbig (Ger)	1:46.6	16y21d	1939-1955
880y	Sydney Wooderson (GB)	1:49.2	14y10m27d	1938-1953
	ut*Charles Kilpatrick (US)	1:53.4	13y11m25d	1895-1909
	utaSydney Wooderson (GB)	1:49.2	11y11m30d	1938-1950
1500m	Gunder Hagg (Swe)	3:43.0	9y10m28d	1944-1954
	uJohn Zander (Swe)	3:54.7	6y10m14d	1938-1950
Mile	*Fred Conneff (Ire/US)	4:15.6	15y8m27d	1895-1911
	Gunder Hagg (Swe)	4:01.4	8y9m19d	1945-1954
2Mile	*Alf Shrubb (GB)	9:11.0, 9:09.6	23y3m13d	1903-1926
	Alf Shrubb (GB)	9:09.6	22y3m1d	1904-1926
	Alf Shrubb (GB)	14:17.6	20y2m25d	1903-1923
5000m	Gunder Hagg (Swe)	13:58.2	11y8m10d	1942-1954
6Mile	Alf Shrubb (GB)	29:59.4	25y7m4d	1904-1930
10,000m	Paavo Nurmi (Fin)	30:06.2	12y10m18d	1924-1937
10Mile	Alf Shrubb (GB)	50:40.6	23y10m29d	1904-1928
3000st	*Erik Elmsater (Swe)	9:03.4, 8:59.6	7y10m18d	1943-1951
	Gaston Roelants (Bel)	8:29.6, 8:26.4	3y2m3d	1963-
	u*Volmari Iso-Hollo (Fin)	9:03.8	7y14d	1936-1943
	uaZ. Krzyszkowiak (Pol)	8:30.4	2y28d	1961-1963
120yIH	*Clement Jackson (GB)	16.0	25y6m15d	1865-1891
	Forrest Smithson (US)	15.0	12y24d	1908-1920
	ut*Clement Jackson (GB)	16.0	12y5m1d	1865-1878
110mHH	Forrest Towns (US)	14.1, 13.7	14y5d	1936-1950
	utForrest Smithson (US)	15.0	12y24d	1908-1920
200mLHst	L. Hillman (US)	24.6	19y7m16d	1904-1924
220yLHst	Alvin Kraenzlin (US)	23.6	25y5d	1898-1923
	utAlvin Kraenzlin (US)	23.6	15y3d	1898-1913
200mLHt	*Fred Wolcott (US)	22.9	17y10m28d	1939-1957
	Martin Lauer (Ger)	22.5	7y4m3d	1959-
	utaMartin Lauer (Ger)	22.5	1y1m13d	1959-1960
220yLHt	*Harrison Dillard (US)	23.0	10y11m14d	1946-1957
	Charles Tidwell (US)	22.7	8y4m26d	1958-
400mIH	Glenn Hardin (US)	52.0, 51.8,	21y1m19d	1932-1953
	uGlenn Hardin (US)	50.6	19y1m25d	1934-1953
440yIH	*Godfrey Shaw (GB)	57.2	18y11m4d	1891-1910
	John Gibson (US)	52.6	14y9m23d	1927-1942
	ut*Godfrey Shaw (GB)	57.2	18y9m15d	1891-1910
HJ	*Michael Sweeney (US)	6'5", 6'5 ⁵ / ₈ "	16y7m1d	1895-1912
	Les Steers (US)	6'11"	12y10d	1941-1953
	u*Michael Sweeney (US)	6'5 ⁵ / ₈ "	16y6m8d	1895-1912
PV	Cornelius Warmerdam (US)	15'0", 15'1 ¹ / ₄ ", 15'2 ¹ / ₂ ", 15'5 ¹ / ₄ "	17y14d	1940-1957
	uCornelius Warmerdam (US)	15'6 ³ / ₄ ", 15'7 ¹ / ₄ "	17y14d	1940-1957
	(US)	15'7 ³ / ₄ "	14y11m4d	1942-1957
IJ	Jesse Owens (US)	26'8 ¹ / ₄ "	25y2m18d	1935-1960
TJ	Naoto Tajima (Jap)	52'5 ⁷ / ₈ "	15y1m25d	1936-1951
	ut*Edward Bloss (US)	48'6"	14y9m9d	1893-1908

SP	utaNaoto Tajima (Jap)	52'5 ⁷ / ₈ "	14y2m28d	1936-1951
	*Ralph Rose (US)	49'6 ¹ / ₂ ", 49'7 ¹ / ₄ "		
		49'10", 51'0"	20y7m29d	1907-1922
DT	Ralph Rose (US)	51'0"	18y8m15d	1909-1922
	*James Duncan (US)	145'9 ¹ / ₂ ", 156'1 ³ / ₈ "	13y+	1911-1922
		156'1 ³ / ₈ "	12y3m18d	1912-1922
HT	James Duncan (US)	189'6 ¹ / ₂ "	25y10d	1913-1922
JT	Pat Ryan (Ire)	189'6 ¹ / ₂ "	25y10d	1913-1922
	Yrjo Nikkanen (Fin)	255'5 ³ / ₄ ", 258'2"	14y11m14d	1938-1955
	uYrjo Nikkanen (Fin)	258'2"	14y9m22d	1938-1955
Decathlon	Glenn Morris (US)	7275, 7310	14y3d	1936-1951
	uGlenn Morris (US)	7310	13y10m22d	1936-1951
400mR-2t	U.S. National	39.8	20y3m23d	1936-1951
440yR-1t	Southern California	40.5	17y7d	1938-1951
	uSouthern California	40.5	16y8d	1938-1951
440yR-2t	Oregon	40.0	1y9m19d	1962-1960
	uOregon	40.0	1y2m9d	1962-1960
880yR	Stanford	1:25.0	11y11m30d	1937-1951
1600mR	U.S. National	3:08.2	19y11m20d	1932-1951
MileR	Pennsylvania	3:18.0	12y11m13d	1915-1951
2MileR	California	7:34.5	10y6m2d	1941-1951
6000mR	English National	15:55.6	8y18d	1931-1951
4MileR	Illinois AC	17:21.4	13y1m23d	1923-1951

All-Time Longest World Record Holders

compiled by Jack Shepard

Listed below are the 25 world record holders with the longest span on the record books, which may include several consecutive marks by the same athlete. Also listed are the 25 world records which have remained unbroken for the longest time. *-prior to accepted records; **-tied before broken.

LONGEST WORLD RECORD HOLDERS			
29y5m25d+	*Arthur Duffey (US)	9.8, 9.6	1899-19
28y4m12d	*James Carlton (Aus)	20.6m, yt	1932-19
25y7m4d	Alf Shrubb (GB)	29:59.4y	1924-19
25y7m4d	*Bernie Wefers (US)	21.6, 21.2m, yt	1895-19
25y6m15d	*Clement Jackson (GB)	16.0y	1865-18
25y2m18d	Jesse Owens (US)	26'8 ¹ / ₄ "	1935-19
25y10d	Pat Ryan (Ireland)	189'6 ¹ / ₂ " HT	1913-19
25y5d	Alvin Kraenzlin (US)	23.6y LHst	1898-19
23y10m29d	Alf Shrubb (GB)	50:40.6 10Mile	1904-19
23y3m13d	*Alf Shrubb (GB)	9:11.0, 9:09.6	1903-19
22y11m2d	Dan Kelley (US)	9.6	1906-19
22y6m23d	*C.A. Absakon (GB)	10.0y	1868-18
22y3m23d	*W.M. Tenneard (GB)	10.0y	1868-18
21y1m19d	Glenn Hardin (US)	52.0, 51.8, 50.6m IH	1932-19
20y10m24d	*Peter O'Connor (Ire)	24'7 ³ / ₄ ", 24'9", 24'11 ¹ / ₄ "	1900-19
		24'11 ¹ / ₄ "	1900-19
20y10m1d	*Walter George (GB)	9:25.6, 9:17.4	1882-19
20y7m29d	Ralph Rose (US)	49'6 ¹ / ₂ ", 49'7 ¹ / ₄ ", 49'10", 51'0"	1907-19
		51'0" SP	1907-19
20y6m4d	*J.G. Wilson (GB)	10.0y	1870-18
20y3m23d	U.S. National	39.8m-2t	1936-19
20y3m3d	Alf Shrubb (GB)	14:17.6y	1903-19
20y1m14d	Jesse Owens (US)	10.2m	1936-19
19y11m20d	U.S. National	3:08.2m	1932-19
19y7m16d	L. Hillman (US)	24.6m LHst	1904-19
19y3m5d	*Willie Applegarth (GB)	21.8, 21.6, 21.2yt	1912-19
18y11m4d	*Godfrey Shaw (GB)	57.2 IH	1891-19
LONGEST UNBROKEN RECORDS			
28y4m12d	*James Carlton (Aus)	20.6m, yt	**1932-19
26y11m25d	Arthur Duffey (US)	9.6	**1902-19
25y7m4d	Alf Shrubb (GB)	29:59.4y	1904-19
25y2m18d	Jesse Owens (US)	26'8 ¹ / ₄ "	1935-19
25y10d	Pat Ryan (Ireland)	189'6 ¹ / ₂ " HT	1913-19
25y5d	Alvin Kraenzlin (US)	23.6y LHst	**1898-19
24y9m24d	Bernie Wefers (US)	21.2ys	**1896-19
23y10m29d	Alf Shrubb (GB)	50:40.6 10Mile	1904-19
22y11m2d	Dan Kelley (US)	9.6	**1906-19
22y6m23d	*C.A. Absakon (GB)	10.0y	**1868-18
22y3m23d	*W.M. Tenneard (GB)	10.0y	**1868-18
22y3m1d	Alf Shrubb (GB)	9:09.6	1904-19
20y6m29d	*Walter George (GB)	51:20.0 10Mile	**1884-19
20y6m4d	*J.G. Wilson (GB)	10.0y	**1870-18
20y3m23d	U.S. National	39.8m-2t	1936-19
20y3m3d	Alf Shrubb (GB)	14:17.6y	1903-19
20y1m14d	Jesse Owens (US)	10.2m	**1936-19
19y11m20d	U.S. National	3:08.2m	1932-19
19y11m18d	Peter O'Connor (Ire)	24'11 ¹ / ₄ "	1901-19
19y7m16d	L. Hillman (US)	24.6m LHst	1904-19
19y1m25d	Glenn Hardin (US)	50.6m IH	1934-19
19y1m4d	*Walter George (GB)	9:17.4	1884-19

18y11m4d	*Godfrey Shaw (GB)	57.2y IH	**1891-1910	14y5d	Forrest Towns (US)	14.1, 13.7m	1936-1950
18y8m15d	Ralph Rose (US)	51'0" SP	1909-1928	14y3d	Glenn Morris (US)	7275, 7310	1936-1950
18y4m29d	*W.A. Dawson (GB)	10.0y	**1872-1890	13y11m20d	Jack Torrance (US)	55'1½", 55'5", 57'1"	1934-1948
				13y11m12d	Jesse Owens (US)	20.3m, ys	1935-1948
				13y1m23d	Illinois AC	17:21.4 4MileR	1923-1930

Modern Day Longest World Record Holders

compiled by Jack Shepard

Listed below are the 25 modern day world record holders with the longest span on the record books. The year 1920 has been selected as the beginning of the modern era as it was an Olympic year and also represented the resumption of full scale track competition following World War I. Also listed are the 25 longest unbroken records since 1920. Marks set prior to 1920 but which remained unbroken long enough to make the lists are credited with a mark commencing January 1, 1920. *—prior to accepted records; **—tied before broken.

LONGEST RECORD HOLDERS

28y4m12d	*James Carlton (Aus)	20.6m, yt	1932-1960	14y10m27d	Sydney Wooderson (GB)	1:49.2y	**1938-1950
25y2m18d	Jesse Owens (US)	26'8¼"	1935-1960	14y9m23d	John Gibson (US)	52.6y IH	1927-1948
21y1m19d	Glenn Hardin (US)	52.0, 51.8, 50.6m IH	1932-1953	14y9m22d	Yrjo Nikkanen (Fin)	258'2"	1938-1950
20y3m23d	U.S. National	39.8m-2t	1936-1956	13y11m12d	Jesse Owens (US)	20.3m, ys	**1935-1948
20y1m14d	Jesse Owens (US)	10.2m	1936-1956	13y10m22d	Glenn Morris (US)	7310	1936-1950
19y11m20d	U.S. National	3:08.2m	1932-1952	13y9m27d	Forrest Towns (US)	13.7m	**1935-1950
18y8m27d	Pat Ryan (Ireland)	189'6½" HT	1920-1938	13y8m12d	Jack Torrance (US)	57'1"	1934-1950
18y5d	Frank Wykoff (US)	9.4	1930-1948	13y1m23d	Illinois AC	17:21.4 4MileR	1923-1930
17y11m4d	*Fred Wolcott (US)	22.9m LHt	1939-1957				
17y14d	Cornelius Warmerdam (US)	15'0", 15'1¼", 15'5¼"	1940-1957				
17y7d	Southern California	40.5y-1t	1938-1955				
16y11m30d	Daniel Jourbet (SA)	9.4	1931-1948				
16y11m24d	Paavo Nurmi (Fin)	49:41.6 10Mile	1928-1945				
16y1m12d	Ben Eastman (US)	47.4, 46.4y	1931-1947				
16y19d	Rudolf Harbig (Ger)	1:46.6m	1939-1955				
15y1m28d	Hal Davis (US)	10.2m	1941-1956				
15y1m24d	Naoto Tajima (Jap)	52'5⅝"	1936-1951				
14y11m14d	Yrjo Nikkanen (Fin)	255'5¼", 258'2"	1938-1953				
14y10m27d	Sydney Wooderson (GB)	1:49.2y	1938-1953				
14y9m23d	John Gibson (US)	52.6y IH	1927-1942				

Indoor Track and Field

The world's first indoor meet was promoted by the New York Athletic Club on November 11, 1868, but it was not until 1906 that the AAU instituted national indoor championships. (Reprinted from Melvyn Watman's Encyclopedia of Athletics)

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These are corrections and additions to the January 1966 annual issue. (a-add; d-delete; c-correction)

Records Section

100y Collegiate

(a) 9.2 Darel Newman (Fresno St) Fresno 5/9/64

100m JC

(c) 10.2 Hal Davis (Salinas) Compton 6/6/41

World Ranking

1500 Meters—One Mile 3. Kipchoge Keino

(c) 3:54.9y (2) Wang (3:38.0m) 12/11

800 Meters—800 Yards 4. Tom Farrell

(c) 1:47.6 (1) vs Poland 8/8

Three Miles—5000 Meters 10. Gerry Lindgren

(c) 13:04.2y* (2) AAA 7/10

Discus Throw 5. Randy Matson

(c) 201'5½" (1) Waco 4/14

1965 World List

100 Yard Dash

(a) 9.4 David Ejoke (Nigeria) 1 Ibadan 6/26

(a) 9.4 Mike Ahey (Ghana) 2 Accra 9/11

100 Meter Dash

(a) 10.3 Cipriani Phillips (Trin) 1 Mayaguez 3/20

200 Meter Dash (Turn)

(a) 20.7* David Ejoke (Nigeria) 1 Lagos 4/9

400 Meter Dash

(a) 46.5+ James Addy (Ghana) 1 Accra 9/11

1500 Meter Run

(c) 3:37.6+ Kipchoge Keino (Ken) 1 Auckland 12/15

One Mile Run

(a) 4:02.4 Laurie Toogood (Aus) 1 Sydney 12/29

Six Mile Run

(a) 28:02.0 Han Blackwood (Aus) 1 Melbourne 12/14

(c) 28:09.0 Geoff Walker (Aus) 2 Melbourne 12/14

10,000 Meter Run

(a) 29:10.0 Geoff Walker (Aus) 2 Melbourne 12/14

3000 Meter Steeplechase

(a) 8:46.4 Stanislav Sumarokov (SU) 1 Kherson 9/5

(d) 8:46.2 Yevgeniy Lomovtsev (SU) 1 Moscow 6/14

(d) 8:47.0 Gennadiy Kulakov (SU) 2 Moscow 6/14

(d) 8:48.4 Nikolay Milyeshkin (SU) 3 Moscow 6/14

400 Meter Intermediate Hurdles

(d) 51.5 Jan Gulbrandsen (Nor)

High Jump

(a) 7'2½" Lawrie Peckham (Aus) 1 Melbourne 10/23

(c) 7'2½" Tony Sneazwell (Aus) 2 Melbourne 10/23

Triple Jump

(a) 52'8" George Ogan (Nig) 1 Obadan 3/27

Shot Put

(a) 59'9½" George Puce (Can) 1 Stouffville 7/4

(c) 62'3½" Les Mills (NZ) 1 Rotorua 12/28

Discus Throw

(a) 181'2½" Vladimir Alyoshin (SU) 1 Leningrad 9/17

(a) 180'10" Mikhail Gorbachov (SU) 2 Leningrad 9/17

(a) 185'3" Les Mills (NZ) 1 Rotorua 12/28

Hammer Throw

(a) 212'4" Olyeg Kollodiy (SU) 1 Leningrad 9/17

(a) 210'8½" Aleksandr Bakardzhiyev (SU) 1 Lngrd 5/30

(c) 208'6½" Anatoliy Bondarchuk (SU) 1 Rovno 12/7

(c) 207'7½" Magne Foleide (Nor) 1 Ardalstangen 8/8

1965 US Ranking

400/440

(a) 6. Owens 7. Saunders 8. Archibald 9. Saddler 10.

W. Johnson

1965 US List

100 Yard Dash

(c) 9.5 Mack Herron (Ill HS) 1h AAU Jr 7/25

High Jump

(a) 6'9" i James Littlejohn (Unat) 1 UCTC 12/18

Long Jump

(c) 24'9½" Clifton Mayfield (US Army) 1 Bolzano 9/12

Discus Throw

(a) 173'6" Bill Belfer (Seton Hall) 1 AC 8/

Hammer Throw

(a) 170'10½" Tom Francis (Wesleyan) 1 v C Gd 4/30

(a) 166'8" William Dibble (Wesleyan) 1 v Conn 4/27

(c) 165'5" Richard Weingart (Conn) 2 v Wesley 4/27

1965 Indoor List

(c) 70 Yard Lows

500 Yards

(c) 58.3 Ken Hendler (Bruce TC) AC 12/22

1965 Fresh-JC List

440 Yard Dash

(a) 47.5 Don Domansky (UCLA Fr)

(c) 47.5 Martin McGrady (Central Ohio St Fr)

880 Yard Dash

(c) 1:52.4n Trey Burns (Harvard Fr)

120 Yard Hurdles

(a) 14.4n Lou Kirtman (Cal Fr)

330 Yard Hurdles

(d) 38.0n Jimmy Fox (Mesa JC)

440 Yard Hurdles

(a) 54.8 Jimmy Fox (Mesa JC)

Pole Vault

(c) 15'5½" Greg Miguel (El Camino JC)

Shot Put

(a) 55'1" Rod Stewart (Duke Fr)

Hammer Throw

(a) 151'11" Howard Sherman (Wesleyan)

Decathlon

(c) 6875 Larry Melquiond (S Barbara CC)

Two Mile Relay

(a) 7:45.4n El Camino JC

Sprint Medley Relay

(a) 3:25.6 Mesa JC

Distance Medley Relay

(c) 10:00.2 Mesa JC

1965 Prep List

100 Yard Dash

(a) 9.5 Mack Herron (Farragut, C.)

(a) 9.6 Bill Miller (Boys, Brooklyn, NY)

200 Yard Dash (Straight)

(a) 21.0 *Charles Searce (Plattsburg, Missouri)

440 Yard Dash

(a) 48.1n *Gabe Stehziand (QoP, NArlington, NJ)

880 Yard Dash

(a) 1:53.6 Alan Borys (Trenton Cath, Trenton, N

(c) 1:53.9 Dan O'Donnell (Stepinac, W Plains, N

Mile Run

(a) 4:14.5 John Lengers (Ossining, NY)

(a) 4:14.6 *Kevin Farrell (Fox Lane, NYC, NY)

120 Yard Hurdles (39")

(a) 14.1n *Ken Bradley (QoP, NArlington, NJ)

(a) 13.9 *Ken Bradley (QoP, NArlington, NJ)

180 Yard Hurdles (30")

(a) 18.9n Frank Marrone (QoP, NArlington, N

High Jump

(a) 6'7" *Arn Holzherr (QoP, NArlington, NJ)

Long Jump

(a) 24'7½" Len Corn (Ramapo Reg, Frnkln Lks,

Discus Throw (3 lb, 9 oz)

(a) 176'8½" Doug Holzherr (QoP, NArlington, NJ)

Mile Relay

(a) 3:18.1 Q of P, NArlington, NJ

Stan Wright Reviews Tenure as US Head Coach

by Stan Wright

(Ed: The author is head coach at Texas Southern and served as US national coach for the All-American Games, LA Times International and, finally, the Mexican International Games in 1966.)

When Hilmer Lodge, Chairman of the AAU Track and Field Committee called me one night in late April to inform me that I had been selected as head coach of the US national track and field team for the dual meets with Russia and Poland, my first reactions and thoughts were that Hilmer had been drinking seriously and had dialed the wrong number or that some of my friends who are track coaches were playing jokes on me. A track coach called one night with a disguised voice telling me that he was the President of a certain University and wanted to know if I was interested in a track coaching position at \$15,000 and twenty five scholarships.

After talking to Hilmer for a few minutes, I finally realized that it was Hilmer - and he was dead serious. He told me that I had been selected head coach by the vote of the Track and Field Committee membership and that Chuck Coker and Vern Wolfe had been selected as the assistant coaches. It is still impossible for me to explain in an intelligent manner how I felt. I was excited, I was pleased and at the same time I was depressed and scared. As I told Jerry Wizig of the Houston Chronicle, "I was just dead."

The only person I could talk to about the appointment at this time was my wife because Hilmer asked me not to release any information to anyone because the Los Angeles Times wanted to make the announcement the weekend of May 8. My wife, Hazel, kept the secret very well and kept cool and calm but I was still on cloud nine.

I guess I can say that the first step in preparation started when we were invited to participate in the Coliseum Relays on May 13. At this time Hilmer Lodge, Glenn Davis, Will Kern, Vern Wolfe, a few members of Glenn's staff and I had a luncheon meeting to discuss problems related to the Russian meet and problems in general related to athletes, doctors, trainers, housing, feeding, etc.

At this meeting we also discussed the possibility of US national meet athletes participating in the Santa Monica Invitational track meet Saturday, July 9. We agreed that it would be mandatory only for the sprinters who would make up the 400-meter relay team to participate. Invitations would be sent to other team members and it was agreed that they could participate if they wanted to or if they felt they needed the competition before the Polish meet. Part of my preparation was having breakfast with Payton Jordan who was head coach of the national team in 1963. Payton was kind and honest enough to lay it on the line with information that would be a great help to me in July. He pointed out some of the problems he and his coaching staff had in 1963. It is very difficult to analyze other people's problems, opinions and suggestions but some how problems in track and field seem to be closely defined and I shall always be grateful to Payton for his help and consideration.

During the weekend of the Coliseum Relays I had the chance to meet and talk with many members of the news media. All of them were very gracious to me at that time but I could feel the pressure beginning to gain impetus.

My second step in preparation was attending the NCAA meet at Bloomington, Indiana. Ollan Cassell called me from the National AAU office and asked me if I would cover the NCAA meet to make certain that no athlete who was worthy would be left out of the National AAU meet. Since the National AAU meet is the qualifying meet for the Polish and Russian meets I thought this was a step in the right direction because I felt that we would need every good track athlete to beat the Russians. At the NCAA meet I had the opportunity again to talk to many of the track coaches who gave me advice and suggestions related to the big meets. All of the coaches were very considerate and told me that they were glad to see me get the appointment.

I had another chance to talk with Payton Jordan. Johnny Oelkers, who was head coach in 1962, also took the time to discuss with me many of the problems that his coaching staff had.

The following week at the National AAU meet I started to feel the pressure from the press and suggestions by fans and track "nuts". The track nut always seems to have the answer to all the problems related to selecting athletes, relay combinations, the technical side of track and giving officials hell. But without the track "nut" track and field in this country would be missing something that is unique.

By Sunday afternoon when the last event was over, I knew we had a great team but I was struggling within myself not to become over optimistic. I felt at that time an attitude of being over optimistic would hurt the athletes in their mental and physical preparation, therefore I wanted to be cautious. Late that Sunday afternoon we had a meeting of the Track and Field Committee members who were at the meet. Chuck Coker and I had already discussed what we thought

was needed to get the job done and we had prepared ourselves to meet the Committee. After a little stalling around on some of the requests made by Chuck and myself, Bob Giegengack, 1964 Olympic head coach, told the members of the committee to get down to business and give the coaching staff what they felt they needed to win. This stimulation was all we needed because the Committee under the leadership of Hilmer Lodge granted every request that Chuck Coker and myself made. This gave us extra athletes to strengthen the squad in case of injury or sickness and would enable us to use special athletes in the Polish meet so we could save our best for the Russian meet. Being a sprint relay coach, I was very pleased that we were allowed to have enough extra sprinters to be able to workout with two full sprint teams instead of just one. The adding of Gerry Lindgren and Tommie Smith to the squad was icing on the cake.

At the national meet I had the opportunity to talk with most of the athletes and I was encouraged by their attitude and desire to participate in the two big meets. Many of them had been in Kiev in 1965 and the loss was still on their minds.

The reporting date for the sprinters in Los Angeles was July 4. When I arrived in Los Angeles all nine sprinters (Charlie Greene, Jim Hines, Harold Busby, George Anderson, Bill Gaines, Adolph Plummer, Tom Jones, John Moon, and Tommie Smith) were there and ready for our first workout. Plummer had a problem in working out with the group because of the job but Adolph was working out on his own. Tommie Smith was a little uncertain about his leg the first day, but in a few days he was doing vertical jumps and exchanging the baton at almost full speed. I felt that he would be ready. I can say it now that I had planned to use Tommie in both the 400- and 1600-meter relay teams against the Russians if he came out okay in the 200 against the Poles in Berkeley. There was no doubt that Tommie was ready, and credit should be given to the other sprinters because they worked on him all week.

The greatest decision to make with this group concerned the placement of athletes in the 400-meter relay. The cooperation and enthusiasm of this group was tremendous despite the smog in the morning and two workouts a day. I decided to set our goals very quickly and they were: 1. run well as a relay unit and 2. break the existing world record of 39.0.

They had their running opportunity at the Santa Monica meet Saturday, July 9. We had two teams entered, (Greene, Anderson, Jones, Hines), (Gaines, Busby, Moon, Plummer). The "A" team ran fairly well and won in 39.6. Moon's baton was knocked out of his hand in the exchange area and Plummer didn't have a chance to run. The "B" team felt cheated and demanded a rerun at once. This was stimulating because sprinters do not like to run races back to back. In the second race, Hines ran out of the zone and the team was disqualified but he and Plummer had to fight to the tape in 39.7 with Plummer winning - and we had a friendly argument between the sprinters.

The Santa Monica meet was gratifying because many of the athletes who made the national team were there competing.

Well, everyone knows the block-buster that the Russians pulled in announcing that they were staying home because of the bombing missions in Viet Nam. I can only say my reaction Monday morning, when I heard the news over the television in my hotel room as I was getting ready to leave for the Los Angeles airport to assemble in Berkeley, was one of complete shock. Traumatic shock - of disbelief and confusion.

All of the sprinters and myself thought that there must be some mistake - and by the time we would arrive in Berkeley the whole mess would be settled. Enroute to Berkeley, the news media, mainly television and radio, asked the group their personal reactions and the athletes were put at ease for the moment while they hammed it up for the reporters. The tension and gloom was thick as hell when we arrived in Oakland and, if I could have gotten on a plane for Houston, I might have gone home.

Early that day I saw the Bay Bridge, but decided it wasn't worth becoming a tragic statistic just because the Russians had pulled out of their commitment. Soon after checking in the dorm, I met Sam Bell and he assured me that there would be a meet in Berkeley even if the Poles followed the Russians. At this time we had not received word that Poland had pulled out. Greeting the athletes the rest of the day and night was perhaps the hardest job I ever had to do. When I greeted Chuck Coker that night we both said; "What have we done to deserve this?"

When I went to bed Monday night I made up in my mind that I had to stop feeling sorry for myself and get down to work. Working with guys like Sam Bell, Jerry Diamond, Bob Steiner, Tom Mellis, Al Ragan and the rest of Sam's crew was enough to stimulate anybody. Sam's drive and devotion to seeing that things got done was tremendous. I am certain Sam did not see much of his family that

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