

NEWS

BOSTON MARATHON, April 19, was won by Hideo Hamamura in 2:18:22, a race record. Eino Pulkkinen, Finland, was second in 2:19:23 and Nick Costes, America's best ever, ran 2:19:57. Kotila, Finland, 2:20:16, Gorno, Argentina, 2:20:28, Jansson, Sweden, 2:21:40, Uchiwawa, Japan, 2:22:40, Tanabe, Japan, 2:26:08; Bustamente, Argentina, 2:27:51; Mendez, US, 2:28:30; Corbitt, US, 2:32:27. TN Nate Cirulnick of Brooklyn was a good 16th in 2:39:03.

OVERSEAS J. O. Chigbolu of Nigeria set British Empire record at 6-8½. British season has opened with a great 28:21.4 six mile by Pirie; 2:56 for unofficial ¾ mile record by Brian Hewson; 4:09 for Ian Boyd; and 1:52.5 for Derek Johnson. Russia's Stan Nyenashev did 191-8 ¾; Levan Sanadze 10.5m; Boris Matveyev 162-0 1/8. Czechoslovakia, Jiri Lansky 6-9 7/8 in exhibition, unconfirmed 7-0½ in practice; Malek 183-11 7/8 hammer. Finland, Piironen 13-10 1/8 indoors; Koivisto 51-5 ¾. Germany, Prechtel 181-1 5/8 HT. Rumania got a new javelin record from Demeter, 227-1 5/8. Italy's great Consolini threw 177-0 3/8. South African championships, April 9 & 11, Soine 1:52.6; Jennings 14:39.8, 4:13.2; Barnard 2:36:39.6, 30:23.4; Burger 14.5, 13-6; Rousseau 53.9; Price 24-11½, Stuart 24-10½; DuPlessis 48-2, 164-2; Perkes 21.7; Joubert 48.3; Other meets: Nel 9.7; Perkes 21.5; Roberts 14:15.8; Rouxe 53.2; Price 24-11½; Truter 6-6½; DuPlessis 171-1½; Dreyer 182-2½; Australia's season has ended. Geoff Warren ran 14:23.2m; Davey 14:38.8.

AMERICAN'S ABROAD O'Brien 176-10 and 57-3 ¾; Davis 14.0. Davis 13.8, O'Brien 58-6, 168; Jones 34.0 for 300m; Davis 10.8, 21.2mt, 14.4; O'Brien 168-4½, 56-7 1/8; Haddad, Chile, 161-6 5/8; Jones 47.2, 10.9n, 22.2n; Bennett, injured, 23-11 ¾.

MIDWEST Tom Jones, Miami, moved to fifth on all time list with 57-8½; Floyd Smith, Northern Illinois State frosh, 6-8 5/8; Jack Blackburn, OSU frosh, 4:19.5 and 9:38.8.; Rich Ferguson, Iowa, 4:17.2; Jones, 157-10

EAST Arnie Sowell has been having a lot of fun without great marks. Against Navy he ran 48.9, 46.7 relay leg, third in half, broad jumped 22-8 7/8. Against Miami he ran 1:56.9, 4:16.2, relay leg, jumped 23-0 ¾ and 5-9. Jones did 56-10 and 157-10. In the Navy meet Pitt's Alan Gunderson did 4:17.3 and 9:30.3. Other top marks include: Waters, Morgan State, 9.6; Markisohn, Princeton, 20.9; Jenkins, Villanova, 48.1; Haines, Penn, 48.5; Meyers, Prin., 48.2; Ed Kirk, Georgetown, 4:16.4; Bob Barksdale, Morgan State, 6-8½ and 6-7 ¾; Bragg, Villanova, 14-7; Grier, Penn State, 53-4; Cantello, LaSalle, 219-3½; Queens-Iona Relays, April 23: Stanfield 9.7, 9.5 in heat; Pratt 14.3; Morgan State 42.0; Pioneer Club 3:15.6; Syracuse 7:42.5; Morgan State 3:16.5. Moore, Man, 24-0; Bragg 14-0; Bantum, Man, 52-2; Barksdale, 6-7 ¾. New England Relays, April 23: Hal Connelly, 185-5¼ hammer, Dillon 181-2¼; Thomson 176-10 ¾ HT, 163-6 DT, 52-6 ¾ SP.

SOUTH Florida AAU, April 16--Watson, Florida, 9.7; Fowlkes, 23-9½; Poucher 14-0½. David Sime, Duke Frosh, April 16, 9.7, 21.1, 22-0, and 23.9 (first time tried lows). Remigino, 9.7, April 23. Jim Beatty, UNC, 9:22, 4:16.9n; Bob Jones, NCS, 1:54.2; Morris, NC, 51-3½ and 157-5½; Shankle, Duke, April 8, 23.2, 14.6, 23-0½, 6-3, 12-0. Woodlee, SC, 9.8 and 21.9; Wilson, Mary., 21.7, 48.6; Grim, M, 4:16.8; Neuman, NC, 1:55.5

OHIO STATE RELAYS, April 23: Michigan 16:09.5 (Jones 3:06, Moule 4:17.3), Pittsburgh (Sowell 2:58.5). Coleman 4:11.4, Zellers 4:11.9, Jones (Selwyn) 4:13.9, Kennedy 4:14.5. Butler 9.7. Pittsburgh 3:23 sprint medley (Sowell 1:49.2). Indiana 7:42.8, Ohio State 7:45.8. Conrardy 2:12.8 (also won 600), Len Truex 2:12.9. Glenn Davis, OSU frosh, 30.8 for 300. Kennedy 6:47.3 for $1\frac{1}{8}$ miles. Baldwin Wallace 3:19.4. Michigan 3:14.7, Pittsburgh 3:14.7 (Sowell 46.6), MSC (Gosper 46.2). Bell 24-5 $\frac{3}{4}$. Jones 57-8 $\frac{1}{4}$, Grier 54-6 $\frac{7}{8}$, Owen 54-4 $\frac{1}{2}$, Bangert 54-3 $\frac{1}{4}$, Morgan 51-8 $\frac{1}{4}$. Welbourn and Laz 14-8. Jones 156-3 $\frac{1}{2}$.

KANSAS RELAYS April 23: Smith 9.4w; Derrick, Ok. 14.3w; Santee 4:11.4. (rain); 400mH O'Conner 53.7; Allard 6-7 $\frac{1}{8}$; Ellis 24-9 $\frac{3}{4}$; Sneegas, Kansas, 217-8 $\frac{3}{8}$, Bitner 210-11 $\frac{1}{2}$; Thamm, Drake, 159-6 $\frac{1}{2}$ Neider, Kansas, 56-9 $\frac{5}{8}$; Kent Floerke, Kansas freshman, 49-0 $\frac{1}{2}$, HSJ; Podoley, Central Mich, 6340 decathlon; Texas 41.2; Texas 1:25.7; Oklahoma A&M 3:11.6; Texas 7:50.4; SptM, Oklahoma A&M 3:22.8; College SptMed, North Texas State 3:24.2; Oklahoma A&M 17:57.1.

SOUTHWEST Larry McBride, Houston, 9.4 at Lafayette, La., April 16, Without wind; Houston 41.2 and 1:26.3. Joe Hay, LSU, 218-4 $\frac{1}{2}$; Paul Miller, Kansas State, 13-7; Ronnie Pruitt, Houston, 14.7. College Station, April 19, 16mph wind, Smith 9.2, 20.4, Hollingsworth 14.0, Smallwood, Texas A&M Frosh, 22.9. Rice 71, Texas A&M 67, SMU 32: Goode, SMU 9.5w, 20.5w; Spence, R, 1:54.1; Hight, R 14.1w (injured); Hartung, A&M 23.3w; Rice 41.9, 3:16.6; Bonorder, A&M, 52-8 $\frac{1}{2}$; James, R, 13-10. Other marks: Morrow, ACC, 9.3w; Dollar, NTS, 21.4, Morrow 20.5w; Black, Arizona 48.2; Patterson, NTS, 1:52.6; Weaver, SMU, 1:54.2; Miller, SMU frosh, 6-6; James, R, 13-11; Garcia, Arizona State, 215-3 $\frac{1}{4}$.

BIG SEVEN AREA Blair, Kansas, 9.6 and 20.8; Hays, OkA&M, 9.6n, 21.2n; Mashburn 20.9n; Muncrief, OkA&M 21.4n; Mashburn 20.7nw; Dahl, Oklahoma 47.9; Schermerhorn, OA&M 48.2n; Eckhoff, OA&M 4:13.5, Bogerud, OA&M 4:14.7; Landqvist 9:23.3; Constantino, Mo, 14.3; Biberstein, Kan, 14.6; Gray, Mo, 23.4; Hardy, Colo, 24-1 $\frac{1}{8}$; Ellis, OKA&M 24-0 $\frac{3}{4}$; Higgins, Brigham Young, 219-11 $\frac{5}{8}$; Parker, Kans, 209-6 $\frac{1}{4}$.

WEST COAST Threlkeld, Cal Aggies, 9.6; King, Cal frosh, 21.3; Springbett, Oregon, 21.4; Johnson, UCLA frosh, 21.5; Ellis, UCLA, 48.0; Larabee, SC, 48.2; Warwick, Cal, 48.5; Spurrier, 1:50.1, 2:08.5 for 1000y, 2:21.3 1000m; Bowden, Cal frosh, 1:51.5; Caxper, Fresno, 1:52.9; Trader, Oxy, 1:53.7; Whitfield 1:53.6, 1:55.2; Terrill 1:54.n, Lea, 1:55.5n; Lea, 660, 1:19.6, Whitfield second; Wing, SC, 4:11.7; Ledesma, SC, 9:11.1; Hunt, UCLA, 9:18.1; Truex, SC frosh, 9:18.8; Seaman, UCLA, 9:20.6; Dellinger, Oregon, 9:21.7; Strong, Stanford, 9:25.1; Gookin, San Diego, 9:26.1n. Correction of Santa Barbara Relays hurdles: Wright, 14.3, Johnson 14.5, Jensen 14.6, Lawson, SC Fr 14.7; correction, no wind for: Nelson, Stan, 14.4; Ball, UCLA, 14.5n; Rosellini, UCLA, 14.6n; Benson, Willamette, 14.6; Maramonte, San Jose, 23.3; Shelton, SC, 6-10; correction, Santa Barbara second place was 694, not 6-7; Upshaw, Cal Fr, 24-9 $\frac{3}{4}$ (later injured); Presber, Oxy, 24-5 $\frac{1}{2}$; Gutowski, Cxy, 14-2 $\frac{1}{2}$, Carter, Oxy, 14-0; Meyer, Oxy, 56-4 $\frac{1}{2}$; Kahnert, Cal, 54-7 $\frac{1}{2}$; Drummond, UCLA, 167; Vick, UCLA, 164-6 $\frac{3}{4}$; Hoster, Oxy, 165-2; Iness, 185-4 ex; Held, 262-9 ex; Held, 249-5; Young 233-7; Long 230-7; Bugge, Stan, 217-6 $\frac{1}{4}$; Conley, Cal Tech, 218-3 $\frac{3}{4}$; Church, Oregon State, 212-0 $\frac{3}{4}$; Reiser, Oregon, 9:20.4;

HIGH SCHOOL Two new interscholastic records. Jim Brewer, 16, soph at North Phoenix High, donned pair of Adidas shoes, cleared 14-2, next week did 13-11 $\frac{1}{2}$. Charles Dumas, Negro, Centennial High, Compton, Cal, jumped 6-7 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Other top marks for the season include: Dennis, Centennial 9.6w, 9.7; 21.4. Sheffield, Port Neches, Texas, and George Dunlap, Highland Park, Texas, 21.2; King, Salinas, Cal. 48.3 (also 9.9, 21.1w, 1:58.6, later injured); Lemons, Riverside, 1:57.1; Rogers, Grossmont, Cal, 4:26; Southern, Dallas, 14.0; Curry, Fremont, Los Angeles, 19.4; Alsobrook, Galveston, 19.4; Singleton, Galena Park, Texas, 19.4; Watkins, Jordan, Los Angeles 24-1; Bullard, North Phoenix, 13-8; Milleman, Fontana, Cal, 58-0 3/8.

COMING UP Penn and Drake Relays next week-end. Next Newsletter, May 17. Send your news and comments.

WIND SPRINTS

The javelin used by Les Bitner on his 236-0 3/4 throw was just a shade light...UCLA frosh sensation Rafer Johnson holds school records at 9.8, 21.5, 14.5, 23-11 1/2, 48-3 1/4, 154-11, 191-11...Bob Seaman has his aim set on an NCAA mile championship, and the best ever mile by a sophomore--4:07.7 by Jim Newcomb, USC. Santee's best was 4:08.8...Vern Wolf, ex-SC vaulter who coaches Jim Brewer, says Jim would have made 14-4 or 14-6, except that it took 45 minutes to measure his 14-2...observers said Dumas cleared 6-7 1/2 by two inches...frosh rival of Johnson, and another decathlon prospect, is Bob Lawson of SC. Has done 14.7, 23.8, 6-4 1/2, plus ability to broad jump 22, shot 45 and discus 137. First try at javelin did 179...UCLA frosh have five relay men who have done 49.4 or better, headed by Johnson's 48.4...Squaw Valley, in the California Sierra Mountains, offers a great opportunity for a half dozen trackmen. Publicist heard theory that Spurrier benefitted by returning to sea level from Mexico City's high altitude. Resort now offers to pick up tab for six athletes who will train there long enough to conduct experiment to see if theory is right...Len Truex is back in serious training, has eyes set on 56 Olympics...Jim Brewer and Ernie Bullard are next door neighbors in Phoenix. Bullard, who has done 13-8, sadly admits he is not even the best high school vaulter in his block. They have a back yard pit...there will be no Ben Franklin invitational mile in the Penn Relays. But Adhemar da Silva will hop-step-jump...Dick Ganslen says Santee's skin actually turned blue from oxygen lack as he came down the home stretch at Texas. "One rarely sees this unless a man really puts out in a race. Considering Wes ran on a track chewed up by relays for 1 1/2 days the time was super," says Dick...Texas Coach Clyde Littlefield says they had 160 teams entered in one event at the Texas Relays, doesn't know how they will handle load in future...Russia has announced giant program of rural sports meetings in an effort to comb country for athletes, including track men. Hundreds of thousands will compete in first elimination...Jim Bailey, Australian 880 champ, is a soph at Oregon, has done 1:53.7 already. Best down under was 1:52.8 and 4:12.6n...Occidental has five men over 150 in the discus--Hester 165-2, Mathias 159-8 1/2, Kimball 151-11 1/2, Meyer 151-1, Crow 150-7...Cookie Moriya, NCAA two-mile champ from Wheaton, is ineligible this season...New York sports writers voted Arnie Sowell as the outstanding athlete of the 1955 indoor season...Lonnie Seay, Jr., 15, Granby High, Norfolk, La., did April 5 after being hit in the head with a shot...Bill Miller had been sick early in season, but is on way back now. Did 235-2 3/4 at Santa Barbara...Trojan frosh broke national frosh sprint medley record with 3:28.3.... Tom Anderson anchored in 3:54.3, also ran 47.8 leg same day...Don Bowden was disappointed with 1:51.5 half, thought first lap (55.1) too slow. Ran 48.3 relay leg same day. Plans first mile race May 7...JC 880 record holder Chuck Kirkby says he is going either to SC or UCLA... Dick Dorsey, 9.5, 20.6, says he leans toward Southern California...

NOTED WITH INTEREST

STEVE VON DEVAN, German TN, gives some 400m hurdle stats: Evolution of the present world record:

Charles Bacon, USA, 55.0, 1908; F.F. Loomis, USA, 54.0, 1920
 Sten Pettersson, Sweden, 53.8, 1925; F. Morgan Taylor, USA, 52.0, 1928
 Glenn Hardin, USA 52.0, 1932; 51.8, 1934; 50.6, 1934.
 Juriy Lituyev, USSR, 50.4, 1953.

Evolution of the 440 Yard hurdle record:

G.R.L. Anderson, England 56.8, 1910; John Norton, USA, 54.2, 1920
 David Lord Burghley, Eng. 54.2, 1927; J.A. Gibson, USA, 52.6, 1927
 Roy Cochrane, USA, 52.2, 1942; Dick Ault, USA, 52.2, 1949
 Armando Filiput, Italy, 51.9, 1950; Charlie Moore, USA, 51.9, 1952
 Charlie Moore, USA, 51.6, 1952; Juriy Lituyev, USSR, 51.3, 1954

All Time List, 400m Hurdles:

Lituyev, USSR	50.4	Patterson, USA	51.6	Aparicio, Col.	51.7
Yulin, USSR	50.5	Holling, Germany	51.6	Tisdall, Ire	51.8
Hardin, USA	50.6	MacBain, USA	51.6	Smith, USA	51.8
Moore, USA	50.7	Arifon, France	51.6	White, Ceylon	51.8
Cochrane, USA	51.1	Filiput, Italy	51.6	Kene, Eng	51.8y
Culbreath, USA	51.3	Scholfield, USA	51.7	Kirk, USA	51.9
Ault, USA	51.4	Devinney, USA	51.7	Larsson, Swe	51.9
Yoder, USA	51.4	Blackman, USA	51.7	Walker, USA	51.9
Mildh, Finland	51.5	Lunjev, USSR	51.7	Carneiro, Braz	51.9
Bonah, Germany	51.5	Gury, France	51.7	Eriksson, Swe	51.9
				Iljin, USSR	51.9

PENN RELAYS has interesting history. Oldest of them all, has been staged 60 times. First got idea in 1893 with relay race between Penn and Princeton, one mile. Two years later Penn officials were seeking gimmick to dedicate Franklin Field, picked up proposal of Frank Ellis, chairman of track committee, and worked out the relay carnival. Eight races in 1895, involving 64 athletes. Top race saw Harvard beat Penn. Other initial winners were Lafayette, Swarthmore and City College. This year there will be 90 events in two days with 3100 entrants. Penn Relays became national when Chicago sent mile relay team in 1898, won Championship of America. Became international when Oxford-Cambridge sent a four-mile team in 1914. It went two day in 1915, and that year also introduced the medley relay events. Penn invented seven of the eight relay events--440, 880, mile, two mile, four mile, sprint and distance medleys. Shuttle hurdle relay was added in 1926 after touring Penn squad saw it in England. Penn is only school to have won a title in all eight events. Penn has won 51½ titles all told.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA school records are awesome: 9.3 Mel Patton; 20.2 Patton; 46.6 Hubie Kerns and Jim Lea; 1:52 Bob Pruitt; 4:07.7 Jim Newcomb; 9:04.6 Leroy Weed; 13.5 Dick Attlessey; 22.7 Earl Vickery; 6-11 Ernie Shelton; 25-8 7/8, Al Olson; 14-11 Earle Meadows and Bill Sefton; 59-2 3/8 Parry O'Brien; 190-0 7/8, Sim Iness; 234-3¼, Bob Peoples; 40.5; 1:24; 3:09.4n.

ARGENTINA MARATHONERS are good, says Ross McWhirter of Athletics World, because of an enthusiast named Alexander Stirling. Since 1932 Argentina has won Olympics twice (Zabala 1932, Cabrera 1948), gotten second, fifth and sixth. A Scot, Stirling went to the Argentine in 1923, looked for way to keep up interest in athletics, took instructors course, appointed in charge of reformatory, found and developed Juan-Carlos Zabala (later adopted by Stirling), developed interest, got results. Takes no credit for Cabrera, but has handled Gorno (second 1952 Olympics).