

San Mateo Pulls Track Surprise, Takes Title

By JACK CLARK

Close competition rather than sensational marks featured the North Coast Sectional track and field championship yesterday in Edwards Stadium in Berkeley, and San Mateo pulled a surprise to capture the meet from 500 of the top high school athletes in Northern California.

Upon the speedy legs of Sprinter Chester Lax and the husky arm of Shot Putter George Cross, San Mateo piled up 27 points to nose out Piedmont with 24.

Piedmont had a chance to overtake San Mateo up to the final event, but George Mattos of Pacific Grove vaulted 12 feet 4 inches to win over Tommy Adams of the Highlanders and save the meet for San Mateo.

Leading the field by a full 36 yards, Ray Mason, long legged colored quarter miler from Richmond, equalled the 440-yard mark of 50.4 set by Cleary of Burlingame in 1935. Running the new abbreviated low hurdle event, Don Brooks of Mt. Diablo was clocked at :20.5.

In the class B events, three new records were set, another tied, and times established in two events held for the first time.

Irwin Karp, member of the Hollister class B championship team, tied the record in the 75-yard dash in 8 seconds flat and broke the mark in the 150-yard dash in seconds flat.

SHOT PUT RECORD

Philip Chapman of Acacoles a new mark in the class B pound shot put with a heave feet 11½ inches, and the Alameda lightweight 440-yard relay composed of Simeon Cortez, Sachio Takeda, Yas Sugiyama and Dale Koby clipped a full second off the mark in 45 flat.

San Mateo captured the varsity title when Lax won the 100-yard dash in 10.2 and placed second behind Billy Langan of Piedmont at :22.4 in the 220-yard dash and Cross grunted the 12-pound shot put out 53 feet 3 inches.

VARSIITY RESULTS

HIGH HURDLES—Brooks (MD), Manchester (PA), Bartlett (So), tie for fourth between Harper (Tam) and Smith (MD). Time, :15.2.

DISCUS—Johnson (Pitt), Roseme (So), Hokanson (R), Schefer (S.Ro), Richardson (MV). Distance, 130¼.

880—Butler (EC), Naylander (Alb), Cohen (Lin), Gariby (Sal), Speers (MD). Time, 2:01.5.

100—Lax (SM), Castro (Holl), Langan (Pd), Robinson (V), Johnson (Pitt). Time, :10.2.

440—Mason (R), Bly (S.Cr), Dunkel (Alha), tie for fourth between Giddings (P) and Welsh (Burl). Time, :50.4 (ties record).

220—Langan (P), Lax (SM), Hokanson (Hay), Henderson (B), Graham (Sq). Time, :22.4.

LOW HURDLES—Brooks (MD), Johnson (Tam), Patterson (PG), McBain (SJ), Manchester (PA). Time, :20.5 (new record).

MILE—Barry (Carm), Kirkpatrick (R), tie for third between Richeson (S.Raf) and Liston (Lin), Emerson (MD). Time, 4:33.2.

SHOT PUT—Cross (SM), Lavelle (AO), Richardson (MV), Hokanson (R), Caughlieri (Calis). Distance, 53:3.

BROAD JUMP—Gallagher (Val), Young (Alb), Perry (S.Ro), Goff (Lin), Flores (Mont). Distance, 21:5.

RELAY—Berkeley, San Mateo, Hollister, Mt. Diablo, Piedmont. Time, 1:33.3.

HIGH JUMP—Milliman (Pied), tie for second between Johnson (Pitt), Blasdale (Tam), tie for fourth between Larkin (PG) and Bergstad (Pet). Height, 6:1.

POLE VAULT—Mattos (PG), tie for second between Culp (B) and Adams (B), tie for fourth between Russell (SM), Brightwell (PG) and Estes (Tam). Height, 12:4.

FINAL SCORE—VARSIITY—San Mateo 27; Piedmont 24½, Mt. Diablo 21½, Richmond 18, Berkeley 14, Pacific Grove 13½, Pittsburg 13, Vallejo 10, Albany 10, Carmel 8, El Cerrito 8, Hollister 8, Sonoma 8, Abraham Lincoln 7½, Palo Alto 6, Acacoles 6, Santa Cruz 5, Santa Rosa 5, Mt. View 4, Tomales 4, Alhambra 3, Hayward 3, San Rafael 2½, Jefferson 2½, Salinas 2, San Jose 2, Calistoga 1, Monterey 1, Sequoia 1, Burlingame ½.

CLASS—Hollister 22½, San Jose 15½, Pittsburg 14, Mt. Diablo 13, Sequoia 13, Acacoles 12½, Mt. View 12, Monterey 12, San Mateo 11, Richmond 10½, Alameda 10, Calistoga 9, Fremont 9, Piedmont 8, King City 7, Santa Cruz 6, San Rafael 4, Burlingame 3, Pacific Grove 3, Vallejo 3, Tomales 2, Palo Alto 2, Alhambra 2, Campbell 2, El Cerrito 1, Petaluma 1, Salinas 1.

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ATTA BOY PAUL—The pride of Paly, Paul Bowen, churns his merry way for the camera. Bowen broke his own mile record by 2.8 seconds as he breezed the distance in 4:35.8 to set a new school mark. Bowen completed his third year of running for the Vikes and the next time he puts on his spikes will be for the Stanford Frosh.

surprise third in the PAL.

Most colorful figure on the team was Paul Bowen. Bowen, a small, red-headed soph, churned a 4:38 mile to knock seven full seconds off the school record. He has two more years to gun for the PAL record of 4:30. In the Northern California meet, he ran for the lightweights and smashed the 1320 record, with a scintillating 3:22. Other consistent winners included sprinter Bud Traina, weight-man Len Mayrhofer, and Bob Shipkey and Dave Cochran in the 440 and 880. For the lightweights Rex Brush in the 30's high-jump, Tom Rowe and Oli Holsti, and Bernie Leung for the 20's also won consistently. Next year's team should be spectacular since only Traina, Mayrhofer, and Leung are graduating from the above list. Traina will be replaced in the sprints by Johnny Betten-court and Skip Crist. Mayrhofer, by Rudy Feldman and John Anderson and Leung's place on the 20's will be taken by a mob of sophs coming over this year from Jordan.

Paul Bowen sets new track record

Sophomore Paul Bowen of Palo Alto set a new record in the 1320 yard run in the B division of the North Coast section track championships held Saturday at the Edwards Field in Berkeley.

Bower navigated the distance in 3:22.9 in setting the new mark.

Teammate Danny Allen grabbed a tie for first in Class B pole vault with an 11 foot $\frac{3}{4}$ inch vault.

Bowen and Allen accounted for 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ points to put Paly in fifth place in the team scoring. Campbell High won this division.

In the varsity class Chester Lax of San Mateo was the outstanding star by winning the 100, 220, typing for first in the high jump and running a leg on the winning relay team.

Tom Liston of Lincoln High was nipped in the mile when Bob Barry of Carmel caught and passed him in the stretch. Winning time was 4:33.0.

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Bowen, Allen Win NCS 1320, Pole Vault; Thinclads Enter Team in San Jose Relays

Paul Bowen, Paly's sophomore sensation, shattered the North Coast Section lightweight 1320 yard record as he fought his way through a star-studded field to win by a foot in 3:22.9, in one of the best races of the NCS finals at Berkeley last Saturday.

Paul, who broke the Paly school record with a 4:22.6 mile to place third in the PAL finals, had to battle his way through 14 other crack runners to cross the tape ahead of Hauschild of Salinas. PAL champion and record holder Jack Weed of San Jose was handed the first defeat of his track career, placing third.

Another Paly athlete who has been competing for the varsity in dual meets, Danny Allen, managed to grab a tie for first in the lightweight pole vault, an 11-foot $\frac{3}{8}$ inch vault.

In the PAL finals, May 6, Paly placed third in the varsity class behind Lincoln and San Mateo. Second places went to Len Mayrhofer, (shot), and Owen Hackett, (high hurdles). Third place winners were Buddy Traina (century and broad jump), Rich Thiel (low hurdles), Bob Shipkey (440 yd. dash), and Bowen (mile).

Thirties high jumper Rex Brush

won his event with a leap of 5 ft. 7 in.

Last event on the schedule for Hod Ray's cindermen is the San Jose Relays this Saturday. One of Hod's top entries is the 2-mile team of Dave Cochran, Wendy Gerken, Bob Whitford, and Bowen, with Bud Minard as alternate.

Other relay teams: mile, Malcolm Clark, Spec Mitchell, Dick Stark, and Bob Shipkey; 440 and 880, Buddy Traina, Rich Thiel, Gordy Hespelt, and Stan Pence; shuttle relay, Thiel, Howard Whisler, Mitchel, and Hackett.

Richmond Wins Crown; Lax Stars

By Don Selby

Although they had to give up the spotlight to versatile Chester Lax, the San Mateo Bearcats' speedster, Richmond High School's Oilers won the unlimited team championship in the annual North Coast Section (California Inter-scholastic Federation) track and field meet at Edwards Stadium, Berkeley, yesterday.

Lax, who paced his team to the meet title last year, did even more this year, only to see the Oilers edge the Bearcats, 32 3/4 to 30 2/3.

RELAY FOUL.

Lax defended his 100 yard dash title with a two yard victory over Erwin Karp of Hollister in ten seconds flat. Then he bagged the 220 in :22.6, tied for first with Pittsburg's John Henry Johnson in the high jump at five feet eleven inches and ran a lap on the winning relay team. All that gave him an individual total of 22 points.

Actually, San Mateo finished second to Richmond in the relay. However, the Oilers were disqualified for running out of their lane, and the Bearcats were awarded the victory. The unfortunate victim of the episode was the Pittsburg team, which failed to place after Johnson had been fouled. That probably cost the Pirates third place.

Behind Lax in the brilliant parade of individual standouts came a pair of double winners—Chuck Hokanson, the Richmond pace setter, and Enard Johnson, who led Tamalpais High to third place at 26 1-3 points. Pittsburg collected 21 1/2, Lincoln of San Jose 20 and Carmel 10.

Tam's Enard Johnson upset Pittsburg's John Henry Johnson in the 180 low hurdles in the record time of :20.3, eclipsing the mark set last year by Don Brooks at Mt. Diablo by two-tenths of a second. That was the only unlimited division record broken. The distance was new in 1947.

Enard Johnson won the high

sticks, too, with his teammate, Steve Harper, second, in :15.3.

BARRY IN MILE.

Pittsburg's Johnson also was upset in the discus, placing fourth. Hokanson won the event with a toss of 140 feet 8 1/2 inches. Hokanson's other win was the shot put, which he took with a heave of 50 feet 11 1/2 inches. His were Richmond's only first places.

What figured to be a good mile duel between Lincoln's Tom Liston and Carmel's Bob Barry, defending champion, turned into a twenty yard triumph for Barry in 4:33 flat.

Records fell all over the place in the Class B competition, which Campbell won with 21 points to 17 1/2 for Antioch and 16 each for Berkeley and San Mateo.

Harvey Carr of Alameda and Chuck Hutchinson of Antioch shared one when each leaped five feet eight inches in the high jump. Louis McCall of Berkeley took the 75 yard dash in 8 seconds flat to tie another. Don Laurino of Santa Clara set a 660 yard standard of 1:26.7. Paul Bowen of Palo Alto inked in a record of 3:22.9 in the 1320 yard run, and James Simpson of Analy established a mark of :37.4 in the 330 yard run trials.

The first three place winners in each unlimited event qualified for the State CIF meet to be held at Berkeley May 29, where representatives of eight sections, including San Francisco and Oakland, will compete.

Gaels Meet Vallejo

The St. Mary's Gaels meet the Vallejo Merchants on the St. Mary's diamond at Moraga today.

North Coast Summary

UNLIMITEDS

Discus—Hokanson (Rich), Gordon (Berk), Scheidecker (Analy), Johnson (Pitt), Robison (Alha); 140-8 1/2.
 120 High Hurdles—Johnson (Tam), Harper (Tam), Witham (Rich), Warner (Carmel), Smith (Hay); :15.3.
 880—Cohen (Linc), Casey (Ant), tie between Nules (Rich) and Wilkinson (K. City), DeSalvatore (Jeff); 2:01.3.
 100—Lax (S. Mateo), Karp (Holl), Ellis (Val J. H.), Mendenhall (Linc), Cortez (Ala); :10.0.
 440—McClain (Pitt), Moss (PG), Miller (Napa J H), Deal (EC), Ullsh (Berk); :51.2.
 220—Lax (S. Mateo), Hudson (Rich), Hurburt (Rich), Karp (Holl), Redig (Burl); :22.6.
 180 Low Hurdles—E. Johnson (Tam), J. H. Johnson (Pitt), Hatzepillar (Linc), Cameron (S. Rosa), Thomas (Alca); :20.3. (New record; old record :20.5, by Don Brooks, Mt. Diablo, 1947.)
 Mile—Barry (Carm), Liston (Linc), Beers (Rich), Roach (Berk), Stevens (EC); 4:33.
 Shot Put—Hokanson (Rich), Edelman (Mt. Diablo), Brown (Seq), Beaver (S. Clara), Villierme (Acal); 50-11 1/2.
 Broad Jump—Chukes (Val), Rickard (S. Cruz), Monser (Ala), Redig (Burl), Thomas (Acal); 22-1 1/2.
 High Jump—Tie between Lax (S. Mateo) and J. H. Johnson (Pitt); tie for third between Kelly (PG) and Neibhor (Acal); tie for fifth among Dixon (Rich), Noble (EC), Morgal (Ala) and Keppler (Mt. Diablo); 5-11.
 880 Relay—San Mateo, Alameda, Acalanes, Lincoln, Santa Rosa; 1:33.7.
 Pole Vault—Tie for first among Miller (S. Rosa), Eyges (EC) and Davis (Tam); Atkinson (S. Jose); tie for fifth among Johnson (Pied), Tofflemire (Acal), Edgerly (S. Mateo), Kammerer (Burn), Stringari (Wat) and Burget (St. Diablo); 11-8 3/4.
 Final Scores—Richmond 32 3/4, San Mateo 30 3/4, Tamalpais 26 1/2, Pittsburg 21 1/2, Lincoln 20, Carmel 10, Alameda 9 1/2, Tealanes 8 3/4, El Cerrito 8 7/12, Santa Rosa 8 1/2, Berkeley 8, Vallejo 8, Pacific Grove 7 1/2, Hollister 7, Mt. Diablo

5 5/12, Santa Cruz 5, Antioch 5, Burlingame 3 1/6, Analy 3, Napa Junior High 3, Sequoia 3, Vallejo Junior High 3, King City 2 1/2, Santa Clara 2, San Jose 2, Jefferson 1, Hayward 1, Alhambra 1, Piedmont 1/6, Watsonville 1/6.

CLASS B

High Jump—Carr (Ala.) tied with Hutchinson (Ant.); tie between Short (Carm.) and Gardner (Pitt.); tie between Morenc (Sun.) and Williamson (Camp.); 5 ft., 8 in. (new record).
 Pole Vault—Tie between Allen (P.A.) and Nott (Analy); Dillard (Sal.); tie between Wiser (P.) and Deem (Linc.); 11 ft. 3/4 in.
 Shotput—Cassayre (Napa), Righter (Burl.), Lynn (Ant.), Dayton (Camp.), Taigo (Hay.); 52 ft. 8 1/4 in.
 Broad Jump—Mahany (Seq.), McNeil (Analy), York (Camp.), Kuwatani (Tam.), McClintock (S.C.); 20 ft. 6 1/4 in.
 75—McCall (Berk.), Lanza (S. Mateo), Hashimoto (Wat.), Yarbough (S. Ro.), Haramaki (Ala.); :8.0 (ties record).
 660—Laurino (S. Clara), Law (S. Rafael), Ross (Camp.), Whitsel (Burl.), Cuffman (Napa J. H.); 1:26.7 (new record).
 150—McCall (Berke.), Hashimoto (Wat.), York (Camp.), Lanza (S. Mateo), Haramaki (Ala.); :15.5.
 330—Lynn (Ant.), Yarbough (S. Rosa), Manning (Camp.), Simpson (Analy), Hopkins (Wat.); :37.8. (Simpson set record of :37.4 in trials.)
 120 Low Hurdles—Fitch (S. Mateo), Tohmson (Rich.), Chew (E.C.), Sullivan (Val.), Chin (Wat.); :14.2.
 1320—Bowen (P.A.), Hauschild (Sal.), Weed (S.J.), Leblanc (Hay.), Anctil (E.C.); 3:22.9 (new record).
 440 Relay—Tie between Richmond and Campbell; Santa Rosa, Monterey, San Mateo; :45.6.
 Final scores—Campbell 21, Antioch 17 1/2, Berkeley 16, San Mateo 16, Palo Alto 14 1/2, Analy 13 1/2, Richmond 11 1/2, Santa Rosa 10, Watsonville 10, Santa Clara 9, Alameda 8 1/2, Napa 8, Salinas 8, Sequoia 8.