

Local Spikes

Star in Meet

Hillsdale High school's track team found that a lengthy trip through a driving rainstorm was no handicap to good performance in the King City Invitational track meet Saturday.

The Knights, who almost turned back before reaching the sun-bathed track, came through with some good performances in the big invitational prep meet.

Leading the locals entries was Hillsdale miler Ralph Likens, who set a new meet record with a winning time of 4:22.8 in the open mile run. Two of his teammates, Marcel Hetu and Brent Harnish, finished fifth and sixth in the 880 with respective clockings of 2:00.6 and 2:00.9. Terra Nova's Larry Vincent was fourth in the race with a 2:00.0 clocking.

Hillsdale's Mike Hickey got off the best discus throw of any Mid-Peninsula league performer this season with a 147-4 toss.

Aragon quarter - miler Roger Swinden took a fourth in his specialty in 51.5 and Cliff Glidden was second in the shot put with a heave of 53-3.

Jefferson, Westmoor, and Burlingame also competed in the meet.

Invitational Again One of Top State Prep Attractions

Scoring points in seven of 13 events, Monterey captured their second straight varsity championship in the 23rd King City Invitational Track Meet held Saturday at War Memorial Field. The well balanced Toreadors scored 27 points to 21½ for second place Pittsburg.

Pittsburg gained some solace by winning the lightweight division in a waltz. The Pirate "B" team amassed 32 points, 14½ more than runnerup Westmoor.

Over 450 athletes from 39 schools competed in the huge Junior Chamber of Commerce sponsored event.

The star-studded field rewrote 12 Invitational records and matched two others despite not-so-good weather conditions. Although the rains held off, a strong wind out of the west slowed the sprinters and hurdlers in the afternoon finals and hindered pole vault contestants. That so many records were smashed was testimony to the fine condition of the track and jumping areas.

Team balance earned Monterey the class "A" trophy. Only Toreador first place winner was John Crivello in the 100-yard dash and

he had to share the spot with Roy Vavak of Santa Maria who finished in a dead heat with the Monterey speedster. The Toreadors relay team also earned a first place tie—deadlocking with Pittsburg in the record breaking time of 1:31.9.

For the first time since the meet was revived by the Jaycees in 1956, King City drew a blank in the varsity division. The Ponies, thanks to a third place by Steve Garcia in the pole vault and a fourth by Dennis Puccinelli in the 660, scored five points.

However, six Blue 'n White competitors came up with their personal all-time best marks. Puccinelli's 1:26.4 clocking in the 660 was a new school record.

Although unplaced in the mile, Tom Thayer was timed in 4:46.5, the fifth fastest mark in KCHS track history. In the same event,

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★ ★ ★ CLASS "A"

Shot Put—Bob Brannen (LG), 53'3"; Cliff Glidden (Aragon), 53'9¼"; Jeff Edwards (PA), 53'5½"; Jim Brown (NS), 48'11½"; Rich Waller (Jeff), 48'5½".

Broad Jump—Albert Lea (Pitt), 23'7¼"; Willie Wright (Mont), 22'6"; Gene Cabading (Wat), 22'½"; Jim Turrentine (LG), 20'11"; John Alexander (PA), 20'10".

120-yd. HH—Paul Nelson (NS), 14.8; Mike Jackson (Pitt), 15.1; John Carson (SM), 15.6; Gene Kunkel (Bell), 15.7; Dave Rose (NS), 15.8.

880—Mike Coley (SM), 1:55.5; Bill Skifavara (Oceana), 1:58.0; Bob Mack (Bell), 1:58.4; Dan Vincent (Terra Nova), 2:00.0; Marcelle Hetu (Hill), 2:00.6.

100—tie-Roy Vavak (SM) and John Crivello (Mont), 10.1; Bill Fairbrand (LG), 10.2; tie-Bruce Buckner (Soquel) and Ed Starnes (SLO), 10.3.

440—Jerry Haas (Soquel), 50.8; Lindsay Dorman (Mont), 51.2; Henry Hopkins (Mont), 51.3; Roger Swiden (Aragon), 51.7; Al Stevens (Jeff), 51.8.

180-yd. LH—Albert Lea (Pitt), 20.2; Paul Nelson (NS), 20.3; Gene Cabading (Wat), 20.6; Ron Verette (Awalt), 21.3; Mike Jackson (Pitt), 21.4.

220—Bill Fairband (LG), 22.5; Roy Vavak (SM), 22.5; John Benz (Pioneer), 22.8; Jack Richards (Wat), 22.9; Henry Hopkins (Mont), 23.1.

Mile—Ralph Likens (Hill), 4:23.0; Bob Crispin (PG), 4:27.7; John Casidy (St. Francis), 4:31.8; Al Russell (Lin), 4:33.0; Bob Hernandez (Terra Nova), 4:35.6.

Discus—Burt Marks (Leigh), 166'5¼"; John Reed (Mont), 166'3"; Bob Brannen (LG), 162'4"; Al Mullen (Awalt), 149'2¾"; Jim Small (NS), 148'5¼".

High Jump—Tyrone Powell (Madera), 6'5¾"; Frankie Davies (Madera), 5'11¾"; John David (NS), 5'11"; John Reed (Mont), 5'11"; Gene Strouse (Soquel), 5'11"—determined by fewest misses.

Pole Vault—Jim Eshelman (Cubberly), 13'1¾"; Jack McLeskey (Aragon), 12'6"; Jerry Pyle (SM), 12'6"; Robert Oaks (Pitt), 12'; Dick Barkley (PA), 12'—determined by fewest misses.

880-yd. Relay—tie-Pittsburg and Monterey, 1:31.9; Cubberly, 1:32.0; tie-San Luis Obispo, Watsonville

Dozen Records Broken; Two Others Tied

Whoever said "records are made to be broken" surely must have had the King City Invitational in mind. Despite annoying winds, heavy skies and the absence of several "big names" 12 new records were written into the book Saturday and two more equalled.

Seven of the new standards were established in the varsity division. Five lightweight "bests" were smashed and one record in each class tied.

Records in both Class "A" distance races went by the boards. Mike Coley of Santa Maria was clocked in 1:55.5 for the 880 to erase the 1:56.0 mark set by Robin Ruble in 1959. Another 1959 record, Dave Boore's 4:26.0 mile, also was shattered. Ralph Likens of Hillsdale shaved a full three seconds off Boore's mark.

New standards were also written in all three varsity jumping events. Pittsburg's Albert Lea soared 23'7³/₄" to eclipse the 1961 record of 23'3" set by Norman Wood of Madera.

Tyrone Powell of Madera added 3¹/₂ inches to the high jump standard as he climbed over 6'5³/₄" to rub out the 6'2¹/₄" mark set by Norman Norris by Watsonville in 1960.

In the pole vault Jim Eschelman of Cubberly negotiated 13'1³/₄". The former record, 13'1¹/₄", was held jointly by Don Brockett of Pittsburg (1960) and Claude Schmidt of Santa Cruz (1962).

Another varsity records was in the shot put where Bob Branzen of Los Gatos pushed the 12-pound iron ball 58'3" to wipe out the 1961 mark of 57 feet established by King City's Don Schmidt.

Final Class "A" mark was in the 880-yard relay where Monterey and Pittsburg, running in different heats, deadlocked in 1:31.9, a tenth of a second faster than the old record set by Salinas last year.

Roy Vavak matched the varsity 220 mark of 21.7 in a morning trial heat. He joins Steve Firenze of Serra (1961) in the record book.

Pacific Grove's John Johnson had his name written into the Class "B" record book twice. His tremendous 23'9¹/₄" broad jump out-dated the 22'10¹/₂" leap of Norman Wood of Madera in 1960. Johnson also wrote "finis" to another Wood mark as he zoomed through a 7.8 75-yard dash in his morning trial. This time was equalled by Jim Cook of Aragon in another heat.

Bob Burns of Bellarmine clipped a full six seconds off the 1,320 record with a sensational clocking of 3:14.6. The old standard belonged to Bert Stringer of Santa Clara and was set in 1959.

KING CITY TESTS

North County Kids Impress in Relays

Hillsdale's tracksters, not believing in vacations, move to the Carlmont Relays this Saturday to face Northern California's prep elite.

Entered at Carlmont will be Berkeley, Castlemont, Los Altos, Richmond, and the host Scots. Hillsdale's Knights will be a longshot—at best.

Coach Plato Yanicks and his spikers just returned from last weekend's King City Invitational, where both Hillsdale and Bill Larson's Aragon squad had their best boys in competition, along with Westmoor and Terra Nova.

IN THIS case, "best" can be taken quite literally. Hillsdale miler Ralph Likens clocked 4:22.8 to win the 5,280-foot event—and listen to this:

Likens' time not only is the third best in Northern California this season, but also (according to the U.S. Track and Field News) third best nationally. Ralph ran 4:23.1 last year, but wasn't a winner in that outing.

Best prep time nationally this year belongs to Wilcox' sophomore Mike Ryan, with 4:22.1. San Carlos' Jim McNutt has clocked 4:22.6.

Bob Tavenner established a new Hillsdale Class C broad jump standard at King City, touching down at 18-3 $\frac{3}{4}$. Junior Mike Hickey placed

seventh in discus competition with 147-4, an MPL best.

ARAGON'S Cliff Glidden finished second in the shot put and Roger Swiden ranked fourth in the quarter-mile. B's sprinter Jim Cook showed well for the Dons.

Terra Nova's Dan Vincent picked up a fourth-place in the half-mile, with 2:00.1. Two more Hillsdale athletes impressed in the 880 — Marcel Hetu was fifth (2:00.6) and Brent Harnish sixth (2:00.9).

Varsity winner at King City was Pittsburg High.

Kent Herkenrath's Westmoor B's surged to a second-place finish at King City with 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ points to Pittsburg's 32. Aragon was third with 15, while Awalt got up for fourth with 13. Burlingame tallied 7 points.

TWO OF Herkenrath's high-potential kids, Dennis Tracy and Roy Pinelli, both juniors, tied meet records last Saturday. Tracy won the 660-yard run in 1:25.7. Pinelli ran the 75 dash in 7.8 to win his heat. But he was nipped in the finals by a whisker. Little Roy also won the 150-yard sprint in 15 seconds flat.

Tracy, Pinelli, Bruce Herald and Nick Karres took second in the B's 440-yard relay in 45.5. Pittsburg was on top.

North Peninsula also got commendable efforts from Terra Nova's Bob Wedemeyer (13.9 in winning the 120 hurdles), Oceana's Bob Skifraurs (second in the 880 at 1:58), Terra Nova's Bob Hernandez (fifth in the mile, 4:34) and Westmoor's soph Bob Beukers (seventh in the varsity mile).

record was wiped

Rojas skimmed high hurdles in Jerry Wilkinson set mark—9.3—in 1957.

He projected the put 50'7", 4 $\frac{1}{2}$

CLASS "B"

Discus—Dave Himenez (Awalt), 130'10"; Gary Yoshinuba (Mont), 129'4"; Dennis Sheehan (Aragon), 123'5½"; Bob Littell (PA), 120'11½"; Art Buntin (Salinas), 119'11".

High Jump—Don Pierce (Central Jr. High), 5'8"; George Lawson (Pitt), 5'7"; Bucky Harris (NS), 5'7"; R. C. Foster (SLO), 5'7"; Michael Tigson (Madera), 5'5¾"—determined by fewer misses.

Pole Vault — Vic Weckeiriez (Cubberly), 12'3¾"; Don Evan (Pitt), 11'11"; Steve Garcia (King City), 11'11"; Don Knutson (Oceana), 11'6"; Steve Weed (PA), 11'6"—determined by fewer misses.

70-yd. HH—Jim Rojas (Wat), 9.2; Frank Carriago (Salinas), 9.3; Steve Weed (PA), 9.4; Firdie White (Jeff), 9.5; Conneil Toliver (Madera), 9.5.

660—Dennis Tracy (West), 1:25.7; Ike Gayfield (Pitt), 1:26.1; Bill Rossi (Burlingame), 1:26.4; Dennis Puccinelli (King City), 1:26.4; Dave Maxwell (PA), 1:28.6.

75—John Johnson (PG), 7.9; Roy Pinelli (West), 8.0; Jim Cook (Aragon), 8.1; Ken Anderson (LG), 8.3; Bob Weydemuller (Terra Nova), 8.3.

330—Randy Mapstead (Carmel), 36.4; Harry Benjamin (Mont), 36.8; Don McLain (Pitt), 36.9; Nat Handy (Cubberly), 37.2; Mike Jacobs (Burlingame), 37.3.

120-yd. LH—Bob Weydemuller (Terra Nova), 13.9; Conneil Toliver (Pitt), 13.9; Pete Wilson (Awalt), 14.2; Steve Weed (PA), 14.3; Jess Bulatao (Jeff), 14.3.

150—Roy Pinelli (West), 15.1; Jim Cook (Aragon), 15.3; Harry Benjamin (Mont), 15.8; Dwight Butler (Pitt), 15.9; Jerry Homes (SLO), 15.9.

Shot Put—Dennis Sheehan (Aragon), 50'7"; John Marks (Leigh), 47'2¾"; Bob Shaw (Awalt), 45'11½"; Bob Littell (PA), 44'8¼"; Jim Noghera (Gonzales), 43'11¼".

1320—Bob Burns (Bellarmine), 3:14.6; Paul Bates (PA), 3:19.5; Mike Gould (Salinas), 3:19.6; Sherman Carter (Central Jr. High), 3:21.0; Mark Doswell (Burlingame), 3:23.3.

Broad Jump — John Johnson (PG), 23'9¼"; Don McClain (Pitt), 22'10½"; Daniel Crump (Madera), 21'10½"; Pete Wilson (Awalt), 21'3½"; George Lawson (Pitt), 21'2½".

440-yd. Relay — Pittsburg, 45.3; tie - Westmoor and Watsonville, 45.5; North Salinas, 45.6; Burlingame, 45.9.

CLASS "A" STANDINGS

Monterey, 27; Pittsburg, 21½; Santa Maria, 20½; Los Gatos, 18; North Salinas, 16; Aragon, 10; Madera, 9; Watsonville, 9; Cubberly, 8; Soquel, 7½; Hillsdale, 6; Leigh, 5; Bellarmine, 5; Palo Alto, 5; Awalt, 4; Oceana, 4; Pacific Grove, 4; St. Francis, 3; Terra Nova, 3; Pioneer, 3; San Luis Obispo, 2½; Jefferson, 2; Lincoln (SJ), 2.

CLASS "B" STANDINGS

Pittsburg, 32; Westmoor, 17½; Aragon, 15; Palo Alto, 15; Awalt, 13; Monterey, 11; Pacific Grove, 10; Watsonville, 8½; Salinas, 8; Central Jr. High, 7; Cubberly, 7; Terra Nova, 6; Burlingame, 6; North Salinas, 5; King City, 5; Carmel, 5; Bellarmine, 5; Leigh, 4; Madera, 4; San Luis Obispo, 3; Jefferson, 3; Los Gatos, 2; Oceana, 2; Gonzales, 1.

ABBREVIATIONS

Bell — Bellarmine; Hill — Hillsdale; Jeff—Jefferson; Lin—Lincoln (SJ); LG—Los Gatos; Mont—Monterey; NS—North Salinas; PG—Pacific Grove; PA—Palo Alto; Pitt—Pittsburg; SLO—San Luis Obispo; SM—Santa Maria; Wat—Watsonville; West—Westmoor.