

Of course it all depends on your point of view, but to a goodly gathering of Mariners Saturday's Coast Conference Junior College track meet at the College of Marin was as exciting and close a track meet as they had ever seen.

If you were from Menlo Junior College, it was commonplace, a walk away, almost boring—for you had a final score of $78\frac{1}{2}$ points, more than twice as many as any other school, more than all the other schools combined.

But if you were from the College of Marin or Hartnell College, you were holding your breath until the last event, the relay, where Marin grabbed a second place and a $33\frac{1}{2}$ to $32\frac{1}{2}$ edge for second place. East Contra Costa Junior College took fourth with $8\frac{1}{2}$ points.

With the discus and the relay left to complete, score between the two schools was tied at $30\frac{1}{2}$ - $30\frac{1}{2}$. First three places in the platter went to Menlo men and a fourth went to Contra Costa, Marin and Hartnell were still tied.

With everyone standing, the relay started, four men, with a quarter mile each. George Wilson and Dave Stettler were each kept a steady fourth place, but were behind Hartnell. Then Mill Valley's Jerry Kobil steadily began to pick up and passed the Hartnell man in the third lap, giving anchor man Bill Fink inches head start.

It was neck and neck between Marin's Bill Fink and Hartnell's Millslage all the way around. Fink led by a yard coming into the stretch but slowly saw his margin fade as his opponent taxed his last bit of strength for a finish burst. Then it was over as the ex-San Rafael High school all-American boy beat his way in for the meet-winning three points.

Almost as an anti-climax, iron man Fink got the individual high point man trophy for the meet, scoring $13\frac{1}{4}$ points for his part in the relay, a first in the broad jump at 20 feet $8\frac{3}{8}$ inches, a second in both hurdle events, and a tie for third in the high jump.

The whole course of the meet was set after three events, the mile, high jump and shot put—scores were $14\frac{1}{2}$ - $14\frac{1}{2}$. The shot put was the only event that the Oakes failed to score in, with Marin's Gavin Southerland taking a first at 42 feet $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches, Burton of Hartnell taking a second, and Beedle and Funk of the Tars coming in to clean up a total of eight points.

The 440, the mile, and the hun-

dred had it at 16½-14½ for Hartnell.

Fink's close second in the high sticks and a third in the half mile by dependable Ray Lewis tied it again at 21½-21½. The broad jump put Marin ahead by five, but the low hurdles and the two mile knotted it again, 30½-30½—and that's where we came in.

Records, all set originally last year in the first conference meet a Hartnell, were set in the 880, both hurdle events, two mile, and tied in the 220.

The summary:

Mile run—Shafer (Me), Cookson (H), Lewis (M), Barstad (H) 4:45.5.

High jump—Bowen (Me), Ballard (H), tie Fink (M) and McIntosh (H) 6' 1".

Shot put—Southerland (M), Burton (H), Beedle (M), Fink (M) 42' 5¾".

440 yard dash—McCormick (Me),

Millslagle (H), Wilson (M), Kobl (M) :51.6.

100 yard dash—Mullen (Me), Norvick (Me), Matthews (M), Ikeda (H) 10.1.

120 yard high hurdles — Engel (Me), Fink (M), Montieth (Me), Adams (H) 15.8.

880 yard run—Christianson (Me), Cookson (H), Lewis (M), Herrimann (H) 2:05.0.

220 yard dash—McCormick (Me), Mullen (Me), McCallum (CCE), Ikeda (H) 22.0.

Broad jump—Fink (M), Bowen (Me), Coulter (CCE), McMahon (Me) 20' 8¾".

Pole vault — Crook (Me), tie Cramer (CCE), and Saxby (Me) 11' 6".

Two mile—Dyer (H), Alloto (H), Shafer (Me), Lindell (M) 10:26.9.

220 yard low hurdles—Engel (Me), Fink (M), Montieth (Me), Winter (H) 25.3.

Discus — Condos (Me), Bowen (Me), Goldberg (Me), Talbot (CCE) 133' 9".

Relay — Menlo, Marin, Harnell, Contra Costa.