

EL CENTRO BOY SHINING STAR

Breaks Two World Marks: Peterson of Pomona Is Winner of 2nd 880

Among the four new records which the Chaffey Invitational track meet claimed today after the sixth annual classic had ended Saturday at Ontario were two world intercollegiate marks in the hurdles set by Leroy Kirkpatrick, the star chattered, husky El Centro high school junior.

One was a tie for a world mark of 24.4 seconds in the low hurdles, and the second a brand new mark of 14.1 seconds in the high barriers, breaking the record of 14.7 seconds held by Phil Cope of Chascom, Ohio, high school, now a student at the University of Southern California.

Another new meet mark was set by Merrie Russell of La Jolla, who ran the first 880 race in 2 minutes, 2 seconds. It was the oldest record on the invitational books, the former mark of 2 minutes 1.5 seconds having been made by Hower of Chaffey in 1937. Also Russell ran a beautiful race, some of the track action also was on husky Tom Peterson of Pomona high school who won the second 880 race in 2 minutes, 4.5 seconds, four strides ahead of Hower of El Centro. Peterson's stride and generalship in the race, together with his finish after coasting on the back stretch then sprinting to meet Hower's challenge makes him one of the best half mile prospects in the Southland. It is his first year of competition and he is a senior. Peterson was the only Pomona boy to place in the meet. Wayne Herve was eliminated in the qualifying trials of the 100-yard dash and did not place in the 228. Harvey McKee and others of the Pomona high team likewise were unable to gather points.

Montgomery of El Monte leaped 22 feet, 8 inches for a new invitational record in the broad jump, bettering the mark of 22 feet 2 1/4 inches held by Floyd Montgomery of Santa Ana high.

Fullerton high school ended Chaffey's reign as invitational champion by winning the meet with a total of 28 1/2 points to 22 for the Tigers. El Centro and Pomona each had 12 points. Steadman, Fullerton sprinter, with two victories in the dashes and Kirkpatrick, winner of the two hurdle races, were high point men. Other points: Karoliner, 11; Riverside, 10; Whittier, 9; La Jolla, 7; San Fernando, 6 1/2; Tustin, 5; Pomona, 5; Monrovia, 4; Orange, 4; South Pasadena, 3 1/2; Redlands, 4; San Bernardino, 4; Citrus, 3; Bosta, 2; Colton, 2; Pico, 1. Fullerton also won the novice meet, scoring 22 1/2 points.

In the novice meet, the outstanding event proved to be the high jump, in which Alva Meranda, Santa Ana high school sophomore, stole honors from the open meet event by leaping 4 feet, 2 1/4 inches.

Bosta scored two points in the open when R. D. Beach placed fourth in the mile run and Fletcher tied for third with two others in the pole vault. Hocker and Valero finished second and third in the second novice 880-yard run to give Bosta three points in the novice meet. Pomona failed to tally in the novice events.

Open meet summary:

- OPEN EVENTS**
- 55-yard run (first race)—Won by Russell (La. J.) second, Hower (El. C.) third, Tickle (Red.) fourth. Time, 1m. 2s. (New meet record.)
 - 880-yard run (second race)—Won by Peterson (Pom.) second, Hower (El. C.) second, Hower (El. C.) third, Tickle (Red.) fourth. Time, 2m. 4.5s.
 - 100-yard dash—Won by Steadman (Full.), Price (Or.) second, Hower (El. C.) third, tie for fourth between Hower (El. C.) and Tickle (Full.). Time, 19.2s.
 - 120-yard high hurdles—Won by Kirkpatrick (El. C.), Hower (El. C.) second, Wilson (El. C.) third, Hower (El. C.) fourth. Time, 14.1s. (New world intercollegiate record.)
 - 150-yard dash—Won by Schultz (Full.) second, Jones (Or.) second, Clark (Full.) third, Hower (Hower) fourth. Time, 21.1s.
 - 200-yard dash—Won by Steadman (Full.), Price (Or.) second, Hower (El. C.) third, Hower (El. C.) fourth. Time, 33s.
 - 220-yard low hurdles—Won by Kirkpatrick (El. C.), tie for second between Vicker (Or.) and Hower (El. C.) (Cope (El. C.) fourth. Time, 24.4s. (New world intercollegiate record.)
 - 500-yard run—Won by Jordan (Or.) second, Hower (El. C.) third, Hower (El. C.) fourth. Time, 1m. 29.5s.
 - Four-man 880-yard relay (first race)—Won by El Monte, Citrus second, La Jolla third, Tustin fourth. Time, 3m. 11.5s.
 - Four-man 880-yard relay (second race)—Won by Fullerton, South Pasadena second, Karoliner third, Riverside fourth. Time, 3m. 22.4s.
 - Pole vault—Won by Day (Mon.) second, Fletcher (Pom.) third, tie for fourth between Foy (El. C.) and Bosta (Or.). Height, 10ft. 4 1/2in.
 - High jump—Tie for first between Sapp (Or.) and Hower (Or.), tie for third between Hower (Or.), Hower (Full.), Clark (Or.) and Hower (Or.). Height, 5ft. 11in.
 - Shot put—Won by Holt (Full.) second, Clark (Full.) third, Hower (Or.) fourth. Distance, 27ft.
 - Broad jump—Won by Montgomery (El. A.), Hower (Or.) second, Anderson (El. C.) third, Foy (Or.) fourth. Distance, 22ft. 8in.