

Citrus Runners Crack Seven Loop Standards

— GLENDORA—The Citrus Junior College tracksters took their record-hatchets in hand once more and proceeded to chop down seven SCC standards in the process of compiling 97½ points to easily roll up their third straight championship at the South Central Conference finals held at Citrus Saturday.

— This afternoon the Owls travelled to Riverside to compete in the Southern Cal prelims.

The big "hatchet-men" for the Owls were Ron King, Bambauer, Jack Finch, LeVon Hooker, Bob Casper, and Kent Kerkenrath. King garnered all-conference laurels in two events, establishing new SCC marks in the mile and two mile with state-ranking efforts of 4m. 32.1s and 10m. 14.3s, respectively.

Bambauer, practically jogged through a 49.4s quarter-mile to tie a 22-year-old school record and break his own conference mark of 50.9s. The smooth strider stepped off a sizzling 21.6s, but had to take a back seat to Imperial Valley's one-man team Del Yaryan, who hit the tape mere inches in front of Bambauer. Yaryan, incidentally, placed in five events to score 19 of his team's 29 points.

Hooker was the dark horse, come-through kid of the afternoon, nabbing second spots in both hurdle races (posting marks of 15.6s in the highs and 25.1s in the lows), and then topping off a perfect day with new record in the high jump. The former Monrovia-Duarte High thinclad hoped over the 6 ft. 2 in. mark to share the blue ribbon with teammate Finch and Palo Verde's Bob Booth.

Casper and Herkenrath won their hurdle specialties, with the former downing a fine crop of high-steppers and tying the conference record of 15.5s in the highs. Ex-Wildcat Herkenrath took the furlong barrier race in 24.4s to shade the SCC standard and tie his own school record.

The 100-yard dash turned out to be as exciting as expected, with Citrus' sprint duo of Bobby Jones and Herkenrath pushing Imperial's Yaryan to a speedy 9.9s. Just half a stride behind Yaryan was Jones, finishing with a strong punch to beat Herkenrath by an eyelash. Both Owls were clocked in 10s., with the former C.I.F. sprint star Jones going on to take a third in the 220 with a fast 22.1s.

Schoerner, another Verl Murray-coached product from M-D, placed second in the mile behind King, and then came right back to run a fine 59.7s half-mile for all-Conference honors. Schoerner also joined Cecil McGehee, Bill Jefferson, and Bambauer to erase the conference record in the mile relay. The quartet finished 80 yards ahead of the nearest team in 3m. 26.4s.

The meet marked the Owl cindermen's last appearance in the conference as next year they will compete in the Eastern Conference. High-point men for the Owls this season in tri-meet and conference action were King (63), Herkenrath (61), and Finch (58).

All-South Central Conference:

100—Yaryan (IV), Jones (C), Herkenrath (C), Waldrum (AV), Curtis (P); 9.9s.

220—Yaryan (IV), Bambauer (C), Jones (C), Martin (C), Jefferson (C), 21.6s. (new SCC record. Old mark of 21.8s. set by Bambauer in prelims).

440—Bambauer (C), McGehee (C), Walker (AV), Jefferson (C), Brazil (IV); 49.4s. (new SCC record. Old mark of 50.9s set by Bambauer in 1955).

880—Schoerner (C), Wilson (SB), Hall (AV), Carlson (C), Walker (AV); 1m. 59.7s. (Schoerner set SCC record of 1m. 59s. in prelims).

Mile—King (C), Schoerner (C), Bjorklund (C), Smith (PV), no fifth; 4m. 32.1s. (new SCC record. Old mark of 4m. 38.5s set by King in 1955).

Two Mile—King (C), Allen (PV), Luxa (P), Todd (PV), Hall (C); 10m. 14.3s. (new SCC record. Old mark of 10m. 59.6s. set by Gookin of Ocean-side in '53).

120 H.H.—Casper (C), Hooker (C), Booth (PV), Perez (AV), Johnson (IV); 15.5s. (ties SCC record set by Perez in prelims).

220 L.H.—Herkenrath (C), Hooker (C), Yaryan (IV), Casper (C), Perez (AV); 24.4s. (new SCC record. Old mark of 24.7s. set by Herkenrath in prelims).

Pole Vault—Foss (SB), Robertson (C), Perez (AV), tie for fourth between Finch (C) and Clancy (P); 13 ft. 6 7/8 in. (new SCC record. Old mark of 12 ft. 1 1/8 in. set by Kipp of Citrus in 1954).

Discus—Walker (PV), Waldrum (AV), Yaryan (IV), Gilmore (AV), Bjorklund (C); 136 ft. 4 1/4 in. (Walker set SCC record of 136 ft. 4 1/2 in. in prelims).

High Jump—Three-way tie for first among Hooker (C), Finch (C), and Booth (PV), three-way for fourth among Crenshaw (AV), Chevez (SB), and Jones (IV); 6 ft. 2 in. (new SCC record. Old mark of 6 ft. 1 in. held jointly by Crenshaw of Antelope Valley and Rogers of Palomar, 1955).

Shot Put—Walker (PV), Mallory (AV), Yaryan (IV), Brock (C), Lessig (PV); 44 ft. 10 7/8 in. (new SCC record. Old mark of 42 ft. 7 1/4 in. set by Boyer of Palo Verde in 1955).

Broad Jump—Crenshaw (AV), Jones (IV), Procsal (IV), Finch (C), Sadoris (C); 20 ft. 6 1/2 in.

Mile Relay—Citrus, Antelope Valley, Santa Barbara, Palo Verde, no fifth; 3m. 26.4s. (new SCC record. Old mark of 3m. 31.8s. set by Palo Verde in 1955).

Final Scores—Citrus 97½, Antelope Valley 35, Imperial Valley 29, Palo Verde 28, Santa Barbara 13, Palomar 5½.