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Flashback on Fresno Relays

FRESNO — West Coast Relays flashback:

Bill Russell, now the "Bearded Wonder" of the Boston Celtics, is listed among the meet champions . . . In 1956, as a U. of San Francisco senior, Bill tied for first place in the high jump at 6-9½ . . . The co-titlist that year was Charley Dumas, later to star at USC.

In 1938, USC not only won the 440 relay, but set a world record of 40.5 . . .



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The Trojan combine included Payton Jordan . . . Last year, another world 440 mark materialized when Stanford did 39.7 . . . Coach of the Indians — Payton Jordan.

Moore a Winner

Cal Moore of California won the 1934 high hurdles in the record time of 14.2 . . . Eleven years later, Moore repeated, in 14.7.

Meet's all-time winner was the late Gordon Dunn. Representing first Fresno High, then Stanford and finally the San Francisco Olympic Club in weight events, Dunn took 15 firsts in 13 years.

Hal Davis is the hard-luck champion . . . Running for Salinas JC in 1941, he did the 100 in 9.4 and the 220 in 20.2, one-tenth under the world record . . . But both efforts were wind-aided, nullifying the times for records . . . In '42, running for Cal, he again was clocked in 9.4, but his starting blocks were a type not then approved internation-

ally . . . Hal got credit for an American record, but not a world mark.

Here and there:

The Los Angeles Mercuries are staging a women's meet at Los Angeles City College Sunday, starting at 12:30 p.m. . . . Meet director Fred Jones has received entries from such outstanding performers as Chi Cheng, Una Morris, Terrezene Brown, Lynda Bradshaw, RaNae Bair, Sherry Sherrard and Vilma Charleton.

Next competitive appearance for Kenya's Kipchoge Keino will be in Hamburg, Germany, next Thursday . . . When Karl Burlin of the 49er Track Club vaulted 15-9½ recently, he set a Swedish national record . . . Burlin, a student at Cal State (LA), will compete for the Diablos next year.

Fine Field

Meet director Dan Petta says hammer throwers Hal Connolly and Ed Burke already have entered the Santa Monica invitational meet scheduled July 9 . . . The sponsoring Junior Chamber of Commerce has invited AAU officials to enter the United States team that will oppose Poland and Russia later that month.

Following the next three all-comers meets at Cal State (LB), May 17-24-31, district championships will be decided, June 7 . . . The fourth annual Victor Valley distance running carnival is billed next Saturday afternoon . . . Wayne Vandenburg, fired as assistant coach at New Mexico U., has become head coach at Texas Western.

More than 50 colleges are in the recruiting race for Clarence Johnson, San Antonio high jumper who set a national prep record of 7-0 1 4 a week ago . . . Johnson attends a tiny Catholic school of 70 students and is coached by a railroad clerk who has no athletic background but likes to work with boys!