

Bitterly Contested.

PASADENA WINS INTERSCHOLASTIC TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP

*Meet at Long Beach is Hardest Fought and Closest in History of Federation—Manual Arts Disqualified in Relay After Taking Second Place.
Charlie Paddock Takes Both Sprints.*

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TWENTY Southern California high schools split points in the annual track and field meet at Long Beach yesterday. Pasadena headed the list with 24½ of the valuable tallies. Redlands came second with 21 and Manual Arts ran a desperate third with 20. Santa Ana brought up the rear with one-eighth of a point to brag about.

Following are the point scores: Pasadena, 24½; Redlands, 21; Manual Arts, 20; Polytechnic, 14½; Ventura, 14; Chaffey, 12; Lincoln, 10; Fullerton, 6½; Santa Monica, 6; Long Beach, 6; Hollywood, 5½; Harvard, 4; Fillmore, 3; San Bernardino, 2; Compton, 2; Lancaster, 1; Chino, 1; Bonita, 1; Riverside, 1; Santa Ana, ½.

The meet was the hardest-fought affair ever seen in southern prep circles. From the beginning to the end the winner was in doubt. When the relay was announced the Toller dope dens discovered that a first or second place in this event would be sufficient to place the honors on ice. The Manual Arts rovers stood up on their seats and insisted on first place.

BUT THE TOLLERS—

But the Tollers never saw first place in this event. Polytechnic took the pole on the first lap and held onto it until the finish. Manual Arts came in second, Redlands was third and Pasadena was fourth. Then the official score sheet read, Manual Arts, 23; Pasadena, 23.

Contrary to custom, however, the relay did not conclude this meet. The pole vault, which had been going on for hours, could not be finished and the bamboo experts were fighting around without any indication of ever settling anything. Eleven men were fighting for the places. Three of these men were Pasadena stars and not a Manual Arts man graced the list. Evidently,

if the Crown City vaulters were crowded out of the running the meet would end a tie. Everybody on the lot flocked down onto the field and prepared to watch the Pasadena men fight for their lives.

Soon Pease of Long Beach went over the bar for first place. Then Carey made a terrific jump and landed second. Green of Redlands followed this with an attempt that netted him third. Eight men were left to get fourth place and they decided to split the lone point into eight equal parts. Pasadena, with three representatives, was awarded three-eighths of a point. Manual Arts received nothing. This made the score, Pasadena, 23½; Manual Arts, 23.

Such a close finish, however, could hardly be accepted without a struggle. The Manual contingent endeavored to find a stray point or so that had escaped the judges' notice. They couldn't give up hope with only three-eighths of a point standing in the way. The field was cluttered with a thousand fans. Everyone was explaining something or other. The broad jump was still going on.

DISQUALIFIED.

Then came the climax and the death blow to Manual Arts' hopes. The tollers were disqualified in the relay. One of the Manual Arts men had cut in too close on the first turn, had crowded the Polytechnic runner over into the Long Beach lane and had spilled the beach man all over the track. Redlands moved up into second place. Pasadena was overjoyed to accept third. Long

Beach came in for the final point and the Tollers slid out of sight with nothing.

This change gave Pasadena a safe lead and put Redlands up into second place in the final count.

A rather peculiar mystery surrounds this mishap on the first turn. It seems that a small boy on a bicycle had attempted to cross the track just as the men were starting. Before he could get across, the runners were on top of him, and the crowding in the lanes was necessary to keep from knocking him down. An investigation may be started on this point and there is a possibility that Manual Arts will receive again the fatal second place.

The meet itself was a screaming sensation from start to finish. Early in the morning the preliminaries were cleared out of the way and at 2 o'clock sharp the first call for the 350 men brought a flock onto the track. Twenty men started this race and they resembled a bunch of race drivers lining up to have their pictures taken before a big auto derby. Bob Weaver gave the half-milers their instructions and sent them away to a beautiful start. The first lap was a wild-eyed affair in which practically every one in the bunch took a swing at the lead. Finally it settled down to a terrific battle between Baker of Fillmore and Frost of Redlands.

Baker was leading by a fair margin and seemed to have a cinch on the first place honors. He sped into the back turn, running easily, but

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way in which the meet was conducted. Handling three hundred athletes and keeping them lined up for the various events is no joke. And when as close a finish as yesterday's takes place, there is no handling a crowd. All of the events went off in great style until the tied score came into view and then everything hit the ceiling. The Los Angeles Police Department couldn't have kept the field cleared.

Robert Weaver reported a bum hand just before the start of the meet, but managed to handle the gun without any serious results. Bob got into an argument with Fred Kelly some days ago and the high hurdle champ nearly tore his hand off.

About thirty dusty officials returned to Los Angeles last night ready for Turkish baths, bromo seltzers, and bed. It was a hard day for the officials.

The results:

Half-mile—Won by Frost (Redlands,) Baker (Fillmore) second, Saunders (Pasadena) third, Dean (Fullerton) fourth; time, 2m. 4½s.

100-yard dash—Won by Paddock (Pasadena,) Woods (Manual Arts) second, Van Sant (Santa Monica) third, Allen (Redlands) fourth; time, 10½s.

440-yard dash—Won by Isenhouer (Lincoln,) A. Perry (Polytechnic) second, Silvas (Pasadena) third, Seltzer (Redlands) fourth; time, 52½s. (interscholastic record.)

120-yard high hurdles—Won by Johnson (Fullerton,) Jacomini (Pasadena) second, La Valley (Compton) third, Rogers (Ventura) fourth; time, 17½s.

Discus throw—Won by Evans (Chaffee,) Green (Redlands) second, Mitchell (Pasadena) third, Dodge (Lancaster) fourth; distance, 114ft. 10in. (interscholastic record.)

220-yard dash—Won by Paddock (Pasadena,) Woods (Manual Arts) second, Krohn (Manual Arts) third, Hendrickson (Chino) fourth; time, 22¾s. (interscholastic record.)

High jump—Won by Coray (Chaffee,) Rogers (Ventura) second, Draper (San Bernardino) third, Reynolds (Bonita) fourth; height, 5ft. 8in.

220-yard low hurdles—Won by Rogers (Ventura,) Van Sant (Santa Monica) second, Shapland (Manual Arts) third, Yount (Redlands) fourth; time, 24¾s. (new interscholastic record.)

Ninth-grade relay—Won by Polytechnic, Fullerton second, Hollywood third; time, 59¾s.

Mile run—Won by Swann (Lincoln,) Frost (Redlands) second, Reeves (Pasadena) third, Silvas (Pasadena) fourth; time, 4m. 35½s. (new interscholastic record.)

Shot put—Won by Blewett (Manual Arts,) Brockman (Manual Arts) second, Evans (Chaffee) third, Martin (Riverside) fourth; distance, 48ft. 1in.

Relay—Won by Polytechnic, Manual Arts second, Redlands third, Pasadena fourth; time, 1m. 34¾s.

Pole vault—Won by Pease (Long Beach,) Carey (Harvard) second, Green (Redlands) third, Johnson (Fullerton,) Albright (Hollywood,) Wilkie (Pasadena,) Benjamin (Polytechnic,) Shlaudeman (Pasadena,) Finkham (Polytechnic,) Reeves (Pasadena) and Trotter (Santa Ana) tied for fourth; height, 11ft.

Javelin—Won by Jackson (Hollywood,) Davis (Polytechnic) second, Fox (Manual Arts) third, Hubbard (Harvard) fourth; distance, 149ft. 11in. (new interscholastic record.)

Broad jump—Won by Rogers (Ventura,) Davis (Polytechnic) second, Yount (Redlands) third, Van Sant (Santa Monica) fourth; distance, 22ft. 2¾in. (new interscholastic record.)

WHITE WINGS BEAT BLUE JAYS AT POLO.

In the third game for the Lloyd Macy cups played on the Midwick polo field yesterday, the White Wings beat the Blue Jays, 8 to 7. Instead of one gallon cup, as first announced, Mr. Macy has offered four quart cups, or one for each member of the winning club. The total capacity of the gift remains the same, but is divided into four equal parts for the convenience of the players. Individual cups are all the rage nowadays, even on the railroad trains.

The combat was one of the most sanguinary played this season. In the third period, Harry Weiss and Harold Cook collided and went to the mat with their ponies in a valley of flying hoofs. Harry's hand was badly lacerated, but he refused to be handicapped by the injury, making six of the eight goals scored by his side. Johnny Baxter refereed with his customary courage and ability. The line-up:

White Wings—Malaby 1, Weiss 2, McVitty 3, Miller, back.

Blue Jays—Ball 1, Boucher 2, Cook 3, Macy back.

The next game of the series, which is for the best three out of five, will be played Wednesday.

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