

Sad and Glad Day for Youth Center

MODESTO, May 28—Two of Santa Clara Valley Youth Village's star trackmen had contrasting denouements tonight after their specialties in the California Relays.

Sprinter Ray Norton was in a downtown hotel room under doctor's care for what it is hoped is only a cramped muscle after finishing second to Harry Jerome in the open 100.

Jim Beatty, later named the outstanding performer of the meet, came happily to the press box for interviews following his Amer-

ican record mile of 3:58.0. Beatty gave full credit to his Youth Village coach, Miholy Igloi, for the tremendous race.

"He has coached men who have broken 25 world records and when he says something you know it's true. He didn't tell me I could win tonight, but he did tell me to run a :57.5 first quarter and that the race would take care of itself." Although Lazzlo Tabori, Beatty's Youth Village running mate, led at all the lap finishes, until the final one, he and Beatty

traded off the lead from time to time under Igloi's orders.

"Of course, in the last lap," said Beatty, "it was dog eat dog, every man for himself." Beatty, who is a clerk at the Lockheed plant in Sunnyvale and lives in San Jose, possibly is the most unusual miler in history. After graduating from North Carolina in 1957, he laid off for a year and a half and then began working very hard under Igloi last October.

Jim's best previous outdoor mile was 4:06.1 and it

is a track oddity that he was able to come down more than eight seconds in his 25th year—at a time when most runners are already formed.

Surprisingly, Beatty said that he would probably try for the 5000 meters and not the mile equivalent of 1500 meters in the Olympics.

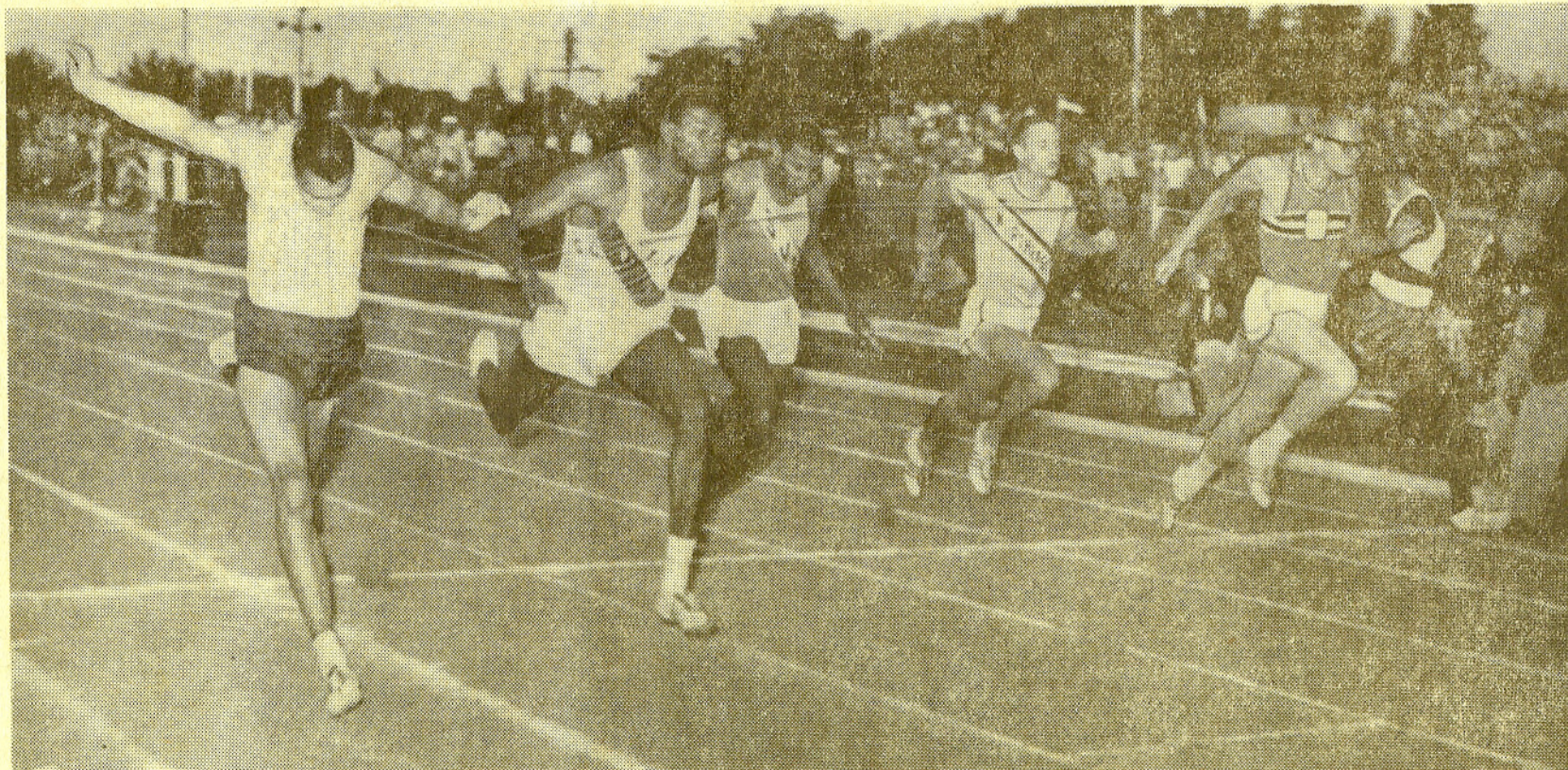
This was the third fastest mile on United States soil. Elliott having clocked 3:57.8 and 3:57.9.

Beatty was married last February and his wife was in the stands tonight. Mean-

while, Mike Ryan, the Youth Village athletic director and coach, said he thought Norton's condition probably "is a cramp." (A muscle cramp generally heals within a few weeks, while a severe muscle pull might jeopardize Ray's Olympic Games tryout chances.)

At Fresno, Ray didn't lunge at the finish and got beat by Doug Smith. Tonight, he lunged, and threw himself out of shape — causing the injury.

By Darrell Wilson



Harry Jerome (far left) upset Ray Norton (second from left) in Modesto 100 last night. Others (l. to r.) are Bob Poynter, San Jose State; Dave Styron, Northeast Louisiana; Doug Smith, Occidental, and Roscoe Cook, Oregon.

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