

Beat Bears, 87-67

By Bob Brachman

As inspired to super effort as the winds were gusty and their campus arena was dusty, Stanford's Indians yesterday scored a smashing Big Meet triumph over the rival California Bears by a somewhat shocking 87-67 count.

Payt Jordan's Indians, some so worked up as to don real war paint and all of them wearing "Beat Cal" stickers on their "bumpers," did it all.

They exploded with T. C. Jones' last effort, winning shot put blast of 58-1 1/2 and Tom Colby's mighty meet standard breaking javelin toss of 265-8. They singled the Bears severely with back-to-back, one-two Randy White-Rick Tipton directed stunners in the 440 and high hurdles and they polished off the job with Tom Massey's next-to-last-try victory leap in the triple jump.

Rubbing It In

And then, rubbing it in with a performance that thwarted Cal coach Sam Bell's bid to make it three in a row in his final Big Meet, the Indians snared the mile relay to make it 11-7 in the first place column.

The Stanfords took away everything that wasn't nailed down and considerable that was supposed to be — for the Bears.

Not once did a Cal workman break through the prevailing clouds of dust for what could be termed an important upset.

In sharp contrast, the Indians, paced by such super sophs as Tipton, White, Pete Fairchild and Jim Kauffman, were chock full of surprises, as well as solid production.

Sanford Record

Their stretch-running Alan Sanford became the first athlete in Big Meet history to win three consecutive mile races, an event where the Indians scored the day's lone sweep.

White's 52.1 in the intermediates, Colby's javelin throw — he fouled, unleashed the big one and then retired because of a painful groin injury — were school records.

Tipton's 14.2 in the highs equalled a meet mark.

And it was only by dint of "fewer misses" that Cal's Clarence Johnson (high jump, 6-10) and Greg Miguel (pole vault) (14-6), survived as defending champs over challenging Stanford rivals.

Jordan Battles

Jordan won the battle of strategic coaching, too.

"We decided we had to have something special to turn it," he related. "We landed on Randy (White) as a real potential in the 440, even though he has run only one quarter this season and didn't figure much against the people Cal had."

It helped that the Bear favorite, Jim Smith, was hurting somewhat.

Nonetheless, White overtook everybody down the stretch and, when he won the race in 48.2 and Kauffman swept to the runnerup placing, the Indians had the ambush in full swing.

Loses Chance

Colby's triumph cost Bear Gary Pennington, far in arrears at 232-5, his chance at a Big Meet "grand slam," and, for the record, Indian Brooks Thomas established a Cal-Stanford mark with his 9:15.6 in the steeplechase, a new event.

"They killed us in the 100, when Masters (the favorite who finished third) got caught sitting in the blocks, and they did it in the 440 when Smith didn't drive through," groaned Bell who's headed for Indiana U. next season.

Dave Maggard, who'll be succeeding Sam at the head man's post, couldn't find anything to enthuse about in the Little Big Meet, also won by Stanford, 84-67, despite a fine mile (4:13.3)—two mile (9:19.8) double by Cub Clifton West.

Only Frosh record recorded was Mark Haight's 53.9 in the intermediates, cracking White's standard by a tenth.

It was a day for Indians to chant, "Poor Cal."

The summary:

BIG MEET

Steeplechase—1. Thomas (S), 9:15.6 (meet record, new event); 2. Menz (S), 9:37.4; 3. Byers (C), 9:44.8; 4. Jones (S), 9:50.6.

Shot put—1. Jones (S), 58-1 1/2; 2. Hargreaves (C), 57-1 1/2; 3. Woods (C), 54-11 1/4; 4. Lewis (C), 54-6.

440 Relay—1. California (Smyth, Richards, Smith, Masters), 41.4; 2. Stanford (Tipton, Storek, McNair, Farris), 41.7.

Mile—1. Sanford (S), 4:09.8; 2. Macdonald (S), 4:11.3; 3. Anchando (S), 4:15.4; 4. Barley (C), 4:15.4.

High hurdles—1. Tipton (S), 14.2 (equals meet record by Wood, S, 1954, Kirtman, C, 1966); 2. Griffith (S), 15.0; 3. McLennan (C), 15.1; 4. Lee (C), 15.4.

Javelin—1. Colby (S), 265-8 (meet record, former mark 237-3, Pennington, C, 1968; school record, former mark 258-4, Colby, 1968); 2. Pennington (C), 232-5; 3. Martin (S), 210-4; 4. Pena (C), 205-9.

440—1. White (S), 48.2; 2. Kauffman (S), 48.8; 3. Smyth (C), 48.8; 4. Smith (C), 48.9.

Long jump—1. Rogaway (C), 24-4 1/2; 2. Fraser (C), 23-4 1/2; 3. Kauffman (S), 23-2; 4. Mallery (S), 21-10 3/4.

100—1. Tipton (S), 10.2; Richards (C), 10.3; 3. Masters (C), 10.3; 4. Couser (C), 10.3.

880—1. Fairchild (S), 1:53.1; 2. Jackson (C), 1:55.2; 3. Tallon (C), 1:55.3; 4. Sweetwyne (S), 1:56.6.

Discus—1. Wilson (C), 170-7; 2. Davis (S), 167-1; 3. Miller (C), 159-3; 4. Norberg (S), 149-1.

440 hurdles—1. White (S), 52.1 (school record, former mark 52.2, White, 1968); 2. McLennan (C), 53.3; 3. Lee (C), 54.0; 4. Ford (S), 54.4.

High jump—1. Johnson (C), 6-10 (fewer misses); 2. Boyce (S), 6-10; 3. (tie) Massey (S), Harper (S), 6-6.

220—1. Masters (C), 22.0; 2. Richards (C), 22.2; 3. Francis (S), 22.4; 4. McNair (S), 22.5.

2 miles—1. Waldon (C), 9:08.2; 2. Sanford (S), 9:18.6; 3. Macdonald (S), 9:19.8; 4. Menz (S), 9:28.8.

Triple jump—1. Massey (S), 48-9 1/2; 2. Fraser (C), 48-13 1/4; 3. Mallery (S), 44-9 1/2; 4. Kauffman (S), 42-6.

Pole vault—1. Miguel (C), 14-6 (fewer misses); 2. Ostrander (S), 14-6; 3. Weed (S), 14-0; 4. Peterson (S), 14-0.

Mile relay—1. Stanford (Kauffman, 49.1, Francis, 48.9, Anchando, 50.1, Fairchild, 48.1), 3:16.2; 2. California (Pagan, 50.1, Pruitt, 49.8, Smyth, 48.6, Johnson, 48.2), 3:16.7.

Final score: Stanford 87, Cal 67.

LITTLE BIG MEET

Jav — Foelker (S), 174-1; HJ — Dews (S), 6-0; LJ — Joe (C), 22-0; SP — Luka (C), 53-6; TJ — Tenney (S), 43-6 1/4; Disc — Adams (S), 144-9; PV — Stillinger (S), 14-6; 440 R — Stanford, 44.0; Mi — West (C), 4:13.3; HH — Haight (S), 15.4; 440 — Centers (C), 51.8; 100 — Brown (S), 10.4; 880 — Drew (C), 1:53.9; 440 H — Haight (S), meet record, former mark 54.0; 220 — Gainer (C), 23.1; 2 Mi — West (C), 9:19.8; Mi R — Cal, 3:24.2.

Indians Rise

In Big Meet

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STANFORD — The old college try is reportedly dead, but it arose from the grave on a windy Stanford track Saturday afternoon to bury the University of California, 87-67, in the 75th Big Meet.

"This team is getting the kind of spirit I love," said elated Stanford coach Payton Jordan after his Indians had snapped a five-dual meet losing streak.

The win also increased Stanford's lead in the prestigious Pacific-8 track and field rivalry to five, 39-34-2.

"T. C. (Jones) lit the spark. Randy (White) came back with a bomb and (Tom) Massey nailed the coffin," Jordan said in a capsule summary of the turning points in the meet. "We went out and got the close ones. When it was to be had, we went and got it."

Jones, who became eligible just two meets ago, gave Stanford a big boost when he hoisted the shot a lifetime best of 58-1 1/2. It was here Stanford first demonstrated it had no desire to lose as a sprinter no more than half the size of the hulking 281-pound Jones lifted him off the ground.

Allen Sanford followed with another victory for the Tribe as he became the first runner in the history of the rivalry, which began in 1893, to win three straight miles. He broke from fourth place in the gun lap to win in 4:09.8. Sanford's effort drew a loud response from the 5,000 fans who sat through the dusty battle.

Another Indian who went on the warpath as he donned war paint along with the "Beat Cal" signs Jordan supplied for all his tracksters was Rick Tipton. "He's a real fireball," Jordan said of Tipton who won the 100-yard dash (10.2 against a 9.8 mph wind) and the 120-high hurdles (14.2).

But Jordan was not at a loss of words to describe White's efforts. "I had the meet doped at 77 1/2-76 1/2 in favor of Cal and I had the 440 as 8-1 for them." But White surprised everybody with a lifetime best of 48.2 and Jim Kauffman battled back in the home stretch to erase a 15-yard deficit and claim second in 48.8.

"The 440 was the one we had to get," Jordan said. "It was the turning point in the meet."

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