

# Farmer Heads SF Prep Track Team

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Wilson High's sophomore sprint sensation, Michael Farmer, today was named to The Examiner all-San Francisco track team in addition to being the unanimous selection for track athlete of the year.

This season the 5-11, 155-pound dashman placed third in the State meet in Oroville, stepped off a 9.5 100 yard dash to set the City record, tied the national 100 yard dash standard for 15-year-olds at 9.5, was defeated only three times this season and led off the Warriors' State winning quartermile relay teams.

## 47.5 Relay Leg

At the West Coast Relays in Fresno this season, Farmer was clocked in 47.5 for the leadoff leg in the mile relay.

Warriors' coach Adam Banks feels that his sprinter will run at least a 9.3 before he graduates.

"Mike needs some work on his starts," said Banks, "but other than that he's got everything going. He's very mature for a 15-year-old and that makes him coachable."

## SI Places 11

Although Wilson and Balboa each placed eight men on the All-San Francisco squad, St. Ignatius led with 11, including its outstanding weightman, Dave Gheradi. Riordan and Lowell each placed a pair while Mission was represented by half-miler Abe Luevanoes.

Gheradi, who was eighth in the State meet shotput despite competing with a fractured throwing hand, had a seasonal best of 62-2½ in the shot and tossed the discus 172-0. The 6-4, 235 pound senior completely dominated the West Catholic Athletic

League as he went undefeated in dual meet competition.

Also named to the team was Balboa's Al Bursleson, who set the City standard in the pole vault with a 14-1 leap. Bursleson, who will attend Washington this fall, cleared 14-6 this year.

## Most Thrilling

"My most thrilling win this year," said the 6-1, 170-pound star, "was when I won the high school division pole vault at Fresno last month with a vault of 14-5."

Wilson's Mike Kirtman, who broke the City record in the 120 high hurdles with a 14.0 timing, holds the national record for 15-year-olds in this event.

Randy Minix of Balboa was the city's most consistent high jumper, clearing 6-4 on all but one occasion. The 6-1, 170 senior is also an excellent horizontal jumper.

- 100—Michael Farmer (Wil) 9.5; Ray Moody (Bal) 9.7.
  - 220—Ronald Whitaker (Wil) 21.5; Marcel Lewis (Wil) 21.6.
  - 440—Mike Kelly (SI) 48.5; Bob Hickox (SI) 49.8.
  - 880—Abe Luevanoes (Miss) 1:56.0; Steve Aveson (SI) 1:59.9.
  - 1 mile—Mike Porter (SI) 4:16.0; John Ryan (Riordan) 4:25.0.
  - 2 mile—Brad Duffey (Low) 9:20.0; Chris Cole (SI) 9:12.0.
  - 120 HH—Mike Kirtman (Wil) 14.0; Glen Bass (Bal) 14.7.
  - 180 LH—Kirtman, 19.1; Bud Brown (Low) 19.7.
  - PV—Al Bursleson (Bal) 14-6; Tompkin (Bal) 12-0.
  - LJ—Tyronne Taylor (Wil) 22-6; Bursleson, 20-10.
  - HJ—Randy Minix (Bal) 6-4; Randy Turner (Wil) 6-8¼.
  - TJ—Bob Beck (SI) 44-6; Mike Gilmore (SI) 43-9.
  - Discus—Dave Gheradi (SI) 172-0; Aldo Congi (SI) 161-0.
  - Shot—Gheradi, 62-2½; Al Ten-Bruengate (Riordan) 57.6.
  - 440 relay—Wilson, 41.3; Balboa, 42.9.
  - 1 mile relay—SI, 3:23.3; Balboa, 3:24.0.
- Track athlete of the year — Michael Farmer, Wilson.

# Golden West Spikes Fly Today in Sacto

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — More than three dozen state high school champions will be competing today when the 13th annual Golden West Invitational Track and Field Meet gets under way here.

The meet will bring together 110 of the nation's finest prep seniors from 27 states and Washington, D.C., plus three runners from Jamaica and one from the Bahamas.

Among the performers will be five athletes who have equalled or bettered national high school records.

Ronald Ray of Newport News, Va., Dale Scott of El Cerrito, Calif., and Alvin Jackson of Providence, R.I. have all bettered existing prep records this year. Ray has run the 440 in 45.8, Scott the 880 in

1:48.4, and Jackson has thrown the 12 pound hammer 220 feet, 2 inches.

Equalling present prep standards have been Robert Lawson of Toledo, Ohio, who has dashed 100 yards in 9.3, and Allen Mosher of Houston, who has run the 120-yard high hurdles in 13.4.

New marks in the sprints are considered definite possibilities on the lightening fast Hughes Stadium track, where the present world's 100-meter record of 9.9 seconds was set in 1969.

Many of the athletes entered in the Golden West meet are expected to return to Sacramento next month when the United States and Russia stage a junior meet for competitors 19-year-old and younger.

## Perp Track

- SACRAMENTO (AP) — Results of Saturday Golden West high school track meet:
- 100 — 1, Williams, Taladega, Ala., 9.4; 2, McCullough, Sacramento, 9.5; 3, Dawson, Houston, 9.5.
  - 220 — 1, McCullough, Sacramento, 20.8; 2, Williams, Taladega, Ala., 20.9; 3, Dierschke, Sealy, Tex., 21.0.
  - 440 — 1, Ray, Newport News, Va., 46.6; 2, Brown, Opelousas, La., 47.1; 3, Son, Plainview, Tex., 47.2.
  - 880 — 1, Scott, El Cerrito, Calif., 1:49.6; 2, King, Hartford, Conn., 1:51.5; 3, Hyatt, Auburn, Calif., 1:52.1.
  - 1 mile — 1, Morrison, Fairless Hills, Pa., 4:12.4; 2, Amaya, Los Angeles, 4:12.4; 3, Fischer, Dallas, 4:13.7.
  - Two Mile — 1, Salcido, Fullerton, Calif., 8:54.1; 2, Coffin, ETL Caion, Calif., 8:55.2; 3, Ellis, Detroit, 8:57.6.
  - 120 High Hurdles — 1, Misher, Houston, 13.6; 2, Romes, Durham, N.C., 13.7; 3, Reese, Auburn, Ala., 13.8.
  - 180 New Hurdles — 1, Romes, Durham, N.C., 18.3; 2, Nealy, Stockton, Calif., 18.3; 3, Jones, Blythe, Calif., 18.6.
  - 330 Intermediate Hurdles — 1, Schwab, Centereach, N.Y., 36.3 (new national record, old record 36.7, Bornkessel, Shawnee Mission, Kansas, 1968, and pending record 36.6 by Bruce Scully, Audubon, N.J., 1972); 2, Rudd, Dayton, Ohio, 37.0; 3, Allen, Old Bridge, N.J., 37.0.
  - Javelin — 1, Heide, Troutdale, Ore., 212-9; 2, Newton, Havens, Kan., 212-6; 3, Yamello, West Longbranch, N.J., 207-3¼.
  - Pole Vault — 1, Riley, Wichita, Kan., 15-8½; 2, Baggett, Pasco, Wash., 15-6; 3, Black, Los Angeles, 14-6.
  - Long Jump — 1, Duncan, Sacramento, 26-2¼ (new national record) old record 26-0¼ by Proctor, Pasadena, Calif., 1967); 2, McCullough, Sacramento, 25-1½; 3, Banks, Las Vegas, Nev., 24-11¾.
  - Shotput — 1, Semkiw, Pittsburgh, 67-3½; 2, Franklin, Rosenberg, Tex., 63-5¼; 3, Gerashchuck, Los Angeles, 62-10¼.
  - High Jump — 1, De Loach, El Paso, Tex., 6-9; 2, Stanek, Hillside, Ill., 6-9; 3, Miles, Long Beach, Calif., 6-9.
  - Triple Jump — 1, Rim, Clovis, Calif., 50-10; 2, Cochee, Oakland, Calif., 49-9; 3, Jones, Opelousas, La., 49-5¾.
  - Discus — Dual, Winter Haven, Fla., 189-11; 2, Paul, Galtston, Tex., 183-7; 3, Semkiw, Pittsburgh, 174-1.
  - Hammer Throw — 1, Bessette, Cumberland, R.I., 170-3¾; 2, Raineault, New Britain, Conn., 161-1¼; no third.



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