

RICE INVITATIONAL Marks Unseasonably Great

Dallas, March 8 /from J. Fred Duckett/—You wouldn't have guessed it was early in March, the way prime-season marks flew at the Rice Invitational.

Take Texas A&M vaulter Randy Hall, for instance. He previewed his NCAA indoor win with his first-ever 18-footer, an 18-½ clearance that makes him =6th on the all-time collegiate list.

"I felt like at least a 17-6 today, but not an 18-footer," said Hall. "I knew it would come, but I didn't want to get impatient. I didn't want to peak out too early."

Take Hall's teammate, Leslie Kerr, the No. 9 1-lapper in the country last year. He snipped 0.06 off his PR with a world-leading 45.45. Kerr closed the day with a 45.0 relay leg, and he needed all of that to run down Zeke Jefferson of Baylor and pull the Aggies to a 3:05.34 to 3:05.92 win.

Take Baylor's Todd Harbour, who won a 1:47.42 (PR)/3:43.89 double inside an hour. "I was surprised I did so well in the 800," he revealed after his second victory.

Take Houston's Carl Lewis, the prep long jump record holder, who didn't even contest his bread and butter event.

Instead, he ran only the 4 x 100 relay, stunning everyone by taking the baton 3m behind Curtis Dickey and actually exploding by the Texas A&M star in the last 20m to win by a couple of strides, 39.54 to 39.60.

"I was tight," explained Dickey, who has been spending most of his time recently flying around the country taking physical exams with pro football teams. "It gets very tiring," he concluded.

Teams: 1. Texas 140; 2. Texas A&M 121; 3. Rice 93; 4. Baylor 75; 5. Houston 71.

100, Walls (Tx) 10.52, 400, Kerr (A&M) 45.45; 2. Hartson (Bay) 46.31; 3. Pittman (A&M) 46.64, 800, Harbour (Bay) 1:47.42; 2. Hamilton' (Tx) 1:47.43; 3. Gingrich (Rice) 1:49.08; 4. Johnson (Tx) 1:49.90, 1500, Harbour 3:43.89; 2. Hamilton' 3:44.25, 10,000, Froelich (Rice) 29:14.9, 110H, Smith (Tx) 14.15, 300H, James (Rice) 36.03.

4 x 100, Houston 39.54 (Turner, Illorson', Bowers, Lewis); 2. Texas A&M 39.60 (Washington, Kerr, Willis, Dickey); 3. Texas 40.22, 4 x 400, Texas A&M 3:05.34 (Pittman, Washington, Willis, Kerr 45.0); 2. Baylor 3:05.92 (Vaughn, Clarke, Hartson, Jefferson); 3. Texas 3:07.17; 4. Rice 3:07.34.

HJ, Guy (Tx) 7-2; 2. Shockley (Hous) 7-0, PV, Hall (A&M) 18-½ (=6, x a-1 C); 2. Heern (Hous) 16-7½, SP, Scott (A&M) 64-8; 2. Jakobsson' (Tx) 63-5½; 3. Brooks (Tx) 60-8¾, DT, Jakobsson' 191-0; 2. Scott 182-9, JT, Pajtas' (Tx) 235-10.

AZTEC INVITATIONAL USC Rockets 1:21.12

San Diego, March 8 /from Wally Donovan/—"Those are great times for this early in the year," beamed USC coach Vern Wolfe.

Wolfe had good reason to be happy, as his 4 x 200 squad of Mike Sanford, Bill Green, Billy Mullins and James Sanford had just raced to the 6th-fastest time in history, 1:21.12.

A stiff San Diego State foursome gave *The Bible of the Sport*



Richard McGowan

In shape early, Kerr ran a world-leading 45.45, then relayed a blistering 45.0.

them a good battle, running 1:22.38. "We told our runners they couldn't take it easy against San Diego State," continued Wolfe. "That team is too good to be taken for granted."

USC also blistered the track to the tune of 3:04.2 for 4 laps, while San Diego won the 1-lap relay (in USC's absence) in 39.82.

100, Williams (USC) 10.58; 2. M. Sanford (USC) 10.64, 800, Omwansa' (USC) 1:46.85; 2. Gray (SMTC) 1:48.40, 5000, Cotton (J Toads) 14:00.3, 110H(w), Campbell (USC) 13.6; 2. Milburn (HAC) 13.6; 3. Stewart (USC) 13.9; 4. Veatch (AFS) 13.9, 400H, King (Macc) 50.23; 2. Sheffield (unat) 51.63.

4 x 100, San Diego State 39.82, 4 x 200, USC 1:21.12 (6 a-t W) (M. Sanford, Green, Mullins, J. Sanford); 2. San Diego State 1:22.38 (Daniels, McDonald, Simons', Russell), 4 x 400, USC 3:04.2 (Mullins, Bethany, J. Sanford, Green); 2. San Diego State 3:06.9 (Daniels, Simons', Blaylock, McDonald).

HJ, Woods (CI) 7-1¾, PV, Woepse (SSTC) 17-8¾, LJ(w), Doubly (USC) 25-5¾, TJ(w), Hays (USC) 51-6¾, SP, Andrei' (It) 60-1¼; 2. Staub (GI C) 60-1¼, DT, Lettow (AFS) 184-4, HT, Orlando' (It) 233-7; 2. Galle (Macc) 214-10, JT, Petrano' (AFS) 271-8; 2. Roggy (AW) 262-2; 3. Tafelmeier' (WG) 256-9; 4. Sorchik (Silv) 255-2.

Women: 100(w), Bolton (Cal) 11.82, 400, Campbell (Stan TC) 52.98, 1500, Trumbly (Cal) 4:22.7; 2. Schmandt (Cal) 4:23.2; 3. Joyce (S Di) 4:25.5, 5000, Binder (KCBO) 16:41.5; 2. Heinmiller (SMTC) 16:46.7; 3. Tiltman (Phoenix CC) 16:55.5, 100H(w), LaPlante (S Di) 13.38, 400H, Sapp (SDC) 64.26, 4 x 100, Cal 46.53, 4 x 800, Cal 9:04.0.

LJ, Crabtree (USC) 19-5¼; 2. McLaughlin (S Di) 19-4¾; 3. Watson (CI) 19-3¾, SP, Liguani' (Chn) 55-2¼, DT, Griffin (ACA) 173-8; 3. Vogelsang (Macc) 164-1; 4. Zaphiropoulos (Cal) 162-9; 5. Olson (USC) 154-7, JT, Dunton (KCBO) 173-1.

FLORIDA RELAYS Bad News/Good News Wind

Gainesville, Fl., March 29-30—Strong winds buffeted the Florida Relays and, while Earl Bell benefitted from the breezes, they also helped nullify some fine vaulting.

Bell cleared 18-5 and had a close shot at a World Record 18-8¾ on his final attempt. But at least on jumps up to and including 18-5, two officials had to brace the bar against the standard to keep it from flying off the pegs. Such was the force of wind.

Bell touched the bar on his clearance of 18-1, but then gave it more than a decent jiggling at 18-5. It stayed on, though, thanks to the officials' help.

Asked if he thought the bar would have stayed on anyway, Bell replied, "Yeah, I think so. But then I would think so, wouldn't I?"

The standards had to be readjusted for Bell's WR attempts; his first pair weren't close but his final effort saw him just nick the crosspiece off the pegs.

"I made the mistake of not making my first attempt a good one," Bell said. "It was a World Record and I let it get to me."

All the jumps produced fine efforts as Larry Myricks (26-8¾) and Robert Cannon (55-3¾) received illegal aid from the wind.

In the javelin, '77 national champ Bruce Kennedy popped a PR 271-3 in the rain-delayed event, upping his best from the 269-8 he reached earlier in March.

Open Division: 100(-), Floyd (Aub) 10.33; 2. Robinson (AA) 10.61.

200(-), Roberson (AA) 20.7; 2. Melvin (E Car) 21.0, 400, Smith (Aub) 46.34; 2. Oliver (FTC) 46.34.

800, Summerville (Man) 1:50.5, 1500, Masback (NYPC) 3:47.2, St. McCullough (SMTC) 8:49.8.

5000, Salazar (OTC) 14:04.3, 10,000, Chapa (OTC) 28:50.6; 2. Buerkle (NYAC) 28:52.8; 3. Foster (AA) 28:58.7; 4. Cohen (FFTC) 29:01.4; 5. Bateman (FTC) 29:06.3.

110H, Long (FTC) 14.41, 400H, Walker (Aub TC) 50.1; 2. Shine (US Ar) 51.3; 3. Hanlon (St John's) 51.3, 4 x 200, Athletic Attic 1:24.0, 4 x Mile, Oregon TC 16:24.1 (Peterson 4:08.9, Chapa 4:02.0, Clary 4:06.6, Centrowitz 4:06.6); 2. Auburn 16:24.0; 3. Manhattan 16:30.8; 4. Murray State 16:33.3.

HJ, Pringle (Fl) 7-4¾; 2. Barrineau (AA) 7-2; 3. McDaniel (AA) 7-2.

PV (bar held on illegally), Bell (NYAC) 18-5; 2. Porter (HAC) 17-5¾; 3. Freeman (AA) 17-2¾.

LJ(w), Myricks (AA) 26-8¾; 2. Rea (UCTC) 26-3; 3. Artis (M Tn) 25-11¾; 4. Lawrence (US Ar) 25-10¾.

TJ(w), Cannon (In) 55-3¾; 2. Jordan (HAC) 54-8¾; 3. Haynes (US Ar) 53-1¼.

SP, Walker (AA) 65-0; 2. England (AA) 60-9¾.

DT, Cain (AA) 204-1; 2. Oerter (NYAC) 202-0; 3. Swarts (Shore) 200-9; 4. Cooper' (AA) 196-6.

HT, Galle (Macc) 220-3; 2. Podolski (SLTC) 206-9; 3. Healy (NYAC) 193-11; 4. Silverio (Man) 191-9; 5. Kania (PCC) 189-0.

JT, Kennedy (Stars) 271-3; 2. Sing (RAA) 258-1; 3. Garza (unat) 252-9; 4. Edmunds (AA) 248-8; 5. Kirby (NYAC) 247-8.

Dec(hybrid scores), Crist (GP) 7903 (11.01, 45-9¾, 23-1¼, 6-11¼, 48.7, 15.08, 136-6, 12-7¼, 190-1, 4:19.8); 2. Wooding (unat) 7855; 3. Howell (HAC) 7850; 4. Schneider (St John's) 7518; 5. Olsen' (MSM) 7488.

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University Division: 100(-), Enchill' (SEN La) 10.71, 1500, Weatherwax (VMI) 3:51.89, St. Moreland (Penn) 8:58.9, 110H(-), Guild (Aub) 14.31, 400H, Burns (Aub) 52.33.

4 x 100, Florida State 40.28; 2. Auburn 40.50; 3. Alabama 40.56, 4 x 440, Florida State 3:10.7; 2. Florida A&M 3:12.5.

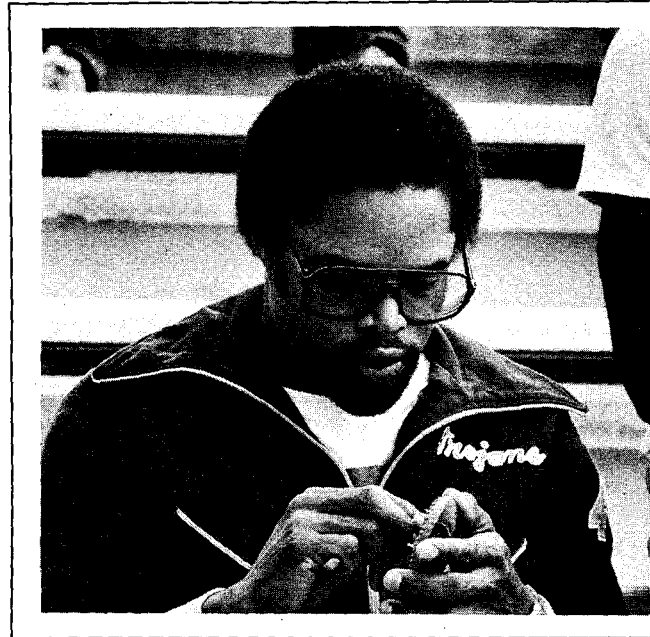
4 x 880, Auburn 7:33.2; 2. Florida State 7:35.9, SpMed(y), Florida A&M 3:24.4; 2. Florida 3:25.3, 4 x 120H, Auburn 56.8; 2. South Carolina State 56.9; 3. Citadel 58.3.

PV, Lotan (En Mi) 16-3, LJ, Kearns (M Tn) 24-11¼, DT, Van Winkle (Ga) 180-8.

SDSV

10.27 and 20.47 clockings.

100(w), Smit' (Macc) 10.27; 2. Simons' (S Di) 10.49. 200(w), Smit' 20.47; 2. Goldston (Ali) 20.98. 1500, Cendejas (Macc) 3:46.3. 110H(w), Babb (Ali) 13.66; 2. McCraney (Macc) 13.96. 400H, Sheffield (Macc) 51.56. HJ, Kotinek (PCC) 6-10. PV, Haynie (AFS) 17-3; 2. Zalar' (Swe) 17-3; 3. Searle, (S Di) 17-3; 4. Brown (unat) 17-3. LJ, Ehizuellen' (Macc) 24-11 $\frac{1}{4}$. SP, Gordien (unat) 62-3 $\frac{1}{2}$. DT, Lettow (AFS) 190-5; 2. Gordien 189-0; 3. Slaney' (S Di) 182-9. HT, Orlando' (Ita) 239-7; 2. Arcaro (Macc) 196-0. JT, Anderson (UCLA) 231-2. Women: 100(w), Hall (unat) 11.80. 200(w), Boothe' (GB) 23.36. 100H(w), Boothe' 13.39. DT, Pagel (LB St) 154-3; 2. Hoerner (LB St) 152-11.



John Jaques

Billy Mullins
popped a
peak-season
400 time
—45.34—
in the middle
of March.

CAL WOMEN'S INVITATIONAL

Berkeley, April 5—Speedster Kelia Bolton had powered Cal's women's squad to its early-season victories, but she has been declared scholastically ineligible. Stepping in to fill the void is frosh teammate Marian Franklin, who captured the 200 (24.24w), and 400 (54.27) and anchored the winning 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 relays, the latter with a sizzling 52.5.

Teams: 1. Cal 148; 2. Oregon 107; 3. Cal Poly/SLO 68; 4. Long Beach State 52; 5. Washington State 41.

100, Fox (Ha) 11.7. 200(w), Franklin (Cal) 24.24; 2. Fox 24.27. 400, Franklin 54.27; 2. Culbert (Cal) 56.18. 800, Warren (Or) 2:09.0. 1500, M. Keyes (SLO) 4:21.6; 2. Trumbly (Cal) 4:30.3.

3000, Richter (Cal) 9:42.0; 2. Kraemer (SLO) 9:42.6; 3. Forbes (Or) 9:51.2. 5000, Schnurpfel (Stan) 16:42.2; 2. Hjelte (Cal) 17:03.2. 10,000, Oehm (Cal) 35:32.4; 2. Griffith (Or) 35:37.2. 100H(-), LaPlante (S Di) 13.53; 2. Branch' (UNLV) 13.96; 3. Hawthorne (Cal) 14.09. 400H, Hightower (UCSB) 61.46; 2. Hawthorne 62.21.

4 x 100, Cal 46.7. 4 x 400, Cal 3:41.61 (Tobacco' 58.1, Trumbly 55.7, Culbert 55.4, Franklin 52.5); 2. Oregon 3:43.24. 4 x 800, Cal 8:53.2 (Saia 2:13.5, Schmandt 2:11.4, Flowers 2:18.4, Trumbly 2:09.9); 2. Washington State 9:02.0.

SP, Dole (LB St) 48-6; 2. Pagel (LB St) 46-9. DT, Zaphiropoulos (Cal) 164-0; 2. Lass (Or) 155-4; 3. Hoerner (LB St) 154-6; 4. Stevenson (Or) 152-5. JT, Kearney (Or) 163-1; 2. Eggart (Wa St) 159-1; 3. Perfito (Spring) 154-3. Pent(h), Banks (Cal) 3776.

ATLANTIC COAST RELAYS

Raleigh, N.C., March 29—Richmond's Kenyan contingent was much in evidence as the school won the 3 longest men's relays and Hillary Tuwei captured the steeple in 8:41.9.

Men: 100, Lawson (St Aug) 10.40. St, Tuwei' (Rich) 8:41.9. 110H, C. Foster (PPC) 13.84; 2. Kirkland (SC) 14.12; 3. Bethel (PPC) 14.15. 400H, Rambo (SC) 51.67.

4 x 100, North Carolina State 40.4. 4 x 220, Philadelphia PC 1:24.23. 4 x 440, Philadelphia PC 3:11.35. 4 x 880, Richmond 7:33.48. 4 x Mile, Richmond 16:53.10. SpMed(y), South Carolina 3:23.9. DisMed(y), Richmond 9:48.8. HT, Pellegrini (Prince) 185-6. JT, Meyer (Prince) 242-10.

Women: 800, Thompson (Prince) 2:10.6. 1500, Overby (NC St) 4:37.3. 3000, Henderson (NC St) 9:33.5. 5000, Springs (NC St) 16:31.2. 4 x 440, Princeton 3:56.83.

LSU INVITATIONAL

Baton Rouge, March 29—Southern California is supposedly a team that's very "thin," but you wouldn't know it after the Trojans romped to victory in the LSU Invitational. Of course, Trojan sprint strength is so overwhelming that it can make up for a lot of weaknesses.

Heavy rain forced all the jumping events indoors, but didn't stop James Sanford and Billy Mullins from recording fine dash marks.

Teams: 1. USC 143; 2. LSU 99; 3. Houston 78 $\frac{1}{2}$; 4. BYU 71 $\frac{1}{2}$; 5. Kansas 65 $\frac{1}{2}$; 6. Baylor 37; 7. Rice 30 $\frac{1}{2}$; 8. Minnesota 30.

100, I-1. Sanford (USC) 10.26; 2. Turner (LSU) 10.50. II-1. Mullins (USC) 10.31; 2. Coley (LSU) 10.41. 200, I-1. Sanford 20.73. II-1. Mullins 20.65. 400, Hogan (Ks) 46.41; 2. Mickens (Ks) 46.84; 3. Bethany (USC) 46.86.

800, Guimares' (BYU) 1:46.76. 1500, Harbour (Bay) 3:41.70; 2. Quigley (LSU) 3:42.36; 3. Gebcke (Mn) 3:44.16; 4. Beck (LSU) 3:45.34. St, Berkner (Mn) 8:48.57; 2. Weaver (Mn) 8:50.25. 5000, Padilla (BYU) 13:57.18.

110H, Stewart (USC) 13.92. 400H, James (Rice) 52.03. 4 x 110, USC 39.28 (Williams, Mullins, J. Sanford, M. Sanford); 2. LSU 40.33; 3. Houston 40.81. 4 x 440, Kansas 3:11.12; 2. USC 3:11.82.

HJ, Weaver (LSU) 7-2 $\frac{1}{2}$; 2. Riggs (Hous) 7- $\frac{3}{4}$. PV, Mulligan (USC) 16-6. LJ, Turner (Hous) 25-8 $\frac{1}{2}$; 2. Doubly (USC) 25-1 $\frac{1}{2}$. TJ, Hays (USC) 50-8. SP, Jonsson' (BYU) 62-8 $\frac{1}{2}$; 2. Maciejczyk (LSU) 60-10. DT, Svensson' (BYU) 176-8. JT, Keihias' (BYU) 249-4.

USC WOMEN'S INVITATIONAL

Los Angeles, March 29—National record holder Deby LaPlante lowered her season-leading time in the hurdles to 13.49 in this non-scoring meet.

200(w), Loud (UCLA) 24.1. 400, Emerson (UCLA) 54.55. 800, Dyer (USC) 2:13.7. 1500, Cline (Tn) 4:26.4. 2. Ralston (UCLA) 4:27.4. 3000, Goen (UCLA) 9:32.1. 5000, Kanuka' (S Di) 16:30.8 NR. 100H, LaPlante (S Di) 13.49; 2. Fitzgerald (Tn) 13.59. 400H, Allen (Tn) 63.02.

4 x 800, UCLA 8:48.6. SpMed(m), UCLA 1:43.21.

HJ, Remmling (UCLA) 5-9. LJ(w), Crabtree (USC) 20-3 $\frac{1}{2}$; 2. Gourdiene (UCLA) 20-1 $\frac{1}{2}$; 3. Haynes (USC) 19-8 $\frac{1}{2}$. SP, Hauch' (Tn) 49-6 $\frac{1}{2}$; 2. Dole (LB St) 49-5 $\frac{1}{2}$; 3. Thornton (Tn) 46-0. DT, Hoerner (LB St) 156-5; 2. Olson (USC) 153-7. JT, Nelson (LB St) 149-11.

OLYMPIC YEAR OPEN

Walnut, Ca., March 30—South African sprinter Willie Smit, now training in southern California, rode slightly illegal breezes (2.5 and 2.2) to swift

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