

Wilkins Whips To World Lead

San Jose, April 26—Excellent efforts in all four throws provided the highlights of the San Jose Invitational, as Mac Wilkins claimed the longest discus throw of the new decade with his 224-0.

Wilkins also produced throws of 219-4, 215-6, and 216-3 in his series; even his 2nd-best throw would have beaten the class field by a yard.

"I'm happy with my mark," Mac said. "I'm starting to put things together. I'm still slightly ragged, but when I smooth things out I'll be ready for some good throws."



Diane Johnson

Wilkins is putting his technique together.

Dave Laut, the top American shot putter last year, got his season's longest heave, 67-7, to claim a victory from Brian Oldfield (66-10%).

"I was really relaxed today, maybe too relaxed," said Laut. "But I got my best throw so far this year, so I can't complain. I'd like to throw 70 feet in May and then peak for the Olympic Trials in June."

In the javelin, Bruce Kennedy got his 3rd PR of the season as he rifled the spear 272-8. "This isn't supposed to be a good runway," said Kennedy, who also had thrown his first PR of the year (268-7) on the Bud Winter Field runup. "But I get good marks here. The tailwind we had forced the javelin down. With a good headwind, I could have thrown much farther."

Hammer thrower Dave McKenzie put together a fine 6-throw series, topped by a 229-0 whirl, to best the 226-8 PR of Peter Galle. McKenzie's series averaged a bit over 225-4, while Galle's best moves him to 10th on the all-time U.S. list.

100m(w), 11-1. Rochee (unat) 10.2. 111-1. Simons' (S Di) 10.2; 2. Thomas (SJ St) 10.2; 3. Smit' (Macc) 10.4; 4. Edwards (AFS) 10.4.

200(w), Hampton (BAS) 20.5; 2. Smit' 20.7; 3. Russell (S Di) 20.7; 4. Krulce (Macc) 20.7.

400, Daniels (S Di) 46.6; . . . 4. B. Brown (AIA) 47.8; 5. Wheeler (unat) 48.8.

800, Rolle (US Ar) 1:50.1. 1500, Clifford (G Bear) 3:47.1. St. Hurt (WVTC) 9:15.9. 5000, Fabris (SLO) 14:48.4. 10,000, Cassidy (WVTC) 29:38.7.

110H(w), Cooper (BAS) 13.7; 2. Veatch (AFS) 13.7. 400H, Jackson (Stanislaus) 51.5.

4 x 100, Bay Area Striders 39.7 (Hampton, Harris, Cooper, Hart); 2. San Diego State 39.9. 4 x 440, Maccabi TC 3:12.8.

HJ, Barrineau (US Ar) 7-0. PV, Woepse (SSTC) 17-6;

2. Haynie (AFS) 17-6; 3. tie, Bell (NYAC) & McDonald (SLO) 17-0; 5. Bohni' (SJ St) 17-0; 6. tie, Black (SJ St) & Maestretti (Nv) 17-0.

LJ(w), Ehuzuelen' (Macc) 26-10%; 2. McRae (BAS) 25-9%.

TJ(w), Garner (Macc) 54-9%; 2. Alston (Hay St) 51-10%.

SP, Laut (AW) 67-7; 2. Oldfield (UCTC) 66-10%; 3. Dolegiewicz' (Macc) 65-2; 4. Jakobsson' (Tx) 63-4.

DT, Wilkins (AW) 224-0; 2. Hjeltnes' (BAS) 216-4; 3. Plucknett (WVTC) 212-7; 4. McGoldrick (Stars) 209-9; 5. Powell (Stars) 207-8; 6. Jakobsson' 203-7; 7. Swarts (NYAC) 202-3; 8. Gardner' (Macc) 199-2.

HT, McKenzie (unat) 229-0 (220-10, 223-2, 228-2, 226-8, 229-0, 224-4); 2. Galle (Macc) 226-8 (216-1, 223-3, f, 223-0, 226-8, f); 3. Farmer' (Macc) 225-3; 4. Burke (Stars) 206-11.

JT, Kennedy (Stars) 272-8; 2. Ransford (SJ St) 260-10.

WCAA Ritchie's 5th CR: 213-6

Tempe, Az., April 25-26—Meg Ritchie extended her own collegiate discus record for the fourth time in 1980 at the Western Collegiate AA meet.

The Arizona freshman from Scotland whirled the plate 213-6 on her opening throw, lengthening the 210-11 mark she set in late March.

The throw is also a British Commonwealth record and the longest mark ever achieved by a thrower not from Eastern Europe or Cuba.

Another first-year collegian, Arizona State's Coleen Rienstra, claimed her own record when she high jumped 6-2 in the pentathlon, the highest leap ever by an American 5-eventer.

That mark matched Rienstra's PR and was part of a busy competition, which included a 1st in her specialty (5-10½) and a 3rd in the hurdles as well her 2nd in the pentathlon overall.

Teams: 1. UCLA 158; 2. Arizona State 140; 3. San Diego State 125; 4. Southern Cal 81; 5. Arizona 61; 6. Long Beach State 51.

100(-2.7), Boyer (AS) 11.86; 2. Loud (UC) 12.13. 200(-1.2), Boyer 23.55; 2. Loud 24.07.

400, Law (UC) 54.38; 2. Emerson (UC) 54.81. 800, Warner (UC) 2:06.97; 2. Bonds (LB) 2:08.44.

1500, Goen (UC) 4:21.79; 2. Joyce' (SD) 4:23.38. 3000, Kanuka' (SD) 9:36.36; 2. Joan Hansen (A) 9:41.97.

5000, Kanuka' 16:53.02; 2. Joy Hansen (A) 17:56.71. 10,000, Bush (UC) 36:06.78; 2. Kaput (A) 36:52.35. 100H(-3.1), LaPlante (SD) 13.62; 2. Kameli' (SD) 14.12; 3. Rienstra (AS) 14.34.

400H, Kameli' 59.98; 2. Miles (AS) 61.72. 4 x 100, Arizona State 46.16; 2. USC 46.39.

4 x 440, UCLA 3:43.43; 2. Arizona State 3:50.34. 4 x 880, UCLA 9:14.39; 2. Arizona 9:33.76. SpMed(y), UCLA 1:41.59; 2. Arizona State 1:42.91.

HJ, Rienstra 5-10½; 2. Stafford (SD) 5-8½. LJ, Crabtree (SC) 19-10%; 2. Loud 19-9; 2. McLaughlin (SD) 19-7%.

SP, Ritchie' (A) 52-2%; 2. Kauti (UC) 49-5; 3. Stalman' (AS) 49-2%; 4. Dole (LB) 49-¾.

DT, Ritchie' 213-6 CR, BCR (213-6, 187-5, f, f, f, f); 2. Stalman' 181-8; 3. Cart (AS) 158-3.

JT, Wilkinson (AS) 161-3; 2. Nelson (LB) 152-4; 3. Olson (SC) 152-4.

Pent, Alston (UC) 3899 (14.49, 41-2½, 5-8¼, 18-1, 2:39.40); 2. Rienstra 3888 (6-2 [APR]); 3. Zwart (SC) 3796; 4. McLaughlin 3733.

TWO BIG GUYS The Perfect Hosts

Northern California, April 27—Just a day after the fine throwing at the San Jose Invitational, the shot and discus corps got together again at the 2nd edition of the

Two Big Guys Mountain Games.

Hosts Mac Wilkins and Al Feuerbach brought together many of the finest throwers in the country in both events, men and women. And while neither of the hosts turned out to be a competitive winner, they were big champs in terms of the camaraderie engendered among competitors and guests alike.

First in the discus, held at San Jose's Independence High under hot sun but virtually neutral wind conditions, Norway's Knut Hjeltnes led from his first throw and reached his seasonal best of 219-3 in round 3.

Art Swarts toiled in 5th place until his final effort, which he spun out 215-7 in 2nd. Wilkins reached 213-1 after 2 fouls and that was good enough for 3rd place. "You're a gracious host," Hjeltnes told Wilkins.

In the women's disc, Lorna Griffin was never challenged, leading all the way and hitting her 187-10 best on her 2nd throw. Four of her fair throws, in fact, outdistanced the 173-3 of runnerup Helene Connell.

Then it was on to the Santa Cruz mountains for the shot at Feuerbach's remote homemade throwing site. Like the discus victors, Maren Seidler was unpressed in the women's shot. All 6 of her throws were over 57 feet and she notched a nation-leading 58-10½ on her final effort.

Perhaps just to be different, as is his wont, Brian Oldfield remained in 7th until round 4 when he kept his spin style in control and reached 66-6¾. That exceeded Feuerbach's 66-2 opener.

Bishop Dolegiewicz threatened with 66-2½ in round 5, but Oldfield salted it away with a final effort of 68-6½.

"I'm always pleased to win, because they don't write about you when you lose," said Oldfield. "I might have had a long one on my second throw, but the shot slipped down to my palm. I was relaxed today and much of that had to do with the surroundings."

As guests lined up for the home-cooked dinner offered by the hosts, Feuerbach said, "I'm happy to be on my feet since I've had the flu and wasn't certain I'd feel up to it today. Under those circumstances, the 66-2 is very pleasing. But more important is the good feelings created by the guests and competitors. That's what this is all about."

SP, Oldfield (UCTC) 68-6½ (63-¾, f, 63-¾, 66-6½, f, 68-6½); 2. Dolegiewicz' (Macc) 66-2½ (65-9½, 64-8½, 65-3½, 63-6½, 66-2½, f); 3. Feuerbach (AW) 66-2 (66-2, 64-9½, 65-11¼, 65-3, f, 63-11¼); 4. Walker (AA) 66-¾; 5. Laut (AW) 65-10½; 6. Shmock (AFS) 65-3½; 7. Summers (Macc) 64-10; 8. Gordien (ACA) 62-1¼; 9. Pyka (Stars) 60-4¼; . . . nm—Marks (WVTC).

DT, Hjeltnes' (BAS) 219-3 (203-4, 211-4, 219-3, 210-7, 214-4, 206-7); 2. Swarts (Shore) 215-7 (191-11; 196-3, 200-10, 198-7, 197-10, 215-7); 3. Wilkins (AW) 213-1 (f, f, 213-1, 208-5, f, 210-4); 4. Gardner' (Macc) 204-2; 5. Chambul' (Can) 203-6; 6. McGoldrick (Stars) 200-0; 7. Jakobsson' (Tx) 192-5; 8. Weeks (PCC) 185-4.

Women: SP, Seidler (Stars) 58-10½ (58-2, 57-9, 57-7¼, 57-2½, 57-5, 58-10½); 2. Griffin (ACA) 52-4¼; 3. Van Pelt (SW) 50-8¼.

DT, Griffin 187-10 (176-4, 187-10, f, 184-8, 171-9, 180-2); 2. Connell (ACA) 173-3; 3. Winbigler (OTC) 173-3; 4. Hansen (SW) 170-9; 5. Deniz (Ca HS) 164-0; 6. Van Pelt 163-5.

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Nehemiah Meets/Beats Milburn

by Bob Hersh

Houston, May 3—Rinaldo Nehemiah finally faced his former idol, Rod Milburn, and the resulting race was outstanding, although flawed. The same could be said of the second annual Lite Invitational, which was held for the first time at the University of Houston before a warm but puzzled crowd of 6000.

Nehemiah, in his first hurdles start since January 11, came out of the blocks even with Milburn. But by the second hurdle, the 1972 Olympic champ started to edge ahead of the man who succeeded him as World Record holder and consensus pick as the best hurdler ever.

Nehemiah stayed within a foot or two of the lead, started to close the gap at midrace, drew even by the seventh hurdle, and finally began to pull away coming off the eighth. His winning time was 13.32.

Second was Dedy Cooper, who had a slower start, but ran even with the leaders over the last 5 hurdles. Cooper ran a PR 13.34, while Milburn faded to 13.40.

Nehemiah was pleased with his win. "I know I'm still a few weeks away from the shape I should be in, but I had to start hurdling somewhere. I was getting itchy not doing it."

Milburn, in his best performance since his return to competition after 3 years ITA banishment, was satisfied, too. "I have more work to do, especially in the last part of the race. But I've proved I can run with these guys."

The meet's other great duel, the 3000 match between Steve Ovett and Steve Scott, fizzled. Ovett, in an American debut, ran without his familiar beard, but proved to be no shorn Goliath.

He stayed near the front of slow-paced race until the last lap when he took over with absurd ease, kicking around the last turn and trotting down the homestretch looking round at the struggling field, perhaps wondering what paralysis had afflicted some of the stars of the U.S.'s running machine. Scott, running a particularly mindless race, stayed well back for several laps, and made only a tame tactical move in the latter stages. The time differential of 7:52.44 for Ovett to 7:52.93 for Scott belies the certainty of the Briton's victory.

The field events were sensational, though without any indicator boards or adequate communication to the announcer there was no way anybody could have known it.

Brian Oldfield turned in a career best as an amateur, pumping the shot 71-3 to extend his 1980 World lead. An American seasonal best went to Nat Page who high jumped 7-5, while Bob Roggy approached his own U.S. leader with a 285-4 javelin throw.

On the women's side, Kathy McMillan rode a 4.48 mps breeze to long jump 22-8, Heather Hunte of Great Britain outraced Chantal Rega in the 100 (11.23w) and the 200 (22.9), and Irina Litovchenko avenged her Spartakiad loss to Deby LaPlante, taking the hurdles in 13.07.

Attendance 6000—100, Glance (Aub TC) 10.22; 2. Lewis (Hous) 10.25; 3. McTear (Alii) 10.28; 4. E. King (Jeff JC) 10.32; 5. Quarrie (AFS) 10.35; 6. Dickey (Tx A&M) 10.35; 7. Nance (PPC) 10.36.

Open 100(w), Levarity' (N Tx) 10.1; 2. L. King (Sub 4) 10.3.

200, Mallard (Ali) 20.47; 2. Nance 20.60; 3. Hampton (BAS) 20.83; 4. Collins (PPC) 20.90; 5. Stasyevich' (SU) 21.01; 6. Hassan' (Staters) 21.22.

Open 200, Illorson' (Hous) 20.49; 2. Levarity' 20.69; 3. Cabrera' (PR) 21.03.

400, Kerr (Tx AM) 45.4; 2. Smith (Aub TC) 45.4; 4. Hofmeister' (WG) 45.9; 4. Jenkins' (GB) 46.0; 5. Schmid' (WG) 46.0; 6. Frazier (PPC) 46.0; 7. Goldston (Alii) 46.0; 8. Skamrahl' (WG) 46.4; 9. R. Taylor (PPC) 46.8.

800, Hamilton' (Tx) 1:47.13; 2. Enyeart (PCC) 1:47.42; 3. Harbour' (Bay) 1:47.45; 4. Masback (NYPC) 1:48.21; 5. De Rienzo (Gtn) 1:50.11; ... 8. Gingrich (Rice) 1:50.93.

1 Mile, Wilson (unat) 4:03.58; 2. Durkin (UCTC) 4:03.60; 3. Harris (Co St) 4:04.70; 4. Jones (SMTC) 4:06.12; 5. Hilton (HH) 4:07.46; ... dnf—Chapa (OTC).

3000, Ovett' (GB) 7:52.44; 2. Scott (Sub 4) 7:52.93; 3. Lacy (AFS) 7:53.11; 4. Centrowitz (OTC) 7:53.86; 5. Melancon (NYAC) 7:56.44; 6. Gregorek (Gtn) 7:56.9; ... 8. Geis (AW) 8:03.3.

St. McDonald (unat) 8:49.70; 2. Montebello (Lamar) 8:58.54.

110H, Nehemiah (DCI) 13.32; 2. Cooper (BAS) 13.34 (8, x a-t W; 5, x a-t US); 3. Milburn (HAC) 13.40; 4. Myasnikov' (SU) 13.72; 5. Coffman (HAC) 13.88.

400H, Shine (NYPC) 49.31; 2. Walker (Aub TC) 49.85; 3. Byram (PCC) 50.56.

4 x 100, Houston 39.04 (Turner, Gilreath, Illorson', Lewis); 2. Texas A&M 39.33; 3. Texas 39.90; 4. Texas Southern 40.06.

4 x 200, Houston 1:24.4; 2. Texas Southern 1:25.05.

4 x 400, Texas A&M 3:05.68 (Willis 46.1, Washington 48.0, Pittman 46.1, Kerr 45.5); 2. Baylor 3:05.92; 3. Texas 3:06.54; 4. Texas Southern 3:06.87.

HJ, Page (Macc) 7-5; 2. Nagel' (WG) 7-2; 3. Perry (Tx AM) 7-2; 4. Schneider' (WG) 7-2.

PV, Tully (NYAC) 18-4½ (jumpoff); 2. Porter (HAC) 18-2½ (10, x a-t US); 3. Bohni' (SJ St) 18-2½ NR; 4. Hall (Tx AM) 17-6; 5. Hems (Hous) 17-6.

LJ, King (Sub 4) 26-8; 2. Rea (UCTC) 26-7¾ (26-3).

TJ, Butts (Alii) 54-6¼w (54-3¼); 2. Jordan (HAC) 54-2½; 3. Connor' (unat) 54-2½; 4. Caldwell 53-6½; 5. Washington (HAC) 53-5.

SP, Oldfield (UCTC) 71-3 (71-3, f, 66-3¼, 68-6¼, f, 65-7¼); 2. Anderson (UCTC) 68-3 (68-3, 67-8, f, f, p); 3. Feuerbach (AW) 66-6; 4. Stuart (UCTC) 65-6½; 5. Walker (AA) 65-6; 6. Woods (PCC) 65-5; 7. Shmook (AFS) 65-3½; 8. T. Scott (Tx AM) 64-10¼; 9. Jakobsson' (Tx) 64-¼. ExhSP, Carter (SMU) 64-11½.

DT, Wilkins (AW) 211-2 (211-0, f, 211-2, f, f, f); 2. Powell (Stars) 210-7; 3. Delis' (Cub) 205-6; 4. McGoldrick (Stars) 196-2; 5. Scott 196-1; 6. Jakobsson' 193-4; 7. Baughman (HAC) 188-11.

JT, Roggy (AW) 285-4 (259-7, f, 250-10, 256-6, 285-4, f); 2. Hall (Bruce) 275-3, 3. Gonzales' (Cub) 267-6; 4. Petranoff (AFS) 264-0; 5. Schmidt (AA) 253-1; 6. Jarvis' (Cub) 251-10; 7. F. Lyons (unat) 248-3; 8. Kennedy (Stars) 243-8; 9. Pajtas' (Tx) 241-3.

Women: 100(w), Hunte' (GB) 11.23; 2. Rega' (Fra) 11.27; 3. Hawkins (Tx Sn) 11.33; 4. Cheeseborough (Tn St) 11.56; 5. Glover (NJ HS) 11.60.

200, Hunte' 22.9; 2. Rega' 22.9; 3. Hawkins 23.2; 4. Glover 23.7; 5. Forde (LIU) 23.9.

400, Bryant (Alii) 52.76; 2. Smith' (GB) 53.12; 3. D. Howard (Alii) 53.26; 4. Forde 53.67.

800, Van Nuffel' (Bel) 2:04.50; 2. Campbell (Stan TC) 2:04.64; 3. Gallagher (NJ HS) 2:04.82; 4. Walton (Tn) 2:05.05; 5. Werthner' (Macc) 2:05.27; 6. Larrieu (PCC) 2:05.97; 7. Koba' (SU) 2:05.97; 8. Hocking' (N Tx) 2:06.37.

3000, Merrill (NLAC) 9:18.90; 2. Webb (KTC) 9:18.96; 3. Mitchell' (UTEP) 9:29.94; 4. C. Urish (HH) 9:31.71.

100H, Litovchenko' (SU) 13.07; 2. LaPlante (S Di) 13.18; 3. Boothe' (GB) 13.29; 4. van Wolvelaere (KCBQ) 13.34 (rolling start); 5. Fitzgerald (Tx) 13.42; 6. Weekly (Tx Sn) 13.78.

4 x 100, Houston 45.84; 2. Texas 45.95.

4 x 400, Texas Southern 3:40.89.

SpMed, Texas Southern 1:40.50; 2. Houston 1:41.89.

HJ, Huntley (PCC) 6-1; 2. Spencer (LAN) 6-1; 3. Pira' (Bel) 5-11½; 4. Rienstra (Az St) 5-9½.

LJ(w), McMillan (Tn St) 22-8 (22-8, 20-11¼, 19-7¾, 20-10, 20-8, p); 2. Anderson (LAN) 21-11¼ (21-11¼, 21-1½, p, 21-6¼, 21-8¼, 21-11); 3. Lewis (NJ HS) 21-2; 4. Davis (Hous) 20-3; 5. Watson (CI) 20-2½.

DT, Romero' (Cub) 195-3.

UCLA 83--USC 71 Sanford Steaming--9.88w

Los Angeles, May 3 /from Scott Davis—In last year's UCLA-USC dual meet clash, James Sanford emerged as a short sprint flash with a 10.12/20.19 double.

In the 1980 edition of traditionally the nation's highest-powered college dual meet—won by UCLA, 83-71—Sanford outdid himself, first powering to an awesome 9.88 wind-aided 100 and then a legal world-leading 20.26 in the 200.

Another year leader came from UCLA's Greg Foster, who blasted over the highs in 13.30, and the Bruin 4 x 440 team clocked the year's 2nd-fastest time of 3:04.57. Both are the fastest ever run in dual meet competition.

Sanford, who maintained at El Paso that he is still only at 75-80% of his maximum form, again displayed his newly-honed starting skills in the 100.

The wind measured 2.3mps (2.0 is allowable for record purposes). *T&FN* mathematics postulate that a 2.3mps breeze gives a sprinter 0.28 of aid, making 9.88 worth 10.16. That is still good for a fine 11th on a list of all-time adjusted clockings. (Hasely Crawford's 10.06 with 0.0 wind at sea-level Montreal to win the '76 Olympics is fastest ever.)

But under all conditions, only William Snoddy's 9.87 run with more than 10mps of aiding wind is faster. Sanford's recent 10.03 CR at El Paso (1280m altitude and 1.6mps wind) equates to a 10.31.

"It sure felt fast," Sanford confirmed. "I was disappointed when I heard the wind reading, but I'm running well and my training is going good so I'm happy."

In the 200, the only question seemed to be how fast would Sanford run? He and Billy Mullins both ran a hard turn and eased into the tape unpressed. That is Sanford's 3rd-fastest half-lap ever, behind only his 20.19 and 20.24 of '79.

Attendance 11,973—100(2.3), Sanford (SC) 9.88; 2. Mullins (SC) 10.11; 3. Brown (LA) 10.15; 4. Doubly (SC) 10.56. 200(1.4), Sanford 20.26; 2. Mullins 20.63; 3. Brown 21.0.

400, Green (SC) 45.78; 2. Bethany (SC) 46.02; 3. Thompson (LA) 46.05; 4. Banks (LA) 46.38. 800, Wang' (SC) 1:47.24 NR; 2. West (LA) 1:48.1; 3. Theriot (LA) 1:48.59; 4. Omwansa' (LA) 1:50.40.

1500, Cornell (SC) 3:43.95; 2. Omwansa' 3:47.70. St. Ortiz (LA) 8:57.2. 5000, Cornell 14:43.1; 2. Ortiz 14:43.1.

110H(0.8), Foster (LA) 13.30; 2. Campbell (SC) 13.73; 3. Johnson (SC) 13.99; 4. Phillips (LA) 14.01. 400H, Phillips 49.70; 2. McNeal (LA) 50.28; 3. Campbell 51.57.

4 x 100, USC 39.18 (Doubly, Mullins, J. Sanford, Green); 2. UCLA 40.52. 4 x 400, UCLA 3:04.57 (McNeal 47.5, Banks 46.0, Phillips 45.5, Thompson 45.6); 2. USC 3:04.66 (Mullins 47.0, Williams 46.6, Bethany 46.3, Green 44.8).

HJ, Anderson (LA) 7-0; 2. Balkin (LA) 7-0. PV, Curran (LA) 17-0. LJ, Hays (SC) 25-11¼; 2. Doubly 25-7¾. TJ, Williams (LA) 54-½; 2. Hays 53-¾; 3. Benson (LA) 52-1½.

SP, Montgomery (SC) 58-4; 2. McKenzie (SC) 58-2. DT, Mondello (LA) 183-11; 2. Montgomery 183-0. JT, Jadwin (LA) 249-7; 2. Anderson 244-7.

