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Greg Foster skims the last hurdle Sunday en route to upset over Renaldo Nehemiah in 13.10 sec-

onds, the second fastest time in track history. At right is Tonie Campbell of USC, who ran fifth.

Foster's Best Does In Nehemiah

Lewis' Best (28-3 3/4) Is Second Only to Beamon's 29-2 1/2

By MAL FLORENCE, Times Staff Writer

Greg Foster was timed in 13.10 seconds in the 110-meter high hurdles—second fastest of all time. And he beat his old rival, Renaldo Nehemiah, in the process.

Carl Lewis leaped 28 feet 3 3/4 inches in the long jump, which was wind-aided by the barest of margins. Only Bob Beamon, with his 29-2 1/2 in the 1968 Olympic

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Games at Mexico City, has jumped farther.

James Sanford had an impressive sprint double. He won the 100 in 10.05, beating Stanley Floyd, then took the 200 in 20.20, while easing up at the tape.

These were only some of the outstanding performances Sunday at the UCLA-Pepsi Invitational at

Drake Stadium. A crowd of 10,007 saw the best track meet of this year—and one of the great track meets of any year.

Steve Scott, who was aiming to break the American mile record of 3:51.1, won in 3:52.50. The time probably would have been faster if the D.R. (designated rabbit), Dan Raby, had been able to set a faster pace.

On a day of sweltering heat (90 degrees), world bests for 1981 were commonplace—10 in all.

Evelyn Ashford, like Sanford, was a double sprint winner. She was timed in 10.99 in the 100—close to her American record of 10.97—and she came back to clock 51.80 in the 400.

Howard Henley, a sophomore at Arizona State, was strong in the stretch to run down USC's Bill Green. Henley was timed in 44.92—a world best this year.

And so it went. But Foster's hurdles win was perhaps the most impressive performance of the afternoon.

Never a fast starter, the ex-Bruin was out of the

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Nehemiah Says an Unfriendly Crowd Created an Extra Hurdle

Foster, Citing the World Record-Holder's 13-Flat at UCLA in 1979, Scoffs at This as a Possible Excuse

By GORDON EDES, Times Staff Writer

Renaldo Nehemiah said the atmosphere just wasn't right for him to beat Greg Foster in the 110-meter hurdles Sunday.

And he wasn't talking about the heat or smog that may have precluded a world record in the mile at the UCLA/Pepsi Invitational.

"This is about the hardest race for me to win," said Nehemiah after Foster blew him away with a time of 13.10, the second fastest ever recorded in the event.

"The atmosphere here is always anti-Nehemiah," he continued, alluding to the fact that Drake Stadium ostensibly is the home track of Foster, an ex-Bruin.

"But it would have been pretty tough to beat him today, anyway. He was awfully psyched for the race."

Why Nehemiah felt unloved made no sense to Foster, who parlayed "maybe my best start ever" into an easy win.

"He ran 13 flat (the world record) here two years ago," Foster said. "How could he say that?"

"You heard the crowd when they announced his name. They cheered more for him than for me.

"Personally, I don't care who's in the crowd, except for my family."

Nehemiah, running his first outdoor race of the season, hit three hurdles in finishing in 13.46, third behind Foster and Sam Turner (13.43).

"I had to start somewhere," he said. "I wasn't confident about how fast I could go in this race, but I thought I could be competitive."

Nehemiah has beaten Foster with regularity—except here, where he has lost three of four races.

"He beat me, and beat me good. That dampens my ego," Nehemiah said.

"It's a brand-new ballgame. Maybe it's going to go back-and-forth now. It should add a little spice."

Foster thought his win tasted fine just the way it was.

"If he (Nehemiah) is looking forward to it going back and forth, I'm afraid he's going to be disappointed," Foster said.

Can he break 13 seconds?

UCLA Track Results

Men
100 METERS—1. J. Sanford (USC TC), 10.05 (wind 8 m.p.s. against) (equal seventh performance all-time world); 2. Floyd (Houston TC), 10.13; 3. E. Brown (UCLA), 10.29; 4. R. Brown (Arizona St.), 10.32; 5. Marshall (Washington), 10.34; 6. D. Quarrie (Jamaica), 10.44; 7. M. Sanford (USC), 10.52; 8. McCoy (Maccabi TC), 10.54.

200—1. J. Sanford (USC TC), 20.20 (wind 14 m.p.s. aiding) (meet record, old mark, 20.51; C. Edwards, Striders, 1979); 2. Evans (Arizona St.), 20.34; 3. Marshall (Washington), 20.46; 4. D. Quarrie (Jamaica), 20.47; 5. E. Brown (UCLA), 20.54; 6. King (Arizona St.), 21.06.

400—1. Henley (Arizona St.), 44.92; 2. Green (USC), 45.07; 3. Smith (Athletic Affic), 45.35; 4. Carey (UC Irvine), 45.35; 5. Frazier (Philadelphia Pioneers), 45.52; 7. Goldston (UCLA), 46.26; 8. Turner (USC), 47.16; 9. Bethany (USC), 47.63.

800—1. Bolt (Striders), 1:45.43 (meet record, old mark, 1:45; Robinson, Inner City AC, 1978); 2. Robinson (Inner City AC), 1:46.01; 3. Eneyart (Pacific Coast Club), 1:46.11; 4. Theriot (Stars & Stripes), 1:47.52; 5. Clifford (Athletes in Action), 1:48.26; 6. Masterson (Santa Monica TC), 1:48.50.

MILE—1. Scott (Sub 4 TC), 3:52.50 (meet record, old mark, 3:53.1; Scott, Sub 4 TC, 1980); 2. Walker (New Zealand), 3:53.98; 3. Coghlan (Ireland), 3:54.94; 4. Mearns (Villanova), 3:55.37; 5. Lacey (New Balance TC), 3:55.92; 6. Flynn (Ireland), 3:56.55; 7. Masback (New York Pioneers), 4:00.97.

2000 MILE—1. B. McChesney (unat), 8:23.16 (meet record, old mark, 8:26.99; Chapa, Oregon TC, 1980); 2. Spivey (Indiana), 8:24.69; 3. Macdonald (Athletics West), 8:35.05; 4. Aldridge (Sub 4 TC), 8:38.02; 5. Marsh (Athletics West), 8:40.03; 6. McCullough (Stars & Stripes), 8:40.77; 7. Ortiz (unat), 8:40.89; 8. Daniels (UCLA), 8:40.99; 9. Buller (Edison HS), 8:52.07 (8:17.7 for 3,000 meters, eighth performer all-time high school).

110 HURDLES—1. G. Foster (unat), 13.10 (wind 8 m.p.s. aiding) (second performer and performance all-time world); 2. Turner (Stars & Stripes), 13.43; 3. Nehemiah (Athletic Affic), 13.46; 4. Cooper (Bay Area Striders), 13.49; 5. Campbell (USC), 13.57; 6. Stewart (USC), 13.65; 7. Leach (Striders), 13.76; 8. Levitt (Pacific Coast Club), 13.74; 9. Cowling (California), 13.91.

400 HURDLES—1. Phillips (UCLA), 48.62 (meet record, old mark, 49.76; Phillips, UCLA, 1980) (seventh performer all-time U.S.); 2. J. King (Maccabi TC), 49.68; 3. Sheffield (Maccabi TC), 50.41; 4. Wycoff (unat), 51.41; 5. Mondschein (Philadelphia Pioneers), 52.12.

HIGH JUMP—1. Stanton (Long Beach CC), 7.5 (meet record, old mark, 7.4; Jacobs, Fairleigh Dickinson, 1978) (equals national community college record, Peacock, Modesto, 1981); 2. R. Brown (All-American TC), 7.3; 3. Frazier (unat), 7.3; 4. Woodard (unat), 7.3; 5. Page (Striders), 7.3; 6. Stones (Pacific Coast Club), 7.0.

POLE VAULT—1. Curran (UCLA), 18.0; 2. Ripley (Pacific Coast Club), 18.0; 3. He among Kenworthy (unat), Zolar (Sweden), Volz (Indiana) and Bell (Pacific Coast Club), 17.4; 7. Dial (Marlow HS, Okla.), 17.4; 8. Olson (Abilene Christian), 17.0; Pursley (Abilene Christian), Haynie (Striders), Jessell (unat) and Woepsse (AGA), no height.

LONG JUMP—1. Lewis (Houston), 28.37w (2.02 m.p.s.; second longest jump all-time world under any conditions) (27.9w best legal mark, no aiding wind; fourth performer and performance all-time world) (meet record, old mark, 26.3; Ehtizuelen, Maccabi TC, 1978); 2. Robinson (Maccabi TC), 25.8; 3. Williams (USC TC), 25.6w; 4. Artis (Maccabi TC), 25.3w (second best jump 25-25.3); 5. Ehtizuelen (Maccabi TC), 25.3w (25-24); 6. Hays (USC TC), 24.9w (3.6 m.p.s.).

TRIPLE JUMP—1. Banks (unat), 56.4w (wind 1.45 m.p.s. against); 2. Marlow (Stars & Stripes), 56.1w (2.18 m.p.s.) (55-10w best legal mark); 3. Connor (SMU/Britain), 55.1 (wind 1.56 m.p.s. aiding); 4. Garner (Maccabi TC), 54.2w (wind 1.51 m.p.s. aiding); 5. Williams (UCLA), 53.3w; 6. Caldwell (Stars & Stripes), 52.6w; 7. Jordan (Houston TC), 50.4w.

SHOTPUT—1. Oldfield (Chicago TC), 49.0w; 2. Carter (SMU), 48.9w; 3. Laut (Athletics West), 48.7w; 4. Stuart

(Houston TC), 44-13w; 5. Plucknett (Striders), 44-10w; 6. Weeks (Pacific Coast Club), 42-8w.

DISCUS—1. Plucknett (Striders), 217-11; 2. Powell (San Jose Stars), 217-10; 3. Hjaltnes (Norway), 215-7; 4. Burns (San Jose Stars), 214-0; 5. Orrer (New York AC), 205-4; 6. Swerts (Shore AC), 200-0; 7. Gordien (unat), 198-4; 8. Oldfield (Chicago TC), 195-0; 9. Crouser (Oregon), 193-9.

Women

100—1. Ashford (Medalist TC), 10.99 (wind 0) (meet record, old mark, 11.32; Lynch, Long Beach St., 1978) (equal seventh performance all-time world); 2. Bolden (UCLA), 11.18 (sixth performer all-time U.S.); 3. Taylor (Canada), 11.31; 4. Pusey (Naturite TC), 11.48; 5. Innes (Naturite TC), 11.66; 6. Anderson (Naturite TC), 11.87; 7. Marshall (Coast Athletics), 11.88; 8. Hay (Santa Monica College), 11.97.

200—1. Taylor (Canada), 22.93 (meet record, old mark, 23.00; Ashford, Maccabi TC, 1979) (wind 9 m.p.s. aiding); 2. Marshall (Coast Athletics), 23.86; 3. Pusey (Naturite TC), 23.86; 4. Dawkins (Dorsey HS), 23.99; 5. Innes (Naturite TC), 23.9 (hand time); 6. Glover (Williamboro HS, N.J.), 24.1; 7. Robinson (USC), 24.2.

400—1. Ashford (Medalist TC), 51.80 (meet record, old mark, 51.8; S. Howard, Kennedy HS, 1980); 2. Rattray (Tennessee), 53.49; 3. Emerson (UCLA), 53.42; 4. Bolton (Stanford TC), 53.92; 5. Forde (Atoms TC), 53.95; 6. Cumbess (UCLA), 54.68.

800—1. Campbell (Stanford TC), 2:03.02; 2. Walton (Tennessee), 2:03.41; 3. Gallagher (Upper Dublin HS, Fort Washington, Pa.), 2:04.41 (tenth performer all-time high school); 4. BALLENGER (Athletics West), 2:05.45; 5. Peterson (LA Mercurettes), 2:05.46; 6. Clark (Tennessee), 2:05.85; 7. Kelly (Athletics West), 2:06.34; 8. Jacobs (Argyle Academy HS), 2:06.3 (hand time).

MILE—1. Warren (Oregon), 4:30.36 (collegiate record, old mark, 4:33.0; Larrivue, UCLA, 1974); 2. Merrill (Age Group AA), 4:31.49; 3. Webb (Athletics West), 4:32.37; 4. Joan Hansen (Arizona), 4:32.61; 5. M. Joyce (San Diego St.), 4:32.62; 6. M. Keyes (Athletics West), 4:33.12; 7. Bremser (Wisconsin United), 4:35.49; 8. Bush (UCLA), no time; 9. Larriue (Pacific Coast Club), nt; 10. Goan (UCLA), nt; 11. Cook (Alemany HS), 4:41.8 (second performer all-time high school) (time at 1,500 meters 4:21.0; equal eighth all-time high school).

100 HURDLES—1. Fitzgerald (Tennessee), 13.92 (wind 5 m.p.s. aiding); 2. Young (Fairleigh Dickinson), 13.92; 3. Highfower (Ohio St. TC), 13.94; 4. Washington (Shaklee TC), 13.94; 5. Magee (LA Mercurettes), 13.95; 6. Smith (LA Mercurettes), 14.01; 7. Felton (Santa Monica College), 14.07.

MILE RELAY—Naturite TC (Myers, 53; Bryan, 54; Rich, 54; Pusey, 52), 3:53.12 (meet record, old mark, 3:45.53; Lakewood International, 1978); 2. Stanford TC, 3:39.34; 3. Oregon, 3:39.44; 4. San Diego St., 3:49.96.

HIGH JUMP—1. Riffer (Texas Women's U.), 6-3 1/2 (meet record, old mark, 6-3; Riffer, Pacific Coast Club and Pam Spencer, Naturite TC, both 1980); 2. Spencer (Naturite TC), 6-2 1/2; 3. Girven (unat), 6-2 1/2; 4. McNeal (Cal Poly SLO), 6-0 1/2; 5. He between Reinstra (Arizona St.) and Burritt (Nebraska), 5-10 1/2; 6. Alston (UCLA), 5-9 3/4; 8. Gossweiler (Shaklee TC), 5-9 3/4; 9. Walker (Houston), 5-8 1/2.

LONG JUMP—1. McMillan-Ray (Tennessee St. TC), 21-5 1/2w (2.70 m.p.s.) (19-11 legal); 2. Johnson (Wisconsin), 21-4 1/2; 3. Joyner (UCLA), 20-7 1/2 (2.35 m.p.s.) (20-11); 4. Lewis (Williamboro HS, N.J.), 20-5 1/2; 5. Anderson (Naturite TC), 20-3 1/2; 6. Taylor (Shaklee TC), 20-2 1/2w (2.52 m.p.s.) (20-13 1/2); 7. Myers (Naturite TC), 18-10 1/2; 8. Harmon (Naturite TC), 18-10 1/2.

SHOTPUT—1. Frederick (Athletics West), 51-8 1/2; 2. Griffin (Holiday Spa TC), 50-4 1/2; 3. Ray (UCLA), 48-10 1/2; 4. Kaulawaha (Fullerton HS), 48-9; 5. Pagel (Long Beach St.), 48-8 1/2; 6. Kault (UCLA), 48-8; 7. McElroy (Long Beach St.), 47-0.

VAULTING—1. Smith (Cal Poly SLO), 211-5 (meet and collegiate record, old meet mark, 193; Calvert, Lakewood International, 1978; old collegiate mark, 210-10; Smith, Cal Poly SLO, 1981); 2. Schmidt (Pacific Coast Club), 200-1; 3. Calvert (unat), 164-11; 4. Nelson (UCLA), 160-8; 5. Osborne (Stanford), 160-3; 6. Ray (UCLA), 158-4; 7. Dobb (Vit. Plus San Diego), 150-0.

"That's my goal. There's no way I'm going to ease up now."

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A worn-out "rabbit" and the 90-degree heat combined to frustrate Steve Scott's bid to set an American record in the mile, though he kicked past a loaded field with 250 meters to go to win in 3:52.50.

The pace-setting rabbit was Dan Raby, but the Arizona State runner had raced the day before in a dual meet against Arizona and set a slow pace (.58.5 for the first quarter).

"He (Raby) was a little bit tired today. The heat had

something to do with it," said Scott, who broke his own meet and stadium record.

"We were all a little sluggish."

Scott, however, had something left, bursting past Craig Masback and Eamonn Coghlan on the backstretch to take the lead, then holding off John Walker's closing kick.

"With Coghlan and Walker, you have to be right on their shoulder or ahead of them in the last 200 meters," Scott said. "They're so strong, you can't give them even a yard."

"I kind of played the field the first 220 of the last lap. Then if nobody was going to make his move, I was going to make mine."

"We were stumbling over each other the first three laps," said Walker, who finished in 3:53.98. "After three quarters of a mile we had no shot. Scott has run a 1:47 half and I haven't done that much speed work."

Both Walker and Coghlan said they were pointing for the European season, which begins in July.

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blocks fast and was clearly in charge of the race after a few hurdles. Sam Turner, formerly of Cal State L.A., was second in 13.43, while Nehemiah, the world record holder at 13 flat, could only get third at 13.46.

"I'm not surprised I ran 13.10—only that it came so early in the year," Foster said. "And, it may not have looked like it but I hit a lot of hurdles. I know because I felt them."

Nehemiah, making his first outdoor start of the year, said he's gearing his training for meets later in the year, such as the World Cup next September in Rome. "Previously, I peaked in May and June and people didn't hear much from me after that," he said.

There was a time when it seemed that Foster had a mental block when he raced against Nehemiah. He used to barge into hurdles while sneaking a peek at his adversaries.

"That's gone and he knows it," Foster said, alluding to a so-called mental block concerning Nehemiah. "I didn't even know where he was in the race. I just concentrated on 10 hurdles and the finish line."

Lewis, 19, a sophomore at Houston, had an outstanding long jump series. He started out at 27-3, then had some fouls over 28 feet, hit 27-9/4 (fourth best legal jump of all time) and then his 28-3 3/4. And he chopped his step just before the takeoff board.

The wind gauge read 2.02 meters per second—just over the allowable 2 m.p.s.

There has been only one legal 28-foot jump in track history. That was the 28-0/4 jump by East Germany's Lutz Dombrowski at the 1980 Moscow Olympics.

Many people believe that Beamon's 29-2 1/2 is an out-of-sight world record. It was also set at Mexico City, where the altitude helps.

But Lewis says Beamon's record can be broken—and at sea level.

Lewis was disappointed that his 28-foot jump wasn't legal and Scott felt the same way in his quest to break Jim Ryun's 14-year-old American record.

Raby, of Arizona State, who competed in a dual meet against Arizona Saturday night, just didn't set a fast enough pace for two quarters. He took the field through an opening 58.5 quarter and his time was only 1:58.6 at the half mile. Sydney Maree of Villanova was the leader at the end of three laps, 2:59.2, taking care of any possibility of a record.

Scott, America's premier miler, charged into the lead on the backstretch of the final lap and New Zealand's John Walker, the former world mile record-holder, began to pour it on in the final turn.

But Scott, who has a best outdoor time of 3:51.11, was simply too strong for Walker in the final stretch. Walker, who ran 3:50.6 last March in Auckland, New Zealand, was second in 3:53.98 and Ireland's Eamonn Coghlan, the indoor world record-holder at 3:50.6, was third in 3:54.94.

"I could feel in the first quarter that the race was going to be a little slow," Scott said. "But I wasn't going to take off in this weather and try to lose everybody. I was primed for the U.S. record. I hoped it would be the right time and right place. But it just proves you can't pick a time. I think it was a little too hot for a quality mile."

Walker said that because the pace was slow, the race was set up for Scott to win because the American miler



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James Sanford breaks through the tape to win the 100 meters in the Pepsi meet Sunday at UCLA. Sanford, of USC, came back to win the 200.

has done more speed work than his rivals, including a 1:47 half mile this season.

On the subject of speed, Sanford provided it. He got a smooth start in the 100 and held off Floyd, who was charging in the last 20 meters. Sanford's winning time was impressive, especially considering that he was bucking a 0.8 m.p.s. headwind. It was also the second fastest 100 in the world this year. Georgia's Mel Lattany has a 10.04 time.

It was the first 1981 outdoor meeting between Sanford, the world's fastest human in 1979, and Floyd, who had that distinction in 1980.

Floyd, formerly of Auburn, had been bothered by a pulled hamstring muscle in his left leg. He said the leg feels fine, but his head wouldn't go along with it.

"I hesitated a little bit at about 30 or 40 meters," Floyd said. "I raised up a bit and said to myself, 'Should I start running now or later.' My leg is OK. It was just in my mind."

Sanford, who is redshirting this season at USC, said he felt loose and ready for his confrontation with Floyd, adding that either one of them is capable of breaking Jim Hines' world record of 9.95 set at Mexico City in 1968.

"It's just a question of who feels better on a given day," Sanford said. "Who knows? Next time he may feel better."

Track Notes

Foster said that he credited his fast start to a weight-lifting program. "The weight lifting gives me extra drive out of the blocks," he said. "I'm coming out low now like a sprinter" . . . Nehemiah said that "West Coast guys pop some times early" and implied that he'll be sharper later in the season. Nehemiah and Foster are the only hurdlers ever to break 13.20 for the 110-meter race . . . UCLA's Andre Phillips, who came close to beating world record-holder Edwin Moses April 26 in the 400 intermediate hurdles at Mt. Sac, was a runaway winner Sunday in 48.82—one hundredth of a second slower than Moses' winning time at Walnut. Moses didn't compete Sunday . . . Brian Stanton of Long Beach CC tied the national JC record in the high jump with a winning leap of 7-5. James Woodard, the U.S. indoor record holder at 7-7 3/4, was fourth at 7-3 . . . Karin Smith of Cal Poly (SLO) set a women's collegiate record in the javelin with a throw of 211-5 . . . USC's Green said he has been bothered by tendinitis in his left leg. Still, he had a personal best time of 45.07 in the 400 behind Henley . . . UCLA's Anthony Curran cleared 18 feet for the second time this year to win the pole vault. Dan Ripley also went over 18-0 but Curran won on the basis of fewer misses . . . Oregon's Leann Warren set a collegiate record of 4:30.36 in winning the women's mile.