

Southland Preps Set Track Pace

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Southern California, land of the run, jump and throw, has bounced into a commanding lead in State track and field bests. The Los Angeles area boys have six top performances to two by Northern California and three by the Central section.

The Southerners have had more "big" meets, however, and the North is expected to make an improved showing during the CIF sectionals.

Such runners as Sequoia's hurdler Jim Luttrell, and 440 man Bill Rupp, sprinter Herb Turner of Alameda, half miler Jim Briggs of Pittsburg and high jumper Ray Goodwin of McClymonds should cut in for points in the State championships May 24 at Los Angeles.

The latest prep startler was turned in by Fernando Ledesma of Compton, who sped the mile in 4:23.9. That is only two-tenths off the State record of 4:23.7 by Ron Bauer of San Francisco's Washington High. Pittsburg's Briggs, second in the State half last year, came through with a 1:58.2 for a best-in-State. The other top mark of :09.7 in the 100 was accomplished by Alameda's Turner.

Luttrell's times of :19.4 and :14.8 have been shaded by Jerr Watson of Santa Maria, (:19.3 and :14.7).

Coach R. J. Mangin of McClymonds challenges any team in Northern California or any combination of TWO teams, to a dual track meet. The Macks have some real goodies. Note these leaders: 100—Elijah Green, :10.0 century; Louis Austin, :22.0 furlong; Ed Anderson, :51.0 quarter mile; James Green, 2:04 half mile; Billy Cox, 4:42.6 mile; relay team, 1:32; Anderson and Goodwin, 22-0 in the broad jump, Bill Smith's 12-0 in the pole vault and Bob Woods' 55-2 shot put. Goodwin also has a 6-4 high jump.

All these gents go to the same school, understand.

100—Herb Turner, Alameda :09.7; Bill Rupp Sequoia, Herb Jackson, McClatchy, Jim Bryant, Oak Tech, all :09.9. CENTRAL—Millard Hampton, Edison, :09.9. SOUTHERN—Walt Taylor, San Diego, :09.8.

220—Turner, :21.5, Rupp, :21.7, John Davis, Sacramento, :21.8; Louis Austin, McClymonds, :22.0. CENTRAL—Leamon King, Delano, :21.3. SOUTHERN—Pat Coyle, Redondo, :21.5.

440—Turner, :49.3; Rupp, :50.0. Ed Anderson, McClymonds, :51.0, Bud Lidy, Berkeley, :51.3, Walt Denny, Stockton, :51.7. CENTRAL—Knick, Taft, :51.7. SOUTHERN—Lanny Carter, Orange, :48.9.

880—Jim Briggs, Pittsburg, 1:58.2; Paul Gilbert, Watsonville, 2:02.5; Bob McGrouther, Lowell, 2:03.5; Bill Mussen, Palo Alto, 2:03.5. CENTRAL—Earl Thomas, East Bakersfield, 2:04.3. SOUTHERN—Ernie Amador, Villanova, 1:58.7.

MILE—Parnell Thrower, Alameda, 4:33.1; Don Hubbard, Watsonville, 4:35.4; CENTRAL—Fred Gamino, Edison, 4:36.2. SOUTHERN—Fernando Ledesma, 4:23.9.

LOW HURDLES—Jim Luttrell, Sequoia, :19.4; Larry Nisetich, McClatchy :19.8; Lou Bortolin, San Mateo, :19.9. CENTRAL—Ancel Robinson, Selma, :19.6. SOUTHERN—Jerry Watson, Santa Maria, :19.3.

HIGH HURDLES—Jim Luttrell, Sequoia, and Rich Battelle, McClatchy, :14.8; Louis Bortolin, San Mateo, :14.9. CENTRAL—Ancel Robinson, Selma, :14.8. SOUTHERN—Jerry Watson, Santa Maria, :14.7.

SHOT PUT—Bob Woods, McClymonds, 55-2; Wilfred Anderson, San Mateo, 55-1 $\frac{3}{4}$; Al Chaney Santa Cruz, 53-4 $\frac{1}{2}$. CENTRAL—Leon Patterson, Taft, 60- $\frac{1}{2}$. SOUTHERN—Jim Vick, Chaffey, 57-9.

HIGH JUMP—Ray Goodwin, McClymonds, 6-4; John Stewart, Palo Alto, 6-4; Phil Fehlen, Lowell, 6-1 $\frac{1}{2}$. CENTRAL—Bernie Allard, Fresno, 6-6 $\frac{3}{4}$. SOUTHERN—Laverne Smith, Jefferson, 6-6.

BROAD JUMP—Frank Hermann, Willow Glen, 23-2; Holmes, El Cerrito, 22-2 $\frac{3}{4}$; Monte Upshaw, Piedmont, 22- $\frac{3}{4}$. SOUTHERN—Roland Garrison, Compton, 24-3 $\frac{3}{4}$.

DISCUS—Don Malinoff, Palo Alto, 147-1; Eric Murray, Acalanes, 135-6; Wilfred Anderson, San Mateo, 135-4. CENTRAL—Hugh Herndon, Bakersfield, 183-6 (High School discus).

POLE VAULT—Neil Caldwell, Acalanes, 12-5 $\frac{1}{2}$; Jerry Angrove, Grass Valley, 12-3; John Whalen, Piedmont, 12-1. CENTRAL—Dennis Cutland, Taft, 12-8. SOUTHERN—Ronnie Morris, Burroughs, 13-2 $\frac{1}{4}$.

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