

Bruin Trackmen Study Russian Films, Break School Records

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Jim Bush keeps calling it his "if" team but his athletes keep removing the questions.

UCLA looked more than ever like a contender for a fourth straight NCAA track and field title Sunday as it dispatched San Jose State and Long Beach State in a triangular meet at Drake Stadium.

UCLA scored 94½ points, San Jose 63½, and Long Beach 23. In dual meets, UCLA beat San Jose, 87-56, and Long Beach, 108-32.

If the Bruins do go all the way in the NCAA, credit the Soviet Union with an assist.

Clarence Taylor, after watching films of world record holder Viktor Saneyev, set a UCLA triple jump record of 54-11 3/4. It moved Taylor to No. 4 on the all-time U.S. list.

Rory Kotinek, after watching films of former world record holder Janis Lusic, set a UCLA javelin record of 253-8.

Kotinek earlier got off a lifetime best of 25-5 in the long jump and capped the day by high jumping 7-0 1/4. So versatile is the junior from Millikan High that he abandoned his straddle technique in the high jump, giving the Fosbury Flop a try, and he almost equaled his lifetime best of 7-1.

Other Bruins were heard from on a warm, humid afternoon before 3,000 fans.

Freshman Jim Neidhart put the shot 63-3 3/4, almost seven feet farther than his best last year, and freshman Jerry Herndon lengthened his best in the long jump to 25-10 3/4.

Gordon Innes, a sophomore from Upland, ran the mile in 4:05.0, finishing inches behind San Jose's Mark Schilling who had the same time. UCLA's Curtis Beck was third in 4:06.7.

It was quite a day for jumping.

The first four finishers in the long jump had lifetime bests, topped by Jerry Proctor of the Beverly

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Hills Striders at 26-6 3/4. Proctor was a guest competitor.

In the triple jump, Milan Tiff of the Striders was still accepting congratulations for a stadium record of 54-6 1/4 when Taylor came along to take it away from him.

Taylor, a 6-4, 180-pound jaysee transfer from St. Louis, credited a film session with UCLA assistant coach Tom Tellez last week.

"He showed me movies of Saneyev," said Taylor. "He's been working on my arm action. He's trying to get me to use what they call the 'Russian double pump.'"

Taylor explained it, but something would get lost in the translation. Suffice to say, the pump paid off.

"I'll say it again," said Bush. "I think he's America's hope for the future in the triple jump. You probably won't believe it, but he's had the flu all week.

"He's something else."

3,000-METER STEEPLECHASE—1. Hurst (SJS), 9:20.4; 2. Krause (SJS), 9:20.4; 3. Huber (LBS), 9:27.4.

440 RELAY—1. UCLA (Wilson, Parks, Brown, Peppers), 40.2; 2. San Jose State, 40.7; 3. Long Beach State, 41.8.

SHOT PUT—1. Neidhart (UCLA), 63-3 3/4; 2. Schiller (UCLA), 61-1 1/2; 3. Freberg (UCLA), 58-10 1/2; 4. Gherardi (LBS), 52-1 1/4.

MILE—1. Schilling (SJS), 4:05.0; 2. Innes (UCLA), 4:05.0; 3. Beck (UCLA), 4:06.7; 4. Gilmore (UCLA), 4:10.9; 5. Mitchell (SJS), 4:11.2.

1200M—1. Jackson (BH Striders), 14.0w; 2. Tinnin (SJS), 14.0; 3. Jones (SJS), 14.7; 4. Roublick (SJS), 15.5.

440 (Race 1)—1. Brown (UCLA), 46.3; 2. Walters (UCLA), 47.5; 3. Conwill (SJS), 48.1; 4. Sprink (SJS), 48.6; 5. Rol-