

# Duck Tracks

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Oregon's crack miler, Bill Dellinger, did himself proud in last Saturday's PCC track and field meet at Seattle. Dellinger, only a sophomore, showed his heels to the favored California and USC runners and came home the winner of the race in the terrific time of 4:14.8.

Dellinger's finishing kick in the race left many spectators limp in the stands from amazement. In fifth place and trailing pacer Len Simpson of California by almost 50 yards going into the final lap, competitive Bill opened up all the stops and whipped around the oval with a 56 second last quarter to take home all the marbles. Dellinger passed Simpson midway in the home stretch and had a good five yard lead at the finish line.

Dellinger, who did his prep running at Springfield high school, was an unexpected winner of the race. Most experts figured he would do no better than fourth in the four-lapper.

## Another Santee?

The fine showing of Dellinger in the distance races this season has furnished sports fans all over the state with some interesting conversation material. Many are comparing Bill with Kansas university's brilliant miler, Wes Santee. Santee, when only a sophomore, was running the mile in about 4:10 to 4:15 in almost all of his races. Then in his final two years of school, he cut his time down until now he is considered to be the second best miler in the world, being second only to Roger Bannister of England.

Dellinger has a much different build than the gangly Santee, being short and stocky, but, Bill has the same kind of undying determination that has made Santee the terrific runner that he is and this, more than anything else, could be the key to Bill's future. There is no doubt in our mind that Dellinger will continue to improve by leaps and bounds in the next two seasons and it is our belief that both the Northern Division and PCC mile records may go by the boards next year or the season following. We think that the galloping hooves of Bill Dellinger are a real threat to the standing marks.

## Clement, Reiser Look Good

Two other Duck runners looked very good in the PCC meet. Doug Clement in the 880 and Wayne Reiser in the two-mile, although neither won his race, showed performances which can be nothing but complimented.

Clement ran the best half-mile of his career at Seattle and finished only inches behind first place Bill Link of Washington State. Clement ran the distance in just over 1:53.

Reiser, running in one of the best two mile fields in PCC history, also ran the top time of his career as he toured the eight laps in 9:21, three seconds better than his winning time in the ND meet one week earlier. Reiser finished fourth in the race which was won by Washington's Denny Meyer in the record setting time of 9:09.1.

Track mentor, Bill Bowerman, has announced that he intends to enter Dellinger, Clement and Reiser in the coming NCAA track and field meet. This should give them a wonderful opportunity to show their abilities on a national basis.

## What Happened to Southern Cal?

Biggest boner of the baseball season occurred last week when the USC sports news director stated that the Trojans were going to do all right at Omaha because they had five pitchers who could handle the chucking chores. Southern Cal, which evidently had forgotten that they had to win the Western Regional tourney before they could make the Omaha trip, were sadly lacking in the hurling department in the recently completed regionals.

Only Ralph Pausig looked real sharp for the Trojans who won only one encounter while falling to Fresno State twice. We wonder just what happened to those five brilliant chuckers who were supposed to be so dependable. The situation goes to show how unpredictable baseball is and how much of a mistake it is to be overconfident in the diamond sport.

For the proud Trojans it must have been quite a blow to bow twice in succession to little Fresno State, which wasn't supposed to have a chance against the mighty men of Troy. The USC team and a good share of the baseball fans who watched the game figured that the Trojans had just had an off day when they dropped their first tilt to the Bulldogs. But when they took it on the chin again Saturday from the same team, it was rather obvious that the first day win by Fresno had been no fluke.

This makes the second time during this school year that Southern Cal has travelled to Oregon floating on an imaginary victory cloud and both times they have been knocked to earth with a jolting loss. The first occasion was last fall when Len Casanova's underdog Duck football team outlasted the Trojans, 13-7, in a game at Multnomah stadium in Portland.

# Powerful USC Takes PCC Track Title with 70 Points

## Three Marks Fall In Conference Meet

Southern California's mighty Trojans won their 14th consecutive Pacific Coast conference track and field title last Saturday afternoon, May 29, at Seattle with a grand total of 70 points.

The California Bears finished second with 49 markers and Stanford placed third with 35½ points. Washington State took fourth spot with 16 and the Cougars were followed by UCLA with 15, Oregon with 13½, Washington with 13, Oregon State with seven and Idaho with six points.

During the meet three new conference records were set. Ernie Shelton of USC high jumped 6'9½" to break the long standing record held by Les Steers of Oregon since 1941.

### Meyer Gallops

Denny Meyer, Washington's ace two-miler, ran his best race of the season and finished far in front of the field in the brilliant time of 9:09.1. This time beat the old record held by Dixie Garner of Washington State by more than three seconds.

The other meet standard to fall was in the javelin. Leo Long of Stanford pitched the spear 235'9¾" to far outdistance the field in this event. Long threw more than 20 feet farther than his nearest competitor.

California gave the Trojans

## Track Results

Mile run—Dellinger (O), Simpson (Cal), Montgomery (USC), Clark (I), Matson (WSC). Time—4:14.8.

440-yard dash—Lea (USC), Garrett (St), Timmerman (Cal), Larrabee (USC), Turner (Cal). Time—48.4.

100-yard dash—Graffio (USC), Gary (WSC), Brownsberger (St), Jackson (Cal), Wilder (USC). Time—9.7.

120-yard high hurdles—Tie between Wood (St) and Wright (USC), Dozier (Cal), Ball (UCLA), Roselini (UCLA). Time—14.3.

880-yard dash—Link (WSC), Clement (O), Spurrier (Cal), Taylor (USC), Wilson (Cal). Time—1:53.4.

220-yard low hurdles—Roselini (UCLA), Plessas (Cal), Chambers (OSC), Ledbetter (W), Dozier (Cal). Time—24.

Two-mile—Meyer (W), Ledesma (USC), Gourley (I), Reiser (O), Hunt (UCLA). Time—9:09.1.

220-yard dash—Gary (WSC), Wilger (USC), Lea (USC), Brownsberger (St), Graffio (USC). Time—21.5.

Javelin—Long (St), Church (OSC), Bugge (St), Righter (Cal), Kimball (St). Distance—235'9¾".

Pole vault—Anderson (Cal); tie between Hecht (USC) and Levack (USC); tie between Hilton (W), Kell (UCLA) and Mitchell (UCLA). Height—14'3".

High jump—Shelton (USC), Faucett (O); tie between Findley (USC), Jiles (St) and Stewart (St). Height—6'9½".

Shot put—Stellern (Cal), Butt (Cal), Cheney (St), Wetter (UCLA), Koch (USC). Distance—53'1½".

Broad jump—Arnett (USC), Skartvedt (W), Mattson (Cal), Turner (Cal), Church (I). Distance—24'6¾".

Discus—Koch (USC), Patterson (USC), Butt (Cal), Smith (USC), Wardlow (W). Distance—168'11¼".

Mile relay—Stanford, USC, California, UCLA, WSC. Time—3:15.5.

plenty of trouble early in the meet. The bears showed just as much power in the running events as Southern Cal could muster and midway in the meet actually were leading the men of Troy. But USC took complete command of most of the field events and soon left California far behind.

### USC Wins Five

USC won five of the fifteen events on the program and picked up many extra points on second, third and fourth place finishes.

Some of the best races of the day were the mile, 880, 440, high hurdles and mile relay.

Oregon's Bill Dellinger pulled a big upset in the mile run when he came from far behind in a field of 11 to breast the tape first in the excellent time of 4:14.8. Dellinger was in fifth place going into the last lap but a tremendous finishing kick brought him home ahead of his nearest rivals, Len Simpson of California and Martell Montgomery of USC.

### Clement Looks Good

In the 880 Bill Link of Washington State and Doug Clement of the Ducks staged a great two man dual which Link won by inches in 1:53.4. Lon Spurrier of Cali-

fornia, who was favored to win, finished third.

Jim Lea, defending NCAA king, had to give all he had to beat Walt Garrett of Stanford and Don Timmerman of the Bears in his specialty. Lea's time was 48.4 seconds.

The 120 yard high hurdles turned out to be the closest race of the day. Gerry Wood of Stanford and Will Wright of USC ran side by side for the full distance and finished in a dead heat in the time of 14.3 seconds.

In the mile relay the biggest surprise of the day occurred when Southern Cal's highly favored team went down to defeat at the hands of a determined Stanford quartet.



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