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Spurrier Edges Landy As Yanks Top Meet

MELBOURNE — America's Lon Spurrier, world half-mile record holder, put the pressure on comeback-bound John Landy Wednesday night and beat him by a step in a special half-mile try-out race.

Landy, holder of the mile record of 3:58, matched Spurrier's time of one minute, 51.8 seconds over a slow track but he couldn't match the Californian's finishing burst after leading into the last 50 yards.

The touring Americans made an impressive sweep of their races as Bob Morrow of Abilene Christian Tex. College won the 100 and 220-yard sprints and Parry O'Brien of Los Angeles

smashed the Australian shot-put and discus records.

Landy, who went into semi-retirement after running the fastest mile in history in 1954, is training for the 1956 Olympic Games, which will be held here. The race was one of his first real tests. John Murray was a poor third.

Spurrier, who holds the half mile mark of 1:47.5, said he was not worried during the race but he was surprised when Landy went for the lead with 400 yards to go.

"I have been suffering from sore legs and did not want to put on a quick burst," he said, "so I tried to gradually increase the pressure and it came off."

An even bigger surprise was the failure of Hector Hogan, Australia's co-holder of the 100-yard record, to finish better than third behind Morrow in that event. Morrow overcame a soft track to win in 9.4 seconds—a new Victorian record—with Brian Randall, a Melbourne University student, second.

Hogan, who has been clocked in 9.3, has been hampered recently by a groin injury but still did not look impressive. Normally a fast starter, Hogan broke once and held himself back a bit on the second start so that Morrow led all the way.

Morrow, who also won the 220 from Randall and Les Pickett in 21.9 seconds said he was satisfied with both runs.

O'Brien broke a record every time he tossed the shot and discus. His best shot put was 58 feet, one-half inch—6 feet, three-fourths inch better than the previous Australian open record. His winning discus throw of 164 feet, 3 3/4 inches beat the old record by 11 feet, 5 1/4 inches. Later in an exhibition throw he tossed the discus 168 feet, 8 inches.

COP Smashed

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP)—Kansas State blasted College of the Pacific 67-36 in a basketball game here Wednesday night which saw the losers held scoreless for one period of more than 10 minutes.

Ducklings Eye Talented Pilots

Oregon's freshman hoopsters face a stiff test Saturday night when they confront the University of Portland Frosh at Mac court. The tilt, a preliminary to the Oregon-Portland varsity game initiates Oregon action for 1956.

According to Duckling coach Jerry Frei, the Portland squad is loaded with talent, ex-high school stars, John Westerman, Dick

Jolley, and Red Bloedel, providing scoring punch. The tall, fast team set a new school scoring record Tuesday as they smashed Lewis and Clark's freshmen, 126-46, and five men scored in double figures.

Frei's charges have been drilling this week minus two ineligible team members, but the outlook has brightened with the return of speedy guard Bud Kastner, a broken-rib victim earlier in the season.

Ex-Duck Gridder Stars in Air Win

DeWayne Johnson, noted for his defensive halfback abilities on the 1947-48-49 Webfoot grid squads, turned in a sparkling game at end to help the air force all-stars trounce the army, 33-14, in the ninth annual Rice Bowl in Tokyo last Saturday.

Johnson scored on a 7-yard pass play, blocked a punt and ran it over for another touchdown.

Johnson was a regular line-backer for the great Oregon teams of the pre-Korea era, and he also picked up an award as a pitcher with the Duck baseball squad.

Nebraska Gains New Grid Coach

MIAMI (AP)—Pete Elliott Tuesday accepted an offer to coach the University of Nebraska football team and was given a 3-year contract at \$12,000.

Elliott comes here from the University of Oklahoma, where he has been backfield coach for five years. He was asked to take the Nebraska job several weeks ago by Athletic Director Bill Orwig but held off an official announcement until after Oklahoma played Maryland in the Orange Bowl.

Marciano Studies Sites, Contenders

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Rocky Marciano, the most valuable fighting machine in the world, still doesn't know when or where he'll go back into action, or against whom.

The heavyweight king is on a quick trip here to discuss his 1956 plans with his manager, Al Weill, who has been vacationing at Palm Springs.

Marciano will fight either in June or September and possibly in both months. New York, Los Angeles, Chicago "or maybe some place else are possible sites," Weill said.

He added that no one is first in line at this stage for a title go, but Archie Moore, Floyd Patterson and Bob Baker are prominent in the picture.

Bruin Partisans Continue Debate Over Winning Kick

LOS ANGELES (AP)—The moving toe has kicked and no mere torrent of words will undo the 41-yard field goal that gave Michigan State a 17-14 Rose Bowl victory over UCLA but—

Examination of television film of the game indicates that the kicking-tee was thrown onto the field by someone from the Michigan State bench, the Mirror-News said Wednesday.

In such a case, the Spartans

were liable to a 15-yard penalty under the "coaching from the sideline" section of the rule book, not just the five-yard penalty which they received for delaying the game.

A Pacific Coast Conference spokesman, said that if the clock was stopped, the Spartans could toss the tee onfield without penalty. The rule demands the penalty only if time is in, he said. If the referee was stepping off the

penalty, the clock would have to be dead and the tee could be tossed in with impunity.

The Mirror-News account did not say definitely whether the clock was stopped.

The film shows, the Mirror-News said, that end Joel Jones did not carry the tee onto the field, as Coach Duffy Daugherty told reporters.

Daugherty, reached at Palm Springs by the Evening Herald-Express, declared:

"The rule on the kicking tee was carefully explained to me shortly before the game by two officials.

"I was told that so long as the clock is stopped, the tee can be thrown onto the field.

"I purposely sent a substitute into the game and drew a penalty to stop the clock so we could get the kicking tee on the field.

"I did that to prevent a 15-yard penalty which we would have received had the tee been tossed out with time in play."

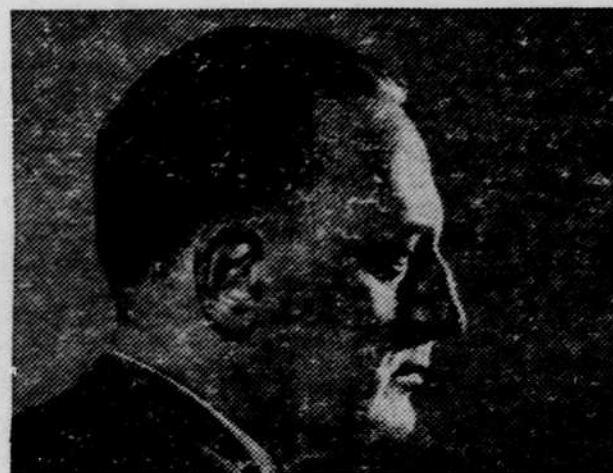
The Mirror-News viewed the kinescope recording of NBC's TV coverage of the game and reported:

Clarence Peaks—not Jones—came charging on the field with approximately 27 seconds to go and Mel Allen—calling the play-by-play for NBC—announced his arrival. Then Allen says:

"Oh, oh, someone has thrown the kicking tee on the field."

The Spartans then were assessed the five-yard penalty for delaying the game. Who threw the tee is not shown, nor is its flight visible on the film, but quarterback Earl Morrall is seen to run toward the MSU side of the field, bend down and pick up the tee.

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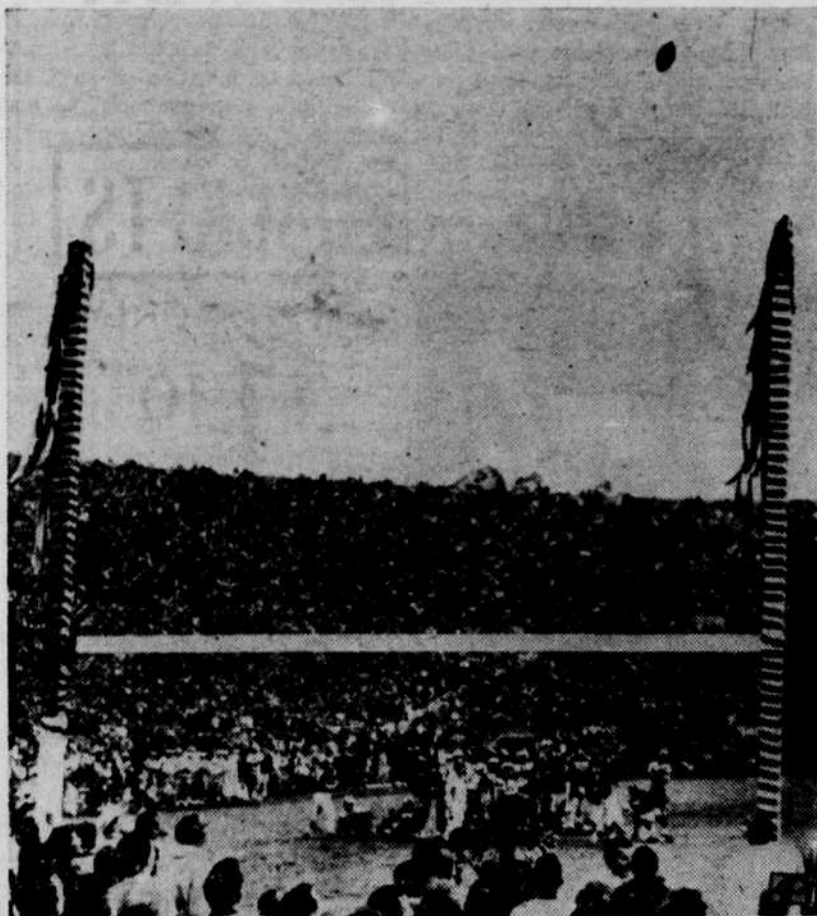
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DAVE KAISER'S much-discussed field goal sails over the uprights to give Michigan State their 17-14 Rose Bowl win over UCLA. A Los Angeles newspaper claims that a kinescope recording of the game proves the Spartans should have been penalized 15 yards instead of five just before the crucial 41-yard boot. (AP Wirephoto).