

United States Track Team Defeats Russians for Fourth Time, 128-107

Track, Field Meet Three-Ring Circus

By HAL WOOD
Stanford, Calif. (UPI)—The United States-Russian track and field meet has to rate with the Olympic games as one of the world's great sports spectacles.

The two-day show here attracted better than 150,000 fans into Stanford stadium—many of whom came just to see what a Russian looked like.

But they all stayed to applaud one of the greatest shows on earth.



WORLD RECORD—Russia's Valeriy Brumel waves to crowd of some 80,000 track fans who witnessed his world record high jump of 7-5. (UPI)

It's the World Series, the hockey play-offs and the Rose Bowl—all wrapped up into one. It's a three ring circus.

Never before in history had fans been able to take such a choice; watch Al Oerter throw the discus over the one-time barrier of 200 feet—or look at Valeriy Brumel clear 7 feet 5 inches in the high jump enroute to a world record. It happened at the same time and the spectator had to make a decision.

Or on opening day the choice of watching Hal Connolly set a world record of 231 feet, 10 inches in the hammer throw, or twist the neck and see the 400-meter relay team in its breath-taking baton-passing act.

It was a good-natured crowd that applauded the Russians equally as hard as it did the Americans—and saved its greatest ovation of all for Brumel.

But its second biggest hand went to a couple of lads who finished third and second—Max Truex, who made a valiant but losing run in the 10,000 meters; and George Young, who fell during the 3,000-meter steeplechase, but still got up to chase a Russian across the finish line.

And there had to be a lump in the throats as most of the 81,000 fans Sunday stayed 'til nightfall to watch the athletes who had been battling each other bitterly for two days, walk off the field arm-in-arm after the band had played "God Bless America."

It was a spine-tingler—one that the fans won't forget and possibly set most of them wondering why the statesmen can't get along together as well as athletes.



THROWS HAMMER FOR NEW RECORD—The Mighty Hal Connolly, USA, shown sequenced in his world record breaking form, tosses the hammer 231 feet, 10 inches to



break his own record for a new world record Saturday at Stanford stadium. (UPI)

Soviet High Jumper Sets World Record

By SCOTT BAILLIE
Stanford, Calif. (UPI)—Valeriy Brumel comes from Siberia but it's a cinch that he's not going to be sent back there.

The world's greatest high jumper became the first man to clear the bar at 7 feet, 5 inches Sunday as he electrified a dual track and field meet in which the United States bested Russia for the fourth straight time, 128-107.

It marked the second world mark to fall in as many days. Harold Connolly of the U.S. demolished his world mark in the hammer throw Saturday with a fling of 231 feet, 10 inches.

Brumel also bested his old mark of 7-4 1/2 and he did it on his very first shot at the 7 foot, 5 inch height.

But it only was one of the eight first places which the Soviet track and field squad could pick up while the U.S. men won 14 events.

The same old story prevailed in the women's battle however, where the Soviet girls displayed too much muscle and bustle. With Tamara Press racking up wins in the

discus and shot put, the Russian women posted seven first places to the Americans' three and outscored them, 66-41.

'Finest Boys' Coach
"This was the finest bunch of boys we've ever had," said Coach John Oelkers of the U.S. "And they're really going to be ready for Tokyo."

Getting down to cases, Oelkers disclosed that he had expected the U.S. to collect from 128 to 130 points.

Sunday's turnout of nearly 82,000 at Stanford stadium watched Jim Beatty turn in the best race of the day.

He won the 1,500 meters in 3:39.9 to set an American record.

In another key American victory Sunday, Jerry Siebert probably flinched his last race—escaped from being boxed in during the first lap and roared home ahead of the field to win the 800 meter. His clocking 1:46.4 also knocked four-tenths of a second off the meet mark which he set last year in Moscow.

In other big wins Sunday, the Americans retained their mastery over the Russians in the 200 meters which Paul Drayton captured in 20.8 and the 400 meter hurdles in which Willie Atterberry clocked a 50.3.

Al Oerter's throw of 200 feet one inch gained him first place in the discus while Russia's Vladimir Trusenev had to settle for third spot behind Rink Babka. Babka had a 193-10 1/2 effort to Trusenev's 189-9.

Tamara Press and Pyotr Bolotnikov, both of Russia, were the only double winners. While Miss Press won the discus Saturday and shot put Sunday, Bolotnikov followed his Saturday 10,000 meters triumph by taking the

5,000 in 13:55.6. Wilma Rudolph won the women's 100 meters handily—as usual—in 11.5 and then anchored the winning women's 400 meter relay. Her teammate, Vivian Brown, scored a mild upset in taking the 200 meters in 23.7.

Russia also prevailed in the women's 80 meter hurdles and 800 meters with Irina Press, Tamara's kid sister, and Lyudmila Lysenko handily winning each event.

But Leah Bennett of Honolulu came out with an American record in the 800, although she finished third. Her time was 2:10.4 to Mrs. Lysenko's 2:08.6.

The decathlon title also went to Russia, with Vasili Kuznetsov collecting 7,830 points. He was far ahead of America's Paul Herman who took second with 7,653.

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Jerry Tarr Wins First In Hurdles

Stanford, Calif. (UPI)—Former University of Oregon hurdler Jerry Tarr broke a meet record to place first in the men's 110-meter hurdles in the U.S.-Russia track meet here this week end and highlight the performances of five Oregon athletes.

Tarr ran the hurdles in 13.4 to break the old meet record of 12.6 set by Hayes Jones of Philadelphia in 1959.

Steve Pauly of Oregon State university, placed third in the decathlon with 6,996 points for ten events. Winner Vasily Kuznetsov of Russia totaled 7,830 points.

Pauly picked up 867 points when he ran the 110-meter hurdles in the decathlon in 14.8 and 764 points for a javelin throw of 213-6 1/2. He placed second to Kuznetsov in both events.

Oregon's Keith Forman, a last minute replacement for ex-Oregon runner Jim Grelle, placed 4th in the 1,500 meter run at 3:41.2.

Sharon Shepherd of Mapleton was fourth in the women's discus.



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