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## Ring Ch **Relay Stars Still Shine Brightly** For Fig SANTO (UPI) — pion Carlo meet Teo O can Repub here betw June 16.

By BILL ROGERS The running of the 37th annual Mansfield Relays is history. Eight new marks were writ-ten into the record book and one all - time great track star (Jesse Owens) has seen his name erased from its pages.

No doubt about it! The athletes put on a tramendous show. The runners especially were remarkable. They may have been the finest ever assembled for any Relays – but then we were saying that about the 1967 Relays partici-pants. By the way, what happend to some of those marvelous sprinters and hurdlers?

Remember little Jim Green, the Eminance, Ky., flash who won the 440 - yard dash and fin-ished second in both the 160 and 220 - yard dashes? Well, Green has already received na-tional accilaim as a freshman sprinter on the University of Kentucky track team.

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Last winter he burst on the college scene by winning the 100 - yard dash in the Sugar Bowl meet run during the week prior to the New Year's Day football classic.

Moving indoors, Green quickly proved he was "for real" by winning the 60 - yard dash in the National Collegiate Athletic Association championship meet in Detroit. Green, timed in six seconds flat, defeated a field that included the outstanding University of Southern Califor-nia pair, Lennox Miller and O. J. Simspon.

na pair, Lennox Miller and O. J. Simspon. Richmond Flowers, University of Tennessee hurdler (holder of the national high school re-cord of 13.5 seconds for the 120 - yard highs, has been quoted as saying Green will be the next great sprinter. Just to refresh your mem-ory, the soft - spoken runner was clocked in 50.2 for the 440, 20.5 for the 230 and 9.3 for the century last year in the Relays. Both times in the 100 and 220 were wind - aided. \* \* \*

And what about the speedster who defeated Green in both dashes, Larry Highbaugh of team champion Indianapolis George Washing-

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cognition.

Highbaugh is attending Indiana University on a football scholarship and probably will not be doing any running this spring. He figures to be tied up with football practice since he was an outstanding halfback on the IU freshman sound

It's too bad, because Highbaugh showed he had plenty of class here last year when he was timed in 9.2 for the 100 and 20.4 for the 220 went on to win both dashes in the Indiana state high school meet.

Try to visualize a 100 - yard dash involving Green, Highbaugh and the stars of this year's Relays, Herb Washington (94, Flint, Mich., Central), Willie Wallace (95, Flint Northern) and Ohio champion Bob Ware (95, Cleveland Glenville)! Who would be your choice?

Another outstanding runner of a year ago was Bill Tipton, the fantastic hurdler from Pontiae (Mich.) Central, Tipton's time of 13.3 in the 120 - yard highs would have been a na-tional record but for an excessive tail wind when he exploded over the barriers. He also won the 180 - yard low hurdles in 18.3 (wind-aided).

Tipton now is attending Eastern Michigan and has run in one outdoor meet, the Kentucky Relays. A leg injury kept him from running in-doors during the winter, but he is rounding into condition and gaining more confidence in clearing the college - size hurdles (three inch-es higher than high school - size). Tipton was clocked in a fine 14.0 as he finished third in the Kentucky Relays.

Incidentally, Pontiac Coach Roger Shepler must have a way with hurdlers. Last year,

Bob Johnson was an "unknown" running on the same team with Tipton. This year running out of the shadow of Tipton, Johnson "uos charge" and won the Relays high hurdles an placed second in the lows. In the prelimina ries, Johnson tied the existing Relays record of 19.0 for the 180 - yard low hurdles. "The Debeve, the Geneva discus thrower, and Debeve, and the Ohio State Uni-and State Uni-

Mark Debevc, the Geneva discus thrower, is spending this spring with the Ohio State Uni-versity football squad. Debevc; an All - Ohio fullback in high school, is being tested as a linebacker with the Buckeyes, and many feel he may be a starter next fall as a sophomore.

Debeck showed tremendous potential last year in the discus when he won the Relays with a toss of 192 feet, one inch and then threw the college discus 175 feet in an AAU meet. Only one Ohio collegian threw it further (by less than two feet) last year.

Each year the field entered in the Mans-field Relays seems to get faster and stronger. New stars take their places in the record book and the oid stars tend to get lost in the shuffle, but remember the names Green. Highbaugh, Tipton and Debeve — they will keep popping up.

They may show up in a track story, or maybe in a football item — or maybe both. In any event, you'll be hearing from them. The good ones improve with age.

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LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) → Charlie Greene sped 100 meters in 10 seconds flat, equalling the world record, and Jim Ryun set a meet re-cord of 3:42.8 in the 1,500 meters as America's Olympic hopefuls moved into high gear at the 43rd Kansas Relays Saturday. Greenc, a former Nebraska athlete, had a favoring wind of only 0.5 miles per hour, well under the 4.47 allowable for world record re-

Greene, Ryun Get Into Record Act By JIM VAN VALKENBURG yard dash record of 9.1 seconds with two other

His chief rival, Jim Hines, former Texas Southern star, was disqualified for two false starts. The 10-flat world marks is shared by six men, including Hines and two others have 10 flat pending for world recognition. Hines and Greene share the world 100 -

Ryun, the world mile record holder from Kansas, was making his outdoor season debut after a pulled hamstring in his left leg put him on the sidelines March 26. His time was roughly equivalent to a 3:59 mile and was 4.1 seconds under the meet mark. Ryun's world 1,500 record is 3:33.1 and his world mile mark is 3:51.1.

yard dash record of 9.1 seconds with two other men. Mel Gray of Fort Scott, Kan., Junior Col lege was second in 10.1, breaking the national JUCO record.

Kansas State won the university spring medley in 3:21.3 and the distance medley in 9:53.8. Dave Stevens of Kansas won the high hurdles in excellent time of 13.9 into a six mph wind.

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