

Lowell wins track title in Oakland

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Oakland schools dominated the sprints but San Francisco displayed superiority in the distance and field events at the first ever Oakland - San Francisco track and field championships Friday at Laney College.

San Francisco could win only one sprint event, but captured boys and girls triumphs in the mile, two miles, discus and shot competitions.

AAA champion Lowell won the girls team title by one point over Oakland High School while Galileo had to settle for second behind Skyline in the boys. Skyline scored 11 to Galileo's 104 points.

Four City athletes won two events: Diane Gong (two mile and mile) and Elyse

Duckett (discus and shot put) of Lowell; Marco Ibarra of Wilson (two mile and mile) and Ken Frazier of Mission (long and triple jumps). Two other athletes turned in stunning victories. Galileo's Willie Cage knocked almost five seconds off his previous best in taking the 880 in 1:54.4.

Cage was a definite underdog to Oakland's Vince Wilkins, and until the last turn, it looked like Wilkins all the way. But then cage put on a surge that so devastated Wilkins, he stopped 20 yards from the finish, slammed his hands to his head in disbelief, and didn't even complete the race.

Lincoln's Tina Woodson turned in the other impressive effort, taking the 220 in a time of 25.3, which was better than her record - breaking time in last week's All-City meet.



KEN FRAZIER



LUKE JONES

The only City athlete to win in the sprints, Woodson held off Nichelle McGuire of Skyline, who came on strong the last 50 yards. Her time was also 25.3.

Frazier, considered the best shot from the City to win in this Friday and Saturday's State meet, almost didn't make it in the long jump. The sophomore's 22-7½ nipped Oakland's Gerald Nails by one-half inch. He won the triple jump handily, however, in 48-10¾.

GIRLS

110 Low Hurdles — 1. Pat Berry (McClymonds), 14.9, 2. Diane Stroman (Oakland), 15.8, 3. Malle China (Lowell), 16.2, 2. Two Mile — 1. Wendy Turner (Skyline), 12:13.0, 440 Relay — 1. McClymonds, 49.5, 2. Castlemont, 50.1, 3. Lowell, 51.6

880 Run — 1. Jenny Ray (Oakland), 2:15.1, 2. Liz Brown (Lowell), 2:26.2, 3. Cindy Woo (Lowell), 2:28.6, 100 — 1. Nichelle McGuire (Skyline), 2. Antonette Murphy (McClymonds), 11.4, 3. Rachell Hall (Wilson), 11.5, 440 — 1. Volaney Harris (Oakland), 56.9, 2. Janice Padmore (Galileo), 60.8, 3. Kathy Ray (Oakland), 62.5

220 — 1. Tina Woodson (Lincoln), 25.3, 2. Nichelle McGuire (Skyline), 25.3, 3. Sherry Jenkins (Carmichael), 25.9, Mile — 1. Diane Gong (Lowell), 5:12.1, 2. Sharon Calandra (Skyline), 5:14.1, 3. Christi Camp (Skyline), 5:39.5

Mile Relay — 1. Oakland, 4:05.3, 2. Lowell, 4:14.2, 3. Castlemont, 4:18.5, Shot Put — 1. Elyse Duckett (Lowell), 36.9, 1/2, 2. Trina Easley (Oakland), 33.10, 3/4, 3. Diane Stroman (Oakland), 32.8, 1/2, Long Jump — 1. Diane Stroman (Oakland), 17.7, 2. Deborah Butler (Tech), 16.9, 1/2, 3. Uneh Martin (Lowell), 15.5

High Jump — 1. Jackie Mitchell (Skyline), 4-10, 2. Raquel Harrison (Lincoln) and Antonette Courts (McClymonds), 4-8, Discus — (No competition, because Oakland has no discus competition. Duckett of



WILLIE CAGE



DIANE GONG

Lowell, Baker of Galileo and Graves of Lincoln finish 1, 2, 3 for SF.)

BOYS

440 Relay — 1. Skyline, 42.2, 2. Oakland, 42.5, 3. McClymonds, 43.3, 880 — Cage (Galileo), 1:54.4, 2. Bret Ralvayer (Skyline), 2:00.3, 3. Ken Johnson (Skyline), 2:00.9, 100 — 1. Gerald White (McClymonds), 9.8, 2. Gerald White (Skyline), 9.8, 3. Ernest Daumas (Galileo), 9.9, 120 High Hurdles — 1. Frank Williamson (Skyline), 14.1, 2. Russell Johnson (Mission), 14.8, 3. Daryl McCoy (Balboa), 14.9

Two Mile Run — 1. Marco Ibarra (Wilson), 9:31.4, 2. Ken Styles (Lowell), 9:40.8, 3. David Pluth (Skyline), 9:52.2, 440 — 1. Andre Williams (Oakland), 49.0, 2. Jerome Lacy (Skyline), 49.1, 3. David Timmons (Carmichael), 49.5, 220 — 1. Gerald White (McClymonds), 21.6, 2. Curtis Wilkins (Skyline), 22.2, 3. Ken Frazier (Balboa), 22.6

350 Low Hurdles — 1. Frank Williamson (Skyline), 36.4, 2. Ernest Daumas (Galileo), 37.5, 3. Michael Hagains (McClymonds), 37.9, Mile Run — 1. Marco Ibarra (Wilson), 4:23.2, 2. Sebastian Strougtier (Balboa), 4:24.0, 3. John Young (Oakland), 4:24.7

Mile Relay — 1. Oakland, 3:20.8, 2. Skyline, 3:22.3, 3. McClymonds, 3:25.9, Shot Put — 1. Luke Jones (Galileo), 32.2, 2. Joe Taylor (Galileo), 30.8, 1/2, 3. Derek Bartholomew (Oakland), 48.6, 1/2, Long Jump — 1. Kenneth Frazier (Mission), 22.7, 1/2, 2. Gerald Nails (Oakland), 22.7, 3. Darrin Malone (Carmichael), 22.3

High Jump — 1. Adre Luster (Tech), 6-6, 2. Romulus Briggs (Skyline), 6-4, 3. Anthony Beverly (Galileo), 6-2, Pole Vault — Ken Vincent (Mission), 11.6, 2. Keith Carthan (Galileo), 10.6, 3. Al Montecarlo (Skyline), 10.6, Triple Jump — 1. Ken Frazier (Mission), 48.10, 3/4, 2. Pat Rhee (Skyline), 44.7, 3. Frank Spores (Galileo), 46.3/4, Discus — (No competition because Oakland does not compete in discus. Top three from SF competition were Colin (Lowell), Taylor (Galileo) and Drake (Galileo)

TOP GIRLS STANDINGS — 1. Lowell, 73, 2. Oakland, 72, 3. Skyline, 60, 4. McClymonds and Lincoln, 39, 6. Galileo, 28

TOP BOYS STANDINGS — 1. Skyline, 111, 2. Galileo, 104, 3. Oakland, 51, 4. Mission, 47, 5. McClymonds, 41, 6. Wilson, 28

AAA-OAL MEET
At Laney College, Oakland
Boys

Team scoring — 1. Skyline 113; 2. Galileo 102; 3. Oakland 51; 4. Mission 47; 5. McClymonds 43; 6. Wilson 28.

440 relay — 1. Skyline 42.2; 2. Oakland 42.5; 3. McClymonds 43.3.

800 — 1. Cage (Gal) 1:54.4; 2. Rateaver (Sky) 2:00.5; 3. Johnson 2:00.9.

100-yard dash — 1. Pigram (Sky) 9.8; 2. White (McC) 9.8; 3. Ervin (Castlemont) 9.9 (4. Daumas (Gal) 9.9).

120 HH — 1. Williamson (Sky) 14.1; 2. Johnson (Miss) 14.8; 3. McCoy (Bal) 14.9.

Two mile — 1. Ibarra (Wil) 9:31.4; 2. Styles (Low) 9:40.8; 3. Pluth (Sky) 9:52.2.

440 — 1. Williams (Oakland) 49.0; 2. Lacy (Sky) 49.1; 3. Timmons (Castlemont) 49.5.

220 — 1. White (McC) 21.6; 2. Wilkins (Sky) 22.2; 3. Frazier (Bal) 22.6.

330 LH — 1. Williamson (Sky) 36.4; 2. Daumas (Gal) 37.5; 3. Hagains (McC) 37.9.

Mile — 1. Ibarra (Wil) 4:23.2; 2. Stroughter (Bal) 4:24.0; 3. Young (Oak) 4:24.7.

Mile relay — 1. Oakland 3:20.8; 2. Skyline 3:22.3; 3. McClymonds 3:25.9.

LJ — 1. Frazier (Miss) 22-7½; 2. Nails (Oak) 22-7; 3. Malone (Castlemont) 22-3.

SP — 1. Jones (Gal) 52-2; 2. Taylor (Gal) 50-8½; 3. Bartholomew (Oak) 48-6½.

PV — 1. Vincent (Miss) 11-6; 2. Carthen (Gal) 10-6; 3. (Tie) Montecarlo (Sky), Harris (McC) 10-6.

HJ — 1. Luster (Tech) 6-6; 2. Briggs (Sky) 6-4; 3. Beverly (Gal) 6-2.

TJ — 1. Frazier (Miss) 48-10¼; 2. Riley (Sky) 44-7; 3. Spires (Gal) 42-7¼.

Discus (marks from AAA meet) — 1. Colvin (Low) 154-1¾; 2. Taylor (Gal); 3. Drake (Gal).

Girls

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Team scoring — 1. Lowell 73; 2. Oakland 72; 3. Skyline 60; 4. (Tie) McClymonds, Lincoln 39; 6. Galileo 28.

110 HH — 1. Berry (McC) 14.9; 2. Stroman (Oak) 15.8; 3. China (Low) 16.7.

Two mile — 1. Gong (Low) 11:10.1; 2. McLeod (Sky) 11:55.7; 3. Turner (Sky) 12:13.0.

440 relay — 1. McClymonds 49.5; 2. Castlemont 50.1; 3. Lowell 51.6.

880 — 1. Ray (Oak) 2:15.1; 2. Brown (Low) 2:26.2; 3. Woo (Low) 2:28.6.

100-yard dash — 1. McGuire (Sky) 11.4; 2. Murphy (McC) 11.4; 3. Hall (Wil) 11.5.

440 — 1. Harris (Oak) 56.9; 2. Padmore (Gal) 60.8; 3. Ray (Oak) 62.5.

220 — 1. Woodson (Lin) 25.3; 2. McGuire (Sky) 25.3; 3. Jenkins (Castlemont) 25.9.

Mile — 1. Gong (Low) 5:12.1; 2. Calandra (Sky) 5:14.0; 3. Camp (Sky) 5:39.5.

Mile relay — 1. Oakland 4:05.5; 2. Lowell 4:14.2; 3. Castlemont 4:18.5.

LJ — 1. Stroman (Oak) 17-7; 2. Butler (Tech) 16-9½; 3. Martin (Low) 15-5.

HJ — 1. Mitchell (Sky) 4-10; 2. (Tie) Courts (McC), Morrison (Lin) 4-8.

SP — 1. Duckett (Low) 36-9½; 2. Easley (Oak) 33-10¾; 3. Stroman (Oak) 32-8½.

Discus (marks from AAA meet) — 1. Duckett (Low) 97-11¾; 2. Baker (Gal); 3. Graves (Lin).

Galileo runner surprises field to win 880 run in AAA-OAL meet

By King Thompson

Willie Cage never thought he had a chance.

"I was just trying to stay close. I didn't expect to beat him," the Galileo High senior said later.

Well, lowered expectations may be fine for state government, but Willie Cage needn't have been thinking that way yesterday.

As it turned out, the race he thought he couldn't win — the 880 — was his only real shot at earning a berth in next week's state meet in Berkeley.

And, in one of the most exciting races of the meet, the Lions' middle distance ace ran down Oakland High's Vince Wilkins with about 50 yards to go to win the 880 in dramatic fashion on a cold, gray day at Oakland's Laney College.

The occasion was the first qualifying meet between the top athletes from the Academic Athletic Association and the Oakland Athletic League. Because of the growth of the San Diego Section, the California Interscholastic Federation has decided that the Oakland and San Francisco City Sections should be allowed only one representative between them at the state meet.

So it was imperative that Cage, who finished fourth in the 440 and mile, win at least one event yesterday. He did — and in a time that was a full six seconds under his clocking in the AAA All-City meet at McAteer last week.

Cage's come-from-behind victory was so devastating to Wilkins that he never even bothered to finish the race. The Oakland runner, who had placed first in the OAL meet with a time of 1:56.1, simply stopped about 25 yards from the tape and never crossed the finish line.

Cage's effort was one of several fine performances that were turned in despite the unseasonable weather. Frank Williamson of Skyline High posted times of 14.1 and 36.4 in the hurdles, and Mission's Kenny Frazier won the triple jump in 48-10 $\frac{1}{4}$ and the long jump in 22-7 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The only other double winner in the boys competition was a bit of a surprise as Wilson's Marco Ibarra captured the mile and the two mile. Ibarra's time of 4:23.2 in the mile was approximately 15 seconds faster than his clocking in the All-City meet, where he finished second.

Skyline, which is 29-0 in dual meet competition over the last three years, won the team scoring with 113 points to 102 for runner-up Galileo. In the girls division, Lowell edged Oakland High, 73-72.

Lowell's girls triumph was paced by

Lowell's girls triumph was paced by Diane Gong, who captured both the mile and two mile in times that bettered her AAA record clockings of last week. The senior took the mile in 5:12.1 and the two mile in 11:10.1.

Gong, who said she is still recovering from a foot injury incurred during the Martin Luther King Games at Stanford five weeks ago, won the two mile by more than 45 seconds. But the mile was surprisingly close.

"I was sort of panicking," Gong said. "She (Sharon Calandra of Skyline) was really close. It was totally unsuspected."

As for her injury, Gong said she is getting close to being back in top form.

"I couldn't do any speed work (after the injury)," she said. "Only recently have I done any intervals. I feel pretty good — just sort of out of shape."

The boys 100-yard dash was clouded in controversy as four runners finished in a photo finish. Meet officials couldn't decide who won until they looked at a videotape of the race more than two hours after all the athletes had gone home.

It was finally decided that Skyline's Jeff Pigram edged out McClymonds' Gerald White in a time of 9.8. In a further change, George Ervin of Castlemont was moved up to third and Galileo's Ernest Daumas was placed fourth, with both being clocked in 9.9.

The most versatile athlete of the meet was undoubtedly Diane Stroman of Oakland High. She won the long jump in 17-7, finished second in the 110 high hurdles, and placed third in the shot put.