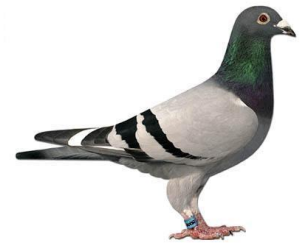


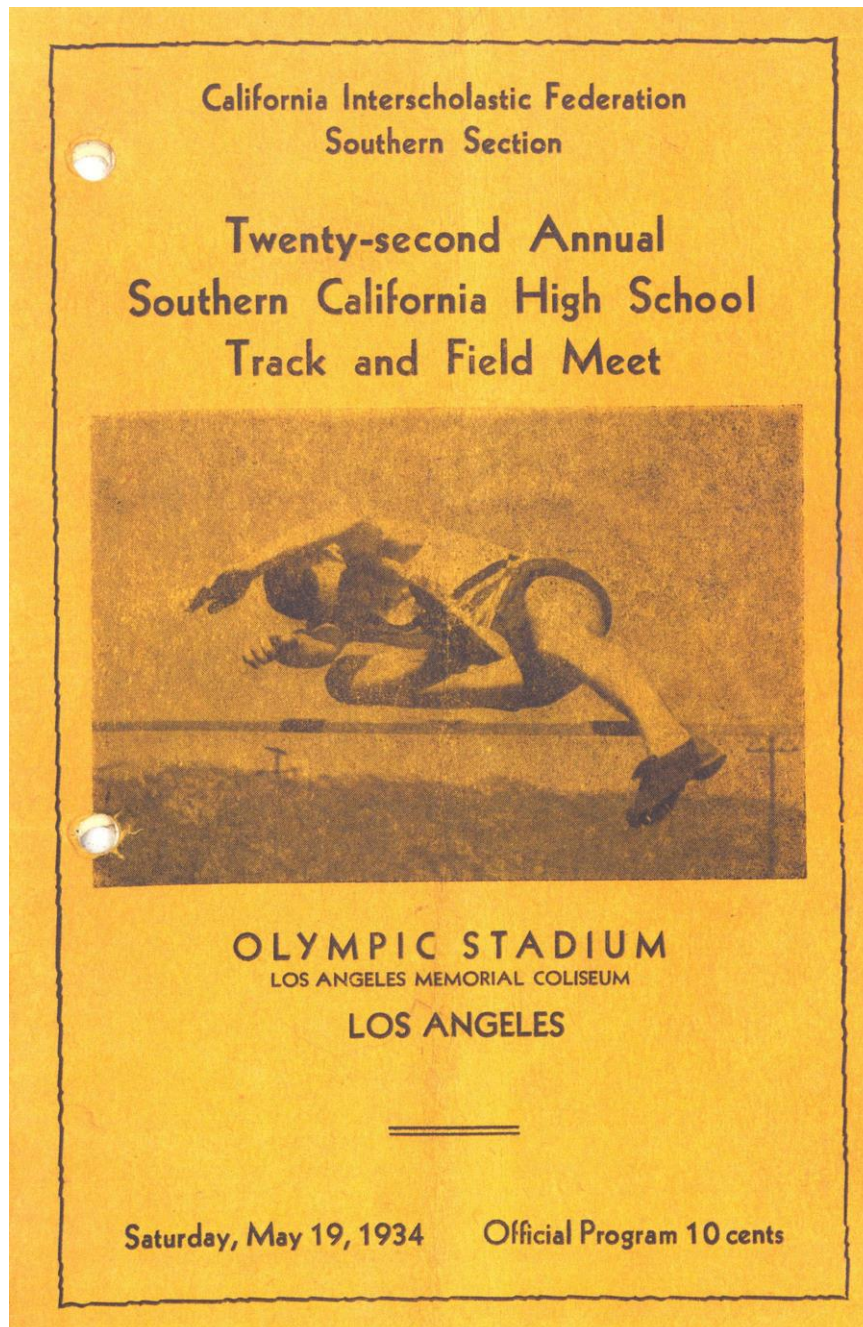
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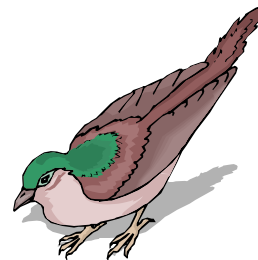
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WHO WAS THE WINNER?

CHAFFEY HIGH UNION HIGH SCHOOL PIGEON CLUB!



The opening event on the program today is a forty-mile pigeon race from the Coliseum to the Junior Fair at Chaffey Union High School, Ontario. The flight of pigeons is released as part of the opening ceremony.

The birds are the property of the Chaffey Union High School Pigeon Club, directed by Mr. Ray Delhauer of the Chaffey Faculty. The time of the winning birds is affected by wind and weather conditions, but more important is the preliminary care and training at the hands of their owners. Like the athletes in the track events, they must be fed a properly balanced diet. They must have clean water, regular exercise and proper discipline, so that they will enter their lofts, through trap doors, promptly upon reaching home.

Two weeks ago a Chaffey bird won the Rothchild Cup race, making a speed of over 60 miles an hour from Hollywood to the home loft.

Pigeons were used to carry the names of the winners in the Olympic games to their home cities, more than two thousands years ago. The flight today continues this ancient custom. Upon reaching its home loft, each bird will be delivered by its owner to the judging committee at the Chaffey Fair. Medals will be awarded the winning birds.

ONTARIO.—Racing pigeons belonging to the Chaffey Union High School Pigeon Club in Ontario were released as part of the opening ceremony at the recent twenty-second annual Southern California high school track-and-field meet, held in the Olympic Stadium, Los Angeles. After being released, the young birds immediately started on a race from the stadium to the Junior Fair at Chaffey high school, where their home lofts are located. Practically all of the birds flew better than forty-five miles an hour from the stadium to their lofts in Ontario, a distance of more than forty miles. Two weeks ago a Chaffey bird won the Rothchild Cup race, making a speed of over sixty miles an hour from Hollywood to the home loft. Medals were awarded to all winning birds.

Pays Its Way

Sales of Birds Support Chaffey Squab-Breeding Station

ONTARIO.—Throughout the depression period enough birds have been sold to maintain the squab-breeding station at Chaffey Union High School, Ray R. Delhauer, supervisor, reports in submitting results of the past two years' work.

The pigeon plant was established at Chaffey in 1925, under Mr. Delhauer's direction, and has taken a leading place among similar projects in the United States. Pigeons from Chaffey have been sent to many States of the Union and to foreign countries for breeding and racing purposes and each year many visitors sign the station register.

Participants in the squab station work are scattered all over the United States, with lofts in South Carolina, Illinois, Texas, Michigan and Wyoming included, along with about a dozen establishments in California and Arizona.

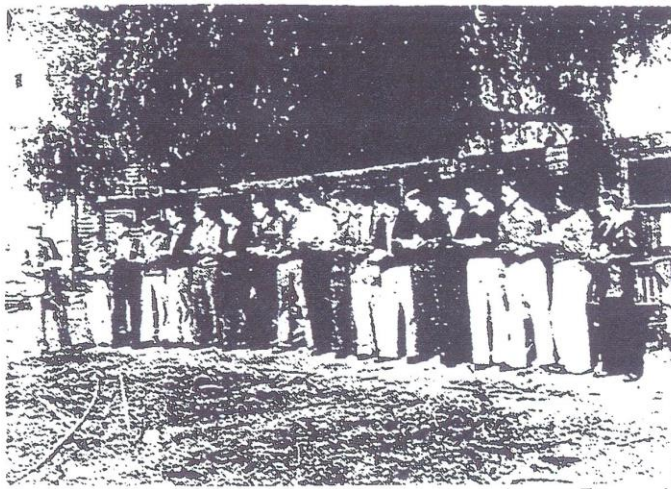
The economic and utility value of pigeons is studied at the station over a long period of time and monthly and yearly reports are kept by Mr. Delhauer. Additional pens of birds will be registered for observation this fall.

High pen for the twenty-fourth month, covered in Mr. Delhauer's report, consisted of six pairs of White Carneaux, which during the two-year period consumed 1396 pounds of grain and 213 pounds of grit and produced 127 squabs weighing a fraction over 182 pounds.

A number of students at Chaffey are carrying on pigeon projects at the school loft and earn money for their school needs. There is an active Chaffey Union High School Pigeon Club, of which Paul Smith of Upland is president; Larry Smith, Ontario, vice-president; Raymond Ross, Ontario, secretary-treasurer. At the annual Chaffey Junior Farm Center Fair, to be held May 19 and 20, William Hartley will be pigeon superintendent, with Elmer Pierce chairman of the racing homers department; Ernest Learch of the utility department and Elbert Lindsey of the fancy pigeons.

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This group of Chaffey pigeon project boys is getting a lesson on the subject from Ray R. Delhauer, who is in charge of the squab-breeding station there.