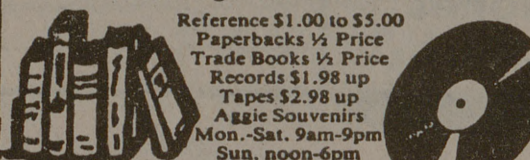


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## U.S. boxers move into final bouts

**United Press International**  
 LOS ANGELES — Lightning-fast Steven McCrory led a wave of Americans into the Olympic boxing finals Thursday, with popular Canadians Willie deWit and Shawn O'Sullivan and U.S. heavyweight Henry Tillman also advancing with unpopular decisions.

Moving into the gold medal fights along with McCrory and Tillman were Jerry Page, Frank Tate and Virgil Hill as the United States ran its sparkling Olympic record to 38-1.

Six other U.S. boxers, including three-time world champion Mark Breland, fought their semifinal bouts Thursday night.

The U.S. squad has a chance to make the biggest haul of boxing gold medals by one nation in the history of the Games in Saturday's finals. Of the 12 fighters entered in the competition, only Robert Shannon did not make it to the semifinal round.

In the most controversial decision of the competition, O'Sullivan, the former world champion, was awarded a 4-1 jury decision over France's Christophe Tiozzo. The judges voted 3-2 for Tiozzo but were overruled by the jury.

O'Sullivan landed no more than a dozen solid punches the entire fight, while Tiozzo steadily ripped him with lefts and rights. The decision brought a deafening chorus of boos from the fans, and Tiozzo pulled away from the referee during the decision ceremony and openly wept as he left the ring.

"I'll admit I wasn't sure of how the decision would go," said O'Sullivan, "but I was too tired to feel nervous."

"It wasn't arranged," Tiozzo said of the decision, "but it wasn't far from being arranged. I can't explain it. I am shocked."

The win set up a light middleweight gold medal showdown between O'Sullivan and Tate, who took the Canadian's title away earlier this year in Los Angeles in the World Championships Challenge.

Tate got an easy ride into the finals, winning in a walkover when his opponent, Manfred Zielonka of West Germany, could not fight because of a broken hand in Wednesday's quarterfinal.

DeWit followed O'Sullivan by 30 minutes and was awarded a 3-2 decision in a lackluster fight over slick-boxing Arnold van der Lijde of Holland. That decision was also greeted with loud boos from the 8,000 fans in the Sports Arena.

DeWit now faces Tillman for the gold medal in the heavyweight class.

Tillman also was unimpressive Thursday, winning 5-0 by jury over brawling Angelo Musone of Italy. Musone pounded away at Tillman's body for three rounds, clearly landing more punches. The judges voted 3-2 for the Italian but again they were overruled by the jury members, all of whom voted for the American.

Tillman, fighting less than 10 miles from his home in Los Angeles, was also booed heartily by the crowd. Musone, who refused to shake Tillman's hand, broke into tears and got a loud ovation as he reluctantly left the ring.

In the first bout of the day, McCrory, a native of Detroit who is the brother of World Boxing Council welterweight champion Milton McCrory, used lightning combinations to earn an easy 5-0 decision over Eyup Can of Turkey in the 112-pound flyweight division. He will fight Redzep Redzepovski of Yugoslavia in the final.

Can blamed biased judging for his loss, which brought a laugh from McCrory.

"He might have beaten me in Turkey. They probably would have had five Turkey judges," McCrory said. "I'm not gonna comment on judging. I destroyed a guy from Malawalu (Malawi) or wherever he's from, and he said he was robbed, too."

## America's Mitchell places third

# China finishes 1, 2 in diving prelims

**United Press International**  
 LOS ANGELES — Chinese divers Ji Hong Zhou and Chen Xiaoxia served notice they would be the favorites for the Olympic platform gold medal after finishing one-two in Thursday's prelims.

The 17-year old Ji, leader after the morning compulsories, wound up with the highest score among the 21 competitors with a total of 462.87 points. Her 22-year old teammate, Chen, wound up second with 434.88 after missing her last dive.

American Olympic trials champion Michele Mitchell, 22, was a solid third after the eight-dive preliminary round with a total of 402.39. U.S. teammate Wendy Wyland, the reigning world champion on the platform, also qualified in fifth place at 382.08.

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# Brisco-Hooks grabs gold in 200 meters

**United Press International**  
 LOS ANGELES — Valerie Brisco-Hooks, gradually etching her name in Olympic history, pocketed the second of three possible gold medals and Britain's Daley Thompson won his second straight Olympic decathlon Thursday night at the Summer Games.

When Brisco-Hooks, one of the great success stories in American athletics, won the women's 200 meters in 21.81 seconds, it marked the second American record she had broken this week. Her 400-meter time Monday was 48.33.

Brisco-Hooks, the 24-year-old performing in her hometown, blazed to her triumph over teammate Florence Griffith (22.04) and Merlene Ottey-Page of Jamaica. If the U.S. 4 x 100 meter relay team runs to victory Saturday, Brisco-Hooks will become the first American woman since Wilma Rudolph in 1960 to win three Olympic gold medals. Rudolph won the 100, 200 and was in on the relay team.

After breezing through an afternoon semifinal triumph, Brisco-Hooks came out fresh for the final. A blazing start catapulted her into the lead rounding the turn, and she held off Griffith and Ottey, who survived a photo finish for her second bronze medal of the Games. She was also third in the 100 meters.

Ottey was timed in 22.09, just .1 seconds ahead of Kathryn Cook of Great Britain.

A beaming Brisco-Hooks, who won the 400 meters Monday in an American record of 48.83, then paraded around the track with Griffith, holding up a large American flag.

Before Thursday, it appeared the 200 might be remembered more for who wasn't there, as the Eastern bloc boycotted and Evelyn Ashford and Chandra Cheeseborough both were forced out by injuries at the U.S. Trials. But Brisco-Hooks' gold-medal time broke Ashford's 5-year-

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old American record by 0.02.

It also came within 0.1 of East German Marita Koch's world record and shattered the Olympic record of 22.03 set by East German Barbel Woeckel at the 1980 Moscow Games. Brisco-Hooks became the third-fastest performer in history.

"The bulk of the races were easy," Brisco-Hooks said. "I was having some problems with my back in both of the 200 races and I knew I had to go out hard. I had no one to pull off of in the 200, while in the 400 I could see more."

On the medals platform, tears ran down Brisco-Hooks' face as, with her right hand over her heart and her right leg shaking nervously, she loudly sang the national anthem.

After being ranked in the world's top 10 in 1979, Brisco-Hooks took off an extended period for marriage and her first child. She stormed back this year in both the 200 and 400, and her 22.16 in winning the Olympic Trials 200 made her eighth-fastest of all time at that point.

"Valerie is a hard worker," Griffith said. "She has dedicated everything to being an excellent 200 and 400-meter runner."

# Rangers trounce Sox; Astros shut out Giants

**United Press International**

At Arlington, Frank Tanana pitched a five-hitter and Gary Ward highlighted a four-run seventh inning with a two-run double Thursday night to rally the Texas Rangers to a 7-3 triumph over the Boston Red Sox.

It was the third victory in four games for Texas.

Tanana (11-11) retired 17 of the last 18 batters he faced from the fourth inning on. The 31-year-old left-hander struck out four and walked three while notching his seventh complete game of the year and the 114th of his career.

The Rangers rally came against Red Sox starter Al Nipper (4-5) in the seventh. George Wright opened with a single and reached second on

line to make it 5-3.

Buddy Bell's singled scored Ward with the final run of the inning.

Pete O'Brien, who had three hits, led off the eighth with his 16th homer of the year to make it 7-3.

The Rangers took a 1-0 lead in the second on pinch hitter Mickey Rivers' RBI single.

Gary Allenson's first homer of the year, a three-run shot in the fourth, gave Boston a 3-1 lead. O'Brien's RBI double in the bottom of the inning enabled the Rangers to close within 3-2.

In Houston, Craig Reynolds hit a bases-loaded triple to highlight a four-run second and Mike LaCoss hurled a six-hit shutout Thursday night to lead the Houston Astros to a 6-0 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

LaCoss (6-3) pitched his second

Daley Thompson thoroughly mented his position as the unofficial "world's best all-around athlete" becoming the first man since American Bob Mathias in 1948 and 32 win back-to-back decathlon.

The engaging Briton used a vault of 16 feet 4 3/4 inches to build commanding lead over rival Jürgen Hingsen of West Germany and on to come within one point of Hingsen's world record of 8,375 points.

Thompson, also the world champion, needed a time of 4:34.88 to crack the record but finished 4:35.00. It was, however, an Olympic record, breaking American Bruce Jenner's mark of 8:617.

Hingsen, who has been trailing the world mark with Thompson the last few years and held it since early this year, won the silver medal.

Thompson, wearing a T-shirt that read "Thanks America for a great Games and a great time," on the side and "but what about the coverage?" on the back, was congratulated by Princess Anne of Britain.

In the only other final Thursday, Romanian Anisoara Stancu used a fourth attempt of 22-10 to win a gold medal in the women's 100-meter jump. Teammate Vali Ionescu won the silver with a fifth-round effort, 22-4 1/4 while surprising Betsy Hearshaw of Britain held on to the bronze at 22-3 3/4 over Angela Thacker of St. Louis and Janet Joyner of East St. Louis, Ill.

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The Astros took a 1-0 lead in their first off Giants starter Jeter scored advanced to third when catcher Breyer's throw went into center field and scored on wild pitch by Reynolds.

Houston scored four more runs in the second. With one out, Terry Puhl bunted for a single, Mark LaCoss walked and LaCoss reached on a bunt single to load the bases. Al Doran struck out Reynolds lined triple to right center to clear the bases. Reynolds scored on DeWitt Walling's double.

Houston added a run in the fifth. Jerry Humphrey doubled, advanced to third on right fielder Sylvie Thompson's throwing error and scored on reliever Mark Davis' pitch.


Other qualifiers in order were lie Kent of Australia, Debbie Finke of Canada, Kerstin Finke of Germany, Yoshina Mabuchi of Japan, Elsa Tenorio of Mexico, and Dalupe Canseco of Mexico and Tolla of Norway.

The top three finishers in women's springboard, Sylvie Thompson of Canada and Americans McCormick and Chris Seufert, were not entered in the platform competition.

The Communist-led boycott has affected this event. Martin Jäschke of East Germany, gold medalist in 1980, and Soviet divers Vladimir Emirzhan and Linda Tsvetkov who won the silver and bronze respectively were not in the competition.

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