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AT Feature: Cal-Stanford Men's "Big Meet" Cal wins for the first time since 1991!

Part 3



"Big Meet"-Cal vs. Stanford, 2005 (Article written in English novelist Joseph Conrad's unique snapshot and image style)
By Olivia Johnson

The physique, the prowess and the drive to win. The energy, coursing through the air, swirled to fill the small alcove before exploding out into the rain with the boys. Side by side they marched up to the blocks triumphantly. They looked at one another, the water, the title. What lay before them was history-but it was also the future. The rain poured drops of spirit that sparked everyone, including me watching through the alcove. A pause. The crowd collectively held their breath as the rain grew louder and as anticipation and pride held their eyes to the blocks. People, water, silence, history. In one collective moment everything stopped, and then, shocking the stiff air, the start buzzer shrieked it free. A mighty splash and the racers were off. The people screamed, "Go, go, go!!" I struggled to see through the sea of coaches and spectators. There it was. Matching the energy of the moment, the swimmers pulled through the shallow blue with the inspiration and cutting that makes Olympians. Some of them were. Some of them would be. This was a race of the century-an announcement to the anticipating spectators, to the world, and to themselves, who's university, who's team, could unite and triumph in the highest spirit of blue and gold.

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