

LESLIE STEERS JUMPS 6.5 TO WIN

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A. Jim Todd has never lost a quarter-mile race.

That is one reason today Piedmont High School holds North Coast prep track championship.

The championship rested with relay race.

Piedmont's Todd ran anchor and Piedmont won the meet with 28 points.

Berkeley, always a contender, finished second with 23.

But if Todd's spectacular win in the quarter-mile and his anchor

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Final scores in the annual North Coast C. I. F. track championships: Piedmont 26; Berkeley 23; Petaluma 10; Santa Rosa 10; Tamaqua 9 3-8; Palo Alto 8 1-8; Mt. Diablo-Alameda 6 1-8; Hayward 6; Vallejo 1-8; Analy 5; Hollister 3 1-2; Pittsburg 3 1-8; Eureka 3; San Ramon 3; Santa Cruz 3; Burlingame 2 1-8; Jefferson 2; Healdsburg 2; San Jose 1; Richmond 1; Gonzales 1; Antioch 1; Redding, Corvallis, Fort Bragg, Hood Valley, Martinez, Salinas, San Mateo, San Rafael, Sequoia, Sonoma Valley, South San Francisco, St. Helena, Ukiah and Livermore, 0.

In the 880 relay was good. Les Steers, Palo Alto High high jump was colossal.

JUMPS TOO LATE

Steers won his event at six feet five inches, breaking his old record. He tried for the National interscholastic mark and made it — on his fourth jump at six feet, six inches, so it can't go in the books.

Steers' case is remarkable.

More than a month ago he broke his arm but the accident didn't prevent him from high jumping. He has been competing in all Palo Alto meets and has been consistent at six feet, three inches. The cast was removed two weeks ago and Steers has been improving rapidly.

A week ago Steers tried six feet eight inches and went over the bar only to knock it off with his trunks.

He appears a cinch to win his event and probably set a new national record at the State meet in Long Beach next week.

THREE MARKS GO

Steers' mark was the outstanding record of the day although three other marks were tied and broken.

Berkeley High's Henry Sims, broad jumper, reached 22 feet, 10 inches to tie the record.

One Analy pole vaulter, cleared the bar at 12 feet, 9 inches to crack his old mark of 12 feet, 7½ inches.

Bestman of Santa Rosa, heaved the discus 137 feet, 6½ inches to break the old mark by more than three inches.

But Todd—

Jim Todd the first, ran for California in 1910, '11 and '12 and was never defeated in the quarter-mile. Jim Todd III, had his first real chance yesterday and came through with a surprise win in the good time of 51.4 seconds. His anchor lap on the relay put Piedmont in front and gave the school the championship.

BERKELEY THREATENS

Todd the first was so excited he threw his camera up in the air and rushed to his son. The camera came down with a crash thus ending the day's picture snapping.

"Brick" Johnson's team won the title because of Todd's win and Harbour's upset win in the low hurdles. The Craig twins, Warren and Wesley won the half and mile with ease and in good time despite the fact that they were not pressed. The odd point came from Bob Hogan who finished fourth in the quarter.

Berkeley, by placing in the dashes with McFarland; the hurdles with Shepperd and Sidmore and almost sweeping the broad jump with Sims and Collier, provided the major competition.

Thirty-six schools were in the meet and the majority of first place winners will leave for Long Beach next week to compete in the State finals against the best from all sections of California.

Prep Marks Fall

800-yard run—Warren Craig, Piedmont; Daly, Eureka; Olson, Jefferson; Thompson, Santa Cruz, Time 2:4.10.

100-yard dash—Battaglia, Petaluma; Pellegrini, Santa Rosa; Euler, Alameda; McFarland, Berkeley, Time :10.3.

12-pound shot—Grosse, Mt. Diablo; Russo, Pittsburg; Roth, Palo Alto; Smith, Vallejo, Distance 51 ft., 9 in.

120-yard high hurdles—Schau, Tamalpais; Shade, Vallejo; MacLean, Santa Cruz; Cidmore, Berkeley, Time :16.2.

440-yard run—Todd, Piedmont; Kerr, Hayward; Hyde, Burlingame; Hogan, Piedmont, Time :51.4.

220-yard dash—Battaglia, Petaluma; McFarland, Berkeley; Pellegrini, Santa Rosa; Euler, Alameda, Time :23.2.

Broad jump—Sims, Berkeley; Collier, Berkeley; Yegru, Alameda; Verki, Hollister, Distance 22 ft., 10 in. (Ties record made by Kido, Alameda, 1935).

250-yard low hurdles—Barbour, Piedmont; Ramos, San Ramon; Sheppard, Berkeley; Hayes, Richmond, Time :26.4.

High jump—Steen, Palo Alto; Collier,

Berkeley; Sims, Berkeley, Tied for fourth; Metzger, Palo Alto; Taylor, Alameda; Wialer, Antioch; Monti, Burlingame; Enea, Pittsburg; Little, Tamalpais; Action, Vallejo; Lathros, Monterey, Winning height 6 ft., 3 in. (New record, old by Steers, Palo Alto, 6 ft., 4 in., 1935).

Mile run—Wesley Craig, Piedmont; Marigallo, Hayward; Brooks, Healdsburg; Hampton, Gonzales, Time 4:38.6.

Football throw—Stutt, Berkeley; Dittman, Santa Rosa; Tuel, Hayward; Petersen, San Rafael, Distance 200 ft., 11½ in.

Relay—Piedmont: Rutledge, Hogan; Foraman, Todd; Berkeley, Tamalpais, Vallejo, Time 1:31.7.

Pole vault—Ono, Analy; Winkle, San Benito; Bowen, Tamalpais, tied for second; Petersen, Alameda, Height 12 ft., 9 in. (New record, old by Ono, Analy, 12 ft., 7½ in., 1936).

Discus—Bestman, Santa Rosa; Harding, Mt. Diablo; Feranna, San Jose; Norberg, Palo Alto, Distance 137 ft., 8 3-8 in. (New record, old by McCann, Santa Rosa, 134 ft., 1.75 in., 1939).