

# Coast Stars Trounce Foes

**Quartet Travels Mile  
in 3m. 9.4s.; Jumper  
Leaps 6ft. 11in.**

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Four young athletes from University of California enjoyed a dizzy moment of record triumph last night at the Coliseum only to be plunged into a stunning, shocked silence seconds later when they learned that the father of one of their foursome had died earlier in the day.

The boys were John Reese, Fay Froom, Clarence Barnes and Grover Klemmer and they ran the fastest mile relay in all history, clipping more than a full second from the old world's record by covering the four laps in 3m. 9.4s.

## **COAST WINS EASILY**

Earlier in the evening Les Steers had continued his record breaking in the high jump, scaling 6ft. 11in., and during the Coliseum program a crowd of 10,000 fans saw the Pacific Coast Conference team rout the Big Ten, 50-28.

Grover Klemmer Sr., father of the California team's mainstay, died of a heart attack at noon yesterday in Sacramento.

Later in the afternoon Coach Brutus Hamilton of the Bears had a phone call from Mrs. Klemmer, requesting that the news be withheld from her son until after last night's meet.

## **NARROW MARGIN**

So it wasn't until young Klemmer had finished with a scant foot margin over the fourth Trojan runner that Hamilton took the slender sophomore back to the dressing room and told him the shocking news.

The other boys were immediately sunk in gloom and the usually cheerful formality of signing a world's record application became a painful duty.

Unofficially, the first two teams in the relay had the same time, which contrasts with Stanford's still unaccepted 3m. 10.5s. mark of a year ago and the official world's record of 3m. 11.6s. by a Trojan quartet running five years ago.

## **JUST ONE RECORD**

But only the Bears will get a record application, because meet officials said just two official watches timed the Trojan finisher and three are needed for a record.

Here are the unofficial clockings on the Bears:

Reese, 48.9s.; Froom, 47.9s.;

Barnes, 46.5s.; Klemmer, 46.1s.

And here's what the Trojans did:

Warren Smith, 49.7s.; Howard Upton, 47.8s.;

Cliff Hourland, 46s.;

Hubert Kerns, 45.9s.

## **SMITH TRAILS**

Those marks indicate pretty well how the race was run. Reese and the Big Ten runner both leading Smith by nearly 10 yards after the first lap. Upton made up quite a bit on Froom in the backstretch but faltered in the final drive and Hourland started off nearly 10 yards back of Barnes.

Only the latter's stronger finish kept Cliff from giving the baton to Kerns even with the California team on the final lap but Klemmer started off with a strong two-yard margin. Hubie gradually closed the gap, poured it on around the last turn and seemed to be drawing even with the world's record holder (unofficial.) But Klemmer had a little too much and barely stayed off Hubie's finishing plunge.

Steers' record in the high jump, far from unexpected after his

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week-to-week advance, bettered his short-lived 6ft. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. mark set at the Coliseum less than a month ago.

Les tried 7ft., but this ultimate goal escaped him, probably because he had a full and tiring evening at intermediate heights.

The Oregon lad jumped at each inch mark from 6ft. 6in. on up, and after winning his

event by clearing 6ft. 8in., Johnny Wilson missing there, Les had a miss at 6ft. 9in., made it on the second try and followed the same routine at 6ft. 10in.

## BAR WIGGLES

His 6ft. 11in. record was scored on a second attempt, and although the bar jiggled it stayed on the pegs.

While the Pacific Coast won with ease it was still the closest meet in the history of the series.

And some of the Big Tennessees did right well in their specialties.

Campbell Kane had a near gift of the mile when he was allowed to set his own pace and outsprinted Dick Peter of the Bears for a 4m. 13.9s. victory. Amazingly enough the final half-mile was run in about 1m. 58s., and the last lap in 56.9s. Phil Leibowitz and Leroy Weed finished third and fourth.

## COAST-BIG TEN TRACK RESULTS

### SUMMARIES

440-yard relay—Big Ten (Hammond, Ohio State; Thomas, Mich.; Piel, Mich., and Piker, Northwestern;) Pacific Coast Conference. Time, 41s.

One-mile run—Kane (Indiana, Big Ten;) Peter (Calif., P.C.C.); Leibowitz (Idaho, P.C.C.); Weed (S.C., P.C.C.) Time, 4m. 13.9s.

440-yard run—Cochran (Indiana, Big Ten;) Jenkins (Indiana, Big Ten;) Long (Washington, P.C.C.); McParland (Stanford, P.C.C.) Time, 47.5s.

100-yard dash—Qvale (Washington, P.C.C.); Sinclair (U.C.L.A., P.C.C.); Piker (Northwestern, Big Ten;) Hammond (Ohio State, Big Ten.) Time, 9.8s.

120-yard high hurdles—Kacewicz (S.C., P.C.C.); Hommel (S.C., P.C.C.); Horvath (Northwestern, Big Ten.) Only three finishers. Time, 14.9s.

880-yard run—Breidenbach (Mich., Big Ten.); Dale (Washington State, P.C.C.); Syde (Stanford, P.C.C.); Lang (Washington State, P.C.C.) Time, 1m. 52.6s.

220-yard dash—Sinclair (U.C.L.A., P.C.C.); Qvale (Washington, P.C.C.); Piker (Northwestern, Big Ten.); Piel (Michigan, Big Ten.) Time, 21.5s.

Two-mile run—Tolliver (Indiana, Big Ten.); Williams (Washington State, P.C.C.); Wilt (Indiana, Big Ten.); Schoenike (Wisconsin, Big Ten.) Time, 9m. 15.6s.

Low hurdles—Cochran (Indiana, Big Ten.); Wright (Ohio State, Big Ten.); Johnson (S.C., P.C.C.); Duke (U.C.L.A., P.C.C.) Time, 23.2s.

Shot-put—Merritt (S.C., P.C.C.) 50ft. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Harris (Indiana, Big Ten.) 50ft. 4 5/16in.; Moldea (Ohio State, Big Ten.) 49ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Paskvan (Wisconsin, Big Ten.) 48ft. 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Javelin throw—M. Biles (Cal., P.C.C.) 217ft. 7in.; B. Biles (Cal., P.C.C.) 204ft. 3in.; Kimmerer (Mich., Big Ten.) 182ft. 11in.; Klenian (Illinois, Big Ten.) 181ft. 6in.

High jump—Les Steers (Oregon, P.C.C.) 6ft. 11in. (batters Steers' high mark of 6ft. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., and present world record 6ft. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ in. held by C. Johnson and D. Albritten, 1936;) Wilson (S.C., P.C.C.) 6ft. 7in.; La Cava (S.C., P.C.C.) 6ft. 4in.

Broad jump—Bleeker (S.C.-P.C.C.) 23ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Pindlay (Oregon-P.C.C.) 23ft. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Lewis (Illinois-Big Ten.) 23ft. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Wren (S.C.-P.C.C.) 22ft. 11in.

Discus—Harris (Indiana-Big Ten.) 168ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Johnson (Ohio State-Big Ten.) 164ft. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Pich (Minnesota-Big Ten.) 162ft. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; Hiler (Stanford-P.C.C.) 154ft. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.

Pole vault—Tie for first between Schaeffer (S.C.-P.C.C.) and Smith (California-P.C.C.) 14ft.; tie for third between Thistlewaite (Northwestern-Big Ten) and De Field (Minnesota-Big Ten.) 13ft. 6in.

One-mile relay—California (Reese, Froom, Barnes and Klemmer;) Southern California, Big Ten. Time, 3m. 9.4s. Batters world record of 3m. 10.5s. set in 1940 by Stanford team of Shaw, Clark, Williamson and Jeffrey.

Final score: Pacific Coast Conference, 80; Big Ten, 56.

## COCHRAN'S DOUBLE

And Roy Cochran bagged a Big Ten double with a 440 victory (the relay stars didn't compete) in 47.5s. and a low hurdle win.

The high resulted in a fiasco, for only three finished and one of those scrambled to his feet after flopping. The favorite, Bob Wright of Ohio State, was leading by three yards when he hit the seventh hurdle and sprawled.

John Biewener of Troy, Joe Finch and Chuck Horvath of Northwestern all fell, the latter getting back to take third behind Art Kacewicz and Don Hommel of S.C.