SPURRIER SIZZLES FOR 1:49.8 VICTORY

Ex-Cal Ace Bids for Pan-Am Games Berth With Speedy Half-Mile Mark in Oxy Meet

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Lon Spurrier, who completed his three years of eligibility at California last spring and is now competing for the Olympic Club, raced to a 1:49.8 clocking in the 880 yards yesterday to highlight the third of the preseason track and field meets sponsored by the local AAU.

Yesterday's meet was held at Occidental and Spurrier's mark was the fastest half mile ever run at Patterson Field. Only one athlete, Mal Whitfield, has ever won a faster 880 on a Southland track.

Achieves Goal

Spurrier's winning efforts of the past three weeks were 1:51.6 and 1:51.5, all better than his undergraduate bests at Berkeley. His goal yesterday was to break the 1:50 barrier and guarantee himself a spot on the Pan-American Games team. The team is to be picked today in New York with marks achieved in the local meets the past three weeks to be taken into consideration.

Jeter Victor

The shot-put battle between Ray Martin of SC and Don Vic of UCLA continued, with Martin getting the decision (53ft. 5½nt to 52ft. 10in) but the winner was Mason Benner, the national jaysee record holder from Santa Monica, who is now at Ft. Ord. Benner did 53ft. 9in.

SC's Floyd Jeter won the high jump at 6ft. 6% in. followed by Oxy Sophomore Dick Haddon at 6ft. 4% in. Emery Barnes, a former NCAA high jump cochamp and grid star at Oregon, now at Ft. Ord, tied for third at 6ft. 3in.

Johnson Wins

Rafer Johnson, sensational UCLA freshman from Kingsburg, Cal., rolled up 7055 points to walk off with the All Comers Decathlon title.

Ex-Oxy spiker Brayton Norton, now competing for the LAAC, was second with 6826. Johnson's point total was the ninth best in history based on 1950 tables. Except for the hurdles, every mark Johnson recorded yesterday exceeded his best previous efforts. Top individual mark of the day was set by Norton, who threw the javelin 194 feet 8% inches IGH HURDLES-1. Hal

> Norton. 194ft. 8341 Mt. 734in.; 3. Kellih -1. Norton. 4:33.1; Johnson. 5:23.