## UCLA's Davis Has Record Leap—for Second

High-Jumper Equals U.S. Record at 7-7 1/4, but Canadian Ottey Wins NCAA on Fewer Misses

From Times Wire Services

UCLA's Del Davis said his goal before the meet was to score some points. He almost wound up setting a world record

Davis equaled the American record in the high jump Friday night, clearing 7 feet 71/4 inches in the NCAA track and field championships at Provo, Utah. Davis finished second to Milt Ottey of Texas El Paso, who cleared the same height and got the win on fewer number of misses. Ottey is a native of Canada.

Both men then tried for a world record of 7-91/4, and both had good attempts. The record is 7-834 set by East Germany's Gerd Wessig in the 1980 Moscow Olympics. Davis, whose previous best was 7-4, tied the Ameri-

can record set by Dwight Stones in 1976 and equaled by Jeff Woodard of Alabama in the 1980 NCAA meet. Woodard cleared 7-61/4 Friday night and only fin-

Victories by Ottey and teammate Suleiman Nyambui in the 10,000 meters helped UTEMP take a commanding lead in the team standings with 72 points. Washington

ished fifth.

State is second with 47, followed by Southern Methodist with 40. UCLA has 27.

In the women's standings, UCLA leads with 89 points, followed by Oregon with 62 and Stanford with 49. The University of Houston, with Stanley Floyd on the anchor, set a meet record of 38.53 in the 400-meter re-

lay, and Tennessee's Patrick David set a meet record of 48.44 in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles. Davis, 22, is a 6-2, 160-pound junior from Miraleste High. He attended Utah State, then transferred to

UCLA after sitting out a year. "The surface here is really great," he said. "The com-

petition helped pump me up." A total of 16 jumpers cleared 7-3%, making it the

greatest competition in U.S. history. "I was thinking about 7-5 or 7-6," said Davis. "When I jumped 7-5 it felt good, then I realized I could go even higher. My jump at 7-7 was a very good one, too. I thought I had a good chance at 7-9 after that. Really I would have been happy just to place in this meet. I wasn't even thinking about winning.

"I can't believe it really. I had planned on studying tonight. I've got two weeks of school left and my exams are ahead of me. I'm too excited to study right now, but I'd better do it."

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