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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this study was to collect, record, and organize chronologically, facts and data pertaining to the history and development of varsity intercollegiate track and field at Eastern Illinois University into one permanent volume.

The method of procedure was to utilize the historical method of research.

Several procedures are involved in the historical method of research: selecting and delimiting the problem; collecting and classifying source materials; criticizing source materials; formulating tentative hypotheses to explain events or conditions; and interpreting and presenting the facts or findings.¹

Sources included the Eastern Illinois Normal School Classbook, Eastern Illinois Normal School W'apper, the Eastern Illinois University Warbler, the Charleston Courier-News, the Teachers College News, the Normal School News, the Eastern State News, the Eastern Teachers News, the Eastern News, the Chicago Tribune, the Athletic Journal, Fifty Years of Public Service, varsity records, and interviews with various person-

¹M. Gladys Scott, Research Methods in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (Washington, D.C.: AAHPER, 1959) p. 469.

alities who have been connected with track and field at Eastern.

Numerous problems have caused apparent weaknesses in this history. The problems were mainly due to a lack of old and accurate records. Often contradictions arose in the various resources. Interviews were not entirely reliable due to the passage of time and its affect on memories. Also the lack of records hindered in determining schedules, results, and the full names of many of the participants.

The long jump event will be referred to as the broad jump up to the year 1965, at this time the terminology was revised.

Track events such as the 100 yard dash, one mile run, 120 yard high hurdles, and 220 yard low hurdles will be abbreviated to 100, mile, high hurdles, and low hurdles.

Times recorded in minutes, seconds, and fractions of seconds will be listed in apreviations such as :10.2 for ten and two tenths seconds, and 10:10 for ten minutes and ten seconds.

Early in Eastern's track history times were recorded in fifths of seconds instead of tenths. The reason for this

difference is that times were first recorded on watches used to time horse races, which were accurate to a fifth of a second rather than a tenth.²

The chapters of this history will be organized as follows: Chapter II, The Developmental Years; Chapter III, The Era of Frank Beu; Chapter IV, the Era of Winfield Scott Angus; Chapter V, The War Years; Chapter VI, The Early Era of Maynard "Pat" O'Brien; Chapter VII, The Era of John Lewis; Chapter VIII, The Later Era of Maynard "Pat" O'Brien; and Chapter IX, the Summary.

Appendixes will be utilized in this history to reveal the following facts: yearly won-loss records; yearly team members; and present conference, team, and Lincoln Field records.

²Personal interview with Maynard O'Brien, May 9, 1967.

CHAPTER II

THE DEVELOPMENTAL YEARS

This chapter concerns itself with the origin and development of varsity intercollegiate track and field at Eastern Illinois University. It begins with initial development of the sport by Charles P. Lantz in 1912 to the year 1927 when the team was under the direction of Lewis A. Moore.

Origin of Track and Field-1912

In the year 1912 Coach Charles P. Lantz first introduced track and field at Eastern Illinois Normal School as a varsity sport. Lantz graduated from Gettysburg College, in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, in 1909; he came from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to Charleston in 1922 as the first male teacher of Physical Education at Eastern. Lantz was also a long time coach of football and baseball and was noted as a man of high integrity.¹

Coach Lantz worked energetically with the track team and the first dual meet was held in the Spring against Charleston High School. The success of the meet led to a dual

¹Charles H. Coleman, Fifty Years of Public Service (Eastern Illinois State College Bulletin No. 189, 1950) pp. 229 and 223.

with Rose Poly of Terre Haute, and the first track and field squad in its first intercollegiate meet was successful by "a good margin of points."¹

Ten men competed on that first team with all but one of them competing in two or more events. Members of the team were Richard Ginther in the hurdles and relay; James Butler in the 50, 100, and 220 yard dashes, and the relay; Benjamin Anderson in the high jump, relay, and all the dashes; David Kime in the pole vault and broad jump; James Hill in the shot put and hammer; Paul Ewald in the mile and 880 yard run; Ferdinand Steinmetz in the shot put, hammer, and discus; Frank Lindhorst in the relay, 220, and 440 yard dashes; Arthur Frazier in the 440 yard dash and 880 yard run; and Leonard Stratton in the high jump.²

The captain of the first track team was James Grove Butler who also played football and basketball. Paul George Ewald was twice class president and also president of the school athletic association. He played football and

¹W'apper (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Normal School, 1913), p. 92.

²Ibid.

basketball. Another outstanding young man on the team was Arthur Frazier who was editor-in-chief of the 1913 W'apper.¹

In December of 1912, Eastern was admitted to the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic Association as its thirteenth member. The association was organized in 1908 primarily to sponsor track meets between the member schools. Eastern has been a member continuously since its acceptance into the organization. In 1920 it reorganized as the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, or the IIAC.²

1913-1915

Unfortunately no records or evidence are available of a track and field team during this period.

1916

Following Coach Lantz's initial season as a track coach the teams were for several years coached by teachers outside the field of Physical Education. Thus in 1916, a Mr. Storer and a Mr. Hubbard were in charge of track work.³

A dual meet with Rose Poly was to be held that Spring, but no arrangements or results were reported.⁴

¹Ibid., pp. 11, 20, and 31.

²Coleman, Op. Cit., p. 223-4

³News item in the Normal School News, Apr. 18, 1916, p. 1.

⁴News item in the Normal School News, May 2, 1916, p. 1.

The conference meet was scheduled that year for Jacksonville, Ill. on May 27 and 28. The results of the conference meet were reported in the Normal School News on May 30.

Millikin won easily with 46 $\frac{1}{3}$ points. Illinois College was second with a 26 $\frac{1}{3}$; Bradley third with 22. Other schools and their point totals were as follows: McKendree 8 $\frac{1}{3}$; Lombard 8; Shurtleff 8; Hedding 4 $\frac{2}{3}$; Eureka 4 $\frac{1}{3}$; Illinois Wesleyan 3 $\frac{1}{3}$; Lincoln 1; and Normal (Eastern) 1.

Outstanding performances in the meet were turned in by Johnson of Millikin who broad jumped 22 ft. 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ ins., and by Wallace of Bradley who ran the mile in 4:38 $\frac{2}{5}$. It was not possible to determine who scored for Eastern in the meet.¹

Members of the team that year were Eric Brown and Young in the weights, Steven Turner in the sprints, "and other good men in the other events."²

1917

In 1917, Mr. Joseph P. Carey was in charge of the Eastern track team. Carey was a geography teacher who had come to Charleston after graduating from the University of Chicago.³

¹News item in the Normal School News, May 30, 1916, p.1.

News item in the Normal School News, May 2, 1916, p.1.

Published by students of Eastern Illinois State

Some of the members of that team were McGohey, McGurty, William Allison, Hall, Hutton, and Martin Otto Schahrer.¹

Schahrer who was class president in 1917 was later killed in France, at St. Mihiel, during World War I. The Normal School Athletic Field was renamed in his memory at homecoming in 1919. A granite boulder, now located just adjacent to the west wall of Booth Library, holds a bronze tablet commemorating his name. It is approximately on this site that Schahrer Field was located. Its equipment consisted of a quarter-mile cinder track, a football gridiron, a baseball diamond, and bleachers.²

No information is available of the success or failure of the 1917 team.

1918-1921

In the spring of 1918, World War I began having a heavy affect on athletics at Eastern. Several men enlisted to serve and this greatly depleted the male enrollment. As a result no evidence is available of a track team during those two years.³

¹News item in the Normal School News, Mar. 13, 1917, p.1.

²Coleman, op. cit., p. 73, and a news item in the Teachers College News, Oct. 5, 1925, p. 1.

³Warbler, op. cit., p. 79.

Little mention is made at all of track and field during the years 1920 and 1921. Comment is found in the 1920 Warbler that the ILAC meet was to be held at Peoria on Saturday, May 22.¹

In 1921, Mr. Lewis Moore and Mr. Earl Hall were in charge of track and field work, with Mr. Hall coaching those in the field events. Prospects were not bright and it was doubtful that a team would be formed.²

Mr. Moore came to Eastern from the University of Illinois where he received his bachelors degree and later his masters degree. Mr. Moore taught agriculture at Eastern from 1920 to 1928.³

Mr. Hall came to Eastern from the University of Chicago where he had received his bachelors and masters degrees. Mr. Hall was a teacher of biological science.⁴

Nothing more is available of track and field during this year, evidently World War I's effect lasted several years after the close of the war.

¹Warbler (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Normal School, 1920), p. 95.

²News item in the Normal School News, Apr. 5, 1921, p.1.

³Warbler, op. cit., p. 9, and Coleman, op. cit. p. 352.

⁴Warbler (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Normal School, 1921), p. 11.

1922

Hopes were high for the track and field team of 1922. Coach Lewis Moore, assisted by Mr. Spooner with sprinters and Mr. Hall with weights, issued a call for men late in March; about twenty men were expected to report. Among these were Forrest Greathouse of Toledo, who was labeled "the most promising track man that has entered Eastern Illinois for some time," and who seemed assured of being a sure point maker in the sprints.¹

Mr. Charles S. Spooner, who was mentioned above, came to Eastern in 1920 as a teacher of biological sciences. He received his A.B. degree from Cornell University, and his A.M. degree from the University of Illinois.²

Because of poor weather the team had little opportunity to work hard that Spring, but still managed to make a commendable showing at the conference meet in May, at Monmouth.

Knox College easily won the Little Nineteen, as the

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Mar. 7, 1922, p. 1, and Apr. 4, 1922, p. 1.

²Warbler, (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, 1922), p. 17.

conference was called then, track and field meet with 60 1/2 points. Next in order were Monmouth 25 1/2; Lombard 23; Illinois College 15 2/3; Eureka 12 2/3; Eastern Illinois 7; Naperville 7; Hedding 6 1/2; Illinois Wesleyan 5 1/2; Lincoln 5; Normal University 3; and Shurtleff 1/6.

The meet was a considerable success as new records were set in every event except the high hurdles, the half mile run, and the javelin throw. Excellent records were set in the 100 yard dash by Swanson of Lombard who ran it in 9 4/5 seconds; and by Sward of Knox, who broad jumped 22 ft. 11 in.

Eastern placed in four events. Forrest Greathouse placed fourth in the 100; Montelle Hunter, fourth in the discus; and Ray Duncan, second in the high jump, and third in the broad jump, scoring a total of five points individually.¹

Forrest Giensworth Greathouse was not only an outstanding track man, but demonstrated such skill in football and basketball that he was elected captain of both teams. He was also vice-president of his class. Greathouse was later killed in a mountain climbing accident in Washington.²

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 30, 1922, p.1.

²Warbler (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, 1923), p. 89, 99, and Coleman, op. cit. p. 229.

1923

Prospects looked bright for the thinclads of 1923, returning were Ray Duncan, Montelle Hunter, and Forrest Great-house from the previous year's fine squad which had made "its presence felt very forcibly at last year's state meet." Also two former high school athletes were expected to lend strength to the team.¹ Unfortunately a crisis arose that was to dampen spirits.

During the Winter it was disclosed that \$200 would be needed to conduct Spring sports. Without it there would be little chance of having baseball or track.

The student council proposed to raise the student athletic fees 50¢, to a total of \$1.50 for the year. This plan was rejected. Reluctantly it was decided to raise the 50¢ per head needed by popular subscription among the school classes.

Unfortunately this plan proved a failure;.."the response from the student body was disappointing as less than half the amount needed to steer the good ship, 'athletics' through the Spring term was raised."

The crisis mounted as the time passed through March

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Sept. 19, 1923
p. 1.

and into April. Finally the faculty came to the rescue in mid-April by subscribing \$100 to the athletic treasury. With this amount added to the \$85 garnered by the students enough money to support Spring athletics was on hand.

Another problem then arose, most of the schools Eastern usually engaged in track and baseball had already filled their schedules. It seemed impossible that a respectable schedule could be arranged. Nevertheless, Eastern did have a successful track season.

Although few records are available, it was acknowledged that Eastern had a near conference championship in 1923. Ray Duncan placed in the 100 and 220 yard dashes, and in the broad jump, besides tieing for first in the high jump. Montelle Hunter set a new conference record in the discus of 128 ft. 3 in.; and although Greathouses' accomplishments are not deliniated, there is no doubt that he did well also.²

1924

The 1924 season was looked forward to with much anti-

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Mar. 5, 1923, p. 1; Mar. 12, p.1; Mar. 26, p. 4; Apr. 16, p.1.

²News item in the Teachers College News, Mar. 31, 1924, p. 1.

icipation in the wake of the near championship squad of 1923. Duncan and Hunter were expected to lead the team and although Greathouse was not returning, it was thought that perhaps three or four others could be found to take his place. Unfortunately, Hunter did not return to school that Spring.¹

On Friday May 19, the cindermen traveled to Terre Haute to compete with Indiana Normal (State) in a dual meet. Indiana Normal won easily, 80 1/2 to 45 1/2.

Ray Duncan demonstrated his tremendous ability during the meet by taking four firsts in the five events he entered. Duncan won the 100, in:10 3/5, the 220 in :23 4/5, the high jump at 5 ft. 7 in., and the broad jump at 20 ft. 10 1/2 in. He also placed third in the 16 lb. shot put. Previously during the week, he had jumped 6 ft. 1/2 in. while practicing the high jump, and prior to the beginning of the meet he had broad jumped 22 ft. on a preliminary test.

Other point getters in the meet for Eastern were: Paul Hall, first place tie in the pole vault at 10 ft. 3 in., and third in the broad jump; Delbert Miller, third in the 100;

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Mar. 31, 1924, p. 1, and June 2, 1924, p.1.

Ogden Brainard, tie for third in the pole vault, and third in the javelin; Oder, third in the mile; Fresco Shipman, second in the shot put; Andrew Taylor, third in the high hurdles; Floyd Madden, second in the 440, and third in the 880; also Taylor, second, and Hall, third in the low hurdles; and Thomas Gilbert, second, and Shipman, third in the discus.¹

Due to the lopsided results of the Indiana Normal meet, a skeptical viewpoint was taken of the training methods of the team by the school newspaper. It states,.."their present system of getting into condition that is not recommended by any authority on track matters will never produce anything to set the world afire." It was felt that should some of the others, excluding Duncan and Madden, decide to train for competition, Eastern could be represented by a fairly good track team.²

The men picked to represent Eastern in the Little Nineteen conference meet were Duncan in the dashes, broad jump, and high jump; and Madden in the 440. It was hoped that "Dunc" would set a new conference mark in the high jump if he were not worn down by the other events. High hopes were ex-

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 19, 1924, p.3

²Ibid.

pected of Madden also.¹

The conference meet was held at Peoria on May 23-4. Knox College won with Lombard, Bradley, and Monmouth finishing in that order. Duncan and Madden just barely got into the point column as Madden failed to qualify in the 440, and Duncan tied for fifth in the high jump at 5 ft. 6 in. Duncan no doubt would have done better, but he pulled up with a cramp in his right leg while leading a preliminary heat of the 220. He had previously qualified in the 100. Just that week he had jumped 6 ft. 1 in. in practice.²

Once again, in June, the school newspaper came out in criticism of the track team:

Track did not receive the attention or time it should have and Duncan went to Peoria minus some necessary training. Result--a crippled leg that ended chances for Eastern Illinois points. Madden, a freshman, showed great promise in the quarter, and a few others might have amounted to something if they had cared to train for competition.³

Listed below are the IIAC records through 1924:

| | | |
|-----------------------|---|--------------|
| 120 yard high hurdles | - | :15 3/5 sec. |
| 220 yard low hurdles | - | :24 4/5 sec. |
| Two mile run | - | 9:56 |
| One mile run | - | 4:34 3/5 |
| 880 yard run | - | 1:57 4/5 |

¹Ibid. p.4.

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 26, 1924, p.1.

³News item in the Teachers College News, June 2, 1924, p.1.

| | | |
|----------------|---|-----------------------|
| 440 yard dash | - | :50 4/5 sec. |
| 220 yard dash | - | :22 2/5 sec. |
| 100 yard dash | - | :09 4/5 sec. |
| Javelin | - | 186 ft. |
| Shot put | - | 43 ft. 1 in. |
| Discus | - | 128 ft. 3 1/2 in. |
| Pole vault | - | 12 ft. |
| High jump | - | 5 ft. 10 in. |
| Broad jump | - | 22 ft. 11 in. |
| One mile relay | - | 3:30 3/5 ¹ |

1925

The outlook for Coach Moore's 1925 squad again looked bright. The team included Harold Newlin of Robinson who had placed third in the 880 in the Illinois State High School Meet; Joe Pifer of Paris who had taken a third in the Chicago Stagg meet two years previously; Vernon Replogle, a 220 man from Eastern's Teachers College High; Lindley Roughton, a quarter-miler; Dean Smith and Rex Benoit, middle-distance men; and Eddy Sims, a sprinter.

Other men on the squad were Andrew Taylor, low hurdles; Francis Turner, Vance Hubbert, Carroll Dunn, Teddy Sims, and Ralph Edwards, distances; Bill Phipps, high jump; and Eldred Walton, shot and discus.

Working with the field men was Mr. H. Harry Giles, an English teacher from Ohio State University. Tops in this department were George Kirchner of Kansas in the pole vault;

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Mar. 30, 1925, p.1.

Ralph Casey in the shot put; and Montelle Hunter, conference record holder in the discus.¹

On tap were three dual meets:

April 24, Rose Poly, here

April 30, Millikin, here

May 13, Indiana Normal, here²

On April 24, Rose Poly edged Eastern 66 1/2 to 64 1/2.

Vernon Replogle with 17 points was the star of the meet. Replogle won the 440 in :54 2/5 sec., the low hurdles in :27 3/5, placed third in the javelin, and anchored the winning 880 relay team which ran 1:41 2/5.

Other place finishers for E.I. were: Harold Newlin, first in the 880 in 2:16; Ruel Hall, first in the broad jump at 21 ft. 2 1/2 in., and pole vault at 10 ft. 3 in.; Montelle Hunter, first in the discus at 108 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Rex Benoit, third in the mile, second in the low hurdles, and tied for first in the highs; Ralph Casey, second in the shot put; Andy Meurlot, third in the high jump; and Vernon Barnes, tied for third in the pole vault. Other members of the 880

¹Ibid.

²Ibid.

relay team were Ruel Hall, Rex Benoit, and Andy Taylor.¹

The Millikin meet was scheduled for Apr. 30 was postponed because of inclement weather, and finally canceled.²

On May 13, Indiana Normal once again soundly defeated the Mooremen. Although the meet was a good one, the final score was 82 to 44. This time Ruel Hall proved to be Eastern's star. Hall won the broad jump at 21 ft. 3 in., and tied for first in the pole vault at 11 ft., his best vault ever. Also winning first were: Andy Taylor in the javelin at 137 ft. 4 in.; and Vernon Replogle in the low hurdles in :26 4/5.

Place winners for E.I. were: Replogle, third in the 100 and broad jump; Francis Turner, third in the mile; Ed Sime, third in the 220; Taylor, second in the high hurdles; Replogle, second in the 440; Carroll Dunn, second in the two mile; Taylor, second in the 880; Vernon Barnes, third in the pole vault; Eldred Walton third in the shot put; Bill Phipps, tied for third in the high jump; Montelle Hunter, second, and Walton, third in the discus; and Rex Benoit, third in the

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Apr. 27, 1925, p.1.

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 4, 1925, p. 4, and May 11, 1925, p.2.

javelin.¹

Little information was available on the Little Nineteen track meet held at Galesburg on May 23. Montelle Hunter placed in the discus with a throw of 122 ft. He also had his record of 128 ft. 3 in. broken by Carter of Bradley, who threw the discus 130 ft. 4 in. Reportedly, Mr. Moore took five or six men to the meet.²

1926

In March of 1926 track prospects once again began working out under the direction of Coah Moore. Back from the previous year were Joe Pifer, Vernon Replogle, Harold Newlin, and Bill Phipps.³

The schedule for that year was as follows:

Apr. 17, Rose Poly, here

Apr. 24, Indiana Normal, at Terre Haute

May 7, Shurtleff,

May 14, Millikin, at Decatur

May 21-22, IIAC, at Jacksonville⁴

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 18, 1925, p.1.

²Ibid., p. 2, and May 25, 1925, p. 3.

³News item in the Teachers College News, Mar.22, 1926, p.1.

⁴News item in the Teachers College News, Apr. 12, 1926, p.1.

On Apr. 17, in rather poor weather, Rose Poly pulled down the Blue and Gray on Schabrer Field, 87 to 44. Vernon Replogle and Harold Newlin accounted for four of Eastern's six firsts. Dunning of Rose stepped off the 100 in the excellent time of :10.1.

The summary of the scoring for Eastern is as follows: Replogle, first in the low hurdles in :27.0, and broad jump at 20 ft. 8 in., second in the 440, and third in the 100 and javelin; Newlin, first in the 880 in 2:16.3, and the two mile in 11:50 1/5; Leo Baker, first in the javelin at 151 ft. 1 in.; and Paul Wilson, first in the pole vault at 10 ft. 9 in. Other placers were: Thomas Routledge, third in the 220; Joe Pifer, second in the mile; Don Pence, third in the two mile; Lowell Krutsinger, third in the high hurdles; Joe Strader, third in the discus and shot put; Andy Meurlot, third in the high jump; and Bob Worsham, third in the pole vault.¹

On the following Saturday, the squad traveled to Terre Haute to lose to Indiana Normal 79 to 47. Vernon Replogle was not there and undoubtedly would have made the score much closer.

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Apr. 19, 1926, p. 1.

Securing firsts were: Thomas Routledge in the 220 in :25.8; Harold Newlin in the two mile in 11:23.5; Joe Strader in the discus at 110 ft. 9 in.; Leo Baker in the javelin at 132 ft. 3 1/2 in.; and Omar Wilson in the pole vault at 10 ft. 9 in.

Also scoring were: Newlin, second in the 100 and 880; Norman Goldsmith, third in the 440; Joe Pifer and John Kite, second and third in the mile; Don Pence, second in the two mile; Lowell Krutsinger, third in the low hurdles; Bill Phipps, third in the high hurdles, and second in the high jump; Fresco Shipman, second in the shot put; and Paul Wilson, third in the pole vault.¹

On Friday May 8, the thinclads faced the Shurtleff Pioneers of Alton. Shurtleff took ten firsts and ran off with the meet 72 1/2 to 57 1/2.

Scoring firsts for Eastern were: Thomas Routledge in the 100 in :10 3/5; Vernon Replogle in the low hurdles in :28.5; Leo Baker in the javelin at 159 ft. 10 in.; Kastning, Harold Newlin, Replogle, and Routledge in the 880 relay in 1:41.

Also placing were: Kastning, third in the 100 and 200;

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Apr. 19, 1926, p. 1.

Routledge, second in the 220, and third in the broad jump; Replogle and Norman Goldsmith, second and third in the 440; Replogle and Newlin, second and third in the 880; Don Pence, second in the two mile; Lowell Krutsinger, second in the high hurdles, and third in the lows; Carroll Dunn and Joe Strader, second and third in the shot put; Bill Phipps and Paul Wilson, second and third in the high jump; and Omar Wilson, second, and Bob Worsham, third in the pole vault.¹

On a rather wet and cold Friday afternoon, Millikin trounced Eastern 72 to 54, and ended any hopes for a track win that year. The only strength that E.I. showed was in the middle distance runs. Millikin had several excellent dash men including Harris who ran the 100 in :10.2, and Barnes winner of the 440, and 220 in :23.1.

Winning events for the Blue and Gray were: Fresco Shipman in the shot put at 34 ft.; Omar Wilson in the pole vault at 10 ft.; Vernon Replogle in the 880 in 2:15 1/5; Harold Newlin in the mile in 5:02.5; and Don Pence in the two mile in 11:27.

Replogle also took seconds in the low hurdles, 220 and

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 10, 1926, p. 1.

440, scoring 14 points and reigning as the star of the meet.

Also scoring were: Bill Phipps and Lowell Krutsinger, second and third in the high hurdles; Krutsinger, third in the lows; Paul Wilson, second in the pole vault; Phipps, third in the high jump; Thomas Routledge, third in the 100 and broad jump; Norman Goldsmith, third in the 220, 440, and 880; Newlin, second in the two mile; Leo Baker, third in the javelin; and Kastning, second in the discus.¹

No results could be found of the conference meet held at Jacksonville.

1927

In the Spring of 1927 prospects for track for Coach Moore appeared only fair, mainly because of a lack of depth. Back from the previous year's squad were Tom Routledge in the dashes and broad jump, Norman Goldsmith in the middle distances, Leo Baker and Paul Wilson in the javelin, and Wilson and Robert Worsham in the pole vault. The other events were expected to be filled by new men, including Nolan Sims, a hurdler from Teachers College High School, and Donald Voris in the shot put. Baker and Routledge were the only returning

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 17, 1926, p. 1.

lettermen.¹

The schedule for the season was as follows:

Apr. 19, Rose Poly, at Terre Haute

Apr. 26, Shurtleff, here

May 6, Indiana Normal, here

May 14, Millikin and McKendree, at Decatur

May 20-21, IIAC, at Peoria

In the first meet of the year Eastern lost to Rose Poly by a score of 106 to 24. Rose won every event except the discus in attaining the highest score ever for a Rose team, and the worst defeat for an E.I. track squad. One possible excuse for the thinclads may have been that they were unable to practice the week previous to the meet because of Easter vacation.

Fred Creamer took Eastern's only first place by throwing the discus 104 ft. 7 1/2 in. Don Voris was high point man for the losers with six points, picking up seconds in the discus and shot put.

Other placers for the team were: Tom Routledge, second in the 220, and third in the 100, George Haddock, third in the

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Mar. 28, 1927, p. 4, and Warbler (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, 1928), p. 72.

440; Carl Lycan, third in the two mile; Nolan Sims, second in the low hurdles, and third in the highs; Paul Wilson, third in the pole vault, high jump, and javelin; Hunt, third in the shot put; and Cedric Henley, third in the mile run.¹

On Apr. 26, the track team lost to Shurtleff College by a score of 82 to 49. Outstanding feats in the meet were accomplished by F. White of Shurtleff, who came within a few yards of lapping his nearest opponent in the two mile, winning in 10:55.8; and by Don Voris of E.I. who put the shot 43 ft. 11 in. Although there are no records to prove it, this is most likely a school record to that time.

Eastern only took three other firsts: Tom Routledge in the 220 in :24.4; Leo Baker in the javelin at 145 ft. 7 in.; and the 880 relay team of Nolan Sims, Irwin Hill, George Haddock, and Tom Routledge in 1:40.5.

Also gathering points were: Routledge, third in the 100 and broad jump; Hill, third in the 220; K. A. Harrison, second, and Haddock, third in the 440; Norman Goldsmith, third in the 880; Cedric Henley, third in the mile; Ken Sims, third in the two mile; Nolan Sims, second in the high and low hurdles; Bob

¹News item in the Teachers College News, Apr. 25, 1927, p. 1 and 4.

Worsham, third in the low hurdles, and tied for second in the pole vault with Paul Wilson; Wilson, second in the high jump; Fred Creamer, third in the javelin and discus; and Jim Shoemaker, second in the discus.¹

Eastern kept its record clean that season by losing the last dual of the year to Indiana Normal, 79 to 51.

Indiana Normal's Connelly proved the most popular athlete of the day when he stopped ten yards short of the finish in the two mile run, with his time at 10:06, to allow his teammate to win and make his letter.

Nolan Sims was high point man for Eastern, winning the high hurdles in :17.0, and the lows in :29.0 for a total of ten points. Bob Worsham tied for first in the pole vault at 11 ft. 2 ins.; Don Voris won the shot put at 35 ft. 3 1/2 ins.; Fred Creamer the discus at 109 ft. 10 in.; and Paul Wilson tied in the high jump at 5 ft. 4 in. to account for the rest of Eastern's firsts.

Also scoring for E.I. were; Tom Routledge, second in the 100, 220, and broad jump; Norman Goldsmith and K.A. Harrison, second and third in the 440; Everette Womac, third in

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 2, 1927, P. 4 and 6.

the mile; Bob Worsham, second in the low hurdles; White, third in the broad jump; Leo Baker, third in the javelin; and Jim Shoemaker, third in the discus.¹

In the triangular meet at Decatur, Eastern scored only 16 points to 47 for McKendree, and 72 for Millikin.

Only five men figured in the scoring for Eastern, Don Voris won the shot put; Bob Worsham, tied for first in the pole vault; Tom Routledge, took third in the 100 and 220; Nolan Sims, took third in the low hurdles; and Ken Sims, took third in the two mile.

The best marks of the day were by Malosh of Millikin who high jumped 5 ft. 11 in.; and by Kincaid of Millikin who threw the discus 123 ft.

Speculation had it that point winners in the triangular would go to Peoria for the conference meet. However, no records are available of E.I. in the meet.²

Letter winners that year were Tom Routledge, Fred Creamer, Nolan Sims, Robert Worsham, David Voris, Paul Wilson, and Leo Baker.³

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 9, 1927, p. 1, and varsity records.

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 16, 1927, p.1.

³Warbler (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, 1927), p. 72.

Summary

From 1912 to 1927 much was accomplished in track at Eastern. Although Eastern won only two dual meets against ten losses, it had made several respectable showings in the conference meets. Also several excellent track and field men came out of the school. Among these were Ray Duncan, Montelle Hunter, Vernon Replogle, Harold Newlin, and Forrest Greathouse, all of whom made many fine records.

Coach Moore closed out his tenure as head coach with no wins and ten losses in dual meet competition. But much credit is his in that his teams always made proud showings. He was instrumental in advancing Eastern's track team to the status of a major sport, his record can in no way speak for his accomplishments.

CHAPTER III

THE ERA OF FRANK BEU

This chapter concerns itself with the years in which the track team was coached by Frank Beu. The era begins with the year 1928, and continues through the year 1932.

1928

The year 1928 saw Frank Andrew Beu take over the reins of the track squad. Mr. Beu was a teacher in the education department at the time he coached track. He later became Dean of the College and remained in that position til 1942, when he left for a position as Dean of Men and later President at Western Illinois State College, at Macomb.¹

Coach Beu is remembered by one of his track men, Teddy Sims, as a kindly, jovial, man who had a sly way of telling an athlete to work harder when he was not putting out enough in practice.²

Among those back from the 1927 team were Everett Womack, Jim Shoemaker, George Haddock and all of the Sims brothers; Nolan, Teddy, Kenneth and Robert.

¹Charles Coleman, Fifty Years of Public Service. (Eastern Illinois State College Bulletin No. 189, 1950) p. 230 & 356.

²Interview with Teddy Sims, in Charleston Ill., April 11, 1967.

Lost through academic difficulties were two stars of the '27 team, Fred Creamer and Tom Routledge. Also lost for the same reason was Robert Mattix, a good middle distance man.¹

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 12, Indiana Normal, at Terre Haute

April 23, Rose Poly, here

April 26, Shurtleff, here

May 4, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

May 12, Teachers College Meet, here

May 26, 27, State Meet, Macomb

The E.I. track team lost their first meet of the year to Indiana Normal on April 12, scoring 52 points to the Hoosiers 79.

Eastern managed to win or tie for first in seven of the fifteen events, but a lack of depth proved their shortcoming. Eastern's firsts came in the 880 relay race ran by Ernest Ballard, Nolan Sims, Teddy Sims, and Russel Tripp in a time of 1:41; N. Sims in the high hurdles, at :16.8; Jim Shoemaker in the discus, at 108 ft. 9 in.; Robert Warren in the shot put, at 35 ft. 6 in.; Lowell Story in the javelin, at 150 ft.; Ballard tied for first in the 220, at 23.9; Harry Phipps and William Whitacre tied for first in the high jump, at 5 ft. 4 in.

¹ News item in the Teachers College News, March 26, 1928, p. 4.

Eastern's other points were made by Tripp, who took second in the 440; Paul Wilson, tied for second in the pole vault; and third in the javelin and shot put; Phipps, third in the broad jump; N. Sims, second in the low hurdles; Kenneth Sims, third in the two mile; Jim Hughes, third in the mile; Otho Green third in the 880; and Ballard third in the 100.

Nolan Sims was Eastern's high point man amassing a total of eight points.¹

The second loss of the season came on April 23, against Rose Poly by a score of 92 to 37.

Only three first were made by the Eastern Teachers, two by Nolan Sims in the hurdles, and the other by Ruel Hall in the broad jump.²

Little else is available on the meet.

On April 26, E.I. scored eight firsts but still lost to Shurtleff College 74 to 56. N. Sims again won both hurdle races, 16.5 in the highs and 27.0 in the lows. The 880 relay team of N. Sims, T. Sims, Russel Tripp, and Ernest Ballard won in an outstanding time of 1:38.7. Also winning firsts for Eastern were Ballard in the 100, at :10.7; Otho Green in the 880; Jim Hughes in the mile, 5:10.9; Lowell Story in the

¹ News item in the *...*, April 23, 1928, p. 1 & 4
² News item in the *...*, April 30, 1928, p.4.

javelin, with 151 ft. 7 in. Tying for firsts were Harry Phipps and William Whitacre and a Shurtleff man in the high jump, at 5 ft. 7 in.; and Ruel Hall in the pole vault, at 11 ft.

Also placing for Eastern were John Miller, third in the 100; Ballard, second in the 220; Tripp, third in the 440; Green third in the mile; Irvin Lanman, third in the two mile; Paul Wilson, Lloyd Sipes, and Charles Elliot, tied for third in the pole vault; Ruel Hall, second in the broad jump; and Robert Warren, second in the shot put.

Green of Shurtleff was high point man in the meet scoring 17 points in the field events. N. Sims, with 10 points, was high point man for Eastern.

Former track coach, Lewis Moore, acted as referee and starter for the meet.¹

On May 4, Eastern lost their last dual meet of the year to Southern Illinois Normal School by a score of 84 to 47.

Ray Duncan, appearing in his first and only meet of the season was the high point man of the meet. He won the hundred in :10.3, the 220 in :23.3, and took seconds in the broad jump and high jump for Eastern. Nolan Sims won the hurdles again

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 30, 1928, p. 4.

with times of :17.0 in the highs, and :27.3 in the lows. Ruel Hall tied for first in the pole vault with a good vault of 11 ft. 3 in.

Picking up the few other pieces that Eastern secured, were Ernest Ballard, second in the 100; Russel Tripp, third in the 440, Jim Hughes, third in the 880 and mile; Irvin Lanman, third in the two mile; Harry Phipps, third in the high hurdles; Robert Warren, second in the shot put; Jim Shoemaker, third in the discus; Paul Wilson, third in the javelin; and Ruel Hall, third in the broad jump.

"A noticeable flaw in the good sportsmanship of the Southerners was made more outstanding when they, after having the meet won, refused to run the half mile relay because they had no chance of taking it."¹

Scheduled for Saturday, May 12, on Schahrer Field, was the first Teachers College Meet, involving the five state normal schools. Southern was rated as the pre-meet favorite, with State Normal also looking strong. Ray Duncan of E.I., after his spectacular appearance in the Southern dual meet withdrew

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 7, 1928, p. 1 and 6.

from school and lessened Eastern's chances. Northern Illinois of DeKalb also entered with their first track team in their school's history. Western Illinois of Macomb was not rated as being very strong.¹

The meet came off as scheduled with State Normal proving the surprise victors; they scored $64 \frac{2}{3}$ points to Southern's $49 \frac{7}{12}$, E.I.'s $33 \frac{1}{6}$, Western's $13 \frac{7}{2}$, and Northern's $9 \frac{1}{2}$ points.

McCreight of Normal ran the 220 low hurdles in an outstanding :25.5; Croach of Normal won the mile in 4:38; Snider of Normal won the 100 in :10.1; and MacMahon of Normal took the 440 in :52.8.

Eastern took three firsts: Ruel Hall in the broad jump at 21 ft. 8 in., and pole vault at 11 ft.; and William Whitacre in the high jump at 5 ft. 9 in.

E.I.'s other points were secured by Lowell Story, fourth in the javelin; Robert Warren, third in the shot put; Nolan Sims, second in the high hurdles and third in the lows; John Miller, second in the 200 and fourth in the 100; Ernest Ballard, third in the 220; Harry Phipps, fourth in the high hurdles; Charles Elliot, and Paul Wilson, tied for fifth in the

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 7, 1928, p.1.

pole vault; and Wilson, Phipps, and three others tied for fifth in the high jump. Eastern's mile relay team managed a second place.¹

On May 26 and 27, Eastern sent one of its largest contingents ever to the conference meet at Monmouth. Attending were Ernest Ballard, John Miller, Nolan Sims, Lowell Story, Russel Tripp, Robert Warren, and William Whitacre.

Knox College won the meet with 48 points. Next in order were: Bradley, 39; Monmouth, 37; Illinois College, 13 1/2; Illinois Normal, 12; Carthage, 12; North Central, 9; McKendree, 9; Millikin, 7 1/2; Eureka, 6; Illinois College, 6; Shurtleff, 5; Western Illinois, 4; Wesleyan, 1; and Wheaton, 1. Eastern failed to place a single man in any event.

New records were set in the high jump, 6 ft. 2 3/4 in.; the broad jump, 23 ft. 5 1/2 in.; the 440, :50 5/10; the javelin, 197 ft. 8 in.; and the high hurdles, :15.5.

McIntosh of Knox was the high point man with a total of 10 points.²

During this period track and field at Eastern still had to contend with many problems. This was evidenced by the fact

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 14, 1928, p. 1 and 4.

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 28, 1928, p. 4.

that although, football and basketball players received their letter sweaters free, track men had to buy their's for twelve dollars. The money for the football and basketball sweaters was raised by the student council. A man lettering in football and basketball for four years won a total of eight sweaters, but a track man had to buy his own.¹

1929

Prospects appeared a little better this year than they had in the past for Coach Beu's thinclads. Several men were back from the 1928 team including Nolan Sims, star of the hurdles, Ruel Hall, pole vaulter and broad jumper, and Tom Routledge, sprinter.

Promising looking new men were Harold Newlin and Robert Mattis in the distances, and Bernal Connett in the shot put.

The schedule for the year 1929 was as follows:

April 11, Southern Illinois, here

April 20, Rose Poly, at Terre Haute

April 27, Shurtleff, here

May 11, Teachers College Meet, Normal

May 4, Indiana Normal, here

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 30, 1928, p. 2.

May 24, 25, State Meet, Galesburg

The first meet of the year was against Southern Illinois on Schahrer Field, April 11. The field was sloppy and wet and the track was a sea of mud, but this didn't prevent Southern from winning 70 1/2 to 56 1/2.

Ruel Hall was Eastern's star, winning the pole vault at 10 ft. 3 in. and the broad jump at 20 ft. 8 1/2 in. Other firsts by Eastern were by Robert Mattix in the 880, 2:23.7; by Bernal Connett in the shot put, 38 ft.; and by Harlan Baird and William Whitacre tying in the high jump at 5 ft. 4 in.

Depth was an obvious weakness as E.I. was only able to pick up seven second places and eight thirds. Winning E.I.'s places were: Tom Routledge, second, and Nolan Sims, third in the 100; Routledge, second and Stanley Wassen, third in the 220; Mattix, third in the 440; N. Sims, second in the high hurdles; Linden Porter, second in the mile; Virgil King, third in the two mile; Connett second in the discus; Ralph Cutill, third in the shot put; Harry Phipps tied for third in the high jump; and Leo Ray, third in the javelin.

Lewis Moore acted as starter and judge of the meet, with

Coach Lantz and Mr. Spooner as timers.¹

On April 20, Eastern traveled to Terre Haute for a dual meet against Rose Poly and returned to Charleston as losers by a score of 79 to 50. Unfortunately no other results of the meet are available.

Shurtleff came to Charleston on April 27 to narrowly defeat the thinkclads by a score of 65 $\frac{3}{5}$ to 60 $\frac{2}{5}$.

Bernal Connett of Eastern scored 15 points in the meet by winning the javelin with a great toss of 175 ft. 7 in., the shot put with a put of 39 ft. 3 in., and also the discus (no distance given). Never before had Eastern had such a star in the weights.

Other winning firsts for E.I. were N. Sims in the high hurdles, :16.9, and low hurdles, :27.5; Virgil King in the two mile, 11:21.3; Robert Mattix in the 880, with a good time of 2:07.3; and Ruel Hall and Charles Elliot tying in the pole vault at 10 ft. 6 in.

Other locals securing places were: Ruel Hall, second in the 100; Harry Phipps, third in the high hurdles; Linden Porter, second and Francis Ingram, third in the mile; Mattix third in the 440; Harlan Baird third in the low hurdles;

¹New item in the Teachers College News, April 22, 1929, p. 1.

Ingram, third in the two mile; Tom Routledge, third in the 220; Stanley Wassem, third in the 880; Ralph Cutill, third in the shot put; and Baird, Phipps, William Whitacre, and a Shurtleff man tying for second in the high jump.¹

On May 4, after several years of waiting, Eastern track fans, all ten of them that day, finally witnessed a victory by the thinclads. E.I. smashed the visiting Indiana Normal team by a score of 74 to 49.

Bernal Connett again starred for the team, but due to rather poor weather conditions, was unable to get near his previous best efforts. Nevertheless, he won the shot put at 39 ft. 8 in., the javelin at 146 ft. 7 in., and the discus at 99 ft. 6 in.

Stanley Wassem also helped greatly by winning the 880 with a time of 2:12, placed second in the broad jump, and third in the 220.

Tom Routledge won both dashes, the 100 in :10.6, and the 220 in :24.0. Robert Mattix won the 440 in :56.2, and took second place in the half. Nolan Sims won the low hurdles with :28.8, and placed third in the highs. Ruel Hall won the pole vault at 10 ft. 6 in., and Harlan Baird tied for

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 29, 1929, p. 4.

first in the high jump at 5 ft. 2 in. Eastern swept the javelin with Leo Ray and John Powers taking second and third behind Connett.

Other events that E.I. scored in were: the 100, Baird third; the 880, Mattix second; the mile, Linden Porter third; the shot put, Ray third; the two mile, Virgil King, third; the high hurdles, Harry Phipps second; the low hurdles, Baird third; the discus, Ray second; the high jump, Charles Elliot and Phipps tied for third; and the pole vault, Elliot third.

Eastern managed a total of ten firsts, 5 seconds, and nine thirds to win the meet, a noticeable improvement over previous meets.¹

On May 11, Eastern participated in the second annual Teachers College Meet at Normal. Bernal Connett proved once again to be Eastern's beat man, setting a new record of 42 ft. 6 in. in winning the shot put.

Placing in the meet for Eastern were Nolan Sims, second in both hurdle races; Robert Mattix, second in the 440 and fifth in the 880; Tom Routledge second, in the 100 and third in the 220; Stanley Wasseem, fourth in the 880; Linden Porter, fourth in the mile; Virgil King, fifth in the two mile; Harlan

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 6, 1929, p. 1 and 4.

Baird, fourth in the low hurdles; and Ruel Hall and Charles Elliot tied for fifth in the pole vault.

In all, Eastern scored 33 1/2 points in the meet. Southern won the meet with 64 points to Normal's second place total of 43 1/2.

Several other records besides Connett's were set in the meet, there were: Hill of Normal in the 880, 2:04; Garrison of Western, in the mile, 4:34.2; Liftencutt of Normal in the two mile, 10:44.5; Bricker of Southern in the discus, 124 ft. 1 in.; Luce of Western in the javelin, 175 ft. 5 in.; Grigsby of Western in the pole vault, 11 ft. 6 in.; Ray of Southern in the broad jump, 22 ft. 9 1/2 in.; and Southern's mile relay team in 3:37.¹

Eastern traveled to Galesburg to compete in the Little Nineteen meet on May 24 and 25. Although Bernal Connett, Nolan Sims, and Robert Mattix all attended, only Connett was able to place. His heave of 42 ft. 2 in. was good for second place in the shot put.²

Beginning to make news at this time, was talk of splitting the Little Nineteen Conference into two smaller conferences. With twenty-two schools in the conference, it was

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 13, 1929, p. 4, and varsity records

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 27, 1929, p. 4

becoming rather unwieldy. No true championships were ever achieved by any team in such sports as football or basketball so titles were awarded by achieving the best record of the league. By splitting into two conferences this problem could be eliminated.¹

1930

A balanced veteran team reported to Coach Beu in the March of 1930. Some of the men back were Ernest Ballard in the sprints, Nolan Sims and Harlan Baird in the hurdles, Robert Mattix in the middle distances, and the star of last years team, Bernal Connett in the weights.

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 11, Rose Poly, here

April 25, Millikin, at Decatur

April 30, Southern Illinois, here

May 3, Shurtleff, here

May 10, Teachers College Meet, here

May 16, Indiana Normal, Terre Haute

May 23, State Meet, at Bradley

Eastern started the season off right by defeating Rose Poly for the first time in many years on April 11. The final

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 13, 1929, p. 2.

score of the meet was E.I. 78, Rose Poly 49.¹

Eastern, unable to repeat their initial victory, lost to Millikin on April 25, 81 to 50. Bernal Consett was the only bright spot for Eastern as he won the shot put with a toss of 39 ft. 6 1/2 in., and the discus with a 116 ft. 10 in. effort. Ernest Ballard won the 100 at:10.8, and Nolan Sims won the high hurdles with :17.4 for E.I.'s only other firsts.

Other point getters for Eastern were: Robert Scott, third in the 100; Milton Baker, second in the mile; Alvin Van Bergan, third in the mile; Fred Creamer, third in the shot put; Neal Adkins, third in the 220; Harlan Baird, third in the high jump; Omer Elliot, second in the pole vault and third in the broad jump; Stanley Wassen, second in the 880; Robert Mattix, third in the 880; Carl Hance, third in the low hurdles and pole vault; Baker, second in the two mile; Creamer, second in the discus. Sims also took a second in the low hurdles as did Ballard in the 220.

Harpstreet of Millikin produced the best mark of the day by throwing the javelin 198 ft. 4 in.²

¹Warbler (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, 1931), p. 72.

²News item in the Teachers College News, April 29, 1930, p. 1 and 6.

Southern Illinois invaded Charleston on April 30, and stomped off with a 99 to 27 victory. Eastern only won two events, the shot put by Connett, at 39 ft. 11 in., and the high hurdles by Nolan Sims, in :17.5. E.I. could only manage three seconds and eight third place finishes. High point man for Eastern was Sims with eight.

Seconds were taken for E.I. by: Milton Baker in the two mile; Sims in the low hurdles; and Omer Elliot in the pole vault. Thirds were by: Ernest Ballard in the 100 and 220; Harlan Baird in the high hurdles; John Pennington in the 440; Carl Hance in the low hurdles; Stanley Wassem in the 880; Connett in the javelin; and Elliot in the broad jump.¹

Other dual meet results not reported by the Teachers College News were Eastern's May 3, loss to Shurtleff, 63 to 58; and their May 16 loss to Indiana Normal, 67 to 62. The Shurtleff meet was lost in the last event, the relay.²

The third annual Teachers College Meet was held May 10 on Schahrer Field. All the state normal schools entered except Western Illinois. Southern scored 85 1/2 points to win.

¹New item in the Teachers College News, May 6, 1930, p. 1

²Warbler, loc. cit.

Normal despite only eight points in the field events finished second with 64 points. E.I. made a creditable showing with 45 points, and Northern was last with 24 1/2 points.

Bernal Connett's outstanding performance won him the honor of high point man of the meet. He won the shot put at 42 ft. 1/2 in., the javelin at 171 ft. 5 in., and also placed second in the discus for a total of 14 points.

Nolan Sims won the high hurdles with :17.0, and finished second in the lows. Stanley Wassem took third in the high hurdles for Eastern's other top placers.

Northern was the only school team that failed to win a first place; both Southern and Normal had six apiece.¹

Eastern traveled to Bradley to participate in the twelfth annual Liecele Nineteen Meet on May 23 and 24. Bernal Connett and Milton Baker were the only men to place for Eastern, scoring a total of three points on a fourth place finish by Baker in the two mile and Connett's fifth place in the discus.

Bradley's powerful team won with 38 points. Next in line were Lombard, 32; Knox, 23; Wheaton, Normal, and Illinois College, tied for fourth with 17 points.²

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 13, 1930 p. 1 and 6.

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 27, 1930, p. 1.

At this time, in order to win a letter in track, a man had to score a total of eleven points in competition. Men eligible for the award in 1930 were: Ernest Ballard, Milton Baker, Nolan Sims, Stanley Wasse, Bernal Connett, Fred Creamer, Frederik Foreman, Omer Elliot, Robert Mattix, and Charles Elliot.¹

1931

In 1931 several of Eastern's traditional opponents dropped track as a varsity sport. Among these were Millikin and Rose Poly. Both Rose and Millikin had to drop scheduled meets with E.I. The reason behind these astounding events were reports made to the schools by the North Central Association, a college accrediting association. The association recommended that the schools develop more extensive intramural programs and realign the control of athletics. Obviously the report carried much weight because Millikin appeared likely to abandon baseball and football as well.²

Coach Beu expected several returnees from last year's

¹Ibid.

²News Item in the Teachers College News, April 14, 1931, p. 6.

track team and many new prospects as well. Returning lettermen were: Charles Elliot, Fred Foreman, Robert Mattix, and Stanley Wassen. Top newcomers were: Lloyd Sparks, Dale McNutt, William Dugas, and Glen Titus.

The reduced schedule for the year was:

April 18, State Normal, at Normal

April 30, Indiana Normal, here

May 2, Teachers College Meet, at Normal

May 5, DePauw, Greencastle, Ind.

May 15, Southern Illinois, Shurtleff, McKendree, here

May 22, 23, State Meet, at Monmouth

On April 23, the once postponed Normal meet was held. Normal showed great strength and won 85 to 46. Competing for Normal was Jimmy Johnson, a sensational Negro speedster, who in his high school days had defeated Ralph Metcalf, a future Olympic medal winner.

Despite Johnson's presence, Scotty Funkhouser of E.I. was the high point man of the meet with 10. He upset Johnson in the 220 with a time of :23.3, and also won the low hurdles in :27.0. Johnson won the 100 in :10.1.

Other firsts for Eastern were scored by Omer Thomas in

the shot put with 37 ft. 5 3/4 in.; William Dugas in the javelin with 175 ft. 2 in.; and Leo Shoot and Omer Elliot tied in the pole vault at 10 ft. 10 in.

Lloyd Sparks happened to be behind two outstanding performances in taking two second places, the 440 and the 880; the 440 was won in :52.5 and the 880 in 2:05.3.

Other events that E.I. placed in were: the shot put, Dale McNutt, third; the 220, Gene McCoy, third; the high hurdles, Stanley Wassen, second; the discus, Alfred Moore, second, and McNutt, third; the javelin, McNutt, third; the high jump, Harlan Baird, Glen Titus, and Fred Foreman, tied for third.¹

Several members of Eastern's team were shaken up, but none seriously injured, when on the way to the Normal meet the car they were driving in turned over at a stop sign in Champaign. John Pennington was the driver, and Robert Brewer, Leo Shoot, Milton Baker, and Golden Flake were passengers.²

On April 30, the "Panther" track team scored another victory over Indiana Normal by a score of 67 1/3 to 63 2/3

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 28, 1931, p. 3.

²Ibid.

in the teams first home appearance.

Scott Funkhouser again won high point honors by cinching first in the low hurdles, :26.8, tying for first in the 100, :10.2, and taking second in the 220. Dale McNutt was second high point man, scoring a first in the discus, at 108 ft. 2 in., and seconds in the shot put and javelin.

Firsts for Eastern were also registered by Robert Brewer in the mile, at 5:04.1; Stanley Wasseem in the 880, 2:15; Fred Foreman in the high jump, with 5 ft. 7 in.; William Dugas in the javelin, with 174 ft. 10 in.; and Omer Thomas in the shot put, 38 ft. 5 in. Eastern's 880 relay team of Scott Funkhouser, Lloyd Sparks, John Wyeth, and Gene McCoy also took a first.

Other placers for Eastern were McCoy, third in the 100 and 220; Glen Titus, second in the high hurdles and tied for second in the high jump; Carl Hance, third in the high hurdles; Stanley Wasseem, third in the low hurdles and tied for second in the high jump; Robert Wright, second in the two mile; Lloyd Sparks, third in the 440; and Omer Thomas, second in the discus.¹

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 5, 1931, p. 3, and varsity records.

In the Teachers College Meet at Normal on May 2, Eastern scored 25 points to finish third. Scott Funkhouser won the low hurdles in :26.0, and took fifth in the 100. Gene McCoy took thirds in both the 100 and 220. Lloyd Sparks took third in the 880. William Dugas took second in the javelin. Stanley Wassem won third in the high hurdles. Omer Thomas won fourth in the shot put, and Alfred Moore took fifth in the discus.

Southern Illinois won the meet with 81 points, and Normal finished second with 70 points.¹

The Thinclads faced DePauw College for the first time on May 5, and lost 84 to 47. E. I. took five firsts, six seconds and six thirds. William Dugas won the javelin, Omer Thomas won the shot put at over 40 ft., Stanley Wassem won the high hurdles, Lloyd Sparks took the 880, and Alfred Moore took the discus.² Nothing else is available due to incomplete records.

May 15, saw the holding of a quadrangular meet on Schahrer between Eastern, Southern, Shurtleff, and McKendree.

¹Varsity records.

²Warbler (Published by students of Eastern Illinois State Teachers College, 1932), p. 104, and varsity records.

Southern's teachers proved superior with 84 1/2 points to Eastern's 29, Shurtleff's 24 1/2, and McKendree's 24.

The fastest time of the meet was by Wright of Southern in the century with a clocking of :09.9 seconds.

E. I. won only one first place, Scott Funkhouser's in the low hurdles, 27.0. Funkhouser also took a third in the 100. E.I.'s other placers: G. McCoy took a third in the 220 and fourth in the 100; Lloyd Sparks won second in the 880; William Dugas won a second in the javelin; Stanley Wasseem picked up a second in the high hurdles; Carl Hance won a third in the high hurdles; John Wyeth was third in the low hurdles; John Pennington was fourth in the 220; Omer Elliot was fourth in the pole vault; Wasseem fourth in the low hurdles; and Eastern's mile relay team of McCoy, Wasseem, Sparks, and Funkhouser was second.¹

The "Panthers" made a rather unimpressive showing at the Little Nineteen Meet, held at Monmouth, May 22 and 23. E.I. finished fourteen of eighteen teams with William Dugas throwing the winning javelin a total of 180 ft. 7 1/2 in. to score Eastern's only points.

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 19, 1931, p. 6.

Bradley won the meet by scoring 39 1/2 points, 22 1/2 of which were scored by Lambert Redd. Redd won the high hurdles in :15.7, the low hurdles in :25.6, the 100 in :09.9, the broad jump at 22 ft. 8 1/2 in., and tied for second in the high jump.

Other team places in the meet were: State Normal, 35; Illinois Wesleyan, 22 1/4; Monmouth, 21 3/4; Lake Forest, 20 1/2; Illinois College, 14 1/4; Knox 13 1/2; Augustana, 9; Wheaton, 8; Elmhurst, 7 1/2; Eureka, 7 1/2; Carthage, 6; Western Illinois, 5 1/2; Eastern Illinois, 5; Southern Illinois, 5; McKendree, 2; North Central, 2; Shurtleff, 1.¹

Little Nineteen Conference records at the end of 1931 were as follows:

120 yd. high hurdles, Ward, Knox, :15.5, 1928

100 yd. dash, Swanson, Lombard, :09.8, 1922

Mile run, Hess, Wheaton, 4:24.6, 1929

440 yd. dash, Hensel, Illinois Wesleyan, :50.2, 1931

220 yd. dash, Winget, Bradley, :22.5, 1927

200 yd. low hurdles, Zimmerman, Bradley, :25.5, 1927

880 yd. run, Warner, Bradley, 1:57.8, 1923

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 26, 1931, p. 3.

Two mile run, 9:45, King, Monmouth, 1931

Mile relay, Knox, 3:26.2, 1925

Shot put, 45' 6", Carter, Bradley, 1925

Broad jump, 23' 5 1/2", Chere, Illinois College

Discus, 134' 7", Fiedler, Bradley, 1925

Javelin, 199' 4 3/4", Harpstrite, Millikin, 1929

High jump, 6' 3 1/2", Russell, Bradley, 1930

Pole vault, 12' 9 1/4", Huffaker, Monmouth; Sweeney,
Illinois College; Cash, Elmhurst;
Rice, Bradley, 1931.¹

1932

Coach Beu started the 1932 season, his last year as coach of the track team, with what proved to be the best collection of track men for Eastern up to that time. Lettermen returning were: Glen Titus, Scott Funkhouser, Omer Thomas, Gene McCoy, Ernest Ballard, and Leo Shoot. Excellent new men were: Melvin Alexander, Lloyd Thudium, Thomas Cummings, and Donald Replogle.

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 7, McKendree, here

April 23, State Normal, here

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 5, 1931, p. 8, and May 26, 1931, p.3.

April 29, Shurtleff, here

May 10, Indiana Normal, Terre Haute

May 14, Teachers College Meet, Macomb

May 21, State Meet, at Mornmouth

On April 7, Eastern gathered 68 1/2 points to McKendree College's 62 1/2 and won the initial meet of the season.

The times in many of the events was cut down by poor weather.

Winners for the "Panthers" were: Harrison in the mile, 5:12; Glen Titus in the high hurdles, :17.0; Thomas Cummings in the 880, 2:15; Robert Brewer in the two mile, 11:33; Scott Funkhouser in the low hurdles, :26.5; Melvin Alexander in the high jump, 5 ft. 5 in.; Omer Thomas in the javelin, 167 ft. 3 in.; and Leo Shoot and Hines tied in the pole vault at 9 ft. 6 in.

Additional events that E.I. placed in were: The 100, Gene McCoy, second; the 440, Virgil Thompson, third; the high hurdles, William Poorman, second and Donald Replogle, third; the 880, Lloyd Thudium, second; the 220, McCoy, second, Glenn Walker, third; the two mile, Harrison, second; the low hurdles, Poorman, third; the shot put, Thomas, second; the

broad jump, Walker, second; the high jump, Charles Slaughter, tied for third.¹

Against State Normal on April 23, the Beuman weren't quite able to do as well. Normal won nine firsts, with slams in the mile, two mile, and 220 dash, to defeat the Beuman 80 1/2 to 50 1/2. Normal had a powerful team, possibly the best in the state.

Jimmy Johnson of Normal won the 100 in :10.0, and the 220 in :22.2.

Eastern's firsts were scored by Glen Titus in the high hurdles, ;16.9; Omer Thomas in the shot put, 37 ft. 4 in.; William Poorman in the low hurdles, :31.0; Glen Walker in the broad jump, 20 ft. 5 1/4 in.; and Melvin Alexander in the high jump, 5 ft. 2 in. Eastern scored slams in the low hurdles and high jump.

Securing seconds for Eastern were: Funkhouser in the 220; Leo Shoot in the pole vault; Omer Thomas in the discus; Donald Replogle in low hurdles; and Glenn Walker in the high jump.

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 12, 1932, p. 7.

Scoring thirds for Eastern were: Gene McCoy in the 100; Virgil Thompson in the 440; William Poorman in the high hurdles; Hines tied in the pole vault; Alexander in the javelin; Funkhouser in the low hurdles; Thomas Cummings in the 880; and Glen Titus in the high jump.¹

On April 29, the thinclads won eleven events including the relay to defeat Shurtleff, 82 to 49 in the rain. The only event they failed to score in was the discus.

Gene McCoy won both dashes, the 100 in :10.2, and the 220 in :24.7. Milton Baker the 440 in :58.0; Thomas Cummings the 880 in 2:15; Robert Brewer the two mile in 11:43; Glen Titus the high hurdles in :17.0; Donald Replogle the low hurdles in :29.1; Omer Thomas the javelin with 147 ft.; Leo Shoot the pole vault with 10 ft. 3 in.; Glenn Walker the broad jump with 21 ft. 2 in.; and the relay team of Poorman, Diehl, Thudium, and Baker, accounted for the last of Eastern's wins.

Also placing for Eastern were: Earnest Seaton in the 100, third; Doris in the 220, third; Howard Ballard in the 440,

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 12, 1932
p. 7

third; Thudium in the 880, second; Harrison in the mile, second; and in the two mile, third; Galbreath in the two mile, second; Poorman in the high and low hurdles, second; Kirk in the high jump, third; Titus in the high jump, second; Hines in the pole vault, third; and Alexander in the broad jump, third.¹

Indiana Normal became the third victims of the "Panthers" on May 10, by a score of 75 to 51. This rounded out the best season the track team had since its inception in 1912. The "Panthers" thus finished their dual meet season with a 3-1 record.

Eastern won or tied for nine firsts in the meet, taking the 100 by Scott Funkhouser in :10.3; the 220 by Gene McCoy in :22.6; the 880 by Lloyd Thudium in 2:07; the mile by Robert Brewer in 5:07; the broad jump by Glenn Walker at 21 ft. 9 in.; the two mile by Harrison at 11:09; the discus by Emerson Petty at 113 ft. 2 in.; the 880 relay race by Funkhouser, Baker, McCoy and Seaton; and tying for first in the high jump by Melvin Alexander at 5 ft. 6 in.

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 26, 1932, p. 7.

E.I.'s other scoring in the various events was as follows: the 100, Earnest Seaton, third; the 220, Funkhouser, second; the 440, Baker, third; the 880, Cummings, second; the mile, Thudium, second; the broad jump, Replogle, third; the two mile, Galbreath, second, and Brewer, third; the high hurdles, Poorman, second, and Titus, third; the shot put, Thomas, second; the pole vault, Slaughter, second, and Hines third; the discus, Thomas, second, and William Hardy, third;¹

Little information is available on Eastern's participation in the Teachers College Meet or the Conference Meet. The records do seem to indicate though that E.I. did not participate in the 1932 T.C. Meet.

After leading Eastern through this fine track season, Mr. Bea left for the University of Chicago to continue work on doctorate in education. He returned to Eastern for the 1933-34 school year.²

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 17, 1932, p. 7.

²News item in the Teachers College News, Sept. 13, 1932, p. 1.

Summary

Coach Frank Beu ended his tenure as track coach with a six wins, fifteen losses, dual meet record. While Beu was able to develop individual stars, men like Bernal Connett, Nolan Sims, William Dugas, and Scott Funkhouser, he was continually plagued by a lack of depth. Beu's most successful year was his last, 1932, when the squad posted a 3-1 dual meet record. His worst were in 1928 and 1930, when the team had records of 0-4.

Upon Mr. Beu's return to Eastern He became coach of the golf team, a post he retained for several years.

CHAPTER IV

THE ERA OF WINFIELD SCOTT ANGUS

This chapter concerns itself with the coaching era of Winfield Scott Angus. Angus was head track and field coach at Eastern from 1933 through 1942, the year 1942, however will be covered in the next chapter dealing with the war years.

1933

In 1933 Winfield Scott Angus became coach of the track and field squad. Coach Angus was known as quite an outstanding track man in his own day. In 1916, while a high school student in Newark, New Jersey, he won the National Interscholastic 440 yard dash title. In 1919, just after the war, he participated on the U.S. Army relay team which won the Chateau-Thierry to Paris cross-country race in the Inter-Allied Games. He also participated in football and basketball while in the army.

Angus's professional background included bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Illinois, playground director at Rockford, Illinois, and director of physical education and coach at University High School, in

Urbana, Illinois. He came to Eastern in 1932 as director of physical education and coach.¹

Angus was known as a fiery leader, who loved to win, disliked the idler, was impatient and highstrung, and talked the clipped language of an army officer.²

Coach Angus greeted ten returning letterman that Spring, including Scott Funkhouser, who became President of his Class and of the Varsity Club in 1934, Milton Baker, Melvin Alexander, Gene McCoy, William Poorman, Thomas Cummins,, James Harrison, Donald Replogle, Glen Titus, and John Wyeth, who was sports editor of the school newspaper and co-editor of the school yearbook.³

The season's outlook would have appeared quite bright for the following meets if it hadn't been for the deplorable lack of field men.

April 6, DePauw, here

April 20, Shurtleff, here

May 5, McKendree, Shurtleff, Southern Illinois, at Lebanon

May 12, Teachers College Meet, at Normal

¹Item in the Athletic Journal, XVII (January, 1937), p.29.

²News item in the Teachers College News, Apr. 30, 1935, p.4.

³News item in the Teachers College News, Apr. 28, 1933, p.7.

May 19 and 20, State Meet, at Galesburg

May 24, McKendree, here

On a cold and rainy afternoon, DePauw College overwhelmed Eastern 52 $\frac{2}{3}$ to 38 $\frac{1}{3}$ in the first dual meet of the year. E.I. could only manage three firsts, those were: Charles Austin and Gene McCoy tied for first in the 100 yd. dash at :10.6; Scott Funkhouser in the 220 yd. low hurdles at :28.8; and the mile relay team of Thomas Cummins, Vaughn Armer, Elbert Dawson, and Milton Baker, in a time of 4:00.

Eastern placed in the other events as follows: the 220, Charles Austin, second; the 880, Cummins, third; the mile, Williard Witte, second, John Ferbrache, third; the "100" yd. high hurdles, Don Neal, third; the two mile, Ferbrache, second, Frank Broyles, third; the pole vault, Commodore Woodrow Hines, third; the broad jump, George Adams, third; the javelin, Orval Brubaker, third; the shot put, Jack Austin, third; the discus, J. Austin, third; the high jump, Melvin Alexander, tied for second; and the 440, Baker, third.¹

¹Varsity Records

The high hurdles were won by Lee of DePaw in a time of :13.1. Amazed at this time the distance was measured off by the officials who found the race to be short by 20 yards.¹

On April 20, E.I. setback Shurtleff College 75 to 51 for the first win of the year. Shurtleff only scored 8 points in the running events, but monopolized the field events.

High point men in the meet were Eastern's Don Neal, who won the high hurdles in :17.0; and the high jump at 5 ft. 1/2 in.; and John Ferbrache, who won the mile in 5:03, and the two mile in a good time of 10:43.

E.I.'s other winners were: Charles Austin in the 100, at :10.6; Gene McCoy, C. Austin, and Scott Funkhouser tied in the 220, at :24.0; Milton Baker in the 440, with :55.0; Thomas Cummins in the 880, at 2:14.2; Funkhouser in the low hurdles, at :27.5; and the mile relay team of Cummins, Vaughn Armer, Elbert Dawson, and Baker, in a time of 3:48.2.

Other placers for Eastern were as follows: McCoy, second in the 100; Funkhouser, third in the 100; Dawson, second in

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 25, 1933, p.6.

the 440; V. Armer, second in the 880; Walt Ritchie, third in the 880; Williard Witte, second in the mile and third in the two mile; Edwin Galbreath, third in the mile; Frank Broyles, second in the two mile; John Wyeth, third in the low hurdles and high jump; Tolen, second in the pole vault, and Dawn Neil, third in the javelin.

E.I. swept five events, the 100, 220, 880, mile and two mile, while Shurtleff swept the discus, shot put, and broad jump.¹

In a quadrangular meet Eastern swept the two mile event but still came in a distant second, with 36 points, to Southern's 93 1/3. McRendree was third with 19 1/2 points and Shurtleff was last with 13.

Milton Baker won the 440 in :53.7, Willare Witte, the mile with 4:52, and John Ferbrache the two mile at 10:59. These were E.I.'s only winners.

Frank Broyles and Edwin Galbreath finished second and third to complete the sweep in the two mile.

The other points for E.I. were won by: Ferbrache, third

¹Varsity records

in the mile; Charles Austin, second in the 100 and third in the 220; Thomas Cummins, second in the 880; Dawn Neil, third in the javelin; and the mile relay team, second.¹

On May 12, Southern won the sixth annual Teachers College Meet for the fourth consecutive time. The team places were: Southern, first with 95 1/2 points, Normal, 82, Western 20 1/2, Northern, 16, and Eastern, 6.

Eastern's only placers were John Ferbrache, third in the two mile, Edwin Galbreath, fourth in the same event, and Dawn Neil, fifth in the javelin.

Jimmy Johnson of Normal was the meets outstanding athlete, as he won the 100 and 440 in records of :09.6 and :51.3, he also won the 220 in a time of :21.9.

A standard method of penalizing false starts, by setting the offender back a number of yards was utilized in the meet. Charles Austin jumped the gun twice in a preliminary heat and was set back two yards. He was unable to overcome this penalty in the race.¹

In the 25th. annual Little Nineteen Meet at Galesburg, Normal was victorious with a total of 42 points. Southern

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 16, 1933, p. 7.

was second with 33 1/2, and North Central was third with 21. Next were Carthage 17, Illinois Wesleyan and Monmouth 16 1/2, Western 12 1/2, Bradley 11 5/6, Elmhurst 10, Shurtleff 9, Eureka 7, Knox 4 1/2, Wheaton 4, Northern and Augustana 3, and Eastern failed to score.

Normal's Jimmy Johnson won the 100 in :09.8, and the 220 in :21.4. Hutton of Normal set the only new records as he ran the mile in 4:20.6 and the 880 in 1:57.3.¹

Despite losing all but 3 points in the weight events, E.I. managed to triumph over McRendree on May 24, 70 2/3 to 60 1/3. Eastern's only points in the weights came on Dawn Neil's second place in the javelin.

E.I. scored slams in the 440, 880, and two mile runs. In the 440 it was Milton Baker winning in :55.3, with Elbert Dawson and Hershel Petty, second and third. In the 880 it was Thomas Cummins winning in 2:13.5, with Edwin Galbreath and Vaughn Armer, second and third. In the two mile it was Willard Witte winning in a time of 11:03, with Frank Broyles and Galbreath, second and third.

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 23, 1933, p. 7.

Also scoring for Eastern were: Charles Austin, third in the 100, and first in the 220 at :23.0.; Dawn Nell, first in the low hurdles at :28.5, second in the high hurdles, and tied for second in the high jump; Beker, second in the 220; Geroge Adams, third in the broad jump; Tolen, first in the pole vault at 10 ft. 3 in.; Melvin Alexander, third in the pole vault and tied for second in the high jump; and the mile relay team of Cummins, C. Austin, Dawson, and Baker, winning in a time of 3:49.4.¹

1934

The 1934 season began on a tragic note, Herschel Petty, sophomore trackman was accidentally shot to death on Marcy 6 by county officials who mistook his car for that of two alleged firebugs. Attending the funeral were president of the college, Robert G. Buzzard and many of the college students.²

Veteran candidates for Coach "Scotty" Angus's squad were: Charles Austin, high point scorer of the '33 team, Milton Baker, Elbert Dawson, Thomas Cummins, Willard Witte, and Don Neal.

¹Varsity records

²News item in the Teachers College News, March 13, 1934, p. 1

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 14, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

April 29, Illinois Normal, at Normal

May 5, Southern Illinois, McKendree, at Lebanon

May 12, Teachers College Meet, at Normal

May 15, Indiana Normal, here

May 19, McKendree, here

May 25,-26, State Meet, at Monmouth

On April 14, the Panthers were walloped by Southern by a score of 109 to 22. Eastern had only one clear-out first, that in the mile run, by Willard Whitte in a time of 4:48. Southern had 13 firsts and swept 8 events.

Bernard Bradley, an E.I. frosh, tied for first in the pole vault, and Milton Baker took third in the 440. Further results are unavailable.¹

Eastern was also walloped in their second meet of the season, this time by Normal, 111 to 20. Normal won 12 firsts and slammed 5 events. Joe Henderson won the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in. for Eastern's only first.

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 17, 1934, p. 8.

In addition, Bernard Bradley took a second in the pole vault, Frank Broyles won seconds in the mile and two mile, Scott Funkhouser took third in the 100, Milton Baker took third in the 220 and second in the 440, and Lloyd Thudium took third in the 880 to end Eastern's scoring in the meet.¹

Eastern showed signs of a reversal of form in a triangular meet at Lebanon. Southern won the meet with 104 1/2 points, Eastern was next with 34, and McKendree was last with 23 1/2.

On the way to the meet a car driven by Jim Evers turned over south of Neoga and six men were injured when thrown through the roof. Slightly injured were Lloyd Thudium, Joe Henderson, Bernard Bradley, Harry Sockler, and Vincent Kelly. Only Kelly was unable to compete in the meet.

Willard Witte won a first in the mile at 4:47.9. Frank Broyles took first in the two mile at 10:45.2, and Milton Baker won the 440 in :53.5 to account for E.I.'s three firsts.

Also scoring for Eastern were: Charles Austin, third in the 100, and fourth in the 220; Scott Funkhouser, second in

¹Varsity records

the low hurdles, and fourth in the 100; Baker, third in the 220; Bradley, fourth in the pole vault; Edwin Galbreath, third in the two mile; Witte, third in the 880; Henderson, second in the high jump; and the mile relay team, second.¹

Illinois Normal unleashed a powerful attack to unseat defending champion Southern Illinois in the Teachers College Meet by a score of 83 to 68 3/4. Other scores were Northern 33 1/2, Western 24 3/4, and Eastern 9.

Eastern's placers were: Scott Funkhouser, fifth in the low hurdles; Lloyd Thudium, fifth in the 880; Milton Baker fifth in the 440; Willard Witte, fourth in the mile; Frank Broyles, third in the two mile; and the mile relay team of Baker, Harry Sockler, Vincent Kelly, and Charles Austin, third.

Eastern's Bernal Connett's 1929 shot put record of 42 ft. 2 1/2 in. was broken by Boulder of Southern who put the shot 43 ft. 1 1/2 in.²

Eastern matched its track power against Indiana State's power in the field and won 78 1/3 to 52 2/3. E.I. scored slams in three events, the two mile run, the low hurdles, and

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 8, 1934, p.9.

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 15, 1934, p. 8, and varsity records.

the 440.

Willard Witte proved how much an ironman he was by placing in the three long events. He took first in the mile in 4:49.5, second in the 880, and third in the two mile.

Milton Baker registered one of Eastern's best marks by winning the 440 in 52.8, Frank Broyles won the two mile in 10:55, Lloyd Thudium won the 880 in 2:14.1, Scott Funkhouser took the low hurdles in :27.6, Bernard Bradley won the pole vault at a very good 11 ft. 9 in., and the relay team of Harry Sockler, Milton Baker, Vincent Kelly, and Charles Austin, won the 880 event in 1:36.7.

Other placers who gathered points for Eastern were: Edwin Galbreath, second in the two mile; Don Neal second in the low hurdles and third in the highs; Vincent Kelly, third in the low hurdles and second in the 440; Baker, second in the 220; C. Austin, second in the 100; Sockler, third in the 440; Floyd Davis, second in the broad jump and third in the shot put; Gaddis, second in the javelin, William Hardy, third in the javelin; and Joe Henderson, tied for second in the high jump.

E. I. swept three events, the 440, the mile, and the two mile, but failed to score in the discus.¹

Hard luck again struck the '34 team when Willard Witte unsuspectingly ended his college athletic career in the Indiana State meet. Witte was ordered to stop running when doctors discovered he had an affected heart resulting from infected tonsils. Witte ended his promising career as the high point man of the locals as well as having ran some of Eastern's fastest mile times up to that year.²

Against McKendree College on May 19, the E.I. trackman grabbed their second victory in five days by a score of 74 to 56. Eastern slammed the 440 and high jump, but only scored three points in the weights.

Eastern scored as follows in these events; the 100, Charles Austin second, and Scott Funkhouser third; the 440, Milton Baker first in :53.3, Vincent Kelly, second, and Harry Sockler third; the 880, Lloyd Thudium first in 2:13, and Jim Evers second; the mile, Frank Broyles second and Edwin Galbreath third; the two mile, Broyles first in 10:29, and Galbreath third; the low hurdles, Funkhouser first in :27.0,

¹Varsity records

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 22, 1934, p. 8.

and Don Neal third; the high hurdles, Neal third; the 880 relay, Sockler, C. Austin, Kelly, and Baker, first in 1:35.7; the broad jump, Loren Fox first with 19 ft. 11 1/2 in.; the high jump, Neal first at 5 ft. 9 in., Joe Henderson, second and Melvin Alexander third; and the pole vault, Bernard Bradley first at 10 ft., and Alexander tied for the number two position.¹

Because of the promising results of the McKendree meet, Coach Angus expected to take several men to the State Meet, but Frank Broyles was the only member of the E.I. team to place in the 26th annual Little Nineteen Meet at Mornmouth. Broyles took a fifth place in the two mile run.

The mile relay team of Charles Austin, Harry Sockler, Vincent Kelly, and Milton Baker, took a sixth place in a time of 3.32.7.

North Central College won the meet with 34 8/10 points. Knox was next with 22 1/2.²

Eastern's high point man for the season was Frank Broyles with 31 points, followed closely by Milton Baker with 29 1/4.³

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 22, 1934, p. 8.

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 24, 1934, p. 8, and varsity records.

³Varsity records.

1935

Once again the lack of field men appeared to be Coach Angua's biggest problem as the 1935 season got underway. Back from the '34 team were Don Neal, Melvin Alexander, Joe Henderson, Vincent Kelly, Thomas Cummins, Charles Austin, and Captain Lloyd Thudium. There was not one weight man among them.

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 6, Western Illinois, here

April 27, Southern Illinois, here

May 3, Illinois Normal, here

May 11, Teachers College Meet, at Normal

May 15, Indiana State, at Terre Haute

May 18, McKendree, here

May 24-25, State Meet, at Macomb

The thinclads ushered in the season with an 83 1/2 to 47 2/3 loss at the hands of Northern Illinois. DeKalb had eleven firsts out of fifteen events. As expected E.I. was weak in the weight events winning only 5 of 22 points.

Robert Holmes was the top man for E.I., taking a first in the high jump at 5 ft. 6 in., and seconds in the javelin and pole vault. Harold Younger took a first in the low hurdles

at :28.9, as did Marvin Upton in the mile at 4:51.2, and Don Neal in the high hurdles at :17.0.

Others placing for Eastern were: Vincent Kelly, second in the 440 and third in the 220; Joe Henderson, second in the low hurdles and tied for third in the high jump; Thomas Cummins, second in the 880; Upton, third in the 880; Robert Anderson, second in the two mile; Neal, third in the low hurdles and tied for third in the high jump; Floyd Davis, third in the shot put; Dale Trulock, second in the discus; and Loren Fox, second in the broad jump.¹

In the next meet, Southern Illinois blasted E.I. 96 to 35, taking 11 of 15 firsts and winning 4 slams. E.I.'s mile relay team of Vincent Kelly, Don Neal, Loren Fox, and Thomas Cummins, was victorious when S.I. was disqualified for fouling on one of the turns.

Eastern's firsts were collected by Martin Upton in the mile in a good time of 4:44; Robert Anderson in the two mile in 10:45; and Robert Holmes in the high jump at 5 ft. 8 in.

Other events that Eastern scored in were: the 100 and 220, Charles Austin, third; the 440, Kelly third; the mile,

¹Varsity records

Anderson third; the two mile, Upton second; the high hurdles, Neal third; the low hurdles, Harold Younger, third; the high jump, Melvin Alexander and Joe Henderson tied for second; the javelin, Holmes second; the shot put, Floyd David Third.¹

In the Illinois Normal meet, Eastern's only bright spots were Marvin Upton and Robert Anderson in the distance runs, and Robert Holmes in the field events as Eastern lost 90 to 41.

Upton won the mile in 4:46; Anderson the two mile in 10:38; and Holmes took seconds in the javelin, pole vault, broad jump, and tied for second in the high jump. Also winning was Floyd Davis in the broad jump at 19 ft. 9 1/2 in.

Picking up the Panthers few other places were: Vincent Kelly, second in the 440; Charles Austin, third in the 100 and 220; Don Neal, second in the high hurdles; Thomas Cummins, third in the 880; Melvin Alexander and Joe Henderson, tied for second in the high jump; and Harold Younger, second in the low hurdles.²

Southern Illinois won the eight annual Teachers College Meet with 52 2/3 points to Normal's 55 1/2, Northern Illinois

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 30, 1935 p. 4.

²Varsity records.

54 1/2, Western Illinois's 32 1/3, and Eastern's 21.

The thinclads in scoring 21 points turned in their best performance in several years. No records were broken in the meet mainly because of a strong wind and a soft track.

The Panthers scored in the following manner; the 440, Vincent Kelly, fifth; the 880, Thomas Cummins, fourth; the mile, Marvin Upton, fourth, running 4:40; the high jump, Joe Henderson, Robert Holmes, and two others, tied for first at 5 ft. 9 in.; the two mile, Bob Anderson, second in a time of 10:31; the javelin, Holmes, fourth; and the realy team of Kelly, Charles Austin, Loren Fox, and Cummins, fourth.¹

The Angusmen finally won their first meet of the year by defeating Indiana State, 77 to 53, scoring slams in the javelin and 880.

Marvin Upton and Bob Holmes scored 13 points apiece to lead all the locals. Upton won the mile in 4:46.3, the 880 in 2:08, and placed second in the two mile. Holmes won the javelin at 165 ft. 1/4 in., took second in the discus and pole vault, and tied for second in the high jump.

Also taking firsts were: Vincent Kelly, in the 440 at

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 14, 1935, p. 8, and varsity records.

:52.1; Don Neal, in the high hurdles at :18.1; Bob Anderson, in the two mile with a find 10:18.8; Harold Younger, in the low hurdles at :27.5; and the mile relay team of Thomas Cummins, Loren Fox, Charles Austin, and Kelly, in a time of 3:42.

Also placing were: Anderson, second in the mile; Cummins, second in the 440 and 880; Kelly, second in the 220; Joe Henderson, third in the high hurdles; Lloyd Thudium, third in the 880; Neal, third in the low hurdles; Floyd David, second in the shot put; and Mel Alexander, tied for second in the high jump.¹

Eastern showed good power in defeating McKendree College for their second win of the season, 84 to 47. E.I. took 11 firsts and swept 3 events. Bob Holmes scored 16 1/3 points to lead all scorers. Holmes won the pole vault at 10 ft., the javelin at 164 ft. 10 in., the discus at 117 ft. 7 in., and tied for second in the high jump with Don Neal and Joe Henderson.

Other firsts for Eastern were by: Harold Younger, in

¹Varsity records.

the low hurdles in :26.4; Charles Austin, in the 220 at :22.5; Vincent Kelly, in the 440 at :53.3; Bob Anderson, in the two mile at 19:33; Thomas Cummins, in the 880 at 2:07; Howard Ballard, in the broad jump with 20 ft. 10 in.; Loren Fox, in the high jump at 5 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team of Fox, Cummins, Austin, and Kelly, in 3:56.

Other places were by: Kelly, second in the 220; Henderson, third in the high hurdles; Anderson in the mile, second; Lloyd Thudium, third in the mile and two mile; Fox, third in the 440 and broad jump; Ballard, third in the 100; Floyd Davis, second in the shot put and broad jump; Dale Haverstock, third in the shot put; Marshall, third in the discus; Wayne Neal, second in the javelin; Owen Shobe, third in the javelin.¹

Eastern scored 4 3/4 points at Macomb in the 27th annual I.I.A.C. meet to finish 13th. in a 21 team field. Eastern's points were scored by Thomas Cummins, who finished fourth in the 880, and by Bob Holmes, who tied for third in the high jump, and took fourth in the javelin.

¹Varsity records

Only one record was set in the meet, that by R. Goff, of Knox, who won the high hurdles in :15.1.

The meet was won for the first time by Northern Illinois with 32 points. Runner-up was Illinois Normal with 30.5 points, and third was North Central with 19 1/4.¹

High point man for the year was Bob Holmes with 59 1/2 points, next was Marvin Upton with 34, and Bob Anderson with 32.²

1936

Outstanding veterans reporting to Coach Angus for the 1936 season were Vincent Kelly, Bob Anderson, Charles Austin, Harold Younger, Loren Fox, Joe Henderson, and Bob Holmes, high point man for the previous year's team.

The schedule found a new addition to the list as Oakland City College, of Oakland City, Indiana, was added.

April 15, Oakland City College, here

April 18, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

April 25, Northern Illinois and Illinois Normal, DeKalb

May 1, Illinois Normal, at Normal

May 6, Indiana State, here

¹Varsity records

²Varsity records

May 9, Teachers College Meet, at DeKalb

May 22-23, State Meet, at Normal

Beginning the season in a devastating manner, the "Panthers" walloped Oakland City College, 106 to 25. Bob Holmes scored 22 points, only 3 less than the whole Oakland team. Holmes won the discus at 117 ft. 3 in., the javelin at 155 ft., tied for first in the high jump with Loren Fox and Joe Henderson at 5 ft. 2 in., and seconds in the shot put, pole vault, and broad jump.

Eastern's other scoring was as follows: the 100, Charles Austin first in :10.2, and Harold Younger third; the 220, James Clark first in :24.0, and Austin, second; the 440, Vincent Kelly first in :55.0, Clark second, and Loren Fox third; the 880, John Dayton first in 2:13, John Farrar second, and William Towler third; the mile, Dayton first in 4:54, Bob Anderson second and Wilfred Kelly third; the two mile, Anderson first in 10:56, Dayton second; the high hurdles, Charles Ridey first in :18.0, Henderson second; the low hurdles, Younger first in :27.0, Ridey second, and V. Kelly third; the shot put, Dale Trulock third; the discus, Trulock

third; the discus, Trulock second; the javelin, Dale Haverstock second; and the mile relay team of Fox, Clark, Austin, and V. Kelly, first in 3:58.¹

Against Southern Illinois, the Panthers weren't quite as fortunate as in the previous meet as they were outclassed 89 to 44. E.I. did have some outstanding efforts however. John Dayton won the mile in 4:43.5, with Bob Anderson second. Anderson won the two mile in 10:29.5, and Vince Kelly won the 440 in :54.3. The mile relay team of Loren Fox, Charles Austin, James Clark, and V. Kelly, also took firsts.

Also placing for E.I. were: Charles Ridey, third in the high hurdles; Harold Younger, third in the 100 and second in the low hurdles; Clark, third in the 220 and 440; Holmes, tied for third in the pole vault and third in the javelin; Dale Trulock, third in the discus; and Fox, tied for third in the high jump.²

In a triangular meet with Northern Illinois and Illinois Normal, E.I. took last place with 23 points to N.I.'s 75 1/2, and Normal's 63 1/2. Bob Holmes led the Panthers again with

¹Varsity records

²Varsity records

with 10 points, tying for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in., tying for second in the pole vault, tying for third in the high hurdles with Charles Ridey, and taking third in the javelin.

Also placing for E.I. were: John Dayton, fourth in the mile, and tied for fourth in the 880; Vincent Kelly, third in the 440; Bob Anderson, second in the two mile; Harold Younger, second in the low hurdles; and James Clark, third in the 220.¹

An amusing episode concerning the previous meet and Leroy Brown of Eastern was related as follows:

Leroy Brown really trains for the two mile run. Last Friday Leroy was at the DeKalb track meet as a member of the team. Friday night after dinner he had a rubdown and went right to bed. At four o'clock Saturday morning he was up, running up and down the hall in the hotel practicing starts and short sprints. After this violent exercise he took exercise over the end of the bed. Following the bed exercise, Leroy had a rubdown and breakfast; another rubdown followed breakfast. Before lunch another rubdown was in order. Just before the run started he grabbed the liniment bottle, slapped some of the fire-liquid on his legs, pranced around, and was off to a flying start.

He lasted two laps; his legs were so tight he could hardly move. He needed another rubdown.²

¹Varsity records

²News item in the Teachers College News, May 1, 1936, p. 8.

In a dual meet at Normal, Normal battered Eastern 95 to 36. Bob Anderson's first place in the two mile was the standout performance for the locals as he crossed the finish line in a time of 10:08.6. E.I.'s mile relay team of James Clark, Vincent Kelly, Loren Fox, and Charles Austin, was declared the winner when Normal was disqualified for pacing the last runner. These were the only two wins that Eastern registered.

Placing for Eastern were: Charles Ridey, third in the low hurdles; John Dayton, second and Anderson, third in the mile; Kelly, second and Clark, third in the 440; Harold Younger, third in the low hurdles, Clark, second and Kelly, third in the 220; Dalve Haverstock, third in the shot put; Bob Holmes, second in the pole vault, and third in the javeline; Dale Trulock, third in the discus; and Loren Fox, third in the broad jump, and tied for second in the high jump.¹

Eastern rebounded from the Normal battering to batter Indiana State 86 to 36. Bob Holmes was the high point man with 16 points. Bob won the javelin at 152 ft., tied for first in the high jump with Joe Henderson at 5 ft. 9 in., took

¹Varsity records

seconds in the discus and pole vault, and a third in the high hurdles. John Dayton won the mile in 4:47, the 880 in 2:11.5, and took a second in the two mile for 13 points.

Bob Anderson won the two mile at 10:17, and took a second in the mile. Vincent Kelly won the 440 at :53.0; Harold Younger the low hurdles at :26.4; Dale Trulock, the discus at 112 ft. 6 in.; Charles Ridey the high hurdles at :16.8; and the mile relay team of Loren Fox, Harold England, James Clark, and Kelly, won in a time of 3:39.2.

Others placing for E.I. were: younger, second in the 100; Clark, second in the 220 and 440; Henderson, second in the high hurdles; John Farrar, second and William Towler, third in the 880; Ridey, second in the low hurdles; Dale Raverstock, second in the javelin and third in the shot put; Trulock, second in the shot put; and V. Kelly, third in the broad jump.¹

Bob Anderson provided Eastern fans their only chance to cheer when he cut almost 11 seconds off the existing record in the two mile run in the Teachers College Meet, winning in a time of 9:56.7. This was the first time he had run the two

¹Varsity records.

mile in under 10 minutes, and has to be considered one of the best marks in the first 24 years of Eastern track history.

Anderson's five points were more than half of E.I.'s total score in the meet. Others who scored were: John Dayton, fourth in the mile; Vincent Kelly, fifth in the 440; and Joe Henderson, tied for fifth in the high jump.

The mile relay team of Loren Fox, Harold England, James Clark, and Vincent Kelly, won a third to end Eastern's scoring with a total of 9 1/4 points.

Normal won the meet with 72 3/4 points. Northern was next with 68 1/4 points, Southern next with 51 3/4, Western next with 17, and Eastern last with 9 1/4.¹

Eastern surprisingly faired quite well in the 28th annual State Meet, as they finished eighth with a total of 8 points, with 21 teams entered in the meet.

Bob Anderson took third in the two mile, John Dayton took fourth in the mile, Joe Henderson tied for second in the high jump at 5 ft. 9 1/4 in., and Bob Holmes was fifth in the javelin, to account for all of the "Panther's" points.

¹Varsity records

North Central College dethroned Northern Illinois with 45 points to Northern's 39. Normal was third with 33 points, and Knox and Southern tied for fourth with 15 points.

Two of the outstanding marks in the meet were by Lloyd Siebert of North Central who set a new record in the pole vault of 13 ft. 1/2 in.; and by Payton of Southern who tied the 220 low hurdle mark of :23.9.¹

Bob Holmes was high point man again for the season with 60 points. John Dayton was next with 41 1/2, and Bob Anderson had 41. Lettermen that year were Holmes, Dayton, Anderson, Vincent Kelly, (honorary captain of the team), James Clark, Harold Younger, Charles Ridey, Loren Fox, and Joe Henderson.²

To win a letter a man must score at least 15 points during the year, or place in the State or Teachers College Meets.³

1937

The largest track squad Winfield Angus ever had reported in the spring of 1937 for track and field. Among the more than 40 men were Bob Holmes, high point man the previous two years, the Anderson brothers, Bob and Earl, John Dayton,

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

³New item in the Teachers College News, May 26, 1936, p. 7.

and Frank Broyles. The last four men were all accomplished distance men as they had proven in cross-country. The main problem so far was the lack of dash men.

Oakland City College originally scheduled E.I. April 9, but later cancelled. The year's schedule appeared as follows:

April 16, Southern Illinois, here

April 23, Normal, here

April 29, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

May 8, Teachers College Meet, at Normal

May 21, State Meet, at Mornmouth

Indiana State had also scheduled E.I., for a May 6 meet, there, but was forced to cancel all track meets because of a lack of space to work out due to a building program.¹

Featuring slams in four events Southern Illinois ran away from the "Panthers" 91 to 40. Eastern managed two slams of their own, both in the distance events. John Dayton won the mile at 4:50.3, with Jack Zahnle and Frank Broyles finishing second and third. In the two mile, Bob Anderson won in 10:30.6, with Broyles second again, and Earl Anderson third.

Eastern had only one other first, that in the high hurdles, by Charles Ridey in 16.5. Ridey also took a third in

¹News item in the Teachers College News, April 13, 1937, p. 7.

the low hurdles. Bob Holmes won three places, thirds in the high jump and pole vault, and a second in the javelin.

Other E.I. places were by: John Farrar, third in the 440; John Dayton, second in the 880; Harold Younger, second in the low hurdles; Dale Trulock, second in the discus; and Dale Haverstock, third in the javelin.¹

E.I. made a poorer showing against Normal when they lost 93 to 38, taking only two firsts, one by Harold Younger in the low hurdles at 26.5, and the other by Bob Holmes in the javelin with 163 ft. 4 in.

Eastern scored thusly in the other events: the mile, John Dayton second, and Bob Anderson third; the high hurdles, John Ritchie, second, and Charles Ridey third; the 440, Jim Stahl third; the two mile, Bob Anderson second, and Earl Anderson third; the 880, Dayton second; the high jump, Joe Henderson second; the javelin, Dale Haverstock second; and the broad jump, George Howell third.²

As the season progressed, E.I. became progressively worse, as was evidenced by the 99 to 32 loss to Northern Illinois. The thinclads could manage only one first place,

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

that by Charles Ridey in the high hurdles in :16.8. John Dayton ran a good race in the mile to finish third in a time of 4:40 4/10.

Other placers for E.I. were as follows; John Ritchie, third in the high hurdles, Bob Anderson, second and Frank Broyles, third in the two mile; Dayton, second and John Farrar, third in the 880; Harold Younger, second and Ridey, third in the low hurdles; Ed Miller, third in the 220; Bob Holmes, second in the pole vault and javelin, and third in the discus; and Joe Henderson, second in the high jump.¹

In the tenth annual Teachers College Meet at Normal, only Western Illinois managed to score fewer points than the Panthers. Southern won with 65 points, Normal was a close second with 64, Northern Illinois third with 57, then Eastern 18, and Western 15.

Place winners for Eastern were: Bob Holmes, second in the javelin; Bob Anderson, third, and Earl Anderson, fifth in the two mile; Joe Henderson, third in the high jump; Charles Ridey, third in the high hurdles; John Dayton, fourth in the

¹Varsity records.

miles; and Dale Haverstock, fourth in the javelin.

Seven records were set in the meet, with the most outstanding being a 207 ft. throw in the javelin by Peters of Northern Illinois.¹

Northern Illinois regained the state championship held at Mommouth by scoring 45 points to Illinois Wesleyan's 37, and Illinois Normal's 30. North Central defending champions scored 24 points to finish fourth.

Eastern scored exactly the same number of points, 8, as the previous year and finished in the same place, eight.

Places for Eastern were by: Bob Anderson, second in the two mile; John Dayton, fifth in the mile; and Bob Holmes, fifth in the javelin, with a throw of 183 ft. 2 1/2 in.

The outstanding marks of the meet were by Siebert of North Central who set a new broad jump record of 23 ft. 1 1/4 in., and by Peters of Northern, who set a new javelin record of 206 ft. 4 1/2 in.²

The breakup of the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic Conference appeared eminent this year. Two problems existed,

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

the size of the conference, and the rule concerning non-eligibility of freshmen which some schools enforced and others didn't. Eight schools did in fact resign at the May conference meeting. Bradley, Illinois Wesleyan, Illinois College, North Central, Lake Forest, Millikin, Augustana, and Wheaton, resigned. These schools enforced the freshman rule. All eight of them formed a new conference. The I.I.A.C. was now left with a total of 13 schools.¹

1938

For the first time, in 1938, Eastern entered and ran in two indoor meets prior to the outdoor track season. The two meets entered were University of Illinois Invitational Meet on March 5, and the Butler Relays on March 19, at Indianapolis.

Coach Angus entered teams in the mile, two mile, and distance medley relays. The best performance was by the distance medley team of Jim Stahl, Max Armer, Earl and Bob Anderson, which took a fifth place in the Butler Relays.²

The outdoor track schedule for the year was as follows:

April 15, Southern Illinois, here

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 5, 1937, p. 8, and June 22, 1937, p. 2.

²News item in the Teachers College News, March 22, 1938, p. 9, and varsity records.

April 22, Illinois Normal, here

April 29, Northern Illinois, here

May 7, Teachers College Meet, at Normal

May 12, Indiana Central, here

May 20-21, State Meet, at Normal

In the first meet of the season, the "Panthers" lost to Southern by 51 points, 91 to 40. E.I. showed extreme weakness in the field events scoring a total of only 7 points in the 7 field events, and also exhibited an allround lack of depth.

The only bright spots for the locals were in the distance races and 220 yd. dash. Bob Anderson won the mile in a good time of 4:45.2. His brother Earl was second. Bob also came back to win the two mile in 10:22.1, with Earl second again.

In the 220, George Howell won in a slow time of :24.7, with Harley Culberson second. E.I. took only two other firsts, one by Max Armer in the 880, in 2:10.4, and the other by Dale Trulock in the javelin, with a toss of 163 ft. 10 in.

Eastern's few other points were scored by Jim Stahl, second in the 440; Harley Culberson, third in the low hurdles;

and Dale Haverstock, third in the discus.¹

In the second meet of the season, E.I. lost to Normal by an almost identical score to the first meet, 90 1/2 to 40 1/2. Bob Anderson again won the mile and two miles in very fast times of 4:37 in the mile, and 10:10 in the two mile. This was the fastest time ever reported for Bob in the mile. His brother Earl was not able to place in either event.

Eastern's only other firsts were by Harold Younger in the low hurdles in :25.8; and by Dale Haverstock in the javelin with 160 ft. 9 in.

Points for Eastern were also scored by: Joe Ward, who took seconds in the high and low hurdles, and tied for third in the high jump; Max Armer, second in the 880 and third in the 440; Younger, second in the 100; Jim Stahl, second and George Howell, third in the 220; Jack Newgent, third in the pole vault; Haverstock, third in the discus; and George Howell, third in the broad jump.²

Eastern maintained their losing ways by falling to Northern, 87 to 44. Bob Anderson lost the mile run for the

¹Varsity records

²Varsity records.

the first time that season, and finished second. He did win the two mile though in 10:15 1/2. His brother Earl took a second in the two mile and a third in the mile.

Eastern faired a little better in the other events than previously as Joe Ward won the high hurdles in :16.1; Harold Younger the low hurdles in :26.3; and Jim Stahl the 220 in :23.5. Stahl also took a third in the 440.

Max Armer took a second in the 440 and 880. Dalee Haverstock took second in the javelin. Harold Younger was third in the 100. Dale Trulock was third in the shot put and discus. Jack Newgent was third in the pole vault, and Ward tied for second in the high jump to account for the remainder of Eastern's points.

Bechel of Northern, who later won the Teachers College and I.I.A.C. titles, won the high jump with a fantastic leap of 6 ft. 6 in.¹

At Normal, in the Teachers College Meet, E.I. scored 25 points, but was edged by Western for fourth place with 27 1/2 points. Southern won the title again with 67 points, next were Northern with 52, and Normal with 47 1/2.

¹Varsity Records.

Bob Anderson regained his title in the two mile run in a time of 10:04 6/10. Earl Anderson was second. Bob also took a second in the mile run.

Dale Haverstock won a third in the javelin; Harold Younger won a third in the low hurdles; Joe Ward took a fourth in the high hurdles; Max Armer also took a fourth in the 380; and Jim Stahl secured a fourth in the 440.

Eastern had the smallest team at the meet, entering only nine men.¹

Eastern finally won a dual meet when they defeated Indiana Central Normal, 75 1/3 to 55 2/3. Bob Anderson lead a sweep of the mile and two mile runs in the best times he ever recorded. His times¹ of 9:48.5 in the two mile, and 4:35 in the mile, has to rank him as one of Eastern's all-time great trackmen.

To complete the sweeps in the distance runs, Earl Anderson took a second in the two mile ahead of George Cortelyou, and tied for second in the mile with Max Armer.

Other Eastern firsts were by: Joe Ward in the high hurdles at :16.2; Harold Younger in the 100 at :10.3; and

¹Varsity records.

the low hurdles at :26.2; Max Armer in the 880 at 2:08; Jim Stahl in the 220 at :23.5; Dale Haverstock in the javlin with 149 ft. 7 in.; and the mile relay team of Stahl, Younger, Harley Culberson, and Jim Wiley.

Other places for the locals were by: Paul Henry, second in the 220 and high hurdles; Jim Stahl, second in the 440; James Wiley, third in the 440; Rondell Davidson, third in the 100; Marion Coleman, second in the 880; Joe Ward, second in the low hurdles, and tied for second in the high jump; Jack Newgent, third in the pole vault; Haverstock, second in the discus; and Culberson, third in the broad jump.

D. Williams of Normal was the individual high point man of the meet with 25 points, all in the field events. He accounted for four firsts, his best mark being one of 42 ft. 4 in. in the shot put.¹

Only ten teams competed in the 30th annual I.I.A.C. conference meet with Eastern taking fifth place with 16 points. Southern Illinois won the meet with 75 1/3 points, the largest total in the history of the meet. Finishing ahead of E.I. besides Southern were Northern Illinois with 57 1/2 points,

¹Varsity records.

Normal with 38 $\frac{2}{3}$, and Western Illinois with 19 $\frac{1}{2}$. No records fell as the state normal schools dominated the meet.

Bob Anderson scored 9 of Eastern's 16 points. Bob won the two mile run, his first conference title, in 9:54 $\frac{2}{10}$, and also scored a second in the mile run. His brother Earl took third in the two mile for his only place.

Max Armer won a fifth in the 880; Harold Younger won fifth in the low hurdles; and Eastern's relay team took third in the mile event to round out Eastern's scoring.¹

Bob Anderson accumulated many honors during his tenure as E.I.'s top attraction in track. Bob was elected to the presidency of the 1938 senior class, and also received the Charleston Boosters' Club Sportsmanship Award, presented to one E.I. athlete each year.

Bob was also honored by Coach Angus, who awarded him his track shirt, number 8, track pants, and shoes; a symbolic award of great meaning.²

Jim Stahl also won many honors. During the year he was elected to the Presidency of the Varsity Club, and also of Fidelis, a local fraternity.³

¹News item in the Teachers College News, May 24, 1938, p. 8, and varsity records.

²News item in the Teachers College News, June 6, 1938, pp. 1, 3, and Varsity records.

³News item in the Teachers College News, May 24, 1938, p. 8.

At the May meeting of the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, McKendree and Shurtleff colleges presented their resignations and ended their long affiliation with the conference.¹

1939

For the second year in a row, Eastern entered the indoor relays at the University of Illinois, on February 18. Eastern entered in the mile, two mile, and distance medley relay events, but could not place a team.²

The outdoor season was scheduled as follows:

April 14, Southern Illinois, here

April 22, Normal, here

April 28, Indiana State, here

May 6, Teachers College Meet, at DeKalb

May 13, Indiana State, Indiana Central, at Terre Haute

May 19-20, State Meet, at Macomb

Eastern was smothered by Southern Illinois in the first meet of the year, 94 to 37. Eastern could only manage one first place and six seconds. The first was by Joe Bressler in the discus with 115 ft. 3 in.

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

The seconds were in the following events; the 880, Charles Ford; the mile, Maurice Cutler; the two mile, Earl Anderson; the high and low hurdles, Joe Ward; and the discus, Jim Hutton.

Eastern had eight thirds, these were by: Charles Hall in the 100; Dean Arnold in the 220; Ray Suddarth in the 440; Cutler in the two mile; Charles Ridey in the high hurdles; Harley Culberson in the low hurdles; Bob Hedrich in the pole vault and broad jump; and Bressler in the shot put. None of the marks in the meet were very impressive.¹

Eastern succumbed again in the second meet of the year, this time to Normal, 85 to 46. E.I. faired a little better in this meet as they picked four firsts. These were by Earl Anderson in the two mile in 10:33; Joe Ward in the high hurdles in:16.0; Joe Bressler in the shot put at 40 ft. 10 1/2 in.; and Bob Hedrich in the broad jump with 20 ft. 8 3/4 in.

Other events that the thinclads scored in were: the 100, Dean Arnold, second; the 220, Arnold, third; the 440, Ray Suddarth, second and Dale Dilthey, third; the mile, Maurice Cutler, third; the two mile, Cutler, second; the low hurdles, Joe Ward, second; the discus, Jim Hutton, third; the high jump,

¹Varsity records.

Robert Carroll, tied for second; the broad jump, Charles Hall, third; the javelin, Bressler, third; and the pole vault, Hedrich, third.¹

Angus' thinclads won their first meet of the season as they romped over Indiana State 91 to 40. E.I. took ten firsts, the firsts were by: Jim Stahl in the 220 at :23.4; Ray Suddarth in the 440 at :54.2, and the javelin with 155 ft. 9 in.; Joe Ward in the high hurdles at :16.5; Leland Hendershot in the low hurdles at:26.8; Earl Anderson in the two mile in 10:31.9; Jim Hutton in the discus at 114 ft. 6 in., and the shot put at 36 ft. 5 in.; and Bob Hedrich in the high jump at 5 ft. 8 in., and tied in the pole vault with Gerald Mieure at 10 ft. 3 in.

Other places for E.I. were by: Dean Arnold, second in the 100 and third in the 220; Charles Ford, second in the 880; Rondell Davidson, third in the 880; James Bell, second in the high hurdles; Howard Skidmore, third in the high hurdles; Joe Ward, second in the low hurdles; Anderson, second in the mile; with Robert Moore, third; Maurice Cutler, second in the two mile; Joe Bressler, second in the shot put, discus, and javelin;

¹Varsity records.

Robert Carroll, second in the high jump; Hedrich, second in the broad jump, with Charles Hall, third; and R. Beckley, third in the javelin.¹

Northern Illinois spread-eagled the field in the 12th annual Teachers College Meet held at DeKalb, amassing a total of 97 points, almost double that of runnerup Southern Illinois, which had 49 1/2. Normal was third with 43 points; Eastern fourth with 12 1/2; and Western Illinois last with 11.

Eastern's points were picked up as follows: Bob Hedrich, tied for fifth in the pole vault; Bob Carroll, third in the high jump; Jim Stahl, fourth and Ray Suddarth, fifth in the 440; Joe Bressler, third in the shot put and discus; Earl Anderson, third and Maurice Cutler, fifth in the two mile; Charles Ford, fifth in the 880; and Joe Ward, fourth in the high hurdles. Bressler was high point man for Eastern with six points.²

Eastern won a triangular meet at Terre Haute beating Indiana State and Indiana Central by a score of 81 1/2 to Indiana State's 48 1/2, and Central's 28. The meet was al-

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

most a quadrangular but Rose Poly withdrew its team of three men after a disagreement with the officials over the lanes in the hurdles.

The locals won or tied eight firsts, these were accomplished by: Earl Anderson in the two mile in his best time ever of 10:18; Leland Hendershot in the low hurdles in :27.8; Joe Bressler in the discus with 130 ft., and shot put at 40 ft. 11 in., and javelin at 159 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Robert Carroll tied in the high jump at 5 ft 10 in.; Bob Hedrich, tied in the pole vault at 10 ft. 9 in., and Joe Ward in the high hurdles in :16.1.

Other men scoring in the meet for E.I. were: Dean Arnold, second in the 100, and fourth in the 220; Jim Stahl, second in the 220, and third in the 440; Dale Dilthey, fourth in the 440; Charles Ford, second in the 880 and mile; Ray Suddarth, third in the 880, and second in the javelin; Rondell Davidson, third in the two mile, and fourth in the 880; Anderson, third in the mile; Robert Moore, fourth in the mile, and second in the two mile; James Bell, fourth in the high hurdles; James Hutton, second in the discus and shot put; Hedrich,

fourth in the discus, tied for third in the high jump, and third in the broad jump; Charles Hall, fourth in the broad jump; and Gerald Mieure, fourth in the pole vault.

Joe Bressler tied for high point man in the meet with three wins for 15 points.¹

Northern Illinois scored a record high total of $85 \frac{1}{7}$ points to win the team depleted State Meet. Southern was second with $51 \frac{15}{28}$ points; Normal next with 43; Eastern fourth with $18 \frac{2}{7}$; and Western fifth with $16 \frac{15}{28}$ points. The only other teams that competed in the meet were Carthage, with 7 points, Elmhurst, with 4, and Eureka, with none.

Eastern scored their points in the following manner: Joe Ward, fourth and James Bell, fifth in the high hurdles; Jim Stahl, fifth in the 220 and 440; Earl Anderson, second in the two mile, and Robert Moore, fifth; Robert Hedrich, and Robert Carroll, tied for fifth in the high jump; Joe Bressler, fourth in the javelin; and Eastern's mile relay team, fifth. Eastern's only first place was by Joe Bressler, who put the shot 42 ft. 7 in.

Only one record was set in the meet, that by Stewart of Western, who won the pole vault with 13 ft. $2 \frac{1}{3}$ in.²

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

Joe Bressler led the team scoring for the year with 54 points. Joe Ward was next with 31, followed by Earl Anderson with 30.¹

1940

A new innovation was added for the safety of the track participants by Coach Angus in 1940,.."For the first time in track at Eastern, participants must pass a physical exam before equipment would be issued to them."²

The schedule for the year was not much different than previous years except for a change in the traditional Teachers College Meet. The meet was expanded to include teachers colleges from Missouri and Kentucky, and the name of the meet was changed to the Midwestern States Teachers College Track and Field Meet.³ The schedule for 1940 was:

April 13, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

April 20, Illinois Normal, at Normal

April 27, Indiana State, at Terre Haute

May 16, Indiana Central, here

May 18, Midwestern Meet, at Carbondale

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Teachers College News, March 13, 1940 p. 6.

³Varsity records.

May 25, State Meet, at Normal

Eastern lost its first meet of the season to Southern Illinois by a comparatively close score, if you consider past meets, of $79 \frac{2}{3}$ to $46 \frac{1}{3}$. The thinclads demonstrating little depth won seven firsts, but very few seconds or thirds.

Securing firsts were: Charles Hall in the 440 in :56.3; Maurice Cutler in the two mile in 11:00.8; Joe Bressler in the discus with 119 ft. 6 in., and the shot put with 42 ft. 7 in.; Robert Hedrich in the broad jump with 21 ft. 8 in.; Robert Carroll in the high jump at 5 ft. 8 in.; and Ray Suddarth in the javelin with 174 ft. 2 in.

The other 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ points were scored by: Dean Arnold, third in the 100 and 220; Francis Palmosky, third in the 880; R. Gobert, third in the high hurdles, and tied for second in the high jump; Earl Anderson, second in the two mile; James Hutton, third in the discus; and Hedrich, tied for second in the pole vault at 11 ft.¹

Eastern also lost its second meet of the year, losing to Normal 80 to 51. E.I. showed improvement in depth, but

¹Varsity records.

won five firsts, including the mile relay, beating Normal's relay team for the first time in Eastern's history.

The other firsts came in the: discus, by Joe Bressler at 131 ft. 1 in., and javelin with 166 ft. 1/4 in., and shot put with 42 ft. 8 in.; high jump, by Robert Carroll at 5 ft. 8 in.; and the mile relay team of Rondell Davidson, George Howell, Ray Suddarth, and Charles Hall, in a time of 3:47.6.

Points were also gathered by: Dean Arnold, third in the 100 and 220; Charles Hall, second in the 440; Davidson, third in the 880; R. Gobert, second in the high hurdles, and tied for third in the high jump; Joe Ward, third in the high hurdles, and tied for third in the low hurdles with Harley Culberson; Earl Anderson, second in the two mile, and third in the mile; Maurice Cutler, third in the two mile; Jim Hutton, second in the discus; Robert Hedrich, third in the broad jump, tied for second in the pole vault, and tied for third in the high jump; Ray Suddarth, second in the javelin; and Robert Popham, tied for third in the shot put.¹

Joe Bressler's three firsts won him individual high point honors with 15. Hardgrove of Normal, a one armed

¹Varsity records.

sprinter, won the 100 and 220 yd. dashes in :10.3 and :22.9.¹

Eastern lost to Indiana State for the first time in many years by a 72 to 63 score. Eastern had five firsts, eight seconds and nine thirds.

Scoring for the Panthers were: Dean Arnold, second in the 100 and 220; Charles Hall, second in the 440, and third in the low hurdles; James Smith, third in the 880; Joe Ward, first in the low hurdles in :27.1, and tied for third in the high jump; Maurice Cutler, third in the mile and two mile; Earl Anderson, second in the two mile; Jim Hutton, first in the discus with 115 ft. 5 in., and second in the shot put; Joe Bressler, first in the javelin at 161 ft. 6 in., and second in the discus; Robert Carroll, tied for third in the high jump, second in the broad jump, and first in the pole vault at 10 ft. 9 in.; and Ray Suddarth, second in the javelin.

Indiana State had two excellent distance men in Applegate, who won the 880 in 2:02.8 and the mile in 4:33.1, and Foster, who won the two mile in 10:02.6.²

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, April 24, 1940, p. 6.

²News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 8, 1940, p. 6.

The Panthers rebounded from defeat and scored a devastating 112 to 29 victory over Indiana Central. E.I. swept five events and scored firsts in eight other events.

The winners of firsts for E.I. were: Dean Arnold in the 100, :10.4, and 220, :22.4; Harley Culberson in the 440, :53.5; James Smith in the 880, 2:09.8; Joe Ward in the high hurdles, :16.6, and lows, :27.0; Earl Anderson in the two mile, 10:37; Joe Bressler in the discus, 124 ft. 6 in., and shot put, 43 ft. 3 in.; Bob Hedrich in the broad jump, 21 ft. 2 in.; Robert Carroll in the high jump, 5 ft. 8 in.; Ray Suddarth in the javelin, 155 ft. 4 in.; and the mile relay team.

Other points were scored by: George Howell, second in the 100, 220, and broad jump; Hedrich, second in the 100 and pole vault, and tied for third in the high jump; Harley Culberson, third in the 220; Suddarth, second in the 440; Darrell McMorris, second in the 880; Lewellen Wilson, third in the 880 and two mile; Maurice Cutler, second in the mile and two mile; Anderson, third in the mile; Jim Hutton, second in discus; Ward, tied for third in the high jump; Bressler, second in the javelin; and Carroll, third in the javelin.¹

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 22, 1940, p. 6.

In the first Midwestern Teachers College Meet, Eastern scored only 13 points and finished fifth behind Cape Girardeau, Missouri with 70 points, Northern Illinois, with $65 \frac{1}{3}$, Normal with $42 \frac{1}{2}$, and Southern Illinois, with $32 \frac{1}{6}$. Finishing behind Eastern were Murray of Kentucky, with 1 point, and Western Kentucky, with none.

Placing for the thinclads were: Earl Anderson, third in the two mile, and fifth in the mile; Maurice Cutler, fourth, and Lewellen Wilson, fifth in the mile; Joe Bressler, third in the shot put, and fifth in the javelin; and E.I.'s mile relay team, fourth.

The outstanding marks of the meet were by Spurlach of Cape, in the pole vault, with 12 ft. $6 \frac{1}{2}$ in., and Wolfe of Cape, in the shot put, with a put of 45 ft. 11 in.¹

In the 32nd. I.I.A.C. meet, Normal edged Northern Illinois for the title, $58 \frac{1}{3}$ to 58. Only seven teams competed, and their order behind Normal and Northern was: Southern, $50 \frac{5}{6}$; Western, $30 \frac{1}{3}$; Eastern, 15.

Eastern's points came on two firsts, Joe Bressler's double wins in the shot put with 42 ft. $7 \frac{1}{2}$ in., and

¹Varsity records.

discus with 125 ft. 4 1/2 in.; a third place by Earl Anderson, and a fourth by Levellen Wilson, in the two mile.

Normal's one armed sprinter, J. Hardgrove, won the 100 in :10.0, and also took a second in the 220.

The conference meet continued in degeneration and domination by the state teachers colleges as no records were even approached in the meet.¹

High point man for the year was Joe Bressler with 61 points, followed by Robert Hedrich with 27 1/3, and Earl Anderson with 23.²

1941

Prospects appeared very poor for the 1941 team. On hand for Coach Scotty Angus was his second smallest team, only 22 men appeared to claim track suits.

Eastern scheduled Western Illinois for the first time in a dual meet, and also Culver Military Academy, of Culver, Indiana. Dropped this year was the annual Teachers College Meet. The full schedule for the year is listed below:

April 4, Normal, here

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April 23, Southern Illinois, here

April 25, Indiana State, here

May 20, Culver Military, at Culver, Indiana

May 16, Western Illinois, at Macomb

May 24, State Meet, at DeKalb

After the April 4 Normal meet was postponed, the first meet of the season was against Southern. E.I. again kept their record clear of never having beaten Southern as they lost 93 to 38.

Eastern could only grab 4 firsts and four seconds. The firsts were by Joe Bressler in the discus with 125 ft. 8 1/2 in., and the shot put with 44 ft. 9 1/2 in., and the javelin with 167 ft. 11 in.; and Robert Carroll in the high jump at 5 ft. 8 in.

The seconds were by Charles Akes in the 880; Joe Ward in the high hurdles and low hurdles; L. Willian in the high jump; and Ray Suddarth in the javelin.

The 3 other points were scored by Robert Seaman in the mile; R. Albers in the two mile; and John Lewis in the pole vault.

Joe Bressler was high point man in the meet with 15 points.¹

Eastern lost to Indiana State for the second year in a row, 75 1/2 to 55 1/2. Joe Bressler again was the star of the meet as he won the shot put at 44 ft. 1 in., the discus with 115 ft. 7 in., and took second in the javelin, losing to Ray Suddarth, who tossed the spear 163 ft. 9 in.

The best mark of the afternoon was a 6 ft. high jump by L. Willian, Robert Carroll cleared 5 ft. 10 in. for a second place, and Joe Ward tied for third.

E.I. swept the discus, with James Hutton and Wayne Parks finishing behind Bressler, Joe Ward won the low hurdles in :28.2, and R. Albers won the two mile in 10:52.

E.I.'s other points were scored by: Robert Seaman, second in the mile, and third in the 880; Eldon Long, third in the pole vault; Kent Clark, third in the broad jump; Parks, third in the shot put; Charles Akes, second in the 880, and third in the two mile; and Ward, second and Willian, third in the high hurdles.¹

¹Varsity records.

The "Panthers" lost their third consecutive meet in the rescheduled Normal meet, held May 6, by a score of 89 to 37. Joe Bressler continued his domination in the weight events as he won the discus with 134 ft. 5 in., and the shot put with 43 ft. 6 in. He also took a third in the javelin.

E. I. Scored only three other firsts, one by Ray Sudarth in the javelin with 158 ft.; one by Robert Seaman in the mile at 4:40; and the other by Joe Ward tied for first in the high hurdles in 16.2.

The other points were scored by: R. Stewart, third in the 220; Charles Akes, third in the 440 and 880; Ward, second in the low hurdles; R. Albers, third in the two mile; John Lewis, third in the discus; Kent Clark, third in the broad jump; Robert Carroll, second in the high jump; and Wayne Parks, third in the shot put.¹

Against Culver Military Academy, Eastern lost by 10 points, 59 to 49. The two schools agreed not to compete in the javelin and two mile run. This may have cost Eastern the meet as they had strength in both events, especially the javelin.

¹Varsity records.

Eastern scored six firsts, and swept the mile run. The firsts were by: Ray Suddarth in the 100, in :10.9; Charles Akes in the 440, in :55.6; Eldon Long in the 880, in 1:06.4; Robert Seaman in the mile, in 4:45.2; and Joe Bressler in the discus, with 135 ft. 6 in., and shot put, 46 ft. 8 in., two great marks.

Other points for Eastern were recorded by: R. Stewart, third in the 220; Seaman, third in the 880; Joe Ward, second in the high hurdles, and third in the low hurdles; Long, second and R. Albers, third in the mile; Ray Suddarth, third in the broad jump; Robert Carroll, second in the high jump at 5 ft. 11 1/2 in.; Jim Hutton, third in the shot put with 44 ft. 3 1/2 in.; and John Lewis, third in the pole vault.¹

In the last dual meet of the season, Eastern scored only 42 points to Western Illinois's 84. Eastern failed to score in five events.

Joe Bressler set two Western Field records as he tossed the discus 135 ft. 11 in., and put the shot 44 ft. 10 in. E.I. scored only three other firsts, but again swept the mile.

¹Varsity records.

John Lewis tied for first in the pole vault at 11 ft. 3 in., Eldon Long won the 880 in 2:03.5, and Robert Seaman won the mile in 4:42.5. Long and R. Albers finished behind Seaman.

Additional places for E.I. were: Seaman, third in the 880; Albers, second and Francis Palmosky, third in the two mile; Jim Hutton, third in the discus; Ray Suddarth, third in the javelin and broad jump; Robert Carroll, tied for second in the high jump; Wayne Parks, third in the shot put; and Bressler, second in the javelin.¹

The 33rd annual I.I.A.C. meet was held at Glidden Field, at DeKalb, and once again the state teachers colleges dominated the meet. Northern won the meet for the fourth time in seven years, as they totaled a record 87 points. Runnerups were Normal, 45 1/4, Western, 36 1/2, Southern, 30 1/4, Eastern, 13, Carthage, 9, Elmhurst, 4, and Eureka, 0.

Joe Bressler, Eastern's best weight man since Bernal Connett in the 20's, won the shot put with 44 ft. 1/8 in., and also placed fourth in the discus.

Raymond Suddarth took a second in the javelin with a

¹Varsity records.

toss of 172 ft. 8 in.; John Lewis was fifth in the pole vault; and Eldon Long was fifth in the 880.

Only one record was set, that in the discus by Flick of Southern, with a toss of 143 ft. 8 1/2 in., 9 ft. further than the old record.¹

Joe Bressler led the team in scoring for the third year in a row, with a total of 69 points. Robert Seaman was next with 27 1/4, followed by Joe Ward with 25 1/2.²

1942

In Winfield Scott Angus's next to last year as head track coach, the prospects again appeared dim as another small team reported for track practice. Gone were Joe Bressler, top discus thrower and shot putter for the previous four years, Ray Suddarth, and Joe Ward.

The schedule for 1942 was unchanged from the previous year, except for Millikin replacing Culver Military on the card.

April 17, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

April 23, Indiana State, at Terre Haute

April 29, Normal, at Normal

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

May 6, Millikin, here

May 15, Western Illinois, here

May 23, State Meet, at Carbondale

The first meet of the year was a disaster as E.I. lost to Southern Illinois, 97 1/2 to 33 1/2. Eastern failed to score in six events, and in the nine events they did score in, they took only five firsts.

The firsts were in the 100 by Jack Arnold in :10.7; 880, by Eldon Long in 2:07.7; two mile, by Robert Seaman in 10:49.5; pole vault by John Lewis at 10 ft. 6 in.; javelin, by Russell Pierson with 161 ft. 1 in.

Eastern had only two seconds, one by Seaman in the mile run, and the other by Jack Arnold in the 220. The third were by Wayne Parks in the shot put, Chuck McCord tied for third in the high jump, and Bernard Warren in the 880.¹

Eastern demonstrated a reversal of form, at least as far as the field events, but still lost to Indiana State, 75 to 51. Of the possible 54 points in the field events, the Panthers scored 39.

¹Varsity records.

Eastern swept the discus with Irvin Burtt leading the way with 115 ft. 7 in., followed by John Lewis, and Wayne Parks. In the shot put, Russell Pierson won with 38 ft. 9 in., followed by Burtt. In the high jump, James Sullivan took first at 5 ft. 4 in., followed by Joe Goodwin. Goodwin won the pole vault at 10 ft. 6 in., followed by Lewis. In the javelin, Pierson took first with 162 ft. 10 in., with Sullivan third.

Scoring for Eastern in the track events were: Robert Seaman, second in the two mile, and third in the mile; James Smith, third in the 440; Charles Long, third in the high hurdles; Eldon Long, second in the 880; Jack Arnold, tied for second in the 220; and Siebert, third in the low hurdles.¹

Eastern lost their third meet of the year, this time to Normal 75 to 56. E. I. again showed good power in the field events, but again were weak in the runs.

Scoring in the field events were: Russell Pierson, first in the shot put at 37 ft. 2 in., and in the javelin at 156 ft. 3 in.; Wayne Parks, second in the shot put, and third in the

¹Varsity records.

javelin and discus; James Sullivan, second in the javelin, high jump, and broad jump; Irving Burtt, first in the discus with 115 ft. 5 1/2 in.; John Lewis, first in the pole vault at 11 ft.; and Joe Goodwin, tied for second in the pole vault, and third in the high jump.

Scoring for Eastern in the running events were: Robert Seaman, third in the mile and two mile; Bernard Warren, third in the 440 and 880; Jack Arnold, second in the 100 and 220; Charles Long, second in the high hurdles; and J. King, second in the two mile.¹

Eastern lost their fourth dual meet of the season, losing to Millikin 81 to 50. Taking firsts for the thin-clads were: Jack Arnold in the 220 in :23.4; James Sullivan and Joe Goodwin tied for first in the high jump; Russ Pierson in the javelin with 164 ft. 3 in.; and the mile relay team of Jack Arnold, Robert Seaman, Eldon Long, and Bernard Warren, in 3:38.

Other points for E.I. were scored by: Seaman, second in the two mile and third in the mile; Warren, third in the

¹Varsity records.

440 and 880; Arnold, second in the 100; Eldon Long, second in the 880; J. King, third in the two mile; Siebert, third in the low hurdles; John Lewis, second in the pole vault and third in the high jump; Joe Goodwin, third in the pole vault and second in the high jump; James Sullivan, third in the broad jump and javelin; Pierson, second in the shot put; Wayne Parks, third in the shot put; and Irving Burtt, third in the discus.¹

Eastern also lost its last meet of the year to Western Illinois, 71 1/6 to 54 5/6. Eastern had only five firsts and fewer seconds. Taking firsts were: Jack Arnold in the 100 in :10.6; Eldon Long in the 880 in 2:10.8; Russell Pierson in the shot put at 37 ft. 6 in.; John Lewis in the pole vault at 11 ft.; and Irving Burtt in the discus at 117 ft. 5 in.

Picking up the other points for E.I. were: Eldon Long, second, and Robert Seaman, third in the mile; Bernard Warren, third in the 440; Charles Long, third in the high hurdles; Seaman, second in the 880; Jack Arnold, second in the 220;

¹Varsity records.

J. King, second, and R. Albers, tied for third in the two mile; Jim Sullivan, third in the shot put and broad jump, and second in the high jump; Jod Goodwin, tied for second in the pole vault; Lewis, second in the discus; Wayne Parks, third in the discus and javelin; and Pierson, second in the javelin.¹

The conference meet reached a new low in 1942 as only five schools competed. Northern won with 83 points; Normal was second with 50; Western was third with 46; Southern fourth with 26; and Eastern last with 16.

Only one new record was set, that by Perkins of Northern who ran the mile in 4:20.2.

For Eastern, James Sullivan tied for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 1/4 in.; John Lewis tied for second in the pole vault; Russell Pierson took a third in the javelin; Eldon Long won a fourth in the 880, and fifth in the mile; Irving Burt took fifth in the discus, as did Sullivan in the broad jump.²

The year ended with Russell Pierson as the team's high

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

point man with 44 points. This was the fourth year in a row a weight man had led the team in scoring. Runners were Jack Arnold with 33 1/4, and John Lewis with 32.¹

Summary

Although Coach Winfield Angus coached one more year at Eastern, the writer felt that due to war conditions affecting Eastern at the time, that this year should be included in a separate chapter.

Angus had his fat and lean years, many times he was hindered by small teams. His best year was in 1939, when Eastern registered a 3 and 2 record. His worse years were in 1937, 1941, and 1942, when Eastern failed to win a meet.

Angus should also be remembered as a developer of fine individual stars, especially in the distance runs. Among the fine distance men that he coached were Willard Witte, Bob Anderson, and John Dayton. He also coached many fine men in the field and weight events, among these were Bob Holmes, Joe Bressler, and Russell Pierson.

¹Varsity records.

CHAPTER V

THE WAR YEARS

During the period of World War II there was only a slightly organized track and field program at Eastern. Although pick-up teams did compete in the conference meets, only one dual meet was entered in the period 1943 - 1945. During this era Coach Charles Lantz, Coach Winfield Angus, and Coach Pim Goff, all worked in coaching the Eastern track teams. In 1946, Eastern resumed regular varsity track under Pim Goff.

1943

In 1943 no dual meets were scheduled, but two men did compete in the I.I.A.C. conference meet. They were Robert Seaman, who placed third in the two mile and fifth in the mile; and Irving Burtt, who took a fourth in the discus and a fifth in the shot put. These two men were recommended for letters by Coach Angus as was customary for men who had placed in the conference meet.¹

After the 1943 school year, Mr. Angus was granted a leave

¹Varsity records.

of absence to serve on the athletic staff at the University of Illinois. His duties consisted of conducting physical training courses for army and navy men stationed at the university.¹

1944

For the I.I.A.C. conference meet of 1944, Eastern garnered a pickup team consisting of Lyle Knott, Andrew Sullivan, John Robinson, Clemens Hannekin, and Allyn Cook. These five men scored 25 points and won third place in the May 18 meet at Normal. State Normal's team, studded with naval trainees, placed first with 103 points, while Western was second with 68, and Southern fourth with 14.

Eastern's main point getter was a former Teachers College High School speedster, by the name of Lyle Knott, who had placed fifth in the state high school 100 yd. dash in 1943. Knott won first in the broad jump with 21 ft. 5 1/4 in., first in the 100, and second in the high jump and 220. He was the second high scorer of the meet.

The other Eastern men placed as follows: Sullivan,

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, September, 1943, p. 1.

second in the high hurdles and fifth in the shot put; Cook, fifth in the pole vault; and Robinson, fifth in the mile. For Sullivan, it was only the second time he had ran the hurdles in his career.¹

1945

On April 20, 1945, Eastern's three man track team, under the direction of Coach Lantz and Coach James "Pim" Goff, bagged 26 points and fourth place in a six team track meet at Normal. The others schools entered were Carthage, Western, Southern, Wesleyan, and Normal. Southern won the meet with Normal second, and Western third.

Lyle Knott won firsts in the 100, 220, broad jump, and placed fourth in the high jump. Hal Craig, a freshman, placed second in the 220 and broad jump, and third in the 100. Andrew Sullivan captured third in the high hurdles.²

In the I.I.A.C. meet, at Normal on May 18 and 19, Northern Illinois won with 57 points, Southern was second, and Eastern fourth.

Lyle Knott retained his titles in the 100 and broad jump,

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 31, 1944, p. 9.

²News item in the Eastern Teachers News, April 25, 1945, p. 4.

took third in the 220, and tied for second in the high jump, scoring 16 points.

Hal Craig had 11 1/2 points, placing second in the 220 and low hurdles, and tied for second in the 100. Andy Sullivan and John Stabler also entered and scored in the meet.¹

Andy Sullivan was known as one of the all-time great athletes in Eastern history. Besides competing in track, he was captain and most valuable player for two years on the basketball team. He also won the Harvey Seal trophy as the M.V.P. in the conference. Sullivan was also a two time captain of the football team and was an all-conference fullback.

In addition, Sullivan was a member of Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, President of the Varsity Club, Men's Union, Junior Class, and Sigma Tau Gamma.²

1946

For the 1946 track season James "Pim" Goff was head coach. Goff received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Illinois State Normal University where he was a star athlete. Besides playing basketball and football, Goff participated in

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 29, 1945, p. 10

²Warbler (Published by students of Eastern State Teachers College, 1946), p. 89.

three spring sports, tennis, track, and baseball.¹

More than twenty men answered Coach Goff's call for track candidates, including Lyle Knott, conference dash champion, and LeeRoy "Gunboat" LaRose. LaRose won the India-Burma theatre shot put event following the war with a heave of 51 ft. plus, and appeared to be Eastern's top prospect for the weight events in many years.²

The schedule for the year was as follows;

March 23, Butler Relays, at Indianapolis

April 27, Normal, at Normal

May 3, Southern Illinois, here

May 9, Rose Poly and Indiana State, at Terre Haute

May 11, Elmhurst Relays, at Elmhurst

May 14, Millikin and Illinois Wesleyan, at Decatur

May 17-18, State Meet, at Normal.

Competing against Big Ten schools, and larger universities of the middle west in the Butler Relays, the Panthers found the going rough. LeeRoy LaRose placed fifth in the shot put with a great toss of 48 ft. 8 in., more than two

¹Warbler (Published by students of Eastern State Teachers College, 1945), p. 28; and news item in the Teachers College News, Oct. 4, 1932, p. 5.

²News item in the Eastern Teachers News, April 3, 1946, p. 4.

feet further than the I.I.A.C. conference record. Lyle Knott and Wayne Parke, the other two men Coach Goff took to the meet failed to place.¹

In the first dual meet of the year, E.I. surprised Illinois Normal 69 2/3 to 56 1/3, beating Normal for the first time

E.I. tied or won 8 of 14 events, and also totaled 8 seconds. LeeRoy LaRose set a McCormick Field record of 46 ft. 1 in. in the shot put. Neal Hudson won the high jump at 5 ft. 11 5/8 in., and Jim Sullivan won the javelin with 172 ft. 11 in., for E.I.'s best marks. Other E.I. wins were by: Bill Monier, son of E.I.'s head Groundskeeper Camile Monier, in the mile at 4:56; Bernard Warren in the 880 at 2:10.9; Don Sullivan in the low hurdles in 27;1; LaRose in the discus with 126 ft. 9 in.; and Lyle Knott tied for first in the broad jump at 20 ft. 11 in.

Other places for Eastern were won by: Dick Spillers, second in the 440; Knott, second in the 100; Herb Williams, second in the high hurdles and third in the lows; James

¹Varsity records.

Drolet, second in the 880 and third in the 440; Don Johnson, second in the 220 and third in the 100; John Barr, second in the two mile; LaRose, second in the javelin; Wayne Parke, second in the shot put; Don Sullivan, third in the high hurdles; Manwell, third in the 220; and Hudson, third in the broad jump and tied for third in the pole vault with John Lewis.

LaRose was high point man in the meet with 13 points.¹

Against Southern Illinois, Eastern scored 36 1/2 points in the field events but still lost the meet 76 1/2 to 53 1/2. Neal Hudson was high point man in the meet. He won the high jump at 5 ft. 4 in., the broad jump at 21 ft. 8 in., and tied for first in the pole vault at 10 ft. 6 in. with John Lewis. LeeRoy LaRose won the shot put at 45 ft. 11 in., the javelin at 151 ft. 2 in., and tied for third in the discus. The only other first for E.I. was by Dick Spillers who ran the 440 in 55.1.

Other events that Eastern scored in were: the mile and two mile, Bill Monier, third; the 440, Don Sullivan, third;

¹Varsity records.

the 100, Lyle Knott, second; the javelin, Jim Sullivan, second; the 220, Knott, second, and Don Johnson, third; the high jump, Knott, tied for second; and the broad jump, Knott, second.¹

In a triangular meet with Indiana State and Rose Poly, Eastern scored 85 $\frac{3}{4}$ points to win the meet. Indiana State scored 59 $\frac{3}{4}$ and Rose had 17 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Eastern's scoring was heaviest in the field events, sweeping the broad jump and placing three men in each weight.

In the broad jump Neal Hudson won at 20 ft. 10 in., followed by Lyle Knott, Marvell, and John Lewis, LeeRoy LaRose won three firsts; the shot put at 46 ft. $\frac{3}{4}$ in., the discus at 117 ft. 7 in., and the javelin at 154 ft. $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Also placing in the field events were: Hudson, first in the high jump at 5 ft. 9 in. with Lewis tied for third; Jim Sullivan, second and Wayne Park, third in the javelin; Lewis second, and Jim Sullivan, fourth in the discus; Parke, second, and Jim Sullivan, third in the shot put; and Lewis, tied for first in the pole vault with an outstanding 11 ft. 9 in., and Hudson third.

¹Varsity records.

In the running events it was John Barr, third in the mile and fourth in the two mile; Dick Willmoth, fourth in the mile; Dick Spillers, second in the 440 and fourth in the 220; Don Sullivan, third in the 440; Lyle Knott, first in the 100 at :10.2 and Don Johnson, third; Herb Williams, fourth in the high hurdles; James Drolet, second, and Bernard Waren, third in the 880; Johnson, third in the 220; Bill Monier, second in the two mile; Harold Gray, third in the low hurdles; and the mile relay team, second.

Lewis's pole vault of 11 ft. 9 in. was the best vault up to this time by any Eastern athlete.¹

On May 11, Eastern entered its first Elmhurst Relays. Eastern scored 10 3/4 points to place seventh of fourteen schools. LeeRoy LaRose, Lyle Knott and John Lewis, accounted for all of Eastern's points. LaRose won the shot put with 46 ft. 1 1/2 in., was fourth in the javelin, and fifth in the discus. Knott was fourth in the broad jump, and Lewis tied for third in the pole vault with eight others.

Coach Goff took twelve men to the meet, not including Neal Hudson who had an injured ankle.²

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 15, 1946, p. 4.

Eastern won its second triangular meet of the year as they defeated Millikin and Illinois Wesleyan, 90 5/6, to 51 2/3 and 19 1/2. Eastern took eight firsts in the meet including the mile relay. Winning firsts for the "Panthers" were: Dick Spillers in the 440, at :55.3; Don Johnson in the 100, in :10.7; LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put, with 44 ft. 8 in.; Lyle Knott in the 220, in :24.0, and the broad jump, at 20 ft. 4 in.; John Barr in the two mile, in 11:40.2; Jim Sullivan in the javelin, with 152 ft. 4 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:42.

Eastern also had nine seconds, these were by: Bill Monier in the mile and two mile; Don Sullivan in the 440; Knott in the 100; Jim Sullivan in the shot put; Knott and Herb Williams tied in the high jump; LaRose in the discus; Spillers in the 880; Harold Gray in the low hurdles; and Manvell in the broad jump.

Other places for Eastern were by: Barr, third in the mile; James Drolet, third in the 440; Wayne Parke, fourth in the javelin and shot put; Chuck McClure, third and J. Sullivan, fourth in the discus; Drolet, third and Bernard Warren, fourth in the 880; Manvell, fourth in the 220; Moody, fourth in the two mile; D. Sullivan, third in the low hurdles;

Lewis, third in the broad jump; and Dick Willmoth, tied for fourth in the pole vault.¹

In the I.I.A.C. meet, Eastern made one of its best showings in years as they took a third place with 38 1/2 points. Southern Illinois won the meet with 86; Normal was next with 45 1/2, Northern Illinois was fourth with 24 1/2, and Western Illinois was fifth with 23 1/2.

LeeRoy LaRose set the only new conference record as he put the shot, 46 ft. 11 1/2 in. "Gunboat" also took a second in the javelin behind Jim Sullivan who tossed the spear 166 ft. 10 in. Neal Hudson tied for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 9 in. and took a second in the broad jump.

Eastern's mile relay team took a second; Bill Monier won third in the mile and fourth in the two mile; Dick Spillers won third in the 880 and fourth in the 440; Lyle Knott was fifth in the broad jump and 100; Jim Sullivan was fifth in the shot put; and Don Sullivan was fifth in the 440 to round out the Panthers scoring.²

Pim Goff's first and last year as head coach was highly successful as the thinclads defeated more schools than ever

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

before, and lost to only one school in dual or triangular competition.

LeeRoy "Gunboat" LaRose led his teammates with 63 1/2 points and topped off the season with conference record in the shot put. Other outstanding men throughout the year were James Sullivan and Neal Hudson.¹

Summary

The war and post-war years cannot be considered a loss. Despite the problem of a lack of male students, Eastern was very prominent in the meets they competed in.

Several stars arose during this era, men like Lyle Knott, Neal Hudson, and LeeRoy LaRose. Many of these men would go on to reach further stardom in the next era of track and field at Eastern.

¹Varsity records.

CHAPTER VI

THE EARLY ERA OF MAYNARD "PAT" O'BRIEN

This chapter concerns itself with the early era of Maynard "Pat" O'Brien. O'Brien began his career at Eastern in 1946 and has continued to the present time. His career will be divided into two parts in this history, mainly as a matter of organizational convenience. The year in which O'Brien took his sabbatical leave will be considered the arbitrary dividing point.

1947

Maynard "Pat" O'Brien came to Eastern in the fall of 1946 as head football and track coach after being discharged from the U.S. Navy as a lieutenant commander. He spent his undergraduate days at Lombard College and Illinois Wesleyan, earning a total of eleven letters in football, basketball, and track. O'Brien had much experience as a high school coach in Illinois. He spent a total of three years at Lewistown and three more at Mt. Olive. Later at Carlinville, he produced two championship football teams in four years prior to taking a position at Decatur High School..¹

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, Aug. 20, 1946, p. 5.

O'Brien had fifteen lettermen back from last year's squad, including LeeRoy LaRose, Neal Hudson, John Lewis, Dick Spillers, and Wayne Parke.

Eastern entered two men in the March 22, Purdue Relays, at Lafayette, Indiana. Both men entered, LeeRoy LaRose and Russ Ghere did not place. LaRose dropped out of the shot put after tossing it 45 ft. due to influenza, and Ghere was eliminated in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.¹

Eastern's outdoor schedule for the year was as follows:

April 19, Millikin, at Decatur

April 29, Indiana State, here

May 3, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

May 6, Millikin, here

May 10, Elmhurst Relays, at Elmhurst

May 16-17, I.I.A.C., at DeKalb

In the first dual meet of the year, E.I. proved victorious over Millikin 84 $\frac{3}{5}$ to 46 $\frac{2}{5}$. The Panthers captured ten firsts, nine seconds, and nine thirds. Eastern had two double winners in Don Johnson who won the 100 in :10.6 and

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, Apr. 2, 1947, p. 5.

the 220 in :24.0; and Don Sullivan who won the 880 in 2:08.5 and the mile in 4:57.8.

Also winning for Eastern were: LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 45 ft. 8 3/4 in.; Dick Spillers in the 440 in :55.4; Neal Hudson in the high jump at 5 ft. 6 in.; Bill Monier in the two mile in 11:20.3; Wayne Parke in the javelin at 156 ft. 1 in.; and the mile relay team of Spillers, Bob Drolet, Don Brauer, and Don Sullivan in 3:42.4.

Others placing for Eastern were: Spillers, second in the 880; Lyle Knott, third in the 100, 220, and broad jump; Ernie Waren, second, and Brauer, third in the 440; Monier, second in the mile; John Barr, third in the mile and two mile; Hudson, Russ Ghere, and Max Stiles, tied for second in the pole vault; Jack Robertson, second in the 220; Chuck Gross, second in the shot put and discus; Gross and Ghere, tied for third in the high jump; Hudson, second in the broad jump; Walter Stein, third in the low hurdles; and LaRose, third in the javelin.¹

Eastern again was victorious in the second meet of the

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, Apr. 23, 1947, p. 7.

year as they beat an old nemesis, Illinois Normal, 33 1/2 to 47 1/2. Eastern had eight firsts, one being a hand-and-hand tie between Bill Monier and John Barr in the two mile run in a time of 11:21.7.

Top scorer for E.I. was LeeRoy LaRose who had nine points. "Gunboat" won the shotput at 45 ft. 8 in., took second in the javelin, and third in the discus.

Eastern scored in the other events as follows: the mile, Monier, second and Barr, third; the 440, Bob Babbs, first in :54.0, Dick Spillers, second; the 100, Don Johnson, second, and Jack Robertson, third; the high hurdles, Glen Piland first in :16.7, Roy Klay, second; the 880, Don Sullivan first in 2:06.8, Bob Drolet, second, and Dick Spillers, third; the shot put, Chuck Gross, second; the 220, Don Johnson, first in :23.7, Robertson, second, and LeeMarkwell, third; the pole vault, Neal Hudson, second and John Lewis, third; the low hurdles, Babbs, second; the discus, Gross, second; the high jump, Gross, third; the javelin, Wayne Parke, third; the broad jump, Hudson first in 21 ft. 4 1/4 in., Lyle Knott, third; and the mile relay team of Ernie Warren, Bob Drolet,

Brauer, and Don Sullivan, first in 3:42.4¹

Eastern continued its winning streak by defeating Indiana State 86 to 45. Eastern dominated the field events with LeeRoy LaRose taking three firsts, Gunboat won the shot put with 45 ft. 8 3/4 in., the javelin with 149 ft. 3 in., and the discus with 116 ft. 10 in. Neal Hudson won the broad jump at 21 ft. 3 in., and tied for first in the pole vault with John Lewis at 11 ft.; and Chuck Gross tied for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.

Other first place winners for E.I. were: Don Sullivan in the mile in 4:51.3; Jack Robertson in the 100 in :10.6; Glen Piland in the high hurdles in :16.4 and Lows in :27.2; Bill Monier in the two mile in 10:58.8; and the mile relay team of Dick Spillers, Ernie Warren, Bob Babbs, and Don Sullivan in a good time of 3:33.5.

Other placers for E.I. were: Robertson, third in the 220; Gross, second in the shot put; Wayne Parks, third in the shot; Russ Ghere, tied for third in the pole vault; Monier, second, and John Barr, third in the mile; Spillers, third in the 440; Don Johnson, second in the 100; Sullivan, third in

¹Ibid. p. 6-8

the 880; Dick McCulloch, third in the two mile; Aaron Gray, third in the low hurdles; Pugh, second, and Gross, third in the discus; Hudson, tied for third in the high jump; Wayne Parke, second, and Record, third in the javelin; Charles Hildebrand, third in the broad jump.¹

Eastern had their winning streak broken against Southern Illinois as they lost 84 to 47. Eastern could only manage four firsts in the meet. Don Sullivan won the mile in 4:48.5; LeeRoy LaRose won the shot put with 45 ft. 11 in.; Neal Hudson won the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in. and also the broad jump with 21 ft. 11 in.

The other Eastern places were gathered by: Ernie Waren, second in the 440; Jack Robertson, second in the 100 and 220; Roy Klay, third in the high hurdles; Dick Spillers, second, and Bob Drolet, third in the 880; Bill Monier, second and Dick McCulloch, third in the two mile; LaRose, third in the javelin and discus; John Lewis, second in the pole vault; Hudson, second in the high jump; and Lyle Knott, third in the broad jump.

The best marks in the meet were by two S.I. performers,

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 7, 1947,

Tucker, who won the high jump at 6 ft. 1/2 in., and Drake, who won the 880 in 2:01.8.¹

Eastern again faced Millikin in a dual meet that spring and also won again 88 to 43. This ended Eastern's dual meet season with a 4-1 record.

Winning firsts for Eastern were: Dick Spillers in the mile in 4:46.7; Don Sullivan in the 440 in :53.1; Don Johnson in the 100 in :10.4; Lee Markwell in the 220 in :23.8; Bill Monier in the two mile in 10:31; Neal Hudson in the broad jump with 21 ft. 3 1/2 in. and high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.; LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 45 ft. 9 1/2 in.; John Lewis in the pole vault at 12 ft.; and the mile relay team of Spillers, Bob Babbs, Ernie Waren, and Sullivan in 3:34.7.

Additional places were picked up by: John Barr, second in the mile and two mile; Bob Richmond, third in the mile; Waren, second, and Don Brauer, third in the 440; Markwell, second in the 100; Babbs, second, and Bob Drolet, third in the high hurdles; Don Johnson, second, and Lyle Knott, third in the 220; Dick McCulloch, third in the two mile; Ken Klette, third in the low hurdles; Chuck Gross, third in the shot put,

¹ibid.

and second in the discus; Record, third in the javelin; Knott, third in the broad jump; and Hudson, third in the pole vault.¹

Eastern entered the Elmhurst Relays and scored 9 1/2 points to finish about midway in a field of twenty schools.

LeeRoy LaRose secured first in the shot put with 46 ft. 5 3/4 in. Neal Hudson took two places, fourth in the broad jump and fifth in the high jump. John Lewis completed Eastern's scoring by winding up in a four-way tied for third place in the pole vault.²

In the 39th. annual running of the I.I.A.C. meet, LeeRoy LaRose broke the conference shot put record for the second consecutive year. His winning toss was 47 ft. 9 1/4 in. Neal Hudson retained his high jump crown, tying for first at 6 ft. Hudson was second high scorer in the meet as he participated in a five-way tie for first place in the pole vault at 12 ft. and took second in the broad jump.

Northern won the meet with 78 points, followed by Southern 57 1/2, Eastern 37 1/2, Western 30, and Normal 21 1/2.

Other men who placed for E.I. were: John Lewis, tied

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 14, 1947, p. 6.

²Ibid.

for first in the pole vault; Bill Monier, second in the two mile; Don Sullivan, third in the mile; Dick Spillers, fourth in the mile; Ernie Waren, fourth in the 100; Lyle Knott, fourth in the broad jump; Don Johnson, fifth in the 220; and the mile relay team of Spillers, Bob Babbs, Waren, and Sullivan, second.¹

Neal Hudson was the top individual scorer of the year with 65 1/2 points. This completed a most successful year for the Olney flash. He was not only chosen most valuable player in football, but was also the conference M.V.P. in basketball.²

1948

Coach O'Brien greeted seventeen returning lettermen from the 1947 squad. Among those back were LeeRoy LaRose, Neal Hudson, Don Johnson, Dick Spillers, and Don Sullivan. LaRose pioneered a new first when he scored the first points ever for Eastern in the Purdue Relays on March 27. The 235 lb. junior from Dupo put the shot 46 ft. 11 1/2 in. for fifth place, just a few inches shy of third place.³

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 21, 1947, p. 6; and varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern Teachers News, Apr. 2, 1947, p. 6; and varsity records.

³News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 24, 1948, p.6.

The outdoor schedule for the year was as follows:

April 9, Millikin, at Decatur

April 17, Illinois Normal, at Normal

May 1, Southern Illinois, at Trojan Field

May 5, Indiana State, at Terre Haute

May 8, Ball State, at Trojan Field

May 15, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

May 21-22, I.I.A.C. at Carbondale

In the first meet of the year Eastern scored an easy victory over Millikin, 82 to 44. E.I. took eleven firsts, led by LeeRoy LaRose and Don Johnson who had two apiece.

The firsts were won by: Dick Perry in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; LaRose in the shot put with 45 ft. 8 in., and the discus with 121 ft. 7 in.; Johnson in the 100 in :10.4, and the 220 in :23.8; Jim Sullivan in the javelin with 157 ft.; Dick Spillers in the mile in 4:57 and after being knocked to his knees the first lap; Ernie Waren in the 440 in :54.2; Don Sullivan in the 880 in 2:06.6; John Barr in the two mile in 10:55.2; and the mile relay team of Spiller, Don Brauer, Paul Arnold, and Waren, in 3:40.5.

Securing the other 27 points for E.I. were: Roy Wagner,

second in the broad jump; Bob Taylor, second in the javelin; Hargis, second in the mile; Walter Briggs, second in the 440; Jack Sheets, second in the 100, a third in the 220; Bill Schouten, second in the 880; Bill Monier, second in the two mile; Ken Klette, second in the low hurdles; Max Stites, third in the pole vault; Chuck Gross, third in the shot put and discus, and tied for third in the high jump with Russ Ghere and Roy Klay; Paul Arnold, third in the 440; Paul Roosevelt, third in the 880; Dick McCulloch, third in the two mile; and Kennedy, third in the low hurdles.¹

Eastern defeated the Illinois Normal Redbirds for the second year in a row 80 1/2 to 50 1/2. Don Johnson and Lee-Roy LaRose again won two first apiece. Johnson won the 100 in :10.3 and the 220 in :22.7. LaRose won the shot put with 47 ft. 9 in. and the discus with 120 ft. 1 in.

Other Panther firsts were by: Ernie Waren in the 440 in 54:5; Jim Sullivan in the javelin with 161 ft. 1 in.; Neal Hudson in the broad jump at 20 ft. 1 1/2 in.; and the mile relay team of Dick Spillers, Don Brauer, Paul Arnold and Waren, in 3:40.5.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 14, 1948, p. 6.

Also scoring were: Jack Sheet, second in the 100 and third in the 220; Dick Spillers, second in the mile; Hedden second in the shot put; Jim Logan, second in the high hurdles and third in the lows; Gene Carrigan, tied for second in the pole vault; Walter Briggs, second in the 440; Chuck Gross, second in the discus and third in the shot put; Don Sullivan, second in the 880; Russ Ghere, second in the high jump; Vern Wagner, second in the broad jump; Schneider, third in the mile; Wilbur Hands, third in the high hurdles; Max Stites, third in the pole vault; Ken Sedgewick, third in the discus; John Barr, third in the two mile; Jim Logan, third in the low hurdles; Bill Schouten, third in the 880; and Hudson, third in the high jump.¹

Eastern was beaten in their third meet of the year,, losing to Southern Illinois 76 1/3 to 54 2/3. The meet was held at Charleston High School's Trojan Field because Schahrer Field was the site of the new library and Eastern was still in the process of building the new Lincoln Field.

Panthers taking firsts in the meet were: LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 47 ft. 11 in.; Neal Hudson in the pole

¹Varsity records.

vault at 11 ft . 6 in. and broad jump at 21 ft. 9 in.; Bill Schouten in the 880 in 2:05; Ken Klette in the low hurdles in 26.4; Jim Sullivan in the javelin with 162 ft. 9 in.; and the mile relay team of Dick Spillers, Walter Briggs, Paul Arnold, and Ernie Waren in 3:34.9.

Other men scoring for Eastern were: Don Johnson, third in the 100; LaRose, third in the discus; Spillers, second in the mile; Briggs, second in the 440; Jack Sheets, second in the 100 and 220; Wilbur Hanks, second in the low hurdles and third in the highs; Roy Klay and Russ Ghare, tied for second in the high jump; Hargis, third in the mile; and Waren, third in the 440.¹

In the fourth meet of the year E.I. came up against a strong Indiana State team and barely managed to win 68 to 63. State's mile relay team won the final event in 3:28.7, anchored by Ken Kinney who earlier won the 440 in 59.0.

E.I. could only win six firsts but won the meet on the basis of seconds and thirds, with sweeps in the two mile, high hurdles, shot put, and discus. The six firsts were by: Wilbur Hanks in the high hurdles in :16.9; Dick McCulloch in the two

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 5, 1948, p.4.

mile in 10:34.1; Neal Hudson in the broad jump with 20 ft. 9 3/4 in. and the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 46 ft. 1 in.; and Chuck Gross in the discus with 122 ft. 6 1/2 in.

Second places were won by: Hargis in the mile; Ernie Waren in the 440; Roy Klay in the high hurdles; Paul Roosevelt in the 880; John Barr in the two mile; Wilbur Hanks in the 220; Hedden in the shot put; LaRose in the discus; and Jim Sullivan in the javelin.

Thirds were won by: Dick Spillers in the mile; Jack Sheets in the 100 and 220; Jim Logan in the high hurdles; Hargis in the 880; Bill Monier in the two mile; Ken Klette in the low hurdles; Dick Perry, Gene Carrigan, and Russ Ghere in the pole vault; Hudson in the high jump; Jim Sullivan in the shot put; and Ken Sedgwick in the discus.

Ernie Waren in taking second in the 440 to Kinney ran one of Eastern's fastest times of 51.9. Kinney also won the low hurdles in a very fast :24.5.¹

Eastern went on to win another meet at Trojan Field, edging another Indiana team, Ball State, 68 1/3 to 62 2/3.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 12, 1948 p.8.

Eastern this time did not sweep an event but won nine firsts. The firsts were by: Wilbur Hanks in the high hurdles in :16.2, and the lows in a neat :25.6; Dick Spillers in the 330 in an excellent 2:02.7; LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 45 ft. 1 in., and the discus with 124 ft. 10 in.; Jim Sullivan in the javelin with 163 ft. 7 in.; Russ Ghere and Neal Hudson tied in the high jump at 5 ft. 8 in.; Dick Perry and Hudson tied in the pole vault at 10 ft. 7 in.; and Hudson by himself in the broad jump at 21 ft. 5 in.

Eastern's other placers were: Walter Briggs, second in the 440; Jack Sheets, second in the 100 and 220; Ken Klette, second in the low hurdles; Ernie Waren, third in the 440; Roy Klay, third in the high hurdles; Hedden, third in the shot put; Gene Carrigan, tied for third in the pole vault; Charles Hilderbrand, third in the broad jump; and John Barr, third in the two mile.¹

Northern Illinois ended Eastern's dual meet season on a sour note by beating the Panthers $87 \frac{1}{3}$ to $43 \frac{2}{3}$. Northern won all but two firsts in the meet, those were taken by LeeRoy LaRose who won the shot put with 46 ft. $6 \frac{3}{4}$ in., Jim Sullivan who won the javelin at 164 ft. $8 \frac{1}{2}$ in.

¹Varsity records.

Taking seconds for Eastern were: Walter Briggs in the 440; Jack Sheets in the 100 and 220; Jim Logan in the high hurdles; Dick Spillers in the 880; Ken Klete in the low hurdles; Vern Wagner in the broad jump; LaRose in the discus; and Roy Klay tied in the high jump.

Thirds were by: Don Johnson in the 100; Klay in the high hurdles; John Barr in the two mile; Logan in the low hurdles; Dick Perry and Gene Carrigan in the pole vault; Russ Ghere in the high jump; Redden in the shot put; and Ken Sedgwick in the discus.

The outstanding mark of the day was by Hunsberger of Northern who pole vaulted 12 ft. 11 5/8 in.¹

Northern Illinois also won the I.I.A.C. meet by scoring 76 1/2 points despite the record breaking efforts of two Southern men. Hartley of Southern high jumped 6 ft. 4 in. for a new mark, and Quentin Stinson of Southern heaved the discus 147 ft. 7 1/2 in., breaking the old record by 4 ft. Southern was the runnerup in the meet with 53 7/10 points, followed by Western with 44 2/5, Eastern with 31, and Normal with 20 1/4.

¹Varsity records

Eastern had some fine times of its own as Walter Briggs ran the 440 in :51.2 in the trials, Don Johnson ran the 220 in :22.4 in the trials, and the mile relay team of Walter Briggs, Paul Roosevelt, Paul Arnold, and Ernie Waren, ran 3:29.7 and placed third in the meet.

Eastern did have its share of first place winners in the meet, but the failure of the runners to perform well cost the Panthers second or third place. Winning firsts for Eastern were: LeeRoy LaRose who put the shot 46 ft. 9 in.; Jim Sullivan who threw the javelin 170 ft. 2 in.; and Neal Hudson who broad jumped 21 ft. 11 1/2 in.

Also placing for Eastern were: Ken Sedgwick, fifth in the discus; Don Johnson, fourth in the 100 and 220; Briggs, fifth in the 440; Dick Perry, fifth in the 800; Ken Klette, fifth in the low hurdles; LaRose, fourth in the javelin; Hudson, tied for fourth in the pole vault; and Vern Wagner, fourth in the broad jump.¹

LeeRoy LaRose was high point man for Eastern in the conference meet with 8 points. In addition he was also high point man for the year with 52 points.²

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 26, 1948, p. 12.

²Varsity records.

1949

Coach Maynard O'Brien once again greeted a large group of returning lettermen among whom were Neal Hudson and LeeRoy Lakose, the team high point men for the previous two years. A newcomer, Bob Slater, promised to be a top prospect. Slater had taken second in the state high school meet in 1946 and had been out for track the following year at Eastern, but had to drop out when he broke his leg.¹

The schedule for 1949, including several new opponents, was as follows;

April 9, Washington University, at St. Louis

April 21, Indiana State, at Trojan Hill

April 30, Northern Illinois, at Trojan Hill

May 7, Ball State, at Muncie, Indiana

May 10, Chanutte Field and Evansville College, at Trojan Field

May 14, Illinois Normal, at Trojan Hill

May 20-21 I.I.A.C., at Normal

Against Washington U., Eastern could only win cleanly four firsts and lost the meet 85 5/6 to 45 1/6. Eastern did

¹News item in the Eastern Teachers News, May 28, 1947, p. 10.

appear strong though for so very early in the season.

Winning the firsts for Eastern were: Wilbur Hanks in the low hurdles in :25.5, a new school record; Bill Schouten in the 880 in 2:05.7; LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 45 ft. 8 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:34.3. Neal Hudson managed to tie for first in the pole vault at 11 ft.

Eastern scored in the other events as follows: the high jump, Hudson and Russ Ghere in a three way-tie for second; the pole vault, Ghere, third; the shot put, Vern Wagner, third; the mile, Herb Wills, second; the discus, Wagner, second, and LaRose, third; the broad jump, Hudson, second, and Jack Howell, third; the high hurdles, Don Gratteau, second, and Roy Klay, third; the two mile, John Barr, third; and the low hurdles, Gratteau, third.¹

Bounding back from defeat Eastern took nine firsts and beat the Indiana State "Sycamores" 72 1/2 to 58 1/2. Winning the firsts were: Herb Wills in the mile in 4:53.6, and the two mile in 10:52.5; Don Gratteau, setting a new school record, in the high hurdles in :16.0; Bill Schouten in the 880 in 2:07.1; Wilbur Hanks in the low hurdles in :25.7; Neal

¹Varsity records.

Hudson in the pole vault at 10 ft. 9 in., and the broad jump at 21 ft. 8 in.; LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 44 ft. 8 1/2 in., and discus with 121 ft. 7 1/2 in.

Other E.I. placers were: Bob Slater, second in the mile; Ernie Warren, third in the 440; Hanks, third in the 100; Dick Spillers, second in the 880; John Barr, second in the two miles; Gratteau, third in the low hurdles; Russ Ghery, tied for second in the pole vault, and tied for third in the high jump; Vern Wagner, second in the shot put, third in the discus, and tied for second in the broad jump; Hudson, second in the high jump; Joe Patridge, second in the discus; and LaRose, third in the javelin.

Mann of Indiana State threw the javelin 180 ft. 6 in., and Malloy ran the 100 in :10.1, and the 220 in :22.3.

In rain and mud the "Huskies" of Northern Illinois trimmed Eastern 79 1/2 to 51 1/2. Don Gratteau ran the high hurdles in :15.8 to erase his own and Joe Ward's 1938 record of 16.0.

Winning the other firsts that Eastern won were: Gus Abney in the 100 in :10.4; Herb Wills in the two mile in 10:28;

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 27, 1949, p. 10.

Vern Wagner in the broad jump at 21 ft. 1/2 in.; LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 46 ft. 8 1/4 in.; and Neal Hudson who participated in a three-way tie for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 9 in.

Taking seconds and thirds for Eastern were: Bob Slater, third in the mile; Ernie Waren, second in the 440; Don Johnson, second in the 100; Bill Schouten, third in the 880; John Barr, third in the two mile; Jim Logan, third in the high hurdles; Hudson, second in the pole vault and broad jump; Gerald Ray, tied for third in the pole vault; Vern Wagner, second in the discus and third in the shot put; LaRose, second in the javelin and third in the discus; and Wilbur Hanks, third in the low hurdles.¹

The Maroons of Southern Illinois turned back Eastern 80 to 51 for the third defeat of the season. Fred Thurston won the 220 in :23.4, with Don Johnson third, this was the first time Eastern had scored in the 220 in four meets.

Other Eastern firsts were by: Don Gratteau in the high hurdles in :16.1; Wilbur Hanks in the low hurdles in :25.9; and LeeRoy LaRose in the shot put with 46 ft. 5 1/2 in., and the javelin with 161 ft. 10 in.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 4, 1949, p. 7.

Other Panther points were scored as follows: Bob Slater, third in the mile; Ernie Waren, second in the 440; Dick Kimball, second in the 100; Bill Schouten, third in the 880; Herb Wills, second in the two mile; Gratteau, second in the low hurdles; LaRose, third in the discus; Hudson, second in the pole vault, third in the broad jump, and tied for second in the high jump; Gerald Ray, tied for third in the pole vault; Russ Ghere, tied for second in the high jump; and Vern Wagner, second in the broad jump.

Southern had many outstanding men. Conference champ Harley won the high jump at 6 ft. 4 in. Palmer won the mile in 4:38.5 and the two mile in 10:10.6; and Beltzy won the 880 in 2:01.6.¹

Ball State avenged the previous year's defeat by beating Eastern 73 1/2 to 57 1/2. Eastern won all but one of the field events, but could only take one running event.

The firsts were by: Don Gratteau in the high hurdles in :16.2; LeeRoy LaRose in the discus with 125 ft. 11 1/2 in., and shot put with 47 ft.; Neal Hudson in the high jump at 5 ft. 11 1/3 in., and pole vault at 11 ft. 3 in.; and Vern

¹Varsity records.

Wagner in the broad jump at 21 ft. 4 1/2 in.

The other places for E.I. were taken in the following events: the 440, Ernie Waren, second, Fred Thurston, third; the 100, Don Johnson, third; the high hurdles, Jim Logan, third; the 880, Dick Spillers, third; the 220, Thurston, second; the two mile, Herb Wills, second; the low hurdles, Wilbur Hanks, second, Ken Klette, third; the discus, Frank Pitol, second, Joe Patridge, third; the high jump, Russ Ghere, third for third; the pole vault, Ghere and Gerald Ray, a four way tie for second; the javelin, LaRose, second; and the broad jump, Hudson, third.

Ball State also had some very good men; Stairs won the 880 in 1:59.5; Hilton the 100 in :10.0, and the 220 in :22.1; Randal won the 440 in :50.8; and Brown, Sinford, and Stairs, crossed the finish line hand-in-hand in the mile in 4:36.2.¹

Eastern barely edged Chanute Field to win a triangular meet on Trojan Hill. The point totals were: Eastern 77, Chanute 73 1/2, and Evansville College 11 1/2. Chanute won all the running events, and Eastern won or tied all the field events.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 11, 1949, p.7.

Winning firsts were: LeeRoy LaRose in the javelin with 156 ft. 8 in., the discus with 130 ft. 2 in., and the shot put with 45 ft. 3/4 in.; Vern Wagner in the broad jump at 21 ft. 3 1/4 in.; Neal Hudson and Russ Ghere tied in the pole vault at 11 ft.; and Hudson tied in the high jump at 6 ft.

Scoring the other points for Eastern were: Bob Slater, second in the two mile and third in the mile; Herb Wills, fourth in the mile and two mile; Fred Thurston, third in the 220, and fourth in the 440; Don Johnson, second in the 100, and fourth in the 220; Dick Kimball, third in the 100; Jim Logan, second in the high hurdles; Dick Spillers, second in the 380; Wilbur Hanks, second, and Ken Klette, third in the low hurdles; Gerald Ray, tied for third in the pole vault; Hedden, third in the shot put; Vern Wagner, third in the discus, and fourth in the shot put; Joe Patridge, second in the discus; John Randolph, fourth in the javelin; Neal Hudson, second, and Jack Howell, third in the broad jump; and the mile relay team, second.

Because of a mixup in the arrangement of the high hurdles, Don Gratteau failed to place.¹

¹News item in the E stern State News, May 18, 1949, p.8.

In the last dual meet of the year Eastern walloped Illinois Normal $96 \frac{2}{3}$ to $34 \frac{1}{3}$. Eastern was led in scoring by Leekoy LaRose who won the shot put with 45 ft., the discus with 126 ft. $10 \frac{5}{8}$ in., and the javelin with 156 ft. $9 \frac{1}{2}$ in. Neal Hudson also scored heavily as he won the high jump at a fine 6 ft. 1 in., which tied the school record by L. Willian in 1941, tied for first in the pole vault at 11 ft., and took third in the broad jump.

Two other records were set or tied by Eastern. Wilbur Hanks ran the low hurdles in :25.1, : 0.4 faster than his :25.5. record; and Don Gratteau ran the high hurdles in 15.8 tying his own record.

Others winning firsts for Eastern were: Bob Slater in the mile in a good 4:41.4; Fred Thurston in the 440 in :52.8; Don Johnson in the 100 in :10.3; Dick Spillers in the 800 in 2:06; Herb Wills in the two mile in 10:22.5; Jack Howell in the broad jump at 21 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team of Spillers, George Merrimac, Thurston, and Ernie Waren, in 3:37.3.

Gathering other Eastern points were: Waren, second in the 440; Dick Kimball, second in the 220, and third in the 100; Jim Logan, second in the high hurdles; Bill Schouten, second and

Paul Roosevelt, third in the 880; Don Johnson, third in the 220; Gratteau, third in the low hurdles; Hedden, second in the shot put, and tied for third in the high jump; Vern Wagner, second in the broad jump, and third in the shot put and discus; John Randolph, third in the javelin, Gerald Ray, tied for third in the pole vault; and Russ Ghery, tied for third in the high jump.¹

In the I.I.A.C. meet, Northern Illinois won again with 67 points. Western surprised Southern 62 to 53 for second place. Eastern was fourth with 34, and Normal was last with only 9.

Eastern had only one first place, that was by LeeRoy LaRose who won the shot put with 47 ft. 4 in. and remained undefeated for the season in that event. Gunboat also had two fourths, acquired by throwing the javelin 159 ft. 4 in., and the discus 132 ft.

The Panthers who also scored were: Bob Slater, second in the mile; Fred Thurston, fourth in the 220; Neal Hudson, tied for fourth in the high jump; Herb Wills, third in the

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 25, 1949, p.6.

two mile; Wilbur Hanks, second in the low hurdles; Vern Wagner, second in the broad jump, and third in the discus; Jack Howell, fifth in the broad jump; and the mile relay team, fourth.¹

LeeRoy LaRose and Neal Hudson graduated in 1949 as two of Eastern's greatest athletes. Gunboat led the team in scoring again with 88 points; Hudson was second with 69 2/3. LaRose, during his career at E.I., won eight letters, three in football, four in track, and one in baseball. Hudson had eleven, four in basketball, four in track, and three in football.

Other men who were graduating with several letters were: Don Johnson, who had three in football and four in track; and Dick Spillers who had four in cross-country and four in track.²

1950

The 1950 squad included only seven lettermen back from the previous year. Several letter winners had either graduated or transferred. But things were not in as bad a shape as they appeared. Included in the more than forty men who

¹Ibid, Eastern State News, p. 7, and varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern State News, June 6, 1949, p.10.

reported were several high school track stars. These were: Ted Ellis from Danville who was the Big 12 high jump champ; Fred Crawford from Danville, the Big 12 pole vault champ; Frank Knox, Indianapolis city shot put champ; Bob Scott, who had taken fifth in the mile in the state high school meet; and Glenn Curtis, who had taken third in the 880 at the state meet.

Two new schools joined the I.I.A.C. that year, Michigan Normal of Ypsilanti, and Central Michigan of Mt. Pleasant, bringing the total membership to seven.

In March, Coach O'Brien took four men to the North Central Indoor Relays at Naperville and Eastern placed 10th. of 35 teams. Ted Ellis tied for first in the high jump at 6 ft. 1 1/4 in., and Jack Howell took fourth in the broad jump to account for Eastern's six points. Herb Wills and Fred Crawford did not place.¹

The schedule for the outdoor season was as follows, with all home meets scheduled on the new Lincoln Field.²

April 19, Washington U., here

April 22, Illinois Normal, at Normal

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 21, 1960, p.7.

²News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 29, 1960, p.6.

April 28, Southern Illinois, here
May 6, Ball State and Millikin, here
May 10, Indiana State, here
May 13, Chanute Field, here
May 20, Western Illinois, here
May 26-67, I.I.A.C. at Normal

Eastern once again lost to Washington U. in the first meet of the year, 84 to 48. Eastern could only win four events, but set good marks in the events they did win. Ted Ellis tied for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 11 3/4 in. Jack Sims won the mile in 4:39.5. Glenn Curtis won the 440 in :51.9; and the mile relay team of Don Siegel, Bill Strater, Ellis, and Curtis won in 3:35.5. The individual marks were all just barely off the school records.

Other Eastern placers were: Gerald Ray and Don Henderson, tied for second in the pole vault; Frank Knox, third in the shot put; Herb Mills, second in the two mile, and third in the mile; Jack Howell, second in the broad jump, and third in the 100 and low hurdles; Roy Klay, second, and Allan Rodgers, third in the high hurdles; Curtis, second in the 880; Morris

Jacobs, third in the 220; Sims, third in the two mile; Vern Wagner, second in the discus; and Carl Shew, second in the javelin.

Sackett pole vaulted 13 ft., and Scheffendeiker ran 10:05.4 in the two mile for the best Washington U. marks.¹

Coming back against Illinois Normal, Eastern won 79 1/12 to 52 11/12, with Glenn Curtis setting a new record in the 880 of 2:02.1, busting the old record of Dick Spillers of 2:02.7 in 1948.

Jack Sims again ran a fine mile, winning in 4:40.8. Ted Ellis high jumped 5 ft. 11 1/4 in., and Jack Howell broad jumped 21 ft. 8 in. for other fine Eastern wins.

Other winners for E.I. were; Frank Knox in the shot put with 44 ft. 3 1/2 in.; Don Siegel in the 220 in 23.2; Roy Klay in the high hurdles in :16.1; Gerald Ray, Don Henderson, and Fred Crawford in a four-way tie in the pole vault at 11 ft. 2 in.; Curtis in the 440 in :53.3; Carl Shew in the javelin at 168 ft. 8 in.; and the mile relay team of Joe Heneberry, Foster Campbell, Don Siegel, and Ellis in 3:36.3.

¹Varsity records.

Others placing for E.I. were: Howard Siegel, second in the 100; Morris Jacobs, second in the 220; Allan Rodgers, second in the high hurdles; Don Siegel, third in the 440; Frank Pitol, second in the discus; Sims, third in the two mile; Klay, third in the low hurdles; Don McGinnis, tied for second in the high jump; and Vern Wagner, third in the broad jump.¹

For the first time in "Panther" history, Eastern beat Southern Illinois in a dual meet. A victory in the mile relay was the deciding factor in the 67 to 64 squeaker. Two school records were set, one by Howard Siegel who eclipsed Don Johnson's 1949 record of :22.4 by :0.2 of a second, and Jack Howell bettered a school record in the broad jump, jumping 22 ft. 2 in. even though he finished second. The old record was by Neal Hudson, 21 ft. 11 1/2 in., set in 1948.

Other Eastern men gaining firsts were: Ted Ellis in the high jump at 6 ft. 1/2 in.; Frank Knox in the shot put with 43 ft. 3 1/2 in.; Jim Johnson in the 440 in :52.3; Allan Rodgers in the high hurdles in :16.4; Glenn Curtis in the 880 in 2:03.5; Tom Hartley in the discus with 121 ft. 11 in.; Carl Shew, just over a foot shy of a school record in the javelin,

¹Varsity records.

with 174 ft. 6 1/2 in.; and the clutch mile relay team of Cliff Nugent, Ellis, Curtis, and Johnson in 3:31.4.

"Panthers" winning seconds and third were: Gerald Ferguson, third in the shot put; Jack Sims, second in the mile; Don Siegel, third in the 440; H. Siegel, second in the 100; Roy Klay, second in the high hurdles; Fred Crawford and Gerald Ray, tied for third in the pole vault; Bill Schouten third in the 880; Herb Wills, third in the two mile; Rodgers, third in the low hurdles; Frank Pitol and Vern Wagner, second and third in the discus; and Hartley, third in the javelin.¹

Two more records were set as Eastern won a triangular meet over Ball State and Millikin, 70 5/6 to Ball State's 51 1/12, and Millikin's 40 1/4. Jack Howell broad jumped 23 ft. 1 in., 11 in. farther than his previous mark, and Cliff Nugent, Ted Ellis, Glenn Curtis, and Jim Johnson ran the mile relay in 3:29.5, :02 better than the 1948 record.

Also winning for Eastern were: Gerald Ray tied in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; Ellis in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.; Roy Klay in the high hurdles in 16.0; Curtis in the 880 in 2:02.8; and Vern Wagner in the discus with 126 ft. 2 7/8 in.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 3, 1950, p.5.

Additional points were won by: Don Henderson, tied for second in the pole vault; Fred Crawford, tied for fourth in the pole vault; Don McGinnis, tied for fourth in the high jump; Frank Knox, third in the shot put; Jack Sims, second in the mile and two mile; Curtis, fourth in the mile; Jim Johnson, second in the 440; Howard Siegel, fourth in the 100, and third in the 220; Allan Rodgers, second in the high hurdles, and fourth in the lows; Bill Schouten, a third in the 880; Morris Jacobs, fourth in the 220; Herb Wills, third in the two mile; Klay, second in the low hurdles; Frank Pitol, fourth in the discus, Wagner, second in the broad jump, and Foster Campbell, fourth; and Carl Shew, fourth in the javelin.

Other fine marks in the meet were a :09.7 100, and a :21.1 220 by Hilton of Ball State, and a 4:31.2 mile by Luttrell of Millikin.¹

Eastern swamped Indiana State for the fourth win of the year, 95 to 36. Jack Sims, a freshman from St. Elmo, broke Bob Anderson's twelve year old mile record of 4:35 by running 4:33.3. Ted Ellis high jumped 6 ft. 3 in. to break the joint record of L. Willian in 1941, and Neal Hudson in 1949, of 6

¹Varsity records.

ft. 1 in. Cliff Nugent, Ellis, Glenn Curtis, and Jim Johnson broke their four day old mile relay record with a 3:28.7 clocking. Other men coming close to records were Gerald Ray who pole vaulted 11 ft. 11 in., 1 in from the record; and Jim Johnson running :51.4 in the 440, :0.2 off the record.

Other men winning firsts for Eastern were: Howard Siegel in the 100 in :10.3, and the 220 in :22.5; Frank Knox in the shot put with 42 ft. 3 1/4 in.; Curtis in the 880 in 2:03.8; Sims in the two mile in 10:39.2; Jack Howell in the broad jump at 21 ft. 7 in.; and Vern Wagner in the discus with 117 ft. 3 3/4 in.

Winning seconds and thirds for E.I. were: Foster Campbell, tied for second in the high jump; Curtis, second in the mile; Howell, second in the 100; Roy Klay, second in the high hurdles and lows; Allan Rodgers, third in the high hurdles; Gerald Ferguson, second in the shotput; Bill Schouten, third in the 880; Don Henderson, second in the pole vault; Bill Strater, second in the two mile; Wagner, second in the broad jump; Tom Harltley, second, and Frank Pitol, third in the discus; and Carl Shew, second, and Dennis Gregory, third in the

javelin.¹

The record demolishing machine of Coach O'Brien's continued to roll in a 78 2/3 to 52 1/3 win over Chanute Field. Glenn Curtis won the 880 in 2:00.5 to break his own record, and Howard Siegel ran the 100 in :10.0, breaking the 1936 record of Charles Austin of :10.2.

Chanute was not without stars of their own. Charles Burghardt won the high hurdles in :14.7, and the lows in :24.3, and Chaney won the 440 in :49.3, and 220 in :21.4.

Eastern scored as follows in the other events: the pole vault, Gerald Ray first at 11 ft. 6 in., Don Henderson and Fred Crawford in a tie for second; the high jump, Ted Ellis first at 6 ft. 1/2 in., Don McGinnins tied for second; the shot put, Gerald Ferguson first with 42 ft. 2 in., Frank Knox second; the javelin, Tom Hartley first with 159 ft. 9 in., Carl Shew and Dennis Gregory, second and third; the mile, Jack Sims and Glenn Curtis, second and third; the 440, Jim Johnson and Cliff Nugent, second and third; the 100, Jack Howell, third; the high hurdles, Allan Rodgers, third; the

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220, H. Siegel, second; the low hurdles, Roy Klay, third; the discus, Frank Pitol, first with 124 ft. 5 1/2 in., Vern Wagner and Tom Hartley, second and third; the broad jump, Howell first at 22 ft. 4 in., Wagner and Foster Campbell, second and third.

The Chanute Field team won the mile relay in a very fast 3:27.3.¹

Against Western Illinois Eastern again set three more records, but only won 6 of 15 events, and lost the meet 72 to 59. Setting records were Fred Crawford who pole vaulted 12 ft. 1 in. to break the 1947 record of John Lewis and Neal Hudson of 12 ft.; and Glenn Curtis who ran 4:33.2 to break Jack Sims' new record of 4:33.3 in the mile, and also ran 1:59.1 to break his own 880 record of 2:00.5.

Winning the three other Eastern firsts' were: Dennis Gregory in the javelin with 163 ft. 5 in.; Jack Howell in the broad jump at 20 ft. 9 in.; and Jack Sims in the two mile in 10:28.9.

Scoring the other Eastern points were: Roy Klay, third in the high and low hurdles; Sims, second in the mile; Jim

¹Varsity records.

Johnson, second in the 220 and 440; Bill Strater, third in the two mile; Don Henderson, second, and Gerald Ray, third in the pole vault; Frank Knox, second, and Gerald Ferguson, third in the shot put; Ted Ellis, second in the high jump; Vern Wagner, second in the discus; and Tom Hartley, second in the javelin.

Western's mile relay team ran that event in 3:26.7.¹

At Normal, in the I.I.A.C. (now renamed to the Interstate Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) meet, Michigan Normal lived up to its advance notices, and swept the 31st. annual meet. The final scores were: Michigan Normal 79, Northern Illinois 36 3/4, Eastern 30, Western Illinois 27 1/2, Illinois Normal 24, Southern Illinois 21 3/4, and Central Michigan 6.

Six new records were set in the meet: Jack Weiss of Michigan Normal put the shot 47 ft. 10 1/2 in. breaking Lee-Roy LaRose's 1947 record of 47 ft. 9 1/4 in.; Keith Gundum of Michigan Normal ran the high hurdles in :14.5; Norb Bader of Michigan Normal ran the low hurdles in :23.2; Frank Duis

¹Varsity records.

of Northern ran the 880 in 1:55.1; Bob Neighbors of Michigan Normal pole vaulted 13 ft. 3 1/2 in.; and the Michigan Normal mile relay team ran the event in 3:22.6.

Scoring for Eastern, with many outstanding times and marks were: Jack Howell first in the broad jump with 21 ft. 7 1/2 in., with Vern Wagner second; Jack Sims third in the mile in 4:26 and fourth in the two mile in 10:02; Glenn Curtis fourth in the 880 in 1:56.9; Jim Johneon third in the 440 in 50:0; Carl Shew third in the javelin with 163 ft. 1/2 in. and Dennis Gregory fifth with 161 ft. 8 in.; Ted Ellis tied for fourth in the high jump at 6 ft. 2 in.; Fred Crawford tied for second in the pole vault at 12 ft. 7 in.; which was a new school record; Don Henderson and Gerald Ray tied for fifth in the pole vault at 12 ft. 1 in.; and Eastern's mile relay team of Curtis, Cliff Nugent, Ellis, and Johnson, fourth in 3:24.2.

Two new eligibility rules were established at the conference meeting. One, an athlete must have a C average to be eligible for competition; and second, he must have a year in residence after transferring to be eligible.¹

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 31, 1950, p.5, and varsity records.

Leading the team in scoring that year were: Glenn Curtis with 58 1/2 points, Jack Sims with 52, Jack Howell with 44, and Ted Ellis with 43 3/4.¹

1951

Although graduation took only one man from the 1951 team, Roy Klay, several men joined the armed services because of the Korean conflict, or dropped from school. Still Coach O'Brien had a find nucleus with which to work.

Two indoor meets were entered that spring. Three men traveled to the Midwest Track and Field Meet at Naperville, Roger Ewing, Fred Crawford, and Ted Ellis who won the high jump. Later at the Purdue Relays Eastern's six man team won a fourth, fifth, and sixth place in three events entered. The mile relay team of Cliff Nugent, Glenn Curtis, Ted Ellis, and Jim Johnson took fourth, Ellis tied for fifth in the high jump at 6 ft., and the distance medley team of Johnson, Roger Dettro, and Curtis took sixth.²

The outdoor schedule for the year was as follows:

April 10, Chanute Field, here

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 3, 1951 p. 4, and Apr. 4, 1951, p. 6.

April 21, Illinois Normal, here

April 28, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

May 5, Ball State, at Muncie

May 9, Indiana State, here

May 15, Millikin and Illinois Wesleyan, at Decatur

May 19, Western Illinois, here

May 25-26, I.I.A.C., here

For the third year in a row, Eastern beat Chanute Field, this time on a rain soaked track by a 85 to 46 score. Ted Ellis was the only double winner for Eastern as he took the low hurdles in :27.3, and the high jump at 6 ft. 1 in. In the broad jump Dan Coleman defeated two Chanute men with a jump of 22 ft. 3 1/2 in. One of the Chanute men was Jack Howell, Eastern's broad jump record holder, who took third with a jump of 20 ft. 10 in.

Others winning for E.I. were: Jim Johnson in the 440 in :52.1; Roger Young in the high hurdles in :17.0; Glenn Curtis in the 880 in 2:03.2; Jack Sims in the two mile in 10:16.8; Carl Shew in the javelin with 149 ft. 11 in.; Frank Pitol in the discus with 125 ft. 2 1/2 in.; the mile relay team of Curtis, Roger Dettro, Coleman, and Johnson in 3:32;

and Fred Crawford tied in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.

Those placing were: Sims, second in the mile; Jack Farris, third in the mile and 880; Curtis, third in the 440; Howard Siegel, second in the 100 and 220; Jerome Osmoe, third in the high hurdles; Herb Wills, third in the two mile; Roger Young, third in the low hurdles; Gerald Ferguson, second and Richard Davis, third in the shot put; Don Henderson, third in the pole vault; Coleman, second, and Crawford, third in the high jump; Pitol, second in the javelin; and Vern Wagner, second, and Joe Patridge, third in the discus.¹

The Blue and Gray of Eastern nipped the Illinois Normal "Redbirds" 68 1/3 to 62 2/3, winning the meet in the final event. Jack Sims set a new "Panther" record in the mile, breaking Glenn Curtis's one year old record of 4:33.2 with 4:32. Sims then came back to win the two mile in 10:09.7, defeating the conference champ Jacques Osborn.

Eastern's other firsts were by: Roger Dettro in the 440 in :52.3; Glenn Curtis in the 880 in 2:02.5; Howard Siegel in the 220 in :22.8; Ted Ellis in the low hurdles in

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 18, 1951, p. 6, and varsity records.

:26.7, and tied in the high jump at 6 ft.; Fred Crawford in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team of Dettro, Jack Farris, Curtis, and Jim Johnson in 3:30.2.

Those taking seconds and thirds were: Curtis, second in the two mile; Johnson, second in the 440, and third in the 220; Farris, second in the 880, and third in the 440; Roger Young, third in the high hurdles; Jerry Osmoe, second in the low hurdles; Don Henderson, second in the pole vault; George Zimmerman, tied for third in the high jump; Carl Shew, second in the javelin; and Vern Wagner, third in the discus and tied for second in the broad jump.¹

For the second time in a row, Eastern waited till the mile relay to clinch a meet as they beat Southern Illinois 70 1/2 to 60 1/2. This was the first time that Eastern beat Southern on the Carbondale track.

High point man for the Panthers was Dan Coleman who took seconds in the 100, 220, and broad jump, and a third in the high jump for ten points.

"Panthers" winning firsts were: Roger Dettro in the 440 in :53.0; Jim Johnson in the 220 in :23.7; Ted Ellis in the

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 25, 1951, p.6.

high jump at 6 ft. 1 1/8 in.; Fred Crawford in the pole vault at 12 ft. 1 3/4 in.; Vern Wagner in the discus with 128 ft.; Dick Davis in the shot put with 42 ft. 3 in.; Carl Shew in the javelin with 169 ft. 5 in.; and the mile relay team of Dettro, Jack Farris, Glenn Curtis, and Johnson in 3:30.

Additional Eastern places were by: Jack Sims, second in the mile; Johnson, second in the 440; Farris, second in the 880, and third in the 440; Herb Wills, third in the two mile; Ellis, third in the low hurdles; Don Henderson, second, and George Zimmerman, tied for third in the pole vault; Joe Patridge, third in the discus; Gerald Ferguson, second in the shot put; and Vern Wagner, third in the broad jump.¹

Eastern continued to roll to victory as they defeated the Ball State "Cardinals" 74 to 57 and set two new records. Jim Johnson, ran the 440 in :50.3, and the mile relay of Roger Dettro, Jack Farris, Glenn Curtis, and Johnson ran 3:28 for the two new records.

Others winning firsts for Eastern were: Jack Sims in the mile in 4:34.8; Curtis in the 880 in 2:01.3; Herb Wills and Jim Acklin tied in the two mile in 10:16.3; Carl Shew in the

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 2, 1951, p. 6.

javelin in 161 ft. 7 1/2 in.; Fred Crawford tied in the pole vault at 12 ft. 4 1/2 in.; and Vern Wagner in the discus with 129 ft. 9 in.

Also placing were: Dettro and Farris, tied for second in the 440; Byron York, third in the mile; Howard Siegel, second in the 100 and third in the 220; Roger Young, third in the high hurdles; Farris, second in the 880; Dan Coleman, second in the 220, third in the broad jump, and tied for third in the high jump; Sims, second in the two mile; Ted Ellis, tied for third in the high jump, and third in the low hurdles; Frank Pitol, third in the discus; Dick Davis, third in the shot put; and Vern Wagner, second in the broad jump.¹

Eastern chalked up their fifth victory of the season, smashing Indiana State 106 1/2 to 24 1/2. Several men did not compete due to illness, there were: Ted Ellis, Jack Sims, and Howard Siegel.

Jim Johnson broke Siegel's old 220 record of :22.2 with a :21.7 clocking for the best mark of the day.

Others winning for Eastern were: Byron York in the mile

¹Varsity records.

in 4:36.3; Roger Young in the high hurdles in :16.3; Glenn Curtis in the 880 in 2:02; Herb Wills in the two mile in 10:26; Jerry Osmoe in the low hurdles in :26.1; Dan Coleman tied at 5 ft. 8 in. in the high jump; Gerald Ferguson in the shot put with 42 ft. 1 1/2 in.; Carl Shew in the javelin with 165 ft.; Don Henderson and Fred Crawford tied at 12 ft. in the pole vault; Vern Wagner in the discus with 132 ft. 1 1/8 in.; Coleman in the broad jump at 22 ft. 4 in.; Johnson in the 440 in :51.2; and the mile relay team of Roger Dettro, Jack Farris, Curtis, and Johnson in 3:28.5.

Other "Panthers" placing were: Jim Acklin, second in the mile and two mile; Herb Wills, third in the mile; Farris, second in the 440 and 880; Dettro, third in the 440 and second in the high hurdles; Edmond Ross, third in the 100 and 220; Carol Pullen, second in the 220; York, third in the 880; Crawford, tied for third in the high jump; Dick Davis, third in the shot put; Charles Smith, third in the javelin; Frank Pitol, second, and Joe Patridge, third in the discus; and Vern Wagner, second in the broad jump.¹

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 6, 1951, p.6.

In a triangular meet with Millikin and Illinois Wesleyan, Eastern competed in the most exciting meet of the year. Millikin went ahead early in the meet but Eastern came back with sweeps in the two mile and broad jump, and were only two points behind going into the mile relay. Eastern running Roger Dettro, Jack Farris, Glenn Curtis, was anchored by Jim Johnson's 48.8 leg, and finished with a 3:23.2 clocking, but still lost to Millikin which ran a 3:22.0 clocking, anchored by Jim Lester who ran 48.2. The final score of the meet was Millikin 72 1/2, Eastern 68 1/2, and Illinois Wesleyan 21.

Performing the sweeps for Eastern were: Dan Coleman who won the broad jump at 21 ft. 5 1/2 in., followed by Vern Wagner, and Don Henderson; and Herb Wille who won the two mile in 10:14, followed by Jim Acklin and Jack Sims.

Eastern scored in the other events as follows: the pole vault, Fred Crawford tied for first at 11 ft. 9 in., Don Henderson, fourth; the high jump, Crawford and Coleman tied for fourth; the shot put, Gerald Ferguson, third, and Dick Davis fourth; the discus, Frank Pitol first with 128 ft. 5 1/2 in., and Vern Wagner second; the mile, Sims second, and Byron York fourth; the 440, Johnson second, and Farris fourth;

the 100, Howard Siegel third; the high hurdles, Roger Young third, and Dettro fourth; the 880, Curtis second, and Farris third; the 220, Johnson second, and Siegel third; the low hurdles, Jerry Osmoe, tied for second; and the javelin, Carl Shew second, and Charles Smith third.¹

Coming back from a heart breaking loss, Eastern swept four events, and broke three records to defeat Western Illinois 84 1/3 to 45 2/3. Breaking records were: Jack Farris who ran the 880 in 1:38.9, breaking Glenn Curtis's year old mark of 1:59; Fred Crawford who broke his own 1950 pole vault record by 1 1/2 in. with 12 ft. 9 1/2 in.; and the mile relay team of Roger Dettro, Farris, Glenn Curtis, and Jim Johnson, breaking their earlier record of 3:28, with a 3:25 clocking.

Others taking firsts were: Byron York in the mile in 4:42.5; Herb Wills in the two mile in 10:11.5; Gerald Ferguson in the shot put with 43 ft. 2 in.; Frank Pitol in the discus with 129 ft. 11 1/2 in.; Carl Shew in the javelin with 166 ft. 8 1/2 in.; and Vern Wagner in the broad jump with 22 ft. 2 1/4 in.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 23, 1951, p. 6-7.

The other places were as follows: Jack Sims, second in the two mile; Johnson, second, and Dettro, third in the 440; Howard Siegel, third in the 100 and 220; Roger Young, third in the high hurdles; Curtis, second in the 880; Dan Coleman, second in the 220 and broad jump, and tied for second in the high jump; Jim Acklin, second in the two mile; Dick Davis, second in the two mile; Dick Davis, second, and Dwayne Roe, third in the shot put; Wagner, second, and Joe Patridge, third in the discus; Charles Smith, second, and Ed Vogt, third in the javelin; and George Zimmerman and Don Henderson, tied for second in the pole vault.¹

For the first time in the history of the I.I.A.C., the conference meet, the 43rd., was held at Eastern. Eastern hoping to upset Michigan Normal, utilized a baseball player by the name of Ed Soergal in the javelin. Soergal did his job well and won with a toss of 168 ft. 7 3/8 in., 1 1/4 in. just farther than Bob Eudeikis of Normal, who later became assistant track coach at Eastern. This did not help though as Michigan Normal scored 68 2/3 points to Eastern's 45 2/3 to win its second consecutive title.

¹Varsity records.

The other schools scored as follows; Illinois Normal 40 $\frac{2}{3}$, Western Illinois 30 $\frac{2}{3}$, Southern Illinois 20 $\frac{1}{6}$, Northern Illinois 15 $\frac{1}{6}$, and Central Michigan 4.

Eastern scored two other firsts in the meet, one by Fred Crawford who tied for first and broke his own pole vault record with a 13 ft. effort; and the other by Vern Wagner who broad jumped 22 ft. 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.

Others scoring for Eastern were: Carl Shew, third in the javelin; Ted Ellis, tied for second in the high jump; Jim Johnson, second in the 440, and fourth in the 220; Glenn Curtis, second, and Jack Farris, third in the 880; Wagner, third, and Frank Pitol, fourth in the discus; Dan Coleman, fourth in the broad jump; Don Henderson, tied for third in the pole vault; and Eastern's mile relay team, second.

Three records were set or tied in the meet. McConner of Michigan Normal tied the 440 record at :48.9; Rocymon of Michigan Normal set a new shot put record of 50 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; and Jackson of Western Illinois set a new 220 record of :21.1.¹

Jim Johnson, the junior from Brazil, Indiana, led the

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 23, 1951, p. 5-6, and varsity records.

team in scoring in 1951 with 59 1/4 points. He was followed by Dan Coleman with 49 1/12, and Vern Wagner with 49.¹

That summer O'Brien left on a sabbatical leave to work on his doctorate at the University of Illinois. He was scheduled to be on leave the entire next year.²

Summary

Maynard O'Brien's early era as head track and field coach has to be considered as one of the most successful eras in Eastern track history. During the years 1947-51, the Panthers defeated 24 schools and lost to but 10 in regular season competition. In 1940 and 1951 Eastern beat 12 schools and lost to only 3. In addition, Eastern never finished lower than fourth in the I.I.A.C. took third twice, and finished second in 1951.

School records that previously stood for years were under constant attack during this era. Among those greats who participated in the assaults were LeeRoy LaRose, Neal Hudson, Vern Wagner, Don Gratteau, Jack Howell, Fred Crawford, Glenn Curtis, Howard Siegel, Jack Sims, Jim Johnson, and Ted Ellis,

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern State News, July 18, 1951,
p. 3

who's high jump record of 6 ft. 3 in. stands to this day.

O'Brien developed not only stars, but the men to back up the stars. This was the problem with so many previous E.I. teams, the lack of depth, not only in numbers but in quality.

CHAPTER VII

THE ERA OF JOHN H. LEWIS

This chapter concerns itself with the era of John H. Lewis. Lewis served as interim coach of track and field in absence of Maynard O'Brien, who during the year 1952 was on sabbatical leave.

1952

John H. Lewis was a 1947 graduate of Eastern. In the fall of 1951 he returned to the college as a member of the physical education staff. Lewis took his masters degree in 1951 from the University of New Mexico. Following his graduation from Eastern he coached three years at Grayville, Illinois.¹

On March 1, at the indoor relays at Naperville, Eastern placed three men. Fred Crawford won the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in., and tied for third in the high jump; Ted Ellis tied for first in the high jump at 6 ft. 3 1/2 in.; and Jack Sims took fifth in the mile for a total of 7 1/2 points.²

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Sept. 26, 1951, p. 4.

²News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 5, 1952, p.5.

Few veterans were out for the team in 1952, mainly because many had been called into service, and a few had graduated. Still several proven performers such as Jack Sime, Ed Soergal, Herb Wills, Howard Siegel, Jack Farris, Roger Dettro, Ted Ellis, and Fred Crawford, were out for the team.¹ The outdoor schedule for the year appeared as follows:

April 8, Millikin and Harris T.C., at Decatur

April 19, Chanute Field, at Rantoul

April 26, Illinois Normal, at Normal

May 3, Northern Illinois, here

May 7, Indiana State, at Terre Haute

May 9, Southern Illinois, here

May 17, Western Illinois, at Macomb

May 24, I.I.A.C., at Ypsilanti, Mich.

In E.I.'s first meet of the year, E.I. scored 87 1/2 points to Millikin's 69, and Harris's 5 1/2. The Panthers won ten of fifteen events.

Winning the ten events were: Jack Farris in the 440 in :52.9; Howard Siegel in the 100 in :10.6, and 220 in :23.7;

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 9, 1952, p. 5.

Jack Sims in the two mile in 10:03.9; Joe Patridge in the discus with 122 ft. 6 3/4 in.; Charles Smith in the javelin with 155 ft. 6 in.; Fred Crawford in the pole vault at 12 ft. 4 in.; Ted Ellis in the high jump at 6 ft. 2 in.; Don Henderson in the broad jump at 21 ft. 4 in.; and the mile relay team of Siegel, Ellis, Roger Dettro, and Farris in 3:34.3.

Scoring the other Panther points were: Sims, second, and Jim Acklin, third in the mile; Dettro, third in the 440; Carol Pullen, third in the 100; Roger Young, fourth in the high hurdles; Farris, second in the 880; Swann, fourth in the 220; Herb Wills, third, and Acklin, fourth in the two mile; Ellis, second in the low hurdles; Gerald Ferguson, second and Dick Davis, fourth in the shot put; John Hamilton, third in the discus; Crawford, second in the high jump, and fourth in the discus; Henderson, second and Dick Cavanaugh, third in the pole vault; Baldry, tied for third in the high jump; and Chuck McCoy, third in the broad jump.

John Luttrell of Millikin ran 4:27.5 in the mile, and 2:02.6 in the 880 to become their only double winner.¹

¹Varsity records.

In the second meet of the year, Eastern defeated Chanute Field for the fourth year in a row, 80 to 51. A new school record was set by Ed Soergal, conference champ, in the javelin with a throw of 193 ft. 10 in., almost 20 ft. further than the fifteen year old record.

Eastern won or tied for eight firsts, these were by: Jim Acklin in the mile in 4:46; Jack Farris in the 440 in :53.3, and 880 in 2:10.8; Herb Wills in the two mile in 11:03; Joe Patridge in the discus with 129 ft. 1 in.; Ted Ellis in the high jump at 6 ft. 2 in.; Fred Crawford tied in the pole vault at 12 ft. 4 in.; and the mile relay team of Bill Reid, Ellis, Roger Dettro, and Farris in 3:36.8.

Others placing for Eastern were: Acklin, second in the 880 and mile; Sims, second, and Wills, third in the mile; Dettro, second in the 440, and third in the "180" low hurdles; Carol Pullen, second in the 100, and third in the "180" dash; Dick Cavanaugh, third in the high hurdles; Cliff Nugent, third in the 880; Gerald Ferguson, second, Dick Davis, third in the shot put; Crawford, second, and John Hamilton, third in discus; Chuck Smith, second in the javelin; Don Henderson, third in the pole vault; and Ellis, second in the broad jump.

Both 220 yard races were shortened to 180 yda. because

of the length of the Chanute Field straight-away. Jack Howell, Eastern record holder in the broad jump, took third in that event for Chanute.¹

Eastern lost its first meet of the year to Illinois Normal, 78 1/2 to 52 1/2. Eastern won or tied only seven firsts, and was a victim of sweeps in the broad jump and shot put.

Panther places came in the following events; the mile, Jim Acklin first in a near record of 4:32.6, Jack Sims, second; the 440, Jack Farris, first in :51.4; Roger Dettro, second; the high hurdles, Roger Young first in :16.2; the 100, Farris, third; the 880, Farris, second; the 220, Ed Soergal, second, and Carol Pullen, third; the two mile, Herb Wills, third; the low hurdles, Ted Ellis, first in :25.4, Dettro second; the discus, Joe Patridge, second; the javelin, Ed Soergal, first with 176 ft. 7 in., Chuck Smith, third; the pole vault, Don Henderson tied for first at 11 ft. 6 in., Dick Cavanaugh tied for third; and the high jump, Ellis, first at 5 ft. 10 1/2 in.

Fred Crawford was injured and did not compete.¹

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 30, 1952, p. 7.

Eastern bounced back to demolish Northern Illinois 108 to 23, this was the first time Eastern had ever defeated Northern in a dual meet, and was the largest number of points ever scored between the two schools.

Eastern won 13 firsts and slammed 7 events. Eastern's most outstanding mark was Fred Crawford's pole vault of 12 ft. 10 1/4 in. Other firsts were by: Roger Dettro in the 440 in :52.3; Jack Farris in the 100 in :10.5, and the 880 in 2:01.5; Roger Young in the high hurdles in :16.6; Ed Soergal in the 220 in :23.2, and javelin at 172 ft. 11 in.; Ted Ellis in the low hurdles in :26.4, and high jump at 5 ft. 11 in.; Dwayne Roe in the shot put at 42 ft. 8 in.; Joe Patridge in the discus at 124 ft. 11 in.; Don Henderson in the broad jump at 21 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team of Dick Davis, Dettro, Ellis, and Farris in 3:36.2

Completing the sweeps for Eastern were: Soergal, second and Carol Pullen, third in the 100; Pullen, second, and Bill Reid, third in the 220; Dick Davis, second, and Gerald Ferguson, third in the shot put; Wilford Ashley, second, and John Hamilton, third in the javelin; Henderson, second, and Dick Cavanaugh, third in the pole vault; and Chuck McCoy, se-

cond, and Ellis, third in the broad jump.

Additional places were by: Jim Acklin, second in the mile; Dick Davis, third in the 440; Cavanaugh, second in the high hurdles; Harold Butts, third in the 880; Herb Wills second, and Acklin, third in the two mile; and Dettro, second in the low hurdles.¹

Eastern won again, annihilating Indiana State 109 to 22. This was also the largest total of points ever scored by one of the two schools in a dual meet. Eastern won all fifteen events plus slugging four.

Except for Ted Ellis's win of 6 ft. 2in., and Jim Acklin's winning mile of 4:39, few of Eastern's marks were that outstanding. Winning the other firsts were: Roger Dettro in the 440 in :51.6; Jack Farris in the 100 in :10.7, and the 880 in 2:03.6; Roger Young in the high hurdles in :17.0; Ed Soergal in the 220 in :23.6, and the javelin in 164 ft. 1/2 in.; Acklin in the two mile in 10:17; Ellis in the low hurdles in :26.6; Dick Davis in the shot put with 41 ft. 6 3/4 in.; Joe Patridge in the discus with 126 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Fred Crawford in the pole vault with a fine 12 ft. 6 in.; Chuck McCoy

¹Varsity records.

in the broad jump at 20 ft. 8 in.; and the mile relay team of Harold Butts, Bill Reid, Dettro, and Farris in 3:36.

Others scoring for Eastern were: Herb Wills, second in the two mile; Reid, third in the 220 and 440; Soergal, second, and Carol Pullen, third in the 100; Dick Cavanaugh, second in the high hurdles, and third in the lows; Butts, third in the 880; Pullen, second in the 220; Dettro, second in the low hurdles; Dwayne Roe, second, and Gerald Ferguson, third in the shot put; John Hamilton, second in the discus; Chuck Smith second in the javelin; Don Henderson, second in the pole vault; and Ellis, second in the broad jump.¹

In the last dual meet of the year, Eastern edged Southern Illinois 68 to 63 by taking the final event, the mile relay. Southern had built up a good edge by outscoring Eastern 47 to 25 in the running events. But Eastern outscored them in the field events 38 to 16 to tie the score going into the mile relay. Then Harold Butts, Ted Ellis, Roger Dettro, and Jack Farris ran the event in 3:30 to win the meet.

Winning events for Eastern were: Roger Young in the high

¹Varsity records.

hurdles in :16.9; Ted Ellis in the low hurdles in :26.0; Dick Davis in the shot put with 41 ft. 8 3/4 in.; Joe Partridge in the discus with 129 ft. 4 in.; Ed Soergal in the javelin with 172 ft. 1 in.; Don Henderson in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in., and broad jump at 21 ft. 9 in.

Taking Eastern's seconds were: Dettro in the 440; Dick Cavanaugh in the high hurdles; Farris in the 880; Herb Wills in the two mile; Dwayne Roe in the shot put; and Ellis in the high jump and broad jump.

Taking Eastern's thirds were: Jack Sims in the mile; Soergal in the 220; Jim Acklin in the two mile; Gerald Ferguson in the shot put; Cavanaugh in the pole vault; and Chuck McCoy in the broad jump.¹

Michigan Normal again dominated the I.I.A.C. meet with 83 6/7 points. Other point totals were: Illinois Normal 37 5/7, Central Michigan 29 5/14, Southern Illinois 26 6/7, Eastern 22 5/14, Western Illinois 17 5/14; and Northern Illinois 7 1/2. Heavy rains prevented any outstanding performances in the meet.

¹Varsity records.

Eastern had only two firsts, Ed Soergal defended his crown in the javelin, again defeating Bob Eudeikis, with a throw of 182 ft. 1/2 in.; and Ted Ellis tied for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 9 3/4 in.

Other Eastern points¹ were scored as follows: Joe Patridge, third in the discus; Jack Farris, third in the 880; Fred Crawford, tied for third in the pole vault and high jump; Ellis, fifth in the broad jump, and fourth in the low hurdles; and the mile relay team, fourth.

The best mark of the day was a 4:24.8 mile by Phil Coleman of Southern Illinois.¹

Leading the team in scoring that year were Ted Ellis with 73 points and Jack Farris with 59 1/4.²

Graduating was Ed Soergal, two time conference champ in the javelin, and "Little All-American" in football. Later on, in 1960, Soergal was chosen as one of the best Eastern athletes of the decade, and was considered the tope quarter-back in Eastern's history.³

Summary

John Lewis did a fine job as Eastern's interim coach.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 28, 1952, p.5.

²Varsity records.

³News item in the Eastern State News, Oct. 12, 1960, p.9

Under Lewis, Eastern beat six schools and lost to one in regular season competition. Although the fifth place I.I.A.C. finish was a disappointment, little fault can be found with Lewis's direction that year.

CHAPTER VIII

THE LATER ERA OF MAYNARD "PAT" O'BRIEN

Maynard "Pat" O'Brien returned to Eastern in the fall of 1952, and resumed his duties as head football, wrestling, and track coach. This chapter concerns itself with the later era of O'Brien's track coaching career and extends from 1953 to 1966.

1953

The outlook for 1953 was variable. Several key members of the team had graduated, dropped, or were drafted. Still around thirty-five men were out, including Charles Matheny. Matheny of Paris was the 1951 state high school cross-country champion and state mile champ. His time of 10:21 on the two mile cross-country course was the second best time in the nation by a high school boy. His winning time in the mile was 4:31.7, just below the Eastern record¹

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 17, Millikin, here

April 23, Illinois Normal, here

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Sept. 24, 1952, p. 4.

May 1, Northern Illinois, here

May 9, Teachers College Meet, at Normal

May 16, Western Illinois, at Macomb

May 22-23, I.I.A.C., at DeKalb

May 26, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

May 29, NAIA District #20, at Macomb

The first meet of the year, held in snow and a steady drizzle, resulted in a victory over Millikin, 70 4/15 to 60 11/15.

Ted Ellis pulled the biggest surprise of the meet by taking four firsts. Ellis won the low hurdles in :27.1, the javelin with 147 ft. 8 in., the broad jump at 21 ft. 7 3/4 in., and the high jump at 5 ft. 8 in. Others taking firsts for Eastern were: Hank Carter in the 100 at :10.9; Gail Borton in the shot put at 42 ft. 3 1/2 in.; and Fred Crawford in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.

Additional places were by: Jack Sims, second in the mile; Chuck Matheny, third in the 880 and mile; Jack Farris, second in the 880, and tied for second in the 440 with Dick Burch; Burck third in the 220; Leo Beals, third in the high hurdles; Carter, second in the 220; Jim Edmundson and Fred

Gore, second and third in the two mile; Dwayne Roe, second in the shot put; John Hamilton and John Byrne, second and third in the discus; Hamilton, second in the javelin; Pat Price and Fred Crawford, in a five - way second place tie in the high jump; and Al Dougherty and Bruce Knicely, in a three-way tie for second in the pole vault.

Taking third in the shot put for Millikin was Frank Chizevsky Jr. who became assistant football and wrestling coach at Eastern in 1966.¹

Placing in every event except the shot put E.I. beat Illinois Normal 81 to 50. Ted Ellis continued his rampage, taking three more firsts. Ellis won the broad jump at 21 ft. 8 in., the low hurdles at 26.9, and the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.

Also winning firsts for Eastern were: Chuck Matheny in the mile at 4:45.6; Dick Burch in the 440 in :52.5, and 220 in :23.1; Leo Beals in the high hurdles in :16.5; Jack Sims in the two mile in a very fine 10:05.5; Fred Crawford in the pole vault at 12 ft. 4 in.; and the mile relay team of Gary Newell, Bruce Knicely, Dick Burch, and Jack Farris, in 3:33.

¹Varsity records and a news item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 22, 1953, p. 6.

Taking seconds for Eastern were: Sims in the mile; Farris in the 440; Hank Carter in the 100 and low hurdles; Matheny in the 880; Knicely in the pole vault; and Crawford in the javelin.

Taking thirds were: Dick Corso in the high hurdles and lows; Farris in the 880; Jim Edmundson in the two mile; Crawford in the high jump; John Byrne in the discus; and John Hamilton in the javelin.¹

Ted Ellis continued his scoring spree as he took three firsts and a second in Eastern's 92.5 to 38.5 victory over Northern Illinois. Ellis won the broad jump at 21 ft. 6 3/4 in., the low hurdles in :25.7, the high jump at 6 ft. and took second in the javelin.

Other Eastern firsts were by: Jack Sims in the mile in 4:45.3; Dick Burch in the 220 in :22.0, and the 440 in :52.7; Hank Carter in the 100 in :10.1; Leo Beals in the high hurdles in :16.3; Fred Crawford in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.; John Byrne in the discus with 124 ft. 8 1/2 in.; Gail Borton in the shot put with 43 ft. 6 3/4 in.; and the mile relay team of Gary Newell, Bruce Knicely, Burch, and Jack Farris,

¹Varsity records.

in 3:35.7.

Other Panther points were by: Chuck Matheny, second in the mile; Newell, third in the 440; Farris, second in the 100 and 880; Carl Brauer, second in the high hurdles; Carter, third in the 220; Jim Edmundson and Fred Gore, second and third in the two mile; Dwayne Roe, second in the shot put; John Hamilton and Ted Black, second and third in the discus; Knicely, second in the pole vault; Crawford, tied for third in the high jump; and Pat Price, third in the broad jump.

Ted Ellis in three meets now had scored a total of ten firsts and 53 points.¹

On May 9, the former Teachers College Meet was revived, with all the state colleges competing, as the first Illinois State College track meet.

Winning the meet was Southern Illinois with 70 1/2 points, followed by Illinois Normal 52 1/2, Eastern Illinois 42 1/2, Western Illinois 40 1/4, and Northern Illinois 19 1/4.

Eastern only won or tied for three firsts, none of them by Ted Ellis. Jack Sims won two events, the mile in a school record of 4:24.2, breaking his own two year old record of

¹Varsity records.

4:32, and the two mile in 10:07.3. Fred Crawford tied for first in the pole vault at 12 ft. for the other first.

The other "Panther" points were scored by: Chuck Matheny, fifth in the mile; Jack Farris, third in the 440, and fifth in the 880; Ted Ellis, third in the low hurdles, and fourth in the broad jump, and tied for fourth with Fred Crawford in the high jump; Leo Beals, fifth in the high hurdles; Jim Edmundson and Fred Gore, second and fifth in the two mile; Gail Borton and Dwayne Roe, fourth and fifth in the shotput; Bruce Knicely, tied for third in the pole vault; John Byrne, third in the discus; and the mile relay team, fourth.

One of the fine marks in the meet was a 148 ft. discus throw by Del Swearingen of Illinois Normal.¹

Eastern lost its first dual of the year to Western Illinois 68 to 58 in a steady rain. The outstanding mark of the meet was a 4:26 mile by Jack Sims, just :01.8 seconds off his record.

Other Eastern firsts were by: Ted Ellis in the low hurdles in :27.2; Jim Edmundson in the two mile in 10:27; Fred

¹Varsity records.

Crawford in the pole vault at 10 ft., and javelin with 139 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Gail Borton in the shot put with 41 ft. 11 1/4 in.; and John Byrne in the discus with 124 ft. 3 in.

Also scoring were: Leo Beals and Dick Corso, second and third in the high hurdles; Gary Newell, third in the 100; Chuck Matheny, third in the mile; Jack Farris, second in the 880, and third in the 440; Fred Gore, second in the two mile; Bruce Knicely, tied for second in the pole vault; Dwayne Roe, second in the shot put; Ellis, third in the broad jump and javelin; and John Hamilton, second in the javelin.

The mile relay by mutual agreement was not run.¹

The 44th. annual I.I.A.C. meet was again won by Michigan Normal, with 63 points. They were followed by Central Michigan 52 1/2, Illinois Normal 28, Western Illinois 22 1/2, Northern Illinois 21, Eastern Illinois and Southern Illinois 19.

Two new conference records were set, one by Eastern's Jack Sims who ran the two mile in 9:46.7, which also broke Bob Anderson's 15 year old school record of 9:48.5. The

¹Varsity records.

other record was by Del Swearingen of Normal who threw the discus 155 ft. 4 1/2 in. Jim Podoley of Central Michigan won four firsts, the low hurdles in :24.0, the 220 in :21.8, the 100 in :10.1, and the broad jump at 23 ft. 1 3/4 in.

Other "Panther" points were by: Fred Crawford, tied for third in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.; John Byrne, fourth in the discus; Chuck Matheny and Jack Sims, second and third in the mile; Jack Farris, fifth in the 440 and 880; and Jim Edmondson, fifth in the two mile.¹

In the last dual of the year, Eastern lost to Southern Illinois 81 to 50. Chuck Matheny broke Jack Sims new record in the mile by :0.9 second, winning in 4:23.3 for the top mark of the meet.

Other places came in the following events; the mile, Jack Sims, third; the 440, Jack Farris, first in :51.7, Gary Newell, third; the 880, Farris, second; the two mile, Jim Edmondson, first in 10:16, Jack Sims and Fred Gore, second and third; the low hurdles, Ted Ellis, third; the shot put, Dwayne Roe, first at 43 ft. 2 1/2 in., Gail Borton, second; the javelin, Fred Crawford, third; the discus, John Byrne, first at

¹Varsity records.

122 ft. 1 in., John Hamilton, third; the pole vault, Crawford first at 12 ft. 4 in., Bruce Knicely and Al Dougherty, tied for third; the high jump, Ellis tied for first at 6 ft. 1/4 in.; and the broad jump, Ellis, third.¹

Eastern completed in the 2nd. NAIA District #20 meet and finished fourth. Western Illinois won the meet with 52 points, followed by Southern Illinois 49 1/2, Normal 43, Eastern Illinois 22 1/2, Mornmouth 22, and Millikin 16.

Winning firsts for Eastern in the meet were: Jack Sims in the two mile in 9:47.4, and Fred Crawford in the pole vault at 12 ft. 3 in.

Others placing were: Chuck Matheny, third in the mile; Gail Borton, third in the shot put; John Byrne, fourth in the discus; and Ted Ellis, fourth in the low hurdles, and fifth in the high jump.²

Advancing to the NAIA championships at Abilene, Texas, Fred Crawford tied for third place in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in. Bob Eudeikis of Illinois Normal won the javelin championship with a throw of 197 ft. 11 1/4 in. Crawford was the

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

first Eastern track man ever to place in the national meet.¹

Leading the team in scoring in 1953 was graduating senior and high jump record holder Ted Ellis with a total of 74 points.²

1954

Among the group of men who reported to Coach O'Brien in the spring of 1954 were only nine lettermen. Gone were stars Ted Ellis, Jack Sims, and Fred Crawford; but still a strong nucleus was present.³

The schedule for 1954 was as follows:

April 9, Millikin, at Decatur

April 15, Indiana State and DePauw, here

April 23, Illinois State, at Normal

April 27, Southern Illinois, here

April 30, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

May 4, Lincoln College, here

May 8, State College Meet, here

May 14, Western Illinois, here

May 21-22, I.I.A.C., at Carbondale

¹News item in the Eastern State News, June 24, 1953, p.4.

²Varsity records.

³News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 3, 1954, p.4.

In the first meet of the year, Eastern beat Millikin 71 to 60. Eastern won nine firsts and swept the two mile run.

Winning for Eastern were: Chuck Matheny in the mile in a neat 4:38.3; Jim Edmondson in the two mile in 10:38.5; Jim Bruce in the high jump at 5 ft. 8 in.; Everett Hardy in the discus with 126 ft. 1/2 in.; Winston Brown in the 100 in :10.4, and the 220 in :23.2; Ray Fisher in the shot put with 45 ft. 6 in.; Al Luthe in the broad jump at 20 ft. 1 in.; and Jerry Biggs in the low burdles in 27.1.

Other points were picked up by: Luthe, third in the high jump; Roger West, second in the discus; Joe Mansfield, third in the mile; Hank Carter, third in the 100 and low hurdles; Biggs, second in the high burdles; Gail Borton, second in the shot put; Bruce Knicely, third in the javelin; Wes Walker, third in the 880; Al Dougherty and Dick Martin, second and third in the pole vault; Jim Mitchell and Fred Gore, second and third in the two mile; and Bob Gilpin, third in the broad jump.¹

The second meet of the year was a double-dual meet with Indiana State and DePaw. Eastern defeated Indiana State

¹Varsity records.

114 $\frac{2}{3}$ to 16 $\frac{1}{3}$, but lost to DePauw 68 to 63. In this type of meet all athletes compete together but the points are tallied as a dual meet between each school, therefore, some of the winning Eastern times are not available.

Eastern placed as follows in the Indiana State meet; the shot put, Ray Fisher, first with 46 ft. 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., Gail Borton and Mervin Carl, second and third; the javelin, Bruce Knicely, first at 149 ft., Dick Martin second; the high jump, Jim Bruce, first at 5 ft. 9 in., Al Luthe, tied for second; the pole vault, Knicely, first at 12 ft., Martin and Al Dougherty, in a three-way tie for second; the discus, Everett Hardy, first at 131 ft. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ in., Tom Juravich and Roger West, second and third; the broad jump, Pat Price, first at 21 ft., and Bob Gilpin and Al Luthe, second and third; the mile, Chuck Matheny first in 4:42.7, Joe Mansfield, second; the 440, Dick Burch and John O'Dell, first and second; the 100, Winston Brown and Bob Gilpin, first and second; the high hurdles, Jerry Biggs and Leo Beals, first and second; the 880 Wayne Brooke, first, and Wes Walker and Jim Wood, second and third; the 220, Brown and O'Dell, first and second; the two mile, Jim Mitchell, first in 10:47.8, Jim Edmundson and Fred

Gore, second and third; the low hurdles, Biggs and Hank Carter, first and second; and the mile relay team first in 3:36.

Against DePauw the places came as follows; The shot put, Fisher and Borton, first and second; the high jump, Bruce, first; the pole vault, Knicely, tied for first, Martin and Dougherty, tied for third; the discus, Hardy and Juravich, first and third; the broad jump, Price first, Gilpin and Luthe, tied for second; the mile, Matheny, first; 100, Brown and Gilpin, second and third; the high hurdles, Biggs and Beals, first and second; the 880, Brooke and Walker, second and third; the 220, Brown and O'Dell, second and third; the two mile, Mitchell and Edmondson, first and third; and the low hurdles, Biggs, second.

York of DePauw ran the 100 in :09.9, and the 220 in :217. Bryant of DePauw ran the low hurdles in :23.9. Indiana State did not win a first against either opponent.¹

In the next meet, Eastern went on to defeat Illinois State, 67 to 64, despite the loss of the mile relay. Winston Brown, a freshman from New Orleans, Louisiana, was again a double winner, winning the 100 in :10.4, and the 220 in :22.7.

¹Varsity records.

Also winning were: Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:34.3; Hank Carter in the low hurdles in :25.3; Leo Feals in the high hurdles in :16.0; Bruce Knicely in the pole vault at 11 ft. 8 in., and javelin with 141 ft. 11 1/2 in.; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:16; and Jim Bruce in a four-way tie in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.

Additional places were by: Joe Mansfield, third in the mile; Dick Burch and John O'Dell, second and third in the 440; Carter, third in the 100; Jerry Biggs and Beals, second and third in the low hurdles; Matheny, third in the 880; Riggs, second in the high hurdles; Gail Borton and Jim Bruce, tied for second in the shot put; Dick Martin, second in the pole vault; Roger West, second in the discus; Al Luthe and Bob Gilpin, second and third in the broad jump; and Jim Edmundson third in the two mile.¹

Against Southern Illinois, Eastern was outclassed 81 to 50, Southern winning or tying for twelve of fifteen firsts.

Eastern's firsts were by: Ray Fisher in the shot put

¹Varsity records.

with 46 ft. 1/2 in.; Roger West in the discus with 129 ft. 6 3/4 in.; Jim Bruce tied in the high jump at 6 ft.; and Jim Mitchell, Jim Edmundson, and Fred Gore in a three-way tie in the two mile in 10:36.5.

Panthers also placing were: Gail Borton, second in the shot put; West, second in the javelin; Bob Gilpin and Al Luthe, second and third in the broad jump; Dick Martin and Bruce Knicely, in a four-way tie for second in the pole vault; Chuck Matheny, second in the mile; Dick Burch, third in the 440; Winston Brown, second in the 220, and third in the 100; Jerry Biggs, second in the high and low hurdles; Wayne Brooks, third in the 880; and Hank Carter, third in the low hurdles.¹

Eastern bounced back again to defeat Northern Illinois, 67 to 64, again without winning the mile relay.

The star of the meet was Jerry Biggs who won the low hurdles in :24.3, a new school record, and the highs in :15.9, just :0.1 second off the school record. Winston Brown was also a double winner, taking the 100 in :10.3, and the 220 in :21.9.

Others winning were: Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:31.1; Gail Borton in the shot put at 46 ft. 3 in.; and Jim

¹Varsity records.

Bruce in the high jump, tied at 5 ft. 11 3/4 in.

Also placing were: Hank Carter, second in the 440 and low hurdles; Dick Burch, third in the 440; Bob Gilpin, second in the 100, 220, and broad jump; Leo Beals, second in the high hurdles; Wayne Brooke, second in the 880; Jim Mitchell and Jim Edmundson, second and third in the two mile; Bruce Knicely, second in the pole vault; Al Luthe, third in the broad jump; and Ray Fisher, second in the shot put.¹

Eastern faced a new opponent in Lincoln College, of Lincoln, Illinois. Eastern demolished Lincoln 106 1/3 to 24 2/3, winning fourteen firsts and sweeping six events.

Firsts for Eastern were by: Chuck Matheny, Wes Walker, and Joe Mansfield, tied in the mile in 5:06.2; Dick Burch in the 440 in :53.2; Winston Brown in the 100 in :10.3, and the :220 in 22.8; Leo Beals in the high hurdles in :16.3; Wayne Brooke and Wes Walker tied in the 880 in 2:11.1; Jim Mitchell and Jim Edmundson tied in the two mile in 10:42.3; Jerry Biggs in the low hurdles in :26.0; Gail Borton in the shot put at 45 ft. 9 1/4 in.; Roger West in the discus with 119 ft. 5 3/4 in.; Bruce Knicely in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; Bob

¹Varsity records.

Gilpin in the broad jump at 21 ft. 3/4 in.; Jim Bruce tied in the high jump at 5 ft. 7 1/2 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:41.2.

Other places were by: John O'Dell, third in the 440; Gilpin, third in the 100 and 220; Biggs, and Dick Phipps, second and third in the high hurdles; Joe Mansfield, third in the two mile; Hank Carter and Beals, second and third in the low hurdles; Ray Fisher, second in the shot put; Everett Hardy and Mervin Carl, second and third in the discus; Dick Martin, third in the javelin, and in a three-way tie for second in the pole vault with Al Dougherty; Al Luthe and Pat Price, second and third in the broad jump, and both again in a three-way tie for third in the high jump.¹

The State College Track and Field meet was held on Lincoln Field with Southern Illinois winning its tenth crown. Southern won with 67 3/5 points, followed by Northern Illinois 48 3/5, Eastern Illinois 45 3/5, Illinois State 43 3/5, and Western Illinois 18 3/5.

Eastern's only winner was Chuck Matheny who won the mile

¹Varsity records.

in a fine 4:28.5. Other places were by: Winston Brown, second in the 100, and third in the 220; Bob Gilpin, fourth in the 220 and broad jump; Jerry Biggs, second in the high hurdles, and fourth in the lows; Leo Beals, third in the high hurdles; Jim Edmundson and Jim Mitchell, second and fourth in the two mile; Roger West, fifth in the discus; Bruce Knicely, tied for fourth in the pole vault; and the mile relay team, fourth.

The only record set was by Leo Wilson of Southern, who ran the high hurdles in :15.1.¹

In the last dual of the year Eastern swamped Western Illinois 93 1/4 to 37 3/4. Eastern won or tied eleven firsts and swept three events.

Chuck Matheny and Winston Brown won two firsts apiece, Matheny winning the mile in 4:37.8, and the 880 in 2:05. Brown won the 100 in :10.4, and the 220 in :22.9.

Other firsts were by: Jim Edmundson and Jim Mitchell tied in the two mile in 10:23.7; Hank Carter in the low hurdles in :25.8; Ray Fisher in the shot put at 46 ft. 1 1/4 in.; Roger West in the discus at 121 ft. 11 in.; Bruce Knicely in the pole vault at 12 ft.; Bob Gilpin tied in the broad jump

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 12, 1954, p. 4, and varsity records.

at 21 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:34.

Other points were by: Wes Walker and Joe Mansfield, second and third in the mile; Dick Burch, second in the 440; Leo Beals, third in the high hurdles; Carter, third in the 100; Jerry Biggs, second in the high and low hurdles; Wayne Brooke and Walker, second and third in the 880; John O'Dell, third in the 220; Fred Gore, third in the two mile; Gail Borton, second in the shot put; Everett Hardy, second in the discus; Knicely and Dick Martin, second and third in the javelin; Martin and Al Dougherty, second and third in the pole vault; Al Luthe, third in the broad jump, and in a four-way tie with Pat Price and Jim Bruce for third in the high jump.¹

In the forth-fifth annual I.I.A.C. meet, Michigan Normal again won, scoring a total of 52 $\frac{1}{6}$ points. They were followed by Central Michigan 46 $\frac{1}{3}$, Southern Illinois 37 $\frac{11}{12}$, Eastern Illinois 27 $\frac{2}{3}$, Northern Illinois 27, Illinois State 22 $\frac{11}{12}$, and Western Illinois 11.

Jim Podoley of Central Michigan scored 25 $\frac{2}{3}$ points in the meet, winning the 100 in :10.2, the 220 in :22.7, the low

¹Varsity records.

hurdles in :24.6, the broad jump in a new record of 23 ft. 7 1/2 in., taking second in the high hurdles, and tying for second in the high jump.

Eastern did not win an event and scored as follows: Chuck Matheny, third in the mile; Winston Brown, third in the 220, fourth in the 100; Jerry Biggs, fifth in the high hurdles; Jim Mitchell and Jim Edmundson, third and fourth in the two mile; Ray Fisher and Gail Borton, second and fourth in the shot put; and Roger West and Everett Hardy, second and fourth in the discus.¹

Leading the team in scoring that year was freshman Winston Brown with a total of 82 points. He also had a total of six double wins in six meets.²

1955

Reporting for track in the spring of 1955 was a large nucleus of lettermen, including Winston Brown, high point man in 1954, Chuck Matheny, mile record holder, and Jack Howell, broad jump record holder who returned from the service.³

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

³News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 30, 1955 p.4.

The schedule for the year was as follows;

April 14, Indiana State, at Terre Haute

April 21, Illinois State, here

April 26, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

April 29, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

May 7, State Meet, at Normal

May 10, Millikin, here

May 14, Western Illinois, at Macomb

May 20-21, I.I.A.C., at Macomb

Eastern faced Indiana State in the first meet of the year and promptly annihilated the Sycamores, 107 1/3 to 14 2/3. Eastern took thirteen firsts and swept seven events.

Winston Brown won two events, the 100 in :10.2, and the 220 in :22.6, as did freshman Ray White who won the high hurdles in :16.2, and the broad jump at 21 ft. 3 in.

Also winning events were: Dave Murphy in the 440 in :54.1; Clint Byrd in the 880 in 2:05.1; Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:46.2; Jerry Biggs in the low hurdles in :25.7; Ray Fisher in the shot put at 42 ft. 5 in.; Roger West in the discus at 123 ft. 11 in.; Jim Bruce in the high jump at 6 ft. 1 in.; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:45.2; and the mile

relay team of Ed Madix, Joe Boker, Glen Curtis, and Clint Byrd, in 3:42.9.

Also scoring were: Bob Gilpin, second in the 100, and third in the 220; Hank Carter, third in the 100; Murphy, second in the 220; Madix, third in the 440; Curtis and Wes Walker, second and third in the 880; Mike Harvey, second in the mile; White and Carter, second and third in the low hurdles; Jay McGuire and Leo Beals, second and third in the high hurdles; Jim Becker and West, second and third in the shot put; John Byrne, second in the discus; Hal Felszynski, second, and Bruce Knicely, tied for third in the pole vault; Boker and Pat Price, in a three-way second place tie in the high jump; Price, third in the broad jump; and Jim Edmundson and Fred Gore, second and third in the two mile.¹

Led by Ray White's three record breaking wins, Eastern defeated Illinois State in the second meet of the year 93 1/3 to 37 2/3. White broke Jack Howell's broad jump record by 5 in. at 23 ft. 6 in., Don Gratteau's 1949 high hurdle mark of :15.8 by :0.6 second at :15.2, and Jerry Biggs low hurdle

¹Varsity records.

mark of :24.3 with :24.0. Also breaking a record was John Byrne who threw the discus 138 ft. 11 1/2 in. breaking the 14 year old record of Joe Bressler of 135 ft. 11 in.

Others winning firsts were: Winston Brown, who tied the school record in the 100 at :10.0, and also took the 220 in :22.5; Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:38.1; Clint Byrd in the 880 in 2:01.5; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:10.1; Ray Fisher in the shot put at 46 ft. 1 1/4 in.; and the mile relay team of Bruce Knicely, Ed Madix, Dave Murphy, and Gyrd in 3:32.7.

Others placing were: Mick Harvey, third in the mile; John O'Dell and Madix, second and third in the 440; Hank Carter, second in the 220, and third in the 100; Jay McGuire and Jerry Biggs, second and third in the low hurdles; Glen Curtis, third in the 880; Bob Gilpin, third in the 220; Fred Gore and Jim Edmundson, second and third in the two mile; Biggs and Leo Beals, second and third in the low hurdles; Jim Becker, third in the shot put; Everett Hardy and Roger West, second and third in the discus; Chuck Smith and John Kissel, second and third in the javelin; Hal Pelszynski, tied for second in the pole vault; Pat Price and Jim Bruce, tied

for third in the high jump; and John Milholland, third in the broad jump.¹

On a clear sunny day, Eastern won its third meet of the year, edging Southern Illinois 68 to 63. Eastern won eight firsts, swept one event, and set one record.

Setting the record was Winston Brown who broke Howard Siegel's 1950, and his own record, of :10.0 in the 100 by running :09.9. Ray White missed tying his own mark in the broad jump by 1 inch, jumping 23 ft. 5 in.

Other firsts were by: Brown in the 220 in :22.2; White in the high hurdles in :15.5, and lows in :24.5; Chuck Matheny in the mile in a fine 4:29.5; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:08.2; and Roger West in the discus with 134 ft. 5 in.

Additional points were by: Mick Harvey, second in the mile; John O'Dell, third in the 440; Jerry Biggs, third in the 100; Jay McGuire, second in the high hurdles; Clint Byrd, second in the 880; Hank Carter, third in the 220; Jim Edmundson and Fred Gore, second and third in the two mile; Leo Beals, third in the low hurdles; Ray Fisher and Jim Becker, second and third in the shot put; Chuck Smith, third in the javelin;

John Bryne, third in the discus; Jim Bruce, second in the high jump; and John Milholland, third in the broad jump.¹

Eastern continued to roll, winning the fourth meet of the year by barely edging Northern Illinois, 66 to 65.

The most exciting event of the meet was the mile where John Kilcullen of Northern Illinois and Chuck Matheny tied for first a 4:30.9. Kilcullen later won the two mile in 9:53.8.

The other Eastern Illinois firsts were by: Ray White in the high hurdles in :15.5, and lows in :25.1, and broad jump at 23 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Clint Byrd in the 880 in 2:02.3; and Ray Fisher in the shot put at 46 ft. 4 1/8 in.

Also placing were: Mick Harvey, third in the mile; Jim Mitchell and Jim Edmundson, second and third in the two mile; John O'Dell and Ed Madix, second and third in the 440; Jerry Biggs, third in the 100 and low hurdles; Hal Pelszynski, tied for third in the pole vault; Pat Price and Jim Bruce, tied for second in the high jump; John Milholland, second in the broad jump; John Byrne and Roger West, second and third in the discus; and Chuck Smith, second in the javelin.²

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

Eastern traveled to Normal for the State College Meet and scored a mountainous 93 1/2 points to take its first state championship. Eastern won or tied nine firsts and set two records. Other scores were Southern Illinois 73, Western Illinois 33 1/2, Illinois State 24, and Northern Illinois did not compete.

The records were by Ray White who won the low hurdles in :24.1, breaking the state record of :24.6, the high hurdles in the pre-lems in :14.9, setting a school record, then running :15.0 to win the finals.

Other Eastern wins were by: Winston Brown in the 100 in :09.9, and 220, in :22.0; Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:35.8; White in the broad jump at 22 ft. 9 1/2 in.; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:00.6; Ray Fisher in the shot put with 46 ft. 1 1/4 in.; and Jim Bruce tied for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 11 3/4 in.

Also placing were: Mick Harvey, third in the mile; Leo Beals, third in the high and low hurdles; Jerry Biggs, second in the low hurdles, and fourth in the 100; Matheny and Clint Byrd, second and fourth in the 880; Dave Murphy, second in the 220; Jim Edmundson and Fred Gore, second and fourth in

the two mile; Bruce Knicely, tied for third in the pole vault; John Byrne and Roger West, second and fourth in the discus; Chuck Smith, fourth in the javelin; and the mile relay team, third.

Jack Soures of Southern also set a new state record, pole vaulting 13 ft. 1 1/4 in., breaking the old record by more than 6 in.¹

Eastern won its fifth dual meet of the year, trouncing Millikin 106 to 25. Eastern swept seven events and set another school record.

The record was by Ray Fisher who put the shot 49 ft. to break LeeRoy LaRose's 1947 record of 47 ft. 9 1/4 in.

Also taking firsts were: Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:29; Winston Brown in the 100 in :10.4, and the 220 in :22.8; Ray White in the high hurdles in :15.7, and the broad jump at 23 ft. 2 3/4 in.; Clint Byrd in the 880 in 2:01.1; Jim Mitchell and Fred Gore tied in the two mile in 10:21.1; Jim Bruce in the high jump at 5 ft. 11 in.; Jerry Biggs in the low hurdles in 25.0; Chuck Smith in the javelin at 156 ft. 8 in.; John Byrne in the discus at 128 ft. 8 in.; and the mile

¹Varsity records.

relay team of Ed Madix, John O'Dell, Dave Murphy, and Bruce Knicely, in 3:31.7.

Others taking places were: Mick Harvey and Wes Walker, second and third in the mile; Madix and O'Dell, second and third in the 440; Jerry Eiggs and Hank Carter, second and third in the 100; Glen Curtis and Vince Zuber, second and third in the 880; Murphy and Carter, second and third in the 220; White and Leo Beals, second and third in the low hurdles; Roger West and Everett Hardy, second and third in the discus; Jim Edmundson, third in the two mile; Dick Phipps, third in the high hurdles; Jim Becker, third in the shot put; Joe Boker, tied for third in the high jump; Bruce Knicely and Hal Pelszynski, second and tied for third in the pole vault; and John Milholland, second in the broad jump.¹

Western Illinois cancelled its meet for May 14, and thus left Eastern with only the I.I.A.C. meet left to complete the season.²

Eastern entered the I.I.A.C. meet with high hopes, but Michigan Normal was tougher and Central Michigan had Jim

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

Podoley. Podoley won the 100 in :10.0, the 220 in :21.9, the broad jump at 23 ft. 7 1/4 in., the low hurdles in :24.0, tied for second in the high jump, and took second in the high, hurdles, for a total of 27 points, leading C.M. to the title.

Central Michigan had 59 11/15 points, edging Michigan Normal with 59 1/15. Eastern had 45, Northern Illinois 29, Southern Illinois 15 13/15, Illinois State 8 1/5, and Western Illinois 8.

Three new records were set in the meet, Bob Rowland ran the two mile in 9:42, breaking Eastern's Jack Sims' record of 9:46.7; Michigan Normal's mile relay team broke their own 1950 and 51 record of 3:22.6 with 3:22.1; and Floyd Smith of Northern won the high jump at 6 ft. 8 1/4 in., breaking the 1947 record of Southern's Hartley of 6 ft. 4 in.

Eastern had two firsts, one by Ray Fisher who put the shot 48 ft. 11 5/8 in., the other by Chuck Matheny who ran the mile in 4:22.5, breaking his old school record by 1 second.

Also scoring for Eastern were: Winston Brown, second in the 100 and 220; Chuck Smith, second in the javelin; John

Byrne and Roger West, fourth and fifth in the discus; Ray White, second in the low hurdles and broad jump, and third in the highs; John Milholland, fifth in the broad jump; Bruce Knicely, fourth in the pole vault; Jerry Biggs, fifth in the low hurdles; Jim Bruce, tied for second in the high jump; and the mile relay team, fourth.¹

Ray White, Eastern's leading point scorer in 1955 with 97 points, a school record, also became Eastern's first national track champion, winning the NAIA broad jump at Abilene, Texas, with a leap of 23 ft. 11 3/4 in., also a school record. White also ran the high and low hurdles, but did not qualify, taking third in each qualifying heat.

Winston Brown, who scored 68 points to become White's runnerup, ran the 100 at Abilene in :09.8, a school record, but did not qualify for the finals.²

1956

The 1956 squad stacked up as an extremely strong contingent. Reporting were twenty lettermen including NAIA broad jump champ, Ray White, and school record holders, Winton Brown,

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern State News, June 22, 1955, p. 4, and varsity records.

Ray Fisher, Chuck Matheny, and John Byrne. Also reporting was Bill Kelly who had run a :49.2 440 while in the service.¹

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 14, Bradley Relays, at Peoria

April 17, Chanutte Field, here

April 21, Illinois State, at Normal

April 24, Southern Illinois, here

April 28, Northern Illinois, here

May 5, State Meet, at Macomb

May 9, U. of Louisville, at Louisville, Kentucky

May 12, Western Illinois, here

May 18-19, I.I.A.C., at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

Eastern competed in the first annual Bradley Relays, a conditioning meet where no team scores were kept. On the card were six relays and nine individual events.

Eastern placed as follows: Ray White, fifth in the high hurdles; Bruce Knicely, fourth in the pole vault; Jim Bruce and Ken Christiansen, in a six-way tie for fifth in

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 21, 1956, p. 4 and 7.

the high jump; Chuck Matheny, third in the mile run; John Byrne, first in the discus at 133 ft. 8 in.; Roger West and Jim Simmering, fourth and fifth in the discus; Ray White, first in the broad jump at 22 ft. 5 in., John Miholland, third; the spring medley team, fifth; the mile relay team, fifth; and Neal Admire and Gerald Gossett, fourth and fifth in the javelin.

Lou Kujawinski of Loyola was chosen "Outstanding Athlete of the Meet" for winning the mile in 4:34.1, and anchoring the winning two mile relay team.¹

Eastern welcomed back an old opponent, Chanute Field, by defeating the Airmen 105 to 26. Eastern won twelve events, swept six, and set one new school record.

The record was set by John Byrne who threw the discus 144 ft. 11 in. to break his old record by 6 ft. Other winning places were by: Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:57.3; Dave Murphy in the 440 in 53:1; Winston Brown in the 100 in 10.2, and the 220 in 23.0; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:41.8; Ray Fisher in the shot put at 46 ft. 8 1/2 in.;

¹Varsity records.

Harold Garbe in the high jump at 6 ft.; Gerald Garrity in the javelin at 145 ft. 5 in.; Bruce Knicely in the pole vault at 12 ft.; Ray White in the broad jump at 22 ft. 5 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:36.2.

Other Panther points were by: Mick Harvey, second in the mile; Bill Kelly, third in the 440; Bob Gilpin and Lynn Hawkey, second and third in the 100; White and Leo Beals, second and third in the high hurdles; Jon Ware and Ron Noren, second and third in the 880; John Goddard, third in the 220; Wes Walker and Jim Edmondson, second and third in the two mile; Hank Carter and Bob Parrish, second and third in the low hurdles; Dave Fields and Jim Becker, second and third in the shot put; Jim Bruce and Ken Christiansen, tied for second in the high jump; Neal Admire and Gerald Gossett, second and third in the javelin; Darrell Wicklein, third in the pole vault; Jim Simmering and Roger West, second and third in the discus; and John Milholland, second in the broad jump.¹

In the second meet of the year, Eastern defeated Illinois State 73 to 58, with Ray White taking three firsts. White won

¹Varsity records.

the high hurdles in :15.4, the low hurdles in :24.4, and the broad jump at 21 ft. 2 1/2 in.

Others firsts were by: Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:43.4; Winston Brown in the 100 in :10.0, and 220 in :21.7, which tied the school record; Ray Fisher in the shot put at 45 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Bruce Knicely in the pole vault at 11 ft. 7 in.; and the mile relay team of Ed Madix, Knicely, Jon Ware, and Dave Murphy, in 3:37.9.

Other places were by: Murphy, second in the 220 and 440; Lynn Hawkey, third in the 100; Ware, third in the 880; Jim Mitchell, second in the two mile; Hank Carter, third in the low hurdles; Dave Fields, second in the shot put; Jim Bruce, second in the high jump; Darrell Wicklein, tied for second in the pole vault; John Byrne and Jim Simmering, second and third in the discus; Knicely, third in the javelin; and John Milholland, second in the broad jump.¹

Eastern continued its winning streak, undefeated in dual meets in two years, by knocking off Southern Illinois 74 to 57.

¹Varsity records.

Eastern won ten firsts by: Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:29.8; Winnie Brown in the 100 in :10.2, and the 220 in :22.6; Ray White in the high hurdles in :15.7, low hurdles in :25.0, and broad jump at 22 ft. 5 5/8 in.; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:11; Ray Fisher in the shot put at 48 ft.; John Byrne in the discus at 135 ft. 1 in.; and Eruce Knicely and Darrell Wicklein in a three way tie in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.

Other places were picked up by: Mick Harvey, third in the mile; Dave Murphy, third in the 220 and 440; Lynn Hawkey, third in the 100; Leo Beals, third in the high hurdles; Jon Ware, third in the 880; Jim Edmundson, third in the two mile; Bob Parrish and Hank Carter, second and third in the low hurdles; Dave Fields and Jim Becker, second and third in the shot put; Ken Christiansen and Harold Garbe, tied for third in the high jump; Jim Simmering, third in the discus; Knicely, second in the javelin; and John Milholland, second in the broad jump.¹

Eastern won again, the fourth meet in a row, beating Northern Illinois in the rain 82 to 49. Eastern won or tied

¹Varsity records.

for ten firsts and also had four sweeps.

Eastern scored in the following events; the mile, Chuck Matheny, first in 4:32.7; the 440, John Goddard, third; the 100, Winnie Brown, first in :10.0, Lynn Hawkey and Bob Gilpin, second and third; the high hurdles, Ray White and Leo Beals, second and third; the 880, Jon Ware, third; the 220, Brown first in :22.1, Hawkey, second; the two mile, Jim Mitchell, second; the low hurdles, White, first in :25.2, Bob Parrish and Hank Carter, second and third; the shot put, Ray Fisher, first at 48 ft. 2 5/8 in.; the discus, John Byrne, first at 133 ft. 11 7/8 in., Jim Simmering, and Roger West, second and third; the javelin, Bruce Knicely, first at 160 ft. 1 in., Jerry Garrity, third; the high jump, Ken Christiansen, first at 6 ft., Jim Bruce, Joe Boker, and Harold Garbe, tied for second; the pole vault, Darrell Wicklein tied for first at 11 ft. 6 in., Knicely, third; and the broad jump, White first at 21 ft. 7 1/2 in., John Milholland, second.¹

In the State Meet, Eastern successfully defended its title, outscoring the other schools with 68 1/2 points.

¹Varsity records.

Southern Illinois was runnerup with 61 1/6 points, followed by Western Illinois 50, and Illinois State 44 1/3. Northern Illinois again did not compete.

Taking firsts for Eastern were: Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:29.7; Ray White in the high hurdles in :15.9, lows in :25.5, and the broad jump at 23 ft. 6 in.; Bruce Knicely and Darrell Wicklein in a five-way tie in the pole vault at 11 ft.; Ray Fisher in the shot put at 48 ft. 9 1/2 in.; and John Byrne in the discus at 144 ft. 8 in., just 3 in. off his school record.

Also scoring were: Winston Brown, second in the 100, and fifth in the 220; Leo Beals, third in the high hurdles; Jon Ware, fourth in the 880; Jim Mitchell, fourth in the two mile; Bob Parrish, second in the low hurdles; Ken Christiansen, tied for third in the high jump; John Miholland, fourth in the broad jump; Dave Fields and Jim Becker, third and fifth in the shot put; Jim Simmering and Roger West, fourth and fifth in the discus; Knicely, fourth in the javelin; and the mile relay team, third.

Two records were set in the meet, Western's mile relay team ran 3:23.2 for one, and Stoner of Western, high jumped

6 ft. 4 1/2 in. for the other.¹

Eastern faced a new opponent in the University of Louisville, and promptly defeated them 95 to 36. Eastern took eleven firsts and two sweeps.

The firsts were by: Bill Kelly in the 440, in :51.6; Jon Ware in the 880 in 2:04; Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:37; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:23; Ray White in the high hurdle in :15.8, and broad jump at 21 ft. 2 1/4 in.; Bruce Knicely in the pole vault at 11 ft.; Dave Fields in the shot put at 45 ft. 6 1/2 in.; John Byrne in the discus at 139 ft. 9 in.; Gerald Gossett in the javelin at 164 ft. 10 in.; and the mile relay of Ed Madix, John Goddard, Dave Murphy, and Kelly, in 3:31.2.

Others scoring were: Winnie Brown, second in the 100 and 220; Lynn Hawkey, third in the 100 and 220; Murphy, second in the 440; Matheny, third in the 880; Jim Edmundson, second in the two mile, and third in the mile; Mick Harvey, third in the two mile; Leo Beals, second in the high hurdles; Bob Parrish, second in the low hurdles; Darrell Wicklein, tied for second in the pole vault; Jim Bruce and Harold Garbe,

¹Varsity records.

second and third in the high jump; John Milholland, third in the broad jump; Ray Fisher and Jim Becker, second and third in the shot put; Jim Simmering, second in the discus; and Knicely, second in the javelin.

Leonard Lyles of Louisville put on the best show of the meet as he won the 100 at :09.6, the 220 at :21.6, and the low hurdles in :26.2.¹

In the last dual of the year, Eastern made it two years in a row without a defeat in dual meet competition, by defeating Western Illinois 92 to 34. Eastern took eleven firsts and set two new school records.

Setting the records were Winston Brown who ran the 100 in :09.7, breaking his old record by :0.1 second; and Ray Fisher who put the shot 49 ft. 5 1/2 in., beating his old record by 5 1/2 in.

Other firsts were by: Ray White, in the low hurdles in :24.2; the highs in :15.5, and the broad jump at 23 ft. 3 in.; Chuck Matheny in the mile in 4:41.3; Jim Mitchell in the two mile in 10:31.5; Bruce Knicely in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; Ken Christiansen in the high jump at 6 ft. 3/4 in.

¹Varsity records.

Gerald Gossett in the javelin at 153 ft. 1 in.; and John Byrne in the discus at 142 ft. 5 1/2 in.

"Panthers" also scoring were: Wes Walker, third in the mile; Bill Kelly, second in the 440; Leo Beals and Hank Carter, second and third in the high hurdles; Jon Ware, third in the 880; Brown and Dave Murphy, second and third in the 220; Mike Harvey, third in the two mile; Bob Parrish and Carter, second and third in the low hurdles; Darrel Wicklein and Gerald Johnston, second and third in the pole vault; Jim Bruce, second in the high jump; Dave Fields and Jim Becker, second and third in the shot put; Knicely and Jerry Garrity, second and third in the javelin; and Jim Simmering and Roger West, second and third in the discus.

Both schools agreed not to run the mile relay.¹

In the 47th. annual I.I.A.C. meet, Central Michigan defended its crown with 68 1/2 points. They were followed by Michigan Normal 48 1/2, Eastern Illinois 31, Western Illinois 24 1/2, Northern Illinois 23, Illinois State 16 1/2, and Southern Illinois 13.

¹Varsity records

Jim Podoley again led Central Michigan as he scored 17 points by winning the low hurdles in :25.5, the 220 in :22.7, taking second in the high hurdles, and third in the 100.

Four new records were set in the meet. Ray White broke the broad jump record with 23 ft. 9 1/4 in., Jim Allen of Michigan Normal set a new shot put record of 50 ft. 9 1/2 in., Tom Mayville of Central Michigan set a new pole vault record of 13 ft. 6 1/2 in., and the mile relay team of Michigan Normal set a new record of 3:21.5.

Other points for Eastern were by: Chuck Matheny, second in the mile; Ray Fisher, fourth in the shot put; Roger West, and Jim Simmering, third and fifth in the discus; Winnie Brown, first in the 100 at :10.1, and second in the 220; White, fifth in the high and low hurdles; Jim Bruce, third in the high jump; and Eastern's mile relay team, fourth.¹

On June 8-9, Coach O'Brien took two men to the fifth annual NAIA meet in San Diego, California, and both men placed.

Ray White, defending NAIA champ, took a fourth in the broad jump at 23 ft. 2 3/4 in., and Winston Brown took a fifth in the 200 meter dash in a time of :22.2. Winning

¹Varsity records.

the 200 was Bobby Morrow, future Olympian, in :20.8.

White and Brown led the team in scoring again, White scoring 98 points, another school record, and Brown 68.¹

1957

Despite the spring rains and generally poor weather conditions that hampered practice, approximately forty men were out for the team. Among the seventeen lettermen were Ray White, former NAIA broad jump champ, and Winston Brown, conference dash champ.²

The schedule for the year developed as follows:

April 13, Bradley Relays, at Peoria

April 18, Illinois Normal, here

April 27, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

May 4, State Meet, at Carbondale

May 7, University of Louisville, here

May 11, Elmhurst Invitational

May 15, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

May 24-25 I.I.A.C., here

In the Bradley Relays, Eastern was the unofficial champion scoring an unofficial 45 1/2 points. Eastern was followed

¹Varsity records

²News item in the Eastern State News, April 3, 1957, p. 7-8

by Northern Illinois 42, and the University of Chicago 34, in the ten team A division

Placing for Eastern were: Jim Fox, fifth in the 100; Ray White, second in the high hurdles; Dave Fields, first in the shot put at 45 ft. 5 1/2 in., Ray Fisher, second; Roger West, third in the discus; Al Dougherty, for fifth in the pole vault; Ken Christiansen, tied for second in the high jump; White, first in the broad jump at 22 ft. 9 1/2 in., Bob Parrish and John Milholland, second and fifth; the 440 relay team, fourth; the 880 relay team, fifth; the spring medley team, third; the frosh sprint medley team, fifth; the frosh 880 relay team, fourth; and the mile relay team of Ron Noren, Ed Madix, John Goddard, and Dave Murphy, first in 3:31.8.¹

Eastern picked up its fourteenth consecutive dual meet victory over a three year span, defeating Illinois State, 82 1/2 to 48 1/2.

Eastern's eleven firsts were by: Ray White in the broad jump at 23 ft., low hurdles in :24.3, and highs in :15.8; Winston Brown in the 100 in :10.0, and 220 in :21.8, Gerald Gossett in the javelin at a fine 185 ft. 5/8 in.; Ed Madix

¹Varsity records.

in the 440 in :52.2; Dave Fields in the shot put at 47 ft. 4 1/4 in.; Ken Christiansen in the high jump at 5 ft. 11 1/2 in.; Al Dougherty and Darrell Wecklein in a three-way tie in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team of Madix, Ron Noren, John Goddard, and Dave Murphy, in 3:33.6.

Others placing were: Ed Landers, third in the mile; Goddard, second in the 440; Jim Fox, second in the 100 and 220; Rawlan Lillard, second in the 880; Bob Sarver, third in the two mile; Eob Parrish, second in the low hurdles; Ray Fisher and Jim Becker, second and third in the shot put; Ron Herr, tied for third in the high jump; Roger West and Everett Hardy, second and third in the discus; and John Milholland, third in the broad jump.¹

Eastern finally had its consecutive victory streak ended, losing to Northern Illinois 66 to 65; partially because of the loss in the mile relay, but mainly because Eastern only scored a total of three points in the 440, 880, mile and two mile.

Eastern won eight events and swept two, the 100 and 220. Winning firsts were: Winnie Brown in the 100 in :10.4,

¹Varsity records.

and 220 in :22.8; Ray White in the low hurdles in :24.9; and broad jump at 22 ft. 2 1/4 in.; Dave Fields in the shot put at 44 ft. 8 in.; Roger West in the discus at 131 ft. 6 in.; Gerald Gossett in the javelin at 186 ft. 2 in.; and Ken Christiansen in the high jump at 6 ft.

Also placing were: Jim Fox, second in the 100 and 220; Harold Knowles, third in the 100; Dave Murphy, third in the 220; Ed Madix, third in the 440; Rawland Lillard, third in the 880; Ed Landers, Mick Harvey, and Bob Sarver, tied for third in the two mile; Bob Parrish, second in the low hurdles; Ray Fisher, second in the shot put; White, second in the high hurdles; Paul Rexcoat, second in the discus; Neal Admire, third in the javelin; and John Milholland, third in the broad jump.

Flinn set a Northern Illinois record when he pole vaulted 13 ft. 3 1/4 in.¹

Eastern bounced back from defeat and won its third straight State meet with 65 1/2 points. They were followed by Illinois State 58, Western Illinois 54, and Southern Illinois 45 1/2. Northern Illinois did not compete.

¹Varsity records.

Winnie Brown set two school records, and tied one meet record and set another. Brown won the 100 in :09.6 for a school record and a tie of a meet record, and also the 220 in :21.1 for a meet and a school record.

Also gathering firsts were: Bob Parrish in the low hurdles in :24.4; Dave Fields in the shot put at 45 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Ken Christiansen in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.; and Ray White in the broad jump at 23 ft. 3 1/8 in.

Also scoring were: Harold Knowles, fourth in the 100; Rawlan Lillard, fourth in the 880; Jim Fox, third in the 220; Mick Harvey, third in the two mile; White, fourth in the high hurdles; Ray Fisher, third in the shot put; Gerald Gossett, second in the javelin; Roger West and Paul Rexcoat, second and fifth in the discus; Al Dougherty, tied for second in the pole vault; John Milholland and Parrish, second and fourth in the broad jump; and the mile relay team, fourth.¹

Eastern smothered the University of Louisville 96 1/2 to 33 1/2, despite the setting of three Lincoln Field records by Louisville. Leonard Lyles set records of :9.5 in the 100, and :20.6 in the 220; and Dave Hayercraft set a record of 6 ft. 3 3/8 in. in the high jump.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 8, 1957, p.4.

Eastern won the following events: the mile by Mick Harvey in 4:41.8; the 440 by Ed Madix in :51.8; the 880 by Rawlan Lillard in 2:01.3; the low hurdles by Bob Parrish in :24.2; the shot put by Ray Fisher at 48 ft. 5 in., a tie; the pole vault by Darrell Wecklein at 11 ft. 6 in.; the javelin by Gerald Gossett at 177 ft. 3 in.; the broad jump by Parrish at 21 ft. 9 3/4 in.; the discus by Roger West at 131 ft. 4 in.; the two mile by Bob Sarver and Rich Kragler tied at 10:45; and the mile relay by Ed Madix, Ron Noren, John Goddard, and Dave Murphy, in 3:34.

Others placing were: Ed Landera, second in the mile, and third in the 880; Goddard and Loren, second and third in the 440; Winnie Brown, second in the 100 and 220; Harold Knowles, third in the 100; Dennis Kerby, second in the high hurdles, and third in the lows; John VanVoorhis, second in the 880; Jim Fox, third in the 220; Dick Storm, third in the two mile; Dave Fields, third in the shot put; Bob Lathrop, tied for third in the pole vault; Neal Admire, second in the javelin; Ken Christiansen, second in the high jump; John Milholland and Ray White, second and third in the broad jump; and Everett Hardy and Paul Rexcoat, second and third in the

discus.¹

Eastern Illinois entered the twenty-third Elmhurst Invitational and finished third in the twelve team A division with 27 6/7 points. Ahead were Central Michigan with 37 7/8, and Northern Illinois with 29 7/8.

Scoring for Eastern were: Bob Parrish, first in the low hurdles in :24.6, and third in the broad jump; Dave Fields, first in the shot put at 47 ft. 3 1/2 in.; Winston Brown and Jim Fox, third and fifth in the 220; Ray Fisher, second in the shot put; Roger West, second in the discus; John Milholland, fourth in the broad jump; Gerald Gossett, fourth in the javelin; and Ken Christiansen and Ron Herr in an eight-way tie for fourth in the high jump.

Ray White was not entered in the meet due to an injured leg.²

Eastern won its third dual meet of the year, defeating Southern Illinois 66 to 65, and tying one school record. Bob Parrish tied Ray White's 1955 record of :24.0 in winning the low hurdles.

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern State News, May 14, 1957, p.6.

Eastern Illinois scored as follows in the various events; the mile, Ed Landers, first in 4:37.3, Mick Harvey, second; the 100, Winnie Brown, first in :10.0; the high hurdles, Dennis Kirby, third; the 880, Rawlan Lillard, first in 1:59.7, John Van Voorhis, third; the 220, Brown, first in :22.0, Jim Fox, second; the two mile, Mick Harvey, first in 10:36, Rich Kragler and Bob Sarver, second and third; the shot put, Ray Fisher, first at 49 ft. 1 1/2 in., Dave Fields, second, the javelin, Gerald Gossett, first at 177 ft. 1 in.; the discus, Roger West, second; the pole vault, Al Dougherty, third; the high jump, Ken Christiansen, tied for second; and the broad jump, Parrish and John Milholland, second and third.

Ray White did compete in the meet, but dropped out after he reinjured his leg in the broad jump.¹

For the second time in the history of the I.I.A.C. the conference meet was held in Charleston. Eastern Michigan with its star Hayes Jones outclassed all the other schools by scoring 81 1/10 points. The others were Central Michigan 44 3/5, Eastern Illinois 27 1/10, Northern Illinois 25, Western Illinois 18 3/5, Illinois State 18, and Southern Illinois

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 22, 1957, p.6.

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Jones won four events, the 100 in 9.4, the high hurdles in 14.3, the low hurdles in 22.7, and the broad jump at 24 ft. 5/8 in. In each of these events, Jones broke or tied the conference record, but the running events were not official because of the wind. Jones's records in the trials were official and they were :9.4 in the 100; :14.4 in the high hurdles; and :22.9 in the low hurdles. Jones's broad jump broke Ray White's 1956 record of 23 ft. 9 1/4 in. Jones also took third in the high jump.

Two other records were set in the meet, Gurney Beach of Eastern Michigan ran the two mile in 9:41.1, and the Eastern Michigan team ran the mile relay in 3:20.9.

Eastern Illinois places were by: Winston Brown, third in the 220, and fourth in the 100; Rawlan Lillard, second in the 300; Ray Fisher and Dave Fields, third and fourth in the shot put; Gerald Gossett and Neal Admire, third and fifth in the javelin; Ken Christiansen, tied for fourth in the high jump; John Milholland, tied for fifth in the broad jump; Roger West, third in the discus; and the mile relay team, fourth.¹

¹Varsity records.

Leading the team in scoring in 1957 were Winston Brown with 54, Bob Parrish with 39, and Ray White with 36 points. Of the trio only Parrish would return in 1958. Between White and Brown were five school record titles, the low and high hurdles, the broad jump, the 100 and 220 yard dashes. White was also the only Eastern Illinois track man to the present time, ever to win an NAIA championship. Brown was named in 1960 as the best Eastern Illinois track man of the decade by a four man panel headed by Dr. O'Brien.¹

1958

A smaller team than in the past reported in the spring of 1958, just over thirty men, but eighteen of them were let-termen. Four stars had graduated, Winston Brown, Ray White, Ray Fisher, and Roger West. But to replace them were the likes of Dave Fields, Rawlan Lillard, Neal Admire, and Jim Fox.²

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 12, Bradley Relays, at Peoria

April 15, Bradley, at Peoria

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Oct. 12, 1960 p. 9.

²News item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 26, 1958, p. 6.

April 19, Illinois State, at Normal

April 22, Chanute Field, here

April 26, Northern Illinois, here

May 3, State Meet, here

May 10, Southern Illinois, here

May 17, Western Illinois, at Macomb

May 23-24, I.I.A.C. at Normal

Eastern competed in the third annual Bradley Relays and placed six individuals and three relay teams.

Dave Fields won the shot put at a meet record 47 ft. 8 5/8 in., Jim Becker was second. Ken Christiansen tied for fourth in the high jump. John Malmquist placed fourth in the high hurdles. John Milholland placed third in the broad jump, and Norm Romkamp placed fifth in the discus.

In the relays, the 880 team placed fifth; the sprint medley team was also fifth; and the frosh spring medley team placed fourth.¹

Eastern faced Bradley three days later in a dual meet, and lost 90 to 41. Eastern could only win two firsts, one by Gerald Gossett in the javelin at 182 ft. 1 in., and the other

¹Varsity records.

by Rawlan Lillard in the 880 in a fine 1:59.3.

Others placing for Eastern were: Ken Christiansen, tied for second in the high jump; Don Thomas, second in the two mile, and third in the mile; Ed Madix and Bill Kelly, second and third in the 440; Dave Fields and Jim Becker, second and third in the shot put; John Malmquist, second in the high hurdles; Neil Admire, second in the javelin; Bob Parrish second in the broad jump and low hurdles; John Milholland, third in the broad jump; Jim Fox, third in the 220; Don Thomas, third in the two mile; Paul Rexcoat, third in the discus, and Dave York, third in the pole vault.¹

Eastern rebounded to defeat Illinois State 77 to 54 taking nine firsts, and setting one school record. Setting the record was Neil Admire who tossed the javelin 196 ft. 3 in. to break Ed Soergal's 1952 mark of 193 ft. 10 in.

Taking the other firsts were: Ed Madix in the 440 in :53.7; John Malmquist in the high hurdles in :15.9; Jim Fox in the 220 in 22.3; Mick Harvey in the two mile in 10:10; Bob Parrish in the low hurdles in :25.4; Dave Fields in the shot put at 46 ft. 5 in.; Harold Knowles in the broad jump

¹Varsity records.

at 20 ft. 9 1/4 in.; and the mile relay of John Goddard, Raylan Lillard, Bill Kelly, and Madix, in 3:35.2.

Also placing were: Kelly, second in the 440; Knowles and Fox, second and third in the 100; Lillard, second in the 880; Goddard, third in the 220; Don Thomas, second in the two mile; Malmquist, second in the low hurdles; Jim Cecker, second in the shot put; Dave York, tied for second in the pole vault; Paul Rexcoat and Bob Bruce, second and third in the discus; Ken Christiansen and Ron Herr, second and tied for third in the high jump; Gerald Gossett, third in the javelin; and Parrish, third in the broad jump.¹

The Panthers welcomed back an old opponent, Chanute Field, and once again defeated them handily 105 1/3 to 25 2/3.

Eastern Illinois won twelve firsts, there were by: Ken Christiansen in the high jump at 6 ft.; Raylan Lillard in the mile in 4:38.4, and 880 in 2:03.3; Jim Fox in the 100 in :10.4, and 220 in :22.9; Dave Fields in the shot put at 48 ft. 1 in.; Hal Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 3 7/8 in.; Dave York in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; "Dutch" Gossett in the javelin with 170 ft. 10 1/4 in.; Don Thomas in the two mile in 10:19; Paul Rexcoat in the discus at 125 ft. 11 in.; and the mile relay team of Ed Madix, Ed Landers, Dick Storm, and

Christiansen, in 3:39.2.

Others placing were: Ron Herr, tied for second in the high jump; Thomas and Mick Harvey, second and third in the mile; Madix and Bill Kelly, second and third in the 440; Jim Becker, second in the shot put; Knowles, second in the 100; John Milholland, second in the broad jump; John Malmquist, second in the high hurdles, and third in the lows; Storm and Landers, second and third in the 880; Bob Lathrop and Warner Semetis, second and third in the pole vault; John Goddard, third in the 220; Neil Admire, second in the javelin; Dick Kragler and Harvey, second and third in the two mile; Bob Parrish, second in the low hurdles; and Bob Bruce and Norm Bomkamp, second and third in the discus.¹

Northern Illinois again barely beat Eastern in a dual meet, 68 1/2 to 62 1/2.

Eastern Illinois could win only six firsts, by: Dave Fields in the shot put at 48 ft. 6 1/4 in.; Jim Fox in the 100 in :10.4, and the 220 in :22.4; John Malmquist in the high hurdles in 16.3; Harold Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 2 1/2 in.; and the mile relay team of Ed Madix, John

¹Varsity records.

Goddard, Rawlan Lillard, and Fox, in 3:32.9.

Others placing were: Ken Christiansen, tied for second in the high jump; Jim Becker, second in the shot put; Gerald Gossett and Neil Admire, second and third in the javelin; Don Thomas, third in the mile and two mile; Madix, third in the 440; Goddard and Knowles, second and third in the 100; Bob Parrish, second in the low hurdles, and third in the highs; Lillard, second in the 880; Goddard, third in the 220; John Malmquist, third in the low hurdles; Dave York and Bob Lathrop, second and third in the pole vault; John Milholland, second in the broad jump; and Norm Bomkamp, third in the discus.¹

Bradley University won the eight team State College Meet, by scoring 54 points to Western Illinois 's 39 3/4, and Eastern Illinois's 36 1/12.

Eastern Illinois won only two firsts in the meet, one by Dave Fields, the defending champ, in the shot put at 48 ft. 4 in., and the other by John Milholland in the broad jump at 20 ft. 7 3/4 in.

Other places were by: Ken Christiansen, tied for fourth in the high jump; Neil Admire and Gerald Gossett, third and

¹Varsity records.

fourth in the javelin; Harold Knowles, second in the broad jump; Ed Madix, fifth in the 440; Dave York and Bob Lathrop, in a tie for fifth in the pole vault; Rawlan Lillard, second in the 880; Don Thomas, third in the two mile; Bob Parrish, third in the low hurdles; and the mile relay team, fourth.

Only one meet record was set, that by Sandoval of W.I. in the two mile in 9:48.8.¹

Against Southern Illinois, Eastern battled to a tie, 65 1/2 to 65 1/2, the only dual meet tie in Eastern history.

A new school record was set by Dave Fields, the Danville giant, in the shot put at 49 ft. 6 3/4 in., breaking Ray Fishers two year old record of 49 ft. 5 in.

Eastern won or tied only four other firsts including the vital mile relay. These were by: Ken Christiansen, tied in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.; Jim Fox in the 220 in 22.2; Rawlan Lillard in the 880 in 2:03.2; and the relay team of Ed Madix, John Goddard, Lillard and Fox, in 3:30.2.

Others placing were: Jim Becker, second in the shot put; Gerald Gossett and Neil Admire, second and third in the

¹Varsity records.

javelin; Paul Rexcoat and Norm Bomkamp, second and third in the discus; John Milholland and Harold Knowles, second and third in the broad jump; Ron Herr and Max Eldred, tied for third in the high jump; Dave York and Bob Lathrop, second and third in the pole vault; Lillard, second in the mile; Knowles and Fox, second and third in the 100; John Malmquist, second in the high hurdles; Dick Storm, third in the 880; Knowles, third in the 220; Don Thomas and Dick Kragler, second and third in the two mile; and Bob Parrish, second in the low hurdles.

Two of the best marks of the meet were a 4:24.4 mile, and a 9:57.8 two mile by John Flamer of Southern Illinois.¹

Competing in the last dual of the season, E.I. set one school record and squeaked by Western Illinois 66 1/2 to 64 1/2. Setting the record was Dave Field in the shot put at 49 ft. 9 in., 2 1/4 in. better than his old record.

Eastern again picked up few firsts, only five besides Fields'. Winning firsts were: Gerald Gossett in the javelin at 165 ft. 3 in.; Dave York in the pole vault at 11 ft. 4 in.;

¹Varsity records.

Harold Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 2 in.; Bob Bruce in the discus at 126 ft. 8 in.; and Bob Parrish in the low hurdles in :25.4.

Others placing were: Jim Becker, second in the shot put; Don Thomas, second in the two mile, and third in the mile; Ed Madix, third in the 440; Jim Fox, third in the 100 and 220; Harold Knowles, second in the 100; Ken Christiansen, second in the high jump, and third in the javelin; Neil Adaire, second in the javelin; Bob Lathrop, second in the pole vault; John Malmquist, third in the high and low hurdles; Ron Herr, tied for third in the high jump; Rawlan Lillard, second in the 880; John Milholland and Parrish, second and third in the broad jump; and Paul Rexcoat and Norm Romkamp, second third in the discus.

Western had three outstanding men in the middle and distance runs. Dan Ryan won the mile in 4:22.8, Bert Glander won the 880 in 1:56.8, and Fred Sandoval won the two mile in 9:56.5.¹

In 1958 the I.I.A.C. celebrated its fiftieth anniversary,

¹Varsity records.

with the 49th running of the conference track meet. The Michigan schools celebrated by taking first and second again in the meet.

Eastern Michigan won its second straight title with 56 points, followed by Central Michigan 45 $\frac{1}{3}$, Northern Illinois 30 $\frac{5}{6}$, Southern Illinois 26 $\frac{1}{2}$, Western Illinois 24 $\frac{1}{2}$, Illinois State 18 $\frac{5}{6}$, and Eastern Illinois last with 13 points.

Seven new records were set in the meet, three by Western Illinois athlete. Dan Ryan of Western ran the mile in 4:19.7, breaking the 16 year old record of Northern's Cy Perkins of 4:20.2; Fred Sandoval ran 9:31.4 for a new record in the two mile; and Bert Ohlander ran the 880 in 1:53.8. Also setting records were: Eastern Michigan's Kerry Keating in the 440 in 48.8, breaking the twenty-two year old record of Northern's Karl Hein of 48.9; Hayes Jones in the 220 in :21.0; and the Central Michigan's mile relay team in 3:18.8.

Placing for Eastern Illinois were: Dave Fields and Jim Becker, second and fifth in the shot put; Paul Rexcoat, fourth in the discus; Rawlan Lillard, fifth in the mile; Gerald Gossett, fifth in the javelin; John Milholland, fifth in the

broad jump; Bob Parrish, fourth in the low hurdles; and the mile relay team, fifth.¹

Leading the team in scoring in 1958 was Dave Fields with 39 points. He was followed closely by Jim Fox with 37. Fields also set a school record in the shot put in 1958, and only lost once all season in that event.²

1959

The 1959 team that reported to Coach O'Brien in the spring totaled approximately forty men, including the top three point makers from the previous year, Dave Fields, Jim Fox, and Bob Parrish.

Fields was the only man to place for Eastern in the March Midwest Indoor Meet at Naperville. Fields placed third in the shot put with an effort of 47 ft. 9 in., the three points gave Eastern Illinois eleventh place in the twelve team Division I, the large college division.³

The outdoor schedule for Eastern in 1959 was:

April 11, Bradley Relays, at Peoria

April 14, Bradley, here

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

³Varsity records.

April 18, Illinois State, here

April 21, Chanute Field, here

April 25, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

May 2, State Meet, here

May 7, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

April 16, Western Illinois, here

May 22-23, I.I.A.C. Ypsilanti, Michigan

Eastern's first meet of the year was the Bradley Relays in which Eastern placed four individuals and five relay teams.

Individuals placing were: Ken Christiansen and Ron Herr in a four-way tie for third in the high jump; Dave Fields, third in the shot put, but setting a new school record of 49 ft. 9 3/4 in., breaking his old record by 3/4 in.; and Paul Rexcoat, fifth in the discus.

Relay teams placing for Eastern were: the sprint medley team of John VanVoorhis, Joe Barber, Jim Fox, and Rawlin Lillard, first in 3:34; the high hurdle shuttle relay, second; the frosh 880 relay, fifth; the frosh spring medley, fifth; and the mile relay team, fourth.¹

¹Varsity records.

Eastern got its revenge for the previous years loss by squeaking out a 67 to 64 victory over Bradley, when the Braves forfeited the mile relay due to a manpower shortage.

Dave Fields once again broke his own record in the shot put, this time with a mark of 50 ft. 5 1/4 in. Others winning firsts were: Rawlan Lillard in the mile in 4:36.5, and the 880 in 2:00.9; Bill Miller in the javlin at 175 ft. 9 in.; Bob Lathrop in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; Chuck Fads in the high jump at 6 ft.; and Harold Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 5 in.

Additional Panther points were by: Jim Fox and Clai Dungy, second and third in the 440; Joe Barber, second in the 100, and third in the 220; Knowles, third in the 100; John Malmquist, second in the high hurdles; John VanVcorhis, third, in the 880; Rich Kragler, third in the two mile; Rob Parrish, second in the low hurdles, and third in the broad jump; Jerry Zachary, third in the shot put; Norm Bomkamp and Paul Rexcoat second and third in the discus; Ken Christiansen, third in the javelin; Otis Shouse and Sam White, tied for third in the pole vault; and Ron Herr, tied for third in the broad jump.¹

¹Varsity records.

Eastern also squeaked to victory over Illinois State in the second meet of the year, 67 1/2 to 63 1/2, again by winning the mile relay.

Eastern only won or tied for seven firsts in the meet. Winning firsts were: John VanVoorhis in the 440 in :51.2; John Malmquist in the high hurdles in :15.9; Rawlan Lillard in the 880 in 2:01.9; Dave Fields tied in the shot put at 49 ft. 1 3/4 in.; Harold Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 1 in.; Ken Christiansen and Ron Herr in a four-way tie in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:29.

Other men placing were: Lillard, second in the mile; Jim Fox, second in the 220 and 440; Clay Dugy, third in the 440; Joe Barber, second in the 100, and third in the 220; Tom Clark, second in the high and low hurdles; John Goddard, third in the 100; Clint Byrd, third in the 880; Bill Miller, second in the javelin; Norm Bomkamp and Paul Rexcoat, second and third in the discus; Bob Parrish, second in the broad jump; and Bob Lathrop, tied for second in the pole vault.¹

Eastern once again faced Chanute Field in a dual meet

¹Varsity records.

and once again demolished the airmen, 110 to 21, and set one school record. Rawlan Lillard ran the 880 in 1:56.8, breaking Jack Farris's eight year old record of 1:58.9.

The twelve other Eastern firsts were by: John VanVoorhis in the 440 in :51.3; Joe Barber in the 100 in :10.6, and 220 in :23.4; Tom Clark in the high hurdles in :16.1; Bob Parrish in the low hurdles in :26.3; Dave Fields in the shot put at 49 ft. 11 7/8 in.; Ken Christiansen in the high jump at 6 ft.; Bill Miller in the javelin at 174 ft. 3 in.; Harold Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 3 3/4 in.; Norm Bomkamp in the discus at 135 ft. 7 1/2 in.; Bob Lathrop in the pole vault at 11 ft.; and the mile relay team winner by a forfeit.

Taking seconds for Eastern were: Dennis Taylor in the pole vault; Paul Rexcoat in the discus; Bob Parrish in the broad jump; Ron Herr and Chuck Eads tied in the high jump; Jerry Zachary in the shot put; Tom Clark in the low hurdles; Marlon Mitchell in the two mile; Clint Byrd in the 880; John Malmquist in the high hurdles; John Goddard in the 100; and Dick Kragler in the mile.

Taking thirds were: Dick Storm in the 880 and mile; Tom Chandler in the high and low hurdles; Clai Dungy in the 440; Goddard in the 220; Kragler in the two mile; Floyd Walgren in the shot put; Eads in the broad jump; Bob Bruce in the discus; and Sam White in the pole vault.

Eastern also swept eight events in keeping their record clear of never having lost to Chanute.¹

Eastern's surge was halted when the "Panthers" were swamped by Northern Illinois 87 1/2 to 43 1/2. Eastern collected only two firsts in the rout.

Dave Fields won the shot put at 46 ft. 8 1/2 in., and Bob Parrish won the low hurdles in :25.8 for Eastern's two firsts.

Scoring the other points were: Rawlan Lillard, second in the 880 and mile; Jim Fox, second in the 220, and third in the 440; John VanVoorhis, second in the 440; Joe Barber, third in the 100; Tom Clark and John Malmquist, second and third in the high hurdles; Dick Kragler, third in the two mile; Clark, third in the low hurdles; Chuck Eads, second in the high jump; Ron Herr and Ken Christiansen, in a four-way

¹Varsity records.

tie for third in the high jump; Hal Knowles, second in the broad jump; Norm Borkamp and Paul Rexcoat, second and third in the discus; and Bill Miller, second in the javelin.¹

For the second year in a row the State College Meet was held on Lincoln Field, Southern Illinois regained the title after four years with 53 1/2 points, followed by Illinois State 43, Eastern Illinois 41 1/2, Loyola 38 1/2, Bradley 26 1/2, and Western Illinois 22.

Eastern won only two firsts, one by Dave Fields, who put the shot 49 ft. 1 in. to set a new meet record, and the other by Harold Knowles who broad jumped 22 ft. 1 1/2 in.

Also placing were: Jim Fox and Joe Barber, second and fifth in the 220; John VanVoorhia, fifth in the 440; Rawlan Lillard, third in the 880, and fourth in the mile; Bob Lathrop, tied for fourth in the pole vault; Ken Christiansen and Chuck Eads, tied for second in the high jump; Bob Parrish, fifth in the broad jump; Bill Miller, fourth in the javelin; Paul Rexcoat, third in the discus; and the mile relay team, fourth.

¹Varsity records.

Other meet records that were made were: Ernie Billups of Loyola, tying the 440 mark of :49.0; Jim Ashmore of Loyola, in the high hurdles in :14.6, and Lows in :23.6, both times breaking records of Eastern's Ray White; and Jerry Hayden of Bradley in the discus with 150 ft. 10 in.¹

Eastern lost another dual meet, this time to Southern Illinois, 82 to 49. Eastern had seven firsts, but lacked the seconds and thirds to win.

Taking the Eastern firsts were: Rawlan Lillard in the 880 in a fine 1:57.4; Jim Fox in the 220 in :22.0; Dave Fields in the shot put at 49 ft. 1 1/2 in.; Bill Miller in the javelin at 174 ft. 9 in.; Norm Bomkamp in the discus at 136 ft. 1 in.; Harold Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 4 1/8 in.; and Chuck Eads in a three-way tie in the high jump at 6 ft.

Other places were by: Lillard, second in the mile; Joe Barber, second in the 100; John VanVoorhis, third in the 440; Tom Clark, third in the high hurdles; Jerry Biggs, third in the low hurdles; Paul Rexcoat, second in the discus; and Bob Lathrop, third in the pole vault.

¹Varsity records.

Southern's John Flamer ran the mile in an outstanding time of 4:19.2.¹

Eastern bounced back from the Southern defeat to squash Western Illinois 99 to 32, taking eleven firsts, and setting one school record.

Dave Fields again broke his own record in the shot put with a put of 50 ft. 7 3/4 in. John VanVoorhis won the 440 in :50.9, just .9 seconds off the school record. Other firsts were by: Joe Barber in the 100 in :10.0, and the 220 in :22.4; Tom Clark in the low hurdles in :25.2; Norm Boukamp in the discus at 139 ft. 5 in.; Bill Miller in the javelin at 184 ft. 10 in.; Chuck Eads in the high jump at 6 ft.; Harold Knowles in the broad jump at 21 ft. 4 in.; Hob Lathrop in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:30.

Also placing were: Don Thomas and Dick Storm, second and third in the mile; Clay Dungy, second in the 440; John Goddard and Knowles, second and third in the 100; John Malmquist and Clark, second and third in the high hurdles;

¹Varsity records.

Clint Byrd and Lillard, second and third in the 880; Goddard, second in the 220; Dick Kragler and Marlon Mitchell, second and third in the two mile; Jerry Biggs and Tom Chandler, second and third in the low hurdles; Jerry Zachary, third in the shot put; Paul Rexcoat, second in the discus; Esterino Molinari, third in the javelin; Ron Herr, tied for second in the high jump; Sam White and Dennis Taylor, second and third in the pole vault; and Eads, second in the broad jump.

The best two marks of the meet were by Western men.

Dan Ryan ran the mile in 4:18.2, and Bert Ohlander ran the 880 in 1:53.3.¹

The fiftieth running of the I.I.A.C. was held for the second time at Ypsilanti, Michigan. Eastern Michigan led by the great Hayes Jones won again with 56 points. Eastern Michigan was followed by Central Michigan 53, Illinois State 29, Southern Illinois 27, Northern Illinois 25 1/3, Eastern Illinois 23 1/3, and Western Illinois 11 1/3.

Jones won the high hurdles in :14.4, the lows in :23.2, the 100 in :09.8, the 220 in a record :20.9, and tied for fifth in the high jump.

¹Varsity records.

Eastern's points were by: Bill Miller first in the javelin at 192 ft. 3 in.; Dave Fields, second in the shot put; Chuck Eads, fifth in the broad jump; Joe Barber, fourth in the 100, and fifth in the 220; Rawlan Lillard, third in the 880 in a new school record of 1:56.6; Ken Christiansen, tied for fifth in the high jump; Norm Bomkamp and Paul Rexcoat, third and fourth in the discus; and Eastern's mile relay team, fourth.

Other new records set were by: Mauri Jormakka of Eastern Michigan in the mile in 4:16.8; Dave Myers of Central Michigan in the 440 in :48.4; Jim Robinson of Eastern Michigan in the pole vault at 13 ft. 7 3/4 in.; and Central Michigan's mile relay team in 3:17.9.¹

Eastern was led in scoring in 1959 for the first time by Rawlan Lillard with 48 points. He was followed by Joe Barber with 40, and Dave Fields with 38.²

1960

Approximately fifty men reported for track in the spring of 1960, eleven of these were lettermen, Bob Parrish, Joe

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

Barber, and Dave Fields were gone, but back were Rawlan Lillard, the school 880 record holder, and Bill Miller, I.I. A.C. champ in the javelin.¹

The schedule for the year was as follows:

April 9, Bradley Relays, at Peoria

April 12, Bradley, at Peoria

April 23, Northern Illinois, here

April 26, Chanute Field, here

April 30, Illinois State, at Normal

May 7, State Meet, at Macomb

May 12, Southern Illinois, here

May 21, Western Illinois, at Macomb

May 27-28, I.I.A.C., at Dekalb

Eastern again competed in the fifth annual Bradley Relays, on a cold, windy, and cloudy day. The Panthers placed three men and three relay teams.

The individuals who placed were: Bill Miller, second in the javelin with a throw of 185 ft.; Norm Bomkamp, third in the discus; and Bob Lathrop, third in the pole vault.

¹Varsity records.

The relay teams that placed were: the frosh 880 relay, fifth; the sprint medley relay, fifth in 3:45.; and the high hurdles shuttle relay, second.

LeRoy Jackson of Western Illinois had one of the best marks of the meet with a :09.8 100.¹

Eastern traveled back to Peoria three days later to take on Bradley in a dual meet, and lost 72 to 59.

Eastern's five firsts were by: Rawlan Lillard in the mile in 4:33.5, and the 880 in 2:04.8; Bill Miller in the javelin at 185 ft. 11 in.; Norm Bomkamp in the discus at 130 ft 1/2 in.; and Bob Lathrop tied for first in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.

Taking seconds were: Jerry Zachary in the shot put; Bob Stallman in the discus; Chuck Eads in the high jump; Marvin Honn in the mile and 880; Edison Allen in the high hurdles; Hal Knowles in the broad jump; and Jerry Biggs in the low hurdles.

Securing thirds; Ben Ward in the shot put; John Van-Voorhis in the 440; Al Jeter in the 220; Bill Ware in the

¹Varsity records.

discus; Dick McClain in the mile; Dennis Taylor in the pole vault; Knowles in the 100; Tom Clark in the high and low hurdles; Eads in the broad jump; and Lee Sprimont in the two mile.¹

Eastern faced Northern Illinois on a clear, beautiful, day, without the services of Jim Fox and with Rawlan Lillard running on a wrenched knee, and still won 70 to 61.

Marv Honn made up for Lillard incapacity by winning the 880 in 2:00.7, and the mile in 4:39.7. Others winning firsts were: Clai Dungy in the 440 in :51.1; Harold Knowles in the 100 in :10.2; Edison Allen in the high hurdles in :15.5; Al Jeter in the 220 in :22.3; Bill Miller in the javelin at 187 ft. 5 in.; and Bob Lathrop in a tie in the pole vault at 12 ft.

Also placing were: Lillard and Dick McClain, second and third in the mile; John VanVoorhis, third in the 440; Jerry Biggs and Tom Clark, tied for second in the low hurdles; Jerry Zachary, second in the 100, and third in the 220 and shot put; Lee Sprimont and Jim Quinlan, second and third

¹Varsity records.

in the two mile; Ben Ward, second in the shot put; Norm Bomkamp and Bob Stallman, second and third in the discus; Harold Knowles and Bill Kyles, second and third in the broad jump; and Chuck Eads, tied for second in the high jump.

Jay Broderick of N.I. set a new Lincoln Field record when he heaved the discus 153 ft. 8 in.¹

Eastern once again administered the traditional beating to Chanute Field, this time by a 114 to 17 score. Eastern took first in every event, and second in all but four.

Eastern placed as follows in all the events: the mile, Dick McClain, first in 4:46.7, Jim Quinlan and Ron Dawkins, second and third; the 440, Clay Dungy, first in :51.6, Bill Kyle, second; the 100, Al Jeter, first in :10.8, Harold Knowles, second; the high hurdles, Edison Allen, first in :15.7, Art Cofer, second; the 880, Marv Honn, first in 2:02.4, Bob Hall, second; the 220, Jeter, first in :23.4, Jerry Zachary and Don Varner, second and third; the low hurdles, Allen first at :26.9, Jerry Biggs and Jerry Quick, second and third; the two mile, Rawlan Lillard first in 10:16.7, Lee Sprimont and

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 27, 1960, p. 8, and varsity records.

Ron Gordon, second and third; the shot put, Ben Ward, first at 43 ft. 2 1/2 in., Zachary, second; the javelin, Bill Miller, first at 189 ft., John Johnson, third; the discus, Norm Bomkamp, first at 132 ft. 5 1/2 in., Bob Stallman, third; the high jump, Chuck Eads, first at 6 ft., Max Eldred, third; the broad jump, Hal Knowles, first at 21 ft. 6 1/4 in., Bill Varner, third; the pole vault, Bob Lathrop first at 11 ft. 4 in., Dennis Taylor, third; and the mile relay be a forfeit.¹

Eastern won ten firsts and swept four events to easily defeat Illinois State 76 2/3 to 54 1/3.

Taking firsts were: Rawlan Lillard in the mile in 4:43.8; Clai Dugy in the 440 in a fine :50.5; Edison Allen in the high hurdles in :15.5, and the lows in :25.6; Marv Honn in the 880 in 2:01.5; Lee Sprimont in the two mile in 10:07.8; Bob Lathrop in the pole vault at 11 ft.; Norm Bomkamp in the discus with 140 ft. 9 in.; Bill Miller in the javelin with 193 ft. 5 in., only 5 in. short of the school record; and the mile relay team in 3:27.4

Competing the sweeps were: Marv Honn and Dick McClain,

¹Varsity records.

second and third in the mile; Tom Clark and Jerry Biggs, second and third in the high and low hurdles; and Lillard and McClain, second and third in the 880.

Others placing were: John VanVoorhis, third in the 440; Jerry Zachary, third in the 100 and 220; Ron Dawkins, second in the two mile; Ben Ward, third in the shot put; Chuck Eads, second in the high jump; and Max Eldred and Brian Cossell, in a three-way tie for third in the high jump.¹

At Macomb for the State Meet, Eastern placed last behind five schools, scoring only 20 points. Leading Eastern were Western Illinois 58 1/2, Southern Illinois 47 1/2, Bradley 40 1/2, Illinois State 32 1/2, and Loyola 26.

Placing for Eastern were: Norm Bonkamp, second in the discus; Bill Miller, third in the javelin; Ben Ward, fifth in the shot put; Hal Knowles, third in the broad jump; Chuck Eads, tied for fourth in the high jump; Edison Allen, second in the high hurdles; Bob Lathrop, in a four-way tie for first in the pole vault at 11 ft. 6 in.; John VanVoorhis, fifth in the 440; and Jerry Biggs, fifth in the low hurdles.

¹Varsity records.

Ernie Billups of Loyola ran the best race of the day winning the 880 in a new state record of 1:52.9.¹

In a dual meet against Southern Illinois, Eastern almost won the meet, losing 67 to 64. It was though, a moral victory as Eastern was hampered by many injuries to men such as Rawlan Lillard, Jim Fox, John VanVoorhis, and Tom Clark. Coach O'Brien verbally expressed his pride in the team for such a gallant showing by saying, "I'm real proud of them."²

Marv Honn was Eastern's star as he won the 880 in 1:57.4, and the mile in 4:23.9. Also starring was Bill Miller who tossed the javelin 199 ft. 6 1/2 in. to win.

Other Panther's winning were: Clai Dungy in the 220 in :22.9; Edison Allen in the low hurdles in :25.9, and the highs in :15.7; Chuck Eads in the high jump at 6 ft. 1 in.; and Norm Bonkamp in the discus at 142 ft. 9 in.

Others placing were: VanVoorhis and Dungy, second and third in the 440; Jerry Zachary, third in the 100 and shot put; Tom Clark, second in the low hurdles, and third in the highs; Lillard, second in the 880; Ben Ward, second in the

¹Varsity records

²News item in the Eastern State News, May 18, 1960, p. 6.

shot put; Brian Cossell, third in the high jump; Harold Knowles and Eads, second and third in the broad jump; and Bob Lathrop, second in the pole vault.¹

In the last dual of the season, Eastern won a fairly easy victory over Western Illinois on a flooded track, 72 to 54.

Taking firsts for Eastern were: Chuck Eads, Brian Cossell, and Max Eldred, all tied in the high jump at 5 ft. 5 in.; Clai Dungy in the 440 in :52.0; Ben Ward in the shot put at 44 ft. 1 in.; Bill Miller in the javelin at 187 ft. 6 in.; Eads in the broad jump at 20 ft. 9 1/2 in., and Norm Bomkamp in the discus at 129 ft. 3 in.

Others placing were: Marv Honn, second in the mile; John VanVoorhis, second in the 440; Jerry Zachary, second in the shot put, and third in the 100 and 220; Mike Casserly, third in the shot put; Rawlan Lillard, second in the 880; Edison Allen and Tom Clark, second and third in the high hurdles; Bob Lathrop, second in the pole vault; Jerrry Quick, second in the broad jump; Lee Sprimont, third in the two mile; and Bob Stallman, second in the discus.

¹Varsity records.

No mile relay was run.¹

Running in the firty-first meeting of the I.I.A.C., Eastern could not manage too high a finish. Central Michigan won the meet with 59 points, followed by Western Illinois 37, Eastern Michigan 33 1/3, Northern Illinois 33, Illinois State 32, Eastern Illinois 17, and Southern Illinois 13 2/3. W.I.'s second place finish finally broke the consecutive string of one-two finishes by the Michigan schools since they entered the conference.

Eastern placed as follows: Ben Ward, fourth in the shot put; Bill Miller, second in the javelin; Marv Honn, fifth in the mile; Clai Dungy, fifth in the 440; Norm Bomkamp, second in the discus; Edison Allen, third in the high hurdles; and the mile relay team, fourth.

New records that were set in the meet were by: Bill Kazor of Western Illinois in the mile in 4:11.4; Dave Myers of Central Michigan in the 440 in :48.1; Eastern Michigan's Haye Jones in the high hurdles in :14.2; and lows in :22.7; Bert Ohlander of Western in the 880 in 1:52.6; Eastern Michigan's Mauri Jormakka in the two mile in 9:21.7; Jim VanVleck

¹Varsity records.

of Central Michigan in the pole vault at 13 ft. 8 1/2 in.; and Central Michigan's mile relay team in 3:17.7.¹

Leading the team in scoring in 1960 was hurdler Edison Allen with 49 points, followed by Marv Honn with 42.

Graduating was Rawlan Lillard, 880 record holder, I.I.A. & C. C. cross-country champ, and also holder of the school cross-country record at 3 3/4 miles of 18:42.1. Lillard was chosen the best Eastern cross-country man of the decade by the same committee that chose Winston Brown top track man of the decade.²

1961

Reporting to the team for 1961 were several lettermen, including Edison Allen and Marv Honn, top two scorers for the team in 1960. Bill Miller, school record holder in the javelin was not in school that year. Assisting Coach O' Brien in track that year was Don Magoman.

The schedule for the year was as follows;

April 8, Bradley Relays, at Peoria

April 11, Bradley, here

April 22, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

¹Varsity records

²News item in the Eastern State News, Oct. 12, 1960 p. 9, and varsity records.

April 29, Illinois State, here

May 6, State Meet, at Peoria

May 10, Southern Illinois, at Carbondale

May 17, Chanute Field, here

May 20, Western Illinois, here

May 26-67, I.I.A.C., at Carbondale

Eastern again competed in the Bradley Relays as a conditioner for the early season. Eastern placed five individuals, won one relay in a meet record time, and set one school record.

Setting the meet record were Tom Clark, Jerry Grandone, and Edison Allen in the high hurdle shuttle relay in a time of :46.6.

Setting the school record was Ed Frazier, a freshman, who threw the discus 148 ft. 3 1/2 in., breaking John Byrnes' 1956 record of 144 ft. 11 in., and taking fourth place.

Other individuals who placed were: Edison Allen and Jerry Grandone, third and fourth in the high hurdles; Art Jacoby, fourth in the javelin; and Hal Palishen, tied for second in the pole vault.

Other relays placing were: the frosh 880 relay, fifth in 1:39.2; and the sprint medley team, fourth in 3:42.5.¹

On a pleasant, windless day, Eastern defeated Bradley 71 1/2 to 59 1/2. Eastern took eight firsts and set two school records.

Edison Allen ran the high hurdles in :14.8, breaking Ray White's 1955 mark of :14.9, and Ed Frazier broke his own newly set record in the discus with 151 ft. 3 in.

Others taking firsts were: Ben Ward in the shot put at 48 ft. 4 3/4 in.; Dave Potter in the broad jump at 21 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Art Jacoby in the javelin at 167 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Hal Palishen in the pole vault at 12 ft.; John VanVoortis in the 440 in :50.6; and Marv Honn in the 880 in 2:00.2.

Also placing were: Frazier, second in the shot put; John Johnson and Ron Leibig, second and third in the javelin; Gary Allen, second in the pole vault; Bill Reynolds and Bob Stallman, second and third in the discus; Brian Cossell, second, and Jeff Gaines, tied for third in the high jump; Honn, third in the mile; Dick McClain, third in the 440; Bill Neal, third in the 100 and 220; Jerry Grandone, third in the high

¹Varsity records.

and low hurdles; Edison Allen, second in the low hurdles; Bill Scroggins, third in the 880; and Lee Sprimont and Don McMorris, second and third in the two mile.¹

Eastern traveled to DeKalb for the second dual of the year and suffered one of the worst drubbings in years, losing 106 1/3 to 24 2/3. So bad was the loss that Eastern could not take one first, and only four clear-cut seconds.

Taking seconds were: Edison Allen in the high hurdles; Tom Clark in the low hurdles; Ben Ward in the shot put; Ed Frazier in the discus; and Jeff Gaines and Brian Cossell in a three-way tie for second in the high jump.

Taking thirds for Eastern were: Marv Honn in the mile; Hal Palishen in the pole vault; John VanVoorhis in the 220 and 440; Bill Neal in the 100; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles; Bill Scroggins in the 880; E. Allen in the low hurdles; Dave Potter in the broad jump; and John Johnson in the javelin.

Two of Northern's best marks were Dave Stern's two mile time of 9:45, and the mile relay's time of 3:23.3.²

Returning home Eastern bounced back and smashed Illinois State 90 1/2 to 40 1/2. Eastern won or tied eleven firsts,

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

and set one school record.

The record was by Ed Frazier who again broke his own discus record with a heave of 152 ft. 5 1/2 in.

Others winning firsts were: Don McMorris, in the two mile in 10:03.8; Tom Clark in the low hurdles in :25.6; Marv Honn in the 880 in 1:59.3, and tied with Ben Butler in the mile in 4:35.8; Edison Allen in the high hurdles in :15.1; John VanVoorhis in the 440 in :51.3; Brian Cossell tied in the high jump at 6 ft.; Cossell and Larry Thomason tied in the broad jump at 20 ft. 9 3/4 in.; Hal Palishen tied in the pole vault at 12 ft.; and the mile relay team of Dick McClain, Bob Hall, Honn, and VanVoorhis, in 3:32.2.

Also scoring were: Ben Ward, second in the shot put; John Johnson and Art Jacoby, second and third in the javelin; Gary Allen, third in the pole vault; Chuck Eads, tied for third in the high jump; McClain, third in the 440; Bill Neal and Terre Engleton, second and third in the 100 and 220; Jerry Grandone, second in the high and low hurdles; Tom Clark, third in the high hurdles; Bill Scroggins and Bill Meckfessel, second and third in the 880; and Lee Sprimont, second in the

two mile.¹

Southern Illinois won the State meet at Peoria with 62 1/3 points, followed by Northern Illinois 44 1/3, Western Illinois 32, Eastern Illinois 24, Loyola 23, and four other schools.

Placing for Eastern were: Ben Ward, third in the shot put; Ed Frazier, third in the discus; Jerry Grandone, second in the high hurdles, equaling the school record of :14.8; Edison Allen, fourth in the high hurdles, and fifth in the lows; Tom Clark, third in the low hurdles; Brian Cossell, tied for third in the high jump; Hal Palishen and Gary Allen, tied for third in the pole vault; and the mile relay team, fourth.

Among the many records that were set in the meet were a 9:19.1 two mile by Joe Thomas of Southern Illinois and a :48.5 440 by Vern Christofer of Northern Illinois.

Southern Illinois showed their power in a dual meet against Eastern, 86 to 45. Eastern had only one first, that by Edison Allen in the high hurdles in :14.8, tying the school record.

Other men placing were: Ben Ward, second in the shot put;

¹Varsity records.

Ed Frazier, second in the discus, and third in the shot put; Marv Honn, second in the 880, and third in the mile; John VanVoorhis and Dick McClain, second and third in the 440; Brian Cossell and Larry Thomason, second and third in the broad jump; Chuck Eads and Cossell, second and third in the high jump; Bill Neal, second in the 100; Gary Allen and Hal Palishen, second and third in the pole vault; Jerry Grandone, second in the high hurdles; Tom Clark, third in the high and low hurdles; E. Allen, second in the low hurdles; VanVoorhis, third in the 220; and John Johnson, third in the javelin.¹

Eastern dutifully once again administered the yearly beating to Chanute Field, 117 to 13. Two school records were set in the meet, Ben Ward erased the 1959 shot put record of Dave Fields of 50 ft. 5 1/4 in., by 3 1/2 in., and Marv Honn broke the 1959 record of Rawlan Lillard in the 880 of 1:56.8 by .2 second.

Eastern scored as follows for the rest of their points: the shot put, Ed Frazier, second; the high jump, Chuck Eads, first at 6 ft. 1 in., Brian Cossell and Jeff Gaines, tied for

¹Varsity records.

second; the javelin, Art Jacoby, first at 163 ft. 7 1/2 in., Ron Leibig and John Johnson, second and third; the pole vault, Gary Allen and Hal Palishen tied for first at 12 ft., Gerry Marshall, third; the broad jump, Cossell, first at 21 ft. 5 1/2 in., Larry Thomason, third; the discus, Ed Frazier, first at 149 ft. 2 in., Bob Stallman and Dave Piper, second and third; the mile, Ben Butler, first in 4:36.5, Bill Fisher, second; the 440, John VanVoorhis, first in :50.8, Dick McClain, second; the 100, Bill Neal and Thomason, second and third; the high hurdles, Edison Allen, first in :15.1, Jerry Grandone and Tom Clark, second and third; the low hurdles, Allen, first in :25.0, Clark and Grandone, second and third; the 220, Neal and Bob Hall, second and third; the two mile, Lee Sprimont first in 10:08.9, Don McMorris and Jim Quinlan, second and third; and the mile relay first in 3:32.¹

Eastern pulled an upset in defeating Western Illinois 75 to 57 in the last dual of the season. Eastern won only seven firsts, and only one of those in a running event, needing a school record to do it.

¹Varsity records.

Setting the record was John VanVoorhis who ran the 440 in :49.8, breaking Jim Johnson's ten year old record of :50.0.

Other wins were by: Ben Ward in the shot put at 50 ft. 4 1/2 in.; Art Jacoby in the javelin at 172 ft.; Brian Cossell in the broad jump at 21 ft. 4 in., and high jump at 6 ft.; Ed Frazier in the discus at 147 ft. 6 1/2 in.; and Gary Allen in the pole vault at 12 ft. 9 in.

Eastern's eleven seconds were by: Frazier in the shot put; John Johnson in the javelin; Chuck Eads in the broad and high jumps; Bob Stallman in the discus; Hal Palishen tied in the pole vault; Bill Neal in the 100 and 220; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles; Marv Honn in the 880; and Tom Clark in the low hurdles.

Taking thirds were: Ron Leibig in the javelin; Larry Thomason in the broad jump; Jeff Gaines in the high jump; Honn in the mile; Edison Allen in the high hurdles; Bill Scroggins in the 880; and Grandone in the low hurdles.

Phil Lorenc of Western Illinois who later became a graduate assistant at Eastern in 1963-64, won the two mile in

in 9:35.7.¹

Southern Illinois finally ended the eleven year domination by the Michigan schools of the I.I.A.C. by winning the title with 60 $\frac{3}{5}$ points to Central Michigan's 46 $\frac{3}{5}$. Following were Northern Illinois 40 $\frac{3}{5}$, Western Illinois 33, Illinois State 25, Eastern Illinois 17 $\frac{3}{5}$, and Eastern Michigan only 1 $\frac{3}{5}$ points.

Placing for Eastern Illinois were: Ben Ward, fourth in the shot put; Brian Cossell, third in the broad and high jumps; Larry Thomason, fifth in the broad jump; Marv Honn, fourth in the 880; Tom Clark, fourth in the high hurdles; Ed Frazier, fifth in the discus; Chuck Eads, in a five-way tie for fourth in the high jump; Hal Palishen and Gary Allen, in a six-way tie for third in the pole vault at 13 ft., tying the school record; and the mile relay team, fifth.

Setting records were; Southern Illinois's Joe Thomas in the two mile in 9:15.3, Ted Farmer in the discus at 155 ft. 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ in., John Saunders tying the 880 record of 1:52.6, and the mile relay team in 3:14.5; and Northern Illinois's Vern Christofer in the 440 in :47.9.²

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

Scoring among the 1961 team was basically well balanced. Leading the team was Brian Cossell with 49 points, followed by Edison Allen 44, Marv Honn 43, and Ed Frazier 42.¹

1962

Among the more than forty men who reported for track in 1962 were three school record holders, Hal Palishen in the pole vault, Ben Ward in the shot put, and Marv Honn in the 880.

Eastern competed in two indoor meets that year, the University of Illinois Open, on Feb. 10, and the Midwest Indoor Meet at Naperville, on Mar. 10.

Placing in the Open were: Ben Ward, first in the shot put at 49 ft. 8 1/4 in.; freshman Art Steele, third in the high jump at 6 ft. 1/2 in., and second in the broad jump at 23 ft. 1 1/2 in.; and Brian Cossell, fourth in the broad jump, and fifth in the high jump.

In the Naperville meet, Hal Palishen took second in the pole vault at 13 ft. 2 in., 2 in. higher than the school record. Marv Honn took second in the mile. Ben Ward took second in the shot put; and Art Steele took third in the high

¹Varsity records.

and broad jumps.¹

The outdoor schedule for the year was as follows:

April 10, Bradley, at Peoria

April 14, Bradley Relays, at Peoria

April 16, Northern Illinois, here

April 21, Central Michigan, here

April 28, Illinois State, at Normal

May 1, Millikin, here

May 5, State Meet, here

May 12, Elmhurst Invitational, at Elmhurst

May 18-19, I.I.A.C. at Macomb

The first meet of the year was a dual with Bradley which Eastern won easily 75 to 56 by taking ten firsts.

Winning events were: Ben Ward in the shot put at 46 ft. 5 in.; Art Jacoby in the javelin at 179 ft.; Art Steele in the broad jump at 21 ft.; Marv Honn in the mile in 4:37.3, and the 880 in 1:57.7; Hal Palishen in the pole vault at 12 ft.; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles in :15.6, and the lows in :25.7; Dave Piper in the discus at 124 ft. 7 in.; and Don McMorris in the two mile in 10:04.1.

¹Varsity records.

Also placing were: Art Thompson and Lathan Heath, second and third in the shot put; John Johnson and Ron Leibig, second and third in the javelin; Larry Wesch, third in the 440; Jesse Knight, second in the 100 and 220; Wayne Stingley and Lew Haggerty, second and third in the high jump; Bill Meckfessel, third in the 880; Tom Christy and Dave Heinrich, second and third in the discus; and Jim Quinlan, third in the two mile.¹

The second meet of the year was the Bradley Relays. Eastern placed five individuals, and only one relay, but that one relay place was a first. Clai Dungy, Wayne Stingley, Pete Love, and Marv Honn, teamed up to win the sprint medley in a time of 3:39.6.

Individuals placing were: John Johnson, second in the javelin; Ben Ward, fourth in the shot put; Jerry Grandone, third in the high hurdles; John Haggerty, third in the high jump at 6 ft. 1 in.; and Wayne Stingley in a six-way tie for fifth place in the high jump.

LeRoy Jackson of Western Illinois was the outstanding athlete of the meet, winning the 100 in a wind-aided :9.5.²

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern State News, Apr. 18, 1962, p.6.

Eastern ran into trouble against Northern Illinois, winning only six firsts and losing 31 to 50.

Jerry Grandone and Marv Honn were again double winners for Eastern Illinois, Grandone winning the high hurdles in :15.6, and the lows in :25.5. Honn won the mile in :4.26, and the 880 in 1:58.1. Also winning were John Haggerty in the high jump at 6 ft. 1 in., and Art Steele in the broad jump at 22 ft. 9 in.

Others placing were: Ben Ward, second in the shot put at 50 ft. 2 in.; Brian Cossell, second in the low hurdles, tied for second in the high jump, and third in the broad jump; John Johnson and Art Jacoby, second and third in the javelin; Dave Piper, third in the discus; Carroll Wright, second in the high hurdles, and third in the lows; and Roy Weger, third in the high hurdles.

Northern had a three-way tie for first in the two mile at 9:48.7, by Gary Bredeson, Mike Kistau, and Steve Frogue.¹

Central Michigan came to town to face Eastern in the first dual meet ever between these two schools with the Chippewas winning 72 to 59.

¹Varsity records.

Winning Eastern Illinois's seven firsts were: Ben Ward in the shot put at 47 ft. 3 in.; John Haggerty in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.; Art Jacoby in the javelin at 159 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Dave Piper in the discus at 126 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Marv Honn in the 880 at 1:58.8; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles at :15.2; and Hal Palishen tied in the pole vault at 12 ft. 4 in.

Also placing were: Art Thompson, third in the shot put; Brian Cossell and Wayne Stingley, tied for second in the high jump; John Johnson and Ron Leibig, second and third in the javelin; Art Steele, third in the broad jump and pole vault; Tom Christy and Dave Heinrich, second and third in the discus; Honn, second in the mile; Don Love, third in the 100 and 220; Clai Dungy, second in the 220; Don McMorris, third in the two mile; and Grandone, third in the low hurdles.¹

In the 28th. dual meet between Eastern and Illinois State, the "Panthers" proved victorious 74 1/2 to 56 1/2. This was the 16th. victory against 12 losses for Eastern in the long series of meets.

¹Varsity records.

Marv Honn set a new school record in the 880, running 1:56.2, breaking his own record of 1:56.6. Also winning were: Larry Wesch in the 440 in :51.7; Honn in the mile in 4:30.2; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles in :15.4, and the lows in :24.9; Ben Ward in the shot put at 48 ft. 4 1/2 in.; John Haggerty and Wayne Stingley tied for first in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 1/4 in.; Hal Palishen tied in the pole vault at 12 ft. 5 1/2 in.; Art Steele in the broad jump at 21 ft. 10 3/4 in.; and the mile relay team of Dick McClain, Bill Meckfessel, Fred Washburn, and Wesch, in 3:30.5.

Other Panther points were by: Lee Sprimont, third in the mile; McClain, third in the 440; Don Love, second in the 100, and third in the 220; Stingley, second in the broad jump, and tied for third in the 100; Washburn, third in the 880; Don McMorris and Jim Quinlan, second and third in the two mile; Art Thompson, third in the shot put; Dave Piper, second in the discus; and John Johnson and Ron Leibig, second and third in the javelin.¹

Eastern Illinois went on to smash Millikin 86 2/3 to 43 1/3. The Panthers won or tied nine firsts, but swept four events.

Winning for Eastern were: Ben Ward in the shot put at 47 ft. 2 1/4 in.; John Johnson in the javelin at 165 ft. 1/2 in.; Wayne Stingley tied in the high jump at 6 ft.; Hal Palishen in the pole vault at 12 ft. 8 in.; Jesse Knight in the 100 at :10.7; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles at :15.7; Marv Honn in the 880 at 1:56.4; Jim Quinlan and Don McMorris tied in the two mile at 10:10.1; and the mile relay team in 3:35.3.

Completing the sweeps were: Art Thompson and Jerry Loew, second and third in the shot put; Art Jacoby and Ron Leibig, second and third in the javelin; Fred Washburn and Bill Meckfessel, second and third in the 880; and Ron Dawkins: third in the two mile, Art Steele completed a sweep of sorts as he was the only competitor in the pole vault besides Palishen to go over the starting height.

"Panthers" also placing were: Brian Cossell and John Haggerty, in a three-way tie for third in the high jump; Steele and Cossell, second and third in the broad jump; Dave Piper, third in the discus; Lee Sprimont, second in the mile; Larry Wesch and Dick McClain, second and third in the 440;

Don Love, third in the 100; Carroll Wright, second in the high hurdles, and third in the lows; Jesse Knight, second in the 220; and Bill Hamilton, second in the low hurdles.¹

In the seven team State Meet, Western Illinois won by five points over Northern Illinois, 50 1/2 to 45 1/2. They were followed by Eastern Illinois 36, Loyola 33, Illinois State 30 1/2, Bradley 27 1/2, and Illinois Wesleyan 2.

Marv Honn starred as he won the 880 in a new state and school record of 1:54.5.

Others placing were: Ben Ward, third in the shot put; Dave Piper, third in the discus; Art Steele, fifth in the broad jump; Art Jacoby, second in the javelin; Ron Leibig and John Johnson, fourth and fifth; Hal Palishen, tied for second in the pole vault; John Haggerty, tied for third in the high jump; Jesse Knight, fifth in the 100; Jerry Grandone second in the high and low hurdles; and the mile relay team, third.²

In the Elmhurst meet, Eastern again took a third place behind Northern Illinois and Western Illinois in the ten team

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

A division. The point totals for the top four teams were: Northern Illinois 39 $\frac{9}{10}$, Western Illinois 38 $\frac{1}{2}$, Eastern Illinois 36 $\frac{7}{10}$, and Loyola 35.

Eastern won or tied four firsts by: Marv Honn in the 880 in 1:55.3; Art Steele in the broad jump at 22 ft. 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.; John Johnson in the javelin at 186 ft. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.; and John Haggerty in a four-way tie for first in the high jump at 6 ft.

Men placing were: Jerry Grandone, third in the high hurdles; Ben Ward, second in the shot put; Hal Palishen, in a three-way tie for third in the pole vault; Wayne Stingley, in a five-way tie for fifth in the high jump; and Art Jacoby, fifth in the javelin.

Phil Lorenc of Western Illinois won the two mile in a new meet record of 9:19.4.¹

The day after the Elmhurst meet, on May 6, Charles Perry Lantz, first E.I. track coach and athletic director to his retirement in 1952, died in Maples, Florida at the age of 79.

¹Varsity records.

The news was taken with great sorrow at Eastern, for he was indeed the grand old man of Eastern Illinois sports.¹

Southern Illinois won its second straight I.I.A.C. title amassing a total of 83 points to runnerup Western's 38 1/2. Following were Northern Illinois 31 1/4, Eastern Illinois 29 1/2, Central Michigan 24 3/4, Illinois State 10 1/2, and Eastern Michigan 6 1/2.

Eastern Illinois did not win a first and placed as follows: Marv Honn, third in the 880; Jerry Grandone, second in the high hurdles, and fourth in the lows; Art Steele, and Wayne Stingley, fourth and fifth in the broad jump; Hal Palishen, third in the pole vault; Ben Ward, third in the shot put; Dave Piper, fourth in the discus; John Johnson and Art Jacoby, third and fifth in the javelin; John Haggerty, in a three-way second place tie in the high jump; Brian Cossell and Stingley, in a four-way fifth place tie in the high jump; and the mile relay team, fourth.

Records were set by: Northern Illinois's Larry Hoover in the shot put at 53 ft. 2 1/4 in.; and Southern Illinois's Jim Gualdoni in the broad jump at 24 ft. 1 in.; Jim Dupree

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 9, 1962, p.6.

in the 880 in 1:50.3, and Bill Cornell in the mile in 4:11.3.¹

Eastern participated in the eleventh annual NAIA meet at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, but did not take any places. Men entered were Jerry Grandone, Marv Honn, Art Steele, Ben Ward, and Hsl Palishen.²

Jerry Grandone barely edged Marv Honn for the teams scoring leadership. Grandone scored a total of 59 points to Honn's 56.³

In November of 1962 it was announced that Coach O'Brien had been appointed to the National Long Distance Running Committee of the AAU. Among other duties this committee selected representatives for the 1963 Pan-American Games and 1964 Olympic Games.

This honor came in addition to other honors O'Brien had received recently; Ares Six representative to the NAIA Track and Field Coaches Association, and National Cross-country Chairman. He was also chairman of the committee that wrote the rules for cross-country in the NAIA.⁴

¹Varsity records.

²Personal interview with Art Steele, June 27, 1967, and varsity records.

³Varsity records.

⁴News item in the Eastern State News, Nov. 14, 1962, p.

1963

Reporting for track in the spring of 1963 were fifteen lettermen, including four school record holders. Among the record holders were Bill Miller who was returning to Eastern after a two year absence, Hal Palishen, Ben Ward, and Marv Honn.¹

The I.I.A.C. was reduced to five schools when Southern Illinois and Eastern Michigan dropped out of the conference due to changing athletic policies. The schools that now remained in the conference were Central Michigan, Illinois State, Northern Illinois, Western Illinois, and Eastern Illinois.²

In the twenty-fourth annual Midwest Track Meet at Naperville, Eastern placed eight times and tied for sixth place in the nine team division I with 15 5/6 points.

Placing were Art Steele, first in the broad jump at 23 ft. 8 1/4 in., second in the pole vault, and third in the high jump; Wayne Stingley, tied for fifth in the high jump; Ben Ward, fifth in the shot put; Marv Honn, fifth in the mile;

¹Varsity records.

²Newa item in the Eastern State News, Mar. 27, 1963, p.

and Hal Palishen, tied for fourth in the pole vault.¹

Assisting Coach O'Brien for the first time in 1963 was Bob Eudeikis. Coach Eudeikis assignment was to work with the weight men, and for this position he was well qualified. His educational background included Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Illinois State University, and his athletic background included the NAIA javelin championship.

His coaching background included positions at Mokenna, Zion-Benton, LaRoy, and University High Schools, finally coming to Eastern in 1962 where he is at the present time.²

Eastern's outdoor schedule was as follows:

April 9, Bradley, here

April 13, Eastern Illinois Relays, here

April 20, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

April 23, Millikin, at Decatur

April 27, Illinois State, at Normal

May 4, State Meet, at Normal

May 8, State Meet, at Normal

May 11, Elmhurst Invitational, at Elmhurst

May 17-18, IIAC, at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

¹Varsity records.

²Personal interview with Bob Eudeikis, June 27, 1967

Against Bradley in the first meet of the year, Eastern Illinois set two school records, tied another, and won easily 81 to 50.

Ben Ward broke his own mark in the shot put by almost two feet, winning at 52 ft. 6 in. Art Steele broke Ray White's eight year old record in the broad jump, jumping 24 ft. 3 1/2 in. Steele also tied the school pole vault record at 13 ft.

Other winners were: Bill Miller in the javelin at 193 ft. 2 3/4 in.; Ray Schaljo in the discus at 130 ft. 9 3/4 in.; Marv Ronn in the mile at 4:38.8, and 880 at 1:59.1; Ron Rentfro in the 100 in :10.4; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles at :15.4; and Don McMorris in the two mile in 10:09.7.

Additional scorers were: Bob Trimble, second in the shot put; Art Jacoby and Bob Clifford, second and third in the javelin; Grandone and Steele, tied for second in the high jump; Grandone, second in the low hurdles; Wayne Stingley, third in the broad jump; Hal Palishen, second in the pole vault; Dave Piper and Dick Johnson, second and third in the discus; McMorris and Jim Quinlan, second and third in the mile; Quinlan, third in the two mile; Jim Astle, second in the 880; and Rentfro, third in the low hurdles.¹

¹Varsity records.

On April 13, the former Bradley Relays became the Eastern Illinois Relays. The reason behind the switch was due to construction work at Bradley which prevented the track meet from being held there.

Eastern placed sixteen times in the meet, setting two meet records and one school record.

Art Steele set a meet record in the broad jump with a leap of 23 ft. 9 1/2 in., and Hal Palishen set a meet and school record in the pole vault with a mark of 13 ft. 7 in., breaking a record held by Fred Crawford, Art Steele, and himself.

Other places were as follows: the sprint medley team of Lee Willett, Bill Neal, John Elson, and Marv Honn, first in 3:38.9; the shuttle hurdles relay, fourth; the frosh sprint medley, fourth; the mile relay, fifth; the 440 relay, fifth; the frosh mile relay, second; the frosh 880 relay, third; Ron Rentfro, fourth in the 100; Jerry Grandone, fourth in the high hurdles; Art Steele, third in the pole vault at 13 ft., and fifth in the high jump; Ray Schaljo, third in the discus; Bill Miller, first in the javelin at 201 ft. 4 in., just 1/2 in. off his record; Art Jacoby, third in the jave-

lin; and Ben Ward, second in the shot put.¹

In a dual against Northern Illinois, Eastern was only able to win five firsts and lost 76 1/2 to 54 1/2.

Taking firsts were: Marv Honn in the mile in 4:25; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles in :15.0, and lows in :24.6; Art Steele in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in.; and Art Jacoby in the javelin at 188 ft. 9 1/2 in.

Securing seconds were: Ron Rentfro in the 100 and low hurdles; Honn in the 880; Ben Ward in the shot put; Steele in the broad jump; Wayne Stingley in the high jump; Bill Miller in the javelin; Ray Schaljo in the discus; and Hal Palishen in the pole vault.

Taking thirds were: Lee Willett in the 440; Rich Wal-lenschlager in the high hurdles; Grandone tied in the high jump; and Dick Johnson in the discus.²

Eastern beat Millikin in the third dual of the year, taking ten firsts, 95 to 56.

Winning firsts were: Marv Honn in the 880 in 2:00.3, and the mile in 4:29.9; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 27, 1963, p. 6, and varsity records.

²Varsity records.

in :15.1, and the lows in :25.5; Art Steele in the broad jump at 21 ft. 1 1/4 in.; Bill Miller in the javelin at 197 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Hal Palishen in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.; Ben Ward in the shot put at 51 ft.; Ron Rentfro in the 100 at :10.0; and Don McMorris in the two mile at 9:50, just four seconds from the record.

Other men placing were: Lee Willett, second in the 220, and third in the 440; Jim Astle, third in the 880; Jim Quinlan, second in the two mile; Rentfro, third in the low hurdles; Wayne Stingley, second in the broad jump; Art Jacoby, third in the javelin; Roger Jebe, second in the pole vault; Ray Schaljo, second in the discus; and Bob Trimble, second in the shot put.¹

Eastern only edged Illinois State 68 to 63 despite the setting of four school records and tying another.

Setting records were: Ben Ward in the shot put at 53 ft. 2 1/2 in., breaking his old record by more than 8 inches; Bill Miller in the javelin at 210 ft. 11 1/2 in., more than ten feet; Marv Honn in the mile in 4:21.4, breaking the 1955

¹Varsity records.

record of Chuck Matheny by .9 seconds; and Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles in :14.6, breaking Edison Allen's and his own record of :14.8. Grandone also tied the low hurdle record of :24.0.

Others winning were: Art Steele in the broad jump at 23 ft. 9 3/4 in.; Hal Palishen in the pole vault at 13 ft.; and Honn in the 880 at 1:59.4.

"Panthers" placing were: Bob Trimble, third in the shot put; Steele, third in the high jump and pole vault; Art Jacoby, second in the javelin; Wayne Stingley, third in the broad jump; Larry Watts, third in the mile; Lee Willett and Dick McClain, second and third in the 440; Ron Rentfro, second in the 100 and low hurdles; Bill Neal, second in the 220, and third in the 100; Willett, third in the 220; Jim Astle, third in the 880; and Don McMorris and Jim Quinlan, second and third in the two mile.¹

Eastern regained the State title after several years by barely edging Loyola 46 to 44. The result of the meet hinged on the pole vault, which went on one and a half hours after the meet ended. Finally it ended and Hal Palishen won

¹Varsity record.

after setting a new meet and school record of 13 ft. 8 in.

He was followed closely by Art Steale at 13 ft. 4 1/2 in.

The other schools finished as follows: Northern Illinois 43, Illinois State 40, Western Illinois 22, Bradley 15, DePaul 10, and Greenville 5.

Ben Ward also set a meet and school record as he tossed the shot 54 ft. 3 1/2 in., 11 in. better than his old record. Also winning were Art Steele in the broad jump at 23 ft. 6 in., and Bill Miller in the javelin at 202 ft. 11 in.

Placing were: Ray Schaljo, fourth in the discus; Marv Honn, second in the mile, and third in the 880; Ron Rentfro second in the 100; Art Jacoby, second in the javelin; Don McMorris, fifth in the two mile; Steele, second in the high jump at 6 ft. 2 in.

Western Illinois's Phil Lorenc set a meet record in the two mile of 9:12.7; and Loyola's Tom O'Hara, a sub-four minute miler, won the mile at 4:21, and the 880 in 1:54.9.¹

Featuring Jerry Grandone's new high hurdles record of :14.5, Eastern took the best of Western Illinois 78 to 53.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 8, 1963, p. 6, and varsity records.

Eastern Illinois took eight other firsts in the 90 degree heat, these were by: Ron Rentfro in the 100 in a very fast :09.9; Ben Ward in the shot put at 52 ft. 2 3/4 in.; Wayne Stingley in the high jump at 6 ft.; Marv Honn in the 880 at 2:01; Art Steele in the broad jump at 22 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Art Jacoby in the javelin at 189 ft. 5 in.; Lee Willett in the 220 at :23.0; and Hal Palishen in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.

Additional places were by: Steele and Jebe, second and third in the pole vault; Bill Miller and Rod Butler, second and third in the javelin; Stingley and Lynn Strack, second and third in the broad jump; Don McMorris and Jim Quinlan, second and third in the two mile; Dave Piper, third in the discus; Grandone and Rentfro, second and third in the low hurdles; Bill Neal third in the 220; Jim Astle, third in the 880; Joe Wright, third in the high hurdles; Bob Trimble, third in the shot put; Lee Willett, second in the 440; and Honn, second in the mile.¹

At the Elmhurst meet, Northern Illinois got back at Eastern, beating them by 10 points, and winning the meet with

¹Varsity records.

48 points. They were followed by E.I. 38, and Illinois State 32, in the eight team A division.

Placing for Eastern Illinois were: Marv Honn, third in the mile in 4:18.8, his best timing to the moment; Jerry Grandone, first in the high hurdles in :15.0, and second in the lows; Ben Ward, first in the shot put at 52 ft. 11 1/2 in.; Ron Rentfro, fourth in the 100; Bob Trimble, fourth in the shot put; Ray Schaljo, fourth in the discus; Hal Palishen and Roger Jebe, second and fifth in the pole vault; Art Steele, third in the broad and high jumps; and Art Jacoby, second in the javelin.

Steele became ill during the meet and was forced to drop out.

Winning the mile and 880 again was Loyola's Tom O'Hara in 4:18.4 in the mile and 1:52.2 in the 880.¹

In cold and rainy weather Northern Illinois won the I.I.A.C. title, scoring 62 1/2 points to Central Michigan's 53, Eastern Illinois's 45, Illinois State's 38, and Western's 26 1/2.

¹News item in the Eastern State News, May 15, 1963, p.6.

Placing for Eastern Illinois were: Ben Ward, first in the shot put at 53 ft. 10 in., a new I.I.A.C. record; Hal Palishen, first in the pole vault at 13 ft. 8 in.; Bill Miller, first in the javelin at 193 ft. 2 1/2 in., Art Jacoby and Rod Butler, second and third; Art Steele, second in the broad jump, and fourth in the high jump; Rob Trimble, fifth in the shot put; Marv Honn, second in the mile in 4:17, a new Eastern record, and 880; Ron Rentfro, third in the 100; Jerry Grandone, second in the high hurdles and fifth in the lows; and the mile relay team, fifth.

Bob Cornelius of Central Michigan broke Hayes Jones record in the 220 with a 20.8 clocking.¹

All winners and runnerups in the IIAC meet qualified for the NAIA meet, May 31, and June 1, at Sioux Falls, S.D. Eastern qualified Hal Palishen, Art Steele, Ben Ward, Jerry Grandone, Marv Honn, Bill Miller, and Art Jacoby.

O'Brien was named as the referee for the NAIA meet, being responsible for all interpretations of the rules not covered by the NAIA rule book.²

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern State News, May 15, 1963, p. 6-7, and varsity records.

At the NAIA meet, senior Ben Ward of Chicago and Art Steele were the only men able to place in the meet. Ward put the shot 52 ft. 6 3/4 in. for fifth place, and Steele Triple-jumped 47 ft. 1/2 in. for fourth place, the first time he had competed in that event. Eastern Illinois finished 28th. of 40 schools in the meet.

Phil Lorenc of Western Illinois won the 3,000 meter steeplechase championship in a time of 9:29.7.¹

Leading the team in scoring in 1963 was Art Steele, Mt. Prospect sophomore, with 65 points. He was followed by Jerry Grandone with 61.5, and Marv Honn with 55.²

1964

A variety of performers reported for track in 1964. Included among the several lettermen were school record holders Hal Palishen, Art Steele, and Jerry Grandone. Also several high school stars were out. Jim Morris, a 440 man, had twice placed second in the state meet with times of 49.7 both times; John Schneider, a lanky miler, had done a 4:25 mile; Bill Dortch, a fine dash man, were out among others. Also a University of Illinois transfer student, Ed Nilsen, appeared

¹News item in the Eastern State News, Sept. 18, 1963, p. 6, and varsity records.

²Varsity records.

more than promising in the pole vault.¹

Previous to the outdoor season, Eastern competed in two indoor meets, the University of Illinois Open on Feb. 8, and the 25th. Mid-west track meet on March 14, at Naperville.

In the open, Art Steele tied for fourth in the high jump at 6 ft. 2 in., and won the broad jump at 23 ft. 9 1/2 in.; and Ed Nilsen tied for second in the pole vault at 13 ft. 4 in. No team scores were kept.

In the Midwest meet, Bob Trimble took fifth in the shot put at 44 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Art Steele took second in the high jump at 6 ft. 2 in., and broad jump at 23 ft. 3 in.; Ed Nilsen was second in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in., losing on more misaes; Jerry Grandone took third in the 60 yd. high hurdles; and Ron Rentfro took second in the 60 yd. dash.²

The outdoor schedule for the year was as follows:

April 7, Bradley, here

April 11, Eastern Illinois Relays, here

April 18, Northern Illinois, here

April 25, Illinois State

¹News item in the Eastern News, March 24, 1964, p.4.

May 2, State Meet, at Macomb

May 6, Millikin, here

May 9, Elmhurst Invitational, at Elmhurst

May 16, Western Illinois, here

May 22-23, IIAC, here

The first meet of the year was against Bradley with Eastern winning 97 1/2 to 47 1/2. Three new events were added to the meet, and would be added to all meets during the year. The events were the 440 yd. relay, the triple jump, and the 330 yd. intermediate hurdles. The IM hurdles and the triple jump were added to college track meets because of their similarity to Olympic events.¹

Eastern Illinois won 13 of 17 events, winning firsts were: John Schneider in the mile in 4:41, and the two mile in 16:05. 3; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles in :14.9, and the IMs in :39.6, a school record; Art Steele in the broad jump at 23 ft. 7 3/4 in., high jump at 6 ft. 2 in., and the triple-jump at 44 ft. 8 3/4 in.; Ed Nilsen in the pole vault at 13 ft.; Dick Johnson in the discus at 134 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Rod Lutler in the javelin at 187 ft. 4 in.; Bob Trimble in the shot put at

¹News item in the Eastern News, Apr. 10, 1964, p. 6

45 ft. 4 1/4 in.; Jim Astle in the 880 in 2:04; and the mile relay team in 3:32.8.

Placing were: Roger Quinlan, second in the mile and two mile; Jim Morris and Rich Letts, second and third in the 440; Ron Rentfro, second in the 100, and third in the 220; Chuck Turner, third in the high hurdles; Larry Hopkins, second in the 880; Joe Vitton, third in the two mile; Russ Benjamin, third in the shot put; Ray Schaljo, second in the discus, and third in the javelin; Tom Loyd, third in the broad jump; Bill Reynolds, third in the discus; Roger Jebe and Hal Palishen, second and tied for third in the pole vault; and Palishen, second in the triple-jump.¹

The Eastern Illinois Relays were now an annual event since being transferred permanently from Bradley. As usual no teams scores were kept, the meet being held mainly as a conditioner.

Art Steele took Eastern's only firsts, and set two meet records in the process. Steele won the broad jump at 23 ft. 11 1/3 in., and the triple-jump at 44 ft.

Also placing were: Jerry Grandone, second in the high

¹Varsity records.

hurdles at :14.4, Grandone had earlier set a new school record in the semi-finals of :14.4; the frosh 880 relay, fourth; the 440 relay, fifth; the 880 relay, fourth at 1:32; the high hurdle shuttle relay, third; the frosh spring medley, fifth; the mile relay, fourth in 3:28.5; Rod Butler, second in the javelin; Tom Loyd, third in the triple-jump; and Ed Nilsen, third in the pole vault.

Ivan LaCore of Central Michigan was the outstanding athlete of the meet. LaCore ran on the winning 880 relay, high hurdle shuttle relay, and won the high hurdles in a record :14.2.¹

Facing Northern Illinois, Eastern lost the mile relay and thereby lost a dual meet 68 1/2 to 62 1/2. None of the new events were held in the meet.

Eastern won or tied for nine firsts, but a lack of depth proved their undoing. Taking firsts were: Ron Rentfro in the 100 in :10.1, and the 220 in :22.2; Jerry Grandone in the high hurdles in :15.0, and the lows in :24.9; Rod Butler in the javelin at 175 ft. 6 in.; Ray Schaljo in the discus at 139 ft. 1 1/2 in.; Ed Nilsen in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6

¹News item in the Eastern News, Apr. 14, 1964, p. 4, and varsity records.

in.; and Art Steele in the high jump at 5 ft. 10 in., and tied in the broad jump at 21 ft. 8 1/2 in.

Placing were: Roger Quinlan, third in the mile and two mile; Jim Morris, third in the 440; Bill Dortch, third in the 100; Chuck Turner, second, and Jim Ficek, tied for third in the high hurdles; Turner, third in the lows; Larry Hopkins, third in the 880; Bob Trimble, third in the shot put; Roger Hartman, second in the high jump; Schaljo, third in the javelin; Tom Loyd, third in the broad jump; and Hal Palishen, second in the pole vault at 13 ft.

Pat Brogan of Northern won two events in fine times, the mile in 4:22.6, and the 880 in 1:56.5.¹

Against Illinois State, Eastern won the mile relay and escaped defeat 67 to 64. Again the 440 relay, the IM hurdles, and the triple-jump were not run.

Eastern set one new record, a great 14 ft. 1/4 in. pole vault by Ed Nilsen who broke teammate Hal Palishen's record of 13 ft. 8 in. Palishen vaulted 13 ft. for second, and Roger Jebe took third at 12 ft. for a sweep.

¹Varsity records.

Others winning firsts were: Ron Rentfro, :10.1 in the 100, and :22.1 in the 220; Jerry Grandone, :15.0 in the high hurdles, and :24.4 in the lows; Larry Hopkins in the 880 in 1:59.8; Rod Butler in the javelin at 189 ft. 1/2 in.; Maurice Sykes upsetting Art Steele in the broad jump at 23 ft. 3/4 in.; and the mile relay team in 3:27.2.

Also scoring were: John Schneider, third in the mile and two mile; Roger Quinlan, second in the two mile; Jim Morris, second in the 440; Bill Dortch, third in the 100; Chuck Turner, third in the low hurdles; Bob Trimble, third in the shot put; and Art Steele, second in the broad jump, and third in the 220 and high jump.

Mika Mittelstadt of Illinois State won the mile in 4:22.4, and the two mile in 9:33.4, and ~~teammate~~ Stan Petty won the discus at 146 ft. 11 1/2 in. for their best marks.¹

At the State Meet, Northern Illinois's strong squad won with 74 points. Eastern Illinois behind Art Steele and his two meet records finished second with 55. Following were Illinois State 36, Loyola 34, Western Illinois 29, and Bradley 27.

¹Varsity records.

Steele's records were in the broad jump at 24 ft. 1/4 in., and the triple-jump, a new event, at 43 ft. 8 in. Steele also took fourth in the high jump.

Other's scoring were: Ed Nilsen, first in the pole vault at 13 ft. 4 1/2 in. and Hal Palishen, third; Bob Trimble, fifth in the shot put; Maurice Sykes, second in the broad jump; Tom Loyd, second in the triple-jump, and fourth in the broad jump; Rod Butler and Chuck Peabody, third and fourth in the javelin; Roger Quinlan, fifth in the mile; Ron Rentfro, second in the 100 and 220; Jerry Grandone, first in the high hurdles at :15.0, and second in the IM's; and the mile relay team, fifth.

Mike Mittelstadt of Illinois State, ran a great two mile winning in 9:14.2.¹

Behind many outstanding marks, including Art Steele's new broad jump record of 24 ft. 7 in., Eastern routed Millikin 105 to 26.

Steele also won the 220 in :21.4, and Jerry Grandone set a new low hurdles record of :23.9, breaking the :24.0 record of Bob Parrish in 1957, Ray White in 1955, and Grandone in 1963.

¹Varsity records.

Others who took firsts were: Roger Quinlan in the two mile in 9:54; Ed Nilsen in the pole vault at 14 ft.; Grandone in the high hurdles in :15.1; Wayne Stingley in the 100 in :10.2; John Schneider in the mile in 4:43.1; Larry Hopkins in the 880 in 2:05.3; Bob Trimble in the shot put at 46 ft. 7 in.; Rod Butler in the javelin at 166 ft. 3 in.; Ray Schaljo in the discus at 137 ft. 9 in.; and the mile relay team of Adrian Beard, Jim Aistle, Bob Weise, and Jim Morris, in 3:35.3.

Taking seconds were: Joe Vitton in the mile; Joel Justice in the two mile; Jim Aistle in the 440; Maurice Sykes in the broad jump and 100; Chuck Turner in the high and low hurdles; Russ Benjamin in the shot put; Chuck Peabody in the javelin; Dick Wiese in the discus; and Hal Palishen in the pole vault at 13 ft.

Taking thirds were: Weise in the 440; Beard in the 100; Morris in the 220; Jim Kimball in the shot put; Tom Loyd in the broad jump; Roger Jabe in the pole vault; and Dick Johnson in the discus.¹

Eastern won the Elmhurst meet for the second time, easily leading the rest of the field with 61 points. Runnerups in

¹Varsity records.

the nine team A division were Loyola 43, and Illinois State 40.

Eastern Illinois had two, one-two-three sweeps in the meet. Art Steele won the broad jump with a meet and school record of 24 ft. 7 1/2 in., followed by Maurice Sykes and Tom Loyd; and Ed Nilsen won the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in., followed by Hal Palishen at the same height and Roger Jebe at 13 ft.

Two other firsts were by Ron Rentfro who won the 100 in a quick :09.8, and the 220 in :21.6.

Also placing were: Jim Morris, fourth in the 440; Jerry Grandone, second in the high hurdles; Steele, third in the 220 and tied for second in the high jump; Roger Quinland and John Schneider fourth and fifth in the two mile, both under ten minutes; Bob Trimble, fourth in the shot put; Ray Schaljo, fifth in the discus; Chuck Peabody and Rod Butler, second and third in the javelin; and the mile relay team, third in 3:26.4.

Loyola's sub-four minute miler, Tom O'Hara, demolished the mile record of 4:16.9, winning at 4:05.8, 16 seconds ahead of his nearer competitor.¹

¹Varsity records.

In the last dual of the year, Eastern set three school records, and defeated Western Illinois 83 to 62.

Setting the records were Jerry Grandone in the IM hurdles in :39.3, the 440 relay team of Wayne Stingley, Chuck Turner, Bill Dortch, and Ron Rentfro, in :43.3, and Ed Nilsen in the pole vault at 14 ft. 1/2 in., 1/4 in. higher than before.

Other firsts were by: Art Steele in the broad jump at 24 ft. 1/2 in., triple-jump at 44 ft. 7 in., and the high jump at 6 ft. 2 in.; Ron Rentfro in the 100 at :09.8, and the 220 at :21.8; Grandone in the high hurdles in :15.0; and Rod Butler in the javelin at 172 ft.

Taking seconds were: John Schneider in the mile and two mile; Jim Aatile in the 880; Roger Hartman tied in the high jump; Chuck Peabody in the javelin; Maurice Sykes at 23 ft. 1 1/4 in.; Tom Loyd in the triple-jump; Harold Palishen in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in.; and Russ Benjamin in the shot put.

Taking thirds were: Roger Quinlan in the mile; Bob Weise in the 440; Wayne Stingley in the 100; Larry Hopkins in the 880; Loyd in the broad jump; Sykes in the triple-jump; and Ray Schaljo in the discus at 141 ft. 7 in.¹

¹Varsity records.

The IIAC meet was held at Charleston, and Eastern's hopes to treat the local fans to a championship were dashed by Central Michigan and Peter Miskov. Central Michigan scored 78 points, followed by Eastern Illinois 46, Northern Illinois 44, Illinois State 31, and Western Illinois 26.

Miskov entered and won three events, setting records in two. Miskov won the shot put at 56 ft. 11 1/2 in., breaking Ben Ward's record of 53 ft. 10 in., and the discus at 163 ft. 6 in. for a new record, and also won the javelin at 187 ft. 10 in.

Art Steele and Ed Nilsen both set new IIAC records. Steele won the broad jump at 24 ft. 3 1/4 in., and Nilsen the pole vault at 14 ft. 3/4 in., which also set a new school record. Steele also took third in the 220, running :21.4.

Other Eastern points were by: Ron Rentfro first in the 100 at :09.8, and second in the 220 at :21.3; Wayne Stingley and Maurice Sykes, second and third in the broad jump; Rod Butler, Ray Schaljo, and Chuck Peabody, second, fourth, and fifth in the javelin; Hal Palishen, fourth in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in.; Jerry Grandone, second in the high hurdles,

and fifth in the low hurdles; Roger Quinlan, fifth in the two mile; and the mile relay team, fourth in 3:26.2.

Ron Rentfro tied the school record of Winston Brown in the 220, running :21.1 in the Prelims.¹

Eastern sent a four man team to the NAIA meet at Sioux Falls, S.D., on June 5-6. Competing were Art Steele, Ron Rentfro, Jerry Grandone, and Ed Nilsen.

Placing for Eastern were: Grandone, fourth in the 110 meter high hurdles, running :14.8, just .4 seconds from first; Ed Nilsen, fourth in the pole vault at 14 ft.; and Art Steele, second in the broad jump at 24 ft. 4 3/4 in., 1 in. from first, and fourth in the triple-jump at 47 ft. 2 in., a new school record.

Eastern scored a total of 18 points to finish in seventh place in the meet, their best finish ever.

Dr. O'Brien at this time was serving as the Area 6 representative to the NAIA, and was also 2nd. vice-president of the NAIA Track and Field Coaches Association.²

Art Steele and Jerry Grandone were elected co-most valuable athletes by their teammates for 1964. Steele led the

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

team in scoring during the regular season with 81 points, followed by Grandone with 68. In addition, Steele, a junior from Des Plaines, was elected captain for the 1965 season.¹

Steele received other honors that year. For his outstanding performance in the NAIA meet he was named an "All-American" by that group; The first such honor ever to be bestowed on an Eastern track man.²

1965

The 1965 team stacked up as a potential powerhouse. Reporting on the thoroughly veteran team were nineteen lettermen, conference champs in three events, and one All-American. Conference champs were Ed Nilson in the pole vault, Ron Rentfro in the 100, and Art Steele in the broad jump. Steele was also an NAIA All American.³

The conference had adopted a freshman rule starting in 1964-65, and this necessitated the formation of a freshman or non-varsity team. No longer would freshmen be eligible for varsity competition. Since this paper is concerned with varsity track and field, non-varsity competition will not be covered.

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern News, Apr. 9, 1965, p. 6.

³News item in the Eastern News, Mar. 23, 1965, p.4.

except for scores.

Eastern competed in one indoor meet in 1965, the University of Illinois Open on Jan. 20. Placing for Eastern were Art Steele who took second in the long jump at 23 ft. 3 in. and Ed Nilsen who placed fourth in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in.¹

The outdoor season for 1965 progressed as follows:

April 6, Bradley, here

April 10, Eastern Illinois Relays, here

April 17, Northern Illinois, at DeKalb

April 24, Illinois State, here

May 1, State Meet, at Macomb

May 8, Elmhurst Invitational, at Elmhurst

May 11, Indiana State, here

May 15, Western Illinois, at Macomb

May 21-22, IIAC, at Normal

In the first meet of the year, Eastern easily handled Bradley 85 to 58 in the varsity meet, but barely beat them in the non-varsity meet 75 to 68. Eastern took thirteen firsts, winning all seven field events.

¹Varsity records.

Winning for Eastern were: Art Steele in the long jump at 24 ft. 3 in., the triple-jump at 45 ft. 6 3/4 in., and the high jump at 6 ft.; Dick Johnson in the discus at 139 ft. 3 in.; Ed Nilsen in the pole vault at 13 ft.; Chuck Peabody in the javelin at 175 ft. 2 1/2 in.; Bob Trimble in the shot put at 45 ft. 6 1/4 in.; John Scheider in the mile in 4:29.3, and two mile in 10:02.8; Chuck Turner in the high hurdles in :15.8 and low hurdles in 25.6; Ron Rentfro in the 100 in :09.9, and the 220 in :22.2.

Others placing for Eastern were: Roger Quinlan, third in the 880 and mile; Jim Morris, third in the 440; Bill Dortch, third in the 100 and 220; Bill Anderson, second in the high hurdles, and third in the lows; Rich Letts, second in the 880; Jim Ficek, third in the high jump; Ray Schaljo, second in the discus and javelin; Tom Loyd, third in the long jump and triple jump; and Roger Jebe, third in the pole vault.

Bradley won both relays, the 440 in :43.9, and the mile in 3:24.¹

Once again Eastern hosted the Eastern Illinois Relays. Art Steele was chosen the most outstanding athlete in the

¹Varsity records.

meet for winning the long jump at 23 ft. 3 in., the triple-jump in a new record of 45 ft. 4 1/4 in., and also placing fifth in the high jump.

Others placing were: Ron Rentfro, third in the 100; John Schneider, third in the mile; Chuck Peabody, fourth in the javelin; the frosh 880 relay, third in 1:34.6; the high hurdles shuttle relay team, third at :48.9; the frosh sprint medley team, second in 3:49.4; and the varsity mile relay team, tied for fourth at 3:35.2.¹

The second dual meet victory of the year was an especially pleasurable 85 to 60 beating of Northern Illinois. The pleasure of beating Northern, the writer recalls, stems from the point that at the time, Northern was planning to upgrade their athletic program with increased grant-in-aids. Which also meant their eventual withdrawal from the IIAC. So beating Northern while they were in the process of upgrading athletics was especially gratifying.

Eastern set two new school records on the "Huskies" new all-weather track, one in an event that Eastern never had ran before, the 440 yd. intermediate hurdles. Bill Anderson set

¹Varsity records.

the record in the hurdles, a surprise event, winning in :59.

2. John Schneider set the other record, a two mile effort of 9:39.7, breaking the twelve year old record of Jack Sims' of 9:46.7.

Eastern's ten other firsts were by: Bob Weise in the 440 in :51.8; Ron Rantfro in the 100 in :09.8, and the 220 in :22.6; Chuck Turner in the high hurdles in :15.3; Ed Nil- sen in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in.; Chuck Peabody in the javelin at 162 ft. 3 3/4 in.; Art Steele in the high jump at 5 ft. 11 in., long jump at 23 ft. 10 1/4 in., and triple- jump at 45 ft. 2 in.; and the mile relay team of Rich Letts, Larry Hopkins, Weise, and Jim Morris, in 3:30.

Men placing were: Schneider, second in the mile; Morris and Lee Willett, second and third in the 440; Hopkins, second in the 880; Roger Jebe, second in the pole vault; Jim Picek and Greg Dennis, second and third in the high jump; Bob Trimble and Jim Kimball, second and third in the shot put; Ray Schaljo, second in the javelin; and Dick Johnson, third, in the discus.¹

¹Varsity records.

Eastern had three double winners in the 86 to 59 defeat of Illinois State. Ron Rentfro tied the eight year old 100 yd. dash record of Winston Brown of :09.6, and also ran :21.3 to win the 220; Art Steele won the long jump at 23 ft. 8 in., and the triple-jump at 43 ft. 6 3/4 in.; and John Schneider won the mile in 4:27.5, and the two mile in 9:54.5.

Other men winning were: Bob Weise in the 440 in :51.2; Larry Hopkins in the 880 in 1:59.8; Bill Anderson in the 330 IM's in :40.1; Ed Nilsen in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in.; the 440 relay team of Chuck Turner, Larry Baird, Steele and Rentfro, in :44.0; and the mile relay team of Rentfro, Hopkins, Weise, and Jim Morris, in 3:28.0.

Placing were: Roger Quinlan, third in the mile; Morris, second in the 440; Turner and Anderson, second and third in the high hurdles; Jim Ficek, third in the high jump; Joel Justis, third in the two mile; Bob Trimble and Russ Benjamin, second and third in the shot put; Greg Dennis, second in the high jump; Lyle Honnold, third in the pole vault; Dick Johnson, third in the discus; Tom Loyd, second in the triple-jump; and Ficek, third in the IM hurdles.

The non-varsity also competed against Illinois State's non-varsity and won 89 to 56.¹

Eastern swept on to win the State Meet, largely on the strength of Art Steele's four event performance. Steele won the triple-jump at a meet record 46 ft. 1 in., the long jump at 23 ft. 11 1/4 in., and also took a second in the high jump and a third in the 220;

Eastern's other places were as follows: Ray Schaljo, first in the javelin at 175 ft. 10 in., Chuck Peabody, 4 1/2 in. behind for second; John Schneider, third in the mile and two mile; Ron Rentfro, first in the 220 in :22.0, and second in the 100; Ed Nilsen and Lyle Honnold, second and fourth in the pole vault; Bill Anderson, third in the IM's; Bob Trimble, third in the shot put; Dick Johnson and Schaljo, third and fifth in the discus; Larry Hopkins, fourth in the 880; Bill Dortch, fifth in the 100; the 440 relay team, second; and the mile relay team, third.

The final scores were: Eastern Illinois 67 1/2, Loyola 58, Western Illinois 48, Illinois State 44 1/2, Bradley 22,

¹Varsity records.

and Greenville 15.¹

In the 31st. annual Elmhurst Invitational, Eastern took second place to Loyola, but still managed to set two new school records. The point totals for the top three schools in the ten team A division were, Loyola 64 1/2, Eastern Illinois 53, and Wheaton 28.

Setting the school records were the 440 relay team of Chuck Turner, Art Steele, Bob Weise, and Ron Rentfro in :42.8, for third place; and the mile relay team of Lee Willett, Larry Hopkins, Weise, and Jim Morris, in 3:25.4, breaking the fourteen year old record of 3:25.5.

Additional places were: Art Steele, first in the long jump at 23 ft. 7 3/4 in., and fourth in the 220; Ron Rentfro, second in the 100 and third in the 220; Bob Weise, fourth in the 440; Chuck Turner and Bill Anderson, third and fifth in the high hurdles; Anderson and Turner, second and fifth in the IM's; Bob Trimble, fourth in the shot put; Ray Schaljo, second in the discus and javelin; Dick Johnson, fifth in the discus; Tom Loyd, second in the long jump; Chuck Peabody, fourth in the javelin; and Ed Nilsen, second in the pole vault at 13 ft. 11 1/2 in.

¹News item in the Eastern News, May 4, 1965, p.4.

No triple-jump was held at Elmhurst due to lack of proper facilities, costing Eastern anywhere from 5 to 9 points.¹

Indiana State faced Eastern for the first time in several years with an exceptionally strong team and defeated E.I. 88 to 57.

State was led by Woodrow Kelly who won the 440 in :49.4, and anchored the mile relay team in a 3:20.2 clocking. Also Mark Hanna who set a new Lincoln Field record of 14 ft. 4 in. in the pole vault, Pat Nixon who set a field record of 6 ft. 4 3/4 in. in the high jump, and by Eberee who put the shot 55 ft. 7 1/4 in.

Winning for the "Panthers" were: Art Steele in the long jump at 23 ft. 5 in., and triple-jump at 44 ft. 3/4 in.; Ron Rentfro in the 100 in :09.9, and the 220 in :22.0; John Schneider in the mile in 4:22, and the two mile in 9:39.9; and Ray Schaljo in the javelin at 176 ft. 4 1/2 in.

Eastern men placing were: Jim Morris, third in the 440; Chuck Turner, second in the high hurdles; Bill Anderson, third in the high hurdles and IM's; Larry Hopkins, third in

¹News item in the Eastern News, May 7, 1965, p. 6, and varsity records.

the 880; Ed Nilsen, second in the pole vault at 14 ft.; Steele, second in the high jump, and third in the 220; Bob Trimble, third in the shot put; Chuck Peabody, second in the javelin; and Tom Loyd and Greg Dennis, second and third in the triple-jump.¹

Eastern bounced back to take Western Illinois 85 to 58 and end the dual meet season with a 4-1 record.

Winning firsts were: Ron Rentfro in the 100 tying the school record of :09.6; Bob Trimble in the shot put at 47 ft. 4 in.; Bob Weise in the 440 in :51.2; Ray Schaljo in the javelin at 178 ft.; Larry Hopkins in the 880 in 2:00; Dick Johnson in the discus with 144 ft. 3 in.; Ed Nilsen in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.; and Art Steele in the triple-jump at 44 ft. 3 3/4 in., and the long jump at 23 ft. 6 3/4 in.

Others placing were: Steele, third in the high jump and 220; Rentfro, second in the 220; Russ Benjamin, third in the shot put; John Schneider, second in the mile and two mile; Roger Quinlan, third in the mile; Joel Justis third in the two mile; Jim Morris, third in the 440; Chuck Peabody, second in the javelin; Bill Anderson, second in the high hurdles and

¹Varsity records.

IM's, Chuck Turner, third in the high hurdles and IM's; Tom Loyd, second in the long jump and triple-jump; Ray Schaljo, second in the discus; Greg Dennis, third in the triple-jump; and Gerald Marshall, third in the pole vault.

The non-varsity was also successful in its meet with Western, winning 90 to 53, for a perfect 3-0 season.¹

The 57th. annual IIAC meet was held at Normal. The defending champion Central Michigan Chippewas had to settle for a tie as Northern Illinois came from behind in the closing events to knot the score at 68 points. It was the first tie in the history of the meet. They were followed by Eastern Illinois 49, Western Illinois 46, and Illinois State 23.

Eastern had only three winners in the meet, Art Steele won the triple-jump at 45 ft. 5 3/4 in. for a new IIAC record, and the long jump at 24 ft. 2 1/4 in. Ron Rantfro won the 100 at :09.7 for the other first.

"Panthers" placing were: Bob Trimble, fourth in the shot put; Chuck Peabody, second in the javelin; Ray Schaljo, fourth in the javelin and discus; Ed Nilsen, second in the pole vault at 14 ft.; losing because of more attempts; Chuck

¹Varsity records.

Turner, third in the high hurdles; Bill Anderson, fourth in the high hurdles and IM's; Wayne Stingley, second in the triple-jump; Steele, fourth in the 220; John Schneider, fifth in the two mile; the mile relay team, third in 3:26; and the 440 relay team of Bill Dortch, Bob Weise, Steele, and Rentfro, in :42.7, a new school record.¹

In the NAIA meet at Sioux Falls, S.D., June 4-5, Eastern scored 9 points to place 21st of 51 schools scoring.

The only one placing for Eastern was Captain Art Steele, who placed second in the long jump at 23 ft. 8 in., and sixth in the triple-jump at 45 ft. 11 1/4 in. Ron Rentfro pulled a muscle after taking second in the fastest prelim heat in the 100 and was unable to compete further. Ed Nilsen did not place.²

Captain, most valuable athlete, conference champion, and All-American, Art Steele again led the team in regular season scoring with 101 points, a new school record. Steele, without a doubt, was Eastern's most outstanding track man. "He's our outstanding track man since I've been here," said O'Brien. Not only could he perform the long jump, triple-jump, and high

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern News, July 28, 1965, p. 4.

jump with skill, but he could also pole vault and run dashes for points. Steele later signed on as a physical education instructor and head track coach at Mattoon High School.¹

Eastern's coach, Dr. Maynard O'Brien, received a high honor in 1965. He was elected to the NAIA Track and Field Hall of Fame in June. O'Brien was honored for his meritorious service in the development of NAIA track and cross-country program as well as for his coaching progress.²

Another important item that occurred in 1965 was Northern Illinois's withdrawal from the conference, effective at the end of the spring 1966 season. The conference would then be at an all-time low of only four member schools, Central Michigan, Eastern Illinois, Western Illinois, and Illinois State.³

1966

A small team reported for track in 1966, but among the approximately twenty-five men out were thirteen lettermen. Actually, the team was deceptively small, because in addition to the varsity team, there were over twenty men out for the non-varsity team.

¹News item in the Eastern News, May 7, 1965, p. 6, and varsity records.

²Varsity records.

³News item in the Eastern News, July 28, 1965, p. 4.

Another event was added to track this spring and another subtracted. Gone was the 330 intermediate hurdles and added was the 440 intermediate hurdles. This event was added due to its similarity to the Olympic event.

Eastern again competed in the Midwest Track Meet at Naperville, Mar. 12, and placed only one man, Tom Schlickman, third in the long jump.¹

The outdoor schedule was as follows:

April 5, Bradley, at Peoria

April 9, Eastern Illinois Relays, here

April 16, Northern Illinois, here

April 23, Illinois State, at Normal

April 27, Indiana State, at Terre Haute

May 7, State Meet, here

May 10, Western Illinois, here

May 14, Elmhurst Invitational, at Elmhurst

May 20-21, IIAC, at DeKalb.

The first meet of the year was against Bradley but was snowed out and rescheduled for April 30.²

In the Eastern Illinois Relays, Eastern was the unoffi-

¹Varsity records.

²News item in the Eastern News, Apr. 13, 1966, p. 12.

cial winner with a total of 77 points.

David Taylor of North East Missouri State was the meets most outstanding athlete. Taylor won the high jump at 6 ft. 2 1/2 in., the high hurdles in :15.2, and also ran a leg on the second place distance medley relay team.

Eastern scored five firsts in the meet, by: the frosh 880 relay team of JoeTully, John Butler, John Craft, and Al Williams, in 1:33; Roger Jebe in the pole vault at 13 ft.; Chuck Peabody in the javelin at 186 ft. 2 in.; Tom Schlickman in the broad jump at 22 ft. 2 1/2 in.; and the frosh sprint medley team of Art Lawson, Craft, Williams, and Lloyd Schlegel, first in 3:37.3.

Other's placing were: Ron Rentfro, fourth in the 100; John Schneider, second in the mile; the 440 relay team, fourth; the mile relay team, third; the frosh mile relay team, second; Chuck Turner, fourth in the high hurdles; Bill Walton, fifth in the shot put; Ray Schaljo, second in the javelin and fifth in the discus; and Schlickman, fourth in the triple-jump.¹

The "Panthers" lost their first dual meet of the year to Northern Illinois 79 to 66. This was the last dual meet with

¹News item in the Charleston Courier-News, Apr. 11, 1966, p. 9.

Northern while they were a member of the IIAC.

Winning firsts for Eastern were: Jim Morris in the 440 in :50.9; Jeff Murdy in the 880, in 1:59.7; Chuck Peabody in the javelin at 185 ft. 11 in.; Gary Hale in the high jump at 6 ft. 1 in.; Roger Jebe in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.; Tom Schlickman in the triple-jump at 40 ft. 11 in.; and the mile relay team of Lee Willett, Murdy, Bob Weise, and Morris in 3:25.6.

Taking seconds were: Chuck Turner in the high hurdles; Roger Quinlan in the two mile in 9:38.6; Bill Walton in the shot put; Ray Schaljo in the discus and javelin; Tom Schlickman in the long jump; Art Mitchell in the triple-jump and tied in the high jump.

Taking thirds were: Quinlan in the mile; Ron Rentfro in the 100 and 220; Jerry Robbins in the 880; Chuck Graham in the 440 IM's; Russ Benjamin in the shot put; Bill Walton in the javelin; and Dick Gill in the pole vault.

Schaljo in placing second in the javelin was only 2 1/2 in. behind Peabody's winning throw.¹

¹Varsity records.

The third dual meet of the year, with Illinois State, was rained out and rescheduled for May 17. This was the second meet of the year to be postponed.¹

Eastern faced Indiana State and achieved revenge for the previous years defeat by beating the "Sycamores" 88 to 57.

Eastern's nine firsts were by: the 440 relay team of Chuck Flamini, Tom Schlickman, Bill Dortch, and Ron Rentfro, in a record tying :42.6; Rentfro in the 100 in :10.2, and 220 in :22.7; John Schneider in the mile in 4:22.1, and tied with Roger Quinlan in the two mile in 9:48.4; Bill Walton in the shot put at 48 ft. 4 in.; Ray Schaljo in the discus at 141 ft. 1/2 in.; Chuck Peabody in the javelin at 181 ft. 10 in.; and the mile relay team of Lee Willett, Jeff Murdy, Bob Weise, and Jim Morris, in 3:25.3.

Others placing were: Dortch, second in the 100 and 220; Weise and Morris, second and third in the 440; Murdy, second in the 880; Quinlan, second in the mile; Chuck Turner, second in the high hurdles, and third in the 440 IM's; Dick Johnson, second in the discus; Schaljo and Walton, second and third in

¹ News item in the Eastern News, Apr. 27, 1966, p. 12

the javelin; Gary Hale, second in the high jump; Tom Schlickman, second in the long jump and triple-jump; and Roger Jebe and Dick Gill, second and third in the pole vault.

Mark Hanna of Indiana State won the pole vault at a great 15 ft. 6 in.¹

In the rescheduled Bradley meet, Eastern romped over the "Braves" 95 to 50, and took twelve firsts.

Winning firsts were: the 440 relay team of Chuck Flamini, Bob Weise, Bill Dortch, and Ron Rentfro, in :43.3; Rentfro, in the 100 in :10.0, and the 220 in :22.2; John Schneider in the mile in 4:22.1, and again tied with Roger Quinlan in the two mile in 9:47.1; Jim Morris in the 440 in :52.0; Bill Walton in the shot put at 47 ft.; Jeff Murdy in the 880 in 2:01.2; Ray Schaljo in the discus at 140 ft. 11 1/2 in.; Chuck Turner in the high hurdles in :15.8; Roger Jebe in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.; and the mile relay team of Lee Willett, Murdy, Morris, and Weise, in 3:28.1.

Men also placing were: Quinlan, second in the mile; Weise second in the 440; Russ Benjamin and Larry Baird, second and third in the shot put; Bill Dortch, second in the 100 and 220; Chuck Flamini, third in the 100; Gary Hale and Art Mitchell,

¹Varsity records.

second and third in the high jump; Dick Gill, Third in the pole vault; Tom Schlickman, second in the long jump; Chuck Peabody and Schaljo, second and third in the javelin; Chuck Graham, third in the 440 IM's; and Dick Johnson and Walton second and third in the discus.¹

Eastern played host to the State Meet, and won for the second year in a row, this time without taking one first place. The final places were: Eastern Illinois 58 1/2, Illinois State 53, Western Illinois 48, Loyola 43, Greenville 27, Bradley 23 1/2, and Illinois College.²

Placing for Eastern were: Bill Walton second in the shot put; Jim Morris, fourth in the 440, and fifth in the long jump; Ray Schaljo, third in the discus at 146 ft. 1 in., Dick Johnson, fifth; the 440 relay team, second; Roger Quinlan, fifth in the mile, and third in the two mile; Ron Rentfro, second in the 100 and 220; Bill Dortch, fifth in the 100 and 220; Chuck Flamini, fourth in the 100; Chuck Turner, third in the high hurdles; Chuck Peabody and Schaljo, second and third in the javelin; Tom Schlickman, fifth in the triple-jump; Jeff Murdy, second in the 880; and Roger Jebe, second in the pole vault at 13 ft. 6 in., Dick Gill, fifth.

¹Varsity records.

John Schneider finished second in the two mile in 9:29.9, almost ten seconds better than his best record; and the mile relay team of Lee Willett, Murdy, Bob Weise, and Morris, finished second in a time of 3:22.7.¹

The "Panthers" again demonstrated their power and depth by beating Western Illinois 100 to 40. Both teams agreed not to run the mile relay.

Two school records were set in the meet, John Schneider, the Des Plaines junior, broke Marv Honn's three year old record of 4:17 in the mile by running 4:16.7. Chuck Turner set a new record in the 440 IM's by running :57.8, breaking Bill Anderson's one year old mark of :59.2. Turner also won the high hurdles in a fine :14.8.

Other men winning for Eastern: Jim Morris in the 440 in :51.1; Jeff Murdy in the 880 in 2:00.2; Schneider and Roger Quinlan tied again in the two mile in 9:39.5; Bill Walton in the shot put at 47 ft. 2 1/4 in.; Ray Schaljo in the discus at 143 ft. 3 in.; and the javelin at 184 ft. 8 in.; Art Mitchell in the high jump at 6 ft. 1 in.; and Roger Jebe in the pole vault at 12 ft. 6 in.

Others placing were: Quinlan, third in the mile; Bob

¹Varsity records.

Weise, second in the 440; Ron Rentfro, second in the 100 and 220; Chuck Flamini, third in the 100; Bill Dortch, third in the 220; Jerry Robbins, third in the 880; Chuck Graham, second in the 440 IM's; Russ Benjamin, third in the shot put; Chuck Peabody, second in the javelin; Walton, third in the javelin and discus; Morris, second in the long jump; Gary Hale, third in the high jump; Dick Gill and Jim Anderson, second and third in the pole vault; Dick Johnson, second in the discus; and Tom Schlickman and Mitchell, second and third in the triple-jump.

Eastern's non-varsity also won their meet against Western 79 to 65.¹

Eastern won another big meet, the Elmhurst Invitational, again without winning a first place. The top three teams in the eight team A division were Eastern Illinois 59, Western Illinois 45, and Whitewater State 42.

Placing for Eastern were: the 440 relay team, second; Ron Rentfro, second in the 100, and third in the 220; John Schneider, second in the mile in 4:18.2, and third in the two mile in 9:27.1; Roger Quinlan, third in the mile in 4:19.4, and fourth in the two mile in 9:29.3; Jim Morris, fourth in the low

¹Varsity records.

jump, and fifth in the 440; Chuck Flamini, fifth in the 100; Chuck Turner, third in the high hurdles, and fifth in the 440 IH's; Chuck Graham, third in the IH's; Jeff Murdy, third in the 880 in 1:56.1; Bill Walton and Russ Benjamin, third and fifth in the shot put; Ray Schaljo, third in the discus, and fifth in the javelin; Dick Johnson, fourth in the discus; Art Mitchell, third in the high jump; Chuck Peabody, fourth in the javelin; Roger Jebe and Dick Gill, third and fifth in the pole vault; and the mile relay team, third in 3:24.2.

The outstanding mark of the meet was a 219 ft. 5 in. javelin throw by Hendron of Whitewater. ¹

The Illinois State meet was once again rained out, and was cancelled because of lack of time for a reschedulement. ²

In the 58th. annual IIAC meet, Eastern finished a disappointing third. The main problem was a lack of men advancing from the qualifying heats and into the finals. The final scores were: Central Michigan 90, Northern Illinois 61 1/2, Eastern Illinois 39, Illinois State 34 1/2, and Western Illinois 30.

This was the last time that Northern would be competing in the IIAC meet.

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

The Panthers did have the satisfaction of setting some school records. Roger Quinlan, the Rantoul junior, ran third in the mile in 4:13.7, breaking John Schneider's recently set record of 4:16.7; the 440 relay team of Chuck Turner, Bob Weise, Chuck Flamini, and Ron Rentfro, ran third in :42.3, breaking the old record of :42.6; Jim Morris, the Hopedale junior, took second in the 440 in a time of :49.6 to break John VanVoorhis's record of :49.8 set in 1961; and the mile relay team of Lee Willett, Jeff Murdy, Weise, and Morris, ran 3:19.5, to finish second, and break the old mark of 3:22.7.

Others placing were: Chuck Peabody, second in the javelin at 190 ft. 4 in.; Bill Walton, third in the shot put at 50 ft. 10 1/2 in.; Weise, fifth in the 440; Ron Rentfro, third in the 100; Chuck Turner, fifth in the high hurdles; Roger Jebe and Dick Gill, tied for third, and tied for fifth; Jeff Murdy, second in the 880 in 1:56.6; Ray Schaljo, fourth in the javelin, and fifth in the discus; and Art Mitchell, fifth in the triple-jump.

New records were set by Western Illinois in the 440 relay of :41.6; and by John Peterson of Northern Illinois

in the two mile in 9:12.4. Also by Central Michigan's Al Vandrasek in the 440 IM's in :53.6.¹

In the NAIA meet at Sioux Falls S.D., E.I. did not place one man, and the first time in several years did not score in the meet.²

Leading the team in scoring in 1966 was Ron Rentfro, a senior from Neoga, captain and most valuable athlete, with a total of 51 1/4 points. He was followed by Ray Schaljo with 43.

Elected captain for the 1967 season was Jim Morris, 440 record holder, and a member of the mile relay record holding team.

Summary

The later era of Maynard "Pat" O'Brien's tenure as track coach could truly be considered the Golden Era of track and field at Eastern. During the period from 1953 through 1966, Eastern won 57 dual meets and lost only 17. Only one season, 1962, was a losing record posted, For two years, 1955 and 1956, Eastern was undefeated.

¹Varsity records.

²Varsity records.

³Varsity records.

During this period Eastern won the State College Meet five times, 1955, 56, 57, 63, and 65. Twice, 1964 and 1966, Eastern won the Elmhurst Invitational Meet. In 1964 E.I. also equaled its best finish ever in the IIAC, second.

Individual stars were also common during this period. Athletes such as Jack Sims, Ted Ellis, Chuck Matheny, Fred Crawford, Winnie Brown, Ray White, Ed Soergal, Rawlan Lillard, Ray Fisher, Dave Fields, Marv Honn, Ben Ward, Jerry Grandone, Bill Miller, Ed Nilsen, Roger Quinlan, John Schneider, Art Steele, and Ray Rentfro, all set and held either school and conference records during this era. Ray White became the only NAIA champion during the period, and Art Steele became Eastern's first NAIA Track All-American.

O'Brien's contributions to track and field were not only limited to Eastern Illinois alone, as can be evidenced by his selection to the NAIA Hall of Fame. His strong personality will be remembered not only as a positive influence on the Eastern Illinois track program and the NAIA track program, but also on the character of all those who had the privilege of being under his tutorage.

CHAPTER IX

SUMMARY

This paper covers the history of track and field of Eastern Illinois University as it progresses from its inception in 1912 by Charles Perry Lantz, through the year 1966 when coached by Maynard "Pat" O'Brien.

Throughout the years, Eastern teams have met with varying degrees of success. Two teams went undefeated in dual meet competition; five won State College titles, but never has an Eastern team won an IAC championship.

Throughout the years, counting only dual and triangular meets, Eastern defeated 110 teams and lost to 87. Counting just duals alone, E.I. won 98 and lost 81. This figure may be considered especially amazing as up to 1930 Eastern won only 4 duals and lost 23.

Individual stars have been common in Eastern history, with many individuals achieving high prominence. Two of the most prominent were Ray White, NAIA broad jump champion, and Art Steele, NAIA all-American.

Track and field facilities at Eastern have progressed

from the first track facility on the old athletic field, later named Martin Schahrer Field, through Lincoln Field, located on the west campus, and on to an indoor track facility, located adjacent to Lincoln Field, which opened in the fall of 1966, and ushered in a new era of track and field at Eastern.

The writer would like to recommend that at some future time this history be continued, so as to keep records and history of Eastern track available, up to date, and to assure the contributions of various dedicated individuals not be lost.

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APPENDIX

APPENDIX A

YEARLY TEAM MEMBERS¹1912

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Richard Ginther | Ferdinand Steinmetz |
| James Butler | Frank Lindhorst |
| Benjamin Anderson | Arthur Frazier |
| David Kime | Leonard Stratton |
| James Hill | Paul Ewald |

1913-1915

No team records

1916

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Eric Brown | Young |
| Steven Turner | |

1917

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| McGohey | McGurty |
| William Allison | Martin Schahrer |
| Hall | Hutton |

1918-1921

No team records

1922

| | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Forrest Greathouse | James Lynch |
| Paul Hall | Ray Duncsn |
| Montelle Hunter | |

1923

Montelle Hunter
Forrest Greathouse

Ray Duncan

1924

Ray Duncan
Andrew Taylor
Floyd Madden
Ogden Brinsard
Oder

Fresco Shipman
Paul Hall
Delbert Miller
Thomas Mack Gilbert

1925

Harold Newlin
Joe Pifer
Vernon Replogle
Lindley Roughton
Dean Smith
Rex Benoit
Vance Hulbert
Ralph Edwards
William Phipps
Andy Meurlot
Vernon Barnes

Edward Sims
George Kirchner
Ralph Casey
Montelle Hunter
Andrew Taylor
Francis Turner
Carroll Dunn
Teddy Sims
Eldred Walton
Ruel Hall

1926

Fresco Shipman
Vernon Replogle
Harold Newlin
Joe Pifer
Robert Worsham
Vernon Bigler
Voight
Raymond Baies
Richard Level
Paul Wilson
Alex Reed
Wayne Isley
Thomas Routledge

Norman Goldsmith
Lowell Krutsinger
Omar Wilson
William Harry Phipps
Athey
Leo Baker
Greeson
Earl Tilley
Halloway
John Kite
Don Pence
John Gannoway
William Shoemaker

Joseph Strader
Kasting

Andrew Meurlot
Carroll Dunn

Joseph Strader
Fred Creamer
Teddy Sims
George Haddock
Delbert Miller
Lowell Story
Harry Phipps
Wayne Isley
Marsdon Grubb
William Whitacre
Paul Wilson
Irvin Hill
Moore
LeRoy Dayton
Carl Lycan
Hunt
White

1927

Robert Thrall
Fresco Shipman
Hubert Schmidt
Robert Sims
Francis Turner
Everett Womack
Thomas Routledge
Leo Baker
Nolan Sims
Donald Voris
Robert Worsham
Norman Goldsmith
Stevenson
Jim Shoemaker
Cedrick Henley
K.A. Harrison

1928

Lloyd Sipes
Geroge Haddock
Ernest Ballard
Glenn Dodd
Harry Phipps
Hubert Schmidt
Everette Womack
H. Whitacre
Donald Schriener
Eugene Buckner
William Whitacre
Jim Hughes
Earl Adams
Lowell Story
Stanley Cook
Otho Green
Irvin Lanman

Kenneth Sims
John Miller
Woodland Green
Jim Shoemaker
Claude Dunlap
Joseph Strader
Leovotto Ray
Paul Thinnea
Nolan Sims
Robert Warren
Charles Elliot
Faster
Robert Sims
James Russell
Teddy Sims
Russell Tripp
Ruel Hall

Ray Duncan
White

Joel Covert

1929

Nolan Sims
Harry Phipps
Harold Whitacre
Rupert Stroud
Ruel Hall
Chuck Ashmore
Fred Creamer
Thomas Routledge
Harold Newlin
Linden Porter
Virgil King
John Miller
John Pennington
Edward Curbin

Irvin Larman
Bob Mattix
William Atterbury
Harlan Baird
Jim Shoemaker
Leovotto Ray
Stanley Wasse
Bernal Connett
Ralph Cuttill
Joel Covert
Earl Adams
Francis Ingram
Charles Elliot
John Powers

1930

Ernest Ballard
Russell Tripp
Harlan Baird
Charles Elliot
Bernal Connett
Francis Ongra,
Dusch
Robert Brewer
Hardin
Rex McMorris
Robert Scott
Wagoner
Porter Sincox
Flack
Roscoe Buckner
Fred Creamer

Milton Baker
Percival
John Gray
Omar Elliot
Bob Mattix
Joel Covert
Alvin VanBergan
Charles Shaw
Carl Hance
Neal Adkins
Highsmith
Stanley Wasse
Porter
John Pennington
Frederick Foreman

1931

Lloyd Sparks
 Scott Funkhouser
 Lowell Burrey
 Gene McCoy
 Paul Birthisel
 Orval Brubaker
 Alfred Moore
 Dale McNutt
 Parmer Reed
 Charles Elliot
 Frederick Foreman
 Stanley Wassem
 Harlen Bair
 Rademacher
 Carl Hance
 Leo Shoot
 Henry Irby
 Earnest Keigley

Glenn Titus
 John Wyeth
 Beryl Parker
 William Dugas
 Omer Thomas
 Herby
 Robert Wright
 Harold Loveless
 Bob Mattix
 John Pennington
 Neal Adkins
 Robert Scott
 Robert Brewer
 Clarke Foreman
 Milton Baker
 Golden Flake
 Robert Wright
 Dawn Neil

1932

Gene McCoy
 Scott Funkhouser
 Gray
 Glenn Walker
 Hardy
 Beryl Parker
 Woodrum
 Carifinen
 Wright
 Robert Brewer
 Paul Birthisel
 Golden Flake
 Fern
 Lloyd Thudium
 Dale Kirk
 Charles Slaughter
 Doris
 Emerson Petty
 Milton Baker

Donald Replogle
 Hines
 Omer Thomas
 Glen Titus
 Leo Shoot
 William Poorman
 Virgil Thompson
 Joseph Diel
 Earnest Seaton
 William Hardy
 Smith
 Wickiser
 Melvin Alexander
 Charles Galbreath
 Dawn Neil
 James Harrison
 Thomas Wilbert Cummins
 Howard Ballard
 Commodore Woodrow Hines

1933

Scott Funkhouser
 Gene McCoy
 John Wyeth
 Milton Baker
 William Poorman
 Thomas Wilbert Cummins
 James Harrison
 Donald Replogel
 Glen Titus
 Melvin Alexander
 Keeman
 John Ferbrache
 Frank Broyles
 Willard Witte
 Elbert Dawson
 Robert Myers
 Dawn Neil
 Bercaw O'Hair
 Nerschel Petty
 Dean Gray

John Ritchie
 Martin Madden
 Edwin Galbreath
 Homer Hendrix
 Eugene Armer
 Vaughn Armer
 Dudley
 George Adams
 Charles Austin
 Vincent Kelly
 Don Neal
 Roland Wickiser
 Perryman
 Delaney
 Jack Austin
 Parker
 Orval Brubaker
 Commodore Woodrow Hines
 Tolen

1934

Charles Austin
 Milton Baker
 Elbert Dawson
 Thomas Wilbert Cummins
 Willard Witte
 Don Neal
 Vincent Kelly
 Harry Sockler
 Bob Myers
 John Ritchie
 Loren Fox
 Clarence Carlson
 Jack Austin
 Barrick

George Adams
 Foltz
 Bernard Bradley
 Frank Broyles
 Edwin Galbreath
 Lloyd Thudium
 Jim Evers
 Floyd Davis
 Melvin Alexander
 Gaddis
 William Hardy
 Scott Funkhouser
 Donis
 W. Ballard

1935

Don Neal
 Melvin Alexander
 Joe Henderson
 Vincent Kelly
 Lloyd Thudium, Captain
 Thomas Wilbert Cummins
 Charles Austin
 Robert Anderson
 Marvin Upton
 William Hardy
 Dale Trulock
 Floyd David
 Owen Shobe
 Forrest Lancaster
 Bohne

Loren Fox
 Thomas Endsley
 Jack Austin
 John Ritchie
 Harold Younger
 Orval Brubaker
 Robert Holmes
 Charles Tucker
 Marshall
 Edison Mosely
 Howard Ballard
 Dale Haverstock
 Wayne Neal
 Carl Clapp

1936

Loren Fox
 Robert Anderson
 Charles Austin
 Harold Younter
 Walt Ritchie
 Charles Ridey
 Henry Phipps
 John Farrar
 John Dayton
 LeRoy Brown
 Gene Chapman

Vincent Kelly, Honorary Capt.
 Joseph Henderson
 Elden Brown
 Dale Trulock
 Dale Haverstock
 James Clark
 Robert Holmes
 Wilfred Kelly
 William Towler
 Harold England

1937

Robert Holmes
 Robert Anderson
 Earl Anderson
 John Dayton
 Frank Broyles
 William Towler
 John Farrar
 Stanley Gibson

Harold Younger
 Marvin Upton
 Steve Prosen
 Louis Voris
 Ira Kimmel
 Ed Miller
 Charles Brown
 Harley Culberson

Jack Zahnie
 Harold England
 Ralph Carlock
 Dale Haverstock
 Joe Henderson
 Walt Ritchie
 Jim Stahl
 Dale Trulock
 Robert Craig
 Harry Hollingsworth
 Gale Wesley
 Lorie Watts
 Stanley Elam
 Ed Miller

Harold Mieure
 Dale Vaughn
 Wayne Stine
 Fred Hash
 Bill Henry
 Kermit Miller
 George Howell
 Leo Davidson
 William Mead
 Maurice Talbott
 Robert Fulton
 Joe Snyder
 Charles Ridey

1938

Jim Stahl
 James Wiley
 Maurice Talbott
 George Howell
 Dale Trulock
 Dale Haverstock
 James Sherrick
 Joe Ward
 James Hutton
 George Cortelyou
 Paul Henry

William Stubblefield
 Harold Younger
 Marion Coleman
 Harley Culberson
 Max Armer
 Robert Anderson
 Earl Anderson
 Rondell Davidson
 Robert Craig
 McGlasson
 Jack Newgent

1939

Jim Stahl
 Charles Hall
 John Farrar
 Maurice Cutler
 Harley Culberson
 Robert Boetz
 Dale Dilthey
 Earl Anderson
 Frank Henderson

Charles Ford
 Rondell Davidson
 Jack Douglas
 George Howell
 Robert Ingram
 Robert Moore
 Jack Nugent
 C. Rice
 Joseph Ward

Dean Arnold
 Robert Hendrix
 James Bell
 Leland Henderson
 Guy Vaughn
 Charles Ridey
 Albert Clark
 Joe Bressler
 R. Beckley
 Jack Nugent

Bill Bowler
 Lloyd Miller
 Robert Carroll
 James Hutton
 Gerald Mieure
 Raymond Suddarth
 Logan Campbell
 Howard Skidmore
 Joseph Coleman

1940

Robert Carroll
 Dean Arnold
 George Howell
 James Hutton
 Rondell Davidson
 Robert Hedrick
 Maurice Cutler
 Joe Ward
 Earl Anderson
 George Brown
 George Clementson
 Robert Popham
 Harley Culberson
 Milford Hintze
 Jack Reeds
 Jack Scott
 Deane Weber

Francis Pamosky
 Charles Hall
 Bazzil Geckler
 Darrell Mc Morris
 Joe Bressler
 Raymond Suddarth
 R. Gobert
 Gerald Mieure
 James Smith
 Lewellen Wilson
 Evan Shawver
 Cecil Warner
 Henry Seaman
 Harold Mieure
 John Reeds
 Dale Vaughn

1941

Robert Seaman
 Robert Albers
 James Smith
 John Lewis
 Robert Carroll
 Kent Clark
 James Hutton
 Joe Bressler

Eldon Long
 Francis Pamosky
 Orval Rice
 John Bergy
 Bazzil Geckler
 R. Stewart
 Eugene Euell
 Charles Akes

Wayne Parks
Ray Sudderth
L. Willian

Darrell McMorris
Joe Ward
O. Freuter

1942

J. King
Kent Clark
David Wilbur
Siebert
Walton
Jack Arnold
Robert Geckler
Wayne Parks
Russell Pierson
Chuck McCord
Joe Goodwin
Irving Burt
James Sullivan
Lee Taylor
Charles Long
Charles Vail

Robert Albers
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John Lewis
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Wilson Day
Edsin Swords
Perle Pray
Joe Goodwin
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Bob Black
Eugene Euell
Emmett McKelfresh
James Smith

1943

Robert Seaman

Irving Burt

1944

Lyle Knott
Andrew Sullivan
John Robinson

Clemens Hanneken
Allyn Cook

1945

Lyle Knott
John Stabler

Hal Craig
Andrew Sullivan

1946

Lyle Knott
 John Lewis
 Don Johnson
 Herb Williams
 Harold Bray
 Jack McNutt
 Ralph Kirtz
 Dick Willmott
 James Drolet
 LeeRoy LaRose
 Vern Ingram
 Dick Spillers
 Fred Gehrt
 Chuck McClure

Lloyd Steen
 Bernard Warren
 Chuck Akers
 Bill Monier
 John Barr
 R. L. Bouch
 James Smith
 Ken Tucker
 Wayne Parks
 Jim White
 Neal Hudson
 Jim Sullivan
 Don Sullivan
 Moody

1947

Ernie Waren
 Chuck Gross
 Lyle Knott
 Jack Robertson
 Don Johnson
 William Thiel
 Dick Spillers
 LeeRoy LaRose
 Don Brauer
 Roy Klay
 Melvin Smith
 Wayne Parke
 Charles Voorhees
 Kenneth Sedgewick
 George Reat
 Charles Hilderbrand
 Ken Keltte
 James Bone
 William Anderson
 Walter Stein
 Ralph Everson

Bob Richmond
 Don Sullivan
 Bob Drolet
 Bill Monier
 Brickey
 Dick McCulloch
 Francis Parkey
 John Barr
 Bob Babbs
 Lee Markwell
 Marclaire
 Aaron Gray
 Calvin Colwell
 Record
 John Lewis
 Max Stites
 Neal Hudson
 Russ Ghere
 Glen Piland
 Max Pugh

1948

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| Dick Perry | Vern Wagner |
| LeeRoy LaRose | Bob Taylor |
| Jim Sullivan | Hargis |
| Dick Spillers | Walter Briggs |
| Ernie Waren | Jack Sheets |
| Don Johnson | Bill Schoutedn |
| Don Sullivan | Bill Monier |
| John Barr | Ken Klette |
| Chuck Gross | Max Stites |
| Russ Ghere | Neal Hudson |
| Paul Arnold | Jim Logan |
| Paul Roosevelt | Gene Carigan |
| Jack Sheets | Wilbur Hanks |
| Dick Mc Cullock | Kenneth Sedgewick |
| Richard Kennedy | Bob Babbs |
| Jack Robertson | Don Brauer |
| Roy Klay | Bob Drolet |
| Bill Scott | Dean Smith |
| Dick Tabor | J. K. Mithcell |
| John Fortier | Frank Pitol |
| Charles Hilderbrand | Harry Hedden |

1949

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| Don Johnson | Morris Jacobs |
| Wilburn Hanks | Fred Thurston |
| Dick Spillers | Walt Radulavich |
| Neal Hudson | Dick Davis |
| LeeRoy LaRose | George Merriwac |
| Paul Arnold | Bob King |
| Herb Wills | Tom Fears |
| Bob Slater | Ken Rearson |
| Dean Smith | Don Gratteau |
| Dick Kimble | Bill Hardin |
| Gerald Ray | Jack Howell |
| Frank Pitol | Joe Patridge |
| Hank Lopinski | Don McKinney |
| John Randolph | Bill Pennybacker |
| Ken Klette | Vern Wagner |
| Russ Ghere | Gus Abney |

Bill Schouten
Paul Roosevelt

Harry Hedden

1950

Bill Schouten
Vern Wagner
Jack Howell
Gerald Ray
Herb Wills
Glenn Curtis
Frank Knox
Harold McCoy
Cliff Nugent
Gus Abney
Don Duez
John Hughes
Morris Jacobs
Allan Rodgers
Howard Seigel
Jack Sims
Bob White
Don Henderson
Don McGinnis
Donald Furguson
Dennis Gregory
Tom Hartley

Dick Kimble
Roy Klay
Fred Crawford
Ted Ellis
Bob Scott
Paul Arnold
Geroge Merrimax
Paul Roosevelt
Don Siegel
Carl Shaw
Bill Strater
Joe Hanneberry
Dick Rude
Charles Harper
Bob Ziegel
Lloyd Lantz
Stan Cornelison
Jim Greathouse
Foster Campbell
Frank Pitol
Dwayne Roe
James Johnson

1951

Ted Ellis
Glenn Curtis
Jim Johnson
Cliff Nugent
Don Siegel
Herb Wills
Gerald Furguson
Carl Shew
Jack Farris
Roger Young

Roger Dettro
Fred Crawford
Roger Ewing
Howard Siegel
Jack Sims
Don Henderson
Frank Pitol
Vern Wagner
Jim Acklin
Dan Coleman

George Zimmerman
 Don Woods
 Charles Edwards
 Jerome Osmeo
 Edmond Ross
 Don Calvin
 Richard David
 Glen Taylor
 Newton
 Ed Vogt

Dick Walker
 Byron York
 Carol Pullen
 Orval Brandenburg
 Charles Smith
 Dwayne Roe
 John Hamilton
 Jack Payan
 Ed Soergel

1952

Richard Cavanaugh
 Roger Young
 Roger Dettro
 Ted Ellis
 Jack Sims
 Jim Acklin
 Baldry
 Charles Smith
 Dick Davis
 John Hamilton
 Wilford Ashly
 Gerald Ferguson
 Harold Butts
 Dick Walker
 Joe Patridge
 John Newgent

Herb Wills
 Jack Farris
 William Reid
 Carrol Pullen
 Howard Seigle
 Ed Soergel
 Swann
 Dwayne Roe
 Paul Gilpin
 Charles McCoy
 Don Henderson
 Fred Crawford
 Cliff Nugent
 Ed Vogt
 Dick Cavanaugh
 Bill Reid

1953

G. Reichert
 Jack Sims
 Jack Farris
 Gary Newell
 Fred Gore
 Leo Beals
 Jim Mittell
 J. Alvin Dougherty
 B. Seed

Charles Matheny
 Hank Carter
 Jon Ulz
 John Hamilton
 Jim Edmundson
 Edward Sere
 Donald Magsamen
 John Riddell
 Lyle Lloyd

Carrol Pullen
 Bruce Knicely
 Gail Borton
 Richard Corso
 Pat Price
 Ted Ellis
 Bill Reid
 John Byrne

Fred Crawford
 Swartz
 Dwayne Roe
 Paul Halvey
 Carl Brauer
 J. Griffith
 Dick Burch
 Ted Black

1954

Leo Beals
 Bruce Knicely
 Gail Borton
 Chuck Matheny
 Dick Burck
 Gary Newell
 Jim Mitchell
 Fred Gore
 Jim Edmundson
 Wesley Walker
 Jerry Biggs
 Dick Phipps
 Pat Price
 J. Alvin Dougherty
 Dick Martin
 Tom Juravich

Gerald o'Flaherty
 Winston Brown
 Bob Gilpin
 Mervin Sproston
 Hank Carter
 John O'Dell
 Jon Ulz
 Jim Wood
 Wayne Brooke
 Jim Bruce
 Albert Lutho
 Ray Fisher
 Roger West
 Everett Hardy
 Joe Mansfield
 Mervin Carl

1955

Ray Fisher
 Winston Brown
 Charles Matheny
 Pat Price
 John Milholland
 Hank Carter
 Jerry Biggs
 David Murphy
 Fred Gore
 Jim Mitchell
 Leo Beals

Roger West
 Jack Howell
 Jim Bruce
 Bruce Knicely
 Bob Gilpin
 Ed Madix
 John Byrne
 Raymond White
 Jim Edmundson
 Michael Harvey
 Charles Smith

James Becker
 Cling Byrd
 Glenn Curtis
 Everett Hardy
 Harold Pelznski
 Harold Walker
 Ron Claussen
 John O'Dell
 Walter Jones
 R. A. Carter

Joe Boker
 Jerry Garrity
 Jay McGuire
 Richard Phipps
 Vincent Zuber
 John Kissell
 John Potts
 Tom Jurovich
 Virgil Jacobs

1956

Ray White
 Leo Beals
 Jim Becker
 Hank Carter
 Jim Edmundson
 Mick Harvey
 Ed Madix
 John Milholland
 Dave Murphy
 Roger West
 Bill Kelly
 Lynn Hawkey
 Neal Admire
 Ken Christiansen
 David Fields
 Bob Gilpin
 Gerald Johnson
 Wesley Walker
 Danny Elam
 Fred Hein
 William Moutray
 Everett Hardy
 Rimmel

Winston Brown
 Jim Bruce
 John Byrne
 Ray Fisher
 Fred Gore
 Bruce Knicely
 Chuck Matheny
 Jim Mithcell
 Harold Pelzynsky
 Jon Ware
 Frank Casey
 Bob Parrish
 Gerald Gossett
 Darrell Wicklein
 Jerry Garrity
 James Simmering
 Jerry Potts
 John Goddard
 Ron Noren
 Dick Storm
 John Huffman
 Paul Rexcoat
 C. Sessions

1957

Neal Admire
 Don Arnold
 Winston Brown
 Robert Bruce
 Kenneth Christiansen
 J. Alvin Dougherty
 Gerald Gosset
 Everett Hardy
 Ronald Kerr
 Dennis Kirby
 Harold Knowles
 Robert Lathrop
 Edward Madix
 David Murphy
 Robert Parrish
 Robert Sarver
 Gerald Tenbarge
 Roger West
 Raymond White

James Becker
 Norman Bomkamp
 Ray Fisher
 David Fields
 James Fox
 Robert Gilpin
 John Goddard
 Michael Harvey
 William Kelly
 Richard Kragler
 Edward Landers
 Rawlan Lillard
 John Milholland
 Ronald Noren
 Paul Rexcoat
 Richard Storm
 John VanVoorhis
 Darrell Wicklein
 Ed La Crone

1958

James Fox
 Bob Parrish
 Gerald Gossett
 Ed Madix
 Mick Harvey
 Dick Kragler
 John Malmquist
 Harold Knowles
 Bill Kell
 John Miholland
 Dave York
 Robert Lathrop
 Phil Gullege
 Warner Semelis

Norm Bomkamp
 Ken Christiansen
 Rawlan Lillard
 Paul Rexcoat
 Dave Fields
 Donald Thomas
 Don Arnold
 Max Eldred
 Robert Harder
 Edward Landers
 James Simmering
 John VanVoorhis
 Dennis Kerby

1959

John Armour
 Joseph Barber
 Jerry Biggs
 Thomas Birge
 Norman Bomkamp
 Robert Bruce
 Clint Byrd
 Thomas Chandler
 Kenneth Christiansen
 Wilmer Tom Clark
 Brian Cossell
 Blaibourne Dungy
 Frederick McKenzie
 William Miller
 Marlon Mitchell
 Esterino Molinary
 Stanley Papp
 Robert Parrish
 Paul Rexcoat
 Gordon Ritter

Charles Eads
 Max Eldred
 David Fields
 James Fox
 John Goddard
 Ronald Herr
 Harold Knowles
 William Gollaway
 Richard Kragler
 Robert Lathrop
 Rawlan Lillard
 John Malmquist
 Otis Shouse
 Richard Storm
 Dennis Taylor
 Donald Thomas
 John VanVoorhis
 Floyd Waigren
 Samuel White
 Jerry Zachary

1960

Edison Allen
 Norman Bomkamp
 Brian Cossell
 Claibourne Dungy
 Max Eldred
 Marvin Honn
 Robert Lathrop
 Richard McClain
 Jerry Quick
 Lee Sprimont
 Ben Ward
 David Blievernicht
 Arthur Cofer
 Edward Ethington
 Gary Glosser
 Alfred Jeter
 John Johnson
 Bill Kyle

Jerry Eiggs
 W. Tom Clark
 Ronald Dawkins
 Charles Eads
 James Fox
 Arthur Jacoby
 Rawlan Lillard
 William Miller
 James Quinlan
 John VanVoorhis
 Jerry Zachary
 Michael Casserly
 James Cunningham
 Michael Cannon
 Ronald Gorden
 Robert Hall
 Harold Knowles
 Donald McMorris

William Meckfessel
Robert Stallman
Donald Varner

Gary Schliessman
Dennis Taylor
Robert Wubbenhorst

1961

Gary Allen
Edison Allen
Ben Butler
W. Tom Clark
Brian Cossell
Calibourne Dungy
Chuck Eads
Terre Engleton
Ed Frazier
Jeff Gaines
Jerry Grandone
Robert Hall
Marvin Honn
Arthur Jacoby
John Johnson
Dick McLain
William Fisher
Dean McKee
Don Varner
Carroll Wright
Mike Gannon

William Meckfessel
Don McMorris
Bill Neal
Harold Palishen
David Piper
Bill Reynolds
Jim Quinlan
Bill Scroggins
Lee Sprimont
Bob Stallman
Larry Thomason
John VanVoorhis
Ben Ward
Ronald Leibig
Gerald Marshall
Don Blievernicht
Latham Heath
Art Thompson
D. Joe Vitton
David Potter

1962

James Astle
Rod Butler
Thomas Christy
W. Tom Clark
Brian Cossell
Ronald Dawkins
claibourne Dungy
Roger Salinas
Walter Scott
Daniel Selivon
Lee Sprimont
Arthur Steele

Charles McClain
Donald McMorris
William Meckfessel
Harold Palshen
David Piper
James Quinlan
Jerald Grandone
John Haggerty
Latham Heath
David Heinrich
Marvin Honn
Arthur Jacoby

George Steigelman
 Wayne Stingley
 Arthur Thompson
 Ocie Tolson
 D. Joe Vitton
 Ben Ward
 Frederick Washburn
 Carrol Wright
 William Hamilton
 Ray Weger

John Johnson
 Jesse Knight
 Ronald Leibig
 Jerry Loew
 Donald Love
 Thomas Masters
 Lawrence Watts
 Larry Wesch
 Robert Trimble

1963

John Alewelt
 Thomas Andres
 James Astle
 Roderick Butler
 Robert Clifford
 Ronald Dawkins
 William Delaplane
 John Elson
 Lyle Eroh
 Jerald Grandone
 Lyle Hamilton
 Marvin Honn
 Arthur Jacoby
 David James
 Roger Jebe
 Richard Johnson
 James Kimball
 Richard Letts
 C. Dick McClain
 Robert McConkey
 Donald McMorris

Edward McGraw
 William Miller
 William Neal
 Harold Palishen
 David Piper
 James Quinlan
 Ronald Rentfro
 Roger Salinas
 Raymond Schaljo
 Walter Scott
 Arthur Steele
 Wayne Stingley
 Lynn Strack
 Robert Trimble
 Andy Ventress
 D. Joe Vitton
 Ben Ward
 Lawrence Watts
 Lee Willett
 Richard Wollenschlager
 Carroll Wright

1964

John Akers
 Glenn Anderson
 James Anderson
 James Astle
 Larry Baird

Edward Nilsen
 Harold Palishen
 Charles Peabody
 Charles Peglow
 Charles Peterson

Adrian Beard
 Russell Benjamin
 Roderick Butler
 William Dortch
 James Ficek
 Richard Gill
 Jerald Grandone
 Roger Hartman
 Lyle Honnold
 Larry Hopkins
 Roger Jebe
 Richard Johnson
 Joel Justis
 James Kimball
 R. Thomas Loyd
 Gerald Marshall
 James Morris
 James Ohm

Roger Quinlan
 Cyril Rennels
 Robert Rennels
 Ronald Rentfro
 Raymond Schaljo
 John Schneider
 Arthur Steele
 Willie Stepney
 Wayne Stingley
 Maurice Sykes
 Robert Trimble
 Charles Turner
 D. Jos Vitton
 Robert Weise
 Lee Willett
 William Reynolds
 Thomas Jennings

1965

William Anderson
 James Astle
 Larry Baird
 Russell Benjamin
 Gregory Dennis
 William Dortch
 James Ficek
 W. Lyle Honnold
 Larry Hopkins
 Roger Jebe
 Richard Johnson
 Joel Justis
 James Kimball
 Richard Letts
 R. Thomas Loyd
 Gerald Marshall

James Morris
 Edward Nilsen
 Charles Peabody
 Charles Peterson
 Roger Quinlan
 Ronald Rentfro
 Raymond Schaljo
 John Schneider
 Arthur Steele, Captain
 Wayne Stingley
 Robert Trimble
 Charles Turner
 Robert Weise
 Richard Wiese
 Lee Willett

1966

Larry Baird
Russell Benjamin
William Dortch
Charles Flamini
Richard Gill
Charles Graham
Gary Hale
Roger Quinlan
Ronald Rentfro-Captain
Jerry Robbins
Raymond Schaljo
Thomas Schlickman
James Anderson

Roger Hartman
Roger Jebe
Richard Johnson
Arthur Mitchell
James Morris
Jeffrey Murdy
Charles Peabody
Michael Snow
Charles Turner
William Walton
Robert Weise
Lee Willett

¹All team records obtained from school yearbooks, newspapers, and varsity records.

APPENDIX B

YEARLY TEAM RECORDS¹

1912

Coach: Charles P. Lantz

E.I. over Charleston H.S., no score available

E.I. over Rose Poly, no score available

1913-1915

No records available

1916

Coaches: Storer and Hubbard

IIAC, E.I. 12 th.

no record of dual meets

1917

Coach: Joseph F. Carey

No records of meets available

1918-1919

No records available

1920

No records available

1921

Coach: Lewis A. Moore

No records of meets available

1922

Coach: Lewis A. Moore

IIAC, 6th., 7 pts.
No record of dual meets

1923

Near conference championship, no other records.

1924

Indiana Normal 80 1/2, E.I. 45 1/2

1925

Coach: Lewis A. Moore

Rose Poly 56 1/2, E.I. 64 1/2
Indiana Normal 82, E.I. 44

1926

Coach: Lewis A. Moore

Rose Poly 87, E. I. 44
Indiana Normal 79, E.I. 47
Shurtleff 72 1/2, E.I. 57 1/2
Millikin 72, E.I. 54

1927

Coach: Lewis A. Moore

Rose Poly 105, E.I. 26
 Shurtleff 82, E.I. 49
 Indiana Normal 75, E.I. 50
 Millikin 72, McKendree 47, E.I. 16

1928

Coach: Frank A. Beu

Indiana Normal 79, E.I. 52
 Rose Poly 92, E.I. 37
 Shurtleff 74, E.I. 56
 Southern Illinois 84, E.I. 47
 Teachers College Meet: Illinois Normal 64 $\frac{2}{3}$, Southern Illinois 33 $\frac{1}{6}$, Western Illinois 13 $\frac{7}{12}$, Northern Illinois 9 $\frac{1}{2}$.
 IIAC: 0 pts.

1929

Coach: Frank A. Beu

Southern Illinois 70 $\frac{1}{2}$, E.I. 56 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Rose Poly 79, E.I. 50
 Shurtleff 65 $\frac{3}{5}$, E.I. 60 $\frac{2}{5}$
 E.I. 74, Indiana Normal 49
 Teachers College Meet: E.I. 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ pts., no further records.
 IIAC: E.I. 14 th., 4 pts.

1930

Coach: Frank A. Beu

E.I. 78, Rose Poly 49
 Millikin 81, E.I. 50
 Southern Illinois 99, E.I. 27
 Shurtleff 63, E.I. 58
 Indiana Normal 67, E.I. 62
 Teachers College Meet: Southern Illinois 85 1/2, Illinois Normal 64, E.I. 45, Northern Illinois 24 1/2.
 IIAC: 3 pts. no farther records

1931

Coach: Frank A. Beu

Normal 85, E.I. 46
 E.I. 67 1/3, Indiana Normal 63 2/3
 De Pauw 84, E.I. 47
 Southern Illinois 84 1/2, E.I. 29, Shurtleff 24 1/2,
 McKendree 24.
 Teachers College Meet: Southern Illinois 81, Illinois Normal 70, E.I. 25.
 IIAC: 14 th. 5 pts.

1932

Coach: Frank A. Beu

E.I. 68 1/2, McKendree 62 1/2
 Illinois Normal 80 1/2, E.I. 50 1/2
 E.I. 82, Shurtleff 49
 E.I. 75, Indiana Normal 51
 Teachers College Meet: no records
 IIAC: no records

1933

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

DePauw 92 $\frac{2}{3}$, E.I. 38 $\frac{1}{3}$
 E.I. 75, Shurtleff 51
 Southern Illinois 93 $\frac{1}{3}$, E.I. 36, McKendree 19 $\frac{1}{2}$,
 Shurtleff 13
 E.I. 70 $\frac{2}{3}$, McKendree 60 $\frac{1}{3}$
 Teachers College Meet: Southern Illinois 95 $\frac{1}{2}$, Illi-
 nois Normal 82, Western Illinois 20 $\frac{1}{2}$, Northern Illi-
 nois 16, E.I. 6
 IIAC: 0 pts.

1934

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

Southern Illinois 109, E.I. 22
 Illinois Normal 111, E.I. 20
 E.I. 74, McKendree 56
 Southern Illinois 104 $\frac{1}{2}$, E.I. 34, McKendree 23 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Teachers College Meet: Illinois Normal 83, Southern
 Illinois 68 $\frac{3}{4}$, Northern Illinois 33 $\frac{1}{2}$, Western
 Illinois 24 $\frac{3}{4}$, E.I. 9
 IIAC: 16 th. 1 pt.

1935

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

Northern Illinois 88 $\frac{1}{3}$, E.I. 47 $\frac{2}{3}$
 Southern Illinois 96, E.I. 35
 Illinois Normal 90, E.I. 41
 E.I. 77, Indiana State 53
 E.I. 78, McKendree 48
 Teachers College Meet: Southern Illinois 56 $\frac{2}{3}$, Illi-
 nois Normal 55 $\frac{1}{2}$, Northern Illinois 54 $\frac{1}{2}$, Western
 Illinois 32 $\frac{1}{3}$, E.I. 19
 IIAC: 13 th. 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ pts.

1936

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

E.I. 106, Oakland City 25
 Southern Illinois 89, E.I. 44
 Northern Illinois 75 1/2, Illinois Normal 63, E.I. 23
 - Illinois Normal 95, E.I. 36
 - E.I. 86, Indiana State 36
 Teachers College Meet: Illinois Normal 72 3/4, Northern Illinois 68 1/4, Southern Illinois 51 3/4, Western Illinois 17, E.I. 9 1/4
 IIAC: 8 th. 8 pts.

1937

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

Southern Illinois 91, E. I. 40
 Illinois Normal 93, E.I. 38
 Northern Illinois 99, E.I. 32
 Teachers College Meet: Southern Illinois 65, Illinois Normal 64, Northern Illinois 57, E.I. 18, Western Illinois 15
 IIAC: 8 th. 8 pts.

1938

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

University of Illinois Relays: 0 pts.
 Butler Relays: 0 pts.
 Southern Illinois 91, E.I. 40
 Illinois Normal 90 1/2, E.I. 40 1/2
 Northern Illinois 87, E.I. 44
 Teachers College Meet: Southern Illinois 67, Northern Illinois 52, Illinois Normal 47 1/2, Western Illinois 27 1/2, E.I. 25
 E.I. 75 1/3, Indiana Central 55 2/3
 IIAC: 5 th. 16 pts.

1939

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

University of Illinois Relays: 0 pts.
 Southern Illinois 94, E.I. 37
 Illinois Normal 85, E.I. 46
 E.I. 91, Indiana State 40
 Teachers College Meet: Northern Illinois 97, Southern
 Illinois 49 1/2, Illinois Normal 43, E.I. 12 1/2,
 Western Illinois 11
 E.I. 81 1/2, Indiana State 48 1/2, Indiana Central 28
 IIAC: 4 th. 18 2/7 pts.

1940

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

Southern Illinois 79 2/3, E.I. 46 1/3
 Illinois Normal 80, E.I. 51
 Indiana State 72, E.I. 63
 E.I. 112, Indiana Central 29
 Midwestern Teachers College Meet: 5 th. 13 pts.
 IIAC: 4 th. 15 pts.

1941

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

Southern Illinois 93, E.I. 38
 Indiana State 75 1/2, E.I. 55 1/2
 Illinois Normal 89, E.I. 37
 Culver 59, E.I. 49
 Western Illinois 84, E.I. 42
 IIAC: 5 th. 13 pts.

1942

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

Southern Illinois 97 1/2, E.I. 33 1/2
 Indiana State 75, E.I. 51
 Illinois Normal 75, E.I. 56
 Millikin 81, E.I. 50
 Western Illinois 71 1/6, E.I. 54 5/6
 IIAC: 5 th. 16 pts.

1943

Coach: Winfield S. Angus

IIAC: 4 th. 7 pts.

1944

Illinois Normal 103, Western Illinois 68, E.I. 25,
 Southern Illinois 14
 IIAC: no records available

1945

Coaches: Charles P. Lantz and James "Pim" Goff

At Illinois Normal, E.I. 4 th. of 6, 26 pts.
 IIAC: 4 th. 31 1/2 pts.

1946

Coach: James "Pim" Goff

Butler Relays: 1 pt.
 E.I. 69 2/3, Illinois Normal 56 1/3
 Southern Illinois 76 1/2, E.I. 53 1/2
 E.I. 85 3/4, Indiana State 59 3/4, Rose Poly 17 1/2
 Elmhurst Invitational: 7 th. 10 3/4 pt.

E.I. 90 5/6, Millikin 51 2/3, Illinois Wesleyan 19 1/2
 IIAC: 3 rd. 38 1/3 pts.

1947

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Purdue Relays: 0 pts.
 E.I. 84 3/5, Millikin 46 2/5
 E.I. 83 1/2, Illinois Normal 47 1/2
 E.I. 86, Indiana State 45
 Southern Illinois 84, E.I. 47
 E.I. 88, Millikin 43
 Elmhurst Invitational: 11 th. 9 1/2 pts.
 IIAC: 3 rd. 37 1/2 pts.

1948

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Purdue Relays: 1 pt.
 E.I. 82, Millikin 44
 E.I. 80 1/2, Illinois Normal 50 1/2
 Southern Illinois 76 1/3, E.I. 54 2/3
 E.I. 68, Indiana State 63
 E.I. 68 1/3, Ball State 62 2/3
 Northern Illinois 87 1/3, E.I. 43 2/3
 IIAC: 4 th. 31 pts.

1949

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Washington U. 65 5/6, E.I. 45 1/6
 E.I. 72 1/2, Indiana State 58 1/2
 Northern Illinois 79 1/2, E.I. 51 1/2
 Southern Illinois 80, E.I. 51
 Ball State 73 1/2, E.I. 57 1/2
 E.I. 77, Chautau 73 1/2, Evansville 11 1/2

E.I. 96 $2/3$, Illinois Normal 34 $1/3$
 IIAC: 4 th. 34 pts.

1950

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Midwest Indoor Meet: 10 th. 6 pts.
 Washington U. 84, E.I. 48, E.I. 48
 E.I. 79 $1/12$, Illinois Normal 52 $11/12$
 E.I. 67, Southern Illinois 64
 E.I. 70 $5/6$, Ball State 51 $11/12$, Millikin 40 $1/4$
 E.I. 95, Indiana State 36
 E.I. 78 $2/3$, Chanute 52 $1/3$
 Western Illinois 72, E.I. 59
 IIAC: 3 rd. 30 pts.

1951

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Midwest Indoor Meet: 5 pts.
 Purdue Relays: 3 pts.
 E.I. 85, Chanute 46
 E.I. 68 $1/3$, Illinois Normal 62 $2/3$
 E.I. 70 $1/2$, Southern Illinois 60 $1/2$
 E.I. 74, Ball State 57
 E.I. 106 $1/2$, Indiana State 24 $1/2$
 Millikin 72 $1/2$, E.I. 68 $1/2$, Illinois Wesleyan 21
 E.I. 84 $1/3$, Western Illinois 45 $2/3$
 IIAC: 2 nd. 45 $2/3$ pts.

1952

Coach: John Lewis

E.I. 87 $1/2$, Millikin 69, Harris T.C. 5 $1/2$
 E.I. 80, Chanute 51
 Illinois State 78 $1/2$, E.I. 52 $1/2$
 E.I. 108, Northern Illinois 23

E.I. 109, Indiana State 22
 E.I. 68, Southern Illinois 63
 IIAC: 5 th. 22 5/14 pts.

1953

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

E.I. 70 4/15, Millikin 60 11/15
 E.I. 81, Illinois State 50
 E.I. 92 1/2, Northern Illinois 38 1/2
 State College Meet: 3rd. 42 1/2 pts.
 Western Illinois 68, E.I. 58
 IIAC: tie 5 th. 19 pts.
 Southern Illinois 81, E.I. 50
 NAIA District #20 Meet: 4 th. 22 1/2 pts.
 NAIA: 6 pts.

1954

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

E.I. 71, Millikin 60
 E.I. 114 2/3, Indiana State 16 1/3
 DePauw 68, E.I. 63
 E.I. 67, Illinois State 64
 Southern Illinois 81, E.I. 50
 E.I. 67, Northern Illinois 64
 E.I. 106 1/3, Lincoln 24 2/3
 State College Meet: 3 rd. 45 3/5 pts.
 E.I. 95 1/4, Western Illinois 37 3/4
 IIAC: 4 th. 27 2/3 pts.

1955

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

E.I. 107 1/3, Indiana State 14 2/3
 E.I. 93 1/3, Illinois State 37 2/3
 E.I. 68, Southern Illinois 63
 E.I. 66, Northern Illinois 65
 State College Meet: 1 st. 93 1/2 pts.
 E.I. 106, Millikin 25
 IIAC: 3 rd. 45 pts.
 NAIA: 12 pts.

1956

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Bradley Relays: two firsts, broad jump and discus
 E.I. 105, Champaign 26
 E.I. 73, Illinois State 58
 E.I. 74, Southern Illinois 57
 E.I. 82, Northern Illinois 49
 State College Meet: 1 st. 68 1/2 pts.
 E.I. 95, U. of Louisville 36
 E.I. 92, Western Illinois 34
 IIAC: 3 rd. 31 pts.
 NAIA: 6 pts.

1957

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Bradley Relays: three firsts, shot put, broad jump,
 mile relay
 E.I. 82 1/2, Illinois State 48 1/2
 Northern Illinois 66, E.I. 65
 State College Meet: 1 st. 65 1/2 pts.
 E.I. 96 1/2, U. of Louisville 33 1/2
 Elmhurst Invitational: 3rd. 27 6/7 pts.
 E.I. 66, Southern Illinois 65
 IIAC: 3 rd. 27 1/10 pts.

1958

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Bradley Relays: one first, shot put
 Bradley 90, E.I. 41
 E.I. 77, Illinois State 54
 E.I. 105 1/3, Chanute 25 2/3
 Northern Illinois 68 1/2, E.I. 62 1/2
 State College Meet: 3 rd. 36 1/12 pts.
 E.I. 65 1/2, Southern Illinois 65 1/2
 E.I. 66 1/2, Western Illinois 64 1/2
 IIAC: 7 th. 13 pts.

1959

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Midwest Indoor Meet: 11 th. 3 pts.
 Bradley Relays: one first, sprint medley relay
 E.I. 67, Bradley 64
 E.I. 67 1/2, Illinois State 63 1/2
 E.I. 110, Chanute 21
 Northern Illinois 87 1/2, E.I. 43 1/2
 State College Meet: 3 rd. 41 1/2 pts.
 Southern Illinois 82, E.I. 49
 E.I. 99, Western Illinois 32
 IIAC: 6 th. 23 1/3 pts.

1960

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Bradley Relays: no firsts
 Bradley 72, E.I. 59
 E.I. 70, Northern Illinois 61
 E.I. 114, Chanute 17
 E.I. 76 2/3, Illinois State 54 1/3
 State College Meet: 6 th. 20 pts.
 E.I. 42, Western Illinois 54
 IIAC: 6 th. 17 pts.

1961

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Bradley Relays: one first, high hurdle shuttle relay
 E.I. 71 1/2, Bradley 59 1/2
 Northern Illinois 106 1/3, E.I. 24 2/3
 E.I. 90 1/2, Illinois State 40 1/2
 State College Meet: 5 th. 24 pts.
 Southern Illinois 86, E.I. 45
 E.I. 117, Chanute 13
 E.I. 75, Western Illinois 57
 IIAC: 6 th. 17 3/5 pts.

1962

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

University of Illinois Open: one first, shot put
 Midwest Indoor Meet: no firsts
 E.I. 75, Bradley 56
 Bradley Relays: one first, sprint medley relay
 Northern Illinois 81, E.I. 50
 Central Michigan 72, E.I. 59
 E.I. 74 1/2, Illinois State 56 1/2
 E.I. 86 2/3, Millikin 43 1/3
 State College Meet: 3 rd. 36 pts.
 Elmhurst Invitational: 3 rd. 36 7/10 pts.
 IIAC: 4 th. 29 1/2 pts.
 NAIA: no places

1963

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Midwest Indoor Meet: 6 th. 15 5/6 pts.
 E.I. 81, Bradley 50
 Eastern Illinois Relays: three firsts, broad jump,
 pole vault, sprint medley relay
 Northern Illinois 76 1/2, E.I. 54 1/2
 E.I. 95, Millikin, 46
 E.I. 68, Illinois State 63
 State College Meet: 1st. 46 pts.
 E.I. 78, Western Illinois 53

Elmhurst Invitational: 2 nd. 38 pts.
 IIAC: 3 rd. 45 pts.
 NAIA: 28 th. 6 pts.

1964

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

University of Illinois Open: no firsts
 Midwest Indoor Meet: no firsts
 E.I. 97 1/2, Bradley 47 1/2
 Eastern Illinois Relays: two firsts, broad and triple
 jumps
 Northern Illinois 68 1/2, E.I. 62 1/2
 E.I. 67, Illinois State 64
 State College Meet: 2 nd. 55 pts.
 E.I. 105, Millikin 26
 Elmhurst Invitational: 1 st. 61 pts.
 E.I. 83, Western Illinois 62
 IIAC: 2 nd. 46 pts.
 NAIA: 7 th. 18 pts.

1965

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

University of Illinois Open: no firsts
 E.I. 85, Bradley 58
 Eastern Illinois Relays: two firsts, long and triple
 jumps
 E.I. 85, Northern Illinois 60
 E.I. 86, Illinois State 59
 State College Meet: 1 st. 57 1/2 pts.
 Elmhurst Invitational: 2 nd. 53 pts.
 Indiana State 88, E.I. 58
 IIAC: 3 rd. 49 pts.
 NAIA: 21 st. 9 pts.

1966

Coach: Maynard "Pat" O'Brien

Midwest Indoor Meet: no firsts

Eastern Illinois Relays: five firsts, frosh 880 relay,
frosh sprint medley relay, pole vault, javelin, long
jump

Northern Illinois 79, E.I. 66

E.I. 88, Indiana State 57

E.I. 95, Bradley 50

State College Meet: 1 st. 58 1/2 pts.

E.I. 100, Western Illinois 40

Elmhurst Invitational 59

IIAC: 3 rd. 39 pts.

NAIA: 0 pts.

¹All team records obtained from school yearbooks,
newspapers, Chicago Tribune, Charleston Courier-News,
and varsity records

APPENDIX C

DUAL MEET RECORDS AGAINST EACH OPPONENT

Ball State University

1948 E.I. 69 1/3, Ball State 62 2/3
1949 Ball State 73 1/2, E.I. 57 1/2
1951 E.I. 74, Ball State 57

Bradley University

1959 E.I. 67, Bradley 64
1960 Bradley 72, E.I. 59
1961 E.I. 71 1/2, Bradley 59 1/2
1962 E.I. 75, Bradley 56
1963 E.I. 81, Bradley 50
1964 E.I. 97 1/2, Bradley 47 1/2
1965 E.I. 85, Bradley 58
1966 E.I. 95, Bradley 50

Central Michigan University

1962 Central Michigan 72, E.I. 59

Charleston High School

1912 E.I. over Charleston, no score available

Culver Military Academy

1941 Culver 59, E.I. 49

DePauw University

1931 DePauw 84, E.I. 47
 1933 DePauw 92, 2/3, E.I. 38 1/3
 1954 DePauw 68, E.I. 64

Illinois State University

1931 Illinois State 85, E.I. 46
 1932 Illinois State 80 1/2, E.I. 50 1/2
 1934 Illinois State 111, E.I. 20
 1935 Illinois State 90, E.I. 41
 1936 Illinois State 95, E.I. 36
 1937 Illinois State 93, E.I. 38
 1938 Illinois State 90 1/2, E.I. 40 1/2
 1939 Illinois State 85, E.I. 46
 1940 Illinois State 80, E.I. 51
 1941 Illinois State 89, E.I. 37
 1942 Illinois State 75, E. I. 56
 1946 E.I. 69 2/3, Illinois State 56 1/3
 1947 E.I. 83 1/2, Illinois State 47 1/2
 1948 E.I. 80 1/2, Illinois State 50 1/2
 1949 E.I. 96 2/3, Illinois State 34 1/3
 1950 E.I. 79 1/12, Illinois State 52 11/12
 1951 E.I. 68 1/3, Illinois State 62 2/3
 1952 Illinois State 78 1/2, E.I. 52 1/2
 1953 E.I. 81, Illinois State 50
 1954 E.I. 67, Illinois State 64
 1955 E.I. 93 1/3, Illinois State 37 2/3
 1956 E.I. 73, Illinois 58
 1957 E.I. 82 1/2, Illinois State 48 1/2
 1958 E.I. 77, Illinois State 54
 1959 E.I. 67 1/2, Illinois State 63 1/2
 1960 E.I. 76 2/3, Illinois State 54 1/3
 1961 E.I. 90 1/2, Illinois State 40 1/2
 1962 E.I. 74 1/2, Illinois State 56 1/2
 1963 E.I. 68, Illinois State 63
 1964 E.I. 67, Illinois State 64
 1965 E.I. 86, Illinois State 59

Indiana Central University

1938 E.I. 75 1/3, Indiana Central 55 2/3
 1940 E.I. 112, Indiana Central 29

Indiana State University

1924 Indiana State 80 1/2, E.I. 45 1/2
 1925 Indiana State 82, E.I. 44
 1926 Indiana State 79, E.I. 47
 1927 Indiana State 75, E.I. 50
 1928 Indiana State 79, E.I. 52
 1929 E.I. 74, Indiana State 49
 1930 Indiana State 67, E.I. 62
 1931 E.I. 67 1/3, Indiana State 63 2/3
 1932 E.I. 75, Indiana State 51
 1939 E.I. 91, Indiana State 40
 1940 Indiana State 72, E.I. 63
 1941 Indiana State 75 1/3, E.I. 55 1/3
 1942 Indiana State 75, E.I. 51
 1947 E.I. 86, Indiana State 45
 1948 E.I. 68, Indiana State 63
 1949 E.I. 72 1/2, Indiana State 58 1/2
 1950 E.I. 95, Indiana State 36
 1951 E.I. 106 1/2, Indiana State 24 1/2
 1952 E.I. 109, Indiana State 22
 1954 E.I. 114 2/3, Indiana State 16 1/3
 1955 E.I. 107 1/3, Indiana State 14 2/3
 1965 Indiana State 88, E.I. 58
 1966 E.I. 88, Indiana State 57

Lincoln College

1954 E.I. 106 1/3, Lincoln 24 2/3

University of Louisville

1956 E.I. 92, Louisville 36
 1957 E.I. 96 1/2, Louisville 33 1/2

Millikin University

1926 Millikin 72, E.I. 54
 1930 Millikin 81, E.I. 50
 1942 Millikin 81, E.I. 50
 1947 E.I. 84 3/5, Millikin 46 2/5
 1948 E.I. 82, Millikin 44
 1954 E.I. 71, Millikin 60
 1955 E.I. 106, Millikin 25
 1962 E.I. 86 2/3, Millikin 43 1/3
 1963 E.I. 95, Millikin 46
 1964 E.I. 105, Millikin 26

McKendree College

1932 E.I. 68 1/2, McKendree 62 1/2
 1933 E.I. 70 2/3, McKendree 60 1/3
 1934 E.I. 74, McKendree 56
 1935 E.I. 78, McKendree 48

Northern Illinois University

1935 Northern Illinois 88 1/3, E.I. 47 2/3
 1937 Northern Illinois 99, E.I. 32
 1938 Northern Illinois 87, E.I. 44
 1949 Northern Illinois 79 1/2, E.I. 51 1/2
 1952 E.I. 108, Northern Illinois 23
 1953 E.I. 92 1/2, Northern Illinois 38 1/2
 1954 E.I. 67, Northern Illinois 74
 1955 E.I. 66, Northern Illinois 65
 1956 E.I. 82, Northern Illinois 49
 1957 E.I. 66, Northern Illinois 65
 1958 Northern Illinois 68 1/2, E.I. 62 1/2
 1959 Northern Illinois 87 1/2, E.I. 43 1/2
 1960 E.I. 70, Northern Illinois 61

1961 Northern Illinois 105 1/3, E.I. 24 2/3
 1962 Northern Illinois 81, E.I. 50
 1963 Northern Illinois 76 1/2, E.I. 54 1/2
 1964 Northern Illinois 68 1/2, E.I. 62 1/2
 1955 E.I. 35, Northern Illinois 60
 1966 Northern Illinois 79, E.I. 66

Oakland City College

1935 E.I. 106, Oakland 25

Rose Polytechnic Institute

1912 E.I. over Rose Poly, no score available
 1925 Rose Poly 66 1/2, E.I. 64 1/2
 1926 Rose Poly 87, E.I. 44
 1927 Rose Poly 105, E.I. 26
 1928 Rose Poly 92, E.I. 37
 1929 Rose Poly 79, E.I. 50
 1930 E.I. 78, Rose Poly 49

Shurtleff College

1926 Shurtleff 72 1/2, E.I. 57 1/2
 1927 Shurtleff 82, E.I. 49
 1928 Shurtleff 74, E.I. 56
 1929 Shurtleff 65 3/5, E.I. 60 2/5
 1930 Shurtleff 63, E.I. 58
 1932 E.I. 81, Shurtleff 49
 1933 E.I. 75, Shurtleff 51

Southern Illinois University

1928 Southern Illinois 84, E.I. 47
 1929 Southern Illinois 70 1/2, E.I. 56 1/2
 1930 Southern Illinois 99, E.I. 27
 1935 Southern Illinois 96, E.I. 35
 1936 Southern Illinois 89, E.I. 44
 1937 Southern Illinois 91, E.I. 40

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| 1938 | Southern Illinois 91, E.I. 40 |
| 1939 | Southern Illinois 94, E.I. 37 |
| 1940 | Southern Illinois 79 2/3, E.I. 46 1/3 |
| 1941 | Southern Illinois 93, E.I. 38 |
| 1942 | Southern Illinois 97 1/2, E.I. 33 1/2 |
| 1946 | Southern Illinois 76 1/2, E.I. 53 1/2 |
| 1947 | Southern Illinois 84, E.I. 47 |
| 1948 | Southern Illinois 76 1/3, E.I. 54 2/3 |
| 1949 | Southern Illinois 80, E.I. 51 |
| 1950 | E.I. 67, Southern Illinois 64 |
| 1951 | E.I. 70 1/3, Southern Illinois 60 1/2 |
| 1952 | E.I. 68, Southern Illinois 63 |
| 1954 | E.I. 67, Southern Illinois 64 |
| 1955 | E.I. 68, Southern Illinois 63 |
| 1956 | E.I. 74, Southern Illinois 57 |
| 1957 | E.I. 66, Southern Illinois 65 |
| 1958 | E.I. 65 1/2, Southern Illinois 65 1/2, etc |
| 1959 | Southern Illinois 82, E.I. 49 |
| 1961 | Southern Illinois 86, E.I. 45 |

Washington University

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| 1949 | Washington 85 5/6, E.I. 45 1/6 |
| 1950 | Washington 84, E.I. 48 |

Western Illinois University

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| 1941 | Western Illinois 84, E.I. 42 |
| 1942 | Western Illinois 71 1/6, E.I. 54 5/6 |
| 1950 | Western Illinois 72, E.I. 59 |
| 1951 | E.I. 84 1/3, Western Illinois 45 2/3 |
| 1953 | Western Illinois 68, E.I. 58 |
| 1954 | E.I. 93 1/4, Western Illinois 37 3/4 |
| 1956 | E.I. 92, Western Illinois 34 |
| 1958 | E.I. 66 1/2, Western Illinois 64 1/2 |
| 1959 | E.I. 99, Western Illinois 32 |
| 1960 | E.I. 72, Western Illinois 54 |
| 1961 | E.I. 75, Western Illinois 57 |
| 1963 | E.I. 73, Western Illinois 53 |
| 1964 | E.I. 83, Western Illinois 62 |
| 1966 | E.I. 100, Western Illinois 40 |

APPENDIX D

1966 TRACK AND FIELD RECORDS¹

ILAC Track and Field Records

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|--|
| 100 | :09.4 | Hayes Jones (EMU) '57 |
| 220 | :20.8 | Bob Cornelius (CMU) '63 |
| 440 | :47.9 | Vern Christopher (NIU) '61 |
| 880 | 1:50.3 | Jim Dupree (SIU) '62 |
| Mile | 4:11.3 | Bill Cornell (SIU) '62 |
| Two-mile | 9:12.4 | John Peterson (NIU) '66 |
| 120 high | :14.2 | Hayes Jones (EMU) '60 |
| 220 low | :22.7 | Hayes Jones (EMU) '60 |
| 330 intermediates | :38.4 | Art Schultz (NIU) '65 |
| 440 intermediates | :53.6 | Al Vondrasek (CMU) '66 |
| Pole vault | 14' 3/4" | Ed Nilsen (SIU) '64 |
| High jump | 6'8 1/4" | Floyd Smith (NIU) '55 |
| Broad jump | 24'3 1/4" | Art Steele (EIU) '64 |
| Triple jump | 45'5 3/4" | Art Steele (EIU) '65 |
| Shot put | 56'11 1/2" | Peter Miskov (CMU) '64 |
| Discus | 163'6" | Peter Miskov (CMU) '64 |
| Javelin | 206'4 1/8" | Walt Peters (NIU) '57 |
| 440 relay | :41.6 | NIU (Bradley, Allen Courtwright Wauthier) '64 |
| Mile relay | 3:14.5 | SIU (Evans, Shelton, Saunders, Hocker) '51 |

Panther Varsity Track and Field Records

| | | |
|----------|--------|---------------------|
| 100 | :09.6 | Winston Brown, '57 |
| | | Ron Rentfro, '65 |
| 220 | :21.1 | Winston Brown '57 |
| | | Ron Rentfro, '65 |
| 440 | :49.6 | Jim Morris, '66 |
| 880 | 1:54.5 | Marvin Bonn, '62 |
| Mile | 4:13.4 | Roger Quinlan, '66 |
| Two-mile | 9:27.1 | John Schneider, '66 |
| 120 high | :14.4 | Jerry Grandone, '64 |
| 220 low | :23.9 | Jerry Grandone, '64 |

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| 330 intermediates | :39.0 | Jerry Grandone, '64 |
| 440 intermediates | :57.8 | Charles Turner, '66 |
| Pole Vault | 14'3/4" | Ed Nilsen, '64 |
| High Jump | 6'3" | Ted Ellis, '50 |
| Broad Jump | 24'10 1/2" | Art Steele, '64 |
| Triple Jump | 47'1/2" | Art Steele, '64 |
| Shot Put | 54'3 1/2" | Ben Ward, '63 |
| Discus | 152'5" | Ed Frazier, '61 |
| Javelin | 210'11 1/2" | Bill Miller, '63 |
| 440 relay | :42.3 | Charles Flamini, Ron Rentfro, '66 Charles Turner, Bob Weise |
| Mile relay | 3:19.5 | Lee Willett, Jeff Murdy, Bob Weise, Jim Morris, '66 |

Lincoln Field Records

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|--|
| 100 | :09.4 | Hayes Jones, E. Mich. '57 |
| 220 | :20.6 | Lenny Lyles, Louisville '57 |
| 440 | :48.9 | Stan McConnor, E. Mich. '51 Frank Walker, N. Ill. '51 |
| 880 | 1:53.3 | Bert Ohlander, W. Ill. '59 |
| Mile | 4:14.0 | Bryan Kujawski, Loyola, '66 |
| Two-mile | 9:19.2 | Mike Mittelstaedt, Ill. St. '64 |
| 120 highs | :14.2 | Ivan LaCore, C. Mich. '64 |
| 220 lows | :22.9 | Hayes Jones, E. Mich. '57 |
| 330 intermediates | :39.1 | G. Rickard, Ind. St. '65 |
| Pole Vault | 14'4" | Mark Hanna, Ind. St. '65 |
| High jump | 6'4 3/4" | Pat Nexon, Ind. St. '65 |
| Triple jump | 45'11 1/2" | Art Steele, E. Ill. '65 |
| Broad jump | 24' 7 1/2" | Art Steele, E. Ill. '64 |
| Shot put | 56'11 1/2" | Peter Miskov, C. Mich. '64 |
| Discus | 163'6" | Peter Miskov, C. Mich. '64 |
| Javelin | 213'4 1/2" | Jim Mcinerney, Ball St. '64 |
| 440 relay | :42.3 | WIU (Bradley, Allen, Court- wright, Wauthier) '66 |
| Mile relay | 3:19.7 | Loyola (Chicago) '62 |

¹Varsity records

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