

COLTS DEFEND TRACK CROWN

Preliminaries to City Meet Start Wednesday Afternoon in Central Gym.

Wills Ward, Hurdle and High Jump Star, Leads Northwestern Track Squad.

Northwestern high school Wednesday starts the annual defense of the indoor track title held for seven straight years since Eastern high school broke into the series of Colt triumphs in 1925.

Wills Ward, hurdle and high jump star, whose name is synonymous with track at the West Grand boulevard school, will lead a group of all-stars and a well-balanced team of other fine competitors into the preliminaries at Central gym Wednesday afternoon and a good share of them are expected to qualify for the final events in the same track Saturday night.

Ward Should Win.

Holder of two indoor and three outdoor city records in hurdle and high jump events, he has stepped upon to score at least two and possibly three victories for the champions. Jack Funda, aggressive in sprint, other probable favored to repeat. Other probable favorites are: Norman Lawson, pole vaulter; Mark Caplan and Bert Tett, in the 440 and the trio of Miroslav, Miller and Carter in the sprint.

While it is not expected that Northwestern can be ousted from its championship position from other indoor Western, Northwestern, East and Central may cut into the Colt lead considerably.

Ervin Rutkowski, of Western, and Richard Austin, of East, may push Ward if he has the strength they have shown recently from this season. Both are the individual stars of their schools.

Rutkowski competes in both hurdle and high jump and has shown class in shot put and high jump.

Strong Field in 440.

A better struggle is anticipated in the 440 with a half dozen contenders. The greatest of these is the trio of Miroslav, Miller and Carter in the sprint. The Falcons themselves hope to retain superiority in this event with three excellent runners, Williams, Archer and Clarke. This trio will have some competition from a pair of Miroslav, Miller and Carter in the 440. Thomson, of Central, is another good performer.

Northwestern, particularly strong in the longer runs, should register a victory in the 880 yard event. They will represent the Falcons. Central has three fair half-milers in Spaldman, Don and Paul. Victor Lavinson, of Western, is another who will not be in the field at the top.

Merrich in Dash.

Only one man will tie in a dash in the dash preliminaries Wednesday night, starting at 6:30. Merrich, of Central, and Maynard, of Eastern, will make Northwestern sprinting men a mainstay in the dash. Merrich has a good track record in both the Western two in Thomas and Rockefeller.

The two Western dashmen have been running the 200 meter at one and one-half minutes in preliminary heats and are certain to provide a sharp opposition for the dash which includes Merrich and Clark.

Walter Davis, who has put the shot 48 feet in competition, is counted on to extend Funda's record on the shot in the final dash at Eastern. But if the team from Northwestern, Bert, Miller and others are there who will strive for honors in the weight event.

Shot, Lawton Break.

It is not expected that Hurp's mark of 45 in the shot will be endangered in either preliminary or final on the Central track, but a competition will be seen with Shot of Central and Lawton of Northwestern standing out as two of the foremost contenders.

Ed Pierce, unseeded in the pole vault this season, will undoubtedly bring Northern one for the shot with a triumph in this event. The record of Western, Eddie Page of Ham-

Quinn Allows He Is Ready

Clearwater, Fla., March 3.—(A.P.)—Felix Quinn, 40, at forty-something years of age, has joined Manager Wilfred Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers with the idea to be out on the field in the near future.

Quinn, who has not been in the game since 1927, was in the form of a time to get in shape, asked him about it.

"I was beating them around for a few days at Hot Springs," Quinn answered. "I'm ready now to go for five innings. Just call on me any time."

Frank and George Kirby of Western are other probable qualifiers.

Northwestern's 800-yard relay team is considered victory, having beaten all rivals this year. Central, Western, Northwestern, Southeastern and Northern will vie for the remaining places.

Eastern and beats in which they will race follow:

Central vs. East—Norman (C), Victor (E), Miroslav (C), Miller (E), Tett (C), Carter (E), Miroslav (C), Miller (E), Tett (C), Carter (E).

Western vs. Northwestern—Ward (W), Funda (N), Rutkowski (W), Austin (N), Caplan (W), Tett (N), Miller (W), Carter (N), Miller (W), Carter (N).

Central vs. Eastern—Thomson (C), Spaldman (E), Don (C), Paul (E), Victor (C), Lavinson (E), Miroslav (C), Miller (E), Tett (C), Carter (E).

Western vs. Southeastern—Ward (W), Funda (S), Rutkowski (W), Austin (S), Caplan (W), Tett (S), Miller (W), Carter (S), Miller (W), Carter (S).

Central vs. Northern—Thomson (C), Spaldman (N), Don (C), Paul (N), Victor (C), Lavinson (N), Miroslav (C), Miller (N), Tett (C), Carter (N).

Western vs. Southern—Ward (W), Funda (S), Rutkowski (W), Austin (S), Caplan (W), Tett (S), Miller (W), Carter (S), Miller (W), Carter (S).

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