

Colts' Title Hopes Dim as 3 Stars Fall

Star Mile Runner Is One of Trio

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Loss of three top stars has virtually wrecked Northwestern High's chances of retaining its West Side track and field championship in the City League this season.

Burle Huggins, classy mile and cross country champion, has been dropped from the team as a result of confusion over his legal age. Coach Jimmy Russell revealed Friday.

Other top Colts lost are Willie Carr, a promising pole valuter who had posted an 11 foot, six-inch effort during the indoor season, and middle distance ace Eugene Williams.

Huggins captured the 1952 league mile championship in 4:30, the second best time ever posted in the Detroit high schools.

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RUSSELL SAID that he believed Huggins' rightful age is 19 years and that the youngster still would be eligible. But a driver's license Huggins obtained several years ago, sworn to by his mother, would make him 20.

Russell said that until definite proof of Huggins' age is available, he would not be able to compete. Huggins now has dropped his regular program and is attending night school.

Carr and Williams were declared scholastically ineligible.



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