

Miller Uses 49 Hopefuls Largest Yet

The Metropolitan League 1955 Championship Track and field season to be only slightly different in that the last year winners will battle it out with another new contender, as judged by the City League's indoor track season opener last week.

Pershing, Miller and Northwestern, who finished in that order last season, scored one-sided victories last Thursday in sure notice that they would be battling to retain their positions despite it being the first time in six years they faced competition.

Meanwhile, Cody High, the newest Metropolitan League school, opened its track season with an impressive 65-38 upset victory over Cody.

Coaches Smile
Coaches of the defending champions explained that the opposition was too weak to predict that their squads would fare. The expectancy was high in their own minds.

One race because the "big five" cornered 22 out of a possible 35 firsts in Pershing upset Eastern, 81 to 79. Miller edged past Southeastern, 83 to 82, and Northwestern dumped Coker, 74 to 71.

Eastern gained one second, five third and a tie for second. Ed Squires scored 14 1/2 points on seven high and low hurdles, a record. He got first in the 150 yard and a sprint relay leg. Northwestern got two places on a five-way second place tie in the 200 yard and a third in the 200. Miller led the 40 candidates out for track, the largest number in the school's history. George Washington won both hurdle races.

Stunt Pole Vault
Chadwick made one of its points by dominating the pole vault. Northwestern took all places in the 100 and 200 yard dashes, half and mile runs. Louise Coffey led the hurdle events besides running on the sprint relay.

Cody won seven events while being Northwestern, 62, to 51. Art Dombrowski of Coker, who was fourth in 383 only, won both of a second from Southeastern, second. Staff Games at Northwestern, cleared 6 feet 1 inch in the high jump.

Cody Gets 8 Out of 11
Cody athletes won six of the 11 events, sweeping all places in the 400 yard run in which Eric Randall of Coker, who was checked in 36.3.

Eric Randall of Coker, was the only double winner, taking the 100 and low hurdles.

Eric Latta of Coker was first in the pole and second in high hurdles. Bob Patrick leading in the mile and trying for second in the half mile.

Other Contests
In other competition: Central Junior Southeastern, 63-29, Bill Bowers, getting 11 points on 700 in the 225, second in the longer dash and a tie in the 100 yard.

Shows in the low hurdles half mile and pole vault enabled Bedford to defeat Western, 22 to 20. Bill Guinness, Bedford, and Paul Anderson, Western, each had 11 1/2 points.



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