Wiess Wins College Track Meet

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Last Saturday, April 30, after two false starts in the past two years, Intramural Director J. R. Barker succeeded in holding a truly inter-collegiate track meet.

Wiess won the 12-event meet, which saw five records set, one tied, and three new events introduced. Baker barely squeaked into second, withstanding a last minute charge by Will Rice. The meet was scored 5-3-2-1 on the first four places, with double points for relays. The first event was the 440 yard relay; the Wiess team of Stuart Long, Cal Courtney, Greg Holland, and John Suszek won in the fast time of 46.1, with Baker close behind in 46.2. This event foreshadowed the outcome of the meet, setting up Wiess and Baker as the main contestants for the title and revealing Wiess' strength in the sprints.

Close Race

The 440 yard dash was another close, fast race. The staggered start made it a little difficult to tell who was leading, until the last turn when Baker's Chuck Young and Wiess' Bill Merriman came out just about even. Bill edged out Chuck in the final sprint as Young staggered across the line with two feeling in his legs. Both runners broke the old record of 45.8, set last year by Merriman, as Bill got 45.3 and Chuck 45.8.

The 100 yard dash street Stuart Long won again for Wiess, breaking the old record of 10.2 by 0.1 second. Hanszen's Chuck Latourette pushed Long to the record by finishing close in 10.2.

The field events, run off simultaneously with the running events, were an entirely different story. Hanszen scored half their points here, 15, leading Will Rice by 2 as Baker and Wiess trailed with apiece. The record of 5' 11" was tied by the first three finishers in the high jump as places were assigned on the basis of fewer misses. Hanszen's Dan Copeland was first, followed by Alan Rentsch for WRC and Kerry Vandell, a Baker freshman.

Soft Ball

The softball throw elicted record-breaking effort by Will Rice's Terry Erwin, who threw 328' to set aside the record of 319' 9".

Mark Belton set a new record in the 12-pound shot put with a winning 54' 1 3/4" heave for Hanszen. This broke the former record of 51' 10" by more than 2 feet.

Wiess won the meet with a total of 43 points, with Stuart Long taking high point honors for the team and the meet with 17.5.

The other colleges' high point men were Hanszen's Chuck Latourette, with 15, half of his team's points, WRC's Terry Erwin with 15 1/2, and Baker's Davis Phillips with 6. Both Latourette and Erwin competed in the maximum of five events per man. Point totals for the other colleges were Baker 35, Will Rice 34, and Hanszen 30.

The meet as a whole was a great success, drawing about 60 participants and a crowd of approx- imately the same number. Wiess gets to engrave a first on its sports plaque; the other colleges can only wait for the inter-collegiate meet next year for a chance at revenge.

SUMMARIES

Running Events

440 yard relay
(1) Wiess (Stuart Long, Cal Courtney, Greg Holland, John Suszek) 46.1 (new record, old record 46.8)
(2) Baker (Mike Yellin, Chris Hansen, Terry Vandell, Chuck Young) 46.2
(3) Will Rice (Terry Shelton, Robbie Shelton, L. V. Benefield, Terry Erwin) 47.2
(4) Hanszen (Mark Belton, Sam Reed, Pacual Piedfort, Dan Copeland) 46.9

Mile (new event)
(1) Davis Phillips, B. 5:45.3
(2) Larry Russell, WRC. 5:45.3
(3) Jack Lipschutz, B. 5:59.3
(4) Rod Hill, W. 6:09.8

59 yard dash
(1) Long, W. 5.61; (2) Bill Merriman, W. 5.65; (3) Hansen, B. 5.9
(4) Robbie Shelton, WRC. 6.0

440 yard dash
(1) Merriman, W. 44.3 (new record, old record 44.5)
(2) Young, B. 45.6
(3) Don Lamb, W. 45.8
(4) Hank Abernathy, W. 57.1

100 yard dash
(1) Long, W. 10.1 (new record, old record 10.21); (2) Chuck Latourette, H. 10.21; (3) Hansen, B. 10.5; (4) Courtney, W. 11.9

60 yard low hurdles
(1) Latourette, H. 7.6; (2) Charles Hubbard, WRC. 7.8; (3) Jerry Outlaw, B. 8.0; (4) Steve Prichard, WRC. 8.05

220 yard dash (new event)
(1) Latourette, H. 23.5; (2) Erwin, WRC. 23.8; (3) Buff Waters, W. 24.9; (4) Yellin, B. 25.8

Mile relay (new event)
(1) Wiess (Courtney, Abernathy, Lamb, Merriman) 3:44.2
(2) Will Rice (George Edwards, Erwin, Prichard, Jesse Thompson) 3:42.5
(3) Baker (Brian Martin, Allen Spencer, Lipschutz, Phillips) 3:45.4
(Hanszen failed to enter a team)

Field Events

High jump
(1) Copeland, H. 5-11 (tie record); (2) Alva Kuenzi, WRC, 5-11; (3) Vandell, B. 5-11 (first three places decided on the basis of fewer misses); (4) Latourette, H. 5-8

Soft ball throw
(1) Ervin, WRC. 328' (new record, old record 319-1/2); (2) Louis Cardenas, W. 316-4 1/2; (3) Skip Eshk, B. 305' (4) Joe Jack Davis, B. 303-6

Shot put
(1) Seddon, H. 44-1 1/2 (new record, old record 51-10); (2) Skip Eshk, B. 56-5 1/2; (3) Lester Lehmann, WRC. 46-6 1/4; (4) Jim Vining, WRC. 43-10 1/4

Long jump
(1) Long, 21-11 1/4; (2) Waters, W. 20-10; (3) Ervin, WRC. 20-14 1/4
(4) Latourette, H. 19-9 3/4