

William and Mary Captures First Southern Conference Track Title

LEXINGTON, Feb. 16 (AP)—William and Mary's Indians, led by sprinter Walt Fillman, who set one record and tied another, took an early lead and held it the rest of the way here tonight to win the Southern Conference indoor track championship with 39½ points.

Defending champion Virginia Tech and meet favorite, host VMI, tied for second behind the fast-moving Indians with 30½ points apiece.

Roanoke's powerful Maroons left the rest of the field far behind as expected in the concurrent Mason-Dixon Conference championships, amassing 81 points for their fifth consecutive title. The Maroons outscored their combined opposition and won 10 of the 12 events, setting three records and tying another in the process.

William and Mary, which never before had won a Southern Conference track crown, won only three firsts but scored heavily with seconds and thirds to judge past Tech and VMI.

Fillman stepped off the 60-yard dash in 6.2 seconds to clip a tenth of a second off the old standard that had stood since 1934. The W&M star then won the 70-yard low hurdles in 7.6 seconds, tying a mark that had stood since 1949.

The Southern Conference meet's only other double winner was VMI's indefatigable distance ace, Dave Pitkethly, who beat his old rival, Bob De Tombe of W&M, in both the mile and two-mile. Pitkethly did the mile in 4:21.8 and the two-mile in 9:48.3 with De Tombe second in both races.

Virginia Tech captured only one first—the mile relay—and by doing so gained a tie with VMI

for second in the last event on the program.

Howard Meincke, Roanoke's fine distance runner, set a record in the Mason-Dixon two-mile run, slicing a full 10.8 seconds off the previous record by winning in 10 minutes, 9 seconds.

Dick Goodlake gave the Maroons another record in the mile, beating Meincke to the tape in 4:32.3, beating the old mark by 6.2 seconds.

In the 60-yard dash, Roanoke's George Gearhart tied the existing record with a 6.4-second performance.

Summaries of final events in the Mason-Dixon and Southern Conference track meets held here today and tonight:

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Mile run—1, Pitkethly, VMI; 2, De Tombe, William and Mary; 3, Youngblade, William and Mary; 4, brook, VMI. Time—4 minutes, 21.8 seconds.

Shot put—1, Vaughn, Richmond; 2, Gramley, Davidson; 3, Blake, West Virginia; 4, Muse, Virginia Tech. Distance—46 feet, 2 inches.

60-yard dash—1, Fillman, William and Mary; 2, Brandriff, VMI; 3, Keast, Virginia Tech; 4, MacLeod, VMI. Time 6.2 seconds. (New Southern Conference indoor record. Old record, 6.3 seconds, set by Widmyer, Maryland, 1934 and Mapp, VMI, 1954.)

440-yard dash—1, Masters, Richmond; 2, Drew, Virginia Tech; 3, Bickert, William and Mary; 4, Eider, Davidson. Time 52.8 seconds.

70-yard high hurdles—1, Thacker, Richmond; 2, Johnson, Virginia Tech; 3, Hall, Virginia Tech; 4, McCoy, Virginia Tech. Time—9.1 seconds.

High jump—1, Storm, William and Mary; 2, tie, Bales, William and Mary, and Machen, VMI; 4, tie, Prior, Richmond, and Muse, Virginia Tech. Height—6 feet, 2½ inches.

Broad jump—1, MacLeod, VMI; 2, Eider,

Davidson; 3, Keast, VPI; 4, Fillman, W&M. Distance—22 feet, ¾ inches.

Two Mile Run—1, Pitkethly, VMI; 2, Tombe, William and Mary; 3, Campana, William and Mary; 4, Cattlett, Virginia Tech. Time—9 minutes, 48.8 seconds.

890-Yard Run—1, Wingfield, Virginia Tech; 2, McCuen, William and Mary; 3, Schray, William and Mary; 4, Ashcraft, Davidson. Time—2 minutes flat.

70-Yard Low Hurdles—1, Fillman, William and Mary; 2, MacLeod, VMI; 3, Coogan, VMI; 4, Joblin, William and Mary. Time—7.6 seconds. (Ties Southern Conference indoor record, 7.6 seconds, set by Albans, North Carolina, 1949, and tied by Mapp, VMI, 1954.)

Pole Vault—1, Turk, West Virginia; 2, tie, Johnson, Virginia Tech, and Radford, Virginia Tech; 4, Dunn, MI. Height—13 feet.

Mile Relay—1, Virginia Tech (Elliot, M. Jackson, Metcalfe, Drew); 2, William and Mary; VMI; 4, Richmond. Time—3 minutes, 35.3 seconds.

Mason-Dixon Conference

Mile run—1, Goodlake, Roanoke; 2, Meincke, Roanoke; 3, Murphy, Mt. St. Mary's; 4, Kugel, Gallaudet. Time 4 minutes, 32.3 seconds. (New Mason-Dixon Conference record. Old record 4:38.5 set by Noel, Roanoke, 1955.)

60-yard dash—1, Gearhart, Roanoke; 2, Harris, Lynchburg; 3, Nichols, Roanoke; 4, Benson, Hampden-Sydney. Time—6.4 seconds. (Ties Mason-Dixon indoor record set by Garrett, Lynchburg, 1955.)

440-yard dash—1, Sitton, Roanoke; 2, Lewis, Roanoke; 3, Corcoran, Mt. St. Mary's; 4, Munoz, Gallaudet. Time—52.7 seconds.

70-yard high hurdles—1, Johnston, Roanoke; 2, Armstrong, Randolph-Macon; 3, Hort, Western Maryland; 4, Clegg, Roanoke. Time—9.2 seconds.

Two mile run—1, Meincke, Roanoke; 2, Kugel, Gallaudet; 3, Light, Roanoke; 4, Rnefro, Lynchburg. Time—10 minutes, 9.0 seconds. (New Mason-Dixon indoor record. Old record 10:19.8 set by Meincke, 1956.)

Shot put—1, Frazer, Hampden-Sydney; 2, Palm, Roanoke; 3, Wiley, Hampden-Sydney; 4, Hoback, Hampden-Sydney. Distance—4 feet, 2 inches (new Mason-Dixon record; old record, 46 feet, ¼ inches, by Frazer 1955.)

High jump—1, tie among Stauffer, Roanoke; Emberger, Roanoke, and Bland, Randolph-Macon; 4, tie among Maxwell, Gallaudet; Good, Lynchburg; and Clegg, Roanoke. Height—5 feet, 9¼ inches.

Broad jump—1, Nichols, Roanoke; 2, Dempsey, Roanoke; 3, Shaw, Roanoke; 4, Harris, Lynchburg. Distance—22 feet, 9¾ inches (new Mason-Dixon record; old record 22 feet, 1¼ inches, by Nuttycombe, Randolph-Macon, 1956.)

890-Yard Run—1, Wise, Roanoke; 2, Murphy, Mt. St. Mary's; 3, P. Shaw, Roanoke; 4, Graves, Hampden-Sydney. Time—2 minutes, 2.2 seconds.

70-Yard Low Hurdles—1, Johnston, Roanoke; 2, Benson, Hampden-Sydney; 3, Driscoll, Roanoke; 4, Emberger, Roanoke. Time—7.9 seconds. (New Mason-Dixon record of 7.8 seconds set by Johnston in afternoon trials. Old record of 8.0 set by Johnston, 1956.)

Pole Vault—1, Goode, Lynchburg; 2, Miles, Roanoke; 3, Vest, Roanoke; only qualifiers. Height—13 feet. (New Mason-Dixon indoor record. Old record 12 feet 8¾ inches set by Goode, 1956.)

Mile Relay—1, Roanoke (Gearhart, Goodlake, Lewis, Sitton); 2, Mt. St. Mary's; 3, Hampden-Sydney; 4, Randolph-Macon