

W&M Wins SC Track; Furman 2d

LEXINGTON, March 5—(AP)—William and Mary's Indians stacked up 36 points in the first half of the program Saturday night and went on to capture their first Southern Conference indoor track championship since 1957 in a meet which saw five conference records broken.

The Indians wound up with 57 points to 48 for runner-up Furman and 35 for defending champion VMI in the 14-event meet in the VMI Fieldhouse. Trailing were West Virginia, 26½; The Citadel, 23; Richmond, 18; East Carolina, 2½. Davidson entered, but failed to score.

All but overshadowing the battle for the team championship, however, was a pole vault of 15 feet, 6¼ inches by West Virginia's Jack Carter that completely obliterated the previous indoor mark of 14 feet, 5½ inches Carter had established last year.

It was the first vault of over 15 feet in conference indoor track history and bettered by a quarter of an inch the 15-6 height attained by Carter in last year's conference outdoor meet. Saturday night the West Virginia ace tried three times at 16 feet, but missed.

Although host VMI's Keydets failed to repeat as champions, they set three of the records.

Crotty Sets Mark

John Crotty began the record-breaking for the Keydets with a 1:11.8 clocking in the 600-yard run. Skip Roberts followed by winning the 880 in a record 1:55.7 and the VMI mile relay team of Criss Blanchette, Frank Louthan, Roberts and Crotty then took its event in a record 3:24.8.

Richmond's Bob Crute, W&M's star distance man, Jim Johnson, and Furman's Lavern Barrs were double winners.

Triple Jump—Ron Josef (Citadel); Gee Merritt (Furman); Maurice Moon, Gene Van Hoose (VMI); Ed Zuraw (West Virginia), D—44-11¾.

600-Yard Run—Skip Roberts (VMI); Frank Louthan (VMI); Terry Donnelly (W&M); Charles Jennison (Furman); Rodger McKain (W&M), T—1:55.7. (Southern Conference indoor record. Previous record 1:56.9 set by Dave Tyler, Furman, 1964.)

330-Yard Run—Bob Crute (Richmond); Fred Anspach (W&M); Herb Stein (Furman); Gary Pinder (Citadel); Jamie Gronning (W&M), T—35.6. (Automatic record. First time event held.)

60-Yard Low Hurdles—Lavern Barrs (Furman); Ken Williams (Citadel); Rick Hill (VMI); Ashley Pennebaker (Furman); Bill Eadie (West Virginia), T—7.8.

Two-Mile Run—Jim Johnson (W&M); Avery Saver (Furman); Creigh Kelley (VMI); Steve Jackson (W&M); Skip Poole (Furman), T—9:20.4. (Southern Conference indoor record. Previous record 9:29.4 set by Johnson, 1965.)

Mile Relay—VMI (Criss Blanchette, Frank Louthan, Skip Roberts, John Crotty), W&M; Richmond; Furman; Citadel, T—3:24.8. (Southern Conference indoor record. Previous record 3:26.3 set by VMI, 1965.)

Pole Vault—Jack Carter (West Virginia); Danny Tyson (Furman); Marshall Stone (W&M); Jim Sturgis (VMI), Tie, Buddy Price (East Carolina) and Ed Zuraw (West Virginia), (Southern Conference record. Previous record 14-5½ set by Carter, 1965.)

Final Team Scores: William & Mary, 57; Furman, 48; VMI, 35; West Virginia, 26½; The Citadel, 23; Richmond, 18; East Carolina, 2½; Davidson, 0.

Broad Jump—John Prentice (W&M); Gee Merritt (Furman); Ron Josef (Citadel); John Markland (W&M); Herb Stein (Furman), D—22-9.

Shot Put—Steve Wholey (West Virginia); Rodger Bates (W&M); James Karowski (West Virginia); Fred Feldman (Citadel); Nick Burns (W&M), D—50-3¾.

High Jump—Jim Jancovits (W&M); Maurice Moon (West Virginia); Colin Campbell (VMI); Col McCombs (Citadel); Bill McDermott (VMI), D—6-4.

Mile Run—Jim Johnson (W&M); Skip Poole (Furman); Terry Donnelly (W&M); Curt Hollifield (Furman); Mike Chvalovich (West Virginia), T—4:18.2.

600-Yard Run—John Crotty (VMI); Allen Saville (Richmond); Rich Olsen (W&M); Max Morrow (Furman); Phil Dillard (W&M), T—1:11.8. (Southern Conference indoor record. Previous record 1:12.2 set by Norm Radford, VMI, 1965.)

60-Yard Dash—Bob Crute (Richmond); Fred Anspach (W&M); Leslie Humphrey (West Virginia); Bill Burgess (East Carolina); Rod Camden (Richmond), T—6.3.

60-Yard High Hurdles—Lavern Barrs (Furman); Ken Williams (Citadel); Ashley Pennebaker (Furman); Rick Hill (VMI); Leonard Lilliston (W&M), T—7.5.