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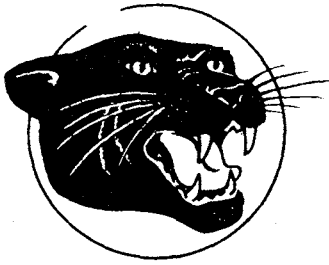
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CHARLESTON, IL--(Feb. 5, 1986)--What began as a triangular meet has turned into a seven-team affair as Eastern Illinois University's women's track and field team hosts six schools Saturday (Feb. 8) at Lantz Fieldhouse.

The Lady Panthers were originally scheduled to host Illinois State and Southeast Missouri, two teams they have previously faced this season. But Missouri Baptist, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Washington (MO) and Wisconsin-Parkside have also been added to the meet, which begins at 1:30 p.m. (field events).

"What started out to be a small confrontation has turned out to be a large confrontation," said Eastern coach John Craft. "It started out as a triangular, but other schools have expressed an interest in the meet."

Eastern met Southeast Missouri in the Lady Panthers' season-opener. EIU won the triangular with 81 points to Indiana State's 53 and Southeast Missouri's 34. The Lady Panthers met Illinois State at the Purdue Invitational, where the Redbirds were second with 47 points and Eastern fourth with 29. Purdue won with 96.

EIU juniors Janine Jarris (St. Charles) and Lauren Lynch (Elmhurst-York) set school indoor records at the Purdue Invitational on Jan. 25. Jarris took second in the 1,000 yard run in 2:54.6 to break the old mark of 2:56.9 by Margaret Smith in 1983. Lynch captured third in the 880 in 2:15.3 to eclipse the old mark of 2:16.3 by Jarris last year.