No winner in N.E. track championship

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Neves, Taylor lead surge

Tufts for the championship spot. However, after a period of con-
fusion among the fans and some dis-
fusion among the coaches and
of the appeals officials
overruled the field referee and
second place in the distance
relay event. Therefore, MIT lost the
second placed point for the
crown. "I agree with the
ruling that Salem State was in
violations," remarked
Coach Gordon Kelly of MIT,
"but of course, they had every
right to appeal the decision. I
would be embarrassed if we won
because of the violation. It was
just unfortunate that the decision
came so late and added more con-
fusion and drama to the
finish." The second and most impor-
tant dispute concerned the results
in the high jump. The results sheet
prepared immediately after the
event showed MIT's Martin
Taylor and Steve Sutherland of
Tufts tied for second at six feet,
seven inches. The announced final
score of Tufts 104, MIT 103
reflected this finish in the high
jump. However, later inspection of
the score sheet (used by the offi-
cial supervising the event) showed
that Tufts won second place outright,
trailing in basis of fewer misses. Under the scoring
system used, the breaking of the tie would have MIT as the win-
ners.

Tufts maintained that since the
same team of which was found between
jumpers from Colby and Bates) was
found out after the meet was
over, the announced result was
valid. TheGamma Theta Committee of the
most ordered athletic officials of
Tufts and MIT to meet Sunday
afternoon to discuss grievances.
The two schools will present their
their case to the committee at its next
meeting this Friday. A decision
regarding the outcome will be made as that time or a later date.

1500-meter run in a time of
3:55.54, then lowered his Athletic
Center record in the 800 (1:56.21).
Dave Kieda '82, though upset in
the weigh throw by Brandeis' Steve
Mason, still took second
finished sixth. Pole vaulter Mark
Dudley '83 finished fifth in his
event, and Joe Proulx '83 took
second in the 55 high hurdles.
Martin Taylor '83 picked up
points in three events: long jump
(jump, triple jump (first), and
high jump (a disputed second
place). Lance Parker '84 ran a
strong second in the 400-meter
dash, and Ron Smith '84 hung on
to a four place finish in the 500.
Middle distance men Jeff
Lukas and Ken Kovach gained
second and third-place honors,
respectively, in the 1000 meters.
Perhaps the most courageous
effort of the afternoon came from
3000-meter star Bob Walmsley,
who ran despite a stress frac-
ture. Though second through the
first 1000 meters, the pain
showed, and he dropped back.
Walmsley did finish the race,
however.

MIT also won the 3200-meter
dash, setting a new facility record
of 7:52.16 in the process. This win
pulled the Engineers within a
point of Tufts, 104-100. This win
remained as it was before MIT
had 104, and therefore, the cham-
ionship.