Track team to defend title

By Arthur Lee

Tomorrow MIT will be defending in New England Division III outdoor track and field championship crowns at Westfield State College. In defending the title, the Engineers will be attempting to continue their domination of divisional track and field in this part of the country. MIT won the championship by 11 points over Westfield State and Fitchburg State last year in Brunswick, Maine, and the Engineers also took both the 1981 and 1982 New England Division III indoor titles.

"Hopefully, we can continue our streak," said MIT Coach Gordon Kelly. "I think our big- test competition this weekend will come from Fitchburg State. They won the Massachusetts State Conference title. Westfield State was close last year, but I don't think they will threaten us. In fact, we beat them in a dual meet this year by a large margin."

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Getting the right eyeglasses isn't as simple as many consumers think. Eyeglass manufacturing is intricate; but you don't have to settle for less than the perfect pair. The Herald American took a doctor's prescription for nearsightedness and astigmatism and ordered identical glasses from eight Boston-area opticians. When the doctor, George Garcia of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, checked the glasses he found:

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