By Barbara Krutchhoff

BLACKSBURG – The Virginia Tech women’s track team won the college state meet held Saturday at Tech track with 198 points. Madison was close behind with 185. U.Va. had 105, William & Mary 16, George Mason 15, Roanoke College 10, Averett College 8, and Emory & Henry, 2.

In four out of five field events Tech was first. In the Javelin, Tonini of Madison was first with a throw of 107’ 6”. Irene Speier and James of Tech were second and third in the long jump.

Kelleg of the Hokies was first with a jump of 18’ 6 1/4”. Madison was second but B.J. Lester got fifth for Tech. Fetty of Tech won the Discus with a throw of 130’ 6”. The second place went to Madison with 107’ 10”. Christ of Tech got fifth. Va. Tech was first and third in the shot put with Meyer throwing 35’3 1/2” and Cooper 34’ 2 1/2”.

Also qualifying to the nationals. Daugherty of the Hokies jumped 5’1” for first place. Bannister and Parker were fourth and fifth for Tech with 4’8” each.

Va. Tech pretty well dominated the hurdles events. B.J. Lester was first in the 100 meter hurdle with a 16.17 and second in the 400 meter hurdles with 1:08.5.

Daughtery of Tech was first in the 400 meter hurdles with 1:08.5 and third in the 100 meter hurdles with 16.35. McCarthy of the Hokies was fourth in the 100 and sixth in the 400.

In the 100 yard dash Banister of Tech was first with a 11.87. Lester was third with a 12.00.

Madison took first and second in the 220 yd. dash and U.Va. took third. Kelleg of Tech was fifth with a 28.6. Palmer was sixth for Tech with 28.7.

Madison also took first in the 440. Puffenberger was fourth for Tech with a 1:04.1.

Speier of Tech was second in the 880 run with a 2:26.5. She won both the 1 mile run and the two mile run in 5:42.5 and 12:42.6.

Hawk was fifth for Tech in the 880. Madison got first and second in the three mile run. Strickland, was fourth for Va. Tech in a 23:03.5.

Va. Tech won the 2 mile relay in 10:21.2. U.Va. was second and Madison third. In the mile relay U.Va. was first, Madison second, and Va. Tech third. Madison won the 880 medley relay. Tech was second with 1:58.4.

The 440 was the dispute that could have lost the meet for Tech. Meet Director Marty Pushkin misunderstood one of the judges and told the officials that Tech was disqualified for a zone violation. Later the judge reported that there was not a violation and Tech was reinstated as second place and was given the eight points. The Madison coach then proposed a protest saying she was against the decision made in the 440 relay.

The decision stood and Va. Tech won the meet. As the Tech women's track team was posing for pictures coach Herby Tucker said, “We've got it now and were not going to give it up.”