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TO COMPETE IN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS—Laura Gibbons (left) and Sharon Burgess will compete in the National Women's Intercollegiate Track and Field Championships at East Washington State College Friday and Saturday. Burgess, who will be entered in the mile and the 880-yard runs, is rated to have her best chance for a national title in the mile by coach Ken Miller. Gibbons, entered in three events, will be competing in the discus, javelin and high jump.

# Burgess and Gibbons place in national trad

Florida State was well represented this past weekend at the National Intercollegiate Women's Track and Field Meet in Chang, Wash. Sharon Burgess and Laura Gibbons fought both the cold temperatures and wind to place in the top ten in four events.

Burgess placed fourth in the mile run and seventh in the 880 yd. Her time in the mile was 5:15.8 with the winning time at 5:12.0 Burgess' seventh place finish out of a field of sixteen was clocked at 2:25.0 with the winning time at 2:15 in the half.

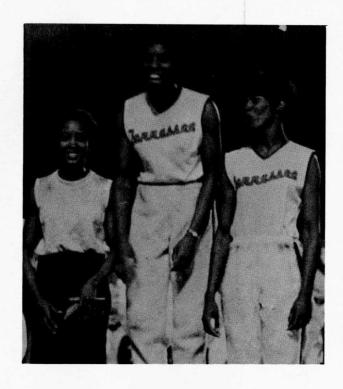
Gibbons placed seventh in both the high jump and javelin out of field of 19 and 24 respectively. Her best clearance in the high jump was 4 feet 8 inches, three inches short of her best jump. Gibbon' javelin heave of 138 feet has been her best in track competition.

Coach Ken Miller was extremely pleased with the outcome of the meet. "I was very impressed with both girls' performances especially with Sharon's fourth place in he mile run," stated Coach Miller. "It's really an honor for two girls to compete in national competition and bring back a fourth and three seventh place finishes."

The Florida State Women's Track team will compete in its final meet this Saturday in Gainesville at the Florida AAU Track and Field Meet. This meet is open to all amateur athletes in the state. FSU is expected to take the meet because of its fine showing three weeks ago at the FSU Invitational Track Meet.

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## Sites, dates of championship meets

1969	DGWS	<b>May 8-9</b>	San Marcos, Texas	SW Texas St. College
19 <b>7</b> 0	DGWS	May 29-30	Urbana, Illinois	Univ. of Illinois
1971	DGWS	May 14-15	Cheney, Wash.	Eastern Wash. Univ.

#### MILE/1500 METERS

1969	5:15.ly Cherrie Bridges (Inc	dSt) 5:34.1 Rogers (McPherson)	6:01.4 Wilken(Ill)
	6:19.3 Groves(Rice)	6:21.0 Price(TexTech)	6:27.2 Downer (TWU)
1970	5:02.7y Barbara Lawson(Colo	oSt) 5:09.1 Marshall(NYU)	5:09.6 Pratt(Minn)
	5:22.0 Rogers (McPherson)	5:24.4 Powell (Michigan)	5:25.2 Wilken(Ill)
1971	5:12.5y Caroline Kruckeburg	g(CWash)5:13.7 McCain(CSHay)	5:15.6 Smith (WestNMex)
	5:15.8 Burgess(FlaSt)	5:24.9 Orta(TWU)	5:29.2 Freedenburg (SOre)