

Kirkpatrick, Troy Hurdler, Ineligible

LeRoy Kirkpatrick, University of Southern California high hurdle star, is definitely ineligible for the coming track and field season, it was announced last night by Prof. Hugh C. Willett, conference representative for the Trojans, following a final check of his first semester grades.

Kirkpatrick was eligible for the varsity when he entered Southern California from San Mateo Junior College last September with a straight "C" average, but he lost his eligibility when he failed two courses in his first semester's work, it was revealed.

He had been counted on heavily as a point winner for Coach Dean Cromwell's Trojan track squad this season as he is former national junior high hurdles champion and has a best mark of 14.3s.

Phil Cope, former I.C.A.A.A.A. champion for Southern California, had previously been lost to the Trojan high hurdle team when he injured a knee and turned professional as head coach of the Philippine Athletic Federation squad. Roy Staley, member of the Olympic team last year, is now the lone Trojan hope in the high barriers, but he can be counted on for numerous first places.