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SATURDAY, JUNE 18th, 1949

on the

SPORTS GROUND, SALFORDS

Commencing 2 p.m.

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F. E. AARON, winner of the English C.C. Senior Championship, descending the hill near the finish of the race.

The Sheffield Athletic Committee

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BY the time these notes appear the International Cross-Country Race will be over and the result past history. At the moment of writing, I fully expect France to win without great difficulty and I can hardly visualise England depriving Belgium of second place, though I think England's team is definitely on the upgrade, with the new blood so badly needed starting to appear. We may have some difficulty in overcoming Ireland on their own ground, but I'm hoping to see a forward performance from our team.

Pujazon and Mimoun should show the rest the way home and I can see no-one likely to beat either. Aaron should be up the front, if the National race did not take too much out of him, and there is no reason to believe that it did.

Thompson's Omission an Injustice.

The omission of Thompson in favour of Carrick was the main topic of the athletes and enthusiasts returning South after the National at Bromford Bridge. This was not only a great injustice to a brilliant and most promising runner, but a step backward instead of looking to the future.

On inquiring the reason for Thompson's omission in favour of Carrick, I was told that the Midlander had the better record! Whether this was just a travesty of the truth or lack of knowledge, I'm sure I don't pretend to know, but the facts themselves prove otherwise. Fourth in the Middlesex race to Olney, Burfitt and Hicks; 6th in the Inter-County event at Worsley, well in front of Hicks, Hughes and Eyre; a comfortable win over Olney and Hicks in the North of the Thames Championship; 9th in the Southern after declaring his intention of taking it steady with the National in view—mentioned in these columns last month; and 8th in the National race, finishing practically together with Adams and Hughes. Surely this is good enough?

The standard of running in the Midlands is poor this year—judged by International standards—a fact which many of us rather suspected, and which was proved up to the hilt in the National. Carrick's Midland Championship win was therefore no guidance for selection, nor

were any of his Midland performances, for he had none of our leading runners to compete against.

However, with Adams withdrawing through sickness, Thompson gets his chance. I shall be surprised if he shows his best form this time, for a sense of injustice and frustration is hardly the best incentive before a big race. It would certainly not be wise to judge the Shaftesbury Harrier on his form at Dublin, but however he may run, there is no doubt that in Thompson we have a boy with a great future in front of him.

A Brilliant Youngster.

Another young athlete with a great future is G. B. Saunders, of Bolton United H. A boy prodigy, he is showing steady development each year and should be in England's team for many years to come, and might easily emulate E. R. Downer's feat last year of being first home for England in his first International. Many of his admirers believe he will. His selection with not without criticism, for many felt that it was rushing a very young runner unnecessarily to put him in the stiffest test of all this year. One such race will probably do him no harm, for his previous races have been comparatively easy affairs. It is to be hoped, however, that this policy will not be persevered with.

Loop Films.

Since Geoffrey Dyson, our Chief National Coach, introduced the loop film into coaching in this country, the advantage of this method has become more and more apparent. Guy Butler and Scottish Instructional Films are the Pioneers in this field and both advertise the films available from time to time in our columns. With the aid of these and other films available, it is a comparatively easy matter to arrange an interesting and educational lecture on almost every event, for notes and commentaries are provided with the films. Schools in particular should find them of great benefit.

THE EDITOR.

Attention is drawn to our new address and Special Announcement on page 9.

LONGWOOD HARRIERS A.C.
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DIAMOND JUBILEE
CELEBRATIONS

ATHLETIC MEETING

On **SATURDAY, July 9th**, at 2 p.m.

at

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24th Annual Sports

SATURDAY, 4th JUNE, 1949

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at 2.15 p.m.

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100, 220, 880 Yds., Mile Flat Race H'cps,
 100 yards Invitation (short limit) Flat
 Handicap

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 Handicap

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 Hand (cycle)

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 Prize value £5; £2; £1

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1 Mile Invitation Relay Race
 2 " " Team Race

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Notice of Jubilee Meeting.

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 Ellesmere, Salop.

Watford Borough Carnival Fund

ANNUAL OPEN SPORTS MEETING
 (Under A.A.A., N.C.U. & W.A.A. Rules)

CASSIOBURY PARK, WATFORD

WHIT-SATURDAY, JUNE 4th

MEN'S EVENTS: 100, 300, 880, 3 Miles
 H'cps (Prizes value over £12 per race).

FIELD EVENTS: (Particulars See
 Handbills). VETS. 100 yds. & Mile H'cps.

LADIES EVENTS: 100, 220 H'cps.
 (Prizes value £12 Per Race).

HURDLE RACES: (Scratch) 80 m.,
 (Seniors) 80 m. (Junior). HIGH
 JUMP: (H'cp. & Ind). FIELD

EVENTS; RELAYS: 4 x 110 yds.
 Juniors H'cp., 660 yds. Seniors H'cp.
 (220 x 110 x 110 x 220). Juniors

10 yds. Handicap

LADIES SPECIAL INVITATION
 100 yds. Short Limit H'cp. CYCLING

EVENTS: (See Handbills). TUG-OF
 WAR. (8 men, 104 stone). (For the
 Godson Cup and Prizes). 25 MILES

ROAD WALK. 1 Mile Junior Track
 Walk Handicap. (Organised by Harold
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FUTURE MEETINGS IN CASSIOBURY
 PARK SAT., JULY 30th, 1949. MONDAY,

AUGUST 1st, 1949

Best European Track & Field Performances for 1948

(Compiled by Fulvio Regli, Zurich, Switzerland, and R. L. Quercertani, Florence, Italy)

II. FIELD EVENTS

High Jump

1. J. Iljasov (USSR)	6' 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
2. A. S. Paterson (G.B.)	6' 6"
3. G. Damitio (France)	6' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
N. Nicklen (Finland)	6' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
G. Widenfeldt (Sweden)	6' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
6. K. Honkonen (Finland)	6' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
B. Leirud (Norway)	6' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
B. A. Paulson (Norway)	6' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Pole Vault

1. R. Lundberg (Sweden)	14' 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
2. E. Kaas (Norway)	14' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
3. E. Kataja (Finland)	13' 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
4. V. Olenius (Finland)	13' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
N. Osolin (USSR)	13' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
6. H. Gollors (Sweden)	13' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Broad Jump

1. J. Fikejz (CSR)	24' 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
2. G. Luther (Germany)	24' 3"
3. A. Bour (France)	24' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
4. A. P. Dias (Portugal)	24' 1"
R. Valmy (France)	24' 1"
F. Wurth (Austria)	24' 1"

Hop, Step and Jump

1. A. Ahman (Sweden)	50' 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
2. L. Moberg (Sweden)	50' 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ "
3. R. Sarialp (Turkey)	49' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
4. P. Larsen (Denmark)	49' 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
5. V. Rautio (Finland)	48' 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
6. A. Hallgren (Sweden)	48' 9"
7. Sherbakov (USSR)	48' 5 $\frac{1}{8}$ "

Discus Throw

1. A. Consolini (Italy)	181' 6 $\frac{3}{8}$ "
2. G. Tosi (Italy)	179' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
3. I. Ramstad (Norway)	171' 7 $\frac{1}{8}$ "
4. H. Lipp (USSR)	171' 2 $\frac{3}{8}$ "
5. D. Zerjal (Yugoslavia)	164' 6 $\frac{3}{8}$ "
6. F. Klics (Hungary)	162' 10 $\frac{3}{8}$ "
7. G. Marktanner (Germany)	162' 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ "

Shot Put

1. H. Lipp (USSR)	54' 0 $\frac{3}{8}$ "
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2. R. Nilsson (Sweden)	53' 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
3. M. Lomowski (Poland)	52' 4"
4. G. Arvidsson (Sweden)	52' 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
5. Y. Lehtila (Finland)	51' 10"
6. D. Gorjinov (USSR)	51' 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
7. A. Kreek (D.P., Estonia)	51' 3"

Javelin Throw

1. S. Daleflod (Sweden)	237' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
2. L. Kiesewetter (CSR)	232' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
3. Mirko Vujacic (Yugoslavia)	232' 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
4. Gunnar Petterson (Sweden)	231' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
5. T. Rautavaara (Finland)	230' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
6. P. A. Berglund (Sweden)	230' 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
7. J. Stendznieks (Latvia)	228' 7"
8. T. Hyttiainen (Finland)	227' 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

Hammer Throw

1. I. Nemeth (Hungary)	193' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
2. K. Storeh (Germany)	189' 3 $\frac{3}{8}$ "
3. K. Hein (Germany)	184' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
4. Bo Ericson (Sweden)	184' 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
5. A. Kanaki (USSR)	184' 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
6. K. Wolf (Germany)	184' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
7. A. Shehtel (USSR)	183' 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "
8. T. Taddia (Italy)	181' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

Decathlon

	Pts.
1. H. Lipp (USSR)	7,780
2. V. Volkov (USSR)	7,229
3. P. Denisenko (USSR)	7,016
4. I. Heinrich (France)	6,974
5. E. P. Andersson (Sweden)	6,877
6. G. Holmvang (Norway)	6,822
7. Istvan Kiss (Hungary)	6,777

Miranda (Spain) should be deleted from the Steeplechase in last month's lists.

The above are taken from "Best 50 European Track & Field Marks of 1948," by R. L. Quercertani and Fulvio Regli. Price of the book is two shillings. Mr. Quercertani can be reached at 27, Borgo San Jacopo, Florence, Italy.

A.U.A. NOTES

By R. F. KERSLAKE

When Leeds won the Individual Title, through D. C. Birch, at the Championships on February 19th, they accomplished a performance unique in the history of the Championships, being the only university to have placed the first man home, four times in succession. In the 1939 event Frank Aaron, to whom the U.A.U. offers congratulations upon his success in the National, gained the honour; after the war, David Haw was a dual winner in 1946 and 1948—the 1947 race was cancelled because of the severe conditions—and now Birch has come to the fore not only as winner of this event and of the northern junior, but in the National, in

which he was 16th, with a promise of greater things to come. In the international contest in Eire, Aaron will have the company of another university runner in R. V. Hughes, of Birmingham, who was 9th in the National in which it was encouraging to find other U.A.U. athletes like A. H. Chivers (Bristol, D. Calcott and N. Unsworth (Reading), and J. F. Newling (London) in reasonably good placings for this longer and more testing race. The U.A.U. Championships were followed by those of the University of Wales Athletic Union at Bangor, where Aberystwyth had an exciting contest with the home university college before it won the title by 55 points to 58, Cardiff (67) and Swansea being third and fourth.

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DARTFORD HARRIERS
6th OPEN HANDICAP
CHARITY SPORTS

(Under A.A.A., W.A.A.A. & N.C.U. Rules)

SATURDAY, 28th MAY, 1949

First Event 2 p.m.

West Central Modern School
Sports Ground, Dartford

(By kind permission of
 Kent Education Committee)

Special Events:

Kent County A.A.A. Junior Half Mile
 Medley Championship.

(Entries to A. Howard, Lynton,
 Station Road, Aylesford.)

Kent County W.A.A.A. Senior 4 x 110
 yards Relay Championship.

Two Miles Special Invitation Team Race.
 Kent Centre N.C.U. Five Miles Cycling
 Championship.

Three Miles Cycle Scratch Race for
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 lap prize.)

Open Handicaps:

(Running, Walking and Cycling), for Men,
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ATHLETICS

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G. Williams (Cardiff) was the individual winner with B. Corne (Aberystwyth) second and D. G. Williams (Bangor) 3rd. Upon the result of this contest was selected the University of Wales team which met the English Universities and Scottish Universities at Nottingham, on the 19th March. As the placings in the Reading race foreshadowed, England won easily having all their seven runners completing the course, before the other teams. Scoring six-a-side they therefore recorded minimum points (21) to the 63 of Scotland and the 107 of Wales. After 3 miles there was no doubt about the result, but the race for the individual honour appeared to be interesting. J. F. Newling (London) who won in 1948 had dropped out at 1½ miles, R. F. Wilby (Edinburgh) who had dashed into the lead had fallen back, and the order was Hughes, Birch, Calcott and E. A. Short (London). These four, however, decided to stage a hand-in-hand finish, their time being 42 mins. 43 secs. for 7 miles. P. Griggs (London) and A. J. Rowell (Leeds) also finished together, about 140 yards in arrears. So clear has become the superiority of the English runners, with their tremendous advantage of numbers from whom to select, in this race, that the organisers will be well advised to consider splitting the English team into two: Northern Universities and Southern Universities, thereby evening up the contest and incidentally giving opportunity to twice as many student athletes at the English universities. Reading University have continued their over-the-country successes and, like London, finish the season unbeaten, their best ever performance. In the Road Relay Race, organised by Imperial College, in Hyde Park, without Calcott and Unsworth, Reading could only finish fifth, behind Southampton, 4th, Birmingham 3rd, and the London Colleges, Battersea (2nd) and Imperial, the first winner of the Sir Roderic Hill Cup. The best times for the 2.55 miles lap were returned by R. V. Gigg (Imperial) 13 mins. 58 secs., M. Barrett (Battersea) 14 mins. 11 secs., and A. Lepper (Battersea) 14 mins. 13 secs. Southampton the week previously, finished second to Southampton A.C. in the Gosney Cup Invitation contest, but beat Gosport A.C. In the north, Sheffield has defeated Nottingham 39-41 and Liverpool, without A. B. Parker, were beaten in a snowstorm by the local Pembroke Club, 24-40.

London Athletic Club

At the recent A.G.M., J. G. Joseph, M.C., was elected President, in succession to the Rt. Hon. Sir Sidney Abrahams, P.C., and P. J. Firman as hon. treasurer. L. F. Northam continues as Club Captain; C. E. Jones has been appointed Team and Match Secretary, and G. D. Basan, assist-



International News Photo

ROGER BANNISTER winning the mile for Oxford in record time at the Inter-Varsity track and field meeting at White City

ant honorary secretary. At their Schools' Challenge Cup Meeting on April 22nd and 23rd, at the White City, the Club has decided to grant the special concession to schoolboys of admission at 6d. Entries received to date indicate that last year's total of 806 will be exceeded.

PASSING OF GEORGE E. LARNER

The death occurred at Brighton on March 4th, of George E. Larner, the well-known walker, who won both walking events at the 1908 Olympic Games in London. He won six A.A.A. titles between 1904 and 1911 and three of his records are still on the British Records List. Mr. Larner was 76 years of age.

Another well known personality who did much for the sport was Mr. Harry Trott, who passed away in his 81st year on February 15th. A member of Queens Park H., he was President of the Southern Counties Cross-Country Association in 1921-2 and President of the North of the Thames C.C.A. 1906/7.

Vickers Armstrongs Ltd.
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(Affiliated to A.A.A. and N.C.U.)

ATHLETIC SPORTS MEETING
SATURDAY, JUNE 18th, 1949
Vickers Sports Ground, Chertsey Rd.,
Byfleet (7 min. West Weybridge Sn.)

OPEN EVENTS *(Commencing 3 p.m.)*
 Prizes £7/7/0 £3/3/0 £1/1/0
Flat Handicaps—100, 220, 880 yds. & mile
Cycle Races—Handicaps—880 yds. and 1
mile. Scratch—3-mile race with lap
prizes value 2/6d. per lap. (Entry
may be limited.)

ENTRANCE FEES: 1/6d. First event and
 1/- for each subsequent event.
 Entries Close: TUESDAY, 7th JUNE, 1949

SPECIAL EVENTS
 1. OPEN VETERANS 100 yds.—Flat
 Handicap (40 yrs. & over) Ent. fee
 1/6d. (Prize values: 1st. £5/0/0.,
 2nd. £2/2/0., 3rd. £1/1/0)
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Salisbury and District Amateur
Athletic Club
ANNUAL SPORTS MEETING
AND FETE
(Grass Track)

Victoria Park, Salisbury
Whit-Monday, 6th June, at 2 p.m.
 Sprints, Track, Field and Ladies'
 Events; 15 miles Road Race;
 10 miles Road Walk

Full particulars and Entry Forms
 from L. H. Fellender (Hon. Sports
 Sec.), 97, Macklin Road, Salisbury,
 Wilts.

BOLLINGTON SPORTS
(Nr. Macclesfield, Cheshire)
(Under A.A.A. Laws & N.C.U. Rules)

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The address of the new National Coach
 for Scotland, H. A. L. Chapman, is 21,
 St. Andrew Square, Edinburgh. The many
 friends he made in the South will wish
 him the best of luck North of the Border.

Heathfield S.C. will promote an Open
 15 Miles Road Race in connection with
 their sports meeting on July 9th.

CHARLOTTEVILLE CYCLING CLUB
(Founded at Guildford, 1903)

OPEN SPORTS

(Under A.A.A., W.A.A.A., & N.C.U. Rules)
 on
WHIT-MONDAY, JUNE 6th, 1949
WOODBIDGE ROAD, SPORTS GROUND

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West Surrey Athletic League was
 formed on February 5th, with headquar-
 ters at Woking. A League representative
 match would be welcome towards the end
 of the season. Any League secretary
 interested please write to Mr. C. Record,
 85, Rydens Way, Old Woking.

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 At the 2nd A.G.M. of the Old Woking
 A.C., it was decided to change the name
 of the club to Woking A.C. Hon. Secre-
 tary is Mr. C. Record, address as above.

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 East Surrey Amateur Athletic League
 has for its new Hon. Secretary the former
 marathon runner, H. J. Bignall, 96, Coles-
 mead Road, Redhill, Surrey.

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 Bedford & County A.C. held its A.G.M.
 on March 14th, when Mr. B. Richardson
 and Mr. T. Payne, of 5 and 49, Newnham
 Street, Bedford, were re-elected as joint
 Hon. Secretaries. They will be pleased to
 hear of other clubs requiring fixtures this
 season.

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ATHLETICS IN WALES

By A.E.W.

The Welsh Senior Cross-Country Championship held at Caerleon, on March 5th, was run off under most trying conditions for the competitors. It snowed all the time the race was on. As a race it was the most open of the post-war series, as J. W. L. Alford (Holder), now Welsh National Athletics Coach, has gone out of competition. However, after the first rush had sorted out the runners, first to emerge was E. Williams, Mitcham A.C., with J. J. Andrews, Finchley H., in attendance. On the completion of the first complete outer lap, W. E. Butcher, Birmingham Atalanta was up in front, then Williams came again to act as pacemaker over the next two laps, with Andrews still maintaining second place. Over the 5th lap a new star came into the picture in P. Wallace, Newport Harriers, but on the last lap round Andrews went into the lead, and although pressed by Wallace, came home a good winner.

1. J. J. Andrews, Finchley H.
2. P. Wallace, Newport H.
3. E. Williams, Mitcham A.C.
4. I. G. Lloyd, Newport H.
5. W. E. Butcher, Birmingham Atalanta.
6. E. Cooper, Roath H.
7. H. F. Bull, Essex Beagles.
8. T. Wood, Newport H.
9. T. Richards, South London Harriers.
10. P. J. Nash, Port Talbot Y.M.C.A. H.
11. K. Thomas, Newport H.
12. Dyfrig Rees, Port Talbot, Y.M.C.A. H.
1st, Newport H., 43 pts.; 2nd, Roath H. 85 pts.; 3rd, University of Wales 88 pts.; P.T., Y.M.C.A. H. and Cumbran H. failed

to close in.

The lay out for the Coaching season for J. W. L. Alford, the Welsh National Coach, has now taken shape, and is as follows—April 4th to 9th, Duffryn House, Glamorgan; April 27th to 30th, Army Apprentices School, Beachley; May 9th to 13th, Swansea C. and F.C.; May 16th to 20th, C.C.P.R. Tour, North Wales; May 23rd to 27th, A.A.S., Beachley; June 2nd to 3rd and 4th, Carmarthen; June 13th to 17th, Port Talbot; June 19th to 23rd, Cardiff.

The Mumbles Road Race is due to take place on April 9th, and is open to Welsh athletes with a birth qualification for West Wales, entries to be sent to me at 13, Hafod St., Port Talbot, before April 4th.

RELAYS AT CHISWICK ON MAY 14th

In conjunction with the Sward Trophy Meeting, Poly. H. are including a series of relay races, in which the promoting club will oppose teams from North and South of the Thames. Runners, at all distances from 100 yds. to 2 miles and steeplechase, who would like to run, should write at once to Mr. Arthur Winter, c/o The Polytechnic, 309, Regent St., London, W.1.

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Mr. Harold Pearson, Hon. Secretary of the Paignton A.A.C., and also of their annual sports meeting, was presented with an inscribed electric clock at a social evening, held in his honour on March 4th. Mr. Pearson is retiring after 26 years in a post he has held with distinction and which has brought him many friends from all over the country. His successor is Mr. A. R. Valentine.

Some Factors Governing Body Lean in Running

By J. W. LI. ALFORD, B.A., National Coach for Wales

Many athletes and athletic coaches tend to emphasise the value of a "good" forward lean of the trunk in running, and many, indeed, seem to think that a standard angle of lean can be laid down for each of the various racing distances, e.g., a pronounced lean for the sprint, a moderate lean for the middle distance and a very slight lean for the long distance races. I believe that there has been too much idle conjecture and faulty theorising about this topic, and the more I study the subject the more complicated I realise it to be. This month I propose to deal with some of the factors affecting the trunk angle, with a view to stressing the folly of being dogmatic about something which, like many other phases of running technique, is so greatly influenced by individual characteristics.

Figs. 1, 2 and 3, depict a runner in three positions of the driving phase, which, in order to simplify explanations, I have termed the initial, intermediate and final positions respectively. In Fig. 3 (final position of drive) the reaction to the force of the runner's drive has been divided into its two components, F1 the horizontal component (driving the runner forward), and F2 the vertical component (driving the runner upward). It will be seen that F1 tends to rotate the athlete in an anti-clockwise direction, while F2 tends to rotate him in a clockwise direction. The force of the body weight (W), acting through the centre of gravity (C), tends to pull the runner forward and downward, i.e., also to rotate him in a clockwise direction.

In order to maintain equilibrium the two forces giving a clockwise rotation (F2 and W) must be balanced by the force providing an anti-clockwise rotation (F1). Any alteration in one of the forces must be met by an equal adjustment in one or both of the other forces.

ACCELERATION

As the distance from the driving foot (A) to the spot where a vertical from the centre of gravity meets the ground (B) increases, so the rotatory force exerted by the body weight and the vertical component is also increased. This must be balanced, therefore, by an increase in the horizontal component (F1). This is most clearly illustrated, of course, by the sprinter starting from the crouch position (Fig. 4), where a great force has to be used to overcome the inertia of the

body, and, consequently, a very pronounced forward lean is adopted. Any period of acceleration in running will entail a greater driving force and, consequently, a more forward position of the centre of gravity, i.e., a more pronounced forward lean of the trunk. It sometimes happens that a runner, surprised by an unexpected challenge, tries to accelerate without making the necessary adjustment of the forward lean, with the result that his head and shoulders are forced back and his drive loses power in a forward direction.

In Fig. 1. (initial position of drive) the runner is shown at the moment of contact with the ground. Here it will be seen that all three forces tend to rotate the runner backwards in an anti-clockwise direction. One must also take into account, however, the force of the momentum which the athlete has already gained (M), which will tend to pull him forward over his supporting foot, thus encouraging a clockwise rotation. The foot, however, should be moving downwards and to the rear prior to the landing so that there is no check to the forward speed, and it would seem that, until the centre of gravity passes over the driving foot, the force of the drive will be limited, probably merely to halting the deceleration of speed inevitable while both feet are off the ground. It would seem, too, that if a runner attempts to exaggerate this initial phase of the drive, which I should certainly not recommend, he will tend to adjust his body lean forward in order to bring the centre of gravity over and in front of the driving foot as soon as possible. In other words, a runner who brings his recovery foot down well in advance of the centre of gravity and then exaggerates the initial phase of the drive will also exaggerate the forward trunk lean.

Now let us consider any phase of the stride between the position shown in Fig. 2 and that shown in Fig. 3. This is where the force of the drive is greatest. Here we have a balance of forces with the horizontal component of the drive (F1) on one side and the vertical component and the force of the body weight (F2XW) on the other side. Now any increase in the vertical component (bounding upwards) will naturally bring about a decrease in the horizontal component (forward drive). To maintain the balance, therefore, there must be a corresponding decrease in the force of the body weight i.e., the distance

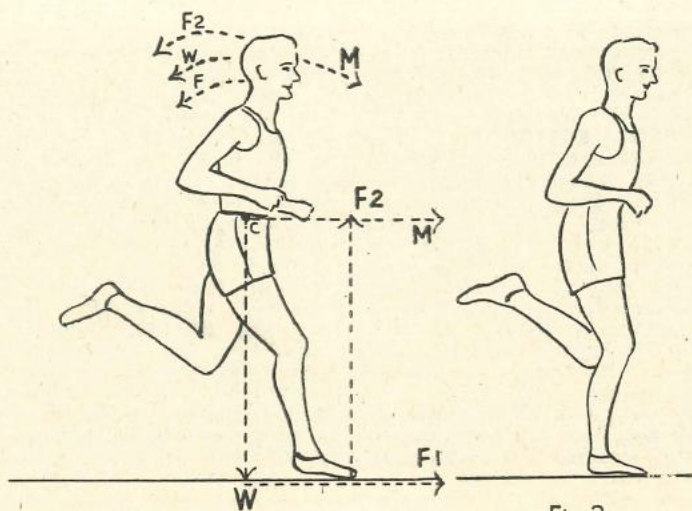


Fig. 1 Initial Position

Fig. 2. Intermediate Position

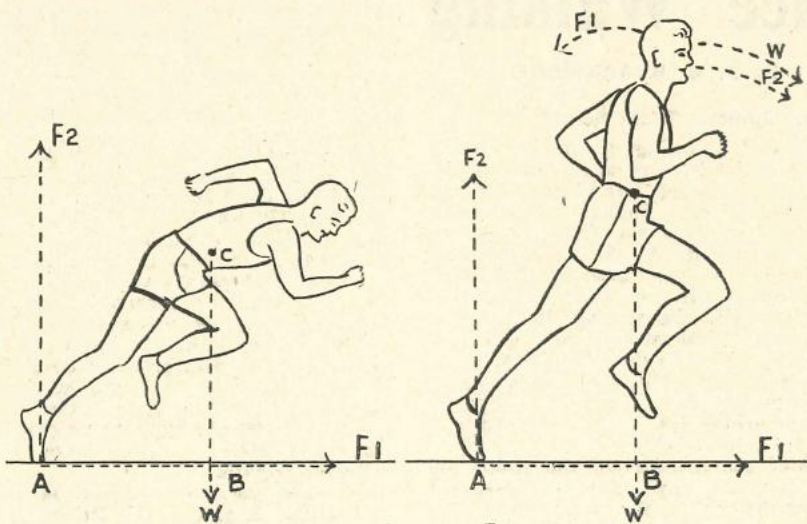


Fig. 4. Sprint Start

Fig. 3. Final Position

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from A to B must be shortened. Thus a runner with short legs but great "spring," who is forced to bound to some extent to gain an effective stride length, would tend to carry his trunk fairly upright. The proportion of the vertical to the horizontal components of the drive will, therefore, affect the angle of body lean.

FOOT ACTION

It would seem feasible, too, that even the foot action may influence the angle of body lean. For example, a runner using the Finnish technique of a heel landing followed by a "rock over" on to the ball of the foot would appear to utilise more fully the "rock over" action of the force of his momentum and would probably exert less "pull" while his foot was well in advance of his centre of gravity. He, therefore, would be likely to adopt a more upright carriage.

Again, the body lean or at least the appearance of body lean will be influenced by the athlete's posture. For example, an athlete who is round shouldered and inclined to stoop will give the impression of a pronounced forward lean, while a runner who is "hollow" backed or pigeon chested may appear to have a very upright carriage.

Lastly, the strength of the wind resistance will affect the body lean. Thus, when

running against a strong wind all runners will need to lean further forward but a light athlete more so than a heavy one; with a following wind the reverse will be true.

Summarised, then, the factors governing body lean are:—

1. The strength of the effective driving force (seen most clearly during acceleration).
2. The proportion of the vertical component (bound) to the horizontal component (forward drive).
3. The leg and foot action.
4. Posture.
5. Wind resistance.

As all these factors affect individual runners in different ways it is not at all surprising that the angle of body lean varies from one to another. It also explains why we see sprinters like Jesse Owens and McDonald Bailey adopting an upright carriage of the trunk and a distance runner like Heino with a moderate forward lean.

In my opinion it is unwise to attempt to alter a runner's angle of body lean except after most careful consideration. In fact I believe that, provided the athlete uses a correct arm and leg action and holds his head in natural alignment with the shoulders, the angle of the body lean will in most cases adjust itself naturally.

Race Walking

By F. W. BLACKMORE

R.W.A. "Junior," Team Result.

Following a ruling given by A.A.A. Southern Committee regarding the qualifications of M. Long, Cambridge Harriers, and G. W. Coleman, Highgate Harriers, to compete first-claim for their respective Clubs, the result of the Road Walking Association's recent "Junior" Championship (Teams) has now been amended in accordance with the placings indicated in last month's notes should their qualifications be considered established, viz:—

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| 1. Sheffield United Hs. | 30 pts. |
| 2. Highgate Hs. | 52 pts. |
| 3. Cambridge Hs. | 53 pts. |
| 4. (and unplaced) Belgrave Hs. | 56 pts. |

The chief difference from the result announced on the day of the event—apart from variations in the points totals—is that Highgate and the Bels. change positions. Highgate step up, and Belgrave go out.

R.W.A. "Senior" 10.

And now Sheffield have made it a double, in the year when their chief stalwart, Jim Hackwood, is R.W.A. President.

His club is obviously not suffering through his elevation to higher spheres of administration—but we all know very well that the foundations of these present successes were laid by Jim and other Sheffield stalwarts in years past.

At Leicester, on 19th March, with an entry (289 individuals, 24 teams) for the R.W.A. "Senior" 10 that was not such a great way below last year's huge field in Hyde Park, Sheffield United Harriers scored Team and Individual triumphs, with L. Allen, "Junior" winner in 1948, leading home to victory a Sheffield scoring four so good that A. Furness, Olympic track walk "possible" last year, was the third scoring man. J. Proctor, second in this year's "Junior," when, as was suggested in last month's notes, he had the reserves if not the experience, demonstrated how fast he has come on in the brief interval since the "Junior" by finishing third in the "Senior" event, C. J. Morris alone being capable of separating him from team-mate Allen—sufficient tribute.

Of course, certain incidental happenings contributed in part to this emphatic Sheffield triumph. Harry Churcher, setting out to notch his third successive victory in this newest R.W.A. Championship, suffered disqualification. He was never really "happy" on this occasion. Unable to adopt his usual tactics of getting clear of the field right from the start—this start was a very, very choppy and crowded affair—



Photo by H. W. Neale

The field soon after the start of the Middlesex Road Walking Championship

Allen kept him close company until the closure was applied, as far as Harry was concerned, when it seemed he was at last settling down to shake off this unusual challenge. After that, it was all Allen's own. Until the last mile, if the times and distances between points can be relied upon, he walked very fast indeed.

Another Olympic walker—Lloyd Johnson, the best of our long-distance men in the 1948 Games—also suffered disqualification very early on, and generally the walking was not up to the high standard both of style and of "contact" shown in R.W.A. Championships for some considerable time now. There may have been contributing factors in the extreme coldness and some hanging about at the start. In any case, let us hope it was but a temporary lapse.

The Teams.

Sheffield's victory was reasonably assured from the moment of Churcher's disqualification but that the Bels. do not make the mistake of relying on his number one placing as a certainty and can always rally their forces when necessity demands, was shown by the magnificent way in which brother Charlie Churcher, captain of the Club, not only stimulated the rest but himself walked through to finish first man for Belgrave with his team finally beaten out of second place by only one point.

Now we come to the "ifs," ever fascinating where team racing is concerned, as I evidenced last month when pointing out how F. W. Barrett's disqualification in the

"Junior" made the difference between a tense fight for premier team honours between Sheffield and Cambridge H.

On this recent occasion of the "Senior" 10, if Harry Churcher had finished in his usual place at the head of the field, Belgrave must have won as anticipated; and if "Junior" winner, J. Copperwheat, had turned out for Highgate, although this may have made no difference to their ultimate placing of 2nd in the event of the Bels. winning with Harry Churcher, Highgate might well have beaten Sheffield for premier honours with Churcher out of the race. And as a final "if," if Olympic track walker, R. A. West, had been competing for Cambridge Hs. in his 1947-48 season form, things may have been still more interesting and the placings still further changed.

On the final results of the Championships so far this year, Sheffield enjoy undoubted supremacy, with Highgate next best. Belgrave and Cambridge have so far struck level, each with a 3rd and 4th placing, but there is little doubt that, as a Team, Cambridge are the most improved Club of the year.

April Diary.

Now the pendulum swings increasing towards increasing distances in preparation for the longer Championships in May and June, with Surrey W.C.—fortified by the Jubilee Dinner which they are holding at the Windsor Castle, Victoria, on April 8th, to celebrate their fifty years of existence as a Walking Club pure and simple—girding

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Amateur Athletic Association

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Crown Chambers,

Asst. Secretary : G. W. Smith.

118, Chancery Lane,

Hon. Treasurer : W. C. Jewell

London, W.C.2.

Annual General Meeting.—The Annual General Meeting of the Association, and its first meeting as a Company, was held at the Holborn Town Hall, on Saturday, 19th March.

In opening the meeting, the President, Lord Burghley, stated that His Majesty the King had been graciously pleased to continue his patronage to the Amateur Athletic Association, and that the Secretary of the Privy Purse had written thanking the Association for its loyal message and good wishes for the recovery of the health of His Majesty, which had been sent on behalf of the Officers and Members.

The Chairman referred with regret to the death of the following past Officers and Members of the Association:—

H. G. Brockman, Vice-President of the A.A.A. and Past-President of the Road Walking Association.

George H. Hogsflesh, Assistant Secretary of the A.A.A. 1919-1937 and 1940-1946, Founder and Honorary Secretary of Southend Harriers for over thirty years.

E. A. Montague, O.B.E., Olympic Athlete, Joint Organiser of the A.A.A. Summer School 1934-36, and member of A.A.A. Field Events Committee.

B. G. D. Rudd, M.C., Olympic and A.A.A. Champion, and member of General Committee for several years.

The meeting stood in silent tribute to their memory.

In presenting the Annual Report, the

Honorary Secretary referred to the liaison which the Association had formed with the Home Office in connection with athletics at Approved schools, and hoped that County Associations and Districts would pursue relationships with Home Office Schools in their Areas, and stressed that a tremendous amount of work had to be done in connection with the acquisition of playing fields and running tracks and in the general development of the Sport, and that it was up to the representatives of the Clubs in the various Areas to push matters and to let the Association know of local requirements. It was reported that Hurdles and Field Equipment amounting to £5,500 had now been distributed to Counties and Districts.

The Annual Report was unanimously adopted, and a vote of thanks was accorded to the Honorary Secretary for his work during the past year. The President presented the Harvey Memorial Gold Cup to Mr. H. J. Parlett, A.A.A., 880 yds. Champion, and English Native Record Plaques to Mr. M. J. W. Dalrymple and to Mr. K. J. Jones (accepted on his behalf by Mr. C. M. Howell, Welsh A.A.A. Honorary Secretary). Special Plaques were presented to the following Life Vice-Presidents of the Association: Messrs. J. H. Greenaway, E. J. H. Holt, O.B.E., W. J. Pepper, E. Tomlinson, J. W. Turner, J.P., and the Awards of Honour were presented to the past and present Officers referred to in the Annual Report.

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Adoption of Accounts and Balance Sheet for 1948.—Mr. Walter C. Jewell presented the Annual Account and Balance Sheet, together with the Auditor's Report, which were unanimously adopted. A vote of thanks was accorded to the Honorary Treasurer for his work for the Association during the past year.

Election of Officers.—The Vice Patrons were unanimously re-elected.

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Burghley, K.C.M.G., was unanimously re-elected President. Mr. J. W. Turner stated how grateful all in the Association were to Lord Burghley for the services he had rendered the Association and amateur athletics over the past year.

In reply, Lord Burghley stated that it had been a very happy year, embracing as it did the London Olympic Games, which had fully achieved their purpose. He stated that many letters of appreciation had been received from all over the world, and that Athletics had undoubtedly formed the background of the Olympic Games. He would like to thank Mr. D. T. P. Pain and his team for the very fine way in which they had run the organisation of the Olympic Arena.

In concluding, Lord Burghley said he was proud to be the President of such a strong and virile Association.

The following Vice-Presidents were elected:—

Midland Counties A.A.A.:

Messrs. C. O. Alexander and J. McKenna.

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Messrs. S. E. J. Best and L. N. Richardson.

Southern Committee:

Messrs. H. M. Abrahams, J. T. Bridges, W. C. Jewell and B. C. Long.

Mr. E. H. L. Clynes and Mr. Walter C. Jewell were unanimously re-elected Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer respectively.

Mr. S. G. Moss, F.S.A.A., was re-appointed as Auditor of the Association, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to him for his honorary services with the Association over a period of many years.

A recommendation of the General Committee that Law (2) (1) F should be amended as follows was carried:

"Agreeing to his name as an athlete being used for advertisement purposes in connection with any commodity."

At the request of the Development Committee discussion took place on the development of Athletics throughout the country, with particular reference to the part Clubs can play in this development.

In opening the discussion, Commander F. W. Collins, R.N. (retd.) stated that the work of the Development Committee was to find athletic facilities for young

men and an outlet for their energies. He added that the Committee was doing all it could in connection with Tracks, Grounds and the formation of new Clubs, but it was necessary for Clubs to put forward their proposals in order that the Committee could exercise pressure in the right quarters and gave the meeting a general survey of the position on athletic facilities and Tracks throughout the country.

Mr. C. M. Howell, Honorary Secretary, Welsh A.A.A., emphasised the importance of Secondary Schools forming their own Athletic Association, and liaising with the County Associations in the respective Areas.

Mr. Armitage considered that a drive for cinder tracks was essential, but that it was also important that tracks at present laid down should be properly maintained and safeguarded.

Mr. Wright (Midlands) considered that Clubs could best solve their problems as regards personnel and equipment through liaison with local Youth Committees, as the local Education Authorities were in a position to help the Athletic Clubs through Youth Committees. In response to a question on film strips, the Chairman informed the meeting that it was possible that certain film strips would be made from the Olympic Games film, but that the matter was still in the negotiation stage.

In conclusion, Mr. Clynes stated that from the returns so far received from Clubs, there were only 35 cinder tracks located throughout the country and that 22 of these were in the London and Home Counties Area, and that he proposed to make a drive during the next year to get a cinder track in every city and town in the country. He also suggested that Clubs should exercise the power of co-option to bring representatives of local Schools, Youth Clubs and other Youth organisations on to their Committees, and he emphasised that the A.A.A. had played its part in the development of athletics. Mr. Clynes also stated that the Empire Games were to be held in New Zealand in January, 1950, and that it would require £200/£250 per athlete for the sea voyage, and £500 per athlete for the voyage by air. He considered that it was essential that England should send a first-class team to compete in the Empire Games; we owed it to our friends in the Dominions and Colonies. It would probably be necessary to make an appeal for funds.

The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chair.

A.A.A. Handbook, 1949.—The 1949 Handbook will be available the last week in April. A complimentary copy will be provided to each Affiliated Club, which has paid the annual subscription for 1949, and to Honorary Members. Orders for

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NATIONAL C. C.

Bromford Bridge



Top L: G. B. SAUNDERS leading in the Junior event.
Bottom L: F. E. AARON, H. A. OLNEY and L. EYRE after the Senior Race.

J. C. Madden
J. C. Madden

CHAMPIONSHIPS

MARCH 12th, 1949



Top R: The leaders soon after the start in the Senior event.
Bottom R: AARON and OLNEY with a lap to go.

H. W. Neale
J. C. Madden

Life in New Zealand

In the lifetime of most of us, the world, in spite of two great wars and a host of other petty struggles, has grown closer together. Letters fly from one end of the earth to the other in the space of a week. Yesterday's New York newspapers can be read in London to-day. In the field of sport, especially, it has been shown that peoples of every colour and creed can be brought together to compete and strive against each other in a spirit of good fellowship. In our hearts, we know that we can get along with the fellow from the other side of the world.

But what about living with the other fellow? Surely that is a different question. It is a question which must have exercised the minds of the many thousands of Britons who, over the last 100 years have left their native land to settle in far-off countries like New Zealand, Australia, Canada and South Africa. And yet they have stayed in those places. The country of their adoption has welcomed them, and quite quickly they have become a part of it. Ninety-one per cent. of the people of New Zealand can claim ancestry in the British Isles. The families of many have been in the country for a generation or two, and others are themselves immigrants. Together they have made the country what it is, and they have done a fine job.

New Zealand to-day needs people more than she has ever needed them before, and that is why an appeal is now being made to single, virile British men and women—particularly women—between the ages of 20 and 35 to emigrate to this loyal Commonwealth country, so far off from Britain, and yet so tied to her in tradition, customs and sentiment.

Those who remember Jack Lovelock, New Zealand's Olympic Games champion long-distance runner, Pat Boot, whose peak of achievement was at the Sydney Empire Games, and D. M. Harris, whose good chances in the 1948 Olympics were spoiled by injury, will have realised that New Zealand is a country where athletics and all other forms of sport are encouraged in a very practical way. Schools, in which education is free from kindergarten to university, generally have large playing fields, and in all cities there are large parks and open areas dedicated to sport. The universal forty-hour week ensures that the people have plenty of leisure time to use their splendid amenities to the best advantage.

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and others—represented in them, without having any power to dictate or over-ride. In all the cities local athletic clubs hold weekly meetings either under their own auspices or against other clubs belonging to their Athletic Centre. Championship meetings are held periodically through the winter months. There is a large number of cross-country running clubs, whose "packs" range over the countryside at week-ends.

Blessed with a climate which does not run to extremes, and with open spaces and the countryside never far away, it is not surprising that New Zealanders are a healthy people, living longer than any other people in the world.

(To be continued)

A.A.A. NOTES (contd.)

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PRIORITY RESERVATION OF SEATS

A.A.A. Championships 15th and 16th July, 1949.—Crossed cheques made payable to the A.A.A. should be sent to the A.A.A. Offices, with applications at an early date.

Prices of tickets will be:

Friday—Stands "F," "H," "I" 5/-; Stands "D," "E," 2/-.

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British Games, 6th June, 1949.

Tickets can be obtained from White City Stadium, Ltd., 62a, Piccadilly, London, W.1.

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A.A.A. Junior Relay 4 x 110 Yards.

The above Championships will be

held at the White City Stadium, on August Bank Holiday Monday during the International Meeting. This cancels the arrangements already made to hold the event at the A.A.A. Championships. Club Secretaries are requested to make a note of the change of date.

Championship Trophies.

It has been decided that the "Herbert Pash" Memorial Trophy be awarded annually to the winner of the A.A.A. Discus Championship.

The General Committee of the Association have decided to perpetuate the memory of George Hogsflesh, late Assistant Secretary of the Association, by providing a Memorial Trophy to be awarded annually to the Junior Athlete adjudged by the Championships Committee to be the best Junior Athlete of the year. The Award will cover all branches of athletics, including Cross-Country Running and Road Walking. Any person interested in giving a donation should please remit to the A.A.A. offices.

Honorary Coaches.—The Association urgently requires the services of all those who are prepared to act as Honorary Coaches; qualification is by examination and persons who wish to sit the test are requested to write to their Area Honorary Coaching Secretary. The tests will be arranged as convenient. On successfully completing the examination, Honorary Coaches are entitled to wear the Honorary Coaches Lapel and Vest Badges.

Conference.—Fifty honorary Coaches have indicated that they intend to be present at Brentwood School, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, 30th April, to consider coaching plans and problems. Further applications should be made to L. H. Ward, 10, Glanville Drive, Hornchurch, Essex.

The Conference will be addressed by K. S. Duncan, D. N. J. Cullum and A. A. Gold, and the Chief Coach will be present as technical adviser.

Lectures.—A series of eleven lectures (illustrated by films) on "Modern Athletics," will be given by the Chief Coach in London on certain Fridays during the coming winter; i.e., on 7th and 21st October; 4th and 18th November; 2nd and 16th December; 20th January; 3rd and 17th February; 3rd and 17th March. Details will be published later.

Correction.—Address of Mr. R. D. L. Wells, Coaching Organising Secretary for Kent, is 24, Sandling Lane, Maidstone.

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Longwood Harriers' Diamond Jubilee Celebration Dinner has now been arranged for Saturday, April 30th, at Silvio's Restaurant, Westgate, Huddersfield, at 7 p.m.

The Women's Amateur Athletic Association

Hon. Secretary: MRS. W. E. HUGHES, 13, Selcroft Road, Purley, Surrey (Uplands 1566).

ASSOCIATION NOTES BY W.T.H.

Cross Country Running.

The cancellation of the International match at Aylesford was a great disappointment. The best in the Midlands were travelling down for the supporting events and the whole affair would have been a financial success without including sale of programmes. Our sincere thanks are due to all at Aylesford Paper Mills for their kindness and efforts on our behalf.

While on the subject of cross-country, I must praise the North for the really splendid way they staged the National Championships under the most trying conditions. Even on the day, another course had to be made out. On behalf of all those who had to travel South and rushed away, I offer our regrets for running off as we did, but those few minutes made a difference of hours.

With regard to the report which appeared in a certain newspaper, I hope the matter will be gone into. As a St. John's man myself, I was most disappointed at not seeing this casualty station.

Clashing of Fixtures.

It is most disappointing, to say the least, when we find the National Road Walk, which only comes South every three years, fixed for March 19th, and then the Southern Inter-Counties event is arranged to take place on the same day. To make matters worse, the Surrey County Championship was also arranged for that day. The following week there is nothing at all. It should be possible to avoid this kind of thing when arranging these championships and matches.

National Road Walk.

The National Road Walking Championship was well staged by Epsom and Ewell H. and, after the outspoken remarks by the Chief Walking Judge, W. Purves (R.W.A.) I think organisers of meetings should again consider the one mile track event, and it is hoped that Highgate H. will again put on this event at the St. Dunstan's Walk.

Passing of Two Friends.

We were all sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Billy Hope and we in the South have lost a good friend. On behalf of the Association I should like to extend our sincere sympathy to his wife, and also to Mrs. Amies on the death of her mother, who was interested in athletics and recently presented a Cup to the Enfield Club.

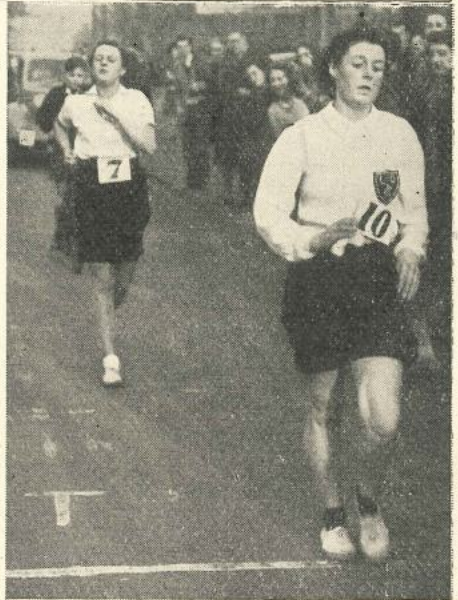


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MRS. J. JONES (London Olympiades) winning a close race in the Southern W.A.A.A. Road Walk Championship.

A Wedding.

All will join me with sincere best wishes to Dorothy Manley on her wedding, which will have taken place before these notes are published, on March 31st. Let us hope this will be followed at a later date by a Golden Wedding!

A Great Record

Finally, may I congratulate Birchfield Harriers on their truly magnificent record, which is:

Turley Shield Race, 2 miles. Pos. 2.7.8—17 pts., 1st.

Midland Junior C.C. Championship, 2½ miles. Pos. 3.4.6.7—20 pts., 1st.

Midland Junior Road Walk, 2 miles. Pos. 1.2.3—6 pts. 1st.

National Junior C.C. Championship 2½ miles. Pos. 1.5.9.10—25 pts., 1st.

Midland Senior C.C. Championship, 3 miles. Pos. 2.4.5.6—17 pts., 1st.

National Senior C.C. Championship. Pos. 3.4.6.10—23 pts., 1st.

Two girls were in the first six in the National event and so would have received their International badge. Mrs. Bartlett, who has three sons, would have been getting her third badge, having gained two before her marriage.

RESULTS.

National Senior C.C. Championship, Worsley, March 5th—

1. E. Johnson (Airedale)	19.25
2. R. M. Wright (St. Gregory's)...	19.31
3. E. Garritt (Ilford)	20.15
4. M. Bartlett (Birchfield)	20.25
5. Z. White (Birchfield)	20.35
6. J. Heath (Small Heath)	20.45
7. S. Sandall (Birchfield)	20.59
8. H. Spears (London Olymp.) ...	21.01
9. V. Hymers (N. Shields)	21.02
10. J. Taylor (Dudley)	21.12

Teams:

	Pts.
1. Birchfield	23
2. Small Heath	50
3. London Olympiades	75
4. Dudley	85
5. Birmingham Atalanta	85
6. Ilford	99
7. Hallamshire	122
8. Sheffield	132
9. Airedale	136

76 started, 61 finished.

National Road Walking Championship, Epsom, March 19th.

1. J. Heath (Small Heath).
2. G. Thorne (Birmingham Atalanta).
3. M. Brittain (Birmingham Atalanta).
4. D. Ashton (Birchfield).
5. G. Thomas (Birmingham Atalanta).
6. Z. White (Birchfield).

Teams:

	Pts.
1. Birmingham Atalanta	2.3.5 10
2. Birchfield	4.6.8. 18
3. Small Heath	1.11.12 24
4. Harborne	10.13.17 40
5. London Olympiades	1619.21 56

28 started, 26 finished.

Southern Inter-Counties C.C. Race, Orpington, March 19th.

1. E. Garritt (Essex)	18.48
2. H. Spears Kent)	19.24
3. S. Rudd (Middlesex)	19.55
4. H. Needham (Kent)	20.18
5. B. Harris (Middlesex)	20.32
6. D. Bloomfield (Middlesex)	20.39

Teams:

	Pts.
1. Middlesex	3.5.6.9 23
2. Kent	2.4.7.13 26
3. Essex	1.8.10.15 34

Northern Counties C.C. Championship, Sheffield, March 19th.

1. E. Johnson (Airedale).
2. V. Hymers (N. Shield Poly.).
3. P. Buck (Sheffield U.H.).

Midland Senior Road Walk Championship

	m. s.
1. J. M. Heath (Small Heath H.L.S.)	22 50
2. M. Brittain (Birm. Ata. LAC)	23 30
3. D. Ashton (Birchfield H.L.S.)	23 34
4. B. Day (Birm. Atalanta LAC)	23 37
5. S. Sandall (Birchfield H.L.S.)	23 53
6. B. Sankey (Dudley H.L.S.).....	23 58

Teams:

	Pts.
Birmingham Atalanta LAC	(2.4.7) 13
Birchfield H.L.S.	(3.5.8) 16
Small Heath H.L.S.	(1.10.17) 28

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Kent County W.A.A.A. Annual General Meeting takes place on Monday, April 4th, at 7.30 p.m., at the Wellcome Chemical Works Sports and Social Club, Dartford.

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100 Yards: E. Philip 10.1.
220 Yards: N. Stacey 21.8.
440 Yards: D. Steel 50.2.
880 Yards: I. Thompson 1:59.0.
Mile: R. Bannister 4:18.8.
3 Miles: P. R. Morgan 14:40.7.
120 Hurdles: H. Lambert 16.6.
220 Hurdles: J. Williams 25.8.
Long Jump: J. Williams 21' 1"
High Jump: L. Davies 5' 10"
Pole Vault: J. Davies 10' 0"
Weight: C. Neville 40' 7"
Discus: W. Cowell 119' 4"
Javelin: B. Tarlton 179' 5"

Cambridge

J. Finley 10.8 (10.1 heat)
 J. Finley 22.9.
 A. Scott 49.8.
 A. Scott 1:56.5.
 R. Williams 4:26.3.
 C. W. Brasher 14:52.4.
 D. Grimes 16.3.
 S. Brooks 25.7.
 R. Alberga 21' 8"
 A. Akiwumi 5' 9"
 J. Hanscombe 10' 3"
 R. H. Edwards 42' 5"
 A. F. Hignell 119' 6"
 A. F. Hignell 167' 5"

The least pleasant aspect of the Inter-Varsity Sports at the White City was the choice of the date, March 12th. I realise that the two Presidents had little option, but it is a great pity that such a fine athletic occasion should clash with Cross Country's most important event, the English Championships. If ever I've wished to be in two places at the same time, it was on this particular Saturday.

Oxford's victory was as convincing as the score indicates. Nine first places and seven 2nd places in the 14 match events and the better points score of 72 to 54 was a fair reflection of the relative merit of the two teams. The Oxford side was a very good one, and Cambridge a vast improvement on the 1948 team which Oxford walloped by 40 points.

The weather was not conducive to fast times, but the new White City track, despite the frost of the previous week, was in good condition, and we can look forward to some fine times on it later in the year.

The sprinting was excellent, and I noted that J. M. Finley, of Cambridge, led E. L. R. Philip, the Indian Olympic sprinter in both 100 and furlong until the final yard or two. He is a great discovery, a youngster for whom I foresee a great future. But N. D. Stacey in the furlong and sprint relay took the eye most of all. He looks more powerful and a better stylist than he was last summer. His 22.3 seconds furlong was one of the three records set up. One must deal with the quarter and the half together, because Scott tried both

and failed to produce his best in either. A 54.4 first lap in the half seemed rather foolish to me, and although he allowed Thomson, of Oxford, to run him to a foot, I thought Scott had lots in hand in this event. In the quarter, however, with his most dangerous opponent, D. G. Steel, inside him in the draw, Scott seemed guilty of faulty tactics again in that he seemed to run the first furlong too fast. He certainly had no counter to Steel in the finishing straight, and Steel's winning time was certainly not fast.

But Scott seemed to me to be over-trained. I refuse to judge him or his tactics on these performances, for we know he is a great athlete.

By way of contrast, I think we can judge Roger Barrister on his magnificent performance in the mile. Bannister went out from the pistol, first lap 63.6 seconds. With Williams not pressing him, Bannister had a slower second lap of 65.2. Completely out on his own now, Bannister treated us to a grand piece of pace judgment with a 64 second third lap and a 63.4 second final quarter, for 4 min. 16.2 sec. mile, 1.6 seconds better than C. C. H. Hamilton's match record set up in 1905. And he did it all without flurry and must have had lots in hand.

The three miles will live in the memory of the spectator for a very long time. J. H. Scott-Wilson made the pace for 3½ laps, but Morgan was ahead at the mile post in 4 min. 47 seconds. Brasher soon moved up to him and the battle was on. The second mile was run in 4 minutes 51



Sport & General Photo

E. L. R. PHILIP (Oxford) winning the 100 yards for Oxford from J. FINLEY (Cambridge).

seconds, and Morgan and Brasher kept it up until the bell. About 300 yards from the tape Brasher actually passed Morgan but it was Morgan who found most speed and showed greater strength for a win by 35 yds. in 14:30.2 seconds, which beat the old figures by 4.6 seconds. Brasher's time 14 minutes 36.8 was the third fastest in the history of the sports.

The hurdling was good in style and reasonably fast. Dixon's 15.8 seconds high hurdles would have been faster in better weather, and S. Brooks low hurdles win indicates that he is another potential international hurdler.

The field events were better than usual. A. F. Hignell's javelin throw of 179ft. 4½ inches staggered us, and Tucker threw well up to form.

R. H. B. Edwards' 42 feet 4 inches has only been exceeded by two other home-bred athletes and J. H. Davies seemed possessed of possibilities as a pole vaulter.

The new event, the 4 x 110 yards relay, did not count in the match, and Oxford's strong quartet won. But the grand fight which Cambridge put up to lose by only a yard, was indicative of the courage they showed throughout a match in which they were opposed by better athletes. I sought the advice of a number of distinguished ex-University athletes afterwards, including H. M. Abrahams, M. C. Nokes, A. G. K. Brown, J. C. Stothard and K. S. Duncan. All agreed that the Universities have regained their pre-war standard, which, when you think of it in all its implications, is something of very great importance.

- 100 Yards**—1, E. L. R. Philip (O) 10.2; 2, J. M. Finley (C); 3, A. R. Pinnington (O); 4, J. V. Smith (C); foot, 3 yds.
220 Yards—N. D. Stacey (O) 22.3 (new meeting record); 2, E. L. R. Philip (O) 22.5; 3, J. M. Finley (C) 22.5; 4, J. V. Smith (C) 23.2.
440 Yards—1, D. G. Steel (O) 50.6; 2, A. W. Scott (C) 51.0; 3, G. P. Lloyd (C) 52.3; 4, H. G. Platt (O) 52.7.
880 Yards—1, A. W. Scott (C) 1:57.5; 2, I. G. Thomson (O) 1:57.5; 3, D. E. Lyall (C) 1:59.4; 4, C. N. Snow (O) 2:0.4.
One Mile—1, R. G. Baunister (O) 4:16.2 (new meeting record); 2, R. E. Williams (C)

- 4:25.1; 3, P. C. Ballingall (C) 4:26.6; 4, D. E. Fathers (O) 4:30.6.
- Three Miles**—1, P. R. Ll. Morgan (O) 14:30.2 (new meeting record); 2, C. W. Brasher (C) 14:36.8; 3, J. H. Scott-Wilson (O) 14:56.2; 4, J. F. Pollard (O) 14:56.2; 5, C. A. Walkley (C); 6, J. Palmer (C).
- 120 Hurdles**—1, D. M. Dixon (O) 15.8; 2, D. C. Grimes (C) 16.0; 3, T. Ansah (C) 16.2; 3, H. R. Lambert (O) 16.2.
- 220 Hurdles**—1, S. Brooks (C) 26.0; 2, J. H. Williams (O) 26.5; 3, L. W. Davies (O) 26.6; 4 T. Ansah (C) 28.2.
- Long Jump**—1, R. D. Alberga (C) 22ft. 1½in.; 2, R. H. B. Edwards (C) 21ft. 8½in.; 3, D. C. Symon (O) 20ft. 9½in.; 4, J. H. Williams (O) 20ft. 4in.
- High Jump**—1, L. W. Davies (O) 5ft. 10in.; 2, D. C. Symon (O) 5ft. 8in.; 3, A. M. Akiwumi (C) 5ft. 6in.; 4, C. Macpherson (C) 5ft. 6in.
- Pole Vault**—1, J. H. Davies (O) 10ft. 6in.; 2, D. J. Curry (C) 10ft.; 3, G. S. Bogle (O) 9ft. 9in.; 4 J. C. Hanscombe (C) 9ft.
- Weight**—1, R. H. B. Edwards (C) 42ft. 4in.; 2, C. R. G. Neville (O) 39ft. 11½in.; 3, W. M. T. Holland (C) 38ft. 1½in.; 4, K. K. T. Mara (O) 37ft. 7½in.
- Discus**—1, J. B. Whitlach (O) 129ft. 7in.; 2, W. G. Cowell (O) 120ft. 11in.; 3, A. F. Hignell (C) 120ft. 2in.; 4, A. J. Maltby (C) 114ft. 10½in.
- Javelin**—1, A. F. Hignell (C) 179ft. 4½in.; 2, D. E. Tucker (O) 160ft. 4in.; 3, B. A. Tarlton (O) 154ft. 10in.; 4, G. N. Fisher (C) 143ft. 7½in.
- Result: Oxford 72 pts.; Cambridge 54 pts.**
- Did not count in match:
- 4 x 110 Relay**—1, Oxford (A. R. Pinnington, J. H. Williams, E. L. R. Philip, N. D. Stacey) 43.4; 2, Cambridge (J. M. Finley, R. D. Alberga, R. H. B. Edwards, J. V. Smith) 43.5.

"THE NATIONAL"

The National Cross-Country Championships at Bromford Bridge proved a triumph for the North and were notable for the eclipse of the Midlands. Except for Westbury Harriers, no Midland Club or individual succeeded in reaching the first three in any of the three championships.

Sutton's win in the Senior championship was not unexpected after their great victory in the Northern race, and Aaron, Saunders and Price were confidently expected to take back the three titles to the North.

Belgrave, with several of their stars missing and without their usual preparation behind them, were but a shadow of their usual selves, while Birchfield could do no better than 11th in their own country. Reading and Harehills rose to the occasion and pegged back some of the more fancied teams.

The individual race was a thriller all the way, though but for Olney's determination in going after Aaron on the second lap and catching him, we might well have seen a run-away win for the Leeds doctor.

At 2½ miles Aaron was out on his own, with Hicks, Olney, Gosney, Thompson, Eyre and Corfield following in that order. At 5 miles Olney was up with Aaron, well clear of the field, followed by Eyre, Gosney, Hicks, Christian, Hughes, Corfield and Robertson. Next came the Derby veteran, Winfield, Birch and Thompson, who had dropped back slightly. Sutton were all well up and no other Club looked like getting near them. It was strange to find Belgrave and Birchfield so far back.

At 7½ miles Aaron and Olney were still together, Gosney had moved up just in front of Eyre, and Hicks, Christian and Robertson were still there. Thompson was now 8th, and Maleedy had moved up to 9th position just in front of Carriek, Hughes and Reid. Adams, who was 30th on the first lap, 22nd on the second, was now 14th, and was to pull up another seven places on the final lap.

As the first runner came down the hill approaching the finish, it was seen that Aaron had drawn away from Olney and was coming home a comfortable winner after leading practically all the way—a great run. Olney, who had put up a great fight, was well clear of the third man, Eyre of Harehills. Gosney, who has been dogged by misfortune so often in the National, was fourth, with Christian and Hicks close up. Adams beat Thompson and Hughes up the long finishing straight and was running on more strongly than in the Southern.

Sutton proved comfortable winners and there were no recriminations from Belgrave, who, barring one year, have held sway since the late 1930's. In passing I should like to quote from a letter received from Ernie Duffett, of Belgrave. He says "On sitting down with the 'morning after' reflections fresh in my mind, one thing stands out clear—that you were dead right when you said before the race we did not stand a chance with Sutton. To win such a race with a team of only seven runners is, in my opinion, a splendid performance, and they fully deserve all the honours they get. On all known form Charlton should have been our 6th man,

and as he was 58th and, together with Blowfield, was the only one to run up to form, we should certainly not have beaten Sutton, whatever the others may have done." Fine praise indeed and typical of the regard with which the new champions are held in the South.

The Junior race was a walk-over for Saunders, of Bolton, and, as in the Northern event, he was followed home by Cpl. Field of the Signals, and Hesketh, of Manchester. Saunders was in a class of his own and is a great runner in the making. Sheffield United H. won the team race with some good packing, the Signals having to wait until 65th position for their last scoring man after placing three in eighteen.

SENIOR—10 Miles

	m. s.
*1. F. E. Aaron (Leeds St. Mk's.)	58.08.2
2. H. A. Olney (Thames Valley H.)	58.16
3. L. Eyre (Harehill Lib. H. & A.C.)	58.35
*4. R. G. Gosney (Soton A.A.C.)	58.36
5. A. Christian (Manchester A.C.)	58.37
*6. H. J. Hicks (Hampstead H.)	58.52
*7. R. C. Adams (C. of Roch. A.C.)	59.20
8. D. J. Thompson (Shaftes. H.)	59.22
9. R. V. Hughes (Polytechnic H.)	59.23
10. J. A. R. Carrick (Small Heath)	59.30
11. M. Maleedy (Sutton H.)	59.36
12. R. Reid (Birchfield H.)	59.43
13. A. A. Robertson (Reading A.C.)	59.47
14. T. P. E. Curry (Thames H. & H.)	59.54
15. J. W. Winfield (Derby & A.C.C.)	60.01
16. E. C. Nicholls (Bromsgrove)	60.02
17. J. C. Flockhart (Shettleston H.)	60.04
18. B. A. Bowering (Sth. Lond. H.)	60.06
19. T. Fillingham (Sutton H.)	60.11
20. B. Twamley (Tipton H.)	60.22
21. D. C. Birch (Harehill Lib. H.)	60.25
22. J. Corfield (Tipton H.)	60.27
23. V. Blowfield (Belgrave H.)	60.36
24. G. B. Craig (Shettleston H.)	60.41
*25. G. E. Coggin (Hull H. & A.C.)	60.44

Team Placings:

1. Sutton H.—7, M. Maleedy; 14, T. Fillingham; 22, F. McMinnis; 23, J. Harrison; 24, W. McMinnis; 38, A. Tyrer; **Pts. 128.** 181, L. Lamb; 206, E. Henderson.
2. Reading A.C.—9, A. A. Robertson; 21, A. H. Chivers; 49, W. A. Robertson; 54, D. Calcott; 57, W. M. Unsworth; 59, H. S. Oliver; **Pts. 249.** 150, J. H. Whitehead; 154, W. G. Parr; 156, A. J. Hughes.
3. Harehill Liberal H. & A.C.—2, L. Eyre; 16, D. C. Birch; 20, A. Lawton; 44, A. Dolphin; 76, A. Rogers; 116, H. Boddill; **Pts. 274.** 172, A. Cockcroft; 189, A. Punt; 234, J. Bloor.
4. Tipton H.—15, B. Twamley; 17, J. Corfield; 33, J. Holden; 34, J. Cole; 87, F. Tonks; 118, J. Bedford; **Pts. 304.** 163, J. Dodd; 164, S. Dean; 226, D. Pardoe.
5. Shettleston H.—12, J. Flockhart; 19, G. Craig; 51, C. Wallace; 68, J. Stuart; 71, H. Howard; 109, J. Clark; **Pts. 330.** 127, D. Morrison; 190, J. Ross; 291, J. Burton.
6. Belgrave H.—18, V. Blowfield; 58, S. Charlton; 62, L. Herbert; 65, R. Towndrow; 70, F. Abbott; 77, E. Stimpson; **Pts. 350.** 128, C. Carter; 140, M. Porter; 152, L. Marchant.

7, Aylesford P.M. 424; 8, Essex Beagles 425; 9, Lincoln Wellington 448; 10, Halesowen A.C. 454; 11, Birchfield H. 474; 12, Blackheath H. 501; 13, Manchester A.C.; 14, Small Heath H. 567; 15, South London H. 604; 16, Thames Valley H. 638; Coventry Godiva H. 638; 18, Surrey

The Youths' event gave the North yet another victory when J. Price, of East Cheshire H. & A.C. won every bit as comfortably as our Northern friends prophesied. Thames Valley H. won the team race with something to spare, Liverpool H. & A.C. just getting the better of Lincoln Wellington as runners-up.

One conclusion I came to after my day at Bromford Bridge was that it is time entry to the National Championships was restricted. With ever-increasing entries, fields are now too unwieldy and only a reasonable number of teams and individuals should be permitted to qualify from the District races, or other known performances.

P.W.G.

26. A. Lawton (Harehill Lib. H.)	60.48
27. A. H. Chivers (Reading A.C.)	60.50
28. F. McMinnis (Sutton H.)	60.57
29. J. Harrison (Sutton H.)	60.59
30. W. McMinnis (Sutton H.)	61.00
31. C. Thurlby (Lincoln Well.)	61.03
32. T. Coss (Cov. Godiva H.)	61.05
33. J. R. Charlesworth (Aylesford)	61.09
34. M. White (Birchfield H.)	61.10
35. J. E. Ellis (Aylesford P.M.)	61.14
36. E. W. Harrison (Lincoln Well)	61.16
*37. F. Grattan (Macclesfield H.)	61.23
*38. W. Berry (Horwich R.M.I.)	61.35
39. J. Kendall (Halesowen A.C.C.)	61.38
40. E. R. Grose (Halesowen A.C.C.)	61.39
41. J. T. Holden (Tipton H.)	61.40
42. J. A. Cole (Tipton H.)	61.45
43. F. Bauckham (Lincoln Well.)	61.46
44. J. N. Taylor (Lozells H.)	61.47
45. F. Froggatt (Small Heath)	61.48
46. A. Tyrer (Sutton H.)	61.49
47. D. Brickwood (Mitcham A.C.)	61.50
48. G. T. Russell (Small Heath H.)	61.51
49. J. Broughton (Blackheath H.)	61.52
50. S. H. Smith (Halesowen A.C.)	61.57

* Individual entrant

A.C. 709; 19, Sheffield U.H. 716; 20, Polytechnic H. 719; 21, Derby & C.A.C. 829; 22, Hallamshire H. 885; 23, Shaftesbury H. 954; 24, Winton H. 1023; 25, Wolverhampton H. 1065; 26, Mitcham A.C. 1101; 27, Wyecombe Phoenix H. 1338; 28, Finchley H. 1364; 29, East Cheshire H. 1438;

30, Notts A.C. 1448; 31, Ealing H. 1454; 32, Rochdale H. 1474; 33, St. Albans C.A.C. 1476; 34, Northampton & C. 1554; 35, Horsham B.S.H. 1576; 36, Thames H. and H. 1583; 37, Walton A.C. 1647; 38, Sparkhill H. 1655; 39, R. Signals (Catterick) 1795; 40, Grimsby H. 1839.

Southgate H., Wirral A.C., Clayton-Le-Moor H., B.T.H. (Rugby), Dudley H., Liverpool Pembroke, Sale H., Crowland A.C., Lozells H., Bramley & Dist. H., Salford H. and Bury A.C. failed to finish a team.

JUNIOR—6 Miles

1. G. B. Saunders (Bolton U.H.) 33.39 4/5
2. Cpl. Field (R. Signals, Catterick) 34.10
3. W. Hesketh (Manchester A.C.) 34.23
4. G. Wright (Eastleigh A.C.) ... 34.38
5. I. G. B. Hawkins (Westbury H.) 34.55
- *6. A. T. Ferguson (Highgate H.) 34.56
7. E. G. Ellis (Thames Valley H.) 35.18
8. J. C. Green (Reading A.C.) ... 35.26
9. A. K. Maughan (Milocarn. A.C.) 35.33
- *10. E. Slaughter (Morpeth H.) ... 35.38
11. A. E. Dalton (Birchfield H.)... 35.41
12. D. A. G. Pirie (South Lond. H.) 35.46
13. S. Roberts (Halesowen A.&C.C.) 35.55
14. C. J. Chataway (Walton A.C.) 35.56
15. E. A. Short (Belgrave H.) ... 35.57
16. H. Charles (Sheffield Utd. H.) 36.02
17. E. C. Whitlock (Walton A.C.) 36.08
18. Sgt. Colbert (R. Sig., Catterick) 36.21
19. P. G. Scott (South London H.) 36.25
20. L/C. Bryant R. Sig., Catterick) 36.26

* Individual entrant.

Team Placings:

1. **Sheffield United H.**—14, H. Charles; 20, J. Nichols; 21, D. Walker; 30, S. Cooke; **Pts. 85.** 88, G. Hunt; 106, J. Milnes; 168, E. Cousins.
 2. **Royal Signals (Catterick)**—2, Cpl. Field; 16, Sgt. Colbert; 18, L/Cpl. Bryant; 65, Sig. Godfrey; **Pts. 101.** 82, L/Cpl. Jackson; 103, 2nd/Lt. Tobin; 146, 2nd/Lt. Millman.
 3. **Westbury H.**—5, I. Hawkins; 25, H. Robinson; 47, S. Pow; 51, B. Smith; **Pts. 128.** 79, W. Court; 120, J. Chapple; 137, R. Davidson.
- 4, Milocarn A.C. 144; 5, South London H. 168; 6, Birchfield H. 170; 7, H.M.S. Daedalus 173; 8, Blackheath H. 214; 9, Thames Valley H. 215; 10, B.T.H. Rugby 232; 11, Reading A.C. 237; 12, Bolton U.H. 238; 13, Coventry Godiva H. 241; 14, Halesowen A.C.C. 248; 15, Sutton and Cheam H. 274; 16, Manchester A.C. 299; 17, Liverpool H. & A.A.C. 315; 18, Walton A.C. 328; 19, Dartford H. 336; 20, Derby and C.A.C. 341; 21, Aylesford P.M. 362; 22, Harehill Liberal H. 382; 23, Eastleigh A.C. 409; 24, Belgrave H. 415; 25, Small

YOUTHS—3 Miles

1. J. Price (East Cheshire H.) 17.06 2/5
2. E. Brown (Mitcham A.C.) ... 17.31
3. J. T. Musgrove (Wallsend H.) 17.44
- *4. F. Sando (Maidstone H.) 17.47
- *5. G. P. Surrudge (Kettering T.H.) 17.51
6. K. L. Norris (Thames Valley H.) 17.52
7. T. Wyer (Coventry Godiva H.) 17.53
8. H. Ogden (Radclyffe H. & A.C.) 17.55
9. E. J. Reynolds (Thames V.H.) 17.56
10. R. Hatton (Birchfield H.) 17.57



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J. PRICE (East Cheshire H.) winning the English C.C. Youths' Championship at Bromford Bridge

Heath 421; 26, Surrey A.C. 422; 27, Lincoln Wellington 482; 28, Notts Univ. 491; 29, Clayton-Le-Moor 497; 30, Wallasey A.C. 529; 31, Horsham B.S.H. 531; 32, St. Albans C. 559; 33, Hallamshire H. 563; 34, Cambridge H. 610; 35, Salford H. 618; 36, Sale H. 647; 37, Rugeley 756; 38, Grimsby H. 783; 39, Mitcham A.C. 786; 4, Sparkhill H. 837; 41, Notts A.C. 882.

Sutton H., Cheltenham and C.H., Northampton & C., Finchley H., East Cheshire H. and Lozells H. failed to finish a team.

11. A. Aldred (Lincoln Well. A.C.) 18.04
12. P. Wray (Lincoln Well. A.C.)... 18.04
13. R. N. Dailey (Liverpool H.) 18.07
14. G. V. Baker (Southgate H.) ... 18.08
15. H. Williams (Sutton H.) 18.09
16. P. Williams (Coven. Godiva H.) 18.10
- *17. H. A. Wise (Shaftesbury H.) ... 18.11
18. R. Tooby (Dartford H.) 18.12
19. P. G. Altass (South London H.) 18.13
20. J. Hyde (Reading A.C.) 18.19

* Individual entrant

Team Placings:

1. **Thames Valley H.**—4, K. Norris; 7, E. Reynolds; 18, J. Morton; 35, J. Piggins; **Pts. 64.** 38, E. Eves; 43, C. Allvey; 93, R. O'Dell; 113, J. West.
 2. **Liverpool H. & A.C.**—11, R. Dailey; 20, R. Hamilton; 30, S. Evans; 51, H. Howard; **Pts. 112.** 74, B. Donovan; 90, A. Bunner; 97, D. Stannard.
 3. **Lincoln Wellington A.C.**—9, A. Aldred; 10, P. Wray; 42, R. Williams; 55, R. Armstrong; **Pts. 116.** 64, D. Williams; 117, T. Wray; 167, M. Simpson; 210, D. Bowler.
- 4, Southgate H. 146; 5, Coventry Godiva 148; 6, Birchfield 174; 7, Derby & C. 175; 8, Sutton 199; 9, S. London 208; 10, Sheffield U. 232; 11, Mitcham 275; 12, Sale 296; 13, Grimsby 308; 14, Nuneaton 328; 15, Sutton & Cheam 345; 16, E. Cheshire 350; 17, Halesowen 360; 18, Manchester 369; 19, St. Gregory's 371; 20, Clayton-Le-Moor 383; 21, Westbury 395; 22, Cambridge 396; 23, Macclesfield 398; 24, Oldbury 409; 25, Surrey A.C. 423; 26, Dartford 499; 27, Radcliffe 505; 28, Reading 506; 29, Belgrave 520; 30, Notts 553; 31, Hallamshire 554; 32, Sparkhill 577; 33, Wycombe P.H. 578; 34, Stour-bridge 619; 35, St. Albans 630; 36, W. Bromwich 640; 37, Small Heath 649; 38, Harborne 679; 39, Birm. Atalanta 721; 40, Lozells 724; 41, Winton H. 742; 42, Walton 748; 43, Northampton 799; 44, Harehills 839.

Cheltenham and Tipton failed to finish a team.

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DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

SOUTHERN At Camberley

SENIOR—10 Miles

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| 1. H. A. Olney (Thames V. H.) 55.29 1/5 | 5. R. V. Hughes (Poly. H.) 56.06 |
| 2. H. J. Hicks (Hampstead H.) ... 55.33 | 6. A. A. Robertson (Reading A.C.) 56.21 |
| *3. R. C. Adams (City of Roch.) 55.35 | 7. S. E. W. Cox (Southgate H.)... 56.32 |
| 4. J. C. Charlesworth (Ayles. P.M.) 55.40 | 8. D. Calcott (Reading A.C.) 56.40 |
| | 9. D. J. Thompson (Shaftes. H.) 56.49 |
| | 10. J. Dellow (Poly. H.) 56.55 |



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HICKS, OLNEY and THOMPSON in the lead on the steep hill during the first lap of the Southern C.C. Championship at Camberley.

11. T. P. Curry (Thames H. & H.) 57.03
 *12. E. Downer (R.A.S.C. Blackd'n) 57.15
 13. E. S. Stimpson (Belgrave H.)... 57.17
 14. A. H. Chivers (Reading A.C.)... 57.47
 15. J. S. Ellis (Aylesford P.M.)..... 57.50
 16. S. C. Wooderson (Blackheath H.) 57.57
 17. E. Williams (Mitcham A.C.)... 57.58
 18. J. S. Fox (Brighton & C.H.)..... 57.59
 19. B. A. Bowering (S. London H.) 58.11
 20. A. L. Sowden (Highgate H.) ... 58.15
 21. D. Brickwood (Mitcham A.C.) 58.16;
 22. R. R. Choat (Blackheath H.) 58.18; 23.
 R. F. Robins (Essex Beagles) 58.20; 24.
 W. F. Spencer (Blackheath H.) 58.22; 25.
 J. H. Wood (Poly. H.) 58.25; 26. J. J.
 Andrews (Finchley H.) 58.30; 27. L. Mar-
 chant (Bel. H.) 58.31; 28. J. H. Peters
 (Essex Beagles) 58.32; 29. A. R. Miles
 (Thames Valley H.) 58.33; 30. D. A.
 Bander (Horsham B.S.H.) 58.36; 31. L.
 W. Herbert (Belgrave H.) 58.37; 32. V. S.

- Blowfield (Belgrave H.) 58.39; 33. J.
 Broughton (Blackheath H.) 58.40; 34. S.
 C. Belton (Surrey A.C.) 58.52; 35. D. C.
 Lee (Shaftesbury H.) 58.56; 36. M. Bar-
 rett (Southgate H.) 58.57; 37. J. O. Culver
 (Essex Beagles) 59.02; 38. C. Rosser
 (Aylesford P.M.) 59.07; 39. G. Lenney
 (Essex Beagles) 59.10; 40. T. Richards
 (S. London H.) 59.11; 41. C. E. Puddi-
 combe (S. London H.) 59.13; 42. R. D.
 McCalla (Southend A.C.) 59.27; 43. A. F.
 Newson (Herne Hill H.) 59.31; 44. S.
 Charlton (Belgrave H.) 59.32; 45. J. W.
 Hunt (Surrey A.C.) 59.33; 46. J. Carroll
 (Essex Beagles) 59.34; 47. S. Tugwood
 (Wycombe P.H.) 59.35; 48. C. T. Carter
 (Belgrave H.) 59.36; 49. D. Clemens (Surrey
 A.C.) 59.40; 50. H. F. Bull (Essex
 Beagles) 59.45.

*Individual

Team Placings:

1. **Belgrave H.**—11, E. Stimpson; 25, L. Marchant; 29, L. Herbert; 30, V. Blowfield; 42, S. Charlton; 46, C. Carter; **Pts. 183.** 54, R. Towndrow; 59, J. McDonald; 80, J. W. Brown; 91, M. Heard; 96, G. Durrant; 130, A. Frost.
 2. **Essex Beagles**—21, R. Robins; 26, J. Peters; 35, J. Culver; 37, G. Lenney; 44, J. Carroll; 48, H. Bull; **Pts. 211.** 49, T. Hosking; 146, C. Hall; 205, H. Herbert; 292, W. Smith.
 3. **Aylesford Paper Mills S.C.**—3, J. Charlesworth; 130, J. Ellis; 36, C. Rosser; 53, C. Friend; 57, H. Capps; 61, G. Ash; **Pts. 223.** 64, S. Acott; 70, A. Mavoy; 83, H. Ibbotson; 118, A. Hazelwood; 163, R. Hearn; 182, D. Goodwin.
Polytechnic H.—4, R. Hughes; 9, J. Dellow; 23, J. Wood; 56, J. Newling; 63, W. Coyne; 68, J. Pennington; **Pts. 223.** 99, G. James; 105, S. Jones; 124, G. Hitchcock; 160, R. Howell; 183, D. Featherstone; 241, T. Yates.

5, Reading A.C. 229; 6, Blackheath H. 230; 7, Surrey A.C. 329; 8, Thames Valley H. 352; 9, South London H. 375; 10, Southgate H. 392; 11, Mitcham A.C. 529; 12, Woodford Green A.C. 614; 13, Shaftesbury H. 650; 14, Herne Hill H. 688; 15, Horsham Blue Star H. 769; 16, Orion H. 852; 17, Wycombe Phoenix H. 938; 18, Bexhill A.A.C. 954; 19, St. Albans City A.C. 972; 20, Cambridge H. 1000; 21,

Portsmouth A.C. 1024; 22, Queens Park H. 1037; 23, Highgate H. 1040; 24, Ealing H. 1052; 25, Brighton & C.H. 1114; 26, Exeter H. 1119; 27, Walton A.C. 1128; 28, Estleigh A.C. 11 T h T)T.f.m Sea A.C. 1155; 30, Finchley H. 1193; 31, Ilford A.C. 1226; 32, Thames H. & H. 1250; 33, Hampstead H. 1253; 34, Taunton A.C. 1454; 35, Ranelagh H. 1513; Maidstone H. 1680. Milocarian A.C. failed to close in.

Belgrave Harriers won the "Oddling-Smee" Cup with twelve men in 130.

Blackheath Harriers won the "Camden Cup" with twelve in 138.

Thames Valley H. won the "Fowler" Cup with twelve in 230.

Woodford Green A.C. won the "Essex Jubilee" Cup with twelve in 308.

JUNIOR—5 Miles

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| 1. A. T. Ferguson (Highgate H.)... 30.09 | 10. A. K. Maughan (Miloen. A.C.) 31.50 |
| 2. G. T. Wright (Eastleigh A.C.)... 30.14 | 11. D. Hosking (Essex Beagles) ... 31.51 |
| 3. J. C. Green (Reading A.C.) 30.35 | 12. N. Peters (Portsmouth R.N.A.C.) 31.53 |
| 4. E. A. Short (Belgrave H.) 31.12 | 13. S. A. Bollen (Portsmouth A.C.) 31.55 |
| 5. M. Whelman (Dartford H.) ... 31.30 | 14. D. Weekes (R.A.F. Halton) 32.00 |
| 6. G. S. Ward (Poly. H.) 31.39 | 15. W. L. Hobbs (Thames Val. H.) 32.01 |
| 7. P. J. Pirie (S. London H.) 31.45 | 16. R. Houghton (Eastleigh A.C.) 32.04 |
| 8. P. G. Scott (S. London H.) 31.45 | 17. D. A. G. Pirie (S. London H.) 32.06 |
| 9. M. J. Blyth (St. Albans C.A.C.) 31.46 | 18. R. H. Dunkley (Poly. H.) 32.07 |
| | 19. A. A. Fielder (R.M.A. Sandh'st) 32.11 |
| | 20. J. C. Barrington-Ward (Milo.A.) 32.12 |

Team Placings:

1. **South London H.**—7, P. Pirie; 8, P. Scott; 17, D. Pirie; 21, I. Sidwell; **Pts. 53.** 34, S. Hughes; 54, D. Clark; 62, J. Sadler; 201, J. Humphreys.
 2. **Polytechnic H.**—6, G. Ward; 18, R. Dunkley; 30, E. Moss; 31, M. Day; **Pts. 85.** 53, L. Hill; 57, G. Poyser; 130, T. Raine; 131, A. Wilding.
 3. **R.M.A. Sandhurst**—19, A. Fielder; 28, M. McCord; 32, J. Dyer; 35, D. Martin; **Pts. 114.** 51, J. Glover; 52, J. Nicholson; 61 F. Dwight; 68, J. Spittle.

4, Milocarian A.C. 122; 5, Dartford H. 123; 6, Blackheath H. 155; 7, Reading A.C. 160; and Portsmouth A.C. 160; 9, Eastleigh A.C. 184; 10, Thames Valley H. 185; 11, R.A.F. Halton A.C. 186; 12, Horscham Blue Star H. 201; 13, Aylesford Paper Mills S.C. 229; 14, Essex Beagles 234; 15, St. Albans City A.C. 276; 16, Surrey A.C. 317; 17, Highgate H. 326; 18, Belgrave H. 341; 19, Southgate H. 382;

YOUTHS—3 Miles

1. E. G. Ellis (Thames Valley H.) 18.05
 2. E. C. Whitlock (Walton A.C.) 18.22
 3. F. Sando (Maidstone H.)..... 18.31
 4. A. M. Fisher (Portsmouth A.C.) 18.37
 5. B. Maltravers (Sutton & C.H.) 18.39
 6. K. L. Norris (Thames Val. H.) 18.47
 *7. P. D. Webb (Bexhill A.A.C.)... 18.56
 8. B. P. James (Bournemouth A.C.) 18.58
 9. A. E. Hine (Herne Hill H.) ... 19.02
 10. G. V. Baker (Southgate H.) ... 19.04

Team Placings:

1. **Thames Valley H.**—1, E. Ellis; 6, K. Norris; 11, J. Piggins; 15, E. Reynolds; **Pts. 33.** 17, C. Allvey; 28, J. Morton; 30, J. West; 49, E. Eves.
 2. **South London H.**—14, J. Lyne; 19, N. W. Thomas; 24, J. Cundy; 25, P. Altass; **Pts. 82.** 58, J. Parkinson; 61, J. Blake; 92, P. Smith; 116, B. Cawley.
 3. **Southgate H.**—9, G. Baker; 10, G. Mitchell; 13, D. Rand; 68, J. Rose; **Pts. 100.** 120, P. Mansell; 175, P. Greig; 176, E. Hawkins.

4, Southgate H. 100; 5, Bournemouth A.C. 168; 6, Blackheath H. 179; 7, Mitcham A.C. 198; 8, Herne Hill H. 219; 9, Eton Manor A.C. 237; 10, Reading A.C. 243; 11, Dorchester Grammar School 253; 12, Portsmouth A.C. 259; 13, Highgate H. 281; 14, Walton A.C. 294; 15, Cambridge H. 300; 16, Surrey A.C. 305; 17, Belgrave H. 322; 18, Aylesford Paper Mills S.C. 347; 19, R.A.F. Halton 366; 20, Dartford H. 369; 21, Wycombe Phoenix H. 399; 22,

20, Portsmouth A.C. 384; 21, Herne Hill H. 386; 22, Shaftesbury H. 391; 23, Southampton A.C. 414; 24, Cambridge H. 435; 25, Fairbairn & Mansfield A.C. 475; 26, Finchley H. 495; 27, Woodford Green A.C. 507; 28, Old Woking A.C. 523; 29, Maidstone H. 600; 30, Eton Manor A.C. 633; Queen Elizabeth's School 689; 32, Epsom & Ewell H. 716. Basingstoke A.C. failed to close in.

11. G. S. Mitchell (Southgate H.) 19.07
 12. J. D. Piggins (Thames Val. H.) 19.09
 13. P. Barber (Darnley A.C.) 19.14
 14. D. G. Rand (Southgate H.) ... 19.15
 *15. H. A. Wise (Shaftesbury H.) 19.18
 16. J. Lyne (S. London H.)..... 19.19
 17. E. J. Reynolds (Thames V.H.) 19.20
 *18. G. Gardner (Southamp'n A.C.) 19.21
 19. E. Brown (Mitcham A.C.) 19.27
 20. C. H. Allvey (Thames Val. H.) 19.29

* Individual

Darnley A.C. 405; 23, Woodford Green A.C. 412; 24, Queen Elizabeth's School 429; 25, Epsom & Ewell H. 460; 26, Hampstead H. 469; 27, Ilford A.C. 472; 28, Victoria Park H. 478; 29, Essex Beagles 497; 30, Maidstone H. 498; 31, Southend-on-Sea A.C. 528 and Polytechnic H. 528; 33, Hythe Sports & A.C. 549; 34, Old Woking A.C. 583; 35, St. Albans City A.C. 607; 36, Ranelagh H. 628; 37, Lough-ton A.C. 642; 38, Ealing H. 698.

NORTHERN

SENIOR

1. F. E. Aaron (Leeds St. M.H.) 49.44
 2. R. Williams (Winton H.) 50.48
 3. G. E. Coggin (Hull H.) 50.49
 4. A. Christian (M.A.C.) 50.50
 5. M. Maleedy (Sutton H.) 50.51
 6. L. Eyre (Harehills H.) 51.46
 7. F. McMinnis (Sutton H.) ... 51.53
 8. J. Harrison (Sutton H.) 51.57
 9. T. Fillingham (Sutton H.) 51.59
 10. R. Taylor (Hallamshire H.) ... 52.01
 11. W. McMinnis (Sutton H.) ... 52.05
 12. A. E. Tyrer (Sutton H.) 52.08

Teams:

1. **Sutton H.**—5, M. Maleedy; 7, F. McMinnis; 8, J. Harrison; 9, T. Fillingham; 11, W. McMinnis 12, A. E. Tyrer; **52 pts.** 54, L. Lamb; 112, E. Henderson.
 2. **Harehills H. & A.C.**—6, L. Eyres; 13, A. Lawton; 16, H. Boddill; 21, A. Dolphin; 38, A. Rogers 56, A. Punt; **150 pts.** 75, A. Cockcroft.
 3. **Hallamshire H.**—10, R. Taylor; 17, J. F. Ellis; 27, W. Pallett; 32, J. Noble; 47, W. Cooling; 67, W. Corbishley; **200 pts.** 83, M. Bromley; 109, W. Farrell; 111, J. Wheatcroft; 143, C. H. Moroun.
 4. **Manchester A.C.**, 216; 5, **Wirral A.C.**, 263; 6, **Sheffield United H.**, 279; 7, **Salford H.**, 302; 8, **East Cheshire H. and A.C.**, 321; 9, **Hull H. and A.C.**, 327; 10, **Gosforth H. and**

At York

13. A. Lawton (Harehills H.) ... 52.13
 14. J. F. Green (Wirral A.C.) ... 52.33
 *15. F. Gratten (Macclesfield H.) 52.47
 16. B. Nolan (Airedale H.) 52.54
 17. H. Boddill (Harehills H.) 52.58
 18. J. F. Ellis (Hallamshire H.)... 53.03
 19. M. Jackson (Rotherham H.) ... 53.04
 20. M. Wareing (Man. & D.L.C.)... 53.10
 21. L. Whittle (Salford H.) 53.11
 22. A. Dolphin (Harehills H.) ... 53.14
 *23. W. Berry (Horwich R.M.I. H.) 53.15
 *24. A. Chorlton (Doncaster P.W.) 53.17
 25. E. H. Gaunt (East Cheshire H.) 53.21
 * Individual

A.C., 331; 11, Manchester and District L.C., 495; 12, Liverpool Pembroke H., 501; 13, Leeds St. Mark's H., 573; 14, Rochdale H. and A.C., 576; 15, Royton H. and A.C., 581; 16, Bingley, H. 827. Airedale H., Clayton-Le-Moors H., Middlesbrough and Cleveland H., Rotherham H. and A.C., Sale H., Saltwell H., Winton H., York H. and A.C., failed to close in.

JUNIOR

1. G. B. Saunders (Bolton Utd. H.)	33.07
2. Cpl. Field (R. Signals, Catterick)	34.11
3. W. Hesketh (M.A.C.)	34.21
*4. E. Slaughter (Morpeth H.)	34.54
5. M. O'Donoghue (Liverpool H.)	35.01
*6. A. Chorlton (Doncaster P.W.)	35.05
7. D. Walker (Sheffield United H.)	35.12
8. H. Charles (Sheffield Utd. H.)	35.13
9. J. E. Nichols (Sheffield Utd. H.)	35.15
10. J. G. Smith (Saltwell H.)	35.26
*11. R. Peake (Manchester & L.C.H.)	35.27
12. L/C. Bryant (R. Sig., Catterick)	35.30
13. B. Bottomley (Harehills H.)	35.33
14. Sgt. Colbert (R. Sig., Catterick)	35.35
*15. A. J. Rowell (Leeds A.C.)	35.46
*16. J. Twyford (Bramley & C.H.)	35.35
*17. R. Maleedy (Sutton H.)	36.08
18. J. A. Russell (M.A.C.)	36.11
19. P. Hollywood (Saltwell, H.)	36.12
*20. J. Bradbury (East Cheshire H.)	36.13

Teams:	Pts.
1. Sheffield United H. (5.6.7.14.15.17)	64
2. Royal Signals (2.9.11.16.21.24)	83
3. Manchester A.C. (3.12.20.30.35.39)	139
4. Liverpool H. and A.C., 210; 5, Bolton United H., 215; 6, Gosforth H., 258; 7, Saltwell H., 259; 8, Wallasey A.C., 273; 9, Darlington H., 286; 10, Harehills H. and A.C., 293. Wakefield H. and A.C. failed to close in.	

YOUTHS

1. J. Price (East Cheshire H.)	16.29
*2. R. Meadows (Pilkington Rees.)	16.54
3. J. T. Musgrove (Wallsend H.)	17. 0
4. V. Machin (Nth. Manchester H.)	17. 9
5. B. Harbottle (Elswick H.)	17.10
6. J. E. Jessop (Sheffield United H.)	17.11
7. C. Horton (Winton H.)	17.12
8. Boy Martin (R.Sigs., Catterick)	17.15
9. V. R. Black (Liverpool H.)	17.21
10. J. R. Rees (Winton H.)	17.23

Teams:	Pts.
1. Sheffield United H. (5.13.17.23)	58
2. Liverpool H. and A.C. (8.11.14.29)	62
3. Winton H. (6.9.25.55)	95
4. Sutton H., 123; 5, Elswick H., 130; 6, Gosforth H. and A.C., 149; 7, Royal Signals, 150; 8, Manchester A.C., 159; 9, East Cheshire H., 190; 10, Wallsend H., 191; 11, Saltwell H., 193, and Sefton H., 193; 13, Sale H., 195; 14, Airedale H., 220; 15, Harehills H. and A.C., 241; 16, Bingley H., 245; 17, North Manchester H., 268; 18, Radcliffe H. and A.C., 355; 22, Longwood H. and A.C., 302; 20, Leeds A.C., 316; 21, Royton H. and A.C., 374; 22, Longwood H. and A.C., 374; 23, Benwell H. and A.C., 380; 24, Hallamshire H., 423.	

MIDLAND

Great Barr, Birmingham, February 26th

1. J. A. R. Carrick (Small Heath)	53.49
2. J. Corfield (Tipton H.)	53.49
3. R. Reid (Birchfield H.)	53.55
4. B. Twamley (Tipton H.)	54.12
5. J. T. Holden (Tipton H.)	54.23
*E. C. Nicholls (Brömsgrove)	54.33
6. A. Shorrocks (Halesowen)	54.37
7. M. White (Birchfield H.)	54.48
8. J. H. Piggs (Derby & County)	54.55
9. J. W. Winfield (Derby & Cty.)	54.58
10. A. E. Dalton (Birchfield H.)	55.07
11. T. Coss (Godiva H.)	55.12
12. B. Parsons (Halesowen)	55.31
13. J. Kendall (Halesowen)	55.36
14. S. Roberts (Halesowen)	55.37
15. E. R. Grose (Halesowen)	55.38
16. F. Froggatt (Small Heath)	55.39
17. T. Russell (Small Heath)	55.47
18. A. J. Cole (Tipton H.)	55.48
19. C. Kembal (Wolverhampton)	55.50
20. F. J. Tonks (Tipton H.)	55.56

Teams:	Pts.
1. Tipton H. (2.4.5.18.20.22)	71
2. Halesowen (6.12.13.14.15.24)	84
3. Birchfield (3.7.10.21.28.30)	99
4. Godiva H. (11.27.33.35.36.37)	169
5. Small Heath (1.16.17.25.52.59)	170
6. Derby & Cty. (8.9.34.42.46.47)	186
7. Wolverhampton (19.26.31.44.54.68)	242
8. Smethwick (23.41.48.55.72.85)	330
9. Sparkhill (40.71.76.77.83.89)	436
10. Notts A.C. (45.78.80.81.87.92)	463

Lozells H. failed to close in.

EASTERN At Mildenhall

SENIOR

1. E. W. Harrison (Lincoln Well.)	57.08
2. C. Thurlby (Lincoln Wellington)	57.43
3. F. Bauckham (Lincoln Welling.)	57.55
4. W. Close (Lincoln Wellington)	57.58
5. J. B. Grayson (Camb. U. S.)	58.03
6. J. Barnsdale (Lincoln Welling.)	58.34

Teams:	Pts.
1. Lincoln Wellington A.C.	26
2. Ipswich H.	103
3. Cambridge U. Spartans	112

Junior:

1. M. Doherty (Lincoln Wellington)	39.54
Team:	Pts.
1. Cambridge U. Spartans	33

Youths:

1. A. Aldred (Lincoln Wellington)	20.31
Team:	Pts.
1. H.M.S. Ganges	21

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their strength to defend the titles which have been theirs for the last two years, and, in the case of the 20 miles, for many, many more years than any other Club can claim.

Metropolitan W.C. set the distance ball rolling with their "Regent's Park 15" on April 2nd, and much-mentioned Sheffield United promote an inaugural 15 miles Open in their native city a week later. One more week, April 16th, and Portsmouth A.C. have their now-regular fixture in the calendar, Chichester to Portsmouth 16½ miles Open. The following week, Surrey W.C.'s ancient and historic promotion, Croydon to Godstone and back, 18½ miles, is due to be decided, and the month will be rounded off "quietly" for some with the Stock Exchange London to Brighton Walk on April 30th. On this same date the old-established "Mercury" Walk, 20 Miles, will be held at Leicester, where things are always so well done from the organisation angle. Results sheets were available during tea on the occasion of the "Senior" 10!

Apart from all these things, some Clubs will be deciding Club Championships over distance. There is little doubt that the oldest of these is the Surrey W.C. Championship in conjunction with the Open Godstone event. Since the trophy for this was presented in the year in which I was born, I am very glad to think that, once upon a time, I won it! 1904 doesn't seem so long ago, looked at like that.

Walking "On Air."

Host Howard Marshall of Radio Sports Club, entertained Harold Whitlock, Jack Crump and myself, in two recent programmes concerned with Walking. In this connection, tribute must be paid to the extraordinary interest shown by BBC engineers and others in devising mechanical means of detecting a walker's "lift."

The matter is being further investigated and although at present there seems to be "equipment" difficulties that can readily be associated with Harold Abrahams' original suggestion of a red light on the competitor's back, it might well be that something can be evolved which would serve as an excellent test to determine the efficiency of Judges, if not actually the fairness of competitors. That, I feel, may still have to be left to such as myself—although, as an old competitor, even though I escaped disqualification I am strongly in sympathy with the suggestion that competitors should be present to watch the results if Judges are ever tested against the mechanism!

Services' Championships.

The Police national Walking Championship is being held too late in the month for the result to be included in this issue, but the result of the R.A.F. Championship is given below.

In winning the individual title, London

Vidarian Sharp demonstrated that he is losing nothing in speed or tactics during his spell of service; he walked an exceedingly well-judged race, coming through to take the lead at the right moment, and thereafter to keep it.

An interesting entry was that of Wing Commander Hornsby-Smith, Banks, Stock Exchange and Insurance walker of the early 1920's, who once trained a team of South Wales Borderers to compete in the London to Brighton Walk, and also led them to 3rd team position in the Hastings to Brighton Walk. Now in the R.A.F., he stimulated his station team, Bridgnorth, to fill 2nd position to Halton. How well they responded to the encouragement and experience of an old hand, who still retains his fine distance style even though the years have necessarily taken the edge off his speed.

Results:

March 5th, County Championships:

Essex, T. W. Richardson, Woodford Green A.C., 84 mins. 14 secs.; Team, Woodford Green, 19 pts. Middlesex, C. J. Morris, Polytechnic Hs., 79.58; Team, Polytechnic 22 pts. Kent, F. W. Barrett, Cambridge Hs., 79.32; Team, Cambridge Hs., 10 pts. Staffordshire, G. Hall, Royal Sutton Coldfield, 93.18. (This race was walked in arctic conditions). Surrey, H. G. Churcher, Belgrave Hs., 88.50; Team, Belgrave Hs. 13 pts. (Course over the distance). Sussex, W. Heather, East Sussex Police, 80.29. Team, Sussex W. and A.C., 14 pts.

March 9th, R.A.F. 7 Miles Championship.

1, A. C. Sharp, 60 mins. 55 secs.; 2, A. C. Howard, 61.14; 3, A/A Towers and A/A Forster, 61.27. Teams, 1, Halton "A," 14 pts.; 2, Bridgnorth, 33 pts.; 3, Halton "B" 70 pts.

March 19th, R.W.A. 10 Miles "Senior" Championship.

1, L. Allen, Sheffield Utd. Hs., 75 mins. 09 secs.; 2, C. J. Morris, Surrey A.C., 76.58; 3, J. Proctor, Sheffield Utd., 77.07; 4, R. G. Dick, Highgate Hs. 77.59; 5, W. J. Wilson, Highgate, 78.01; 6, C. E. Churcher, Belgrave Hs., 79.14.

Teams: 1, Sheffield Utd. Hs. (Allen 1, Proctor 3, Furniss 13, E. Clay 17) 34 pts.; 2, Highgate Hs. (Dick 4, Wilson 5, Tunbridge 14, Coleman 18) 41 pts.; 3, Belgrave Hs. (C. E. Churcher 6, Readman 7, McMullen 10, Rutland 19) 42 pts. 4, Cambridge Hs., 63; 5, Surrey A.C., 84; 6, Woodford Green A.C., 111.

Inter - Counties Championship — 1, Middlesex, 22 pts.; 2, Yorkshire, 31 pts.; 3, Kent, 46. Surrey, joint holders with Middlesex, had two other competitors disqualified in addition to H. G. Churcher, and finished 4th with 60 pts.

The Fixture List, Australian Notes, Letters to the Editor and some results have had to be omitted or held over. These features will be resumed next month.

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