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Women's Results

July 26th

SURREY WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS At Wimbledon

100: 1, J. Scrivons (Selsonia LAC); 2, C. O'Gorman (Mitcham AC); 3, A. K. Sissons (Epsom and E); 11.3.

220: 1, A. K. Sissons (Epsom); 2, D. Saunders (Mitcham); 3, D. M. Jones (Walton AC); 26.1.

440: 1, V. Ball (Spartan LAC); 2, P. Germain (Selsonia); 3, H. Hennessey (Cane Hill SC); 59.3.

80m.H: 1, C. O'Gorman (Mitcham); 2, M. H. Chapman (Guildford); 3, S. Burton (Mitcham); 12.2.

HJ: 1, R. Massey (Farnham AC) 5'1"; 2, J. Hayward (Mitcham) 5'0"; 3, A. G. Watson (Leatherhead CSS) 4'8".

LJ: 1, J. M. Scrivons (Selsonia) 16'6½"; 2, M. Hurdcombe (Woking AC) 16'4"; 3, J. Day (Mitcham) 15'11".

Wt: 1, G. Buddle (Mitcham) 35'9"; 2, J. Brocklehurst (Selsonia) 34'10"; 3, M. Hayden (Walton AC) 31'10".

Dis: 1, J. Brocklehurst (Selsonia) 113' 5½"; 2, G. Buddle (Mitcham) 111'6½"; 3, E. Lawson (Selsonia) 97'6½".

Jav: 1, P. Reavey (Selsonia) 109' 3"; 2, M. Haydon (Walton) 96'9"; 3, J. Evans (Mitcham) 88'10½".

JUNIORS

100: A. Sparrow (Mitcham) 11.7; **70 Hds:** G. Mitchell (Cheam GS) 11.0; **HJ:** M. Farley (Woking AC) 4'10"; **LJ:** A. Clark (Walton) 15'0½"; **440 Relay:** Mitcham A.C. 53.0.

August 2nd

KENT WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS At Maidstone

100: 1, S. Hampton (Orpington); 2, J. Barnett (Orpington); 3, J. E. Bond (Camb. H.); 11.7.

220: 1, S. Hampton (Orpington); 2, A. Johnson (Camb.H.); 3, E. Wittey (Kent AC); 26.2.

440: 1, M. Beckford (Camb.H.); 2, B. Kane (Phoenix); 3, D. M. Bishop (Camb. H.); 64.6.

880: 1, H. Needham (Camb.H.); 2, M. Beckford (Ilford); 3, D. Bishop (Camb. H.); 2:26.4.

Mile: 1, H. Needham (Camb.H.); 2, A. Farbus (Phoenix); 3, E. Hayday (Camb. H.); 5:38.0.

Mile Walk: 1, I. McCormack (Camb. H.); 2, K. Bearsby (Camb.H.); 3, A. Green (Phoenix); 8:56.6.

80m.H: 1, S. Sewell (Orpington); 2, B. Moon (Rainham); 3, I. Davies (Maidstone); 12.4.

HJ: 1, B. Cox (Kent AC) 4'8"; 2, I. Davies (Maidstone) 4'8"; 3, C. Turner (Orpington) 4'4".

LJ: 1, S. Sewell (Orpington) 17'10½" rec.; 2, A. Johnson (Camb. H) 17'9½"; 3, M. Humphreys (Aylesford PM) 14'11½".

Wt: 1, P. Buck (City Rochester AC) 30'7½"; 2, S. Needham (Camb.H) 30'3"; 3, A. Dodkins (Phoenix) 26'10".

Dis: 1, S. Needham (Camb.H) 115'6½" (rec); 2, P. Buck (City Rochester A.C.) 103'1"; 3, B. Whiffen (Phoenix) 100'8½".

Jav: 1, P. Buck (City Rochester AC) 94'1¼" (rec.).

Juniors

80: P. Head (Orpington) 10.4; **150:** J. Underwood (Dover) 19.0; **70H:** P. Dawes (Camb.H) 11.5; **HJ:** J. Underwood (Dover) 4'4"; **LJ:** M. French (Dover) 15' 5"; **440 Relay:** Camb. H. 55.0.

MIDDLESEX WOMEN WIN

SOUTHERN INTER-COUNTIES

Middlesex retained the Stone Trophy at Ilford last Saturday, when winning the Southern Inter-Counties Championship for the third successive year.

Outstanding individual performance was that of Jean Desforges, who was .1 faster than the British record in winning the 100 yards—though the time is not likely to be ratified owing to a following wind—and only .1 outside the British record for the 80m. hurdles when the wind had died down.

After winning the discus event with 122'8", Suzanne Farmer threw over 150' 0" with a practice throw, a good deal further than her record which is awaiting ratification.

100: 1, J. Desforges (Ex); 2, J. Scrivens (Sy); 3, D. Hatton (Mx); 3y., yd., 10.9.
220: 1, S. Cheeseman (Mx); 2, A. Johnson (Kt); 3, S. Hampton (Kt); 4y., yd., 25.2.

440: 1, N. Smalley (H); 2, P. Germaine (Sy); 3, G. Batt (Ex); 4y., 2y., 60.8.

880: 1, V. Ball (Sy); 2, J. Dryden (Ex); 3, M. Critchley (Ex); 20y., 3y., 2:20.6.

Mile: 1, E. Harding (Mx) 2, H. Needham (Kt); 3, M. Westney (Ex); 20y., 80y., 5:25.0.

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AUGUST 23rd, 1952.

APPARENTLY I was in better company than I thought over the question of the photo finish. Several people who should know what they are talking about tell me that they are quite sure that the photograph which has been generally exhibited is not a properly taken photograph of the finish.

I was even chided for "climbing down" over the whole question. This, of course, is not quite correct, for all that I retracted was to go so far as to agree that the photograph must be one taken at one point only—at the finish. But, as several have pointed out, there are a number of things which can contribute to the actual photograph not being a correctly taken one in the direct line of the finish at the exact moment the winner reaches the line.

That something was wrong about it is proved by the fact that the leading runners are well past the winning line, with the tape "belled out" but not broken. I understand the matter is not done with yet by any means. So for the moment perhaps it would be better to leave things as they are.

Apology.

I understand that some of the sports reporters who covered the Olympic Games are annoyed by my rather facetious reference to an observer's remark about the "bar."

There was, of course, no intention on my part to cast any reflection on the Games reporters generally, nor to suggest—as one particular pressman put it—that reporters should not visit the bar. Neither was there any intention to refer to those critics specifically mentioned in the previous week's editorial. Should they have misinterpreted my comment, let me hasten to apologise and assure them that such was not the case.

THE EDITOR.

Athletics in Wales

By A.E.W.

SOME promising youngsters have recently come to the fore in Wales, a number showing up well in their supreme test in the British Junior Championships. If we can even produce one good'un in each season, we have cause for congratulation.

The Welsh Boys' and Youths' Championships at Mountain Ash proved a good meeting, the Junior at Cardiff was up to standard, while at Bangor, the Welsh Secondary Schools' Championships saw a new high. At Port Talbot a new venture, the Welsh County Youth Championships gave some splendid performances.

While on holiday in Breconshire, Kent A.C. had two matches, the first against the Welsh Regt., which they won, and the second against Port Talbot Y.M.C.A., which they lost.

The Hendy Shield at Pontardawe was won by Neath A.A.C., with 58 pts., Port Talbot Y.M.C.A.H. being runners-up with 52, with Mond A.C., Swansea A.C., Carmarthen H., Swansea Valley A.C. and Hendy A.C. well down the field. This popular match between the clubs of West Wales was held in a place where I hope athletics will take a hold.

Kent A.C. beat South Wales Borderers and Welsh Regt. by 50 pts. to 37, at Brecon, S. Wales. **100:** L/cpl. Edwards (SWB) 10.9; **220:** P. Yates (KAC) 24.0; **440:** J. Oliver (KAC) 55.1; **880:** J. Turner (KAC) 2min. 10; **1 Mile Team:** Kent A.C. 7 pts. **Ind.:** R. Hale and B. Lines (KAC) 4min. 53; **LJ:** Pte. Wilkinson (SWB) 18ft. 1in.; **Discus:** L/cpl. Thomas (SWB) 101ft. 8in.; **Shot:** Cpl. Jones (SWB) 38ft. 2in.; **100 Invitation:** 1, J. Edwards (SWB); 2, Babbs (KAC); 3,

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Readers' Letters

THE OLYMPICS

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Dear Sir,

With regard to your creditable "attack" on these so-called "Athletics Reporters," I would like to make one further point.

In the two recent big meetings at the White City, S. O. Williams, of Nigeria, has downed the Olympic winner (twice) and runner-up, not to mention another top-line U.S. long-jumper, with jumps well over 24 feet.

Whilst I respect the amount of space allocated to reporters on big meets, I think it pathetic that in only one or two papers did I see a line to the effect that Williams' jumping would have earned him a bronze medal in Helsinki.

Do these "reporters" appreciate that any jump over 24 feet on the White City pit is worth over 25 feet elsewhere, and Williams' form is world-beating?

The sooner national newspapers employ more knowledgeable scribes the better for all concerned.

I see the "Daily Express" (11.8.52) does not even trouble to report the British Games.

Perhaps our athletes put up such a poor show that the D.E. didn't think it necessary, even though two world records were broken, not to mention Gracie's effort!

At least two national newspapers are under the impression that Miller, of the U.S., holds the Olympic Javelin title!

Yours faithfully,

L. Crouch

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Dear Sir,

Though Mr. Coleman (July 26th issue) may be correct in his remarks about some aspect of Fleet Street "sensationalism" over the Olympic Games reports, I personally consider the more interest taken in athletics by the press the better.

Most of the criticism of athletics in general is true anyway, and the time is now ripe to introduce the old story of Government support for athletics.

If the idea of sending our athletes to compete against the world's best is not to win if they can, but only to take part, as some nit-wits suggest, then I fail to see why the ordinary public should sub-

scribe to a fund for the purpose of sending our sportsmen halfway across the world in 1956 just for a "fast training run."

Every other nation sends their athletes to win.

We seem to be the only "odd man out."

Our officials are not incompetent, and are considered the best in the world, but they do suffer from that old complaint of "laissez faire." What was good enough for father is **not** good enough for us. We need far more virile coaching and training, but we need better training facilities even more, and I consider the A.A.A. should demand more financial support from the Government for athletics.

It's certainly true that, generally speaking, our athletes did better than ever before, but it wasn't good enough, and must certainly improve to give us any semblance of chance at Melbourne. This village has no trade or proper training facilities, and the nearest are about 20 miles away, and there are hundreds more like it. Every town and village should have a sports stadium of some kind or other, and if "sensationalism" by ordinary reporters can help us to get them, I'm all for it.

Athletics has been the "Cinderella" too long, and it's about time the Government spent more money on getting our youngsters fit, and less on getting them fit for military purposes only.

Yours sincerely,

H. Anderton

(Formerly of Vegetarian C. and A.C.)
Herne Hill Harriers, etc.

No-one has ever suggested, to my knowledge, that our athletes do not go to the Games to win if they can. This suggestion by the writer is a complete distortion of the spirit behind the Games. The vast majority of nations send their men knowing they have no chance whatever of winning, certainly much less than ours. But everyone **tries** to win. Only a nit-wit would suggest otherwise.—Ed.

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Dear Sir,

I could not agree more with your editorial in the second special Olympic number of "Athletics Weekly." I only

wish that more of such articles could be brought to the notice of the public who are swayed by those athletic ignoramuses called sports reporters.

These writers who predicted gold medals for our athletes as if they were picking the winners of a race meeting, were let down with a bump when their forecasts came to nought. It was our sports reporters, not our athletes, who were the failure of the games. They showed a woeful lack of athletic knowledge throughout, and to cover up their inadequacies they have since started a "hate campaign" against A.A.A. officials and, in some cases, the athletes themselves.

Except for a few facts gleaned from abroad they obviously knew nothing of the competition to be encountered from other countries besides the U.S.A.

Cannot something be done before the next Olympics to ensure that we have sensible, level-headed, athletically educated reporters at the '56 Games and not soccer-cum-boxing fans, as were most of those at Helsinki.

Yours faithfully,

M. H. Litchfield.

A TRIBUTE

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Dear Sir,

Of all the great athletes who have come to the fore since the war and have maintained their position throughout the post-war years, I believe the one most neglected by publicity is Alain Mimoun, of France. He is almost undoubtedly the most deserving athlete never to gain premier honours at a major championship. Few people realise that this dusky Algerian, whose shuffling style is almost as peculiar as that of Zatopek himself, has been runner-up on every single occasion on which the great Zatopek has won either an Olympic or European crown:

1948 Olympic 10,000 metres—

1st Zatopek 29m.59.6
2nd Mimoun 30m.47.4

1950 European 5,000 metres—

1st Zatopek 14m.3.0
2nd Mimoun 14m.26.0

1950 European 10,000 metres—

1st Zatopek 29m.12.0
2nd Mimoun 30m.21.0

1952 Olympic 10,000 metres—

1st Zatopek 29m.17.0
2nd Mimoun 29m.32.8

1952 Olympic 5,000 metres—

1st Zatopek 14m.6.6
2nd Mimoun 14m.7.4

An amazing record, I think most will agree.

Yours sincerely,

D.F.

Agreed. But for Zatopek, Mimoun would be the world's greatest distance runner—Ed.

Schools' view of Helsinki

THE Schools Athletic Association is not dismayed, neither is it disheartened by the outcome at Helsinki. It has always endeavoured to take a sane view of the athletic performances of its youngsters and is satisfied that they accomplished all that they did in the true spirit of the Olympic oath. In some cases they enhanced their early promise by a best performance, while in others they did not reach that promise, but on all occasions they faced, in youth and relative experience, an ordeal which called for tremendous courage and dauntless character, with commendable success.

Thanks, mainly, to "Athletics Weekly," factual evidence of the opposition from other countries had long been available to all who cared to read athletic performances seriously, and we feel sure that this important aspect of world efforts will be further emphasised during the next four years.

Time is on our side and there is good material on which to build and more to come. When that elusive piece of gold does come the way of this country under the handicap—shall we say, the threefold handicap—of our own insularity, our original and now almost unique conception of "amateurism," and the lack of essential proteins and sugar which we are obliged to undergo, the success will be all the more meritorious.

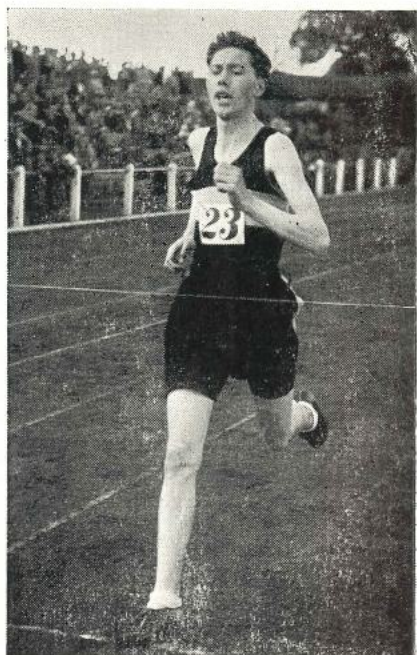
Boys and girls who now aspire to Olympic greatness will have a true conception of the task ahead and the hard work entailed over a period of years. The standard in 1956 will be still higher. The really great athlete is born, not made, and the search in the schools happily may find one. The S.A.A. will continue to do its share.

E.C.

KEN NORRIS

(THAMES VALLEY H.)

answers the
A.W. Questionnaire



Name (Surname first):	Norris, Kenneth Leonard
Club:	Thames Valley Harriers.
Occupation:	Student.
Educated at:	Wembley County School and Acton Technical College.
Age:	21.
Height:	5ft. 10in.
Weight:	8st. 14lbs.
Pulse rate (Sitting):	50.
First started athletics (year and events):	1948—Cross Country Running. 1949—One Mile.
Favourite events now:	7½ Miles Cross Country. 3 Miles Track.
Brief details of athletic successes:	6th National Youths C.C. 1949; 11th National Junior C.C. 1951; 5th National Junior C.C. 1952; Middlesex Junior C.C. Champion 1951-2; Thames Valley H. 3 Miles Track; 5 and 7½ Miles C.C. Champion; London University 5 Miles Champion 1952; N. of Thames Junior C.C. Champion 1952.
Best Performances:	One Mile—4m.23.0s. Two Miles—9m.17.2s. Three Miles—14m.10.4s.

Performance which gave most personal satisfaction and why?	I have run one 6 miles (Southern) in 31m.00.6s., but this was not a serious race and was only regarded as stamina training at the time.
Have you any particular objective or ambition in athletics?	Southern 3 Mile Championship. From being a mediocre 14.30 runner without a chance in the race, I not only won but found myself in Championship class.
What part do you consider coaching has played in your success?	To gain an International Vest for both Cross-country and Track Running.
How long did it take you to reach championship standard?	A little less than 10 per cent.
How many days a week do you train?	Junior—3 months, Senior—14 months.
When do you train?	5 (including races).
How long do you spend on each training session?	4-6 p.m. or 7.30-9 p.m.
What does your training consist of?	30 to 90 minutes.
Are there any particular features or reforms you would like to see in athletics?	Jogs of 3-4 miles with 5 or 6 strides or sprints of varying distances, i.e., 100 sprint, 300 stride, 200 sprint, 400 stride, 100 sprint. Even lapping miles i.e., 4 x 69's or 4 x 68's. Two days before a race I have an easy run—2-3 miles, with no more than two 100yd. sprints.
What advice would you offer to the novice?	1. Heats of County and District Champs. run off the night previous to the Champs. 2. Meeting time tables sent out several days (one week) before the meeting so that athletes can arrange meal times to correspond with race times. Better washing facilities at Cross-country Championships. 1. Never be frightened of a reputation; if you have done the training, you may well be a match for the better athlete who is off colour or who hasn't done the training. 2. Don't skip training. Even if you don't feel like strenuous speed training, just get out for a jog round the track.

McMINNIS AGAIN WINS LIVERPOOL MARATHON

R. McMinnis (Sutton H) repeated his victory of last year in the Liverpool Marathon, when he led throughout and won in the record time of 2:32.39.

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| 1. R. McMinnis (Sutton H) | 2:32.39 |
| 2. E. Smith (Harehills) | 2:37.04 |
| 3. F. T. Holt (L. Pembroke) | 2:38.18 |

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| 4. R. Jackson (Manchester) | 2:39.16 |
| 5. A. E. Cooper (N. Staffs) | 2:40.42 |
| 6. L. Hollingsworth (Pemb.) | 2:48.17 |
| 7. L. Williams (Newport) | 2:51.00 |
| 8. H. Towler (Swinton S.) | 2:51.38 |
| 9. J. Green (Wirral) | 2:52.38 |
| 10. A. Lawton (Harehills) | 2:53.49 |



A. STANFIELD (U.S.A.) No. 122, winning the British Games 220 Yards from J. GATHERS (U.S.A.) No. 95 and W. THANE BAKER (U.S.A.) No. 74.

H. W. Neale

THE BEXHILL ROAD RACE

By SAM FERRIS

DOWN Bexhill way the Little Common Community Association are wondering how the "Clerk of the Weather" discovered that their Sports Day had been altered in an effort to avoid clashing with the Clerk's customary downpour on the first September Saturday.

Last year a thunderstorm swamped everything but the road runners; this year it was apparently avowed that they should have a special "packet." At times the torrential downpour made visibility through a windscreen difficult, but that did not deter the "Sons of the Road," who battled against the elements and even seemed to enjoy the experience.

A most pleasing feature of this road race was the return to form of Stan Jones; we haven't seen Stan produce such magnificent form since he made the Olympic team at Wembley and it revealed a personal triumph of perseverance during lapses of loss of form since he last hit the headlines in 1948.

Prevailing conditions more than anything slowed down the competitors over the first five difficult, undulating miles of the very exacting course and it was

not surprising to find a bunch consisting of Ballard, Jones, Busby, Hefford and Scott pass this point in 30.05. The rest of the field appeared to find comfort against the storm by running in small groups.

After the worst of the hills had been negotiated at 6 miles, Cecil Ballard suddenly livened up the pace and in a short time had his opponents wavering in the rear. Ted Hefford, who had led in the early stages, and Stan Jones either couldn't or wouldn't risk the increasing pace, but Scott and Busby held on until the latter was forced to ease down with a sharp attack of "stitch," from then on Busby had to be content with spasmodic bursts which at times took him to within striking distance of the leader.

Passing 8 miles, Cecil had set up a commanding lead and at 10 miles he was 150 yards ahead of Scott, who was a similar distance ahead of Jones. At this point Ballard was showing his top form and didn't look like being overhauled.

Unforeseen tragedy for Cecil, however, was just around the corner, for soon after turning homewards at Pevensy,

the popular Bexhill athlete collapsed on the roadside with tendon trouble. Cecil was in agony for a few moments until the swift appearance of a St. John's ambulance man. There was no ambulance in sight and whether the presence of this medical attendant was due to intuition or a great piece of organisation, I just cannot say.

With Ballard out of the race, we expected Laurie Scott to go on and win, but Stan Jones had different ideas and in two miles Stan had turned a deficit into a 100 yards lead. He went on to finish strongly in time which is not far outside J. W. Stone's record for the course. Result:

1. S. F. Jones (Poly H.) 1.31.58
2. L. Scott (Mitcham A.C.) 1.33.29
3. D. Brickwood (Belgrave H.) 1.33.37
4. G. L. Norman (Herne H.H.) 1.33.39
5. C. Busby (Blackheath H.) 1.34.16
6. A. E. Hefford (Woodford G.) 1.34.51
7. J. Fitzgerald (Mitcham) 1.36.16
8. R. Bott (Mitcham) 1.36.27
9. J. H. Fenn (Woodford G.) 1.37.04
10. G. J. Gosling (Blackheath) 1.37.33
11. B. J. Foster (Blackheath) 1.38.43
12. W. D. Symes (Met. Police) 1.39.08
13. J. McDonald (Belgrave) 1.39.31
14. W. Wortley (Belgrave) 1.41.13
15. A. P. Whitehead (Belgrave) 1.41.23 (38 started).

Teams:

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| 1. Mitcham A.C. | 12 pts. |
| 2. Blackheath H. | 20 " |
| 3. Woodford Gn. | 23 " |
| Belgrave H. | 23 " |

Mr. E. Stratford writes to point out that he made a couple of errors in his letter published last week. Jamaica's 39 pts. were scored by four athletes, not 5 (5 made up the actual Jamaican team). Czechoslovakia's 39 pts. were scored by seven athletes, not three, the sprint relay team of four scoring one point for 6th place.

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In the Invitation Hammer Throwing competition at Alpertown, on August 2nd, P. C. Allday (LAC) won with 165'4½". Other placings were—C. J. Reidy (SLH) 156'10"; F. Gandy (LAC) 155'5½"; D. N. J. Cullum (LAC) 155'3½"; V. Dreyer (SLH) 153'4½"; D. Anthony (Watford H) 150'1½".

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Belgrave H. have an Unattached Novices Race over one mile at Battersea Park track on Sat., August 30th. Entry is free and can be made to E. A. Duffett, 57 Harcourt Road, Thornton Heath, or on ground.



The four U.S.A. athletes who beat the 4 x 440 Yards world record at the British Games. L. to R.: R. PEARMAN, R. BLACKMAN, M. WHITFIELD and G. COLE

H. W. Neale

RESULTS

July 19th

Notts Junior and Youths' Championships. Juniors: 100: J. L. Booth (Notts, HS) 10.6; 220: J. L. Booth (Notts, HS) 23.4; 440: J. Richards (H. Pave't) 53.5; 880: R. Richmond (Notts A.C.) 2:13.5; Mile: A. Stocks (Meden V) 4:45.4; Hdls: B. Benfield (Notts A.C.) 17.4; HJ: W. Archer (Notts A.C.) 5'5"; LJ: J. L. Booth (Notts, HS) 20'7"; HSJ: J. Richards (H. Pave't) 39'6"; PV: J. Bright (OWB) 8'9"; Dis: C. Ball (H. Mellish) 124'0"; Jav: W. Valentine (Notts A.C.) 152'10"; Wt: G. Wallen (H. Mellish) 40'0"; Ham: G. Wallen (H. Mellish) 104'10"; Relay: H. Pave't 1:14.5; Yths: 100: E. Huddleston (Notts A.C.) 11.1; 220: E. D. Huddleston 24.5; 440: I. Cummings (Newark) 58.0; 880: D. Hardwick (H. Mellish) 2:09.3; Mile: G. Kirk (Sutton) 4:49.6; Hdls: E. Thomas (Mansfield Tech.) 16.1; HJ: D. Singleton (Players) 5'2½"; LJ: C. Creswell (Mansfield Tech.) 19'4½"; HSJ: M. Pugsley (W. Bridg.) 37'3½"; PV: C. Storr (Meden V) 8'6"; Dis: G. Smith (H. Mellish) 136'8"; Jav: A. Shipton (H. Pave't) 136'5"; Wt: B. Cameron (Unat.) 42'2½"; Relay: H. Pave't 48.8.

Macclesfield H. 10 Miles Open Road Race: 1, R. W. McMinnis (Sutton H) 52.38; 2, J. Harrison (Sutton H.) 53.22; 3, J. W. Winfield (Derby and C.) 53.57; 4, L. Cook (Hadleigh) 54.19; 5, J. Duffy (Hadleigh) 4.30; 6, C. Owens (Tipton) 54.32; 7, F. T. Holt (Liv'l Pem.) 54.50; 8, K. Cook (Hadleigh) 55.00; **Team Race:** 1, Sutton H. 12 pts.; 2, Hadleigh A.C. 17; 3, Hallamshire H. 53.

July 21st

Shaftesbury H. Club Championships. 220: H. Butcher 23.8; 880: R. Parker 2:01.2; LJ: R. Wales 19'5"; Dis: P. Atkinson 121'1"; Wt: P. Atkinson 38'0½". Junior: 220: R. Patten 23.6; 880: G. Silvey 2:08.0; LJ: G. Hass 19'0¼"; Dis: G.

Parker 90'6½"; Wt: G. Parker 34'3". Yths: Mile: R. Dunkley 4:22.2 (record). **Finchley H. Club Championships: 880:** E. Shirley 1:57.6; 100: P. Whittaker 10.4; 3 Miles: K. Harvey 14:55.0.

July 26th

POLICE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, Folkestone

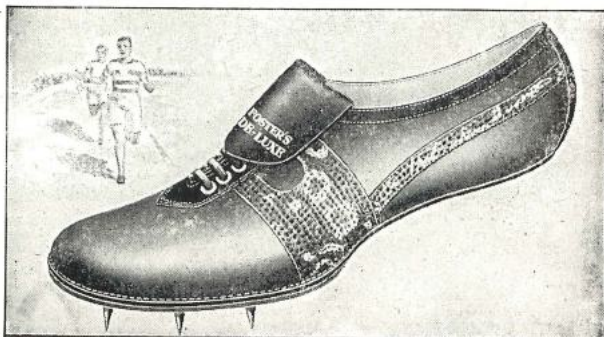
100: 1, K. Anderson (Liv'l); 2, L. W. Nottage (Met); 3, A. Blacker (Herts) 10.3; 220: 1, K. Anderson; 2, L. W. Nottage; 3, A. Blacker; 22.6; 440: 1, R. Barnes (Met); 2, D. Christie (Met); 3, R. Courtenay (Met) 51.8; 880: 1, R. Barnes (Met); 2, R. J. Barnes (Edin.); 3, I. Young (Edin.) 2:01.2; Mile: D. Pemble (Kent); 2, K. Sigrist (Glas.); 3, D. Jones (Met) 4:25.6; 3 Miles: 1, D. Pemble (Kent); 2, D. Taylor (Met); 3, A. Canning (Bristol) 14:53.2; Relay: 1, Glasgow; 2 Met; 3, RUC; 3:40.2; 2M. Walk: 1, W. P. Woods (Met); 2, L. G. Smith (Met); 3, J. G. Clements (Kent) 14:59.0; 120H: J. Crapper (Coventry); 2, G. Hutson (Met); 3, J. Black (Mirm.) 16.2; HJ: 1, N. G. Gregor (Kent) 6'0"; 2, W. Piper (Glas.) 5'10"; 3, J. Warwick (RUC) 5'8"; PV: 1, N. G. Gregor (Kent) 13'0" (best ch. perf.); 2, W. Piper (Glas.) 11'6"; 3, C. Brice (Kent) 9'6"; LJ: 1, D. Buxcey (Met) 21'9"; 2, W. Piper (Glas.) 21'2½"; 3, N. Gregor (Kent) 21'2½"; HSJ: 1, S. F. Weir (Edin.) 44'5¼"; 2, J. C. Coleman (Nott.) 42'4½"; 3, E. Button (Met.) 41'8"; Wt: 1, A. W. Silbery (Met) 42'2"; 2, C. Scott (RUC) 41'8½"; 3, B. W. Dodd (Herts) 39'2½"; Ham: 1, A. W. Silbery (Met) 149'6½"; 2, C. Scott (RUC) 126'8½"; 3, B. W. Dodd (Herts) 120'10"; Jav: 1, K. Flanagan (RUC) 184'3½"; 2, J. Lea (Derby) 161'0"; 3, D. Fleming (Met) 159'3"; T-of-W (104 st.): Met.; T-of-W (C) E. Sussex.

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HEREFORDSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seniors: 100: W. J. Berry (Leominster) 10.6; 220: D. G. Cousins (Unat) 24.0; 440: D. G. Cousins 54.3; 880: Cpl. Jackson (RAF) 2:08.0; **Mile:** Cpl. Jackson (RAF) 4:39.2; **3M:** Cpl. Jackson 16:28.0; **Relay:** Wyeseide H. 3:55.8; **HJ:** Cpl. Clopet (RAF) 5'7"; **LJ:** D. G. Cousins (Unat) 19'4"; **Wt:** G. Wilkinson (Unat) 34'13"; **Dis:** Cpl. Clopet (RAF) 98'10"; **Jav:** P. Daw (Lads C) 127'11".

Juniors: 100: J. F. Smith (Leominster) 10.9; 220: J. F. Smith 25.0; 440: P. Pritchard (Leominster) 57.4; 880: W. Williams (Leominster) 2:07.7; **Relay:** Boys Batt. R.A. 48.2.

Youths: 100: P. Carter (Boys B.R.A.) 11.2; 220: L. J. Perks (Unat) 26.2. **Boys:** 100: M. G. Wilson (Leominster) 12.0; 220: D. Wells (Worcester) 25.8. **Relay:** Wyeseide H. 55.1.

Banstead Hospital Inter-Club. 100 (1): T. Lungridge (Epsom) 10.6; 100(2): K. Jones (Camb.H) 10.5; 220(1): R. Packham (Camb.H) 22.7; 220(2): K. Jones (Camb.H) 23.1; 440(1): L. Smith (C. of Roch.) 52.9; 440(2): R. Lulian (Camb.H) 54.2; 880: A. A. Martin (Surrey) 2:06.7; **Mile:** K. Dellar (Camb. H) 4:45.2; **2M. Team:** Camb. H., Ind. D. H. Holden (Camb.H) 9:57.6; **HJ:** A. Allan (Mitcham) 5'8"; **LJ:** R. Sleight (Sutton and C) 20'5"; **Relay:** Camb.H. 2:59.6; **Wt:** M. Sawicki (Camb.H). **Teams:** 1, Cambridge H. 92 pts.; 2, Mitcham 45; 3, Epsom and E. 39; 4, Sutton and C. 37; 5, Surrey Beagles 27; 6, City of Rochester 24; 7, Surrey A.C. 22.

Hadleigh A.C. Open Meeting. Essex Medley Relay Championship: 1, Woodford Gn.; 2, Essex B.; 3, Chelmsford A.C., 3:36.7; **6 Miles Road Race:** 1, D. F. Hawkins (Southend) 31:41.5; 2, J. Duffy (Hadleigh); 3, R. McCalla (Southend); **Wt:** A. E. Cook (TVH) 45'1"; **Open Handicaps:** 100: H. Harrison (Essex B) 9.7; 220: R. Sewell (HHH) 21.7; 880: T. W. Tyler (Southend) 1:52.8; **Mile:** R. W. Howell (Poly) 4:09.5; 100 **Jun.:** J. Smallcombe (Gravesend H) 10.3; 220 **Jun.:** J. Smallcombe (Gravesend H) 22.9.

Walton A.C. Inter-Club. 100: B. Walden (Belgrave) 10.3; 220: G. Merrett (Belgrave) 22.8; 880: D. Johnson (Woodford G) 1:57.6; **Mile:** P. Kenworthy (LAC) 4:31.8; **2M:** M. Blyth (St. Albans) 9:45.4; **2M. S'chase:** P. Goodsell (Walton) 11:05.9; **HJ:** S. Cox (LAC) 5'8"; **LJ:** K. Wilmshurst (Walton) 21'2"; **PV:** M. Howland (LAC) 11'9" (ground rec.); **Wt:** F. Gandy (LAC) 41'13"; **Dis:**

L. Coleman (LAC) 127'7"; **Jav:** M. Herdridge (Walton) 155'10"; **Relay:** Belgrave. **Teams:** 1, L.A.C. 90 pts.; 2, Walton 68; 3, St. Albans 45; 4, Belgrave 37; 5, Woodford Gn. 35.

August 2nd

Belgrave H. Club Championships: **Seniors:** 100: D. J. Merrett 10.4; 220: D. J. Merrett 22.8; 440: A. Sexton 50.6 (record); 880: R. T. Taylor 1:58.5; **Mile:** J. W. Brown 4:19.0; **2M. Walk:** A. Tebbutt 15:32.6; **HJ:** M. Bare 5'8"; **LJ:** L. Luxton 20'11½"; **Wt:** A. Law 35'5¼"; **Dis:** I. Harris 96'6¼". **Juniors:** 100: A. Law 11.0; 220: A. Law 23.7; 440: A. Castleton 54.5; 880: F. J. Wright 1:59.5; **Mile:** G. Goode 4:31.6; **HJ:** A. Purdy 5'0"; 100 u/16: Michez 11.3.

August 4th

Oxtd Limpsfield and Tandridge Sports. 100: T. Hopkins (Horsham BS) 10½, 10.2; 440: W. Aylett (Blackheath H) 30.47.5; 880: W. Aylett (Blackheath) 66, 1:55.0; **Mile:** R. Paine (Guildford and G) 115, 4:10.2. **3 Miles:** D. Spencer (Reading AC) 3:50, 14:17.5; **7M. Road Race:** A. Jordon (Belgrave H) 5:00, 35:22.0; **2M. Walk:** G. Meadows (Highgate H) 350, 14:15.0; **Relay:** Farnham A.C. 3:45.0.

August 9th

Viaduct A.C. Sports, Earlestown. 100: D. Scott (Woodford Gn) 8, 9.9; 220: W. Atherley (Liverpool H) 23.22.0; 880: B. Whitfield (Viaduct AC) 95, 1:49.0; **Mile:** J. Kilduff (Stockport H) 168, 4:09.6; **2M. Team:** Manchester AC 14 pts., Ind. F. Norris (Bolton) 9:19.2; 440 **Relay:** Manc. A.C. 43.4. 100 **Jun:** R. Caldwell (Warrington AC) 9½, 10.0; 880 **Jun.:** J. Billington (Leigh H) 60, 1:58.6. **Tibshelf Sports.** 100: G. Hunter (RAF Finningley) 8, 9.7; 220: G. Hunter (RAF) 17, 22.7; 440: F. May (Sheff. UH) 37, 49.5; 880: T. Deverall (RAF) 1:54.5; **Mile:** C. Pierce (RAF) 150, 4:14.3; 3 **Miles:** E. L. Hardy (Derby C) 14:41.8; 660 **Relay:** Sheff U.H. 1:06.4.

Hastings Sports. 100: J. Riley (Darlington H) 7.10.0; 300: B. Martin (TVH) 21½, 30.7; 880: B. Grogan (Eastbourne H) 49, 1:54.8; **Mile:** E. Willard (Bexhill AAC) 165, 4:08.0; **10M. Road Race:** Blackheath H, 17 pts. **Ind. F. D. Sando** (Aylesford PM) 53:25.0 (record); 1½M. **Inter-Club Race:** Blackheath H, 7 pts. **Ind. R. Morley** (Blackheath) 6:52.2.

George Hogsflesh Memorial Trophy, at Worthing.. 100: W. Buck (RN)

10.0; **220:** W. Buck (RN) 24.0; **440:** D. Leftwich (Southgate H) 54.2; **880:** G. Maxted (Dorking St. P) 2:06.4; **1 Mile:** E. Ellis (TVH) 4:47.8; **3 Miles:** A. Inglis (TVH) 15:36.6; **1 Mile Relay:** T.V.H. 3:48.0; **HJ:** L. Radice (Portsmouth) 5'9"; **LJ:** D. Ford (Gosport) 19'5"; **HSJ:** A. Ransome (RN) 42'0"; **Wt:** P. Horn (Portsmouth) 45'2"; **Dis:** P. Horn (Portsmouth) 150'5"; **Jav:** E. Elliott (Gosport) 165'2". **Junior: 100:** C. Collier (Southgate H) 10.3; **220:** B. Curtis (Gosport) 25.0; **440:** C. Collier (Southgate H) 58.3; **880:** J. Hensman (Gosport) 2:12.3; **1 Mile:** G. Collins (Ilford) 4:48.4; **1 Mile Relay:** Southgate H) 4:02.0; **HJ:** W. Cordell (Gosport) 5'6"; **LJ:** P. Baile (Southgate) 19'0"; **HSJ:** W. French (TVH) 42'0"; **Wt:** J. Boddy (TVH) 38'8"; **Dis:** R. King (Dorking St. P) 106'0"; **Jav:** W. Cordell (Gosport) 166'4".

2nd TACTICAL AIR FORCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Wunstorf, B.A.O.R.

July 26th

100M: 1, AC. Edwardson; 2, F/O O'Kane; 3, P/O Cobourne; 11.5. **200M:** 1, AC. Edwardson; 2, F/O O'Kane; 3, P/O Cobourne; 23.4. **400M:** 1, F/Lt. Knight; 2, F/O. O'Kane; 3, LAC. Jones; 51.5. **800M:** 1, Cpl. Smith; 2:01.0 (STAF. Record); 2, LAC. Larmouth 2:02.0; 3, P/O. Mellin. **1,500M:** 1, LAC. Larmouth 4:11.9 (STAF. Rec.); 2, P/O. Lowrance 4:18.0; 3, SAC. Coleman 4:19.0. **5,000M:** 1, Sgt. Scutts; 2, SAC. Stonely; 3, AC. McCrory; 16:11.9. **3,000 M. S'Chase:** 1, LAC. Hare; 2, Cpl. Beach 3, P/O Howard; 11:00.4. **110M. Hdl:** 1, Cpl. Rock; 2, AC. Foy; 3, F/O. Hall; 17.0 (STAF. rec.). **HJ:** 1, Cpl. Babic; 2, AC. Johnson; 3, F/Lt. Howe; 5'10" (STAF. rec.). **LJ:** 1, Cpl. Babic; 2, Cpl. Lewington; 3, F/Lt. White; 20'9". **HSJ:** 1, F/Lt. White; 2, P/O. Jones; 3, AC. Corkell; 40'2". **PV:** 1, AC. Pook; 2, Cpl. Babic; 3, F/Lt. Howe; 9'6". **Wt:** 1, F/O Harper; 2, Cpl. Denham; 3, AC. Davies; 39'9" (STAF. rec.). **Dis:** 1, P/O Littlejohn; 2, F/O Beeton; 3, F/O. Hall; 110'9". **Jav:** 1, F/O. Beeton; 2, AC. Hester; 3, P/O. Wonstall; 156'1". **Ham:** 1, F/Sgt. Mennie; 115'11" (STAF. rec.). **400M Relay:** 1, R.A.F. Celle; 46.0. **1,600 M. Medley Relay:** 1, R.A.F. Celle; 3:54 (STAF. rec.). **Team Result:** 1, R.A.F. Wahn 64 pts. 2, R.A.F. Wunstorf 54; 3, R.A.F. Gutersloh 38.

WOMENS RESULTS—contd.

80m. Hdl: 1, J. Desforges (Ex); 2, P. Seabourne (Ex); 3, S. Sewell (Kt); yd., yd., 11.3.

1 Mile Walk: 1, S. Martin (Mx); 2, P. Grant (Mx); 3, I. McCormack (Kt); 50y., 10y., 8:21.8.

HJ: 1, D. Tyler (Sy) 5'3"; 2, M. Hudson (Mx) 5'0"; 3, R. Massey (Sy) 5'0".

LJ: 1, S. Sewell (Kt) 16'6"; 2, C. Willoughby (Mx) 16'6"; 3, J. Rowlands (Mx) 16'4".

Wt: 1, S. Farmer (Sx) 38'3"; 2, J. Linsell (Mx) 36'10"; 3, G. Buddle (Sy) 34'6".

Dis: 1, S. Farmer (Sx) 122'8"; 2, S. Needham (Kt) 115'0"; 3, J. Linsell (Mx) 110'3".

Jav: 1, A. Collins (Mx) 113'11"; 2, P. Reavey (Sy) 110'0"; 3, A. Legg (Kt) 107'1".

440 Yds. Relay: 1, Essex (P. Seabourne, M. Brian, D. Phillips, J. Desforges); 2, Kent; 3, Middlesex; yd., yd., 49.1.

Championship Result: 1, Middlesex 74 pts.; 2, Kent 51; 3, Surrey 50; 4, Essex 46; 5, Sussex 22; 6, Hampshire 12.

Essex Junior Women's 100 Yds. Championship: 1, P. Stanley (Ilford A.C.); 2, V. Cutting (Ilford A.C.); 3, P. Park (Goresbrook Sch.); 2y., yd., 11.9.

July 19th

Epsom and Ewell H. beat Surrey A.C. by 30 pts.—14 at Epsom. **100:** A. Sissons (E) 11.4; **220:** A. Sissons (E) 26.1; **HJ:** Jones (E) 4'9"; **Dis:** Warren (E) 93'9"; **4 x 88 yds:** Epsom (Parker, Fowler, Blickett, Sissons) 42.0.

July 26th

Hadleigh A.C. Sports. Essex Women's 880 Yds. Championship: 1, J. Dryden (Ilford AC); 2, K. Andrews (Essex LAC); 3, P. Firmin (Brentwood AC); 2:21.8. **100:** D. Bassil (Thurrocks H). 10.9; **220:** R. Gilbert (Mun. Coll.)—24.6; **80m.H:** S. Sewell (Orpington) 12.2; **440 Relay:** Enfield A.C. 51.2.

Banstead Hospital Inter-Club Meeting. **4 x 100:** 1, Cambridge H.; 2, Surrey A.C.; 3, City of Rochester A.C.; 49.8.

HERTS WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

Senior: 100: J. Powell (Marks and S.) 12.1; **220:** B. Mash (Herts, Police) 29.0; **HJ:** C. Olive (Scudamore AC) and V. Heins (Girls H.S.) 4'3"; **LJ:** A. Miles (Scudamore AC) 14'5"; **Dis:** A. Williams (Blue Coat S.) 89'8"; **Jav:** A. Williams (Blue Coat S.) 94'2"; **440 Relay:** Hereford H.S. 58.0.



CHARLIE MOORE (U.S.A.) winning the 440 Yards Hurdles event at the British Games in 51.6 secs., beating the world record.
H. W. Neale

Intermediate: 100: J. Powell (Marks and S.) 12.5; 150: J. Powell (Marks and S.) 18.4; 80 Hds: J. Powell (Marks and S.) 13.1; 440 Relay: Scudamore Girls A.C. 56.4.

Girls: 60: B. Grisman (Blue Coat) 7.8; 100: M. Burns (Ross G.S.) 12.1; 70H: R. Bowcott (Blue Coat) 10.8; HJ: S. Bassett (Scudamore AC) 4'1". LJ: P. Champion (Blue Coat) 14'0½"; 440 Relay: Blue Coat Sch. 54.2.

POLICE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Folkestone

100: 1, S. Wigley (Liverpool); 2, I. Swindells (Oldham); 3, S. King (Metro); 12.6.

440 Relay: 1, Liverpool; 2, Metropolitan; 56.2.

August 4th

Hastings Sports. 100: D. Routledge (Portsmouth) 10, 11.2; HJ: J. Long (Eastbourne R) 10", 5'4"; 660 Relay: Brighton LAC "B" 1:22.0.

WOMENS BEST PERFORMANCES

An addition to this list:—One Mile—J. Bridgland (Southampton A.C.) 5:32.0 24/5.

The S.L.H. "30" takes place on Saturday, Sept. 6th, from Old Coulsdon. Hon. Sec. is Alick Pirie, 7 Meadway, Coulsdon, Surrey.

JUNIOR INTER-COUNTY MATCH

Godalming, August 16th

100: M. Barfoot (H), F. Kemp (SY), J. Hopkins (SX); 10.7 secs.

220: B. Curtis (H), M. Fake (SY), G. Buchanan (SY) 24.1 secs.

440: V. Watson (SX), J. Clein (SY), Jacobs (H); 53 secs.

880: H. Hanlon (SX), G. Coleman (SY), I. Burnett (SY); 2min. 3.2.

Mile: P. Abrahams (SX), C. Andrews (SX), A. Newell (H); 4mins. 30.8.

Mile Walk: J. Miller (SX), D. Young (SY), P. Castle (SX); 8mins. 3secs.

Hurdles: V. Matthews (SY), K. Anderson (SY), B. Greengrass (H); 16secs.

Relay: Sussex, Surrey, Hampshire; 2 mins. 6.6.

Shot: H. Hains (SY) 44'2½"; F. Elliot (SY) 44'1½"; A. Boggurst (H) 41'3½".

Discus: G. Meredith (SY) 120'9"; P. Mitchell (SY) 108'11"; A. Boggurst (H) 106'3".

Javelin: A. Boggurst (H) 160'10"; C. Potter (SX) 156'8½"; Jones (SX) 145'1½".

High Jump: R. Thomas (SY) 5'7"; P. Stableforth (SY) 5'7"; Bateman (SX) 5'4".

Long Jump: B. Ranstead (SY) 20'11½"; C. Brown (SY) 20'11½"; C. Lumsden (SX) 19'10".

Result: 1, Surrey 111 pts.; 2, Sussex 88 pts.; 3, Hants 72 pts.

A.A.A. BEAT COMBINED SERVICES

UXBRIDGE, AUGUST 16th

A FAIRLY strong A.A.A. team beat the Combined Services team by 100 pts. to 85, the A.A.A. side winning most of the track events and the Services most of the field events.

Several of the Canadian Olympic team ran without scoring in the match, Hutchins finishing first in a slow 880 and Parnell well back in the mile. In the latter, Roger Bannister had Brian Hewson pull him out for two fast first laps run in 60 and 2:40. Hewson dropped out at 2½ laps and Bannister completed his third lap in 3:7.0, but was so tired on the last that the rest of the field were catching him fast at the finish, having reduced his lead from 70 yards to no more than 25 at the tape. Jack Brown just beat Driver by inches in a very close finish.

John Savidge had a good double in weight and discus, Peter Allday was in good form with the hammer, while John Trickett was a surprise winner of the javelin. A comparative newcomer to javelin throwing, Trickett beat Denley by nearly 2ft. and with proper coaching should prove a decided acquisition to Britain's javelin throwing strength.

Peter Hildreth had a clear win in the 220 national hurdles championship and Poly took both national relay titles, winning both comfortably.

100: 1, E. McD. Bailey (AAA) 9.8; 2, W. J. Ferguson (AAA) 10.1; 3, P. L. Lillington (CS) 10.1.

220: 1, W. J. Ferguson (AAA) 22.6; 2, C. N. Gibbs (AAA) 22.6; 3, G. S. Ellis (CS) 22.8.

440: 1, D. N. J. Johnson (CS) 50.4; 2, M. T. Wright (AAA) 50.6; 3, L. A. Smith (AAA) 51.0; 4, S. R. Meadows (CS) 51.2.

880: 1, G. E. H. Cranham (CS) 2:00.7; 2, J. D. Prince (AAA) 2:01.6; 3, P. Harrison (AAA), J. Hutchins (Canada) finished first in 1:59.4, but did not count in match.

Mile: 1, R. G. Bannister (AAA) 4:13.8; 2, J. W. Brown (AAA) 4:16.6; 3, P. B. Driver (CS) 4:16.6; 4, D. R. Burfitt (AAA).

Three Miles Team: 1, A.A.A. (F. Green, Birchfield H. 1st 14:15.2; K. L. Norris, T.V.H. 2nd; G. D. Ibbotson, Longwood H. 3rd) 6 pts.; 2, Combined Services 3 pts.

2M. S'Chase: 1, R. A. Morley (AAA); 2, P. Hedley (CS); 3, E. J. Kean (AAA); 10:37.6.

120H: 1, F. J. Parker (SLH) 14.8; 2, P. A. L. Vine (AAA) 15.0; 3, C. Higham (AAA) 15.1; 4, J. G. M. Hart (CS) 15.2.

440H: 1, J. Davis (AAA) 56.5; 2, T. S. Farrell (CS) 58.7; 3, D. O'Sullivan (AAA).

HJ: 1, D. R. Cox (AAA) 6'2"; 2, M. C. Ludlow (CS) 5'10"; 3, A. P. Orton (AAA) 5'10".

LJ: 1, F. Darlow (CS) 22'4½"; 2, G. Hardman (CS) 21'5"; 3, W. M. Dixon (AAA).

HSJ: 1, S. A. C. Coleman (CS) 46'6½"; 2, P. E. Goldsmith (CS) 44'10"; 3, K. A. Watmore (AAA) 43'10½"; 4, W. M. Dixon (AAA) 42'9¾".

PV: 1, T. D. Anderson (CS) 12'9"; 2, G. Calladine (CS) 12'6"; 3, I. Ward (AAA) 12'0".

Wt: 1, J. A. Savidge (CS) 52'9"; 2, P. H. n (CS); 3, W. M. T. Holland (AAA).

Dis: 1, J. A. Savidge (CS) 143'6"; 2, H. L. Williams (CS) 137'4½"; 3, A. W. Silvery (AAA) 134'5½".

Jav: 1, L. N. A. Trickett (CS) 196' 2½"; 2, M. J. Denley (AAA) 194'5½"; 3, M. J. Dalrymple (AAA) 170'8".

Ham: 1, P. C. Allday (AAA) 172'11"; 2, C. J. Reidy (CS) 163'7"; 3, D. N. J. Cullum (AAA).

Match Result: A.A.A. beat Combined Services by 100 pts. to 85.

A.A.A. 220 Yds. Hlds. Championship: 1, P. B. Hildreth (Poly) 24.6; 2, F. J. Parker (S.L.H.) 24.9; 3, P. A. L. Vine (Achilles) 25.6; 4, D. J. Merrett (Belgrave H) 26.0.

A.A.A. 440 Yds. Relay Championship: 1, Poly H. (Lillington, Lindsey, Hildreth, Bailey); 2, Herne Hill H.; 3, Thames Valley H.; 43.3, Notts A.C. finished 2nd but were disqualified for faulty baton change.

A.A.A. Mile Relay Championship: 1, Poly H. 3:21.6; 2, London A.C. 3:24.8; 3, Thames Valley H. 3:25.4.

WALKING

Hastings to Brighton Walk: 1, C. Megnin (Highgate) 6:04.07.8; 2, P. J. Reading (Poly) 6:08.31; 3, V. Stone (Poly) 6:11.38; 4, A. Staines (Leicester) 6:17.37; 5, H. Neilson (Woodford G.) 6:18.18; 6, J. Stirling-Wakeley (Belgrave) 6:19.31. Teams: 1, Poly (2.3.6) 11 pts.; 2, Highgate 27; 3, Surrey W.C. 28. **H'ep:** C. D. Purbayne (Poly) 56m., 5:32.59.

Race Walking Report On Helsinki

by F. W. BLACKMORE

IT seems to me that all the strenuous efforts to ensure competence on the part of the Judges, and mutual confidence and impartiality among them—and the efforts have been long-sustained as far as Great Britain is concerned—have not had their just reward, far from it, as far as International track walking is concerned.

Certainly, there has been a stabilisation in the road events—though anyone in a position to speak with knowledge of the 1946 European 50 kms. walk at Oslo will appreciate how far things had deteriorated, even on the road, since a road walk was substituted for the track event “disqualified” after the 1924 Olympics, Charlie Megnin, Highgate Harriers—to whom congratulations on breaking record in the Hastings-Brighton last Saturday—is one who can give details of the Oslo event.

However, it is the track walk which still produces the incidents which add fuel to the fire, and with strong claims being made for the inclusion of other athletic events in the Olympic and European meetings, no one—however enthusiastic—can feel confident that the track walk will be retained.

It is an ironic commentary that George Coleman, whose disqualification was sought in the heat of the 10,000 metres which he won, was the only one of the eleven finalists (Dolezal, Czecho-slovakia, did not start) who was not either cautioned or disqualified.

I feel it may be of interest to give the positions of our three competitors at intermediate stages of the 50 kms. road walk:—

- 5 kms.: Tunbridge, 5th, Rex Whitlock 6th, Harold Whitlock 17th.
- 10 kms.: Rex Whitlock, 6th; Tunbridge 7th, Harold Whitlock 12th.
- 15 kms.: Rex 6th, Tunbridge 10th., Harold 11th.
- 20 kms.: Rex 4th, Tunbridge 7th, Harold 12th.
- 25 kms.: Rex 4th, Tunbridge 9th, Harold 13th.
- 30 kms.: Rex 4th, Harold 12th, Tunbridge 13th.
- 40 kms.: Rex 4th, Harold 10th, Tunbridge 15th.
- 45 kms.: Rex 4th, Harold 10th, Tunbridge 15th.

And at the finish, Rex 4th, Harold 11th, and Tunbridge 15th.

The 1948 Olympic champion, Ljunggren, Sweden, was either the leader or with the leader until 35 kms. Then, at 40 kms., 3rd, 7th at 45 kms., and 9th at the finish.

Turning (not without relief!) to matters on the home front, important fixtures ahead are the R.W.A. Southern Area A.G.M. at the Polytechnic, Regent Street, at 7 p.m., on the 25th August; the R.W.A. National Junior 5 miles championship in Regent's Park (dressing accommodation at the Poly) on 6th September; the Road Walking Association A.G.M. (once more at the Poly) on 20th September; and the Southern Area promotion, the “Bath Road 100” on 3rd-4th October. Entries for this inaugural walking event close the Monday after the Surrey W.C. London to Brighton classic on 13th September. I am told that already 19 entries are to hand, and that such clubs as Trowbridge A.C., Reading A.C., Stock Exchange A.C., Belgrave Harriers, Surrey W.C., Polytechnic Hs., Metropolitan W.C. and Highgate Hs., are manning feeding stations, the two former clubs sharing the greater part of the work in the outlying parts of the course. Good work!

ATHLETICS IN WALES—contd.

James (KAC); 4 x 110 Relay: Kent A.C. 47 sec.; Mile Medley Relay: Kent A.C. 3 min. 59 sec.

Port Talbot Y.M.C.A. Harriers beat Kent A.C. by 64 pts. to 23, at Port Talbot, Glam. 100: G. Morgan (PT) 10.2; 220: A. Mainwaring (PT) 24.2; 440: J. Collins (PT) 53.1; 880: J. Yates (PT) 2m.1.8s.; Mile Team: Port Talbot 10 pts, Ind. J. Yates 4m.28s.; Discus: J. Sampson 107ft. 11½in.; Shot: J. Sampson (KAC); LJ: G. Morgan (PT) 19ft. 11in.; HSJ: A. Mainwaring (PT) 40ft. 10in.; 4 x 110 Relay: Port Talbot 46 sec.; Medley Relay: Port Talbot.

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