

ATHLETICS WEEKLY

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF ATHLETICS IN GREAT BRITAIN
CONTAINING THE OFFICIAL NOTICES OF THE A.A.A., W.A.A.A., B.A.A.B. AND E.C.C.U.



The Essex Beagles Team with the Chelmsford Road Relay Trophy *H. W. Neale*

INCLUDED IN THIS NUMBER

	Page
FOREIGN NEWS, by H. E. D. O'Neill	6
WAS THIS THE GREATEST ROAD RACE EVER?	8
ENGLISH AND BRITISH RECORDS RATIFIED	11-12
BIRCHFIELD H. WIN BRISTOL-WESTON RELAY	13

FIXTURE LIST 1952-53

November

- 1 Manc'r League "B" Div., Winton
- 8 South of Thames Junior C.C.
- 8 Liverpool 6 Miles Road Race
- 8 Heaton H. Open Road Races
- 15 Edinburgh to Glasgow Road Relay
- 15 Manc'r League "A" Div., Manc'r
- 15 North of Thames Jun., Welwyn
- 15 Oxford v. Cambridge U. Freshmen's Sports, Cambridge
- 22 Reynolds-Garrett Cup Race, Eastleigh
- 22 L.C.C. Championships, Par. Hill
- 22 Manc'r League "B" Div., Man.DLC.
- 22 City of Rochester 5M. Road Race.
- 27 Oxford v. Camb. Relays, Oxford
- 29 Belgrave H. 7 Miles Open Walk
- 29 London Business Houses C.C., Parliament Hill

December

- 6 Surrey Youth C.C. Champ., Cheam
- 6 Manc'r League, "A" Div., Salford
- 13 Midlands v. U.A.U. v. R.A.F.
- 13 Manc'r League "B" Div., YMCA
- 13 Bexhill Road Relay
- 13 Inter-Shipping C.C. Champ., Hayes
- 13 Hants Yth. & Jun. C.C. Champs.
- 13 Essex Yth. C.C. Champ., Chigwell
- 13 Cambridge H. 7 Miles Open Walk
- 13 50m. Track Race, Motspur Pk.
- 20 Midland Junior C.C., Nottingham
- 20 Gravesend H. "Friendship Cup" Race
- 20 Portsmouth A.C. 5M. Road H'cp.
- 27 Grafton A.C. "Friendship Cup," Chingford

1953

January

- 1 Morpeth to Newcastle Road Race
- 10 Surrey Jun. C.C., Wimbledon
- 10 Mitcham 15 Miles Road Race.
- 17 Inter-Counties Champ., Kettering

February

- 7. Midland 7m., Wolverhampton
- 7 South of Thames Senior C.C.
- 7 S. of Thames Senior, Milford
- 7 E. Lancs. Championships
- 7 N. of Thames S. & J., Welwyn
- 7 N. Western C.C., Milnthorpe
- 7 Aylesbury Yths. Road Relay
- 14 Nat. Works and B.H. Relay
- 21 Northern C.C., Sheffield
- 21 Southern C.C., Aylesford.
- 21 Midland S. & Y., Sutton Park
- 21 Eastern C.C., Norwich.
- 28 Charlton Bus. House Relay

March

- 7 E.C.C.U. National Race, Reading
- 14 Dorchester-Poole Road Relay
- 14 Ilford Road Relay
- 19 Police C.C. & R.W. Champs., Leicester
- 21 Thames Valley H. Road Relay
- 21 Hants. 10 Miles Road Champs.
- 21 International C.C. Race, France
- 21 Livingston Road Relay, Leicester
- 28 Cambridge H. Road Relay, Bexley
- 28 Thames Valley H. Road Relay
- 28 Wolverhampton Road Relay
- 28 Wigmore 15M. Road Race

April

- 4 Worthing Road Relay
- 6 Jersey Road Relay
- 6 Maidenhead 10M. Road Race
- 6 Maidenhead 10 Miles Road Relay
- 11 Ilford Youths Road Relay.
- 11 Hornsey St. M. Road Relay, Finsbury Pk.
- 11 London to Brighton National Road Relay
- 17/18 L.A.C. Schools Meeting, W. City
- 18 Warwickshire R. Relay, Leamington
- 18 Finchley H. 20M. R. Race, Ruislip

May

- 6 Leyton Floodlit Meeting
- 9 Chichester-Portsmouth Road Race and "Twilfit Cup" Inter-Club match
- 9 Sward Trophy, Chiswick
- 16 Belgrave H. Open 20 Miles Race
- 16 Brockman Trophy, Wimbledon
- 23/25 Inter-Counties and British Games, White City
- 30 London Caledonian Games, W. Cty.
- 30 Surrey Champs., Motspur Park

June

- 6 County Championships
- 6 Kent Champs., Sittingbourne
- 13 Finaird Meeting Chiswick
- 20 Area Championships
- 27 Dorset Constabulary, Dorchester
- 27 Reading Trophies Meeting
- 27 Vickers-Armstrongs Sports, Byfleet

July

- 3/4 Women's A.A.A. Champs., W. City
- 4 Area Junior Championships
- 4 Ryder Trophy Meeting, Southam'ton
- 10/11 A.A.A. Champs., White City
- 18 Waddilove Trophy, Birmingham
- 25 A.A.A. Junior Champs., Marathon and Relays, Cardiff
- 25 Banslead Inter-Club Meeting.

August

- 1/3 Gt. Britain v. France, W. City
- 3 Hazells Trophy, Aylesbury
- 8 British Games (Provisional)

ATHLETICS

WEEKLY

THE OFFICIAL ORGAN OF ATHLETICS IN GREAT BRITAIN

Editorial Offices:

ATHLETICS WEEKLY,
KENT ART PRINTERS, Ltd.,
CHATHAM, KENT.

Tel : Chatham 4644-5.

Advertisement Representatives (Trade):

W. HORACE BIGGS
PRESS ORGANISATION LTD.,
115, High Holborn, London, W.C.1.

Tel : Chancery 8752

Edited by P. W. GREEN

Subscription Rates : 12 months 30/- : 6 months 15/- : (U.S.A. \$4.50) post free

VOL. 6. No. 44.

EVERY SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 1st, 1952

A FEW weeks ago I mentioned Cambridge University as having a strong team this coming year, reinforced by Harry Whittle amongst others.

I hear now that Oxford will be even better off, with newcomers like J. A. Myburgh, of South Africa (14.3 for 120 hurdles), Sam Adams from Southern California (440 yards in 48 secs, and over 200 ft. with the javelin), Chris Higham, Ian Boyd and Tony Weeks-Pearson. With a strong array of "Blues" in residence, Oxford look like having one of their strongest teams ever.

Record Attempt

We should see some records go when the Road Runners Club stages the 50 miles track event at Motspur Park on December 13th. Providing he is not tempted to follow Jim Peters and Stan Cox, should they try for some of the shorter records, Derek Reynolds must stand a great chance of adding to his recent record those for 40 and 50 miles.

Incidentally, I understand that there might well have been an entirely unexpected entrant for this race—Gordon Pirie! The S.L.H. runner had ideas of entering to attack the 25,000 metres record, but later found out that the Banks Cross-Country race was on the same day, an event he could hardly miss.

Women in the U.S.A.

The U.S.A. track and field athletes are not content to rest on the laurels won this year, but are to commence intensive training with the 1956 Olympics in view. A special drive is being made in connection with the women, who have been largely ignored in the past.

Many suggestions are being made to encourage and improve women's athletics and it is likely that many of the big meets this next year will include events for the fair sex.

From the activity now taking place, I doubt if we shall ever again find the girls from the States so low in standard

as they have been before this year, when for the first time they proved themselves able to compete with British girls on equal terms. The time may well come when the States are as outstanding in the women's field as they are at present in the men's.

Deep-Rooted

In 1925 Stan Martin was a young member of the Cambridgeshire A.A.A. which sent its first Inter-Counties team to London. In 1931 he was elected Hon. Secretary and is still in that position today, when the Association is a far stronger and better known body than it was then.

Despite the fact that he did not seek re-election at the recent A.G.M., Mr. Martin was unanimously re-elected to his usual post, to continue what is already a fine record in the service of athletics.

Coming Events

Walter Hesketh, at present touring the country in his occupation as a juggler, is not neglecting his running and not only hopes to retain his National title but to add the International this year as well. From all that he tells me, and if his illness of last year has left no after-effects, he will be a strong candidate for this honour. He is doing more than twice the amount of training he has ever done before and plans to reach his peak around National and International time. So it looks as though we can look forward to some more Pirie-Hesketh duels, perhaps with Sando and Norris joining in for good measure! This is how the standard improves and I am sure we shall not see our cross-country "aces" avoiding each other as a number of our track men did this summer.

All these four believe in hard work and still more hard work, the chief reason why they are putting Britain on the map in distance running once more.

THE EDITOR

Letters to the Editor

IS THIS TRUE?

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly"

Dear Sir,

I fell into the Athletic World in 1925—the War years imposed a complete break—in spite of that, my active association is long.

In your issue 11/10/52 you utter a warning to young athletes against adopting the exacting training programmes of such as Mr. Pirie—and I would add Mr. Peters.

I am alarmed by the ugly spirit that "only those who win are welcome," which permeates Athletic Clubs to-day. This is detrimental to Athletics in two ways: firstly—immediately an Athlete begins to lose his championships status, he is made to feel unwanted, so he cuts himself off from his athletic club, and so he does not give out of his experience anything to the coming generation; secondly—the newcomer, feeling that the officials of his club will look askance at him if he is unplaced in races, is afraid to compete.

A true amateur is an individual who earns his living, and in his leisure time engages in athletics: joining a club, enjoying the social life which he should find in that club, keeping fit, also freely and unafraid supporting athletic events.

I assert, out of my long experience, that by one or two mid-week and Saturday afternoon training runs it is possible to enjoy athletics and to achieve proper status of Athlete with some success. The aim of life should not be only an Olympic gold medal.

As a psychologist, I suggest that an individual, who feels the need to train morning, mid-day, evening of every day of every week is in danger of obsession and of becoming lop-sided. How may he fulfil his social obligations to his family, and how may he fulfil the obligation to provide for himself a balanced style of life?

Yours sincerely,

George Hubert
Polytechnic Harriers

This alleged spirit of "only those who win are welcome," is something new to me and the first I have heard of it permeating our clubs.

So far from this being the truth, I

would suggest that more "old champions" are still doing their bit, both in competition and helping in various ways, than ever before.

As for athletics becoming an obsession, it is true that it does almost reach that point for those who aspire to fame at distance running, and to a lesser degree in other events.

One of the great features in athletics, however, is that improvement in performance is roughly proportional to the amount of time and work an athlete is prepared to put into his sport. If a man requires nothing but a little relaxation and is quite satisfied to accomplish this by two or three runs a week, he can certainly call himself an athlete, but he cannot expect to reach the high standard some desire without more effort and time devoted to training or practice. It is not a matter of "feeling the need" for such training, but of having to do it if one wants to reach the top, or one's optimum performance. It may seem to make one's life lop-sided, but surely it depends on what one wants. If success in athletics is the goal, the work must be done. There is no short cut.—Ed.

DISTRICT ENTRIES

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Dear Sir,

I remember reading last summer that the entries for the Southern Counties Track Championships were very disappointing.

Now I read in the A.A.A. Handbook (page 207) "two standard medals will not be awarded for any one event in the same year, i.e., where the A.A.A. Standard medal is gained, the Area Standard medal where gained, will not be awarded."

The above rule, will, I think, keep entries down, e.g. if the S.C.A.A.A. Championships were at Southampton, would a competitor who did not think he could make the first three, but might get a Standard in the A.A.A. Championships, bother to pay his fare down so as to compete in the S.C.A.A.A. Championships?

Yours, etc.,

J. Chaventre
(Loughton A.C.)

ARE WE OUT OF DATE ?

ARTHUR GRIX gives an overseas reader's view

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Sir—

Reading Mr. Harker's letter on the Amateur Rule in your volume 6, No. 39, especially referring to his passage "I am wondering if we are doing the right thing; are other countries doing as we are?" urges me to write you of my experience on this delicate problem.

As a member of the Sport Club Charlottenburg, running well-recognised Athletic Meets at Berlin, Germany, I was attached to two British Track teams in the capacity as interpreter and assistant to the Manager. As fate had it: the one team, consisting of Dorothy Odam, Dora Gardner and others, was the last British team competing at Berlin before the outbreak of World War No. 2 in 1939, whereas the other team was the first British team to compete at Berlin after the war, on September 21st, of this year, consisting of McD. Bailey, Douglas Pirie, Peter Hildreth, Shirley Strickland, Yvette Williams and Jean Desforages.

In both cases, lying 13 years apart, the managers of these teams, Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Jack Crump respectively, told me exactly the same thing: that none of their members was to accept any pocket-money whatsoever, this being the rule of their organisation. This meant I had to be with the team all the time, seeing to it that our guests could purchase post-cards and stamps, newspapers, refreshments, shoelaces to replace broken ones, and other small things every traveller needs. Let's see how this worked!

We went to a theatre to see a show. Transportation was provided for; so were, of course, the admission tickets. Our seats, however, were scattered all over the place so that our members were obliged to check their overcoats and hats at various cloak-rooms. I was only able to pay the corresponding fee for the lady next to me. The others had to pay whatsoever was due from their own pockets. Should I go around asking who is getting threepence? Should they come to me asking me to pay for the outlay?

During the meeting in the Stadium three team-members needed a drink. Not being able to leave the field to go with them (the refreshment-stands were high up on the grandstands) I had to hand

them cash like a father would to his boys at a Christmas Fair. Sounds a bit ridiculous, doesn't it? And yet, there was no other way of doing it.

In the United States, the Amateur Athletic Union allows any visiting competitor two Dollars a day for pocket-money (which did not seem sufficient for some of the foreigners). In Germany we pay an average of ten Marks (16s.) a day for the same purpose. This is officially recognised and has never done any harm.

Why don't you Britishers allow your Competitors to accept a certain amount of pocket-money, leaving it to them to return the balance not needed, lest they fear their amateur-standing might suffer by not doing so?

Arthur E. Grix,
Sport Club Charlottenburg

COURSES FOR YOUNG ATHLETES

There will be two Courses for Young Athletes at the University of London Athletic Ground, Motpur Park, the first from 30th December to 2nd January, and the second from 5th to 8th January.

Both courses will be directed by G. H. G. Dyson, who will be assisted by J. W. Ll. Alford, J. Le Masurier, A. L. Malcolm and F. F. Stampf. The two courses will be identical. Groups, to be limited to 15 each, will work out in Sprinting, Hurdling, Middle Distance and Steeplechase, Jumping, Throwing and Vaulting.

Application forms, which must be returned by 26th November, can be obtained from J. C. McPhail, A.A.A., 118 Chancery Lane, London, W.C.2.

WOMEN'S TEAM TROPHIES

The W.A.A.A. has awarded the team trophies given each year for performances during the season's national championships, both going to Spartan L.A.C. In the Senior, Spartan had a total of 48 pts., Essex L.A.C. tying with London Olympiades with 29 pts. each, with Mitcham L.A.C. fourth with 27 pts.

* * *
Victoria Park H. elected the following officers: Hon. Gen. Secretary, G. Hems-worth, 22 Haberdasher St. N.1; Cross-Country Sec., F. Fuller, 4c Anerley Park Rd., S.E. 20; Track Sec., R. C. Everson, 24 Hilborough Rd., E.8.; Social Sec., L. Williams, 7 Marchant Rd., E.11.

FOREIGN NEWS

by H. E. D. O'Neill

1st—3rd September

Bulgarian Championships held in Sofia—

100m.: Kolev 10.9.
200m: Kolev 22.7.
400m: 1, Muleschkov 51.4.
800m: 1, Netshev 1:55.7.
1500m: 1, Spasov 3:53.7 (rec.).
5000m: Spasov 15:35.8.
10000m: Spasov 31:07.4 (rec.).
3000 S.C.: Spasov 9:08.8.
110mh: Savitshev 15.8.
400mh.: Takev 57.1.
H.J.: Slavsov 6'0 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".
L.J.: Netshev.
P.V.: Batchvarov.
H.S.J.: Dagorov 46'4".
S.P.: Feodorov 46'5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".
D.T.: Kocev 135'6".
J.T.: Pavlov.
H.T.: Popov 150'11".

5th—7th September

Results of the Roumanian National Championships held in Buckarest.

100m: Wiesenmayer 11.0.
200m: 1, Stoenucu 22.2.
400m: 1, Savel 49.7.
800m: 1, Palade 1:54.2.
1500m: 1, Firea 4:01.6.
500m: 1, Bunea 15:24.4.
10000m: 1, Vasile 32:44.8.
3000S.C.: 1, Aioanca 9:26.4.
110mh.: 1, Opris 15.3.
400mh: Savel 54.6.
H.J.: 1, Soter 6'5 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".
L.J.: Wiesenmayer 22'7 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".
H.S.J.: 1, Wiesenmayer 46'7 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".
P.V.: 1, Dragomir 13'6 $\frac{1}{8}$ ".
S.P.: 1, M. Raica 49'7 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".
D.T.: 1, M. Raica 145'9".
J.T.: 1, D. Zamfir 197'11 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".
H.T.: 1, Dumitru 177'10".

20th-21st September

Jugoslavia defeated Austria in a dual athletic meeting at Skoplje in Jugoslavia. Results—

First day—100m: 1, Struckl (A) 10.9; 2, Pecelj (J) 10.9; 3, Wimmer (A) 11.0; 4, Broz (J) 11.2.
400m: 1, Haidegger (A) 49.8; 2, Sabolovic (J) 50.2; 3, Hocevar (J) 50.4; 4, Lasch (A) 50.6.
1500m: 1, Ceraj (J) 3:56.4; 2, Otenheimer (J) 3:56.8; 3, Stuble (A) 4:04.8; 4, Nerber (A) 4:09.6.
5000m: 1, Mihalic (J) 14:32.2; 2, Ilic (J) 14:58.2; 3, Rotzer (A) 15:09.2; 4, Konrad (A) 15:26.2.

110mh: 1, Zimmermann (A) 15.3; 2, Zurkovic (J) 15.4; 3, Zupancic (J) 15.4; 4, Pilhatsch (A) 15.6.

L.J.: 1, Radovanovic (J) 22' 11 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2, Pingl (A) 22'0"; 3, Reiterer (A); 4, Brnad (J).

H.J.: 1, Dimitrevic (J) 6' 2"; 2, Pilhatsch (A); 3, Marjanovic (J) 6'0 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 4, Sturm (A) 5'10 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".

S.P.: 1, Schwabl (A) 49'3"; 2, Sarcevic (J) 48'5 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Galin (J) 45' 8 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 4, Ladtatter (A).

D.T.: 1, Krivkavic (J) 162' 9 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2, Tunner (A) 155'8"; 3, Krnjacic (J) 147' 7"; 4, Krenthaler (A) 144' 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".

4 x 100mR.: 1, Austria 43.3; 2, Jugoslavia 43.4.

Second day — 200m: 1, Wimmer (A) 22.4; 2, Sabolovic (J); 3, Struckl (A) 22.9; 4, Racic (J) 23.5.

800m: 1, Lasch (A) 1:54.7; 2, Suppan (A) 1:55.1; 3, Otenheimer (J) 1:55.1; 4, Mugosa (J) 1:55.8.

10000m: 1, Mihalic (J) 30:19.6; 2, Cetinic (J) 30:48.4; 3, Stuble (A) 31:12.4; 4, Perz (A) 32:30.0.

400mh: 1, Haidegger (A) 55.4; 2, Emhart (A) 56.2; 3, Zupancic (J) 56.6; 4, Kopitar (J) 59.2.

H.S.J.: 1, Milovanovic (J) 45'7 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2, Radovanovic (J) 45' 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Sturm (A) 43' 7 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 4, Pilhatsch (A).

P.V.: 1, Milakov (J) 13' 5 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2, Fritz (A) 11' 9 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Roca (J) 11' 5 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 4, Schmidt (A) 10' 9 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".

J.T.: 1, Dangubic (J) 209' 2"; 2, Pavlovic (J) 206' 5 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Debbeuf (A) 203' 1"; 4, Sack (A) 192' 8".

H.T.: 1, Galin (J) 177' 2"; 2, Pasler (A) 162' 1"; 3, Berec (J) 160' 3"; 4, Zadrazil (A).

4 x 400mR.: 1, Austria 3:22.9; 2, Jugoslavia 3:24.0.

21st—22nd September

Roumanian International Championships results, held in Buckarest—

First day—100m: 1, Goldovanye (Hungary) 11.0; 2, Schulz (Germany) 11.1; 3, Csanyi (H) 11.2.

400m: 1, Szentgalli (H) 48.8; 2, Solymosi (H) 49.5.

800m: 1, Bakos (H) 1:52.3; 2, Bardeau (Rouman'a) 1:53.2 (Roum. Rec.); 3, Talmacui (R) 1:53.8.

5000m: 1, Beres (H) 14:39.0; 2, Penzes (H) 14:50.6; 3, Vasile (R) 14:51.0 (Roum. Rec.).

Marathon: 1, Cristea (R) 2'35:37.2; 2, Teodoseau (R) 2'37:01.4; 3, Constantin (R) 2'41:14.4.

110mh: 1, Opris (R) 15.3; 2, Retezer (H) 15.5; 3, Schenk (G) 15.5.

3000MSC: 1, Jeszenszky (H) 9:00.6; 2, Apro (H) 9:07.4; 3, Aioanei (R) 9:09.8 (Room, Rec.).

H.J.: 1, Soter (R) 6'2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

D.T.: 1, Klics (H) 163' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2, M. Raica (R) 144'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

H.T.: 1, Nemeth (H) 192'6"; 2, Csermak (H) 188'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 3, Dumitru (R) 165'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

4 x 100mR: 1, Hungary 41.4; 2, Roumania 42.1.

Second day—200m: 1, Goldovanyi (H) 21.7; 2, Schulz (G) 22.0; 3, Adamik (H) 22.1.

1500m: 1, Iharos (H) 3:51.6; 2, Berss (H) 3:53.0; 3, Bardeau (R) 3:58.4.

10000m: 1, Juhasz (H) 30:55.4; 2, Vasile (R) 31:06.0 (Room, Rec.).

400mh: 1, Lipa (H) 53.6; 2, Steriade (R) 54.7; 3, Savel (R) 55.6.

LJ: 1, Foldesy (H) 23'10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

P.V.: 1, Dragomir (R) 13'5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 2, Hommonay (H) 13'5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

H.S.J.: 1, Chitu (R) 45'3".

S.P.: 1, Schmidt (G) 52'0"; 2, M. Raica (R) 48'7"; 3, A. Raica (R) 48'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

J.T.: 1, D. Zamfir (R) 203'3".

4 x 400mR: 1, Hungary 3:14.8; 2, Roumania 3:21.4 (Room, Rec.).

LATE RESULTS

S.E. LANCS. C.C. LEAGUE

October 25th

At Castleton—6 Miles

Though Royton Harriers placed three runners in the first four, Rochdale packed better to beat them by 12 points.

1, B. McOwen (Rochdale) 36:14; 2, W. Giles (Royton) 36:33; 3, A. Walker (Royton) 36:36; 4, J. Fearn (Royton) 36:52; 5, T. Nortley (Radcliffe) 37:19; 6, A. Hughes (Rochdale) 37:29. **Team Result:** 1, Rochdale H. (1.6.7.10.11.12) 47 pts.; 2, Royton H. 59; 3, Bury A.C. 98; 4, Radcliffe H. 206; 5, Blackley H. 210; 6, North Manchester H. 260.

Nottingham University 67 pts. beat **Sutton-in-Ashfield H.** 78, **Sheffield Univ.** 82 and **Nottingham A.C.** 89, over the Nottingham University 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles course. 1, S. Crooks (Sutton) 35:40; 2, P. B. Vincent (Sutton) 36:00; 3, D. Rustidge (NU) 36:21; 4, B. Kay (Sheff) 36:46; 5, A. Webster (Sutton) 36:58; 6, J. Gutteridge (NU) 37:00.

Bedford and C.A.C. 52 pts. beat **Cambridge Univ. H.H. "A"** 53 and **Kettering Town H.** 64, over 5 miles at Bedford. 1, G. Surridge (C) 27:54 (course record); 2, V. J. F. Varrar (B) 28:22 (also beat record); 3, L. Moss (C) 28:30; 4, R. Davidson 28:32; 5, R. Dunphy 28:33; 6, R. Owen (K) 28:42. In a junior match over 3 miles, **Kettering Town H.** beat **Bedford C.A.C.** by 7 pts. to 15. 1, D. Barber (K) 16:08; 2, D. Curtis (K) 16:23; 3, J. Knifton (B) 17:04.

St. Albans City A.C. beat **Watford H.** by 35 pts. to 44 over 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles at Watford. 1, M. Blyth (St. A.) 31:37; 2, E. Kean (St. A) 31:37; 3, P. Webb (W) 31:48; 4, M. Garrod (St. A) 32:06. In a junior match over 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, **Watford H.** beat **St. Albans** by 14 pts. to 24. 1, J.

Hubball (W) 22:19; 2, G. Allen (W) 22:53; 3, J. Thorpe (St. A) 23:00; 4, D. Sutcliffe (St. A) 23:15.

Bournemouth A.C. "B" 31 pts. beat **Bournemouth A.C. "A"** 40 and **King Alfred's College, Winchester** 52. 1, Haskell (B "A"); 2, Moody (B "B"); 3, Vickery (B "B"); 4, Hewitt (B "B").

Cambridge City A.C. 4M. Championship. 1, G. A. Phipps 21:22; 2, D. Betson 21:34; 3, D. Pinson 21:58; 4, E. A. G. Mortlock 23.21. **H'cp:** 1, J. Hobart (3:30) 20:38; 2, T. Flynn (2:50) 20:56; 3, J. Moore (3:20) 21:17.

ROAD WALKING

Highgate H. Annual 7M. Open Road Walk, at Parliament Hill. 1, F. W. Barrett (Cambridge H.) 54:34; 2, A. L. Mash (Woodford Gn) 55:04; 3, R. H. Richards (Camb. H) 55:34; 4, D. A. Tunbridge (Highgate H) 55:59; 5, G. W. Coleman (Highgate H) 56:18; 6, R. F. Goodall (Woodford Gn) 56:28; 7, K. Smith (Camb. H) 56:36; 8, B. Hawkins (Met. WC) 56:52; 9, S. Mantor (Enfield AC) 56:55; 10, E. G. Barnes (Highgate) 57:10; 11, M. Long (Camb.H) 57:25; 12, J. Housden (Trowbridge A. C.) 57:41. **Teams:** 1, Cambridge H. (1.3.7.11) 22 pts.; 2, Highgate H. 32; 3, Woodford Gn. 45. **H'cp:** 1, W. W. Smith (Highgate) 9:00, 50.00; 2, R. H. Richards (Camb. H) 5:30, 50.04; 3, B. Johnson (Highgate) 9:40, 50.42. **Team H'cp:** Highgate H. 24min, 07sec. aggr. time of 4 walkers); 2, Cambridge H. 207:27; 3, Surrey W.C. 208:32.

Freddie Blackmore is still unable to contribute his usual Race Walking article but will resume as soon as he finds it possible to do so.

A RETROSPECT

Was this the greatest road event ever? . . . asks

FOR me, the greatest athletic event of 1952 is no longer the Olympic Games: it is the Bath to London 100 miles walk. Here was an event that had everything. It was interesting, it was spectacular and—though this word might not seem an obvious choice for an endurance test—it was exciting.

Few of us believe that athletics yet receives the public attention to which its large following and its recent marked progress entitle it; and perhaps the most striking thing about this walk was the way in which it spotlighted the part road sport can play in the building up of this interest. The interest shown was a revelation: a perpetual source of wonder to anyone covering the route with or ahead of the walkers.

It began at Bath, where the crowds waiting four or five deep along the pavements for the start would not have disgraced a Royal Procession. And it continued. All along the route, wherever there was a village or a few houses, were groups of people, some standing, some sitting on grassy banks, all waiting; waiting though in many places the leaders could not possibly appear for an hour or even much more than an hour, and though it was dark or would be dark before those leaders went by.

There was, it seemed, only one topic of conversation in those Somerset and Wiltshire villages—as I found when I stopped, well ahead of the field, at Box, famous as the starting point of the Newton-Ballington Bath to London runs.

As I found, too, at Marlborough, which the competitors, a third of their journey done, would not reach until nearly midnight. But, when they did arrive, the groups were still there to greet them with a cheer of encouragement.

It was a fine night then; and made even finer as the leader passed through this Wiltshire town by the appearance of a brilliant full moon to light him on his way. Later, the weather changed; and a cold, damp mist descended on Savername Forest and what was once described in the old coaching days as the "cheerless ten miles between Marlborough and Hungerford."

However, on ploughed the walkers and their attendants; on to a bright spot that was the "Red Lion"—which seems set to, acquire considerable fame as a

JAMES AUDSLEY

walkers port of call. Reaching it, the field reached Berkshire: for the county line runs through the middle of another Hungerford hostelry, the "Bear."

Misty night gave place to misty morning, but the long trek continued: continued until it brought the competitors, walking in clear, fine weather once more, to the finish at Chiswick—where they found the interest noticed at the start fully maintained by a crowd which, large when the winner arrived, was certainly no smaller when the last man came in 5½ hours later.

It is not enough, however, that an event should attract large numbers of people. Once it has attracted them, it has a duty to the sport. It must show sufficient greatness as an event to bring these people, and the friends to whom they will have talked, back again and yet again in the future.

This duty the Bath walk discharged in full. Graced by the presence of national newspapermen, two news-reels and the TV news-reel, and featured in "In Town To-night," and by the BBC West Region, it provided all the competition and all the "human interest" that the most exacting reporter could demand.

It was, of course, the old conflict of time and space: an attempt to cover a maximum of distance in a minimum of time. This always has a fascination: a fascination intensified, it seems, when the effort is sufficiently protracted to become also a demonstration of human endurance almost beyond the comprehension of average men. It was a race between men, but it was also a test against time—a bid to walk 100 miles in 24 hours—and this kept the interest fully alive until the last man had arrived.

As a race, it centred on R. Whitlock's attempt to crown a great career by winning a 100 and earning a prize that had previously eluded him: the small badge that marks a man a Centurion. He triumphed magnificently, winning by over half-an-hour in fast time: yet, so the story goes, he wanted to retire at 80 miles, and only continued because his supporters would not allow him into the car. On such small, seldom related incidents do great victories hinge.

And what of P. Reading, rarely one of the luckiest, but always one of the pluckiest of walkers? Rumour has it that his attendants had to resist two determined efforts to retire, one at 70 miles and one at 85: but I personally saw him at 95, going like a 2-miler, which was how he finished, a worthy runner-up.

Then there was that great Woodford Green trio of H. Neilson, J. Holding and T. Kent. They lay second, third and fourth, as they chased Whitlock through Marlborough, Neilson, who had led out of Bath, only a few steps behind the leader; and they were third, fourth and fifth at the finish, having allowed only the experienced Reading to go by. One regretted that there was no team prize, for these three would have walked it—in every sense of the word.

Then what of L. Griffiths, who, in the space of one month, started and finished the S.L.H. 30 miles run, the Brighton walk, the Brighton run and this Bath walk—in which he was 7th, beating the first-class standard of 20 hours? There was one other competitor who had run to Brighton only six days before; and, if G. Hewitt was less successful than Griffiths, he can at least feel that 65 miles covered in his first-ever walking competition is no mean feat.

PLUCK

Mention of Griffiths reminds one of a competitor who finished near him, W. Longshaw; and of his fight to finish at all. 6th at 90 miles, he came in 9th and in agony—to miss first-class standard by 31 minutes! Then there was J. Liddle, 38th and last to finish, and his struggle to beat 24 hours. He had 2½ hours for the last 8 miles, and heads shook doubtfully: but he confounded the prophets at the finish by striding in with half-an-hour to spare.

With 11 finishers having "been there before," Liddle became the 27th new Centurion of the race and the 200th to be created. His Centurion number, though, is 201, for the number 99 was never allocated (which is another story). This brings us face to face with the strange fact that the distinction of being Centurion No. 200 goes to a man whose club, though once famous almost beyond all others in walking circles, has not for many years past had a walking section at all. The club is Herne Hill, and the man who brings it this strange achievement is F. Harmer.



G. B. R. WHITLOCK, the winner, during the Bath-London Walk.

A good deal of acclaim went, deservedly, to attendants; and particularly to three 17-year-old girl cyclists, who performed the feat of riding at the awkward speed of just over 5 miles an hour for the whole journey. Male attendants also performed some remarkable feats. D. Kent, for instance, who came straight off night duty to travel to Bath, and to ride through the next night to look after his brother. Then there was J. Stirling-Wakeley, winner of two 100s, but kept out of this one by a rehearsal of the Covent Garden orchestra, in which he is a tympanist. However, he travelled straight from his rehearsal to Chippenham, to walk 80 miles or so with his club-mate, F. Herring. There were also the disabled helper who accompanied J. Banfield, the members of Trowbridge A.C. who manned refreshment stations for 51 miles of the route, and many more.

That 38 out of 48 starters should finish was remarkable: but hardly more so than that 48 out of 54 entries should

actually start. Spare a thought, though, for two who did not: H. Whitlock and P. Everard, forced to jettison months of hard training by a strained back and influenza, respectively.

The officials, too, deserve the highest praise—with a special word for the recorder at the finish. Throughout the afternoon, this official added to his duties the extra one of picking up a megaphone and giving the crowd the name, the club and time of everyone who finished, and filling in gaps with items of information about the Centurions and road walking generally. This was a real service and a fair return to the spectators for their interest.

It is probably no secret that certain walking officials opposed this race on

the grounds that the walkers did not know the road. Well, those who were in favour of it have now been more than amply justified: though it is only fair to add that, once the event had definitely been decided upon, those who had objected directed their energies to helping with it and to playing a large part in allaying their own fears. The R.W.A. Southern Committee can now sit back and accept any congratulations that come their way in the certainty that these have been thoroughly earned. And especially have they been earned by the man who, having organised the first Brighton and back 100 in 1902, has now performed the same service for the first Bath 100 in 1952—Ernest Neville.

Yes, this was indeed an EVENT.

TRELOAR'S RECORD EQUALLED

If equalling one of John Treloar's many records means anything, then Peter McInnes is on the way to becoming an Olympic sprint place-getter.

McInnes, a 16-year-old student at Strathfield Christian Brothers College, showed exceptional form in winning both heat and final of the N.S.W. All-Schools under 17, 100 yds. championship in 9.9 sec., at Sydney Cricket Ground on October 4th. These times equalled the meet record set up by Olympic finalist, John Treloar, in 1944.

McInnes, who also won the 220 yds. in 22.5 sec., and the broad jump with 20ft. 6in., was not aided by the weather—heavy (Sydney-style) rain fell throughout the day, making the grass tracks spongy and most unco-operative.

Others to star in this monster annual schoolboy meeting staged by the N.S.W.A.A.A., were Graham McGregor, the under 19 sprint "double" in 10.1 and 22.5 sec.; Bob Parker, the under 17, 120 yds. hurdles (33") in 15.6—he's a strong 6-footer, at present more interested in golf—and Denis Wilson, who casually loafed along to win—by 150 yds.—the under-17 mile title in 4 min. 30.3 sec.

J. H. Galli

DEPARTURE

Former Lancashire sprint champion, Bernard Gibson (Salford Harriers), has gone to live in Australia, where he has obtained a position as draughtsman with a firm in Sydney.

Gibson won the county 100 and 220 yards titles in 9.7 and 21.6 seconds respectively in the 1951 championships, both records for the events. A pulled muscle in his left leg kept him out of this year's championships, but towards the close of the season, he won five sprints on the trot.

Gibson hopes to continue his athletic career in Australia, where, incidentally, Ken Crowe, formerly with the Manchester A.C., and who was in the 1948 Olympic team, is still competing.

Meanwhile, Salford have gained another sprinter in Ken Jones, Manchester Rugby Union club's right winger. Jones is being coached by Harry Cullins and Walter Rangeley for next season.

The English Cross Country Union has accepted an invitation for W. Hesketh, D. A. G. Pirie, F. Sando and G. B. Saunders to compete in the "Le Soir" Criterium des As International cross-country race in Brussels on the 23rd November.

New Records For Zatopek

Emil Zatopek set up three new world records — 15 miles in 1hr. 16min. 26.4

secs.; 25 kilos in 1hr. 19min. 21.8secs.; and 30 kilos in 1h. 35min. 23.8secs.

ATHLETIC

AMATEUR

ASSOCIATION

President:
The Rt. Hon.
THE LORD BURGHLEY,
K.O.M.G.



Hon. Sec: E. H. L. Clynes.
Hon. Treas: W. C. Jewell.
Asst. Sec: G. W. Smith.

CROWN CHAMBERS, 118, CHANCERY LANE, LONDON, W.C.2.

RECORDS

The following English Native Record performances achieved during the 1952 Track and Field season have now been considered and ratified by the Amateur Athletic Association:—

100 Yards	B. Shenton (Polytechnic H.)	9.8 secs.	White City	17.9.52
1000 Yards	G. W. Nankeville (Walton A.C.)	2m. 11.1secs.	White City	2.6.52
2 Miles	C. J. Chataway (Walton A.C.)	8m. 55.6secs.	Oxford	12.6.52
3 Miles	D. A. G. Pirie (South London H.)	13m. 44.8secs.	White City	31.5.52
4 Miles	D. A. G. Pirie (South London H.)	19m. 21.2secs.	White City	20.6.52
5 Miles	D. A. G. Pirie (South London H.)	24m. 09.6secs.	White City	20.6.52
6 Miles	D. A. G. Pirie (South London H.)	28m. 55.6secs.	White City	20.6.52
Marathon	J. H. Peters (Essex Beagles)	2h. 20m. 42.2s.	Windsor to Chiswick	14.6.52
440 Yds. Hurdles	H. Whittle (Reading A.C.)	53.3secs.	White City	21.6.52
440 Yds. Hurdles	A. W. Scott (Achilles Club)	53.2secs.	White City	4.8.52
Javelin	M. J. Denley (Thames Valley H.)	214ft. 7½in.	Walton-on- Thames	29.5.52
Javelin	M. J. Denley (Thames Valley H.)	216ft. 1in.	White City	21.6.52
Pole Vault	G. M. Elliott (Wood Gn. A.C. and U.L.A.C.)	13ft. 1in.	Motspur P.	10.5.52
Pole Vault	G. M. Elliott (Wood Gn. A.C. and U.L.A.C.)	13ft. 6in.	Motspur P.	14.5.52
Pole Vault	G. M. Elliott (Wood Gn. A.C.)	13ft. 6in.	White City	31.5.52
Pole Vault	G. M. Elliott (Wood Gn. A.C.)	13ft. 6in.	White City	9.8.52

Shot Put	J. A. Savidge (R.N.A.A.)	54ft. 9½in.	Burford, Dorking	20.9.52
5 Miles Walking	R. Hardy (Sheff. Utd. H. & A.C.)	35mins, 15 secs.	White City	31.5.52
6 Miles Walking	R. Hardy (Sheff. Utd. H. & A.C.)	42mins, 28secs.	White City	31.5.52
7 Miles Walking	R. Hardy (Sheff. Utd. H. & A.C.)	49mins. 28.6 secs.	White City	31.5.52

BRITISH AMATEUR ATHLETIC BOARD

The following performances have now been ratified as British (National) and British (All-Comers) Records, as specified—

British (All Comers) and British (National) Records

2 Miles	C. J. Chataway (Walton A.C.)	8mins. 55.6secs.	Oxford	12.6.52
3 Miles	D. A. G. Pirie (South London H.)	13mins, 44.8secs.	White City	31.5.52
6 Miles	D. A. G. Pirie (South London H.)	28mins, 55.6secs.	White City	20.6.52
5 Miles Walking	R. Hardy (Sheffield Utd. H.)	35mins, 15secs.	White City	31.5.52
7 Miles Walking	R. Hardy (Sheffield Utd. H.)	49mins. 28.6secs	White City	31.5.52

British National Records

440 Yards Hurdles	H. Whittle (Reading A.C.)	53.3secs.	White City	21.6.52
440 Yards Hurdles	A. W. Scott (Achilles Club)	53.2secs.	White City	4.8.52
Pole Vault	G. M. Elliott Wood, Gn. A.C. and U.L.A.C.)	13ft. 6in.	Motspur P.	14.5.52
Pole Vault	G. M. Elliott (Wood, Gn. A.C.)	13ft. 6in.	White City	31.5.52
Pole Vault	G. M. Elliott (Wood, Gn. A.C.)	13ft. 6in.	White City	9.8.52
Shot Put	J. A. Savidge (R.N.A.A.)	54ft. 9½in.	Burford, Dorking	20.9.52

U.A.U. CROSS-COUNTRY

On account of the normal date clashing with the District Championships, it has been decided to hold the U.A.U. Cross-Country Championships at Nottingham, on Saturday, February 14th. Match against the Midland Counties will be revived at Birmingham on Saturday, December 13th, when the R.A.F. will also take part.

Chief newcomer to the U.A.U. universities this year is Geoff Saunders, who is now at Manchester University where they also have a promising newcomer in D. A. Leighton, of Winton Harriers. Leighton was second to M. P. Smith, when Manchester (33) beat Stockport (74), Birmingham University (87) and Old Mancunians (171).

At Bristol, J. MacDonald, of Westbury Harriers, should be an asset to the University, for whom he was first home against his own club who, with the next five men, won 31-66.

J. Newnham, Herts Junior Champion, is making a good impression at Reading, where on Saturday he was the individual winner in 34.12 in a 39-63 success for Reading against Southampton, with Keble College third with 75 points. Stephens, of Reading, was second in 34.15. Sturbridge, Reading, third in 34.35 and Stanley (Keble) fourth with 35.01.

Sheffield's trials, run in wretched conditions were won by M. Fleming, who covered the five miles in 29 mins. 49 secs. L. Partington was second and R. Britt, third.

ATHLETICS IN WALES

By A. E. W.

TWO fundamental changes in the set-up for Welsh cross-country running were decided at the Welsh C.C. Association's A.G.M.

1. That "Welsh Counties could form their own Associations and providing not less than 3 teams compete, stage their own Championships."

2. That "The Welsh Junior Championship be confined to athletes over 18 years and under 21 years."

As a counter to the new Junior Championship, it was decided to institute a 7 miles Championship.

The following venues and dates were agreed upon. The "Novice," Singleton Park, Swansea, December 6th; "Youths" and "Junior," Mountain Ash, January 17th; and the "Senior," Cardiff Gas A.C. Course, March 7th.

Mr. D. J. P. Richards, the Association Hon. Treasurer, was elected President, and thus puts the seal upon a wonderful 30 years service to Welsh Cross-Country, as an athlete and administrator.

He won his first native Championship, the "Novice" at Morgan Park, away back in 1922 and went on to distinguish himself as Junior and Senior Champion and International. His son David seems set to emulate the father.

It is hoped to stage the Isaac O'Brien Memorial Road Race in Mid-November at Port Talbot. The holder of the trophy, P. J. Nash of Port Talbot Y.M.C.A. Harriers, has only to win it once more to make it his own property.

The Welsh A.A.A. have decided to hold all County Championships in Wales on June 6th, 1953. The Welsh Senior Championships on June 20th, Junior Championships on July 4th, and the Youths and Boys on July 19th.

Provisional dates were fixed for the following matches — Polytechnic H. v. South Wales and Mon., Northern Counties A.A.A. v. Welsh A.A.A., and A.A.A. v. Welsh A.A.A.

Hywel Williams, Roath Harriers, was awarded the "Fellowship" Cup as the most outstanding athlete in the Welsh Championships. He was the winner of the Decathlon, Discus and Pole Vault Championships. In the Decathlon discus event he established a new Native and Championship record of 139 feet 0½ inches.

BIRCHFIELD WIN BRISTOL-WESTON RELAY

Birchfield Harriers gained a fine victory in the Bristol to Weston-super-Mare and Back Road Relay last Saturday. Owing to the officials not retaining the complete records, the usual detailed results cannot be given, but Roy Fox has sent us a brief report.

T. Meeson (R.A.F. St. Athans) was leading at the end of the first stage, but Birchfield went to the front after 15 miles, and though losing the lead temporarily to Reading A.C. at 30 miles, they finished in great style with a near record by Bobby Reid on stage 7 and a new record by A. Mann on the last leg.

Reading made a great fight to complete their hat-trick but on the crucial stage 7, A. A. Robertson could not sustain the pace set by Bobby Reid. Westbury Harriers were struggling for the first 10 miles and were only sixth at the turn, but on the homeward journey they were 11 secs. faster than Birchfield and 16 secs. faster than Reading. In this they were greatly helped by stage records from I. Hawkins (making a great come-back after finishing his National Service) and J. J. McDonald.

New stage records were — Stage 5, 29.17 by I. Hawkins (Westbury); Stage 6, 22.41 by J. J. McDonald (Westbury); Stage 8, 24.38 by A. Mann (Birchfield).

Finishing times—

1, Birchfield H. (L. Orton, M. White, T. Hardy, J. R. Reid, R. Hatton, G. Hynes, R. Reid, A. Mann) 3hrs. 36mins. 21secs.

2, Reading A.C. (D. Spencer, K. Weston, R. Whitlock, J. Green, W. Robertson, C. Parr, A. A. Robertson, I. Parr) 3hrs. 37mins. 17secs.

3, Westbury H. "A" (R. W. Werry, J. Court, R. B. Gazzard, J. Smith, I. Hawkins, J. J. McDonald, J. Gamlin, J. Ivory) 3:38.21.

4, Tipton H. 3:39.24; 5, Bristol A.C. 3:40.06; 6, Oxford City 3:42.45; 7, R.A.F. St. Athans 3:43.28; 8, Bristol Univ. 3:46.09; 9, Halesowen A.C. 3:46.27; 10, Godiva "A" 3:46.34; 11, Bristol South 3:48.4; 12, Reading "B" 3:49.28; 13, Newport 3:52.10; 14, St. Gregory's 3:52.33; 15, Plymouth C.S. 3:56.22; 16, Westbury "B" 3:56.36; 17, Exeter Univ. C. 3:58.57; 18, Godiva "B" 4:00.05; 19, Swindon A.C. 4:04.00; 20, Reading "C" 4:06.16; 21, Taunton A.C. 4:06.38; 22, Bristol Univ. "B" 4:07.32; 23, R.A.F. Glos. 4:08.55.

RESULTS

October 18th

Epsom and Ewell H. 21 pts. beat **Surrey Beagles** 41 and **Dorking St. Paul's A.C.** 97, over 5 miles. 1, E. Williams (E) 28:10; 2, Carter (S) 28:40; 3, J. Arnell (E) 28:47; 4, S. Aust (E) 29:03; 5, Henton (D) 29:12; 6, J. Southgate (E) 29:18.

Devonport Y.M.C.A. 43 pts. beat **R.N. Engineering Coll. (Devonport)** "A" 51 and **R.N.E.C.** "B" 86, over 4½ miles at Cremyll. 1, K. Parsons (YMCA) 27:23; 2, J. Mitchell (RN) 27:58; 3, K. Shinner (YMCA) 28:20; 4, A. Donaldson (RN) 28:30; 5, K. Thomas (YMCA) 28:40; 6, D. Kennedy (RN) 29:40.

October 25th

Manchester and Dist. C.C. League, "A" Div. Senior—6½ miles: 1, East Cheshire H. 37 pts.; 2, Manchester A.C. 51; 3, Salford H. 103. **Ind:** 1, J. Wild (EC) 41:30; 2, T. Smith (EC) 41:30. **Youths**—2¼ miles: 1, Manchester A.C. 19 pts; Salford H. and E. Cheshire H. had incomplete teams. **Ind:** 1, D. Browne (M) 16:08; 2, J. Borell (EC) 16:11; 3, M. Jones (M) 16:19.



JIM PETERS (L4) taking over from E. DOUGLAS (L3) for Essex Beagles in the Chelmsford Road Relay. *H. W. Neale*

South London H. 53 pts. beat **Oxford University** and **Surrey A.C.**, who tied with 59 pts., over 5 miles at Kingston. 1, D. A. G. Pirie (SL) 26:15 (course record); 2, M. W. Firth (SL) 26:34 (also beat record); 3, B. T. Barrett (SAC) 27:01; 4, P. J. Pirie (SL) 27:22; 5, J. Butler (SAC) 27:38; 6, R. Pain (Ox) 27:48. Also, in a "B" match at Coulsdon over 5½ miles, **Surrey A.C.** 30 pts. beat **Oxford Univ.** 36 and **S.L.H.** 54. 1, S. C. Belton (SAC) 32:20; 2, G. Scotting (SAC) 32:54.

Westminster Bank S.C. 46 pts. beat **Utd. Hospitals** 50 and **Old Croydonians** 116, over 5½ miles at Epsom Downs. 1, G. M. Pearson (W) 36:00; 2, D. Christie (UH) 37:30; 3, R. Ross (UH) 38:00.

Finchley H. beat **Ranelagh H.** by 1,011 pts. to 1,231 in a 5 miles mob match at Roehampton. 1, S. Ellis (F) 28:43; 2, J. Andrews (F) 29:17; 3, E. Shirley (F) 29:30; 4, D. Raven (F) 29:33; 5, E. Mundy (F) 29:44; 6, Bird (R) 30:04. **Ranelagh H. H'cp.**, for "Page" Cup: G. Abrams (4:25) 29:29.

Mitcham A.C. H'cp Races, at Bantstead. **Senior**—5 Miles: 1, B. Davies (2:50) 29:30; 2, M. Varndell (4:00) 29:45; 3, C. Marshall (5:00) 30:01. **Scratch 5 M:** 1, W. Pawsey (jnr.) 31:32; 2, W. Burroughs 3:36; 3, R. Bott 31:58. **Junior**—3½ miles: 1, Tilley (3:50) 18:39; 2, Evans (4:00) 19:09; 3, Stewart (3:00) 19:57. **Scratch 3½ M:** 1, Paice and Kelham 21:10; 3, Tilley 22:29.

Blackheath H. 25 pts. beat **Cambridge H.** 40 and **Bank of England** 55, over 5 miles at Hayes. 1, R. J. Webb (B) 31:26; 2, J. McCaffery (C) 31:48; 3, J. F. Bushell (BE) 32:03; 4, G. E. Monshall (B) 32:09; 5, A. C. Dashwood (B) 32:30; 6, N. E. A. Stein (C) 32:35.

R.A.F. Yatesbury A.C. beat **Oxford Univ.** "C" by 31 pts. to 49 over 6 miles at Oxford. 1, C. J. Chataway (Ox) 33:55; 2, J. Bowen (Y) 33:56; 3, G. V. Jestic (Y) 25:53; 4, Barrett (Ox) 36:01.

Horsham B.S.H. beat **Portsmouth A.C.** by 175 pts. to 176 over 4½ miles at Rudgwick. 1, M. Baker (H) 23:45; 2, J. A. Edwards (H) 24:02; 3, H. V. Martin (H) 24:24; 4, J. E. Nichols (P) 24:46. In a junior match over 2¼m. **Horsham** beat **Portsmouth** by 8 pts. to 13. 1, D. Humphrey (H) 12:57; 2, F. Haddock (H); 3, J. Lindsell (P).

Shaftesbury H. 3M. Novices Race, at Totteridge. 1, F. Buckingham 19:39; 2, P. Coxway 19:50; 3, G. W. Kayley 20:04; 4, P. Osborne 20:29.

Herne Hill H. "B" beat **Hercules A.C.** by 67 pts. to 104. 1, R. Legg (HH) 31:41; 2, G. Fisher (HH) 32:14; 3, R. Hall (HH) 33:07. **H.H.H. 5M. Vets. Race**: 1, R. W. V. Neale 34:37; 2, F. O'Sullivan 34:53; 3, H. Wills 41:45; 4, R. Goodman 45:05; **H'cp**: F. O'Sullivan (0:30) 34:53. **H.H.H. 5M. Qualification Race**: 1, A. Heywood 30:28; 2, A. Towl 30:58; 3, R. Legg 31:41; 4, G. Fisher 32:14; **H'cp**: H. Duhaut (9:00) 39:21.

Cambridge H. 3M. Youths' Championship, at O'd Bexley. 1, J. Bennett 22:18; 2, K. Kenway 22:44; 3, W. Page 23:58; 4, J. Godbeer 24:56. **H'cp**: 1, K. Kenway (2:25) 20:19; 2, W. Page (3:00) 20:58; 3, D. Ducker (3:50) 21:58.

Victoria Park H. 5M. Race and Handicap—1, G. L. Iden 27:08 (course record); 2, C. Fowles 27:21; 3, W. H. Hill 28:15; 4, N. Vare 28:25; **H'cp**: 1, C. Morris (2:50) 25:55; 2, D. Boston (2:40) 25:56; 3, L. R. Williams (2:30) 26:28.

Brighton A.C. 5M. Match H'cp: 1, H. T. Davis 36:00; 2, H. Foster 36:10; 3, R. Newington 36:23; 4, S. Mills 36:32; 5, G. Brook 36:43; 6, H. V. Foord 36:46. **Fastest times**—H. Foster 29:40; H. V. Foord 30:16; R. Newington 31:03.

Kent A.C. 20 pts. beat **Orpington A.C. 34**, **Croydon H. 34** and **Y.M.C.A. 70**, over a course just under 5 miles at Bromley. 1, D. Murray (C) 23:14; 2, R. Hale (K); 3, G. Turner (K).

Thames Valley H. beat **Woodford Gn. A.C.** by 87 pts. to 213 over 5 miles. 1, D. Fotheringham, H. A. Olney, A. Ingles, K. L. Norris (TV) 30:57; 5, P. L. Vivian (TV) 31:19; 6, E. G. Ellis (TV) 31:27. In a junior match run over 3 miles, **Thames Valley H.** beat **Woodford Gn.** by 59-83. 1, R. Garrett (W) 19:21; 2, P. Linford (TV) 19:22; 3, C. Crump (W) 19:43; 4, J. Stagg (TV) 20:08. **T.V.H. 5M. H'cp.**, in conjunction. 1, A. Pearce (5:15) and M. Hamilton (7:30) 28:54; 3, A. Ingles (1:35) 29:22.

Hornsey (St. Mary's) H. 4M. H'cp. Race, at Mill Hill Village. 1, L. Martin (1:55) 23:01; 2, R. Wing (1:25) 23:51; 3, G. Olding (scr) 23:51. **Fastest time**—G. Olding 23:51.



FRANK SANDO (Aylesford P.M.) nearing the end of his record-breaking run in the Chelmsford Relay. *H. W. Neale*

Southampton A.A.C. beat **Eastleigh A.C.** by 23 pts. to 56, over a 5½ miles course at Southampton. 1, R. G. Gosney (S) 32:49; 2, J. Clark (S) 33:45; 3, A. J. Walton (S) and D. A. Harber (S) 34:26.

Hythe A.C. 31 pts. beat **Maidstone H. 32** and **Gravesend H. 78**, over 5 miles at Maidstone. 1, D. Pemble (M) 30:39; 2, A. Mayne (H) 32:06; 3, A. J. Menlove (H) 32:06; 4, J. Richards (H) 32:06; 5, J. Pemble (M) 32:33; 6, O. Hopkins (H) 32:46.

Ilford A.C. Unattached Novices Races over 3 miles at Chigwell Row. **Race "A"** (15-18 yrs.) 1, G. Marwood (Romford T.S.) 17:53; 2, M. Ricketts (Wanstead CHS) 18:04; 3, B. Davis (Buckhurst CHS) 19:03. **Race "B"** (18 yrs. and over)—1, M. Farrow (Ilford AC) 18:59; 2, J. Baldwin (Ilford AC) 19:34; 3, P. Fuller (Ilford AC) 19:42.

Epsom and Ewell H. 5M. H'cp: 1, H. Barrows (7:30) 26:35; 2, K. Vaughan (4:45) 28:08; 3, E. Brown (0:45) 28:20; 4, E. Williams (scr) 28:40.

Aylesford P.M. 104 pts. beat **Cambridge H.** 113 and **Met, Police** 184, over a 6 miles course at Hayes. 1, D. Holden (C) 32:58; 2, K. Harland (C) 33:12; 3, S. Acott (A) 33:20; 4, L. Cass (C) 33:22; 5, D. Jones (MP) 33:43; 6, J. R. Charlesworth (A) 33:58; 7, F. Sando (A) 34:08.

London Business Houses 10M, Road Relay Championship, at New Southgate. 1, Nat. Cash Register (Coyne 13.32, Harve 13.35, Whitehead 13.51, Cox 13.18); 54.16; 2, B.T.H. 55.50; 3, G.E.C. 56.18; 4, Brit. Aluminium 57.52; 5, London Telecom. 58.15; 6, G.E.C. "B" 58.59. **Fastest laps**—S. E. Cox (NCR) and A. S. Perkins (GEC) 13.18 (record); M. C. Whenman (Brit. Alum.) 13.25.

Grafton A.C. 3M. Junior Team Shield Contest, at Chingford. 1, N.London H. 24 pts.; 2, Eton Manor A.C. 33; 3, Hampstead H. 48; 4, Loughton A.C. 63; 5, Wadham 72; 6, Grafton A.C. 85. **Ind:** 1, T. Brassington (Wadham) 15:48; 2, T. Inman (NL) 15:53; 3, J. Draper (Hampstead) 15:56; 4, K. Parratt (NL) 16:07. All first four beat the course record of 19:23.

Essex Beagles 4½M. H'cp Race, at Chigwell Row. 1, B. J. Corney (4:00) 20:34; 2, B. Coates (4:00) 20:48; 3, J. Carruthers (1:45) 21:49. **Scratch Race in conjunction:** E. Baverstock 22:36; 2, R. Robins 22:49; 3, J. Carruthers 23:34.

London University Trials, over a 7½ miles course at Roehampton—1, T. E. Keegan (LSE) and J. S. Evans (Northampton Poly) 40:50; 3, J. A. Llewellyn (Chelsea Poly) 41:24; 4, C. Alvey (King's) 42:25; 5, J. K. Andrews (Battersea) 42:31; 6, A. J. Snoad (King's) 32:38.

North Herts A.C. 5 Miles Senior Championship. 1, M. Smith 31.50; 2, S. O'Neile 32.52; 3, J. Dillely 33.10; 4, R. Germany 34.05.

Youths' Novice Race — 1, G. Moy 24.15; 2, E. Kennedy 26.15; 3, R. Layton 26.30.

More results on page 7

"Training and Performance Book"

Specially produced for athletes to record all essential training and competition details. Stiff cover 10½in. x 8½in. Price 3/6 post free (Clubs 36/- doz.) from "Athletics Weekly," Kent Art Printers The Brook, Chatham, Kent.



**There's more
to the game
when you play
with ...**

SPALDING

A. G. SPALDING & BROS. LTD.
(Est. 1876)