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By A. D. McSweeney

SHEFFIELD UNITED, bereft—for the time being at least—of the stars which gave them non-stop successes for a solid five years, lost their unbeaten record in the Leicester 7 miles to Belgrave on Saturday last, but to finish third in the circumstances, and to pack 6 men in the first 18, shows that their newer and younger men will soon be putting the Club back with the leaders.

Ken Matthews scored again over Eric Hall to take the chief individual award, and with the fast time of 51m.39s. was only 18 seconds outside the course record by Roland Hardy. It was a pity that Stan Vickers was absent—a flu victim—for new figures would, almost certainly, have been set up.

Matthews moved away from Hall after two miles with George Williams (Worcester), whose walking has not been at its best this year, third, 80 yards back. Then followed Ken Harding (R. Sutton) and Alf Poole (Worcester). Matthews was 50 yards up on Hall by half distance, and Williams, who had dropped to fifth, was ruled out in an effort to regain his position. From five to six miles Hall cut slightly into Matthews' lead but over the last mile Matthews picked up again and won comfortably by about 120 yards. Harding looked good for third when he dropped Poole, but the Worcester man, in a do-or-die effort, drew level at the post to make it a dead-heat.

Belgrave's Nick Milsum won the handicap and he played a big part in their team win, since without Vickers they had a bare four to count on, former Surrey champion, Joe Coleman, being their anchor man. Royal Sutton had a good chance with 1st, 3rd and 9th, but they had to go back to 33rd for a fourth man, very hard luck for them, for they were only 6½ points away from Belgrave.

1956-57 Best Performance. Don Thompson has been awarded the R.W.A. best-performance-of-the-year trophy, the "Horton" Cup, for the second time. He gets it for his 1956 London-Brighton record. After his more recent record, which counts for next year, I think the R.W.A. will tell him to keep the trophy. George Coleman received consideration for his 9 and 10 miles records last October.

Milan Trip. Don Thompson, Tom Misson and George Checkley go to Italy for the International 100 km. (62¼ miles) on November 1st. Owing to the Olympics we had no representation last year, although Vic Stone was invited and was free to go. Thompson won it the year before and should start a hot favourite this time.

Vickers out. With Stan Vickers under the doctor, Eric Hall has been chosen to fill his place in the 20km. race at the Rome meeting

this week-end, and George Chaplin, whose consistency has well merited a chance, represents us in a 50km. race at Lausanne a week later. A place for Matthews must be found very soon.

Small Clubs on way up. A feature of the recent big One Hour meeting in London was the performance of the non-Metropolitan Clubs, and after first three places, which went to the big battalions, they occupied five of the next six positions. Particularly praiseworthy were the efforts by Newport H.—aided by two of the best juniors in the country, Mike Shannon and Dai Davies—who were fifth, and by Gosport A.C. 8th, and Steyning A.C. 9th. These clubs are all showing remarkable keenness and this must pay dividends.

Record entry at Trowbridge. With an entry of over 160 for the Chippenham to Calne race, there won't be much room on the road for traffic to-day on this six miles switchback between the two little Wiltshire towns. Most of the London clubs have teams, but Belgrave will be depleted. Ken Matthews, Norman Read, Tom Misson, Don Thompson, A. Poole and G. Chaplin are the big names.

25 Brightons. Yes, it's true that I have started and finished every Open London-Brighton Walk since 1926, twelve—through choice—with no attendant, and the last two—which have really been "plods"—with no training. My fastest was in 1953, 27 years after my first effort. I think I should be credited with an extra half or quarter. On the day before War began I was one of only two men who turned up at Westminster ready to start, but found the race had been cancelled. Frank Scott, from Chatham, was the other man, and whose record I have beaten, and neither of us felt that imminence of war should have stopped a Brighton Walk.

Leicester W.C. Open 7 miles. 1, K. J. Matthews (R. Sutton) 51.39; 2, E. W. Hall (Belgrave) 52.09; 3, K. Harding (R. Sutton) and A. Poole (Worcester) 54.10; 5, R. E. Davies (Woodford Gn.) 55.02; 6, N. Milsum (Belg.) 55.20; 7, G. Chaplin (Godiva) 55.33; 8, E. A. Smith (Belg.) 55.43; 9, A. Rozentals (R. Sutton) 55.54; 10, P. Markham (Leicester) 56.35; 11, M. Greasley (Sheffield) 56.57; 12, J. Eddershaw (Sheffield) 57.02. **H'cp:** 1, N. Milsum (7.20) 48.00; 2, A. Rozentals (6.30) 49.24; 3, K. Harding (4.10) 50.00. **Teams:** 1, Belgrave (2.6.7. 24) 39pts.; 2, R. Sutton 45½; 3, Sheffield 46; 4, Leicester 62; 5, Woodford Gn. 82; 6, Sheffield "B" 108½. **H'cp. Team:** R. Sutton.

Lancashire W.C. 4 Miles H'cp., Manchester. 1, F. Pearce (8.50) 28.04; 2, J. Sankey (3.50) 29.10; 3, V. Murray (6.40) 29.14.

Cambridge H. 3½ Miles Novice Race, Bexley. 1, J. Godbeer 30.37; 2, S. Percy 31.00; 3, M. Jones 32.45.

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EVERY SATURDAY — NINEPENCE

As has already been stated elsewhere, the A.A.A. face a financial crisis this year and discussion is likely to be both interesting and lively when the A.G.M. is held in Birmingham in a fortnight's time.

There are two ways in which the A.A.A. can improve their income and ensure, for one thing, that the Coaching Scheme continues with the great work being done and which is now paying dividends. One, is by means of a larger Government grant, which is warranted and overdue. Two, either by coming to some agreement with the B.A.A.B., whereby the English A.A.A. derives considerable benefit from British international matches, composed largely of English athletes and held in England. OR staging more international matches between England and other countries.

Athletics has become "big business" now, with most of the important meetings held at London's White City. I know that many meetings are sponsored by National newspapers, whose generosity we all acknowledge and appreciate, but one of the first calls on the money which flows through the turnstiles should be for the continuation of the A.A.A. Coaching Scheme, which has done so much for the development and improvement of athletics generally.

Some Northern clubs are facing another crisis which is probably being noticed here in some areas than others. Mr. R. Swindells, Secretary of the South-East Lancs. Cross Country League, says: "I don't know how clubs are faring in the South, but in the North every difficulty seems to be put in our way which will help to put an end to cross-country running. There is the litter bill to stop paper being laid, we must not cross land where accredited herds are kept, so how are we to carry on? There is not enough money to pay for racecourses."

As more and more land is being used for building on, so does it become more difficult to find suitable courses, though the greatest worry in the South is probably housing the competitors, for fields grow larger every year. Flagging, if done properly, is far more satisfactory than laying a paper trail, but the question of getting the farmer's permission can be a difficult one in industrial areas.

To-day's main events are the London to Brighton Relay for Southern Clubs, sponsored by the "News of the World," the Lancs. County Relay at Southport, and the "W. W. Alexander Memorial" Run at Great Barr, Birmingham. I expect to see Thames Valley win the Southern Relay, with Woodford, Belgrave, Herne Hill, Walton and St. Albans fighting it out for minor placings. Owing to road alterations the course is slightly longer and there will be 12 stages instead of 11.

A record number of 16 clubs have entered for the Lancs. County Relay, newcomers being Southport H. and Blackpool and Fylde A.C. With Pembroke's Gilligan away in Rome, it seems unlikely that anyone will beat Fred Norris's lap record of 14.42. Bolton hold the course record of 2h.4m.31sec. Without Gilligan, Pembroke may have difficulty in holding off the improving Manchester and D.L.C.

THE EDITOR.

ATHLETICS IN EAST AFRICA

By C. ROFFEY

THE track season here in Kenya is practically over. It normally comprises the two months of July and August when the weather is usually dry and cool.

The majority of the native athletes, with a few outstanding exceptions, are untrained and quite raw, but many show signs of a natural athletic ability. Wally Hinds, of Wirral A.C., an Hon. A.A.A. Coach in numerous events including all of the throws and jumps, does a lot of good work in these comparatively backward events and is one of the few people here who can advise on technique.

Chris. Suddaby, of Achilles, spent about four months in Nairobi before moving on to Southern Rhodesia and won several races over the mile and three miles, with best times of 4.32 and 15.09 respectively. The times may sound slow but it must be remembered that all the races were run at a height of 5,500ft.

Derek Harker, of Blackheath, is also running extremely well and achieved 49.8 to win the Kenya AAA 440 title. Whilst Norman Gregor, still going strong at 35 years of age, recently vaulted 12ft. 9in. from a rough grass run up.

The Kenya A.A.A. Championships were held at Kisumu on the shores of Lake Victoria, on the 24th Aug., 1957, Kisumu is rather lower than Nairobi, being only 3,700ft. above sea level, but the temperature was in the 80s, when we arrived at the Stadium after a 220 mile car journey on bad roads. The track was grass but quite good and excellent performances were expected. The championships are run on a team basis, the various provincial districts each sending two athletes for each event.

The 100yds. was the first of the outstanding events. After four false starts the starter got the six runners away. Ali Yusuf, the joint Kenya record holder at 9.8, was slow away but moved up strongly over the last 40yds. to all but catch Serafino Antao, of the Coast Province, who won in 9.8 to equal the record.

The mile was anxiously awaited and did not disappoint. The outstanding competitor was Nyandika Maiyoro, whom athletic fans will remember for his part in Green's three mile record in 1954. Two weeks previously he had shown his form with new Kenya records of 4:14.8 and 14.14.7, both set on the same afternoon. Drawn on the inside, he was first to the bend and running with his deceptively slow looking stride, covered the first quarter in 56.8, closely followed by his team-mate Misate. At the half, reached in 1.59, he had a 20 yds. lead increasing to 60yds. at the three-quarter

(3.05.8), and he broke the tape in 4.10.3 for a new Kenya record. The second man did 4.19 and the third 4.20.

Some 75mins. later Maiyoro lined up for the three miles. As in the mile he went straight into the lead and ran a 61sec. first lap to split up the field. The mile was reached in 4.31, Maiyoro leading, with Kanuti Sum, the Kenyan Olympic Marathon runner, on his shoulder. Two miles passed in 9.27 in the same order, 60yds. ahead of the third man. The bell was reached in 13.04 with Kanuti Sum still glued to Maiyoro, but over the last lap Maiyoro had too many guns for the diminutive Sum and drew away to win by 15yds. in another Kenya record of 14.06.7. I timed Kanuti Sum at 14.10, also inside the old Kenya record.

Other outstanding events were the 440yds. won by Derek Harker in 49.8; a 1.53.0 half-mile by Kiptalam Keter after a 55sec. first lap; Norman Gregor's 12ft. pole vault and a 6ft. 5in. high jump by Joseph Leresae.

The following week Kenya easily retained the inter-territorial athletic shield with a total of 162 points to Uganda's 116 and Tanganyika's 65. This 15th inter-territorial meeting was held at the Nakivubo Stadium, Kampala, on a grass track. The temperature was just under 80 degrees with a cooling breeze.

Maiyoro was again the outstanding performer with new inter-territorial records of 4.15.1 and 14.09.2. Ogowang, of Uganda, however, ran him close with new records of 23ft. 10½in. in the long jump and 48ft. 3¼ins. in the H.S.J. A 9.7 century by Antao, of Kenya, may be disallowed as a Kenya record, as it is thought the wind was in excess of the limit. Other fine performances were a 48.4 quarter by Bartonjo Rotich, with Harker repeating his Kenya performance of 49.8 in third place, Keter's 1.51.7 half-mile and Leresae's 6ft. 6in. high jump. David Slater, former Oxford athlete, won both the discus and weight with 129ft. 3in. and 43ft. 11¼in.

Many of these athletes will be visiting the U.K. next year for the Empire Games and with the stimulus of top class opposition may well be amongst the medals. Results—

Kenya A.A.A. Championships—Kisumu

100: 1, Antao; 2, Ali Yusuf; 3, Erastos; 9.8 (equals record). **220:** 1, Chemweno; 2, Cas-thana; 3, Oyiengo; 22.3. **440:** 1, Harker; 2, Kimasi; 3, Githaiga; 49.8. **880:** 1, Keter; 2, Stephen; 3, Langat; 1.53.0 (equals record). **Mile:** 1, Maiyoro; 2, Misate; 3, Benson; 4.10.3 (record). **3 Miles:** 1, Maiyoro; 2, Kanuti Sum;

3, Arama; 14.06.7 (record). **6 Miles:** 1, Chepkwony; 2, Livingstone; 3, Kimurai; 31.14.3. **120H:** 1, Kiptum; 2, Kipgeter; 3, Musi; 14.9. **440H:** 1, Kirwa; 2, Kiptum; 3, Kiprono; 55.1. **4 x 440:** 1, Rift Valley; 2, Central; 3, Nyanza; 3min. 25.4sec. **4 x 110:** 1, Coast; 2, Rift Valley; 3, Central; 43.9. **Marathon:** 1, Arap Bet; 2, Maratim; 3, Naftali Poo; 2hr. 58min.51sec. **Shot:** 1, D. Slater; 2, Van Lansberg; 3, Kay; 42ft. 5in. **Discus:** 1, D. Slater; 2, Van Lansberg; 3, Ayo; 126ft. 6in. **Hammer:** 1, Mackintosh; 2, Wambua; 3, Best; 134ft. 8in. (record). **Javelin:** 1, Maboria; 2, Lepalo; 3, Rop; 203ft. 7in. **L.J.:** 1, Odhiambo; 2, Antao; 3, Sang; 22 ft. 9½in. (record). **H.J.:** 1, Leresae; 2, Kipketer; 3, Kiptalam 6ft. 5in. **H.S.J.:** 1, Odhiambo; 2, Cherutich; 3, Kiptabut; 44ft. 3in. **P.V.:** 1, Gregor; 2, Panui; 3, Creiot; 12ft.

Inter-Territorial Athletic Championships— Kampala

100: 1, Antao (K); 2, Erasto (K); 3, Nduga (U); 9.7 (record). **220:** 1, Chemweno (K); 2, Casthana (K); 3, Nduga (U); 22.1. **440:** 1, Rotich (K); 2, Okello (U); 3, Harker (K); 48.4 (equals record). **880:** 1, Keter (K); 2, Oluo (U); 3, Chelimo (K); 1.51.7 (record). **1 Mile:** 1, Maiyoro (K); 2, Misati (K); 3, Wakanyansi (U); 4.15.1 (record). **3 Miles:** 1, Maiyoro (K); 2, K. Sum (K); 3, Mulinda (U); 14.09.2 (record). **6 Miles:** 1, Chepkwony (K); 2, Livingstone (K); 3, Baitwababo (U); 31.04.8. **120H:** 1, Kiptum (K); 2, Imbusi (K); 3, Otialuk (U); 14.7 (record). **4 x 110:** 1, Kenya; 2, Uganda; 3, Tanganyika; 42.8. **4 x 440:** 1, Kenya; 2, Uganda; 3, Tanganyika; 3min. 18.8sec. **H.J.:** 1, Leresae (K); 2, Etolu (U); 3, Kipketer (K); 6ft. 6in. **L.J.:** 1, Ogowang (U); 2, Antao (K); 3, Odhiambo (K); 23ft. 10½in. (record). **H.S.J.:** 1, Ogowang (U); 2, Munu (U); 3, Odhiambo (K) 48ft. 3½in. (record). **P.V.:** 1, Tanui (K); 2,



ALEC MORTEN, Captain of Macclesfield Harriers. R. Rawlinson

Olak (U); 3, Oryang (U); 12ft. **Javelin:** 1, Tesot (K); 2, Oruruv (U); 3, Lepalol (K); 207 ft. 10in. **Discus:** 1, D. Slater (K); 2, Ayo (K); 3, Simonson (T); 129ft. 3in. **Weight:** 1, D. Slater (K); 2, Castori (T); 3, Aporo (U); 43ft. 11½in. (record).

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Saturday, December 14th, 1957

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The Veterans A.C. hold their Annual Dinner and Concert on Sat., 1st February, 1958, at the Empire Restaurant (A.B.C.), Wilton Road, Victoria, London, S.W.1. Tickets price 14/-, may be obtained from J. A. Simpson, 62 Ancill Street, Greyhound Road, Hammersmith, W.6.

At their A.G.M. Ranelagh Harriers, now in their 77th year, elected Mr. Roy Hastings as President, and W. P. Bird, the Surrey 6 miles champion, Club Captain.

Barnet A.C. elected the following at their A.G.M.—Hon. Secretary, W. F. Randall, 45 Sebright Road, Barnet (BAR 8051); Hon. Treasurer, J. H. Price, 25 Underne Avenue, Southgate, London, N.14.

OFF THE CIRCUIT

By BRIAN MITCHELL

IT is difficult, and possibly dangerous, to be conservative when discussing the theory and practice of training; it is difficult because you feel all the time that you are deliberately standing against progress ("there must be progress") and it is dangerous because the people that you would most like to influence, that is the athletes, will almost inevitably think that you are not really up with the times. Not to be a top person is a terrible strain on the ego. Nevertheless, I am very conservative when it comes to weight and circuit training; I much prefer to wait and see what running can do for the runner, running and throwing for the thrower, running and jumping for the jumper, weight training for the weight-lifter, and circuit training for the circuitous thinker. There is a very interesting bit of psychology attached to the trend which is leading to the more general acceptance of these (to me) extraneous training methods.

We all wish to see our own athletes do well, both our particular club members and the specific group of men and women who get into the national teams; it follows that we are tempted to consider seriously anything new in training and anything which looks as though it will assist the programme of preparation for a particular event. The Americans are strong and win many gold medals; the English do not win many gold medals; therefore the English must make themselves strong. Such is the basic argument. The English then look around frantically for some strengthening exercises and they find weights and circuits. After all, did not Whitfield use weights and is not Motspur Park swarming with first-class athletes stepping up and down on and off the top of a gymnasium box? With ten minutes to spare at the end of a training session, the athlete is exhorted to strengthen himself; he should have been doing this anyway.

Weights and circuits are only "adjuncts" of the main business, we are told, but I suspect that the main business is suffering a ten-minute diminution and this little hole is being filled by these new gambits. The motive is admirable, since we wish for better results and "stronger" athletes (Stronger for what? Lifting and stepping up and down?), but has not this wave

of genuine enthusiasm swamped some most important features of training? Perhaps the Americans at Melbourne were born strong for sprinting and jumping, and not so very strong for middle-distance running. Imagine what the American coaches are now telling their middle-distance runners—"Son, you need to be stronger. We must put you onto weight training and you had better do a few circuits while you are at it. That man Sando, who won the English and European cross-country titles, must do a hell of a lot of strengthening work! He does. He runs."

The positive aspects of training are, I think, these. Refuge from ignorance must be sought by practising what you later wish to preach, by doing in training those things which you intend to try and accomplish in competition. You wish to be strong for a quarter-mile or for a three-miles, so you run under those specific conditions and that specific pressure. This means that there are effective areas of effort in training for each particular event—say, between 100 yards and 440 yards for the "quarter" and between 220 yards and a mile for the mile, with the emphasis at the points where the closest combination of speed and maintenance of speed can be found. This hard core of practise must, of course, be fitted into the particular context of an individual's present capabilities, but it ought to be his guide. He wants particular kind of fitness and he must be able to carry out particular actions at a particular pressure. In running, I imagine, enough can be done to get such a kind of fitness. With regard to field events, the actual movement required in competition does not appear to be sufficient, because there is no scope for flushing the system, for circulatory and respiratory improvement, upon which all fitness depends. Therefore, extra work must be put in, beyond the actual practise of a specific movement. Running must be done (the flushing procedure) and those exercises which stretch and strengthen at the same time; the chapter in the Achilles Club book on javelin-throwing gives some excellent examples against which any athlete should be able to work out his own salvation. Such exercises are as near as a vest to the

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THE CZECHOSLOVAK CHAMPIONSHIPS

THAT much of Czechoslovakia's pre-eminence in post-war athletics hinged on the phenomenal feats of the seemingly inexhaustible Emil Zatopek is apparent now that the 34-year-old former wonder runner is on the slide. But this was never more apparent than in the current season and never more underlined than in the Czechoslovak championships, this year decided in Prague.

Conditions were undoubtedly bad, but added to that there were few athletes sufficiently title-hungry to rise above the elements and show sterling worth. With Zatopek a 5,000 metres non-starter and beaten in the 10,000 metres by ex-pupil Ivan Ullsperger, and Standa Jungwirth letting the 1,500 metres go by default and content to just scrape home in the 800 metres the meeting was almost devoid of colour.

Add to that the fact that sprinter Vaclav Janecek seems to have lost interest in his work that 200 metres specialist Vilem Mandlik has said goodbye to athletics because there apparently is money after all in football, and last year's sensational 400 metres find, Josef Trousil, has this year dropped back into the rut, and you get some kind of impression of the state of doldrums into which Czechoslovak athletics has fallen.

Take the track first. The sprints were marred by wind and the absence of the stars. Trousil won the 400 metres because Jirasek concentrated on the 200 metres, which he won easily from the fading Janecek.

Jungwirth won the 800 metres in 1:50.4 and would have been content to run much slower but for the troublesome attention given him

actual competition movements and are only done, I think, in place of the actual movement because they are quicker; otherwise, as with running, there is not an excuse or a reason.

In short, then, such exercises as are now being propagandised quite widely are only ersatz training and synthetic food is not as nourishing as the real thing. If a man has ten minutes to spare and he is a potential runner, then let him (or make him) run; strengthen him for just such a movement, show him time and again what it is like to run. Don't fuss about "the top of his body" and present him with a box of obnoxious weights. Make the top of his body get used to its job; put on a dress rehearsal as often as possible and the play will finally be something of a success.

by the Czech-born Negro, Cenek Hanka, a rough-and-ready runner with a super-abundance of self-confidence and a determination to succeed. With Jungwirth out of the way the 1,500 metres became an open but lack-lustre contest. The 5,000 metres was extremely interesting in that it brought together under championship conditions Graf, discovery of 1956, and Jurek, find of 1957, and victory went to the most recent of these two stars, a runner with less impetuosity than his rival and probably greater track generalship. Here, again, conditions militated against good time.

All that was needed to make this the most

By

J. ARMOUR MILNE

depressing of all Czechoslovak championships was the defeat of Emil Zatopek in the 10,000 metres, Ivan Ullsperger, so long knocking on the door, at last succeeding by outprinting the Old Master in the race for the line. Then in the steeplechase last year's great runner, Brlica, and this year's most improved performer Vesely, both were soundly slammed by one coming straight out of the blue, Zhanal.

High jumping and triple jumping were just as good as pole vaulting and broad jumping were bad, but the shot, hammer and discus raised the throwing standards above those of the other events, Skobla topping 59 feet with the shot, Merta throwing a consistent if by no means best of 177ft. 7ins. with the discus, and the young and steadily improving Muzicek combining first championship and first national record with an excellent hammer-throw of 203 ft. 1½ins.

The women's track events, not unexpectedly, were uniformly moderate. Zllata Rozkosna, a hardy annual, was a fraction short of 20 feet in the long jump only to have her effort rejected as a record claim because of a too favourable tail wind. With Dana Zatopkova still resting a bad elbow the javelin was devoid of interest, the best throwing result being that of Mertova in the discus, won over 166 feet.

Men

100: 1, Simanek 11.0; 2, Prochazka 11.1; 3, Stesto 11.1. 200: 1, Jirasek 22.1; 2, Janecek 22.3; 3, Steso 22.4. 400: 1, Trousil 48.3; 2, Kocis 49.3; 3, Havrient 49.9. 800: 1, Jungwirth 1:50.4; 2, Hanka 1:50.6; 3, Heger 1:52.9. 1,500: 1, Zvolensky 3:54.9; 2, Cikel 3:55.4; 3, Josefy 3:57.4. 5,000: 1, Jurek 14:18.6; 2, Graf

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FLOODLIT MEETING AT IBROX STADIUM, GLASGOW

Sept. 28th

THE 30,000 spectators at this meeting sponsored by the "Scottish Sunday Express" were rewarded by some thrilling races. It was dry but very cold and performances suffered accordingly.

The mile was a tactical affair with the Poles out to win at all cost. J. Chromik set the pace with a 60.2 first lap and at half a mile he still led, followed by Ibbotson, Pirie and Lewandowski in 2:05.5. Pirie then took the lead but was soon passed by the Poles. At the bell the pace quickened and down the back straight Lewandowski was 10 yards in front, followed by Everett and Ibbotson, who had been blocked as he made his effort to catch the Poles. Round into the home stretch, with Lewandowski still in front, Ibbotson put in a terrific effort, passed Everett, but just failed to catch the Pole.

The 3 miles was another thrilling race with G. Knight winning from Kryszkowiak (Poland) in 13:38.7. Over the first two laps Blagrove set the pace but then faded out. This left Binnie in the lead, followed by A. Lawrence (Australia) and Knight. The first mile was reached in 4:30.7 with Binnie still in front. At 1½ miles Knight moved into second place with Kryszkowiak on his heels; the Pole led at 2 miles in 9:14.6 with Binnie, Knight, Lawrence and Ozog all close behind. With 2 laps to go Kryszkowiak and Knight opened up a 10 yards lead from Binnie and at the bell these two were still in front. A furlong from the tape it looked like the Pole's race, but a brilliant effort by Knight down the home straight gave him victory by 2 yards. Ozog passed Binnie to finish 3rd but the Scot had the consolation of creating a new Scottish Native record of 13:51.2.

G. Carragher, an Australian now resident in Scotland, scored a fine double in the sprints, and Brian Shenton put in a terrific finish to win the other 220 to beat Baranowski on the tape. The Poles dominated the field events, with Janiszewski outstanding, while in the women's events Heather Young set two new Scottish All-Comers' records.

S—S.A.A.A. SW—S.W.A.A.A. W—W.A.A.A.

A—A.A.A. P—Poland

100: 1, G. Carragher (S) 9.9; 2, J. Jerzembowski (P) 9.9; 3, A. Breaker (A) 10.0; 4, J. G. Edgar (S) 10.0. **220:** (1): 1, B. Shenton (A) 22.0; 2, Z. Baranowski (P) 22.0; 3, G. Mach (P) 22.2; 4, B. Randall (Australia) 22.7. **220(2):** 1, G. Carragher (S) 22.0; 2, E. Bozek (P) 22.4;

3, A. Breacker (A) 22.4; 4, W. Hendeson (S) 22.7. **440:** 1, J. Salisbury (A) 48.2; 2, F. P. Higgins (A) 48.3; 3, Z. Makomaski (P) 49.4; 4, T. Kazimierski (P) 49.6. **880:** 1, M. A. Farrell (A) 1.52.7; 2, Z. Orylak (P) 1:52.8; 3, M. Blagrove (A) 1.53.6; 4, J. R. Boyd (S) 1.54.3. **Mile:** 1, S. Lewandowski (P) 4.7.2; 2, G. D. Ibbotson (A) 4.8.0; 3, G. E. Everett (S) 4.8.4; 4, O. Salonen (Finland) 4.8.6. **3M:** 1, G. Knight (A) 13.38.7; 2, Z. Kryszkowiak (P) 13.39.0; 3, S. Ozog (P) 13.47.0; 4, I. Binnie (S) 13.51.2 (Scot. Nat. Rec.). **120y.H.:** 1, E. Bugala (P) 14.6; 2, P. B. Hildreth (A) 14.8; 3, J. Kotlinska (P) 15.3; 4, J. T. Johnston (S) 15.3. **440yH.:** 1, T. S. Farrell (A) 53.8; 2, P. B. Hildreth (A) 56.2; 3, V. C. Matthews (A) 57.6. **H.J.:** 1, J. Skupny (P) 6'4"; 2, Z. Lewandowski (P) 6'2"; 3, O. Okuwobi (Nigeria) 6'2"; 4, A. R. Chadderton (A) 6'2". **P.V.:** 1, Z. Janiszewski (P) 14'11"; 2, G. M. Elliott (A) 13'0"; 3, I. Ward (A) 13'0"; 4, P. M. Milligan (S) 12'0". **JT:** 1, J. Sidlo (P) 249'0"; 2, C. G. Smith (A) 226'9"; 3, C. N. Loveland (A) 196'6". **4 x 110 Relay:** 1, Poland "A" (Bugala, Krol, Janiak, Koteliński) 41.8 (Scot. A-C Rec.); 2, A.A.A. Select (Shenton, Randall, Breacker, Crosby) 42.4; 3, Poland "B" 43.2; 4, S.A.A.A. Select (Dunbar, Johnston, Carragher, Henderson) 43.3.

Women's Events

100y.: 1, H. Young (W) 10.9 (Scot. A and C Rec.); 2, M. Weston (W) 11.1; 3, P. Wyatt (W) 11.4; 4, M. Chojnaska (P) 11.4. **220y.:** 1, H. Young (W) 25.0 (Scot. A-C Rec.); 2, J. Dudderidge (W) 25.3; 3, C. Jesionowska (P) 25.4; 4, I. Bond (S.W.) 26.1. **440y(1):** 1, J. Dudderidge (W) 57.2; 2, V. Murphy (W) 59.4; 3, H. Gabor (P) 61.2. **440y(2):** 1, J. Ruff (W) 58.2; 2, J. G. Hermah (SW) 60.8; 3, S. Duncan (SW) 61.5. **80mH.:** 1, C. Quinton (W) 11.4; 2, M. Slowinska (P) 11.6; 3, I. Pond (W) 11.9.

Bute Highland Games, Rothesay, 21/9/57

100: T. Mylett (Liverpool) 4½, 9.9; **220:** T. Wallace (Babcock and W) 14, 22.9; **880:** J. Kinnell (G. Pol.) 46, 1:59.2; **Mile:** G. W. Jackson (Woodford G) 50, 4:26.4; **18M.R.R.:** H. Fenion (Bell'n) 1h.37m.15s.; **H.J.:** D. D. Burns (Edin. U.) 7½, 6'1"; **P.V.:** I. Ward (Bury) Scr., 13'4"; **S.P.:** A. McColm (Swifts) 9', 45'7"; **H.Scots:** D. Nicholson (G. Pol.) 3'6"; 109'11½"; **28lb. Wt:** A. McColm (Swifts) 14', 64'5"; **880(J):** L. Botfield (Shett'n) 32, 2.1.9; **100(W):** M. Carmichael (Bell'n) 6, 11.0; **220(W):** D. M. Dow (Bell.) 18, 26.6; **Mile:** B. Tait (Ed.) Scr., 5.41.9.

WOODFORD EASY WINNERS OF MAIDENHEAD RELAY

September 28th

Maidenhead A.C. held their 13th annual road relay over 6 laps of a 4½ miles course on a cold, windy day, despite which the course record was broken again by last year's winners, Woodford Green A.C.

At the end of lap 1, Codling, of Wycombe Phoenix led in 21.12, half a minute in front of Price (Bristol), with Sheill (Poly "D") third. Lap 2 saw Hall (Poly "D") take the lead with a 21.57 run, Stearns (Woodford), also 21.57 coming in with Rutter (Oxford) 21.52 in second place.

Heiberg, of Woodford (21.59) went into the lead on the third leg, with Lanning (Poly "D") 22.25, second, and Smith (Oxford) 22.23, third. From then on, Woodford increased their lead on each lap to win by 4 min. 8sec. and beat the old record by exactly a minute. Oxford just beat Bristol in a fight for second place.

1, Woodford Green (Mayor 21.54, Stearns 21.57, Heiberg 21.59, Crump 21.11; White 22.31, Chapman 20.57) 2:10.29.



J. H. METCALF leading at the last of the obstacles in the 400m. hurdles in the England v. Poland match. H. W. Neale

2, Oxford City (Porter 21.59, Rutter 21.52, Smith 22.23, Pinkerton 22.58, Walsh 23.16, Dunhill 22.09) 2:14.37.

3, Bristol A.C. (Price 21.43, Townsend 22.32, Sully 22.28, Smith 21.28, Glanville 23.43, Gingell 22.52) 2:14.46.

4, Reading 2:15.15; 5, Blackheath 2:15.55; 6, Poly 2:16.48; 7, Woodford Gn. "B" 2:17.41; 8, T.V.H. 2:17.55; 9, Maidenhead 2:19.02; 10, Wycombe Ph. 2:19.04; 11, Bristol "B" 2:19.13; 12, Swindon 2:20.46; 13, Dartford 2:21.13; 14, T.V.H. "B" 2:21.47; 15, Reading "B" 2:22.55; 16, Deptford Pk. 2:23.07; 17, Reading "D" 2:27.20; 18, Dartford "B" 2:38.40.

Fastest times: Chapman (Woodford) 20.57; Crump (Woodford) 21.11; Codling (Wycombe) 21.12; Smith (Bristol) 21.28; Price (Bristol) 21.43; Everard (Blackheath) 21.43.

At the A.G.M. of Essex Beagles the following officials were elected—President, Mr. E. R. Copley; Hon. Gen. Sec., A. S. Dove, 180 Meads Lane, Seven Kings, Essex (SEV 7776); Asst. Sec., G. V. Utton; Treasurer, J. Louis; C.C. Sec., S. Robins, 5 Fallow Close, Chigwell; Walking Sec., C. Gum; Track Sec., T. Theobald; Press Sec.: R. Havers; Social Sec., A. Blatchford.

Hon. Gen. Secretary of Ilford A.C. is now E. H. Moon, 88 Lambourne Road, Chigwell Row, Essex (Hainault 76).

Orion H. elected the following at their A.G.M.—Captain, P. J. F. Canham; Secretary, S. E. Vickery, 61 Brookdale, New Southgate, London, N.11; Treasurer, J. J. Crichton; Editor, L. S. Turner.

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THE A.A.A. "END OF SEASON" SALE

SUCH and similar were the remarks that I met one following the close of the A.A.A. Floodlit Meeting, White City, London, Sept. 25th, so generously sponsored by the "Daily Express."

Admittedly ENGLAND won both the men's and women's matches by the narrow margins of 80—77 and 38—35 and both were in the balance and decided on the results of the last events. A circumstance which kept some public interest tense until the termination of the meeting and doubtless a fair number went away feeling satisfied they had value for money. Let it be freely acknowledged that the gallant LITTLE band of ENGLAND'S men and women who brought success to THIS country and justified a measure of guaranteed financial relief to the A.A.A. did a great job of work under ALL the circumstances. The crowd, comparatively small, rose to them, but never before in nearly 50 years' experience, have I heard such booing and expressions of derision at an A.A.A. meeting.

To the regular club supporter, however, there was an atmosphere that something was radically wrong in presentation of the tit-bits for the second A.A.A. show of the year. Although programmed, the withdrawals entirely due to physical troubles and others, who were reckoned to be highlights of the evening, suffering from travel fatigue or over exposure on behalf of the B.A.A.B. or other concerns earlier in the year, astonished many of our regular supporters—and they much appreciate that it was decided many years ago that more than 2 a side International Contests were not economical.

Cash customers of recent sponsored meetings complain bitterly they are prevented from witnessing what they pay to see—the start and finish of each "lap" event and the taking of the water-jump in the steeplechase. The customer IS right here, no mistake about that and particularly so at this meeting. Apart from competitors, officials actually engaged (90-100 appear on programme) the long and high jumps for men and steeplechase were timed for simultaneous start at 7.15 p.m.—which, together with those in the competitors' enclosure, possibly standing by, produced a solid block of "models on view in the window"—add to this

a large array of photographers anxious to make the best splash possible for their own job, and total effacement is easy.

On the home straight side in the vicinity of the judges' enclosure their view was blocked by assemblies of 2-3 dozen for presentations to the "Grand-Stand," jurors, announcers, recorders and team managers in consultation or flitting up and down in company with athletes—more people than some of the stands on the popular side contained. The "KING" of

By

WALTER C. JEWELL

Life Vice-President A.A.A.

Hon. Treasurer 1947-57

Course Marshalls could not break up the mass.

This is not a BUSINESS method of selling athletics.

Reflecting on the position of the A.A.A. since it was formed into a Limited Company in 1948, I see it is SEVEN years to this month since I wrote a series of articles for "Athletics Weekly" — "THIS BUSINESS OF SELLING ATHLETICS" and analogies of practices in big commercial enterprises were freely introduced. Many of those forecasts have become facts in several spheres and the situation generally is as anticipated. Our old friend and staunch supporter of AMATEUR standards, Mr. Ben Chase of Cambridge Harriers, wrote immediately following in this strain—

"He sees that the overheads are continually increasing and he can do nothing about it. The bigger the business gets the greater the annual loss, if he cuts out some of the more expensive lines his salesmen will have little to offer and the TRADE WILL DWINDLE."

Notwithstanding the fact that these warnings embodied the experiences of men of substantial commercial standing, well versed with athletic organisations for more years than most would care to recount, they were treated with levity. The decisions taken on Oct. 6th, 1956, and again in Feb., 1957, made it perfectly clear that unless the situation was taken in hand very vigorously, the Association, as a whole,

would find itself up to its neck in the environs of that awful building in Carey Street, London, W.C.2.

All Southern Clubs had a direct warning of the possibility of this situation in a personal letter from me in February last.

Get a grip of the position. Under the Constitution the Northern Counties A.A. and the Midland Counties A.A.A. are responsible for the administration of Amateur Athletics in their respective areas. They make no direct financial contributions to the A.A.A., but each receives, at the moment, an annual grant of £220 from monies earned in the South—the A.A.A.

Whilst the Midland Counties A.A.A. is practically broke and petitioning for extra financial assistance to enable it to carry on, the Northern C.A.A. has a cash balance of £1,924/0/3 and stock assets of £208/4/6. Its excess of expenditure in 1956 was £116/8/0. The Midland C.A.A.A. has total assets of £652/19/8, of which £490 is in Birmingham Corporation 4½ per cent. Stock—actual cash is quoted at £59 17s. 8d. Loss for 1956—£215/6/9 following loss for 1955—£147/11/2.

Mr. John W. Turner, Chairman of the A.A.A. and Hon. Sec. of the N.C.A.A., has more than once said at the F. and G.P. Committees of the Association that, if the A.A.A. got into financial extremis it could have all the cash they held. That might be inevitable, but scarcely helpful, for how far would it go?

No wonder it has been asked why some 18 of OUR athletes had to journey 3 days after this display to Ibrox Park, Glasgow, to provide funds for the Scottish A.A.A.

One answer is that the expenses of the visitors have to be shared by a second promotion to lower overhead costs of travel of our guests and it so happens that our generous sponsors have circulation interests, etc., etc., across the Border—in GLASGOW. But they also have substantial premises, plant and interests in the Northern densely populated area centred in MANCHESTER—so why not plan well ahead so that the two floodlit meetings can be co-ordinated to the entire advantage of ENGLAND—and the maximum financial gain to the A.A.A.

The responsibility lies with the Officers and Committee men Clubs elect annually. We want less flat spins about priority of seatings for "honoured" guests who dine at Association expense at the White City and a good deal



G. WALSH (South Africa) overtaking W. H. KELLY (Reading A.C.) at 23½ miles in the London to Brighton Road Run.

H. W. Neale

more concentration on organising meetings. A leading personality said at a dinner recently words to this effect "We don't want our Amateur Sports Organisations run by temporary Civil Servants." HE was in the position to know. *Verb Sap.*

The A.A.A. wants new blood and men who will cheerfully serve the sport they love with no other thought than the advancement and betterment of athletics for the benefit of the younger fraternity—AND in a straightforward and bold manner. On the one hand such workers must not be treated as dolts and mere "numbers" to be continually "patronised" or snubbed, on the other hand considered opinions are to be preferred across Committee tables and not where it is more convenient to preserve "prestige" at the poll.

The time is fast approaching when the A.A.A., if it desires to survive, must again control ALL athletics in England. Of that maybe more anon!

World News

By Melvyn Watman

FINLAND

Olavi Vuorisalo added the Finnish two miles record to his collection when, at the renowned Turku track on September 17th, he clocked 8:38.8—to take third spot on the world all-time rankings.

Only a yard behind, in 8:39.0, was Gordon Pirie, who said after the race that he was impeded in the finishing straight by the Finn. Pirie did not lodge an official protest but it is most unlikely that he would criticise Vuorisalo without good justification.

Derek Ibbotson, although lacking the sparkle that characterised his early season running, is far from a spent force—as his 8:41.2 third place shows. John Disley was fourth in 8:43.8—almost ten seconds faster than his previous best.

Ibbotson led until 300 metres from the finish. He led the field through 800 metres in 2:05.0, 1200 metres in 3:11.0, the mile in 4:16.5 and 2,000 metres in 5:25.0.

All four runners posted personal bests and this has caused a drastic revision of the world and British all-time lists for the event. These now read:

British: 8:34.8—Ken Wood; 8:39.0—Gordon Pirie; 8:41.0—Chris Chataway; 8:41.2—Derek Ibbotson; 8:43.8—John Disley; 8:45.6—Chris Brasher 8:45.8 — Tony Barrett 8:47.8—Hugh Foord.

World: 8:33.4—Iharos (Hung.); 8:34.8—Wood (GB); 8:38.8—Vuorisalo (Fin); 8:39.0—Pirie (GB); 8:40.4—Reiff (Belg); 8:41.0—Chataway (GB); 8:41.2—Ibbotson (GB); 8:42.4—Landy

(Aust.); 8:42.8—Hagg (Swed); 8:43.8—Disley (G.B.).

At the same meeting Derek Johnson took the 800 metres in 1:47.9 ahead of Olavi Salonen (Finland), 1:48.7. By his consistent running this season Johnson has proved himself the world's number three behind Roger Moens and Tom Courtney.

Further national championships results:—

HUNGARY

Budapest (Aug. 19/20): 100: Jakabfy 10.4 (rec.), Goldovanyi 10.5, Kiss 10.7; 200: Goldovanyi 21.4, Jakabfy 21.6, Csutoras 21.7; 400: I. Koacs 47.3, Csutoras 47.9, Pangert 48.7; 800: Szentgali 1:50.3, L. Kovacs 1:51.5, Somkuti 1:52.5; 1500: Roszavolgyi 3:47.9, L. Kovacs 3:48.4, Beres 3:49.5; 5000: Iharos 14:05.0, J. Kovacs 14:05.6, Szabo 14:13.2; 10,000: Szabo 30:02.4, Z. Kovacs 30:48.4, Simon 31:47.6; 3000 ST: Varga 8:57.6, Hecker 9:03.0, Molnar 9:13.6; 110H: Retezar 14.7, Csenger 15.1, Turoczi 15.4; 200H: Botar 23.8, Retezar 24.0, Csenger 24.7; 400H: Botar 52.7, Lippay 53.0, Lombos 55.9; HJ: Bodo 6'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Hagya 6'2", Kisgergely 6'2"; PV: Horvath 13'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Csaba 13'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Kismartoni 12'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; LJ: Foldessy 24'3", Jakabfy 22'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Pusztai 22'7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; HSJ: R. Nemeth 49'4 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Bolyki 47'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Csapalai 47'10"; SP: Kovesi 53'0 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Mihalyfi 52'3", Varju 49'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; DT: Klics 170'0", Szecsenyi 168'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Kovesi 156'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; HT: Csermak 202'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Zsivotsky 195'3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", I. Nemeth 182'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; JT: Krasznai 229'7", Kulcsar 228'

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S. Cook



4½", Petovari 220'5¼". Women: 100: Bata 11.9, Nagy 12.0; 200: Munkacsi 25.1; 400: Kazi 56.9, Sasvari 57.2; 800: Kazi 2:08.6, Sasvari 2:10.3; 80H: Somogyi 11.4; HJ: Kertes 5'1¼"; LJ: Somogyi 18'10¼"; SP: Feher 47'1¼", Bognar 46'9¼"; DT: Bucsayi 149'3¼"; JT: Krebs-Vigh 155'1¼", Antal 153'8".

SWEDEN

Stockholm (Aug. 16-18): 100: Malmroos 10.9; 200: Malmroos 21.7 (21.6 heat); 400: A. Pettersson 48.0; Brannstrom 48.0; 800: S-B Andersson 1:51.4, Moberg 1:52.3; 1500: Waern 3:47.5, Ericsson 3:50.6, Moberg 3:50.7; 5000: Lundh 14:21.4; 3000ST: Tjornebo 8:51.4, Helander 8:52.4, Lundgren 8:59.2; 110H: Johnemark 15.0; 400H: Trollsas 52.5, Swartz 52.6; HJ: S. Pettersson 6'8¼", Dahl 6'7", Holmgren 6'6", B. Nilsson 6'6"; PV: Lundberg 14'1¼", Lind 13'9¼"; LJ: Bergman 22'4¼"; HSJ: Norman 48'6¼"; SP: Uddebom 53'11¼"; DT: Arvidsson 165'5¼"; Edlund 165'4¼"; HT: Asplund 186'1¼"; JT: Berglund 229'7¼". Women: 100: Martensson 12.5; 200: Olofsson 25.1; 800: Dahlback 2:19.3; 80H: Cronholm 11.8; HJ: Soderlind 5'4"; LJ: Martensson 17'9"; SP: Stolpe 42'5"; DT: Johansson 132'9¼"; JT: Almqvist 157'10¼".

AUSTRIA

Vienna (Aug. 2-4): 100: Gump 10.8; 200: Gump 21.7; 400: Molnar 49.6; 800: Czeglédi 1:51.5; 1500: Klaban 3:50.9; 5000: Gruber 15:12.0; 10,000: Gruber 31:48.2; 3000 ST: Dittmer 9:49.4; 110H: Muchitsch 15.3; 400H: Muchitsch 54.9; HJ: Pingl 6'0¼"; PV: Schmiedleitner 12'9¼"; LJ: Muchitsch 23'0¼"; HSJ: Samitz 47'7¼"; SP: Tutschek 48'0¼"; DT: Neumann 144'0¼"; JT: Deboeuf 195'1¼".

Women: 100: Geist 12.2; 200: Murauer 25.5; 800: Mathis 2:36.1; 80H: Maurer 11.7; HJ: Knapp 5'3"; LJ: Knapp 18'10¼"; SP: Poll 44'0¼"; DT: Poll 150'7"; JT: Weber 136'1".

BELGIUM

Brussels (Aug. 3/4): 100: J. Verduyts 10.8; 200: J. Verduyts 21.6; 400: Moens 48.2; 800: Moens 1:49.6, Leva 1:51.7; 1500: Allewaert 3:52.4; 5000: van Hoof 14:43.6; 10,000: Depauw 31:27.2; 3000ST: Leeneart 9:04.0; 110H: Salmon 15.2; 200H: Lambrechts 24.5 (equals rec.); 400 H. Lambrechts 55.0; HJ: Jungers 6'0¼"; PV: Pirlot 13'5¼"; LJ: Salmon 23'1"; HSJ: Uyttenbroeck 44'10¼"; SP: Vandezande 48'0"; DT: Dejonghe 143'2"; HT: Haest 166'2"; JT: van Zeune 198'2".

TURKEY

Istanbul: 100: Selvi 11.0; 200: Selvi 23.1; 400: Yordanidis 49.3; 800: Kocak 1:54.1; 1500: Kocak 3:59.4; 5000: Kokpinar 15:12.8; 10,000: Icli 33:53.4; 100H: Batman 15.6; 400H: Ozguder 55.0; HJ: Sahiner 6'6"; PV: Altan 11'9¼"; LJ: Unsal 21'11"; HSJ: Altan 46'7"; SP: Akin 44'7¼"; DT: Turan 145'10¼"; HT: Sinderopoulos 164'8¼"; JT: Ziraman 185'11¼".

GREECE

Athens (July 27/28): 100: Georgopoulos 11.0; 200: Georgopoulos 22.7; 400: Depastas 49.7; 800: Depastas 1:50.2 (rec.); 1500: Constantinidis 3:58.4; 5000: Papavassiliou 15:18.2; 10,000: Hiotis 33:02.8; 3000 ST: Papavassiliou 9:09.0; 110H: Kambadelis 15.5; 400H: Hadjiannou 55.1; HJ: Marsellos 6'0¼"; PV: Efstathiades 13'5¼"; LJ: Iakovidis 22'1"; HSJ: Komitoudis 46'2¼"; SP: Tsakanikas 55'6¼" (rec.); DT: Koundais 166'0"; HT: Manolias 169'5"; JT: Demos 211'10¼".

To be continued next week

With the Ladies

GIBSON TROPHY MEETING

September 14th

100(1): S. Hoskin (Sp.) 11.2; 100(2): D. Wood (Sp.) 11.9; 220(1): J. Coleman (B) 26.1; 220(2): M. Fenton (Sp.) 26.3; 440(1): P. Germain (Sel.) 61.2; 440(2): J. Beckett (B) 64.0; 880(1): M. Critchley (I) 2:24.8; 880(2): D. Bines (E) 2:27.7; Mile Walk: B. Randle (B) 8:32.4; 80mH (1): S. Gould (Sp.) 12.0; 80mH (2): D. Sparrow (I) 13.2; LJ(1): S. Hoskin (Sp.) 17'8"; LJ(2): D. Sparrow (I) 14'8½"; HJ(1): A. Bennett (E) 5'1"; HJ(2): D. Cooper (Sp.) 4'10"; SP(1): J. Linsell (E) 34'1½"; SP(2): R. Morgan (I) 32'4½"; DT(1): J. Tweedy (I) 116'10½"; DT (2): D. Shelley (I) 97'7"; JT(1): M. Callender (I) 123'1½"; JT(2): R. Morgan (I) 32'4½"; Juniors: 100(1): B. Fletcher (I) 11.8; 100(2): P. Allen (I) 12.4; 150(1): B. Fletcher (I) 17.7; 150(2): C. Stuart (E) 18.0; LJ(1): V. Shoring (I) 15'1"; LJ(2): S. Webb (M) 14'11"; 4 x 110 Relay: Ilford 52.4; Intermediate: 100(1): B. Delafield (I) 12.1; 100(2): I. Markman (Sp.) 12.4; 150(1): P. Bentley (E) 17.6; 150(2): J. Clancey (E) 18.5; 4 x 110 Relay: Essex L. 53.2. Result: 1, Ilford 148½pts.; 2, Spartan 135; 3, Essex L. 126; 4, Birchfield 101½; 5, Selsonia 100; 6, Middlesex 75.

September 21st

Hercules A.C. 82pts. beat Selsonia L.A.C. 72, Ilford L.A.C. 59, Southend A.C. 56, Cambridge H. 51 and Colchester Garrison A.C. 51. 100(1): M. Weston (Sel.) 11.1; 100(2): Sawyer (H) 12.3; 220(1): H. Williams (CG) 26.3; 220(2): Ollett (H) 27.9; 440(1): G. Collins (CH) 59.2; 440(2): J. Abbott (Sel.) 65.4; 880: M. Critchley 2:24.0; 80mH(1): B. Hamilton (SAC) 12.2; 80mH(2): V. Pendrey (Sel.) 12.6; LJ: C. Persighetti (SAC) 17'9½"; HJ: S. Brown (C) 5'0"; DT: J. Tweedy (I) 122'6"; SP: C. Saunders (CH) 34'9"; Relay: Selsonia 51.1. In an Intermediate match Southend 46pts. beat Selsonia 44, Ilford 44, Camb. H. 40 and Hercules 7. 100(1): A. Doubrowsky (SAC) 11.8; 100(2): P. Yorke (SAC) 12.2; 150(1): A. Doubrowsky (SAC) 17.8; 150(2): B. Hamilton (SAC) 18'6"; 80yH(1): J. Harper (CH) 11.8; 80y H: S. Taylor (Sel.) 12.7; JT: R. Morrow (I) 115'11"; Relay: Southend 52.5; In a Junior match Southend 94pts. beat Ilford 63, Hercules 50, Southend "B" 46, Camb. H. 35, Selsonia 34. 100(1): B. Fletcher (I) 11.4; 100(2): P. Allen (I) 12.1; 150(1): B. Fletcher (SAC) 17.7; 150(2): V. Shoring (I) 18.2; 70H(1): Y. Culf (SAC) 10.8; 70H(2): S. Manning (SAC) 11.1; LJ: Blatcher (SAC) 15'0½"; HJ: P. Hardingham (SAC) 4'6"; DT: B. Robinson (SAC) 78'8½"; JT: J. McClelland (I) 83'11"; Relay: Ilford 52.3.

WOMEN'S C.C. & R.W.A.

The Women's Cross Country and Road Walking Association held their 7th A.G.M. at Birmingham, on October 5th, when the following Officers were unanimously re-elected—President, Mrs. V. E. Morrison-Wells; Chairman, Mrs. D. Nelson Neal; Secretary, Mrs. C. M. Bickley, 240 Lichfield Road, Four Oaks, Sutton Coldfield; Treasurer, Mrs. V. Searle; Asst. Sec., Mrs. B. A. Carr. The season's first event will be the Junior Road Walking Championship at Perry Barr, on November 9th, over a distance of 2 miles. Entries close on Oct. 26th to Mrs. Bickley. Other dates are—Dec. 14th, Senior Road Walk, London. Jan. 25th, Junior C.C. Champ., St. Albans. March 1st, Senior C.C. Champ., Winton.

"Barney Seiler" Trophy 3M Road Race at Kildonan Park, Winnipeg. 1, S. Wolter; 2, J. Barnard; 3, J. Wolters; 4, D. Dryborough; 5, R. Lithown; 6, Carrier.



MADELEINE WESTON handing over to PAM WYATT for England against Poland in the 4 x 100m. Relay at White City.

E. D. Lacey

DERBY SET NEW SUTTON-IN-A. RELAY RECORD

A RECORD entry of 23 teams was received this year for the "Round the Sands" Road Relay, organised by Sutton-in-Ashfield H. and A.C., on Saturday, 28th September. This improvement on last year's entry was due mainly to the fact that the race was run a week earlier this year. Unfortunately, "Asian Flu" took its toll and only 14 teams actually competed, Sutton-in-Ashfield Harriers being the worst hit and only having two runners available for the two teams entered.

The course, an undulating circuit of 3½ miles, provided a stiff uphill climb for the first mile but from then onwards it was a gentle downhill run to the take-over point. Conditions were ideal, apart from a strong wind on the high ground, and the course record of 16mins. 42secs., held by A. Corker, of Sheffield Utd. H. was beaten no less than 13 times.

On the first leg, A. Keily, of Derby, gave his club a lead which was never relinquished, finishing nearly 30secs. ahead of R. Turney (Godiva) with D. Bell (Lincoln) and J. Eales (Tipton) a close third and fourth. Sheffield, the holders, were lying 11th.

The second leg saw M. Bullivant increase Derby's lead to nearly a minute over Coventry, with a change in third and fourth places, G. Bentley putting Tipton into third place by passing J. Mather, of Lincoln. K. Wattham ran well for Sheffield in this leg, gaining six places.

Derby lost a little ground to Godiva (T. Porter) in the third leg, with A. Barden putting Sheffield right in the picture by taking third place from Tipton.

The 4th leg was a slow one with no changes amongst the leaders, M. Doyle increasing

Derby's lead to nearly a minute, A. Corker, of Sheffield making little impression on H. Lloyd, of Coventry, and even losing a little ground to R. Bentley, of Tipton.

On the 5th leg Derby maintained their lead with K. Wright, but R. Harbach ran a fine leg for Tipton, putting them into second place by passing R. Davies, of Godiva, and J. Nicholls, of Sheffield Utd. H.

P. Wilkinson finished for Derby, easy winners in a time of 100mins. 17secs., nearly two mins, faster than the previous record of 103mins. 15 secs. put up by Sheffield last year. A. Bargh put Sheffield into second place with the fastest leg of the day, his time being 16 mins. 1sec., beating the previous record of 16mins. 42secs. held by his team mate A. Corker. Coventry Godiva (B. Heatley) finished 3rd, Tipton (K. Rickuss) 4th, and N. Clark with a lap time only a second slower than Bargh, put Lincoln into fifth place.

1, Derby and Cty. A.C. (A. P. Keily 16.16, M. J. Bullivant 16.27, A. Taylor 16.48, M. Doyle 17.09, K. Wright 17.14, P. Wilkinson 16.23) 100.17 (record).

2, Sheffield Utd. H. (D. Binns 18.06, K. Whattam 16.33, A. Barden 16.36, A. Corker 17.23, J. Nicholls 16.23, A. Bargh 16.01) 101.02.

3, Coventry Godiva H. (R. Turney 16.43, R. Allen 16.51, T. Porter 16.36, H. Lloyd 17.34, R. Davis 17.12, B. Heatley 16.11) 101.07.

4, Tipton H. 101.30; 5, Lincoln Wellington 104.32; 6, Loughborough Coll. 105.06; 7, Hallamshire 107.36; 8, Coventry Godiva "B" 107.36; 9, Notts A.C. 108.02; 10, Tipton "B" 108.27; 11, Hallamshire "D" 111.02; 12, Derby "C" 112.15; 13, Loughborough Coll "B" 113.03.

WALTON RETAIN HEWITT-JONES RELAY

EIGHTEEN teams lined up for the Hewitt-Jones Road Relay, where on the first stage Brian Barrett broke the course record with a fine run of 12min. 14secs. to put Surrey A.C. in the lead, closely followed by R. Roath (Walton) 12m.17s., which equalled the record, and Gausden (Redhill) 12m.43s. in third place.

The second lap saw Richardson (Walton) take the lead, 12m.50s., from Cleverley (Surrey) 13m.20s., Paice (Mitcham) 12m.52s. bringing his club from 7th to 3rd, and Chaplin (Shaftesbury) 13m.14s. in fourth place.

Winchester (Walton) 13m.23s. held the lead, while Fleming (Mitcham) 13m.34s. and Stevens (Shaftesbury) 13m.24s. brought their clubs through to second and third places, and Nott

(Ranelagh) 13m.01s., running through from 7th to 4th place.

On the fourth lap Pawsey (Mitcham) 12m. 27s., closed up on Walton (Llewellyn) 12m.39s., with Bird (Ranelagh) 12.29 passing Beale (Shafts.) 13m.24s., and Epsom moving into fifth place through Cock 13.26.

Avery (Walton) 13m.10s., ran a good leg to improve Walton's lead. Davies (Mitcham) 13m. 27 seconds, and Pike (Ranelagh) 13 minutes 14s., held their positions, but Shaftesbury, through Collins 12m.27s., were closing fast.

Cameron (Walton) 13m.00s., increased his lead to bring Walton home 68secs. in front of

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BIRCHFIELD FLOODLIT MEETING

GREAT Britain's two outstanding personalities of the track, Derek Ibbotson and Gordon Pirie, will be remembered in the Midlands for many years to come following Birchfield Harriers' floodlit meeting last Saturday, which drew a 7,000 crowd to the Alexander sports stadium.

Regarding Ibbotson's two remarkable successes in the mile and 2 miles events, more later. Of Pirie, let it be said that his popularity both as an athlete and a sportsman have sunk to the lowest ebb, in the midlands at any rate, after his non-appearance at Perry Barr.

This is the second time in four years that Pirie has been invited to compete at this floodlit meeting and for the second time he accepted, in writing, and then failed to turn up. No wonder Birchfield secretary Geoff Austin, to say nothing of the thousands who went to the meeting hoping to see Pirie run in the mile, are tired and disappointed with Pirie's attitude. Mr. Austin wrote to Pirie, sent him full particulars and yet did not receive a letter, telegram or telephone message to say that the runner would not be coming. Only the one letter of acceptance of the invitation to compete in the one mile race.

So let it go on record that Pirie missed one of the finest meetings ever to be staged in the midlands as many results will bear witness. The track, which had been used at one time for speedway racing, had had two full months preparation after that sport's withdrawal and the runners were full of praise for the red shale surface. Both Johnny Wrighton and Peter Hildreth said that if a first class meeting were to be held on the track earlier in the year, then records would certainly be forthcoming. Promoters, please note.

There was only a small field for the two miles and Peter Clark switched from the mile to tackle Derek Ibbotson. As things worked out, these two had the race to themselves, Ibbotson doing most of the leading with Clark at his shoulder. The first mile came in 4:27.4 with Ibbotson slightly up on Clark and young Shaw, a promising runner from Birmingham Univ. and Birchfield, in third place.

At 1½ miles in 6:44.2, Ibbotson and Clark were 40 yards clear, and although Clark took the lead for a brief spell on the seventh lap, Ibbotson was always in command and he pulled away on the final lap to win in 8:57.4.

With no Pirie in the mile and Clark having switched to the 2 miles, Ibbotson decided to have a crack at the double some two hours later, and in this shorter race his task was certainly more difficult, for the strong field

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included Alan Gordon, Brian Kent-Smith, Mike Blagrove, Mike Berisford and Kevin Gilligan. Kent-Smith, by the way, holds the record for the fastest mile in the midlands at 4:4.4 in July.

At the 440 stage in 60.8, Blagrove led Berisford, Gordon, Ibbotson and Kent-Smith, and despite some slight jockeying, these positions remained the same at the half-mile in 2:04.04. By the three-quarters, Ibbotson was clearly running inside himself in third place behind Blagrove and Gordon, and Gilligan was now fourth. Gordon made his effort with 250 yards to go and held a slight lead from Blagrove as they came into the straight.

Ibbotson appeared to be shut out behind Gordon and Blagrove and, indeed, had the Ealing runner moved in a little closer it is doubtful if Ibbotson would have got through. As it was, he left a gap and Ibbotson was through in a flash to pass Gordon fifteen yards out and win in 4:08.7.

Purely on times, the 440 yards must rank as one of the highlights, for Johnny Salisbury, running before his own supporters, caught Johnny Wrighton ten yards out to win in 47.6, one tenth off the English Native record. Wrighton was given the same time, which shows what a race it was, and Mike Rawson, despite being out of action for almost a fortnight with influenza, did 48 dead.

Frank Sando, after being passed on the final lap, came with a great rush in the final straight to win the 3 miles in 13:49.8, a yard in front of Mick Firth, and Brian Shenton virtually had the furlong to himself with 21.6, compared with Wrighton's 22.0 in second place. Carole Quinton equalled the English Native record of 11.2 in winning the 80m. hurdles from Kathie Degg, and Diane Leather had a training spin in the 880 to win in 2:11.1.

100: 1, A. Breacker (Mitcham) 10.0; 2, O. G. Young (Portsmouth) 10.0; 3, P. F. Radford (Birchfield) 10.1; 4, A. C. Playle (Ilford) 10.1; 5, C. Lewis (Liverpool) 10.2; 6, P. Harmon (Donore) 10.3. **220:** 1, B. S. Shenton (Poly) 21.6; 2, J. E. Wrighton (Southgate) 22.0; 3, J. E. Salisbury (Birch.) 22.2; 4, F. P. Higgins (Southgate) 22.3; 5, A. Breacker (Mitcham); 6, A. C. Playle (Ilford). **440(A):** 1, J. E. Salisbury (Birch) 47.6; 2, J. E. Wrighton (Southgate) 47.6; 3, M. A. Rawson (Birch) 48.0; 4, D. J. N. Johnson (Woodford Grn.) 48.1. **(B):**

1 G. Dempsey (Clonliffe) 50.0; 2, J. G. Hodson (Birch) 51.0; 3, A. Hannah (Edin. U.) 51.1; 4, A. Hooper (Birch). **880:** 1, M. A. Farrell (Birch) 1:56.6; 2, E. H. Buswell (Great Yarmouth) 1:57.0; 3, C. Simpson (Cov. Godiva) 1:58.4. **Mile:** 1, G. D. Ibbotson (S.L.H.) 4:08.7; 2, A. D. Gordon (Achilles) 4:08.9; 3, M. Blagrove (Ealing) 4:09.5; 4, M. Berisford (Sale) 4:10.2; 5, K. J. Gilligan (London U.)

QUOTE

FRANK SANDO, before going to Birmingham for their Floodlit meeting—"I shall do some serious racing over the country after Christmas, but haven't made up my mind about doing any more serious track racing. I don't want to make a fool of myself."

Not much chance of that after Frank's grand 3 miles win in 13:49.8.

4:11.0; 6, B. Kent-Smith (Devonport) 4:14.6. **2 Miles:** 1, G. D. Ibbotson (S.L.H.) 8:57.4; 2, P. R. Clark (T.V.H.) 9:00.0; 3, D. Shaw (Birch) 9:11.6; 4, W. Aston (Bilston) 9:26.2; 5, J. Mills (Sparkhill). **3 Miles:** 1, F. Sando (Aylesford P.M.) 13:49.8; 2, M. Firth (S.L.H.) 13:50.0; 3, S. E. Eldon (Windsor and E) 13:50.6; 4, D. J. P. Richards (Poly) 13:51.2; 5, J. Heywood (Herne Hill) 13:51.6; Team: England 15pts., The Rest 35. **Warks. Mile Medley Relay Champ:** 1, Birchfield H. (Parmenter, Hitchman,

Hanson, Rawson) 3:35.5; 2, Cov. Godiva 3:37.5; 3, Small Heath H. 3:39.2. **120H:** 1, P. B. Hildreth (Poly) 14.7; 2, V. C. Matthews (L.A.C.) 15.0; 3, P. A. L. Vine (Achilles) 15.8; 4, A. Hannah (Edin. U.) 17.3. **220 L.H.(A):** 1, J. Metcalf (Achilles) 24.5; 2, P. A. L. Vine 25.1; 3, V. C. Matthews (L.A.C.) 25.1. **(B):** 1, J. Malcolm (Ach) 25.2; 2, A. Hannah (Edin. U.) 26.0; 3, B. Seth (Lozells) 26.1. **440 H:** 1, J. Metcalf (Ach) 54.7; 2, A. Hannah (Edin. U.) 55.9; 3, H. Kane (L.A.C.) 56.0; 4, R. Frampton (S.L.H.) 56.6; 5, J. Malcolm (Ach) 58.0. **Warks. Junior Mile Medley Relay Champ:** 1, Lozells H. 3:41.2; 2, Birchfield; 3, Sparkhill. **Junior 100(A):** 1, B. S. Jackson (Lozells) 10.4; 2, J. Morley (Birch); 3, G. James (Birch). **(B):** 1, M. Bailey (Small Heath) 10.7; 2, H. Sumner (Birchfield); 3, T. Ellwood (Sparkhill). **Junior 2 Miles:** 1, K. Dobbs (Birch) 10m.10secs.; 2, B. G. Hitchens (Birch.); 3, R. Jackson (Birch.).

Women

100: 1, J. Coleman (Birch) 11.2secs.; 2, R. Johnson (Lozells); 3, F. Ward (Lozells). **80m. H:** 1, C. Quinton (Birch.) 11.2secs. (eq. Eng. Nat. rec.); 2, K. Degg (C. Stoke) 11.4; 3, M. Rowley (Birch) 11.4. **880:** 1, D. S. Leather (Birch.) 2m.11.1secs.; 2, B. Loakes (Kettering) 2m.17.4; 3, J. Lavender (Birch.) 2m.26.8. **4 x 110 Relay:** Composite "A" (K. Degg, M. Rowlands, D. Hindmarsh, J. Holdsworth) 49.5; 2, Birchfield 49.7; 3, Composite "B."

110m. and 400m. hurdles, P. Isbester discus, E. W. Hall 20km. Walk, H. Young and M. Weston 100m. and relay, P. Wyatt and J. Dudderidge 200m. and relay.

MIDLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Midland Counties A.A.A. have decided to hold the Midland 10 Miles Running and 7 Miles Walking Track Championships on 29th March, 1958, and to put them up for allocation. Would any secretaries interested please write to Mr. C. A. Wright, 21 William Street, Brierley Hill, Staffs.

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North Staffordshire H. elected the following at their A.G.M.—President, B. Lawton, Esq.; Chairman, H. Salt; Secretary, O. Lowndes, 15 Ashcroft Avenue, Trent Vale, Stoke-on-Trent; C.C. Fixtures Sec., A. J. Bates, 26 Boma Road, Trentham, Stoke; Track Fixtures Sec., H. F. Harvey, 14 Wain Drive, Trent Vale, Stoke; Publicity Sec. and Capt. P. S. Goodfellow, Waterfall Bungalow, Whitmore Road, Clayton, Newcastle, Staffs; Junr., Capt., A. Walker.

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BRITISH TEAM FOR ROME

The following British athletes will compete in Rome on Oct. 12th-13th—B. Shenton 100m. and 200m., J. E. Salisbury 400m., M. A. Rawson 800m., K. Gilligan 5,000m., P. B. Hildreth

HEWITT-JONES RELAY (contd.)

Mitcham (Caperman 13m.17s.) and Shaftesbury (Martin 13m.17s.), with Fitzgerald bringing Mitcham "B" team up to 6th place with 13m.23s. behind Ranelagh and Epsom.

1, Walton "A" (R. Roath 12.17, E. Richardson 12.50, G. Winchester 13.23, A. Llewellyn 12.39, J. Avery 13.10, D. Cameron 13.00) 77.19.
2, Mitcham "A" (Burrroughs 12.50, Paice 12.52, Fleming 13.34, Pawsey 12.27, Davies 13.27, Caperman 13.17) 78.27.

3, Shaftesbury "A" (Howe 12.46, Chaplin 13.14, Stevens 13.24, Beale 13.24, Collins 12.27, Martin 13.17) 78.32.

4, Ranelagh "A" 79.41; 5, Epsom and Ewell "A" 80.40; 6, Mitcham "B" 82.29.

Fastest Laps — B. T. Barrett (Surrey A.C.) 12.14 (course rec.); R. Roath (Walton) 12.17; Collins (Shafts.) 12.27; Pawsey (Mitcham) 12.27; Llewellyn (Walton) 12.39; Gausden (Redhill) 12.43.

FALLOWFIELD RELAYS, September 28th

Though Manchester & Dist. Lads' Club won the Junior event with their fine young team, two Rochdale youths in Robinson and Dewhirst stole a great deal of the thunder with fast individual laps, Robinson showing fastest time of the day with 6.43 and Dewhirst being only one second slower than the fastest junior time put up by Paddy Montague.

Juniors. 1, Manc'r & D.L.C. (B. Field 6.55, J. Holt 6.55, D. Myatt 7.18, P. Montague 6.50) 27m.58s.; 2, E. Cheshire H. (B. Swindells 7.10, R. Dobson 6.56, H. McKnight 7.03, J. Taylor 6.59) 28m.08s. 3, Macclesfield H. (C. Murray 7.13, T. Hunter 7.26, D. Massey 7.33, T. Shufflebottom 7.06) 29m.18s. **Fastest times:** P. Montague (M. & D.L.C.) 6.50; J. Holt (M. & D.L.C.) 6.55; B. Field (M. & D.L.C.) 6.55; P. Wilkinson (Sale) 6.55.

Youths. 1, Rochdale H. (J. Taylor 7.16, A. Dewhirst 6.51, A. Evans 7.18, C. Robinson 6.43) 28m.08s.; 2, Manchester G.S. (D. Croome 7.25, J. R. Pritchard 7.41, I. H. Thompson 7.41,

G. I. Lawson 7.23) 30m.10s.; 3, Chorlton G.S. (R. Johnson 7.21, M. Sudlow 7.41, S. Orme 8.10, M. Brooks 7.38) 30m.50s. **Fastest times:** C. Robinson (Rochdale) 6.43; A. Dewhirst (Rochdale) 6.51; R. Finnigan (Manchester A.C.) 6.59.

Boys. 1, Sale H. (D. Tomkinson 7.43, M. Gillespie 7.34, G. Brown 7.20, D. Stoneman 7.48) 30m.25s.; 2, Rochdale H. (B. Uttley 7.46, G. Pritchard 8.19, M. Brennan 7.37, D. Eastwood 8.24) 32m.06s.; 3, Manchester G.S. (T. Ballantyne 7.31, R. Isherwood 8.37, J. Owen 8.22, D. Wayland 7.47) 32m.27s. **Fastest times:** G. Brown (Sale) 7.20; R. Delany (M. & D.L.C.) 7.30, T. Ballantyne (M.G.S.) 7.31

Boys Team Race (u/13): 1, Sale H. (1, P. Kelly; 4, C. Robertshaw; 5, J. Preston) 10 pts.; 2, Chorlton G.S. (2.7.11) 20; 3, Middleton H. (3.12.19) 34. **Individual:** 1, P. Kelly (Sale) 7.55; 2, D. Farmer (Chorlton G.S.) 7.59; 3, E. Hartley (Middleton) 8.04.

FULHAM ATHLETIC MEETING

Inter-Club match: 100: 1, M. Page (WG) 10.0; 2, P. Hodges (Eton M.) 10.1; 3, K. Williams (LAC) 10.1; **220:** 1, M. Page (WG) 22.0; 2, C. Jones (B) 22.1; 3, P. Hodges (EM) 22.1; **440:** 1, G. Leroy (B) 50.2; 2, Francis (LAC) 50.3; 3, T. G. Leach (S) 50.3; **880:** 1, Baker (WG) 1:56.8; 2, R. Beaumont (S) 1:57.2; 3, C. Smith (EM) 1:57.9; **Mile:** N. Fisher (EM) 4:16.0; 2, P. Newell (B) 4:18.0; 3, M. J. Howe (S) 4:21.4; **SP:** 1, L. Chinnery (W) 46'3"; 2, B. Coe (S) 43'8"; 3, G. Davis (LAC) 43'0"; **Relay: Woodford Green Other Events: 100:** R. D. Holtum (B) 10.3; **220:** R. D. Holtum (B) 23.2; **880:** T. A. Rogerson (T) 2:05.0; **Mile:** R. C. Beckwith (T) 4:40.0; **Juniors: 100:** J. Sams (Fulham) 10.7; **220:** J. Sams (Fulham) 23.4; **440:** W. Bennett (Torch) 51.8; **880:** M. F. Walsham (Kingston TS) 2:05.0; **Mile:** J. T. Radford (Belgrave) 4:42.0; **LJ:** J. Sams (Fulham) 18'4"; **Youths 100:** D. Brahams (Fulham) 10.8; **220:** C. F. Eales (Fulham) 25.0; **440:** D. Braham (Ful.) 52.8; **880:** T. Hart (Ful.) 2:08.2; **Mile:** D. W. Fernee (T) 4:20.8; **LJ:** G. W. Stubbing (YMCA) 18'5"; **Boys: 100:** P. B. Vince (YMCA) 11.2; **220:** P. M. James (Torch) 25.8; **LJ:** P. B. Vince (YMCA) 18'1½"; **Invitation Event: PV:** A. B. Hopkins 12'0". **Women 100:** D. M. Dart (Fulham) 11.9; **220:** D. M. Dart (Fulham) 28.8; **Intermediate: 80:** C. A. Spooner (Ful.) 10.5; **150:** C. A. Spooner (Ful.) 19.6; **HJ:** B. LeFevre (Mayfield S.) 4'4"; **Juniors: 80:** H. E. Chapman (Fulham) 10.3; **150:** H. Chapman (Fulham) 19.7; **HJ:** H. E. Chapman (Ful.) 4'8"; **Invit. Relay: Hammer-smith 54.5.**

Starting October 17th, Czechoslovak Radio is to broadcast "Emil Zatopek's Memories" in English, on 31, 41 and 49 metre bands from 21.00 to 21.30 G.M.T., and repeated on 233.3 metres from 22.00 to 22.30.

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GREAT FINISH TO EALING C.C. RELAY

IN wonderful autumn sunshine 42 teams, out of the record entry of 51, set off to cover the 2½ miles of this undulating country course around Horsenden Hill, Perivale, from which many spectators were able to get a splendid view of a race that lap by lap unfolded itself to produce the most exciting finish to the Ealing Harriers Cross Country Relay since it started in 1951.

At the end of the first of the six laps, B. Parkes of the Hampstead H. ran in first with a good lap of 13.32, closely followed by J. Pettitt of Aylesford and Ron Lambert of Wigmore. In the second lap J. Walters brought St. Albans to the front, with W. Morgan holding on for Hampstead, while Frank Seal ran a grand lap of 13.28 to bring Ponders End into third place.

In the third lap R. Daniell held on to the lead for St. Albans with a lap of 13.59 and J. Hassell, with a good run of the same time, brought Enfield up from 5th to 2nd. A. Willmott hung on gamely to 3rd for Hampstead. It was in the next lap that St. Albans, if not threatened, were challenged by the holders, T.V.H., when Bert Ingles pulled up from 7th to second with a run of 13.31 behind J. Thorpe, of St. Albans and another splendid run by G. E. Brown of 13.27 brought Highgate H. from 9th to 3rd.

In the 5th lap, while the battle was on between St. Albans and T.V.H.—for both P. D. Palmer and Eddie Ellis clocked 13.32—the third position changed once again and the City of Rochester A.C. came up, J. H. Ellam covering the distance in 13.55. Then on to the exciting finish with J. C. Hasham, of the "Valley" making a terrific effort to pull back G. F. Allen, of St. Albans, and only just failing by one second. Thus St. Albans City A.C. took the "Horsenden Trophy" from T.V.H., but they had to make a new record to do it. Their aggregate time of 83mins. 11secs. beat the previous best by T.V.H. in 1955, by 11secs.

While these two Clubs were fighting it out, Ealing's Mike Barratt was making an all-out effort to bring his Club up to 3rd. He just failed, for Harry Hicks with a good lead is a formidable nut to crack, and Harry brought Hampstead 3rd. Michael Barratt's effort was to be rewarded, however, for with his run of 13.19 he put up the fastest lap of the day. The Cyril Box Cup for the first "B" team went, once again to T.V.H.

1, St. Albans City A.C. (J. Davies 13.57, J. Walters 13.51, R. Daniell 13.59, J. Thorpe 13.37, P. D. Palmer 13.32, S. F. Allen 14.15) **83.11.**

2, T.V.H. (P. Linford 14.28, T. E. Stacey 14.12, D. A. Haith 14.07, A. E. Ingles 13.37, E. G. Ellis 13.32, J. C. Hasham 13.22) **83.12.**

3, Hampstead H. (B. Parkes 13.32, W. Morgan 14.22, A. Willmott 14.42, B. Gilbert 14.24, A. Shrimpton 14.02, H. Hicks 13.32) **84.34.**

4, Ealing H. (D. Case 13.55, R. J. Perry 14.25, D. D. Arnold 14.24, G. C. Glancy 14.07, J. K. Culver 14.47, M. L. Barratt 13.19) **84.57.**

5, City of Rochester A.C. (L. Murphy 14.48, D. Foxley 14.20, B. Hawkes 14.23, R. C. Adams 13.34, J. H. Ellam 13.55, B. Clark 14.15) **85.15.**

6, North London H. (J. Pennington 14.38, W. Burton 14.10, J. Langwith 13.50, D. Batsford 14.18, T. Gorman 14.21, A. Langford 14.53) **86.10.**

7, Wycombe Phoenix 86.25; 8, Highgate 86.33; 9, Poly H. 86.35; 10, T.V.H. "B" 86.40; 11, Aylesford P.M. 87.53; 12, Enfield 88.44; 13, St. Albans City "B" 89.00; 14, T.V.H. "C" 89.07; 15, Wigmore 89.10; 16, Shaftesbury 89.34; 17, Ponders End 89.59; 18, Southall 90.22; 19, Highgate "B" 90.23; 20, Poly "B" 90.23; 21, T.V.H. "D" 91.02; 22, Ruislip Northwood 91.21; 23, Hampstead "B" 91.22; 24, Hayes and Harlington 92.31; 25, Uxbridge 92.53; 26, Windsor and Eton 93.13; 27, Bracknell 93.30; 28, Aylesford P.M. "C" 93.44; 29, Southall "B" 94.06; 30, Hampstead "C" 95.10; 31, Ealing "B" 95.38; 32, Hampstead "D" 95.54; 33, St. Albans City "C" 96.40; 34, Wycombe Phoenix "B" 97.43; 35, Poly "C" 98.02; 36, Enfield "B."

N. MIDLANDS C.C. LEAGUE

Fixtures 1957-8: Oct. 26th, Lincoln; Nov. 9th, Nottingham; Dec. 14th, Melton Mowbray; Jan. 11th, Cranwell (provisional).

At the time of going to press, we have been unable to obtain from Manchester A.C. the results of their Relays held last Saturday.

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The R.R.C. 50 Miles Race at Walton, on Oct. 19th will commence at 8 a.m.

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Portsmouth Atalanta elected the following at their A.G.M.—President, Brig. T. H. Clarke, C.B.E., M.P.; Chairman, Miss B. Burbidge; Secretary, Mrs. V. Tubb, 46 Oliver Road, Southsea; Treasurer, Mrs. M. Tupper; Track Capt., Miss J. Vaughan; Team Manager, Mrs. E. Kilford; Handicapper, Mr. G. Kilford. The annual dance at which trophies and prizes will be presented, will be held at Alexandra Bowling Pavilion on Sat., 30th November.

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Club results will be continued next week

Australian News

IN his fifth try, John Russell (Botany) won the N.S.W. State marathon championship at Manly (Sydney) on September 21st, but in the disappointing time of 2:32.20.

Russell won very easily from Stan Chorlton, whose time was 2:40.38, and John Pendleton, 2:50.06.

It was the slowest time for several years in a N.S.W. title race, and was 10min. outside the Australian-best by Keith Ollerenshaw two years ago. Ollerenshaw did not start this year because he was not in condition for the race.

Russell (age 25) had bad leg cramp at 16 miles, and thought he would have to withdraw. However, he managed to shake it off. He said later that he had covered 2000 miles since March in preparation for a determined assault on the championship. (Last year Russell won the Australian crown in Melbourne, and competed in the Olympic event).

N.S.W. and Australian A.A.U. officials were disappointed with the result, which gave them no good lead to possible Empire Games representatives. A selection trial will probably be held in Sydney next March or April.

Sydney schoolboy sprinters, Jim McCann (St. Joseph's College) and Don Bursill (Scotch), were in extra good form on September 20th. In a four-school meet at Newington, McCann, one of the most promising boys "discovered" here for years, won the 100yds. in 9.9sec., the 220yds. in 21.5sec., and broad jump with 23ft. At Shore, also in a four-way meeting, Bursill won the sprint "double" in 9.9 and 21.7 sec.

Noel Freeman, 18, established an Australian junior 2-hour walk record of 13 miles 969yds. in a now-annual track race at Olympic Park, Melbourne, on September 14th. Freeman was third. The winner, Olympic representative, Ted Allsopp, covered 14 miles 1437yds., which was well outside the world record of 16 miles 403yds. he set a year earlier.

Don Brain, 23, 5ft.7in. and 8st. 7lbs., won the Victorian 15 miles road championship on September 21st, clocking 1:19.20. Brain has been the outstanding Victorian cross country runner this year. A fortnight earlier he had won the 10 miles State crown.

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The Heathfield Shield Meeting and Walton "15" will be held on June 14th, 1958.

CZECHOSLOVAK CHAMPS.—contd.

14:19.4; 3, Tomis 14:28.0. **10,000:** 1, Ullsperger 29:44.4; 2, Zatopek 29:45.2; 3, Kantorek 30:18.8. **20km. Walk:** 1, Moc 1:36.13; 2, Skront 1:36.30.8; 3, Platil 1:38.54.6. **4 x 100:** 1, Red Star (Valouch, Simanek, Bilek, Becvarovsky) 42.0; 2, Dukla 42.0; 3, Slavia Bratislava 43.1. **4 x 400:** 1, Dukla (Liska, Jungwirth, Cikel, Jirasek) 3:17.5; 2, Red Star 3:21.7; 3, Stalin-grad 3:23.0. **110H:** 1, Veselsky 15.4; 2, Honzik 15.9; 3, Houfek 16.4. **200H:** 1, Moravec 24.5; 2, Dupal 25.3; 3, Dostal 25.8. **400H:** 1, Trcka 55.4; 2, Springinsfeld 55.4; 3, Reichl 56.0. **Chase:** 1, Zhanal 8:54.8; 2, Brlica 8:55.7; 3, Vesely 9:01.8. **HJ:** 1, Kovar 6'7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2, Lansky 6'6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 3, Matejka 6'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 4, Savcinsky 6'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". **LJ:** 1, Prochazka 23'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2, Bilek 23'2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "; 3, Moravec 22'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". **H SJ:** 1, Rehak 51'0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 2, Kaleyky 49'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 3, Krupala 48'11 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". **PV:** 1, Dvorak 13'9 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2, Stefkovic 13'7 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Krejcar 13'5 $\frac{3}{8}$ ". **SP:** 1, Skobla 59'1"; 2, Plihal 54'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 3, Stoklasa 51'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 4, Nemecek 51'10 $\frac{3}{8}$ ". **HT:** 1, Muzicek 203'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " (Cz. rec.); 2, Malek 190'3 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Engl 184'6 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". **DT:** 1, Merta 177'7"; 2, Cihak 174'8 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Kormuth 160'0 $\frac{3}{8}$ ". **JT:** 1, Jilek 216'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 2, Dusatko 216'2"; 3, Poruba 212'5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". **Dec:** 1, Becvarovsky 6433 (Cz. rec.); 2, Zikmunda 5849; 3, Kebrie 5757.

Women

100: 1, Strejkova 12.5; 2, Prokopova 12.8; 3, Svajgrova 12.9. **200:** 1, Strejkova 25.6; 2, Vodickova 25.7; 3, Prokopova 26.1. **400:** 1, Mullerova 57.8; 2, Schusterova 59.7; 3, Kropackova 59.9. **800:** 1, Mullerova 2:16.6; 2, Fomenkova 2:20.1; 3, Pospisilova 2:21.0. **4 x 100:** 1, Spartak Usti 49.3; 2, Spartak Brno 49.7; 3, Red Star 49.9. **80H:** 1, Trkalova 11.9; 2, Zabrsova 12.1; 3, Stolzova 12.2. **HJ:** 1, Davidova-Modrachova 5'3"; 2, Pavlouskova 5'0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 3, Klimsova 4'11". **LJ:** 1, Rozkosna 19'11 $\frac{1}{4}$ " (following wind); 2, Kovarikova 18'9 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Richterova 18'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". **SP:** 1, Zapadlova 45'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 2, Tislerova 43'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 3, Chylkova 42'9 $\frac{3}{8}$ ". **DT:** 1, Mertova 166'2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "; 2, Simankova 150'10 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 3, Stachovicova 144'7 $\frac{7}{8}$ ". **JT:** 1, Peskova 142'9 $\frac{3}{8}$ "; 2, Smejakaova 140'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; 3, Rehakova 135'2".

E. L. Smith, A. P. Keily and E. Kirkup compete in the Kosice Marathon (Czechoslovakia) on Sunday, 13th October.

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Two volumes of "Athletics World" and a 1955 A.T.F.S. Annual are available to the first caller, after 6.30 p.m., on M. J. Dunphy, 188 Barcombe Avenue, Streatham Hill, London, S.W.2.

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We are informed that in the Poly relay, Llewellyn ran the 6th lap for Walton in 13.36, and not Cameron, who ran the 8th lap in 14.05.