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Race Walking

DESCRPTIVE details of the Chippenham-Calne 6 Miles Open Walk, on the 13th, were not available in time for last week's notes, but the promotion certainly seems to have been the success the organisers intended it should be.

Roland Hardy's new course record was reported last week, and it appears that it was only on the outskirts of Calne that his clubmate, Allen, finally got the better of H. G. Churcher to fill second position, the latter handicapped by a bad cold. The forward placings of young walkers like R. Holland, Sheffield (4th), and B. E. Sheppard, Walton (6th), are particularly gratifying, whilst the promoting club, Trowbridge A.C., deserve special congratulations on finishing 3rd to Sheffield and Belgrave in the team contest. The finish was witnessed by 3,000 spectators lining the flag-bedecked streets of Calne with continuous air activity overhead in connection with the Army manoeuvres. The big Metropolitan promotions could scarcely match such an event for enthusiasm.

The R.W.A. Championships for 1952 fill their now accustomed dates in the

fixture list, with the exception of the 50 kms. event brought forward a week to the second Saturday in June to allow a longer interval for our ultimate representatives in the Olympic 50 kms. a month later. The list is as follows:

"Garnet" 10 miles, 2nd February, in the North.

Senior 10 miles, 15th March, in the South.

20 miles, 10th May, also in the South.
50 kilometres, 14th June, in the Midlands.

By

F. W. BLACKMORE

I suppose it is possible that L. Allen, with a string of successes in both 10 and 20 miles championships in recent seasons may perhaps amend his programme this season, having elected to be nominated a "possible" for the Olympic 10,000 metres rather than to train on for the longer distance event, although, of course, he was one of our track representatives in Brussels last year after winding up his road season with the successful defence of his 20 miles title. However, the time available for adjustment of the training schedule will be less next year.

I notice that Schwab, of Switzerland, European 10,000 metres champion, competed in a 20 kilometres (12½ miles) event in France last month and was beaten three minutes by Maggi, whose time (1hr. 35mins. 26secs.) improved upon his own French record for the distance. Of course, his experience over distances between 2 and 20 miles is comparable with Allen's. However, I hardly feel we shall see the stocky little Frenchman as a track walker in future Internationals, though there seems little doubt that Schwab will appear again in Helsinki, as formidable an opponent as ever.

Enfield A.C. 33 pts. beat **Met. Police** 42 and **Woodford Green** 59 at Enfield. 1, A. Mash (M.P.) 58.29; 2, K. C. Easley (E.) 58.49; 3, A. W. Marler (E.) 59.38; 4, T. W. Richardson (W.G.) 59.50.

Walton A.C. beat **Met. Police** by 63 pts. to 73 at Esher. 1, P. Wood (M.P.) 53.52; 2, A. Checkley (M.P.) 53.54; 3, F. Holt (W.) 54.53.

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OCTOBER 27th, 1951.

AFTER I had mentioned in these columns recently that we would give five shillings to the writer of each letter published — a common enough practice — two readers wrote to ask whether this would not be an infringement of the A.A.A. definition of an amateur.

Accordingly, I asked the governing body for a ruling on the matter, and after some discussion and consideration, Mr. Clynes suggested that it would be better to avoid doing anything which might cause any bother in the future.

Now, while agreeing in every way with Mr. Clynes, it does strike me as ridiculous that any rules should exist which can be taken to such nonsensical lengths. The idea behind the rule in question was surely to stop famous athletes exploiting their prowess by writing, lecturing or broadcasting. I'm quite sure it was never intended to stop Bill Jones receiving 5/- because a letter he wrote to a magazine happened to be published.

Broadcast Fees.

A letter has just been circularised to clubs pointing out the danger of some athletes jeopardising their amateur status through accepting fees for sound or television broadcasts. All sums received by an active athlete must be notified to the A.A.A. and, after deduction of legitimate expenses, the balance must be used for the good of athletics in general, by donating to club funds or some other body.

Many athletes are feeling sore about this and point out that some officials receive considerable sums for broadcasting and writing without any such restriction.

Now this is quite true but in fairness

to Jack Crump, whose name is frequently mentioned in connection with broadcasting, television and writing, I should like to point out that Jack has never accepted a penny piece for writing for this magazine. Furthermore, his expenses and donations to various organisations must far exceed any sums he received from these sources.

In any case, Jack is a professional journalist; but one might well ask, what about Dr. Woodard, who tells me he expects and receives quite large fees for articles on athletics? Makes one think, doesn't it, when it is apparently quite alright for Dr. Woodard to ask ten guineas for a thousand words, yet wrong for W. C. Young to accept 5/- for a letter he wrote to us without any idea of reward. However, that is how the rules stand at the moment. I fully appreciate, of course, that one is an active athlete and the other is not, but I feel the same principles should apply.

In view of the foregoing, we shall make a practice of sending readers whose letters are published a copy of "British Athletes 1951" while stocks last. We are sorry about that 5/- but, as readers will appreciate, there is no alternative.

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Readers' Letters . .

MORE ROAD RACES

To the Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Dear Sir,

Your edition for the 6th October invites letters from your readers, well I have often felt I would like to write to the effect that I would like to see two or three runs of 10 or 12 miles on the road during the months of October to February.

My reason is that I am first and foremost a road runner, and although I do partake in cross-country races during the winter months, I never really feel at home over the country like I do on the road.

Whilst living in Cheshire I paid three visits to Newcastle for their 13½ mile road race on New Year's Day and found how popular it is at that time of the year.

I have often wondered if there are many marathon runners who would be interested in, say, 2 or 3 races over the 5 months just to keep them, as it would me, in a happy frame of mind as regards training for the summer marathons.

I would like to add that I enjoy a mud bath such as one gets in cross-country running, but I feel that I cannot get the best out of myself or enjoy it half so much as I do on the road.

Yours faithfully,

K. C. Cook,
Hadleigh A.C.

JUNIOR RECORDS

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly,"

Dear Sir,

Do you not think, in view of the present exceedingly high standard of Junior Athletics in Britain, that the A.A.A. might institute an official list of Junior Records? I am certain the under-19 list would be a most impressive one. And would it be possible for you to publish a list of British "best performances" by under-19 athletes along with your Junior Ranking List this year?

Yours sincerely

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The official view is that if junior records were recognised there would be too great an incentive for young athletes to "go for a record" and overdo the racing while comparatively immature. I will endeavour to include a list of Best British Junior Performances in the near future.—Ed.

MARATHON "POSSIBLES"

The Editor,
"Athletics Weekly."

Dear Sir,

Four Olympic "Possibles" have been selected for the "Marathon," a very good selection on this year's form, but many others I know intend trying to make the team and no time standard has been published.

Will the team be selected on the Poly and A.A.A. combined race as in 1948?

Yours sincerely,

B. Richards,
Bournemouth A.C.

Jack Crump, Hon. Secretary of the B.A.A.B., says—"It is quite impossible to set a standard time for the Mara-

thon and while the Board will, clearly, be much influenced by the performances in the combined A.A.A. and Polytechnic Marathon next year, it has always been stressed that ultimate selection does not entirely depend on performances accomplished in these two combined races. I think I can say that the selection of the Marathon competitors for Helsinki will probably be made after the A.A.A. and Poly Marathon but an official announcement will be made in due course."

LONDON-BRIGHTON RELAY

The Editor
"Athletics Weekly"

Dear Sir

After reading through all the correspondence concerning the London to Brighton Relay, I feel that I must put forward a Northern point of view with regard to this problem. First, I should like to state that only Mr. Rogers, of Cambridge Harriers put forward a fair and reasonable suggestion, and I for one would support his proposal that the first ten clubs in the National relay do qualify for the following year. Also that the position regarding the main districts supplying two other clubs is a sound proposal, and that if the East and West and Ireland grow numerically in strength then their position should be reviewed, and if necessary an extra invitation be extended to them to bring them in line with the rest. Only in that way can a fair and true representation be achieved to make this a truly "National" relay and not a Southern one. The present date for the relay I do consider to be very ill-timed, especially for the clubs with few members who have to call on the same men for every race. For example, the six men who were counters for my own club (Sutton Harriers, St. Helens) in all the cross-country championships last year also formed the backbone of the team that we fielded in the National Relay. Two other athletes who were our 7th and 8th counters during the winter months also ran, this meant that these eight men had to come down from running ten hard miles of cross-country such as we had to traverse at Richmond, to an average distance of 4 to 5 miles of fast road running. I feel sure that clubs such as ours could give a better account of themselves if the race was held in autumn, as was the original intention of the "News of the World" when they

put forward the idea of a National Relay. The date of the present qualifying race for the Northern clubs is also unsatisfactory, coming as it does just one week before the track season. However it was a police ruling that caused our date to be altered from October to May, so we have to abide by this, but I hope that other clubs will give weight to the idea of a National Relay in autumn instead of Spring. The road relay season as it is known in the South is April-May, but up here in the North it is the interim period between country and track and vice-versa in the autumn. Even the Lancashire County A.A.A. who organised their first road relay championship this year fixed their date for October 13th, and from the times and performances shown there it was quite apparent that the cross-country runners can be fit—and fast—at this time of the year. This was also apparent in the London to Brighton Southern Clubs event where many of the fastest times were recorded by the cross-country men.

Yours sincerely,

T. Fillingham,
Sutton Harriers (St. Helens)

It was the Southern race which was under discussion, but Tom Fillingham's letter is interesting in so far that it is the first view I have heard expressed which favours an autumn relay, particularly from a cross-country club.—Ed.

SCHOOLS A.A. NOTES

CONGRATULATIONS to George Ellis and George Broad, who this year share the "George Hogsflesh Memorial Trophy," presented by the A.A.A. to the best Junior Athlete of the year. They both "emerged" through the Schools Athletic Association competitions and we are proud to know that they have benefitted thus far by their contact with the further coaching they have been able to receive. The S.A.A. hastens to recognise the credit due to both club and coach—a most essential link in the build-up of these promising young athletes. Young Broad's example with the pole-vault will, perhaps, act as an incentive to the Schools to take up this event, quite seriously, in the near future.

The selection panel has made its choice for the next course at Lilleshall in the spring of 1952. Between forty and

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THE RUMANIAN INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

MORE than thirty national records were equalled or broken in the Fourth International Rumanian Championships on September 23-24-25, at Bucharest. The best athletes of USSR, Hungary, Poland, Bulgaria, German Democratic Republic, Rumania and FSGT (France) were represented in the great meeting held at the Republic Stadium every day before a crowd of more than 40,000 spectators. In fine weather and on a very fast track many excellent performances were established.

Vladimir Sucharyev, of USSR, was the only double winner among the men. Starting better than before, he bettered the 100m. Union record by one tenth of a second and equalled the European record. Well-built young Kolev, of Bulgaria, was second in 10.4. The Soviet competitors took the first four places in the 400m. Hurdles, Lituyev winning in 52 secs. Long distance man, Nikifor Popov—although beaten by Kazancev at 5000 metres—made a good impression in the 10,000m. race. After a modest first 5000m. (15:34), he covered the second half in 15:03.2. Kazancev won easily the 5000m. in a personal record but did not start in the steeplechase, which brought a great surprise. Apro, the new Hungarian Olympic prospect, outclassed the strong field, where USSR's Saltikov finished only fourth.

In the thrilling 800 metres race the leader, Modey, fell back in the last 100 m., and the young Hungarian, Bakos, came up from fifth place to win. Hungary's other young middle-distance runner, Beres, was a comfortable winner over 1500m. Poland's only win was gained by young Mach over 400m. He won easily and failed by only two tenths of a second to equal the National record of Gassowski, who is now the Polish national coach.

The throwing events were all of high standard. Nemeth, Klics and Grigalka was the order of ranking list according to the old international scoring table. Yuriy Shcherbakov, the javelin winner, is a promising pupil of V. Alekseyev, former Union record-holder with 228ft. 7½in. World University Champion Sidlo is still a junior. The other University champ., Braznik, cleared 13ft. 9 3/8in. in perfect technique, beating Denisenko, who ten days before bettered the Union record at 14ft. 4in. In the hop, step

and jump four competitors bettered 47 ft. 9in. or more.

Young Soviet champion, Nadezhda Hnikina, and Hungarian, Olga Gyarmati, were the most successful competitors in the women's events. 18 years old Hnikina twice bettered the Soviet 100m.

By

ZOLTAN SUBERT

record (11.9) and previous record-holder, Sechenova, also finished inside the old record. Next day Hnikina won the broad jump, although only with her last leap. On the last day Hnikina was narrowly beaten by Sechenova in the 200m., both equalling the Union record. Olympic champion Gyarmati failed to equal her record only by one tenth over the hurdles, was third in both sprints and figured in the record breaking relay team. In the 800 metres five women finished under 2:17 secs. Pomogayeva led from 400 metres, but the Hungarian Bacskai was an unexpected strong opponent at the finish.

Soviet women again put up first class performances in the throwing events. In each event the performance of their third competitor would have been enough to win in 1948 at London. Nina Ponomaryeva-Romashkova is a worthy successor of Nina Dumbadze; her consistency was really wonderful.

The Soviet Union was the most successful nation, winning 20 championships. Hungary finished second with 8 victories.

U—U.S.S.R. H—Hungary.
R—Rumania. B—Bulgaria. P—Poland.
G—German D.R.

100M: 1, V. Sucharyev (U) 10.3 (Union record and equals European record); 2, Kolev (B) 10.4 (record); 3, Sanadze (U) 10.5.

200M: 1, V. Sucharyev (U) 21.5; 2, Adamik (H) 22.0; 3, Kolev (B) 22.0.

400M: 1, Mach (P) 48.5; 2, Karadi (U) 49.1; 3, Solymosi (U) 49.1.

800M: 1, Bakos (H) 1:52.2; 2, Korban (P) 1:52.7; 3, Baslack (G) 1:52.8 (GDR record).

1500M: 1, Beres (H) 3:52.6; 2, Potrzebowski (P) 3:55.4; 3, Pyataykin (U) 3:55.8.

5000M: 1, Kazancev (U) 14:24.0; 2,

N. Popov (U) 14:28.2; 3, Spasov (B) 14:49.0 (Bulgarian record).

10,000M: 1, N. Popov (U) 30:37.2; 2, Semyonov (U) 31:00.4; 3, Cristea (R) 31:17.8 (Rumanian record).

Marathon: 1, Teodosiu (R) 2:39:51; 2, Ionitza (R) 2:40:39; 3, Constantin (R) 2:48.40.

110M. Hdlis: 1, Bulanchik (U) 14.7; 2, Bemm (G) 14.9 (G.D.R. record); 3, Retezar (H) 15.2.

400 M.Hdlis: 1, Lituyev (U) 52.0; 2, Lunyev (U) 52.2; 3, Yulin (U) 53.1.

3000M. S'chase: 1, Apro (H) 9:07.6 (Hungarian record); 2, Firea (R) 9:17.0 (Rumanian record); 3, Pomogayev (U) 9:18.0.

High Jump: 1, Soter (R) 6ft. 5 1/8in.; 2, Foldessy (H) 6ft. 0 7/8in.; 3, Ihlenfeld (G) 5ft. 11in.

Broad Jump: 1, Foldessy (H) 23ft. 5 1/8in.; 2, Wisenmayer (R) 23ft. 3 1/8in.; 3, Ihlenfeld (G) 23ft. 2 1/2in.

Pole Vault: 1, Brazhnik (U) 13ft. 9 3/8in.; 2, Denisenko (U) 13ft. 5 3/8in.; 3, Homonnay (H) 13ft. 2 1/2in.

Hop, Step and Jump: 1, L. Shcherbakov (U) 49ft. 0 5/8in.; 2, Weinberg (P) 48ft. 7 1/2in.; 3, Frister (G) 48ft.

Shot: 1, Grigalka (U) 53ft. 5in.; 2, Fyedorov (U) 51ft. 2in.; 3, Schmidt (G) 49ft. 8 1/2in. (GDR record).

Discus: 1, Klics (H) 169ft. 1 5/8in.; 2, Levai (H) 149ft. 3 1/8in.; 3, Coman (R) 143ft. 2in.

Javelin: 1, Y. Shcherbakov (U) 228ft. 3 1/2in.; 2, Sidlo (P) 222ft. 8 1/2in.; 3, Varszegi (H) 201ft. 9in.

Hammer: 1, Nemeth (H) 190ft. 8 1/2in.; 2, Dibenko (U) 176ft. 6 1/2in.; 3, Shorin (U) 171ft. 9 1/2in.

5000M. Walk: 1, Paraschivescu (R) 22:26.8; 2, Liga (R) 23:06.6; 3, Barbu (R) 23:18.8.

4 x 100M. Relay: 1, USSR (Sucharyev, Kalyayev, Sanadze, Golubyev) 41.4; 2, Hungary 41.6; 3, Rumania 42.1 (equals R. record); 4, Bulgaria 42.6.

4 x 400M. Relay: 1, Hungary (Karadi, Adamik, Solymosi, Banhalmi) 3:15.0; 2, USSR 3:15.7; 3, Poland 3:17.5; 4, GDR 3:18.8 (record).

Women:

100M: 1, Hnikina (U) 11.7 (record); 2, Sechenova (U) 11.8; 3, Gyarmati (H) 11.9 (Hungarian record).

200M: 1, Sechenova (U) 24.7 (equal record); 2, Hnikina (U) 24.7; 3, Gyarmati (H) 24.8.

800M: 1, Pomogayeva (U) 2:12.7; 2, Bacskai (H) 2:13.5 (Hungarian record); 3, Bogatiryeva (U) 2:14.4.

80M. Hdlis: 1, Gyarmati (H) 11.4; 2,

Aleksandrova (U) 11.6; 3, Yeryuhina (U) 11.8.

High Jump: 1, Pisaryeva (U) 5ft. 0 5/8in.; 2, Haffer (R) 4ft. 9 1/2in.; 3, Soos (R) 4ft. 9 1/2in.

Broad Jump: 1, Hnikina (U) 18ft. 8 1/2in.; 2, Junghans (G) 18ft. 3 1/2in.; 3, Ilwicka (P) 17ft. 6in.

Shot: 1, Tochenova (U) 47ft. 8in.; 2, Andreyeva (U) 46ft. 4in.; 3, Zibina (U) 45ft. 0 3/8in.

Discus: 1, Romashkova (U) 162ft. 11in.; 2, Bagranceva (U) 143ft. 2 1/2in.; 3, Tochenova (U) 138ft. 7in.

Javelin: 1, Smirnickya (U) 167ft. 4in.; 2, Zibina (U) 164ft. 4in.; 3, Nabokova (U) 159ft. 1 1/2in.

4 x 100M. Relay: 1, USSR (Hnikina, Sechenova, Safronova, Malshina) 47.7; 2, Hungary 48.0 record; 3, German Dem. Rep. 48.4 (record); 4, Rumania 49.4 (record).

Two days later, on September 27th, at Orasul Stalin (formerly Brasov) the Soviet women's team composed of Hnikina, Sechenova, Safronova and Malshina, established a new 4 x 200m. world record with 1:39.7. The German team finished second in 1:41 secs., the Rumanian third in 1:48.1, both bettering the former national record. Andreyeva with 48ft. 3in., beat the world's best performance of the season in the shot put. Romashkova hurled the discus 162ft. 0 1/8in.; Grigalka put the shot 54ft. 10 1/2 in., third best ever by an European athlete. In the absence of Nemeth, Dibenko won the hammer throwing with his personal best of 182ft. 5in. The Soviet 4 x 200M. team ran 1:26.6 for a new national record.

On the last meeting, on September 30th, at Bucharest, Yurig Shcherbakov threw the javelin 235ft. 10 5/8in. second best Soviet performance of all time. Other outstanding marks were:

Men. 110M. Hdlis: 1, Bulanchik (U) 14.8; **1000M:** 1, Baslack (G) 2:28.4 (record); 2, Modoy (U) 2:29.2. **High Jump:** 1, Soter (R) 6ft. 4 1/2in. **Shot:** 1, Grigalka (U) 53ft. 6 1/2in. **Hammer:** 1, Dibenko (U) 177ft. 1 3/8in.; 2, Shorin (U) and Dumitru (R) both 176ft. 5 1/2in. **4 x 100 M. Relay:** 1, USSR 41.6; 2, Rumania 41.8 record.

Women. 800M: 1, Dmitruk (U) 2:15.4. **80M. Hdlis:** 1, Yeryuhina (U) 11.6. **High Jump:** 1, Pisaryeva (U) 5ft. 3 1/2in. (Soviet junior record). **Shot:** 1, Andreyeva (U) 47ft. 10 1/2in. **Discus:** 1, Romashkova (U) 159ft. 6 5/8in. **Javelin:** 1, Nabokova (U) 163ft. 2 5/8in. **4 x 100 M. Relay:** 1, USSR 47.7.

National C. C. Champions, 1950-51



Top Left:

Dr. F. E. AARON
(Leeds St. Mark's
H.) Senior E.C.C.U.
Champion.



Top Right:

W. HESKETH
(Manchester A.C.)
Junior E.C.C.U.
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W. I. WILLIAMS
(Salford H.)
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These are the same three champions as for the previous year 1949-50.

BELGRAVE H. DINNER

Belgrave Harriers held their annual Dinner and Dance at the Coventry Street Corner House, Piccadilly, last Saturday, when over 300 sat down to dinner and afterwards enjoyed dancing to the music of Les Reeves and his Band.

President A. A. Harley traced the history of the club, particularly over the last 25 years. Ernie Duffett proposed the toast of "The Guests," to which responses were made by Mr. E. H. L. Clynes, Hon. Secretary of the A.A.A. Mr. C. G. Austin, President of the E.C.C.U., and Mr. H. H. Whitlock, Hon. Secretary of the R.W.A.

J. Stirling Wakeley and J. W. Brown were the recipients of trophies for the best performance of the year (London-Brighton Walk) and first home in the National Cross-Country race respectively, Jack Brown being the first holder of the magnificent bowl which will perpetuate the memory of the late Harry Parker.

ESSEX COACHING COURSES

The first residential coaching course organised by the Essex Coaching Committee was held at Wicken Bonhunt on October 12th-14th and was attended by nearly 30 athletes and coaches from several counties.

K. S. (Sandy) Duncan described it as a pioneer effort by Essex to establish their own county "Loughborough," saying that the National Coaching Scheme

had grown so large that some form of decentralisation was needed to keep pace with the growing demand for coaching.

Geoff Dyson, Chief National Coach, who supervised, was assisted by A. A. Gold, H. Askew and Geoff Elliott (demonstrator). Jumping pits and cinder run-ups have been laid and indoor lectures and films supplemented the outdoor work. K. P. Bone was responsible for organisation and valuable assistance was given by the resident warden, Mr. G. C. Johnson.

The proposed Hurdles Course for Oct. 26-28th has had to be cancelled, but that for "Throws" (Shot, Javelin, Discus, Hammer) is being held on Nov. 9-11th, with J. Le Masurier, D. L. Grigg, K. S. Duncan and others assisting. There are still a few vacancies and anyone interested should write to K. P. Bone, 78, Loughton Way, Buckhurst Hill, Essex.

An open team and individual race for clubs in the L.C.C. area will be held at Parliament Hill on November 24th. The race is open to teams of 8 with four to score and those competing must have a London qualification. Entries to L. J. Cohen, 34 Lower Kenwood Avenue, Enfield, Middlesex.

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ROGER BANNISTER

*Answers
the
A. W.
Questionnaire*

Name (Surname first):	Bannister, Roger Gilbert
Club:	Achilles Club
Occupation:	Student
Educated at:	V.C.S., Hampstead
Age:	22
Height:	6ft. 2in.
Weight:	11 stone
First started athletics (at what event):	880, cross country
Favourite events now:	880, mile
Brief details of athletic successes:	Oxford and Cambridge mile, 1947-8-9-50 AAA mile 1951
Best Performances:	Mile, 4:7.8 800m., 1:50.7.
Performance which gave most personal satisfaction and why?	First Oxford and Camb. mile

Have you any particular objective or ambition in athletics?	Get the most out of myself
What part do you consider coaching has played in your success?	Have received helpful advice from many friends
How long did it take you to reach championship standard?	5 years
How many days a week do you train?	Three
When do you train?	5-6 p.m.
How long do you spend on each training session?	$\frac{1}{4}$ hr.
What does your training consist of?	Depends on the season and races in view. When in final training one fast $\frac{1}{4}$ per week in a graded series down to under 3 mins.
Are there any particular features or reforms you would like to see in athletics?	The B.A.A.B. and team selection organisation is frequently criticised without justification.
What advice would you offer to the novice?	Work hard.

Two particularly interesting Questionnaires will be included in this series during the next few weeks—those of Fred Wilt and Curtis Stone, of the U.S.A. Both are experienced athletes with great performances to their credit, and their contributions on training methods should prove of great value to many readers. Another which should be of interest to our lady readers features Dorothy Hall.

AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC TEAM STANDARDS

The Australian Olympic team will be selected in March and no athlete will be considered unless he reaches these standards:—

100 Yds. or 100M. 9.6—10.5; 220Y-200M. 21.1—21.2; 440Y-400M. 47.9—48.2; 880Y-800M. 1:52.1—1:52.8; 1,500 Mile 3:53—4.10; 3 Miles-5,000M 14.10—14.40; 6 Miles-10,000M 30min.—31min.; 3,000M. S'chase 9.20; 120Y. Hdls. 14.5; 400M-440Y. Hdls. 53.1—53.4; High Jump 6ft. 4in.; Long Jump 24ft. 4in.; Hop, Step and J. 49ft. 6in.; Pole Vault 13ft. 6in.; Discus 160ft.; Javelin 220ft.; Hammer 175ft.; Shot 52ft.; Decathlon 7,000 pts.

There is little chance of anyone getting in for pole vault, hammer, javelin or shot. In the United States, Curotta (400M), Reed (discus) and Mullins (decathlon) should make the grade, but allowance will have to be made for their

later season. Curotta clocked 47.6 in the AAU championships.

At home, Treloar and de Gruchy (sprints), Carr and Gregory (400M), McMillan (1,500), Les Perry (5,000 and 10,000), Gardner and Weinberg (110MH), Geoff Goodacre (400MH), John Vernon and Doug Stewart (high jump), Pat Leane and Hugh Jack (broad jump), Brian Oliver and Peter Cox (h.s.j.) should qualify. However, the size of the track squad depends upon the amount of money raised.

John Treloar is being married late this month but will be in action again. The National Championships are at Brisbane on Jan. 26-28.

J. H. Galli.

The A.A.A. Winter Coaching School at Chelsea will not now open until November 1st. The throwing net will only be erected on Thursdays.

OVERSEAS NEWS

by H. E. D O'Neill

ITALY

The Italian National Championships for 1951 were held in Milan, 28th, 29th, and 30th September.

Results, on the whole, tended to be rather disappointing.

Antonio Sidi's 400 metres in 47.9 was the only really outstanding mark.

Tosi gained revenge for his many defeats at the hands of his arch rival, Consolini, by winning the discus.

Results:—

100M: 1, Leccesse 10.9; 2, Montanari 10.9; 3, Penna 10.9.

200M: 1, Montanari 22.0; 2, Grossi 22.0; 3, Penna 22.0.

400M: 1, Sidi 47.9; 2, Rocca 48.9; 3, Porto 49.6.

800M: 1, Fracassi 1:56.7; 2, Silvestri 1:57.2; 3, Fiori 1:58.0.

1500M: 1, Maggioni 4:2.2; 2, Manzutti 4:40; 3, Nocco 4:6.6.

5000M: 1, Manzutti 15:17.4; 2, Nocco 15:18.2; 3, Maggioni 15:19.2.

10000M: 1, Peppicelli 32:5.8; 2, Pelliccioli 32:7.0; 3, Andreatti 32:22.6.

110M.H.: 1, Albanese 15.2; 2, Balestra 15.4; 3, Dusio 15.4.

400M.H.: 1, Filiput 54.0; 2, Betella 55.2; 3, Mondini 56.6.

H.J.: 1, Campagner 5ft. 11½in.; 2, Albanese 5ft. 10 1/8in.; 3, Bernes 5ft. 9in.

LJ: 1, Naj Oleari 22ft. 1in.; 2, Ardizzone.

P.V.: 1, Chiesa 12ft. 9½in.; 2, Romeo 12ft. 5 5/8in.; 3, Conchi 12ft. 5 5/8in.

H.S.J.: 1, Sormani 47ft. 10½in.; 2, Bertacca 47ft. 7in.; 3, Guzzi 46ft. 10½in.

Shot: 1, Profeti 48ft. 11¼; 2, Paolone 45ft. 4in.; 3, Consolini.

Discus: 1, Tosi 164ft. 11in.; 2, Consolini 164ft. 3½in.; 3, Aghem.

Javelin: 1, Matteucci 207ft. 9in.; 2, Ziggiotti 187ft. 0in.; 3, Rossi.

Hammer: 1, Taddia 176ft. 6¼in.; 2, Castagnetti 161ft. 2in.; 3, Tavernari 160ft. 11in.

POLAND

The results of the Polish National Championships held in Warsaw, 9th, 16th September—

100M: 1, Kiszka 10.8; 2, Stawczyk 10.9; 3, Buhl 10.9.

200M: 1, Stawczyk 22.0; 2, Mach 22.0; 3, Kiszka 22.1.

400M: 1, Mach 49.0; 2, Lipski 49.6; 3, Gralka 50.1.

800M: 1, Korban 1:54.9; 2, Werblinski 1:55.4; 3, Jackiewicz 1:55.5.

1500M: 1, Korban 3:57.6; 2, Portzebowski 3:58.6; 3, Statkiewicz 3:59.4.

5000M: 1, Graj 15:18.6; 2, Lewicki 15:21.6; 3, Mankowski 15:21.6.

10000M: 1, Szwargot 32:4.6; 2, Rusek 32:16.6; 3, Kielas 32:21.2.

3000M. S'chase: 1, Gral 9:33.6; 2, Kielas 9:39.2; 3, Krzyszkowiak 9:50.4.

110M.H.: 1, Kardas 16.0; 2, Wolski 16.0; 3, Kryzanowski 16.1.

400M.H.: 1, Kusmirek 55.9; 2, Gralka 56.2; 3, Makomaski 56.2.

H.J.: 1, Cecula 6ft. 0½in.; 2, Spychalski 5ft. 10½in.; 3, Weinberg 5ft. 8½in.

LJ: 1, Adamszyk 23ft. 11 3/8in. (24ft. 3in. in qualifying); 2, Milewski 23ft. 4 3/8in.; 3, Kiszka 23ft. 0 1/8in.

PV: 1, Wazny 13ft. 1½in.; 2, Adamczyk 13ft. 1½in.; 3, Malecki 12ft. 5 5/8in.

HSJ: 1, Weinberg 48ft. 9½in.; 2, Kowal 46ft. 0½in.; 3, Hofman 45ft. 2½in.

Shot: 1, Prywer 51ft. 9½in.; 2, Lomowski 49ft. 2in.; 3, Kryzanowski 47ft. 7½in.

Discus: 1, Lomowski 144ft. 1in.; 2, Zochowski 141ft. 6½in.; 3, Chojmacki.

Jav: 1, Sidlo 206ft. 8½in.; 2, Kujawa; 3, Suminski.

Ham: 1, Maslowski 164 1½in.; 2, Swietlicki 150ft. 7½in.; 3, Harmata 149ft. 9½in.

SWEDEN

Bertil Albertsson ran the fourth best ever 10,000 metres time at Uppsala, 14th October, 1951. His time of 29:46.0 is also the third best mark at the distance for 1951.

World's 10 Best Ever 10,000M. Performances

- 29:02.6 E. Zatopek (C.S.R.) 1950
- 29:27.2 V. Heino (Finland) 1949
- 29:42.2 H. Schade (Germany) 1951
- 29:46.0 B. Albertsson (Sweden) 1951
- 29:52.6 T. Maki (Finland) 1939
- 29:53.0 A. Mimoun (France) 1949
- 29:55.0 M. Stokken (Norway) 1951
- 30:05.6 I. Salminen (Finland) 1937
- 30:06.2 P. Nurmi (Finland) 1924
- 30:06.6 M. Syring (Germany) 1940

World's Ten Best 10,000M. Performances 1951

- 29:29.8 E. Zatopek (C.S.R.)
- 29:42.2 H. Schade (Germany)
- 29:46.0 B. Albertsson (Sweden)
- 29:55.0 M. Stokken (Norway)
- 30:01.4 A. Mimoun (France)
- 30:10.0 V. Koskela (Finland)
- 30:10.0 B. Karlsson (Sweden)
- 30:14.4 V. Nystrom (Sweden)
- 30:18.8 G. E. Reiff (Belgium)
- 30:21.8 V. Nystrom (Sweden)

RESULTS

October 13th

Gospport Boro' A.C. (Juniors) beat **Eastleigh A.C.** by 25 pts. to 30 over 3¼ M. at Eastleigh. 1, R. Shepherd (E.) 21:25; 2, A. Newell (G.) 21:35; 3, E. Plainer (E.) 23:45.

October 17th

R.N. Air Station, Culham, beat **Culham T.C.** by 30 pts. to 49 over 4M. Course. 1, Hall (R.N.) 23:20; 2, W. Buckle (C.T.C.) 23:42; 3, Morgan (R.N.) 24:08.

BRISTOL TO WESTON-SUPER-MARE AND BACK RELAY

In this "there and back" Relay for the W. D. & H. O. Wills Trophy, it took Reading A.C. thirteen miles to dispossess Bristol A.C. of the lead but when they reached Weston Sands over a minute in front of a bunch comprising Godiva, Bristol and Westbury, their victory, with A. A. Robertson and other good men to follow, was assured. Godiva, with excellent team work, held on to second place almost throughout and Tipton, thanks to a great effort by A. Cole on the penultimate stage pegged back Westbury for third position.

Fastest stage times:

Outwards

Stage 1: 1, J. Jeffries (Bristol) 26:13; 2, I. B. Hawkins (Westbury) 26:31; 3, D. R. Spencer (Reading) 26:55.

Stage 2: 1, G. Benham (Reading); 2, K. Brettell (Halesowen); 3 R. Whitlock (Reading "B"). No times available.

Stage 3: 1, N. Peters (Reading) 23:39; 2, D. Kennedy (Godiva) 23:48; 3, R. Bentley (Tipton) 24:15.

Stage 4: F. Wyatt (Bristol) 31:33; 2, W. J. Court (Westbury) 32:15; 3, J. West (Godiva) 32:17.

Homewards

Stage 5: 1, A. A. Robertson (Reading) 29:47; 2, S. Dean (Tipton) 30:33; 3, J. Ashby (Westbury) 30:34.

Stage 6: 1, K. C. Weston (Reading) 23:43; 2, A. G. Turnbull (Reading) 23:58; 3, F. Round (Godiva) 24:20.

Stage 7: A. Cole (Tipton) 27:07; 2, H. Reid (Godiva) 28:16; 3, A. Canning (Bristol) 28:27.

Stage 8: 1, I. H. Parr (Reading) 25:29; 2, W. Cotterill (Tipton) 25:53; L. Murdoch (Godiva) 26:09.

Final Positions

	Hrs.min.sec.
1. Reading "A"	3 39 50
2. Godiva "A"	3 41 59

Hrs. min. sec.

3. Tipton	3 43 13
4. Westbury "A"	3 44 15
5. Reading "B"	3 46 27
6. Bristol A.C.	3 47 34
7. Halesowen	3 48 49
8. Newport H.	3 54 30
9. St. Gregory's	3 57 12
10. Plymouth C.S.	3 57 55
11. Godiva "B"	3 58 25
12. Reading "C"	3 59 21
13. Westbury "B"	3 4 33

October 20th

Herne Hill H. 5¼M. Race, Addington: 1, R. Clark 34:19; 2, V. Fowle 35:07; 3, L. McNeill 35:21; 4, A. Heywood 35:28.

S. London H. 5M. Club Championship: 1, P. J. Pirie 31:25; 2, W. M. Firth 31:40; 3, C. E. Puddicombe 32:08; 4, J. G. Zarfaz 32:28; **H'cap:** M. W. Firth.

Royal Navy A.C. (South) beat **Portsmouth A.C.** by 42 pts. to 67 at Portsdown Hill. 1, R. Brown (R.N.) 33:28; 2, G. Wright (R.N.) 33:41; 3, H. Sharp (R.N.) 33:46; 4, J. W. Horn (P) 33:51.

Enfield & District Championship: 1, S. E. Cox (S.T.) 19:51; 2 R. A. Chapman (Cosmos) 19:54; 3, J. H. Debnam (B.P.) 20:28; **Result:** 1, Standard Telephones A.C. 13 pts.; 2, Cosmos S.C. 37; 3, Brit. Oxygen A.C. 45.

Shaftesbury H. beat **Queen Park H.** by 288 pts. to 426 at Totteridge (19 aside scoring). 1, E. Ford (S.) 27:10; 2, F. Lakin (S) 27:20; 3, D. C. Lee 27:55; 4, R. Hunt (S.) 27:55; 5, G. Hanson (Q.P.) 28:13.

Oxford University 38 pts. beat **R. Military Academy** 42 and **Orion H.** 106 over 5¼M. at Sandhurst. 1, C. J. Chataway (O.U.) 28:37.

Oxford City A.C. 50 pts. beat **Oxford University** 56 and **Walton A.C.** 66 over 7¼M. course at Oxford. 1 P. R. Ll. Morgan (O.U.) 38:18; 2, S. Wilkins (O.C.) 38:30; 3, J. H. Scott-Wilson (O.U.) 39:12; 4, S. Bryant (O.U.) 39:14; 5, M. H. Hillier (O.C.) 39:17; 6, P. G. Porter (O.C.) 39:55.

Southampton A.A.C. beat **Ryde H.** by 39 pts. to 107 over 5¼M. at Ryde, I.O.W. 1, E. Downer (S.) 32:40; 2, R. Gosney (S.) 32:53; 3, J. Clark (S.) 32:58.

Hornsey (St. Mary's) H. 4M. H'cap, Mill Hill Village: 1, C. Weight (3:25) 22:05; 2, L. Martin (3:55) 22:11; 3, F. Tipp (6:30) 22:29; 4, G. Olding (scr) 23:11; **Fastest time**, G. Olding 23:11 (course record).

Surrey A.C. 2½M. Inter-Schools Race held at Richmond Park: 1, I. H. Boyd (Wallington C.S.) 13:19; 2, J. Foan (W.C.S.) 13:23; 3, M. Rowbottom (Kings-ton G.S.) 13:34; Result: 1, Wallington C.S. 19pts.; 2, Kingston G.S. 29; 3, Sutton C.S. 70.

Aylesbury AC. beat Culham College by 22 pts. to 63 over a 4M. Course. 1, Roberts (A.) 22:48; 2, Wood (A.) 22:52; 3, Kershaw (A.) 23:05.

Victoria Park H. 2½M. Road H'cap: 1, C. Fowles (1:50) 11:44; 2, J. McMahon (2:00) 12:20; 3, G. Jeans (1:40) 12:27; Fastest time, L. Parson 13:12.

Finchley H. 5M. H'cap at Ruislip: 1, J. Turpin (7:00) 26:29; 2, B. Ransom (1:30) 27:31; 3, R. Mitchell (5:00) 27:34.

Finchley H. 5M. Junior Club Championship: 1, E. North 30:25; 2, H. Truggett 32:26; 3, T. Mallot 33:18.

3 Miles Cross-Country Match at Chigwell Row, Essex: 1, K. C. Cook (Hadleigh A.C.) 14:57; 2, T. Collins (Ilford "B") 15:30; 3, L. Durrant (Brentwood) 15:42; Result: 1, Ilford A.C. "B" 78 pts.; 2, S. W. Essex Tech. Coll. 82; 3, Hadleigh A.C. 91; 4, Brentwood A.C. 122; 5, Southend "B" 124; 6, Eton Manor A.C. 149.

Hythe A.C. beat Maidstone H. by 40 p's. to 67 over a 3½M. course. 1, D. Pemble (M.) 18:33.4 (course record); 2, W. Jameson (H.); 3, J. Birch (H.).

Cambridge H. 3M. Novice Race at Old Bexley. 1, M. Sheard 19:12; 2, D. Mohamed and R. Turner 19:30; 4, D. Maynard 20:26.

Wafford G.S. 58 pts. beat Wandsworth C.S. 79 and Ranelagh H. "B" 114 over 4M. at Petersham. 1, D. G. McLean (Wandsworth) 23:58.

KINGSWAY 10 MILE RELAY RACE at Dundee, Scotland

1, Victoria Park A.A.C. (I. Binnie, C. Forbes, J. Stirling and A. Forbes) 56:48; 2, Victoria Park A.A.C. "B"; 3, Dundee Thistle.

Walsall's Festival of Britain Cyclists v. Harriers Match. 1, A. Binder (Wolverhampton H.) 43:27; 2, C. Simpson (Wolverhampton) 44:00; 3, P. Fricker (B.T.H.) 44:18; 4, H. Swindles (Smethwick H.) 45:12; 5, F. R. Haden (Dudley H.) 45:16; 6, K. Edwards (S. Birmingham C.T.C.) 45:47.

Salford H. 46 pts. beat Manchester University 47 and Birmingham University 78, over 7M. at Middleton Manchester. 1, L. Whittle (S.) 39:50; 2, F. Newton (M.) 40:14; 3, I. Manson (M.) 40:26; 4, L. Barnes (M) 40:27.

MANCHESTER A.C.'S FALLOWFIELD RELAYS.

Youths (4 x 1 3/8 miles). 1, Manchester & D.L.C. "A" 28.33; 2 Salford H. 28.41; 3, Manchester & D.L.C. "B" 29.16; 4, Swinton S. & A.C. 29.17; 5, Blackley H. 29.26; 6, Winton H. 29.29. Fastest lap, P. Veals (M. & D.L.C.) 6.54.

Boys under 16 (4 x 1 3/8 miles). 1, Manchester & D.L.C. 29.55; 2, Salford H. 30.48; 3, East Cheshire H. "A" 31.00; 4, Manchester A.C. 32.03; 5, East Cheshire H. "B" 32.16; 6, Manchester G.S. 32.23. Fastest lap D. Veals (M. & D.L.C.) 7.06.

Boys under 14 Team Race (1 3/8 miles). 1, Manchester A.C. 15 pts.; 2, Blackley H. 21; 3, Manchester G.S. 24; 4, Manchester & D.L.C. 38; 5, St. Margarets S. 66; 6, Swinton S. & A.C. 67. First home, T. Gamble (M.A.C.) 7.50.

Sir William Hopwood Cup race at Shaw. First home, G. B. Saunders (Bolton) 35.38. Teams: 1, Bolton U.H. 10 pts.; 2, Rochdale H. 53; 3, Royton H. 59.

Manchester A.C. beat Stockport H. by 15 pts. to 28 at Gatley. 1, W. Hesketh (M.A.C.) 39.12; 2, G. Knott (S.) 39.30.

Manchester Y.M.C.A. beat Blackley H. by 31 pts. to 41 at Blackley. 1, R. Freeman (Y.M.C.A.) 40.27.

Leeds Univ. beat Sheffield U. by 27 pts. to 58 at Sheffield. 1, T. Bird (L.) 35.40; 2, J. P. Slater (L.) 36.08; 3, Britten (S.) 36.17; 4, J. F. D. Warren (L.) 36.25.

Aylesford Paper Mills S.C. 119 pts. beat Met. Police 274 and Mitcham A.C. 320 at Hayes. 1, S. Acott (A.P.M.) 27.44; 2, M. Whenman (A.P.M.) 27.45; 3, J. Ellis (A.P.M.) 27.46; 4, J. Charlesworth (A.P.M.) 27.57; 5, A. McCoy (A.P.M.) 28.11; 6, Burrough (M.) 28.13.

Hampstead H. beat Southgate H. in a junior match at Whetstone by 15 pts. to 21. 1, G. B. Adams (H.) 21.08; 2, P. Taylor (H.) 21.30; 3, A. Baker (S.) 21.38. In a Youths' match, Southgate beat Hampstead by 31 pts. to 51. 1, J. Draper (H.) 16.22; 2, D. Shott (S.) 16.23; 3, J. Barton (S.) 16.50.

L.C.C. Parks Dept. Championships: Senior, T. Kierans (Dartford H.) 27.04; Vets., A. Fricker 32.24.

Kent A.C. H'cap: 1, J. T. Eagger (4.0) 23.37; 2, J. Turner (1.30) 24.10; 3, E. G. Phipps (1.0) 24.48; Fastest time, J. Turner 25.40.

Grafton A.C. H'cap: 1, S. Bromley (4.10) 19.35; 2, D. Shor (1.45) 21.10; 3, S. Dias (1.5) 21.30. Fastest time: S. Dias 22.35.

Devonport Y.M.C.A. Harriers beat **Royal Naval Engineering College, Devonport** by 27 pts. to 52 pts. 1, K. S. Thomas and E. Birch (Y.M.C.A.) 25:48; 3, J. Mitchell (R.N.E.C.) 26:12; 4, D. Martin (Y.M.C.A.) 26:32; 5, K. Shinner (Y.M.C.A.) 26:32; 6, M. Walker (Y.M.C.A.) 26:55.

SCHOOLS ATHLETICS IN AUSTRALIA

By J. H. Galli

THE short schools athletic season in NSW has produced two boys of decided promise, Colin Johnston and Jim May, both aged 17.

Johnston, in the Associated Schools meeting at Sydney, on October 13th, bettered Olympic finalist Morris Curo'ta's meet 440yds. record by 5/10ths. in clocking 50.9 sec.; later won the 880 yds. in 1m.59.5s.; another record. Johnston revealed perfect form on the rain-soaked grass track and surprising tactical ability. He should go far.

May, a week earlier, won the NSW All-Schools 120 yds. (3ft. 3in.) hurdles in 14.7 sec., smashing the meet record by 6/10ths, and one-tenth better than Pe'er Gardner's time as a schoolboy in Melbourne. In the Associated Schools meeting, Jim again shattered the record by 6/10ths in clocking 14.9 on the heavy track; also won the broad jump with 21ft. 11½in.

State AAA officials were not so much impressed by May's hurdles times, as with his veteran-like polish over the hurdles. It is hoped that he will prove a worthy successor to Gardner (Olympic finalist and Empiad champion) and Ray Weinberg, bo'h of whom may well be competing at Helsinki next year.

Sydney's Public Schools championships, on October 8th, saw John Carrick (Grammar) take the open sprint "double" in 10.1 and 22.6 sec.; excellent times in the conditions. The under 17, 220 yds. went to G. McGregor in 22.9 sec.



B. RICHARDS (Bournemouth A.C.)

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WOMEN'S RESULTS

DILYS WILLIAMS WINS MIDLAND ROAD WALK

Dilys Williams (Birchfield H.) won the Midland Junior two miles road walk title to complete a double after winning the novice race a fortnight previously—1, D. Williams (Birchfield H.L.S.) 19:11; 2, M. Hill (Birchfield) 20:00; 3, H. Cawston (Birchfield) 20:09; 4, J. Smith (Oldbury A. & C.C.C.) 20:33; 5, M. Price (Sm. Heath H) 20:43; 6, M. Brant (Harborne H) 20:45; 7, N. Grantham (Harborne) 20:49; 8, M. Brookes (Harborne) 20:50; 9, M. Littlehales (Birchfield) 20:51; 10, N. Taylor (Birchfield) 20:52; M. Clarke (Oldbury); 12, E. Jones (Sm. Heath). **Team result:** 1, Birchfield H.L.S. "A" 6 pts.; 2, Harborne H.L.S. 21; 3, Small Heath H.L.S. 31; 4, Oldbury A. and C.C.C. 37; 5, Birchfield H.L.S. 40; 6, Birmingham Atalanta A.C. 55.

SCHOOLS NOTES (contd.).

fifty boys and girls will have an opportunity to take their first steps in real athletic education thanks to the "News Chronicle" Plan. There was a happy unanimity in the selection. Mr. Harold Abrahams and Mr. J. C. Crump were present and their advice and observations proved extremely helpful in a task which is not easy with such a formidable number. A review was also made of the existing candidates from previous years and altogether a most promising bunch of the best will get together next April. Strong as we have been in track material, the future in field events is becoming just as bright. The chosen boys and girls are more than fortunate. Although some will be disappointed at not receiving the invitation, a generous choice has been made, and the selectors were confident that all the "potentials" in track and field were included. If I'm not mistaken "the catch" is as good as ever and I'm equally sure time will prove it.
E.C.

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