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THE
OLYMPIC GAMES

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DESPITE some disappointments in the flat events Scotland has done better than expected with 6 men chosen for the Olympic team. Anglos A. McCorquodale (London) A.C.) and J. Fairgrieve (Achilles) the former in both sprints; the latter in the 200 metres, Alan Paterson (Victoria Park) in the high jump, A. S. Lindsay (St. Andrews University) in hop, step and jump, and our two hammer-throwers Duncan Clarke (R.U.C.) and E. C. K. Douglas (R.A.F.). In addition Allan Watt (Shettleston) and D. D. McKenzie (Edinburgh University) are on the short leet for the 2 relay events, the former in the 4 x 100 metre event and the latter in the 4 x 400 me'res.

Lindsay Excels

Apart from the showing of our Anglos in the sprints perhaps the most agreeable surprise was the excellent form shown by Allan Lindsay in the hop, step and jump. The Scottish champion made a great bid

renowned Australian G. G. Avery by the narrow margin of 34 ins. but proving himself definitely Britain's best in this event.

Scots A. Forbes, A. McLean, R. H. Boyd and J. Smart, all did well to gain standard medals although failing to secure places in the first

3. I feel that a meed of sympathy is due to Andy Forbes who, despite recurring foot trouble which handicapped him in the final stages of his training, still managed to do a 14 mins. 32 secs. 3 miles. Alec McLean now running better than ever returned the good time of 31 mins. 3 secs. whilst great praise is due our young Scottish champion half-miler, Smart, in fighting his way to the final and clocking the splendid time of approximately 1 min. 57 secs. Robin Boyd, despite his good show in 440 yards hurdles, puzzles me somewhat. I saw him win a 440 yards flat on grass at Westerlands in a shade over 50 secs. in grand style. Perhaps he has not been able to acquire

training. Enthusiastic D. Corbet of Bellahouston believes implicitly in this addition to the training of distance runners.

Stylish Andy Forbes of Victoria Park, 3 mile champion and record holder, must be regarded as distinctly unlucky not to have gained his Olympic singlet at 5,000 metres.

Just prior to the A.A.A. championships which was regarded as the official Olympic test his foot injury was aggravated to such an extent that he had to ease off in his training. In the test, despite a courageous effort of 14 mins. 32 secs., he was not far enough up to catch the selector's eye. Yet later in the triangular contest at Fallowfield Forbes chased H. Olney home in the 5,000 metres with a time of 14 mins. 52 secs., equivalent to a fraction over 14 mins. 20 secs. for 3 miles, and in the process handsomely defeated Britain's 2nd string in this event. Throughout the season Forbes has put up some immaculate and pleasing performances at various athletic galas and has proved himself a great favourite with the fans. Would it not have been a nice gesture for the British selectors to have included him in the 3 miles team event in the recent Britain v. U.S.A. athletic match at White City? It would have been somewhat of a consolation for Andy to represent Britain, and he certainly was worthy of the honour.

Next we come to John McLaughlin of Maryhill Harriers whose rapid rise to the top rank of sprinters has been one of the season's features. His epic race in the 100 yards championship at Hampden when he was placed 3rd in what appeared to be a triple dead-heat with Alan Watt and D. D. McKenzie will be talked about and debated for years to come. From a "dark horse" to one of Scotland's brightest hopes in so short a time is almost phenomenal. He has scored many successes in invitation and open handicaps off short marks, and is now off the low mark of $\frac{1}{2}$ yard. Extraordinarily fast out of his holes he is definitely the fastest in Scotland and perhaps one of the fastest in Britain at 60 to 80 yards. However, these dashes are not featured here as they are in U.S.A. With this season's experience behind him he is a very likely prospect for a Scottish sprint title next season.

Half-milers J. Smart (Edinburgh S.) and J. Reid (West Kilbride) have also shown outstanding form this season at their pet distance. After winning the Scottish championship Smart demonstrated marked improvement, gaining a standard medal in the A.A.A. championships with a time of just a fraction over 1 min. 57 secs., and again in the Triangular contest ran an exceptionally fast and gallant half-mile, leading his stern opposition to very near the tape. As anchor man in the Edinburgh Southern relay team he has helped his team to many notable victories including their medley championship relay triumph.

Jimmy Reid of West Kilbride not quite fit at the time of the S.A.A.A. championships reached his season's peak late and scored several victories and places off low marks in invitation and open handicaps. Indubitably his best performance was his win in the Police half-mile off the low mark of 12 yards in 1 min. 55.4 secs. Since his return from Paris on the occasion of the cross-country International in April, 1947, Reid has been somewhat under a cloud, but he told me recently that he felt he was now running as well as he did in 1939.

In the longer distances, despite his lack of experience, Charlie Robertson of Dundee Thistle is another who has kept the torch of the East burning brightly and has added to his already growing reputation.

After his consistent running during the cross-country season Robertson made a great though unsuccessful bid to gain Olympic recognition in the marathon and subsequently showed a devastating turn of speed in the road race at Largs over 15 miles racing away from all opposition.

He is regarded at the moment as Scotland's best marathon prospect to carry on the Wright-McNab Robertson tradition. Over the country too he should be a grand asset to Scottish International teams for several years to come.

The Record Breakers

One must not forget that the season just finishing has also provided us with several record performances.

Olympic athlete, Allan Lindsay of St. Andrew's University, hop, step and jumped 45 ft. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. or 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. over the previous best, while P. G. Skea of Heriot's

hurled the javelin 178 ft. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins. or 5 ins. further than J. Jackson's 10 year-old record. Earlier in the season J. G. M. Hart of Edinburgh University covered the 120 yards hurdles in 15.5 secs. or 3/10th better than R. S. Stronach's figures which had stood for no less than 43 years.

Then we had another championship best from hammer thrower Duncan Clark and also the emergence of possible stars of the future in E. K. Douglas, R.A.F., hammer thrower and runner-up to Clark, and shot putter J. Drummond of Heriot's who won his championship at the first time of asking.

Promising form was also shown by Walter Lennie (Vale of Leven) and W. Spiers (Shuttleston). Lennie who may shine even more over the country than on the track gave a remarkably fine performance in winning the 2 miles event at his own championship sports in 9 mins. 44 secs. on a far from perfect track.

Young Spiers revealed the stamp of the real half-miler lacking only the vital quality of experience, while young J. S. Petty (St. Modan's) has made a late return to form after experiencing a bad patch. This is indeed an event in which Scotland has many fine prospects. Speaking of this event we are reminded of the return of two old favourites Geo. Smillie of Victoria Park and F. Jewell of Garscube Harriers.

Maryhill May Lose Good Prospect

On the debit side, as far as Maryhill and Scottish athletics is concerned, is the probability of Iain Robb going to Canada early in the New Year. The giant Rothesay man has been a consistent prize-winner all season especially over 880 yards, and recently he captured the double half and mile in his own local sports at Rothesay. We will be sorry to lose him but wish him well in his new abode.

Another athlete who competes regularly with good results is veteran high-jumper Tom McKie of Glasgow Police. The driving force in many of the Police athletic ventures, as organiser, he still finds time to keep in superb physical shape. Another who has been defying the handicapper all season is H. B. O'Neill of Bellahouston whose series of wins includes the Ibrox mile.

Watt as Quarter-miler?

Is it a presage of things to come? Allan Watt's presence in the 440 yards invitation at Ibrox provides speculation as to whether his aims to concentrate on this distance next season. I thought he made quite a promising debut over this distance and I believe Allan Scally the Shuttleston coach has high hopes that Watt could shake up the established quarter-milers at their favourite distance.

Did Frank Sinclair Miss the Boat?

While some athletes know their distance and specialise accordingly others are so versatile that they tend to fall between two or three stools. Among those who come readily to mind in this category are Jack Gifford of Bellahouston and Jack Laidlaw of Edinburgh Northern. These men were equally good from half-mile to 3 miles and could moreover hold their own at even 10 miles.

Laidlaw in fact earned recognition as an International in cross-country whilst both could handsomely beat 2 mins. for the half, could run a fast mile and were Scottish champions over 3 miles.

Frank Sinclair, late of Glenpark H. and now of Blaydon, Newcastle, is similar in type, a versatile athlete who can beat 2 mins. for the half and a cross-country International to boot. After emerging from a disappointing cross-country season Frank seemed uncertain on what track distance to concentrate. Some advised the mile, others the 3, others even the six. Eventually he decided to take his chance in the mile, but after losing his championship narrowly to James Fleming of Motherwell Y.M.C.A. he later showed improving form in the Triangular International where he finished 3rd and also won an invitation mile off 30 yards in the fast time of 4 mins. 15 secs.

Some critics aver that had he concentrated and had access to better tracks for training he might well have worn the British singlet at 1,500 metres.

Another favourite with the fans is the Irish miler, J. J. Barry. Now resident in Lennoxtown we should see plenty of him next season.

Although apparently established as a miler it is possible that the "Ballycurren Hare" may yet gain even further distinction over the longer stretches.

Popularity of Road Running

Road-racing as distinct from the full distance Marathon effort is becoming very popular throughout Scotland. And one result of this popularity is the increasingly higher standard of entry. Prominent cross-country runners are now taking it up, and among those who have made very promising debuts are—R. Mathieson (Maryhill Harriers), A. Kidd (Garscubie Harriers) and A. McPherson (Monkland). Bobby Mathieson who won several events and was well up in others is now resident in England where it is to be hoped he will not terminate what appeared to be a very promising distance running career. The promising career of Alex. Kidd was interrupted owing to being in the services, but alike in cross-country and road running he has done enough to indicate that he will be a force to be reckoned with.

Angus McPherson is in a different category. Somewhat of a veteran he won the Scottish Junior championship at Lanark away back in 1936 defeating myself for this honour by finishing 4th in the National to my 9th. Yet he is a comparative novice at road running and with his native speed and stamina may still show improving form when he acquires the marathon technique.

Before leaving this season we must not forget the brilliant promise shown by our Junior athletes. Enthusiastic contributor Jas. Logan has made a study of our young athletes, a special province of his. He was particularly impressed with the skill and speed of J. McAslan of Trinity in the hurdles, an impression vindicated in the British Youth's championship where he finished 3rd to boy prodigy Joe Birrell, whom as we all know subsequently won the A.A.A. senior championship and gained Olympic selection. The versatility of G. A. Bell (Heriot's) was also impressive, 100 Yards winner, runner-up in javelin, and last man in winning relay team, while W. Jack and F. W. Sime, both of Victoria Park, won their events in fast time.

Olympic Games

The Wembley Olympic Torch has now been quenched but to those fortunate enough to witness them the festival has left colourful memories.

By and large the Games must be written as a success, though some who forecast a succession of untoward incidents may feel themselves somewhat cheated.

There can be colour and drama without unfriendly incidents as Wembley amply demonstrated. Where every event is a virtual world championship it is difficult to discriminate, but two of the great personalities of the Games were undoubtedly Fanny Blankers-Koen and Emil Zatopek. The powerful Dutch woman attracted by the power and verve of her running, while the unorthodox style and mannerisms of Emil Zatopek as well as his amazing natural ability appealed. While his judgment might be open to question there is no doubt that he provides thrills with his series of frenzied bursts, a direct contrast to the precise even pacing of the Finnish tradition. Incidentally in the longer stretches the Swedes have for the moment usurped the position of the Finns who on this occasion experienced a very lean time. Especially was this noteworthy in the Steeplechase where the three leading Swedes gave a beautiful bird-like exhibition. Aided as usual by their able coloured athletes America took the lion's share. Britain did not shine, but despite certain disappointments, did as well as was expected.

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The ladies' four seconds were worthily earned, Mrs. Tyler and the Misses Gardner, Manley and Williamson, deserve hearty congratulations. The latter three surpassed themselves but were unfortunate to meet a super athlete of the calibre of Blankers-Koen, while Mrs. Tyler again cleared the same height as the ultimate winner, but as at Berlin in 1936 lost the decision through more failures.

Tom Richards Surpasses Himself

Despite their greater numbers the men did not do so well as the women. All the more reason are we proud of the seconds earned by our gallant relay team and dogged Tom Richards, and the 3rd place by that jaunty veteran walker Lloyd Johnson.

Tom Richards surpassed himself to give his greatest ever performance, only 16 seconds behind the Argentine winner. Arthur Wint's victory was also pleasing from a British point of view as although representing Jamaica he has done most of his running here, while McCorquodale, though just failing to get a place in the 100 metres, ran the race of his life to finish first white man home, beating the great Mel Patton for this distinction. Nankeville also gave a splendid performance to reach the final of the 1,500 metres where he gave a really gallant display.

The failure of our three great hopes, McDonald Bailey, Alan Paterson and Jack Holden, was of course a sore disappointment, but one feels that had the trio been in last year's rampant form they might well have pulled off their events, as the times and height were all within their compass.

In the British Empire—U.S.A. match at the White City the latter were too strong for the composite Empire team. All the more reason was the victory of our men in the 4 x 100 metres relay welcome, McCorquodale, Bartram, Treloar and Archer, were certainly assisted by the poor change over of the American first sector, but they put up a great display to finish in 41.8 secs.

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Third Time Lucky for Victoria Park?

One of the most popular races is that for the McAndrew Trophy which ushers in the cross-country season. It will be interesting to see if the promoting club Victoria Park, after being second for the

Owing to the space taken by the complete Olympic details which we have thought would be desired by our readers we have deemed it best to link up the September and October issues. We sincerely apologise to the many secretaries who have been good enough to forward their club news, but owing to the special Olympic features it has not been possible to have the notes published. We ask forbearance; amends will be made in our next issue.

THE OLYMPIC MARATHON

By G. S. BARBER.

HAVING followed the Olympic marathon race from Windsor to the White City in 1908 on a cycle, which gave me my early interest in marathon races, I was enthusiastically pleased when I met Tom Richards in London and arrangements were made that I would get a cycle and accompany him during the 1948 race. I read all that was to be read about the race, but not once did I read that Richards had a chance. The British hope was Jack Holden, then various well-known athletes from all parts of the world were announced as probable winners.

I should like it put on record that early in July Tom Richards told me that he was confident he would beat Holden and that if all went well, he had a good chance of winning. Hearing this from Tom himself was good news and although I repeated this to all and sundry, there was not much interest paid to it.

The morning of 7th August was wet, heavy rain fell in the morning and about 11 a.m. it cleared and the sun came out drying the roads leaving a steamy clammy sort of a day which made one sweat, even walking. Before the race I felt with the sultry damp heat, that the competitor with a little fat to spare would do well in the race, but the finely trained light man, would suffer.

The police had issued strict warnings about blocking the roads with cycles and when the race started, no one could get within any of the competitors for a good few miles. After the initial burst round the track in the Stadium, led by Yun Bok Suh, as the race started, the gentle run down Olympic way came as a breather but there was not much relaxing for the climb up to Stamford in the steamy heat was a killer. Then the fun began as the jockeying for position started. At 10 kilometres, about 6 miles, Gailly, a slim-built Belgian, led in 34m. 34s. with Wen-Ngau Lou, China, second, and Josset, France third. Richards was well back in the ruck, running easy. At 20 kilometres, just over 12 miles, Gailly still led in 1h. 9m. 29s., a very fast pace for such a hot day. Then came Wen-

Ngau Lou second with a newcomer Guinez of Argentina third, Richards still running well but not near the leaders. It was very difficult to get up to the runners. All one could do was to push ahead, and on a cycle it was real hard work, trying to keep tally of the race and take the time, and as the runner passed, shout out instructions with the roar of police motorcycles almost drowning the voice.

Not long after this Holden retired from the race and I pointed out to Richards that he now was the sole hope of the British team. At 30 kilometres (about 18½ miles), Gailly still led in 1h. 47.5s. but not looking too happy. He was constantly looking round and seemed to be very nervous. Guinez, Argentina, was still second running strong with Yun Chil Choi, Korea, third, looking as if he was enjoying himself. Richards at this point was running about 6th and sweating very heavily. Tom was never a pretty runner and he seemed to be always labouring.

Then came the change. With a rush, too fast I thought, Yun Chil Choi went to the front and it looked as if this was the finish, his time at 35 kilometres (just under 22 miles) was 2h. 8m. 17s. with another stranger, Cabrera of Argentina, running very strongly second and Richards, now up to 5th position, with the Belgian Gailly now lying third. With the hill past Kingsbury Cross Roads Yun Chil Choi faded out of the running and Gailly took the lead, tearing down the hill past the Town Hall at Sudbury with Cabrera second and Richards, not too happy looking, lying third with Guinez of Argentina fourth. Then came the veteran Coleman of South Africa followed by his countryman Luyt—vigorously sponging himself. Next was Cote of Canada (without his cigar) and Sensini of Argentina, that was the whole of the Argentina team in the first eight.

At the last feeding station—25 miles—the runners were separated from the host of following cycles and cars and I stood for a while studying the competitors as they passed. Various countries had

arranged that individual competitors should have certain pick-ups. There were bottles with the competitors names on with his particular concoction, tablets for some and I saw a powder for Coleman the South African.

With a large card held up by a Boy Scout, each runner could tell how far he had to go and at 25 miles and still running downhill many of the men were going too fast. The Belgian, Gailly, was in bad shape. He had rushed the hill in the hope of shaking off the others and the hill finished at the beginning of the Olympic Way, then with a substantial lead he found the road up to the Stadium a stiff incline, and although he held a lead, his frail body had no strength and he had to slow down almost to a crawl. Coming up were Cabrera and Richards, big hefty men with not much speed at this point, but strength to take them up the hill after the Belgian but in the winding road and crowds of people and no means of finding out, they had no idea how far he was in front. Then came the Stadium and from the tunnel with its gentle slope down to the track, came the roar of the cheering and Gailly, now quite exhausted, entered the final lap. Cabrera and Richards followed and for the first time saw exactly how far they were behind and went after him.

The story now is old how the gallant Belgian, E. Gailly, was beaten into third place and Great Britain was again second in the Olympic Marathon race.

To have five runners on the track at the finish is a record and the times and places for the first six were:—

D. Cabrera, Argentina, 2h. 34m. 51.6s.
T. Richards, Gt. Britain, 2h. 35m. 7.6s.
E. Gailly, Belgium, 2h. 35m. 33.6s.
E. C. Guinez, Argentina, 2h. 36m. 6s.
J. L. Coleman, S. Africa, 2h. 36m. 36s.
S. T. Luyt, S. Africa, 2h. 38m. 11s.

Other fancied competitors finished:—
T. J. Vogel, U.S.A., 14th; C. Cote, Canada, 16th; J. A. Kelly, U.S.A., 21st; V. A. Heino, Finland, 11th; G. L. Evans, Canada, 17th; S. Kyriakidis, Greece, 18th; and the first Korean, Chong Oh Houn, was 24th. They were a great disappointment, the Koreans. The last

man was S. F. Jones, Great Britain, his time was 3h. 9m.

Summing up the race—

As most often in Olympic marathons the winner was a surprise. In the past, form as indicated in trials, has often been upset by runners risking anything to win, and sometimes it worked. This time I felt just prior to the start that experienced runners rather undertrained would have a chance. Certainly those that finished in front were big men.

The sultry weather, the overeagerness of some of the lesser known runners tended to upset all but the more experienced men. It was a beautiful race to watch, noting how each competitor had an eye on the other. Richards, whose particular work does not allow him to lead a regular life and follow recognised systems of training, ran a great race, and although he may have not known how far he was behind the leader he had to take the chance the others had, and hope for the best. He is a calm level-headed fellow who does not seek publicity. Tom who, in his own words, ran in the A.A.A. marathon "not to win, but just to get my place in the Olympic team and use the race as a training run," was back at his work on the Sunday morning as if his Olympic effort had been just another training run.

Criticism—well not much, I felt it would have been better if each competitor had been allowed one attendant carrying his number, the difficulties of giving information—or getting it—was plain to see. The police made a marvellous job of the race. One "little" difference between the 1908 race and the 1948 race, at the end of the Olympic Way after I had left Richards, I sat at the side of the road and listened at a portable radio set and followed the runners as they entered the Stadium and finished the race. To my mind that was the only difference to the 1908 marathon race. It was the same marathon,—perhaps different names and a change of style in running kit, but all was there of the surprises and sensations, the almost superhuman efforts that are even cheated in the end,—all the memorable and majestic thrills that only the marathon can provide.



THEY WON OUR CHEERS AT WEMBLEY

by

JAMES L. LOGAN

OUR first loyalty at Wemb'ley was to those who carried the Union Jack on their vests. How we asked to cheer a Briton to a first place!

Still, if our athletes denied us the supreme thrill of a "first," they certainly gave us something to shout about. It might be thought that six "seconds" and one "third" was small cause for cheer in eight days of sport but you must add to this the partial success of wins in the innumerable heats, second rounds and semi-finals. And the performances of some of our representatives in the preliminaries raised exciting speculation.

There was, for instance, McCorquodale's progress to the final of the 100 metres. In our heats, only the most optimistic among us had seriously bracketed him with opponents credited with 9.3 secs. for the hundred yards and 10.2 secs. for the 100 metres; but when we found him actually in the Olympic Final, that is, one of the best half-dozen sprinters in the world (excluding the unknown talent of Russia, Germany and Japan) even the most cautious were bound to make a reassessment of his prospects. To those near enough to observe him just before the great moment he had one outstanding factor in his favour; a calmness amounting almost to nonchalance. For while his opponents were jogging nervously about in monastic solitude he was chatting inconsequently to this one and that as if he were a rather unimportant player awaiting his turn to bat in some obscure and leisurely cricket match. And at the back of our minds, too, was the conviction that we had yet to see this man's full capabilities. Was it possible that the outsider would shock the favourites? Well, we know the answer now and the cameras have recorded just how near he came to the accomplishment of a

momentous feat. And for ten pulsating seconds we roared our encouragement.

As I predicted in the magazine some time ago, our girl athletes are already putting the men to shame by their success in the international arena. They contributed four of the "seconds" in our total bag of six "seconds" and one "third" and Misses Manley, Williamson and Gardner would have been on the premier place of honour on the victor's dais but for being contemporary with the phenomenal Mrs. Fanny Blankers-Koen, the Flying Dutchwoman. The tense finish in the 80 metres hurdles, especially, was a heart-catching experience for a crowd hungry for at least one British victory. It must be borne in mind that thousands were in bad positions for observing the finishes and were often kept in suspense until the official announcement was made.

Lloyd Johnson's third in the marathon walk and Tom Richard's second in the running marathon earned big ovations but these would have been mere whispers to the cheers we had hoped to give to British victors in these events.

Often, of course, it was a visitor who earned our applause, especially if he represented one of the nations which did not have a notiably vocal "cheer-gang" in the crowd.

There was the valiant Czech, Zatopek, for instance. At the beginning of the 10,000 metres no one unfamiliar with his mannerisms would have given twopence for his chances. This face was pushed in apparent anguish and his right arm continually strayed down over his side as if to relieve some ache. But these, we found, were not signs of distress and when the famous Heino, world record holder at the distance, retired and Heinstrom, his compatriot, ran himself to

a standstill, we knew that we were seeing a momentous run. To break Olympic record by over ten seconds in the sultry conditions, which had even the spectators gasping for air, was phenomenal. The Czech's amazing, but unavailing, 130 metres burst at the end of the 5,000 metres event, and his obvious freshness after the race, suggested that an error of judgment robbed him of the rare distinction of being a double winner. Wembley rose to him, in victory and defeat.

Although she baulked us in three events, Mrs. Blankers-Koen captured our hearts. The camaras, catching her at the tape, suggest a grim-faced Amazon. On the contrary, she is pleasant, quick to smile and had many gay waves of the hand for friends in the crowd. A grand sportswoman.

To the connoisseur, the 400 metres was a poem of athletic grace and power. The favourite, in the horsey sense, was the sprinter-stylist Herbert McKenley but perhaps his fellow-Jamaican, Arthur Wint, with his British connections, was the favourite in a popular sense. As expected,

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McKenley shot from his starting blocks in a long powerful sprint to give him a big enough lead to cruise over the final stages. But Arthur Wint, the stayer-stylist, maintaining an even pace all the time, gradually cut down the sprinter's lead. McKenley wilted over the last few metres and those gigantic strides of Wint carried him to a magnificently timed victory. Then, for the first time, the band had an opportunity to play the British National Anthem and the little Union Jack in the corner of the Jamaican flag was some compensation, as it floated on the premier flag-pole. I was particularly struck with the grace and dignified bearing of Herbert McKenley whenever he emerged from the competitor's tunnel. Here was a truly Olympian figure who compelled attention even in such scintillating company.

Another great figure bowed himself off the Olympic stage to the whole Stadium's sympathetic applause. A tragic moment for one who was probably the most experienced athlete in the Games, Donald Finlay, repeating the error of our youngest hurdler, Birrell, by fouling a hurdle. The last one, and when he was going for an immaculate win in his heat. The great Don rose from the dust, brushed himself with his hands and, in the true Olympic spirit, finished the course. A poignant moment.

These, then, were the men and women who won our admiration. Not only the skilful, but the courageous. The great athlete, in victory and defeat.

IMPORTANT RACE DATES.

Nov. 20—National Novice Championship.
Dec. 4—District Relay Championship.
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Mar. 5—National Championships (Senior and Junior).

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J. A. LJUNGGREN (Sweden)

Striding up the Olympic Way, on winning the Olympic 50 Kilometres Road Walk (app. 31½ miles) in 4 hrs. 41 mins. 52 secs. to give Sweden her first victory of the 1948 Games.



D. CABRORA (Argentina)

Winner of the classic Olympic event—the Marathon. A strongly built runner he ran a well-judged race but was only 16 secs. ahead of Britain's Tom Richards.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES, 1948

ATHLETICS—WEMBLEY STADIUM, LONDON,
30th JULY—7th AUGUST, 1948.

Details:—

100 METRES.

(100 Metres = 109.3 Yards).

WORLD RECORD:

J. OWENS (U.S.A.), Chicago, 1935 10.2
H. DAVIES (U.S.A.), California, 1941 10.2

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD:

J. OWENS (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936 10.3

FIRST ROUND (FRIDAY, 30th JULY).

Heat 1.—
1. EWELL (U.S.A.) 10.5
2. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain) 10.5Heat 2.—
1. PATTON (U.S.A.) 10.6
2. HAUSIN (Brazil) 10.9Heat 3.—
1. LABEACH (Panama) 10.5
2. GOLDOVANY (Hungary) 11.0Heat 4.—
1. LOPEZ TESTA (Uruguay) 10.5
2. JONES (Gr. Britain) 10.6Heat 5.—
1. DILLARD (U.S.A.) 10.4
2. P. da SILVA (Brazil) 10.6Heat 6.—
1. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain) 10.5
2. CLAUSEN (Iceland) 11.0Heat 7.—
1. TRELOAR (Australia) 10.5
2. VALMY (France) 10.5Heat 8.—
1. FORTUN CHACON (Cuba) 10.7
2. BARTRAM (Australia) 10.8Heat 9.—
1. CUROTTA (Australia) 10.7
2. BONHOFF (Argentina) 10.8Heat 10.—
1. LEWIS (Trinidad) 10.8
2. HAGGIS (Canada) 10.9Heat 11.—
1. VANDEWIELE (Belgium) 10.8
2. R. de MORAIS (Portugal) 10.9Heat 12.—
1. FAYOS (Uruguay) 11.0
2. PHILLIPS (India) 11.0

SECOND ROUND.

Heat 1.—
1. DILLARD (U.S.A.) 10.4
2. TESTA (Uruguay) 10.6
3. JONES (Gr. Britain) 10.7Heat 2.—
1. EWELL (U.S.A.) 10.5
2. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain) 10.6
3. CUROTTA (Australia) 10.8Heat 3.—
1. PATTON (U.S.A.) 10.4
2. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain) 10.5
3. BARTRAM (Australia) 10.6Heat 4.—
1. LABEACH (Panama) 10.5
2. TRELOAR (Australia) 10.5
3. FORTUN CHACON (Cuba) 10.6

(SATURDAY, 31st JULY)

SEMI-FINALS.

Heat 1.—
1. DILLARD (U.S.A.) 10.5
2. EWELL (U.S.A.) 10.5
3. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain) 10.7

Other heat runners:—Bartram, Curotta, Testa.

Heat 2.—

1. PATTON (U.S.A.) 10.4
2. LABEACH (Panama) 10.5
3. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain) 10.6
Other heat runners:—Chacon, Jones, Treloar.

FINAL.

1. H. DILLARD (U.S.A.) 10.3
(Equals Olympic Record)
2. H. N. EWELL (U.S.A.) 10.4
3. L. B. LABEACH (Panama) 10.6
4. A. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain)
5. M. E. PATTON (U.S.A.)
6. E. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain)

200 METRES.

(200 Metres = 218.7 Yards).

WORLD RECORD:

J. OWENS (U.S.A.), Michigan, 1935 20.3
PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD:
J. OWENS (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936 20.7

FIRST ROUND (MONDAY, 2nd AUGUST).

Heat 1.—
1. McKENLEY (Jamaica) 21.3
2. HAGGIS (Canada) 22.2Heat 2.—
1. VALLE (Gr. Britain) 22.3
2. DE SARAH (Ceylon) 23.1Heat 3.—
1. F. CHACON (Cuba) 21.9
2. SHORE (S. Africa) 22.1Heat 4.—
1. EWELL (U.S.A.) 21.6
2. VAN HEERDEN (S. Africa) 21.8Heat 5.—
1. LE BAS (France) 22.0
2. C. RAMOS (Brazil) 22.2Heat 6.—
1. PATTON (U.S.A.) 21.6
2. LAING (Jamaica) 21.9Heat 7.—
1. BONHOFF (Argentina) 22.2
2. FAIRGRIEVE (Gr. Britain) 22.2Heat 8.—
1. BOURLAND (U.S.A.) 21.3
2. P. da SILVA (Brazil) 21.9Heat 9.—
1. TRELOAR (Australia) 21.7
2. BUTT (Pakistan) 22.8Heat 10.—
1. McCORQUODALE (Gr. Britain) 22.3
2. FERRANDO (Peru) 22.5Heat 11.—
1. TESTA (Uruguay) 21.1
2. Z. HAUSIN (Brazil) 22.2Heat 12.—
1. LABEACH (Panama) 21.4
2. LAMMERS (Holland) 22.0

SECOND ROUND.

Heat 1.—
1. McKENLEY (Jamaica) 21.3
2. EWELL (U.S.A.) 21.8
3. VALLE (Gr. Britain) 22.1Heat 2.—
1. BOURLAND (U.S.A.) 21.3
2. TRELOAR (Australia) 21.5
3. P. da SILVA (Brazil) 22.0

SECOND ROUND.		
Heat 1.—	1. WHITFIELD (U.S.A.) 48.0	Secs.
2. RHODEN (Jamaica) 48.6	3. C. REMOS (Brazil) 48.7	
Heat 2.—	1. WINT (Jamaica) 47.7	
2. CUROTTA (Australia) 48.4	3. SHORE (S. Africa) 48.5	
Heat 3.—	1. MCKENLEY (Jamaica) 48.0	
2. GUIDA (U.S.A.) 48.0	3. LARSSON (Sweden) 48.8	

(TUESDAY, 3rd AUGUST).

SEMI-FINALS.

SEMI-FINALS.		
Heat 1.—	1. McKENLEY (Jamaica) 21.4	Secs.
2. PATTON (U.S.A.) 21.6	3. EWELL (U.S.A.) 21.8	
Other heat runners:—P. de Silva, Valle, Van Heerden.		
Heat 2.—	1. BOURLAND (U.S.A.) 21.5	
2. LABEACH (Panama) 21.6	3. LAING (Jamaica) 21.6	
Other heat runners:—Chacon, McCordale, Treloar.		

FINAL.

FINAL.		
1. M. E. PATTON (U.S.A.) 21.1	2. H. N. EWELL (U.S.A.) 21.1	
3. L. B. LABEACH (Panama) 21.2	4. H. H. MCKENLEY (Jamaica) 21.2	
5. C. BOURLAND (U.S.A.) 21.2	6. L. LAING (Jamaica) 21.2	

400 METRES.

(400 Metres = 437.4 Yards).

WORLD RECORD:

R. HARBIG (Germany), Frankfurt, 1939 46.0
G. KLEMMER (U.S.A.), Philadelphia, 1941 46.0

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD:

W. CARR (U.S.A.), Los Angeles, 1932 46.2

FIRST ROUND (WED., 4th AUGUST).

FIRST ROUND (WED., 4th AUGUST).		
Heat 1.—	1. REARDON (Eire) 48.4	Secs.
2. RACIE (Yugoslavia) 50.5		
Heat 2.—	1. MCKENLEY (Jamaica) 48.4	
2. LARSSON (Sweden) 49.2		
Heat 3.—	1. SABOLVIC (Yugoslavia) 49.9	
2. LUNDQVIST (Sweden) 50.0		
Heat 4.—	1. RHODEN (Jamaica) 48.4	
2. SHORE (S. Africa) 49.0		
Heat 5.—	1. LUNIS (France) 49.3	
2. ALNEVIK (Sweden) 50.3		
Heat 6.—	1. BOLEN (U.S.A.) 50.1	
2. BARTRAM (Australia) 50.8		
Heat 7.—	1. LEWIS (Gr. Britain) 48.9	
2. VADE (Norway) 49.6		
Heat 8.—	1. WHITFIELD (U.S.A.) 48.3	
2. ROBERTS (Gr. Britain) 48.9		
Heat 9.—	1. WINT (Jamaica) 47.7	
2. SCHEWETTA (France) 48.9		
Heat 10.—	1. CUROTTA (Australia) 49.1	
2. C. REMOS (Brazil) 49.2		
Heat 11.—	1. GUIDA (U.S.A.) 49.0	
2. PUGH (Gr. Britain) 49.3		
Heat 12.—	1. KUNNEN (Belgium) 50.0	
2. MCFARLANE (Canada) 50.6		

WORLD RECORD:

R. HARBIG (Germany), Milan, 1939 1: 46.6

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD:

T. HAMPSON (Gr. Britain), Los Angeles 1: 49.5

FIRST ROUND (FRIDAY, 30th JULY).

FIRST ROUND (FRIDAY, 30th JULY).		
Heat 1.—	2. HANSENNE (France) 1: 54.6	Secs.
2. PARLETT (Gr. Britain) 1: 55.0	3. RAMSAY (Australia) 1: 55.0	
4. VOLKMER (Switzerland) 1: 55.3		
Heat 2.—	1. BARTEN (U.S.A.) 1: 55.6	
2. HARRIS (New Zealand) 1: 56.6	3. WHITE (Gr. Britain) 1: 56.6	
4. ROSIER (Belgium) 1: 56.7		
Heat 3.—	1. HOLST-SORENSEN (Denmark) 1: 54.2	
2. VADE (Norway) 1: 54.2	3. CHAMBERS (U.S.A.) 1: 54.3	
4. BRYNS (Belgium) 1: 55.4		
Heat 4.—	1. WINT (Jamaica) 1: 53.9	
2. de RUYTER (Holland) 1: 54.4	3. BARTHEL (Luxembourg) 1: 54.8	
4. WINTER (Szech Slovakia) 1: 55.1		
Heat 5.—	1. LJUNGGREN (Sweden) 1: 56.1	
2. CHEFD HOTEL (France) 1: 56.2	3. STREULI (Switzerland) 1: 56.5	
4. TARRAWAY (Gr. Britain) 1: 56.6		
Heat 6.—	1. WHITFIELD (U.S.A.) 1: 52.8	
2. BENGTSSON (Sweden) 1: 52.9	3. HUTCHINS (Canada) 1: 55.5	
4. MAYORDOME (France) 1: 55.7		

(SATURDAY, 31st JULY).
SEMI-FINALS.

Heat 1.	1. HANSENNE (France)	1: 50.5
2. WHITFIELD (U.S.A.)	1: 50.7	
3. PARLETT (Gt. Britain)	1: 50.9	
Heat 2.	1. BENGTSSON (Sweden)	1: 51.2
2. WINT (Jamaica)	1: 52.7	
3. CHAMBERS (U.S.A.)	1: 52.9	
Heat 3.	1. BARTEN (U.S.A.)	1: 51.7
2. CHEFD'HOTEL (France)	1: 52.0	
3. HOLST-SORENSEN (Denmark)	1: 52.4	

FINAL.

1. M. G. WHITFIELD (U.S.A.)	1: 49.2
(New Olympic Record)	
2. A. S. WINT (Jamaica)	1: 49.5
3. H. HANSENNE (France)	1: 49.8
4. H. O. BARTEN (U.S.A.)	1: 50.1
5. I. BENGTSSON (Sweden)	1: 50.5
6. R. D. CHAMBERS (U.S.A.)	1: 52.1

1,500 METRES.

(1,500 Metres = 1,610.4 Yards).

WORLD RECORD :

G. HAEGG (Sweden), Gothenburg, 1914	3: 43.0
L. STRAND (Sweden), Malmo, 1947	3: 43.0

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

J. E. LOVELOCK (New Zealand), Berlin, 1936.	3 m. 47.8s.
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(WEDNESDAY, 4th AUGUST).

Heat 1.	1. STRAND (Sweden)	3: 54.2
2. JORGENSEN (Denmark)	3: 54.2	
3. GEHRMAN (U.S.A.)	3: 54.8	

Heat 2.	1. SLIJKHUIS (Holland)	3: 52.4
2. CEVONA (Czech Slovakia)	3: 54.0	
3. JOHANSSON (Finland)	3: 54.0	

Heat 3.	1. ERIKSSON (Sweden)	3: 53.8
2. NANKEVILLE (Gt. Britain)	3: 5.8	
3. BARTHEL (Luxembourg)	3: 56.4	

Heat 4.	1. BERGKVIST (Sweden)	3: 51.8
2. HANSENNE (France)	3: 52.8	
3. GARAY (Hungary)	3: 53.0	

(FRIDAY, 6th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. H. ERIKSSON (Sweden)	3: 43.8
2. L. STRAND (Sweden)	3: 50.4
3. W. F. SLIJKHUIS (Holland)	3: 50.4
4. V. VEVONA (Czech Slovakia)	3: 51.2
5. G. BERGKVIST (Sweden)	3: 52.2
6. G. W. NANKEVILLE (Gt. Britain)	3: 52.6

5,000 METRES.

WORLD RECORD :

G. HAEGG (Sweden), Gothenburg, 1914	13: 58.2
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PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

G. HOCKERT (Finland), Berlin, 1936	14: 22.2
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(MONDAY, 2nd AUGUST).

Heat 1.	1. NYBERG (Sweden)	14: 58.2
2. KOSKELA (Finland)	14: 58.3	
3. STONE (U.S.A.)	14: 58.6	

Heat 2.	1. AHLDEN (Sweden)	14: 34.2
2. ZATOPEK (Czech Slovakia)	14: 34.2	
3. MAKELA (Finland)	14: 45.0	
4. STOKKEN (Norway)	15: 04.4	

Heat 3.	1. SLIJKHUIS (Holland)	15: 06.8
2. REIFF (Belgium)	15: 07.0	
3. ALBERTSSON (Sweden)	15: 07.8	
4. PERALA (Finland)	15: 07.8	

MONDAY, 2nd AUGUST).	FINAL.
1. G. REIFF (Belgium)	14: 17.6

2. E. ZATOPEK (Czech Slovakia)	14: 17.8
3. W. F. SLIJKHUIS (Holland)	14: 26.8
4. E. AHLDEN (Sweden)	14: 28.6
5. B. ALBERTSSON (Sweden)	14: 39.0
6. C. C. STONE (U.S.A.)	14: 39.4

10,000 METRES.
(10,000 Metres = 6 Miles 376 Yards).

WORLD RECORD :

V. HEINO (Finland), Helsinki, 1944

29: 35.4

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

J. KUSOCINSKI (Poland), Los Angeles, 1932	30: 11.4
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(FRIDAY, 30th JULY).

1. E. ZATOPEK (Czech Slovakia)	29: 59.6
(New Olympic Record)	
2. A. MIMOUN-O-KACHA (France)	30: 47.4
3. B. ALBERTSSON (Sweden)	30: 53.6
4. S. DENOLF (Sweden)	30: 8.6
5. M. STOKKEN (Norway)	31: 5.0
6. R. EVERAERT (Belgium)	31: 7.8

MARATHON.

(26 Miles 385 Yards).

No official World Record for this event.

OLYMPIC RECORD :

K. SON (Japan), Berlin, 1936	2 hrs. 29 mins.
19.2 secs.	

(SATURDAY 7th AUGUST).

1. D. CABRORA (Argentina)	2: 34: 51.6
2. T. RICHARDS (Gt. Britain)	2: 35: 7.6
3. E. GAILLY (Belgium)	2: 35: 33.6
4. J. L. COLEMAN (S. Africa)	2: 36: 6.0
5. E. C. GUINEZ (Argentina)	2: 36: 56.0
6. S. T. LUYT (S. Africa)	2: 38: 11.0
7. G. OESTLING (Sweden)	
8. J. SYSTAD (Norway)	
9. A. P. SENSI (Argentina)	
10. H. K. LARSEN (Denmark)	
11. V. A. HEINO (Finland)	
12. A. MELIN (Sweden)	

110 METRES HURDLES.

(110 Metres = 120.3 Yards).

WORLD RECORD :

F. G. TOWNS (U.S.A.), Oslo, 1936

13.7

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

F. G. TOWNS (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936

14.1

FIRST ROUND (TUESDAY, 3rd AUGUST).

Heat 1.	1. PORTER (U.S.A.)	14.3
2. BRAEKMAN (Belgium)	15.2	
Heat 2.	1. SCOTT (U.S.A.)	14.8

2. PRAYER (France)	15.5
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THE SCOTS ATHLETE

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Heat 3.

1. TRUILZI (Argentina)	14.6
2. GARDNER (Australia)	14.6

Heat 4.

1. VICKERS (India)	14.7
2. LIDMAN (Sweden)	14.7

Heat 5.

1. MARIE (France)	14.9
2. BERNARD (Switzerland)	14.9

Heat 6.

1. DIXON (U.S.A.)	14.2
2. WEINBERG (Australia)	15.0

(WEDNESDAY, 3rd AUGUST).

SEMI-FINALS.

Heat 1.

1. DIXON (U.S.A.)	14.2
2. GARDNER (Gt. Britain)	14.5

Heat 2.

1. LIDMAN (Sweden)	14.6
2. PORTER (U.S.A.)	14.1

Heat 3.

1. PORTER (U.S.A.)	13.9
(New Olympic Record)	

Heat 4.

1. C. L. SCOTT (U.S.A.)	14.1
2. C. K. DIXON (U.S.A.)	14.1

Heat 5.

1. A. U. TRIULZI (Argentina)	14.6
2. H. LIDMAN (Sweden)	14.6

Heat 6.

1. PORTER (U.S.A.)	14.6
2. SCOTT (U.S.A.)	14.2

Heat 7.

1. TRIULZI (Argentina)	14.6
2. LIDMAN (Sweden)	14.6

Heat 8.

1. PORTER (U.S.A.)	13.9
(New Olympic Record)	

Heat 9.

1. C. L. SCOTT (U.S.A.)</td

THE SCOTS ATHLETE

HOP, STEP AND JUMP.

WORLD AND OLYMPIC RECORD :
N. TAJIMA (Japan), Berlin, 1936.
16.00 m. 52 ft. 5½ ins.

FINAL (TUESDAY, 3rd AUGUST).

	m.	ft.	in.
1. A. AHMAN (Sweden)	15.40	5	6½
2. G. G. AVERY (Australia)	15.365	50	4½
3. K. SARTALP (Turkey)	15.025	49	3½
4. P. K. LARSEN (Denmark)	14.83	48	7½
5. G. OLIVEIRA (Brazil)	14.825	48	7½
6. K. J. V. RAUTIO (Finland)	14.70	48	2½

POLE VAULT.

WORLD RECORD :
C. Warmerdan (U.S.A.), California, 1942.
4.77 m. 15 ft. 7½ ins.

OLYMPIC RECORD :

E. MEADOWS (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936.
4.35 m. 14 ft. 3½ ins.

FINAL (MONDAY, 2nd AUGUST).

	m.	ft.	in.
1. O. G. SMITH (U.S.A.)	4.30	14	1½
2. E. O. KATAJA (Finland)	4.20	13	9
3. R. E. RICHARDS (U.S.A.)	4.20	13	9
4. E. KAAS (Norway)	4.10	13	5
5. R. LUNEBERG (Sweden)	4.10	13	5
6. A. R. MORCOM (U.S.A.)	3.95	13	0

THROWING THE JAVELIN.

WORLD RECORD :
Y. NIKKANEN (Finland), Kotka, 1938.
78.70 m. 258 ft. 2½ ins.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

M. JARVINEN (Finland), Los Angeles, 1932.
72.71 m. 238 ft. 7 ins.

FINAL (WEDNESDAY, 4th AUGUST).

	m.	ft.	in.
1. K. T. RAUTAVAARA (Fin.)	69.77	228	10½
2. S. A. SEYMOUR (U.S.A.)	67.56	221	7½
3. J. VARSZEGI (Hungary)	67.03	219	11
4. P. K. VESTERINEN (Fin.)	65.89	216	2
5. O. MACHLUM (Norway)	65.32	214	3½
6. M. B. BILES (U.S.A.)	65.17	213	9½

THROWING THE DISCUS.

WORLD RECORD :
R. E. FITCH (U.S.A.), Minneapolis, 1946.
53.93 m. 180 ft. 2½ ins.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

K. CARPENTER (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936.
50.48 m. 165 ft. 7½ ins.

FINAL (MONDAY, 2nd AUGUST).

	m.	ft.	in.
1. A. CONSOLINI (Italy)	52.78	173	2
2. G. TOSI (Italy)	51.78	169	10½
3. F. GORDIEN (U.S.A.)	50.67	166	7
4. I. RAMSTAD (Norway)	49.21	161	5½
5. F. KLICS (Hungary)	48.21	158	2
6. K. V. NYQVIST (Finland)	47.33	155	3½

THROWING THE HAMMER.

WORLD RECORD :

E. BLASK (Germany), Stockholm, 1936.
59.00 m. 193 ft. 6½ ins.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

K. HEIN (Germany), Berlin, 1936.
56.49 m. 185 ft. 4½ ins.

FINAL.

	m.	ft.	in.
1. I. NEMETH (Hungary)	56.07	183	11½
2. I. GUBIJAN (Yugoslavia)	54.27	178	0½
3. R. H. BENNETT (U.S.A.)	53.73	176	3½
4. S. M. FELTON (U.S.A.)	53.66	176	0½
5. L. E. TAMMINEN (Fin.)	53.05	174	1½
6. B. ERICSON (Sweden)	52.98	173	10

PUTTING THE SHOT.

WORLD RECORD :

J. TORRANCE (U.S.A.), Oslo, 1934.
17.40 m. 57 ft. 1 in.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

H. WOELIKE (Germany), Berlin, 1936.
16.20 m. 53 ft. 12 ins.

FINAL (TUESDAY, 3rd AUGUST).

	m.	ft.	in.
1. W. M. THOMPSON (U.S.A.)	17.12	56	2
			(New Olympic Record)
2. A. DELANEY (U.S.A.)	16.68	54	8½
3. J. E. FUCHS (U.S.A.)	16.42	53	10½
4. M. LOMOWSKI (Poland)	15.43	50	7½
5. G. ARVIDSSON (Sweden)	15.37	50	5
6. Y. I. LEHTINA (Finland)	15.05	49	4½

DECATHLON.

WORLD AND OLYMPIC RECORD :
G. E. MORRIS (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936. 7,900 Pts.

(THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 5th & 6th AUG.)

	Pts.
1. R. B. MATHIAS (U.S.A.)	7,139
2. I. HEINRICH (France)	6,974
3. F. M. SIMMONS (U.S.A.)	6,950
4. E. KISTENMACHER (Argentina)	6,929
5. E. P. ANDERSSON (Sweden)	6,877
6. P. M. MULLINS (Australia)	6,739

10,000 METRES TRACK WALK.

WORLD RECORD :

V. HARDMO (Sweden), Kumla, 1945. 42 : 39.6

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

G. H. GOULDING (Canada), Stockholm, 1912.
46 : 28.4

(TUESDAY, 3rd AUGUST).

	m.	ft.	in.
1. A. MIKAELSSON (Sweden)	52.78	173	2
			(New Olympic Record)
2. G. TOSI (Italy)	51.78	169	10½
3. F. GORDIEN (U.S.A.)	50.67	166	7
4. I. RAMSTAD (Norway)	49.21	161	5½
5. F. KLICS (Hungary)	48.21	158	2
6. K. V. NYQVIST (Finland)	47.33	155	3½

THE SCOTS ATHLETE

Heat 2.—

1. CHURCHER (Gt. Britain)	45 : 10.4
2. SCHWAB (Switzerland)	46 : 8.0
3. WEST (Gt. Britain)	47 : 11.6
4. COSARO (Italy)	47 : 26.8
5. HARDMO (Sweden)	47 : 34.9

(SATURDAY, 7th AUGUST)

FINAL.

1. J. F. MIKAELSSON (Sweden)	45 : 13.2
2. B. T. I. JOHANSSON (Sweden)	45 : 43.8
3. F. E. SCHWAB (Switzerland)	46 : 0.2
4. C. J. MORRIS (Gt. Britain)	46 : 4.0
5. H. G. CHURCHER (Gt. Britain)	46 : 28.0
6. E. MAGGI (France)	47 : 2.8

(The first five beat the previous Olympic Record).

50 KILOMETRES ROAD WALK

OLYMPIC RECORD :

H. H. WHITLOCK (Gt. Britain), Berlin, 1936.
4 hrs. 32 mins. 41.4 secs.

1. J. A. LJUNGGREN (Sweden)	4 : 41 : 52
2. G. GODEL (Switzerland)	4 : 48 : 17
3. T. L. JOHNSON (Gt. Britain)	4 : 48 : 31
4. E. H. BRUUN (Norway)	4 : 53 : 18
5. H. A. MARTINEAU (Gt. Britain)	4 : 53 : 58
6. R. K. D. BJURSTROEM (Sweden)	4 : 56 : 43

400 METRES RELAY.

WORLD & OLYMPIC RECORD :

U.S.A. (Owens, Metcalfe, Draper, Wykoff),
39.8 secs., Berlin, 1936.

(FRIDAY, 6th AUGUST).

	Secs.
1. U.S.A. (Ewell, Wright, Dillard, Patton)	41.1
2. ITALY (Peruccini, Monti, Tito, Sidi)	41.3

Heat 2.—

1. GT. BRITAIN (McCorquodale, Gregory, Jones, Archer)	41.4
2. HUNGARY (Bartha, Ovanyi, Goldovanyi, Tima)	41.4

Heat 3.—

1. HOLLAND (Scholten, Meyer, Zwaan, Lammers)	41.7
2. CANADA (McFarlane, O'Brien, Pettie, Haggis)	42.3

(SATURDAY, 7th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. UNITED STATES	40.6
2. GREAT BRITAIN	41.3
3. ITALY	41.5
4. HUNGARY	41.6
5. CANADA	41.9
6. HOLLAND	41.9

Heat 1.—

1. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland)	12.0
2. STRICKLAND (Australia)	12.4

Heat 2.—

1. MANLEY (Gt. Britain)	12.4
2. JONES (Canada)	12.6

Heat 3.—

1. MYERS (Canada)	12.4
2. THOMPSON (Jamaica)	12.5

Heat 2.—

1. JAMAICA (Rhoden, Laing, Winst. McKinley)	14.0
2. FRANCE (Chef'hotel, Lannis, Schewitta, Mayordome)	17.0

Heat 3.—

1. FINLAND (Holmberg, Storskrubb, Suvanto, Talja)	20.6
2. SWEDEN (Larsson, Alnevik, Lundqvist, Wolfbrandt)	21.0

(SATURDAY, 7th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. UNITED STATES	10.4
2. FRANCE	14.8
3. SWEDEN	16.0
4. FINLAND	21.8

JAMAICA and ITALY did not finish.

WOMEN.

100 METRES.

WORLD RECORD :

H. H. STEPHENS (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936. 11.5

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

H. H. STEPHENS (U.S.A.), Berlin, 1936. 11.5

FIRST ROUND (SATURDAY, 31st JULY).

	Secs.

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200 METRES.

WORLD RECORD :
S. WALASIEWICZ (Poland), 23.6 secs.,
Warazawa, 1935.

(First time included in the Olympic Programme).

FIRST ROUND (THURSDAY, 5th AUGUST).

Heat 1.—
1. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland) 25.7

2. SPRECHER (France) 26.0

Heat 2.—
1. THOMPSON (Jamaica) 25.6

2. CHEESEMAN (Gt. Britain) 25.7

Heat 3.—
1. KING (Australia) 25.9

2. LIGHTBOURN (Bermuda) 27.0

Heat 4.—
1. ROBB (South Africa) 25.3

2. STRICKLAND (Australia) 25.8

Heat 5.—
1. PATTERSON (U.S.A.) 25.5

2. WALKER (Gt. Britain) 25.8

Heat 6.—
1. MCKINNON (Australia) 25.9

2. FAUGOUIN (France) 25.9

Heat 7.—
1. WILLIAMSON (Gt. Britain) 25.4

2. KARELSE (Holland) 26.0

SEMI-FINALS.

Heat 1.—
1. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland) 24.3

2. PATTERSON (U.S.A.) 25.0

3. WALKER (Gt. Britain) 25.3

Heat 2.—
1. WILLIAMSON (Gt. Britain) 24.9

STRICKLAND (Australia) dead heat 25.1

3. ROBB (South Africa) 25.1

(FRIDAY, 6th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. F. E. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland) 24.4

2. A. D. WILLIAMSON (Gt. Britain) 25.1

3. A. PATTERSON (U.S.A.) 25.2

4. S. B. STRICKLAND (Australia).

5. M. WALKER (Gt. Britain),

6. D. ROBB (South Africa).

80 METRES HURDLES.

PREVIOUS WORLD RECORD :

G. TESTONI (Italy), Dresden, 1939 11.3
F. E. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland), Amsterdam, 1942, 11.3 secs.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

T. VALLA (Italy), Berlin, 1936 11.6

FIRST ROUND (TUESDAY, 3rd AUGUST).

Heat 1.—
1. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland) 11.3

2. UPTON (Gt. Britain) 11.8

3. TOULOUSE (France) 12.0

Heat 2.—
1. GARDNER (Gt. Britain) 11.6

2. LOMSKA (Czech Slovakia) 11.8

3. S. de PORTELA (Argentina) 11.8

Heat 3.—
1. MONGINOU (France) 11.7

2. STRICKLAND (Australia) 11.9

3. OBERBREYER (Austria) 11.9

Heat 4.—
1. STBURER (Austria) 12.2

2. K-KONDIJS (Holland) 12.3

3. WALRAVEN (U.S.A.) 12.6

SEMI-FINALS.

Heat 1.—

1. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland) 11.4
2. OBERBREYER (Austria) 11.9
3. LOMSKA (Czech Slovakia) 12.0

Heat 2.—

1. STRICKLAND (Australia) 11.7
2. MONGINOU (France) 11.8
3. GARDNER (Gt. Britain) 11.8

(WEDNESDAY, 4th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. F. E. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland) 11.2
(New Olympic & World Record)

2. M. A. J. GARDNER (Gt. Britain) 11.2
3. S. B. STRICKLAND (Australia) 11.4

4. Y. MONGINOU (France),
5. M. OBERBREYER (Austria),
6. L. LOMSKA (Czech Slovakia).

HIGH JUMP.

WORLD RECORD :

F. E. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland), 1943,
1.71 m. 5 ft. 7 1/4 ins.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

J. SHILEY and M. DIDRIKSON (U.S.A.),
Los Angeles, 1932. 1.657 m. 5 ft. 5 1/4 ins.

(SATURDAY, 7th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. A. COACHMAN (U.S.A.) 1.68 5 6 1/4
(New Olympic Record)

2. D. J. TYLER (Gt. Britain) 1.68 5 6 1/4

3. M. O. M. OSTERMEYER (Fr.) 1.61 5 5 1/4

4. V. R. BECKETT (Jamaica) 1.58 5 2 1/4

5. D. M. DREDGE (Canada) 1.58 5 2 1/4

6. B. CROWTHER (Gt. Britain) 1.58 5 2 1/4

LONG JUMP.

WORLD RECORD :

F. E. BLANKERS-KOEN (Holland), Leiden, 1943,
6.25 m. 20 ft. 6 ins.

(First time included in the Olympic Programme).

(WEDNESDAY, 4th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. V. O. GYARMATI (Hung.) 5.695 18 8 1/4

2. N. S. de PORTELA (Argen.) 5.60 18 4 1/4

3. A. B. LEYMAN (Sweden) 5.575 18 3 1/4

4. G. J. M. VAN der KOUDIJS
(Holland) 5.570 18 3 1/4

5. N. J. KARELSE (Holland) 5.545 18 2 1/4

6. K. M. RUSSELL (Jamaica) 5.495 18 0 1/4

THROWING THE JAVELIN.

WORLD RECORD :

G. STEINHEUER (Germany), Frankfurt, 1942,
47.24 m. 154 ft. 4 1/2 ins.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

T. FLEISCHER (Germany), Berlin, 1936,
45.18 m. 148 ft. 2 1/2 ins.

(SATURDAY, 31st JULY).

FINAL.

1. H. BALIME (Austria) 45.57 149 6
2. K. V. PARVIAINEN (Fin.) 43.79 143 8
3. L. M. L. CARLSTEDT
(Denmark) 42.08 183 0 1/2

4. D. L. DODSON (U.S.A.) 41.96 137 7 1/2

5. J. E. TEUNISSEN-WAALBOER
(Holland) 40.92 131 3 1/2

6. J. KONING (Holland) 40.33 132 3 1/2

THROWING THE DISCUS.

WORLD RECORD :

G. MAUERMAYER (Germany), Dresden, 1936,
48.31 m. 158 ft. 6 ins.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC RECORD :

G. MAUERMAYER (Germany), Berlin, 1936,
47.63 m. 156 ft. 3 1/2 ins.

(FRIDAY, 30th JULY).

FINAL.

1. M. O. M. OSTERMEYER
(France) 41.92 137 6 1/2

2. E. CORDIALE GENTILE
(Italy) 41.17 135 0 1/2

3. J. MAZEAS (France) 40.47 132 9 1/2

4. J. WAJS-MARCINKIEWICZ
(Poland) 39.30 128 11 1/2

5. L. HAIDEGGER (Austria) 38.81 127 4

6. A. E. PANHORST-NIESINK
(Holland) 38.74 127 1

PUTTING THE SHOT.

WORLD RECORD :

G. MAUERMAYER (Germany), Warsaw, 1934
14.38 m. 47 ft. 2 1/2 ins.

(First time included in the Olympic Programme).

(WEDNESDAY, 4th AUGUST).

FINAL.

1. M. O. M. OSTERMEYER
(France) 13.75 45 1 1/2
(New Olympic Record)

2. A. PICCININI (Italy) 13.095 42 11 1/2

3. P. SCHAEFER (Austria) 13.08 42 11

4. P. VESTE (France) 12.935 42 7 1/2

5. J. KOMARKOVA (Cz. Slov.) 12.92 42 4 1/2

6. A. BRUK (Austria) 12.50 41 0

400 METRES RELAY.

WORLD & OLYMPIC RECORD :

GERMANY (E. Albus, K. Krauss, M. Dollinger,
I. Dorfleit), Berlin, 1936. 46.4 secs.

(SATURDAY, 7th AUGUST).

Heat 1.—
1. CANADA (Myers, Mackay, Foster,
Jones) Secs. 47.9

2. AUSTRALIA (Strickland, Maston, 48.0

Heat 2.—
1. GREAT BRITAIN (Manley, Pletts,
Walker, Gardner) 48.4

2. AUSTRIA (Jenny, Steurer, Pavlousek,
Oebelebreyer) 50.0

Heat 3.—
1. HOLLAND (S.-de Jong, W.-Timmer,
Van der Kade, Blanks-Koen) 47.6

2. DENMARK (L. Nielsen, Bergendorff,
Nielsen, Nissen) 48.1

FINAL.

1. HOLLAND 47.5

2. AUSTRALIA 47.6

3. CANADA 47.8

4. GREAT BRITAIN 48.0

5. DENMARK 48.2

6. AUSTRIA 49.2

BRITISH EMPIRE

V.
U.S.A.

WHITE CITY, AUGUST 12th.

DETAILS :—

440 Yards Relay (4 at 110 yds.)—British Empire
(McCorquodale (G.B.), Bartram (A.), Treloar (A.),
Archer (G.B.) beat U.S.A. (Ewell, Wright, Dillard,
Patton) by 4 yds. 41.8s. (British record).

Mile Relay (4 at 440 yds.)—U.S.A. (Hammond,
Bourland, Cochran, Whitfield) beat British Empire
(Roden (J.), McFarlane (C.), Shore (S.A.),
McKenley (J.) by 5 yds. 3m. 13.4s.

Two Miles Relay (4 at 880 yds.)—U.S.A. (Bolton,
McMillan, Chambers, Barten) beat British Empire
(Tull (T.), White (G.T.), Ramsay (A.), Parlett
(G.B.) by 3 yds. 8m. 36.8s.

Four Miles Relay (4 at one mile)—British Empire
(Hutchins (C.), Morris (G.B.), Wilson
(G.B.), Nankivell (G.B.)) beat U.S.A. (Eischen,
Thompson, Sink, Gehrmann) by 35 yds. 17m.
36.8s.

Mile Medley Relay (440, 220, 220, 880 yds.)—
U.S.A. (Guida, Bourland, Cochran, Whitfield)
beat British Empire (Lewis (G.B.), Currota (A.),
Lasing (J.), Tarraway (G.B.)) did not finish. 3m.
36.8s.

Three Miles Team Race—U.S.A. beat British Empire
14.38 m. 47 ft. 2 1/2 ins.

120 Yards Hurdles Team Race—U.S.A. beat
British Empire by 15 pts. to 12. Porter (U.S.), 1;
Scott (U.S.), 2; Dixon (U.S.), 3; Gardner
(A.), 4; Finlay (G.B.), 5; Weinberg (A.), 6;
3 yds. yd. 14s. (British record).

Eight Laps Steeplechase (4 at 2 laps)—U.S.A.
(Ault, Overton, Kirk, Ross) beat British Empire
(McFarlane (C.), Eyers (G.B.), Holland (N.Z.),
Whittle (G.B.)) by 75 yds. 8m. 41.2s.

High Jump—British Empire, 19ft. (Wingate
(A.), 6ft. 6in., Jackes (C.), 6ft. 4in., Paterson
(G.B.), 6ft. 2in. tied with U.S.A. 19ft. (Stanich
6ft. 5in., Edleman 6ft. 5in., McGrew 6ft. 2in.).

Long Jump—British Empire, 68ft. 9in. (Bruce
(A.) 23ft. 3in., Prince Adedoyin (G.B.) 22ft. 11in.,
Avery (A.) 22ft. 7in. beat U.S.A. 63ft. 42 1/2 in.
(Wright 24ft. 3in., Douglas 22ft. 1 1/2 in., Mond-
chein 22ft. 0 1/2 in.).

Pole Vault—U.S.A. 41ft. (Smith 14ft., A.
Morcom 13ft. 6in., Richards 13ft. 6in.) beat British
Empire 13ft. 6in., 12ft. 6in., 12ft. 6in., Mullins (A.) 11ft., Fournier (C.) 10ft.).

Javelin—U.S.A., 652ft. 11in. (Seymour 222ft.,
Biles 219ft. 6in., Likens 210ft. 9in.) beat
British Empire, 512ft. 4 1/2 in. (Chote (G.B.) 175ft.
8 1/2 in., Dalrymple (G.B.) 174ft. 11in., Roine sen
(C.) 161ft. 9in.).

Discus—U.S.A., 463ft. 5in. (Gordieu 163ft.,
Frank 154ft., Burton 146ft. 5in.) beat British
Empire, 402ft. 0 1/2 in. (Brewer (G.B.) 136ft. 11in.,
Coy (C.) 134ft. 3 1/2 in., Moody (G.B.) 130ft. 10in.).

Hammer—U.S.A., 520ft. 4in. (Felton 177ft.
2in., 1; Dreyer 172ft. 6in., 2; Bennett 170ft.
8 1/2 in., 3) beat British Empire, 318ft. 10in., (Clark
(G.B.) 167ft. 6in., 4; Culkin (G.B.) 151ft. 4in.,
5; Douglas (G.B.) failed to record throw).

Weight—U.S.A., 161ft. 7 1/2 in. (Thompson 54ft.,
O'Dell 54ft. 0 1/2 in., Fuchs 53ft. 6in.) beat
British Empire, 138ft. 1in. (Giles (G.B.) 47ft.
7 1/2 in., Moody (G.B.) 45ft. 11 1/2 in., Coy (C.) 44ft.
5 1/2 in.). All three Americans beat British record
of 52ft. 7in.

Match Result—United States 21 1/2 pts., British
Empire 31 pts.

JOHN PARK.

It is with deep regret and a keen sense of personal loss that we record the death of John Park, West Kilbride Harriers. "Jock" as he was better known had not run for some time. He had been unwell since the beginning of the year with kidney trouble but about mid-July his illness became acute and he was admitted to the Western Infirmary where he passed away on August 2nd, aged 29, and was buried in Girvan. To his family and many friends we extend our deepest sympathy.

The following is a brief résumé of "Jock's" running career:—He joined Beith Harriers at the start of the cross-country season of 1936-37 and trained at West Kilbride with the brothers Martha and Robert Barr and his friends George Houston and Alex. Wentworth.

Right from the start he demonstrated the enthusiasm which characterised his whole athletic career and never missed a run. Martha Barr who has always been closely associated with "Jock" has said that even then "his dogged courage and short stride earned my admiration." "Jock" came to Beith when that club was at its peak and monopolised the Ayrshire and So. Western districts in the heyday of the Murdoch and Barr brothers. Still he managed to win the medal given for the first handicap of the club championship and twice in succession the Beith 2½ miles open ballot team race.

When their club-house was requisitioned by the Government in 1940, Beith Harriers were forced to stop their activi-

ties. Soon after, on the invitation of Fred Graham, "Jock" joined Maryhill Harriers and later on the suggestion of Andrew Burnside and the late Andy Blair took up road running to which he became greatly attached.

When the new West Kilbride club was formed in season 1945-46 "Jock" became a founder member, local loyalty swaying the scale despite his attachment to road running and his new club Maryhill H. He was a member of the winning West Kilbride team which won the So. Western cross-country relay championship the others being Jas. Reid, Tom Reid and Geo. Houston.

Road-Running Successes

In road-running "Jock" had many notable successes. Amongst these was his 3rd place in the 17 miles Stewarton to Pollokshaws race in 1946 and his 3rd place in the Scottish Marathon Championship from Falkirk to Meadowbank in 1947.

British Marathon Standard

Undoubtedly his best performance, however, was his winning of a standard medal in the British Marathon Championship of 1946. The youngest competitor of the 64 starters in this championship, he finished ninth in 2 hrs. 56 mins. The merit of this performance is best assessed when one considers that included in this field were such renowned stayers as Squire Yarrow, McNab Robertson, Tom Richards, S. Jones, McLeod Wright, and Lalande of So. Africa. This represented indeed a debut of great promise.

Ideal Harrier Type

"Jock" typified all that is best in the term "harrier." Without the boisterous exuberance of the late Andy Blair, he had in his own quiet way the same enthusiastic love of the game. He had also a native kindness and consideration for others in his make-up. This quality was evident in the recent road race from Largs on Fair Saturday which he helped to steward. "Jock" was instrumental in having a cup of tea sent out to the runners as they completed their arduous race. In view of the broiling heat this novel gesture was greatly appreciated by the participants.

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WOMEN'S EVENTS.

(Did not count in match).

80 Metres Hurdles Team Race.—British Empire beat U.S.A. by 15 pts. to 6. (Strickland (A.), 1; Gardner (G.B.), 2; Upton (G.B.), 3; Robinson (U.S.), 4; Manuel (U.S.), 5; Walraven (U.S.), 6. Inches, 2 yds., 11.3s.

440 Yards Relay (4 x 110 yds.)—British Empire (Thompson (I.), Robb (S.A.), Myers (C.), Manley (G.B.); beat U.S.A. (Walker, Young, Jackson, Patterson) by 2 yds., 49.4s.

A.—Australia.

C.—Canada.

G.B.—Great Britain.

J.—Jamaica.

N.Z.—New Zealand.

S.A.—South Africa.

T.—Trinidad.



Photo of the WEST KILBRIDE A.A.C. team which won the South Western Relay Championship in 1946—the year of the club's formation. JOHNNIE PARK is on the extreme right. The others (L. to R.) are:—J. REID (C.C. Internationalist and Scottish track star), G. HOUSTON and T. REID.

MARATHON CLUB TRIBUTE

It was with profound regret that we learned of the passing of our club-mate John Park.

Only a few weeks ago, when I was with him at his club sports, he never complained. He belonged to a sport which breeds courage and endurance and, although he never reached Olympic heights, he stood second to none in sportsmanship, always ready to do anything to help the sport he loved. He was a clean living, manly lad and we can ill afford to lose his kind.

J. E. FARRELL.

OBITUARY.

The news of the recent death of two stalwarts of our sport, William Maxwell and James L. Neilson, within a few days of each other, must have been received with sadness by all our readers particularly in the Western district.

Wm. Maxwell was associated with Olympic Harriers and officiated at many sports gatherings. James L. Neilson was a founder of Plebeian Harriers and was Hon. Vice-President of the N.C.C.U. of Scotland. They belonged to the one circle of friends and both died of heart trouble. Short tributes will be published in our next issue.

He worked hard to keep the sport alive in Ayrshire. I have many happy memories of visits to West Kilbride where we always found John smiling and doing everything to make our visit a pleasure.

To his parents and clubmates we extend our deepest sympathy. Life was made richer through knowing Johnnie Park.

Thanks for the memories, old friend.
At the going down of the sun
And in the morning, we will
remember him.

J. MACNAMARA, Capt.,
Scottish Marathon Club.