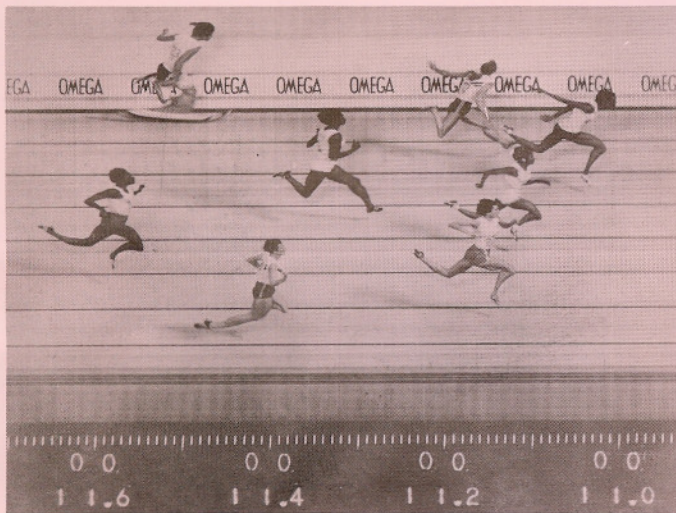


# US 'WINS' OLYMPIC GAMES



WYOMIA TYUS becomes the first sprinter in history to successfully defend the Olympic title. Others are: Barbara Ferrell (USA), Szewinska (Pol), Boyle (Aus), Bailes (USA), Burge (Aus), Chi Cheng (Tai) and Cobian (Cuba). Omega.

## OLYMPIC RESULTS

Reported by Dick Bank, Mel Watman, Bill Peck and Vince Reel

### 100m

No one has ever defended the Olympic 100 meter title successfully, man or woman - until now. Wyomia Tyus won in 1964 and won again in 1968 to break the tradition. Wyomia Tyus could win it again in 1972 for she is still very young and will be approaching her peak years when the Games are held in Munich.

But this report deals with the 1968 running of the 100 meters sprint. And Tyus' victory is all the more remarkable because this was the greatest field of sprinters ever assembled.

First round heats were run on the morning of October 14th. Six heats were required with the first five moving on to the quarter-finals that afternoon. Seeding was classified as only "Fair" for no one from the 5th heat made it into the final, and only one from the 1st, 3rd and 6th heats were able to advance all the way. The fourth heat seemed overbalanced and three of these athlete eventually made it to the final. Only big names lost were Sylviane Telliez of France (11.4 this year) and Halina Hermann, a relay gold medalist for Poland in 1964.

On the way to the stadium Irene Piotrowski of Canada warned me to "keep my eyes open" because she was going to show me something. And show she did, zipping to a new Canadian re-

### US SCORES 54 POINTS; SOVIET'S SECOND WITH 44; AUSTRALIA THIRD

In October of 1967 Dick Bank wrote an article for WTFW in which he said, "The USA women are the best in the world". Now one year later the distaff athletes have proven him right.

Using the accepted scoring of 10-8-6-4-2-1 for the top six places, the Track and Field Championship of the World was won by the USA in Mexico City with 54 points. Second was Russia with 44 points and third Australia with 39.

The Americans won it, of course, on the track picking up 25 points in the 100 and 200, 12 more in the 800 and another 10 in the relay. Only one point was scored in the field events when Olga Connolly annexed sixth in the discus. The Soviets, on the other hand, placed in only one running event, a third in the 400, plus a third in the relay. They scored in every field event except the javelin and their loss can be directly placed on their sprinters and hurdlers who during the season had equalled or broken world records yet failed to even reach the final - with the exception of 31 year old veteran Tatyana Talisheva who was last in the 80mH final for no points.

Before we become too smug, however, it is interesting to note Eastern European countries scored 180 points to the rest of the world's 196. Put East and West Europe together and they tally 267 points with the rest of us getting only 109; (Oceania 39, Central & South America 10, Asia 6, North America 54).

High score for a single event was 20 by the USA in the 100 meters and East Germany in the shot. Czechoslovakia had a total of 15 points for the meet - all scored in the high jump. Australia scored 18 with their 1-2 in the hurdles.

Scores:

1 - United States	54
2 - Soviet Union	44
3 - Australia	39
4 - Rumania	36
5 - East Germany	32
6 - Hungary	30
7 - Great Britain	25
8 - West Germany	22
9 - Poland	21
10 - Czechoslovakia	15
11 - Austria	14
Holland	14
13 - France	12
14 - Cuba	10
15 - Taiwan	6
16 - Bulgaria	1
Yugoslavia	1

Twenty four nations competed but failed to score: Canada, Mexico, Argentina, Jamaica, Nigeria, Sweden, Uruguay, San Salvador, Ghana, Costa Rica, Kenya, Israel, Italy, Finland, New Zealand, Denmark, Chile, Switzerland, Belgium, Norway, Brazil, Philippines, Korea and Mongolia.

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## OLYMPIC RESULTS (Continued)

cord of 11.3 while chasing Margaret Bailes to the tape in the second heat.

Heat 1, (wind 0.0): 1-Tyus (USA) 11.2 (EOR); 2-Peat (GB) 11.5; 3-Quesada (Cuba) 11.6; 4-Lubej (Yug) 11.6; 5-Miller (Can) 11.7; 6-Telliez (Fra) 12.0; 7-Giron (Mex) 12.2.

Heat 2, (wind +1.3mps): 1-Bailes (USA) 11.2 (EOR); 2-Piotrowski (Can) 11.3; 3-Cobian (Cuba) 11.4; 4-Kilborn (Aus) 11.6; 5-Meyer (Fra) 11.6; 6-Kaufmanas (Arg) 11.8; 7-Smith (Jam) 11.9.

Heat 3, (wind +0.1): 1-Burge (Aus) 11.5; 2-Romay (Cuba) 11.5; 3-Samotysova (SU) 11.5; 4-Neil (GB) 11.6; 5-Akindele (Nig) 11.6; 6-Charlton (Jam) 11.7; 7-Wieslander (Swe) 11.8.

Heat 4, (wind 0.0): 1-Szewinska (Pol) 11.3; 2-Boyle (Aus) 11.4; 3-Chi Cheng (Tai) 11.4; 4-James (GB) 11.7; 5-Reichert (WG) 11.9; 6-Kiss (Hun) 12.0; Stephens (Ken) dnf.

Heat 5, (wind 0.0): 1-Gleskova (Cze) 11.6; 2-Meyer-Rose (WG) 11.7; 3-Golomazova (SU) 11.7; 4-Hennipman (Hol) 11.7;

5-Berto (Can) 11.8; 6-Nemeshazi (Hun) 11.9; 7-Vicent (Urug) 12.5.

Heat 6, (wind 0.0): 1-Ferrell (USA) 11.2 EOR; 2-Zharkova (SU) 11.5; 3-Van den Berg (Hol) 11.5; 4-Bodumrin (Nig) 11.6; 5-Balogh (Hun) 11.8; 6-Hermann (WG) 11.8; 7-Sosa (Salv) 13.7.

The quarter-finals, run late Monday afternoon, saw the real running begin. Biggest eye-opener was not necessarily the speed of the races, but the near-elimination of the Russian sprinters Samotysova (11.1 this year) and Golomasova (11.2), both of whom barely made it into the semi-final with fourth place finishes. The other Russian, cute little blond Zharkova, did get eliminated. Although the first two heats were wind-aided, (the first heat had a 1 3/4 mile per hour wind behind the runners), Szewinska ran to a world record equalling time of 11.1 in a legal fourth heat.

First real hint of the ability of Australia's young 17 year old sprinter Raelene Boyle came in these quarter-finals. At the 75 meter mark she and Bailes were racing fairly even when suddenly Boyle, (who was in the outside lane), turned her head for a look at Bailes and then simply zoomed past to hit the tape in 11.2.

Although the wind had something to do with it, the calibre of the field this year can best be seen by noting Pam Kilborn of Australia ran 11.4 in her quarter-final heat, the same as the winning time for the final in Tokyo - yet was only sixth!

Heat 1, (wind +6.0mps): 1-Ferrell 11.1; 2-Gleskova 11.2; 3-James 11.3; 4-Cobian 11.4; 5-Zharkova 11.4; 6-Kilborn 11.4; 7-Hennipman 11.5; 8-Reichert 11.6.

Heat 2, (wind +2.7mps): 1-Tyus 11.0; 2-Chi Cheng 11.3; 3-vd Berg 11.4; 4-Golomasova 11.5; 5-Lubej 11.6; 6-Neil 11.6; 7-Miller 11.6.

Heat 3, (wind +0.8mps): 1-Boyle 11.2 (EOR); 2-Bailes 11.3; 3-Peat 11.3; 4-Samotysova 11.4; 5-Quesada 11.6; 6-Meyer-Rose 11.6; 7-Akindele 11.7.

Heat 4, (wind +1.8mps): 1-Szewinska 11.1 (EWR, NOR); 2-Burge 11.3; 3-Piotrowski 11.3; 4-Romay 11.4; 5-Meyer 11.6; 6-Balogh 11.7.

Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, was the big day for the speed merchants. The semi-finals were set for three o'clock and the final at 5:50. There was a threat of rain as the athletes warmed up on the adjacent field and all were bundled up as they proceeded into the stadium and through the catacombs to the starting line. As the first semi-final lined up the drops began to fall, but these runners were finished and had disappeared up the exit ramp when the downpour began before the second semi - and it really soaked the runners. Although the weather did slow the athletes down slightly, the competition for the eight spots in the final was rough. In the first of the semi-final heats Russia's 11.2 sprinter Golomazova wound up last, and Piotrowski's good running of the day before had vanished as she finished sixth. The second semi also saw the demise of some speedsters of note - world-recorder Samotysova for one, Czechoslovakia's 60m world record holder Eva Gleskova and the United Kingdom's record holder Valerie Peat. With her fourth place finish Chi Cheng became the first Chinese to qualify for an Olympic final - in fact, she was the first one to ever go beyond the first round!

Heat 1, (wind -0.2mps): 1-Szewinska 11.3; 2-Ferrell 11.3; 3-Burge 11.4; 4-Chi Cheng 11.4; 5-Romay 11.5; 6-Piotrowski 11.5; 7-James 11.6; 8-Golomazova 11.7.

Heat 2, (wind 0.0): 1-Tyus 11.3; 2-Boyle 11.4; 3-Bailes 11.5; 4-Cobian 11.6; 5-Gleskova 11.7; 7-vd Berg 11.8; 8-Peat 11.8.

The rains had stopped by the time the final was scheduled, but had left the track damp with some puddles noticeable. It was cold. The final field was composed of three Americans, two Australians plus one each from Poland, Taiwan and Cuba. The three US runners drew adjacent lanes, 3-4-5. It was a nervous group of "fillies" who answered the starter's "en sus marcas". The American runners played a little game at this command called outwaiting-each-other with each determined to be the last in position. Both Ferrell and Tyus ended up with a false start charged to them which could have been disastrous! Newsmen from other parts of the world were not pleased with the actions of the Americans and claimed their actions bordered on unsportsmanlike conduct. I know this game has been going on for years: back in 1939 Payton Jordan, Jim O'Reilly and I played the same game at a meet in Salt Lake City when we were out to "psych out" "Cyclone" Cy Ellsworth. But it is not considered as following the spirit of the rules and someday someone is going to get called for it and charged with a false start.

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## OLYMPIC RESULTS (Continued)

The race itself was the fastest ever run with Boyle's 11.1 good for only a fourth - and not even a medal. Tyus had it all the way to win with a new world record in 11.0 flat. Barbara Ferrell, over her back and leg injuries, ran the best race of her life to clock 11.1 and win the silver medal. The third spot was won by fast closing Szewinska - also in 11.1s. Bailes, seeming to suffer from nerves after her initial loss to Boyle in the quarter-finals, led the second group over the line in fifth spot.

**FINAL**, (wind +1.2mps): 1-Tyus 11.0 (NWR & NOR); 2-Ferrell 11.1; 3-Szewinska 11.1; 4-Boyle 11.1; 5-Bailes 11.3; 6-Burge 11.4; 7-Chi Cheng 11.5; 8-Cobian 11.6.

**BILL PECK:** In view of the fact that Ferrell must have been at her all-time best, Chi's starts were tremendous; the repeat victory of Wyomia Tyus in such a convincing manner was all the more remarkable especially since it was more or less expected. She joins Shirley Strickland as one of the two women to repeat gold medals in a track event. The Mexican Olympic Committee should be commended for arranging such a spectacular victory ceremony for Wyomia on a day when her world-record performance was somewhat overshadowed by the exploits of Orter, Hemery and Doubell. The artistic and perfectly timed display of lightning and thunder during the ceremony was something that had to be seen to be believed. Tlaloc, the Aztec rain god, must truly be a supporter of black power!

**Dick Bank:** "When I saw Margaret Bailes twice run 11.1 in the USA Championships and easily defeat Wyomia Tyus, I didn't see how she could be beaten in Mexico City and I wrote as much. Bailes took ill the day the team flew from Denver to the Games and in two days lost eight pounds. Weakened, and with many days of training lost, she was never the same. Possibly she was too inexperienced to have been rated over the defending champion (although Tyus had little more behind her when she won in Tokyo), and maybe she lacked the temperament. Still, the 10.8 I saw her run in Flagstaff (albeit aided by a 14.2mph wind) was really impressive.

Regardless, Tyus was supreme in becoming the first person to ever repeat an Olympic sprint title. She beat the fastest group of females ever assembled and did it in World record time though I cannot accept the announced wind reading of two meters per second - the maximum allowable.

Barbara Ferrell, after her usual late season case of leg miseries, certainly ran well (and without her legs swathed in Ace bandages!!!) for the Silver. Now, with Tyus retired, it looks to me like Bailes and the tremendously impressive Raelene Boyle, the young Aussie - just 17 last 24 June and five months younger than Bailes - may very well break all the sprinting records by the time she turns 19. Her rise this past year has been tremendous. She has a great competitive attitude - bordering on the cocky - and if the handicap of living in a country where International experience is seldom realised does not hold her back - (Ed. note: Dick, are you talking about Australia or the USA?) - I expect her to reign supreme. Though only 5'5½ and 120 pounds, her performance in the 200 showed that size is certainly no drawback. Bailes, at 145 pounds, already has a weight problem.

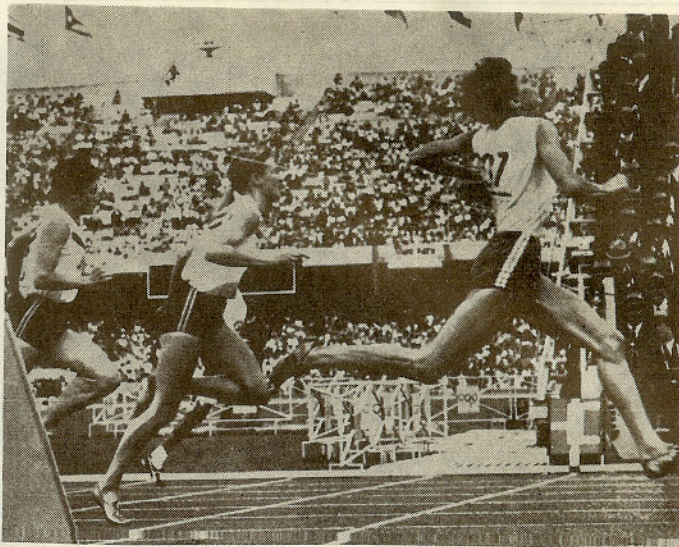
Finally, all credit to Tyus for showing her detractors that she was not through but actually better than ever."

**All Time World List** (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

11.0*	Wyomis Tyus (USA)	1968
11.1*	Irena Szewinska (Poland)	1968
11.1	Lyudmila Samotyosova (SU)	1968
11.1	Margaret Bailes (USA)	1968
11.1*	Barbara Ferrell (USA)	1968
11.1*	Raelene Boyle (Australia)	1968
11.2	Wilma Rudolph (USA)	1961
11.2	Jennifer Lamy (Australia)	1967
11.2	Lyudmila Golomasova (SU)	1968
11.2	Chi Cheng (Taiwan)	1968

### 200m

Five first round heats were required on Thursday morning. Only the first three in each heat plus the fastest loser, (US Women's Committee please note that official nomenclature), advanced to the semi-finals on Thursday afternoon. Once again the seeding could be described only as "fair" as three athletes from the third preliminary heat went all the way to the final. The list of those eliminated in this first round reads like a "who's who" in women's sprinting - Lubej, Gleskova, Balogh, Piotrowski, Charlton, Van den Berg, Tranter, Golomasova, Wallgren, Akindele, Telliez, Sterk and Jahn all watched from the stands after the first round.



Poland's Irena Szewinska wins 200m with a new world record of 22.5s. 17-year-old Raelene Boyle of Australia is second and Jennifer Lamy (Australia) third. Leichtathletik photo.

**Mel Watman, "Athletics Weekly":** "The standard, predictably, was unprecedented. Maureen Tranter, for example, ran her fastest ever time of 23.5, (only two English girls have EVER run faster), and wound up 5<sup>th</sup> and out of the money. Even Lillian (Board) only made it to the semis as the fastest loser at 23.4! Several national records tumbled and the fastest time of the round was a new Olympic record of 22.9 by Barbara Ferrell, best in the world this year"

**Heat 1**, (wind 0.0): 1-Samotyosova (SU) 23.1; 2-Bailes (US) 23.1; 3-Montandon (Fra) 23.3; 4-Lubej (Yug) 23.9; 5-Gleskova (Cze) 24.0; 6-Balogh (Hun) 24.1; 7-Tien (Tai) 25.5.

**Heat 2**, (wind 0.0): 1-Boyle (Aus) 23.0 (EOR), 2-Popkova (SU) 23.3; 3-Hennipmann (Hol) 23.4; 4-Board (GB) 23.4; 5-Piotrowski (Can) 23.7; 6-Charlton (Jam) 24.3; 7-Vicent (Urug) 24.8; 8-Yeh (Tai) 25.5.

**Heat 3**, (wind 0.0): 1-Ferrell (USA) 22.9 (NOR); 2-Lamy (Aus) 23.1; 3-Stock (WG) 23.3; 4-Van den Berg (Hol) 23.5; 5-Tranter (GB) 23.5; 6-Golomasova (SU) 23.7; 7-Anum (Gha) 23.9; 8-Wallgren (Swe) 24.2.

**Heat 4**, (wind 0.0): 1-Tyus (USA) 23.4; 2-Burge (Aus) 23.6; 3-Romay (Cuba) 23.7; 4-Akindele (Nig) 23.9; 5-Kaufmanas (Arg) 24.4; 6-Hermann (WG) 24.7.

**Heat 5**, (wind 0.0): 1-Szewinska (Pol) 23.2; 2-Cobian (Cuba) 23.4; 3-Morris (Jam) 23.7; 4-Telliez (Fra) 23.8; 5-Sterk (Hol) 24.0; 6-Jahn (WG) 24.0; 7-Giron (Mex) 25.3.

The semi-finals were both "loaded". Vera Popkova ran a scintillating 23.2 - and was eliminated. In 1964 at Tokyo, Una Morris placed fourth in the final with 23.5 - today she repeated the same clocking and was next-to-last in her heat. And last place was also 23.5! Four runners were under 23.0 flat - three of them in the same semi-final. Ferrell, who saw her brand new Olympic record of 22.9 equalled by young Raelene Boyle in the first heat, got the record back by winning the second section in 22.8 - just one tenth off the world record held by Szewinska.

**Mel Watman:** "One would think Raelene Boyle has been running in major competition all her life, watching her win the star-studded first semi in the Commonwealth and Olympic record equalling 22.9 - but in fact she is barely past the novice stage in terms of experience."

**Heat 1**, (wind 0.0): 1-Boyle 22.9 (EOR); 2-Tyus 23.1; 3-Szewinska 23.2; 4-Stock 23.4; 5-Samotyosova 23.4; 6-Board 23.4; 7-Burge 23.6; Romay did not run.

**Heat 2**, (wind +1.7mps): 1-Ferrell 22.8; 2-Lamy 22.8; 3-Bailes 22.9; 4-Montandon 23.0; 5-Popkova 23.2; 6-Cobian 23.3; 7-Morris 23.5; 8-Hennipmann 23.5.

The predicted winner of the final by practically every crystal-ball gazer in the world was Irena Kirszenstein Szewinska - and she didn't let the predictors down. Although it wasn't an easy win - far from it. For a while it looked as though Tyus was going to take it all as she ran the turn like the proverbial wind, but five people passed her in the last 75 meters. Ferrell, unfortunately, drew lane one, but still

ran 22.9 for fourth. The two Australians, Boyle and Lamy, picked up the silver and bronze medals.

**Mel Watman:** "With world record-holder Irena Szewinska ranged against four girls who broke 23 seconds in the previous day's semis, it would have been surprising had the world mark of 22.7 survived this race. Of course it didn't, particularly with the wind reading at exactly two meters (again!). Tyus, the first double 100m champion in history, led into the straight ahead of Raelene Boyle, with Szewinska and Ferrell level in third place. Several runners swept past the tiring Tyus in the closing stages and none so emphatically as Szewinska, whose raking stride carried her to a two yard win and a glittering 22.5. Australians filled the next two placings: Boyle, who will be all of 21 when the Munich Olympics roll around; tied Irena's old record with 22.7, (there must be many 17-year-old boys who would be proud to own such a time) and Jenny Lamy was only a half stride behind. It was a tremendous race as Jutta Stock, (daughter of the 1936 javelin champion), placed LAST in a West German record of 23.2. Boyle, 5'5/4 and 119 pound blonde born on June 24, 1951, ran 23.5 when she was only 15, and improved a tenth of a second this year - prior to reaching Mexico City."

**Bill Peck:** "This must have been the only event in which everybody picked the winner correctly. Some of us even had the time exactly right! (Me). I must say that Szewinska really had to work much harder than I would have expected to get by the Australians, especially that little Tiger Boyle, in the stretch. The Australian sprinters and hurdlers are the only non-blacks that impress me as having tremendous leg speed. Though the demise of the US trio in the finals wasn't surprising, I did feel that Barbara Ferrell lost a medal in the draw for the lanes. This was not the only time the inside lane made a serious difference."

**FINAL, (wind 2.0mps):** 1-Szewinska 22.5 (NWR & NOR); 2-Boyle 22.7; 3-Lamy 22.8; 4-Ferrell 22.9; 5-Montandon 23.0; 6-Tyus 23.0; 7-Bailes 23.1; 8-Stock 23.2.

**Dick Bank:** "This was a comfortable victory for Irena Kirszenstein-Szewinska as it should have been but it was not the great sprinter I saw in 1965-66-67. I noted her lack of competitive fire - the very same fire she had in Tokyo - in the long jump qualification. Maybe she didn't want to long jump; regardless, she was uninspired. Her performance over 100m was good but again lacked something. She won the 200m in world record time only because she is so vastly superior to her opponents that it could not have been otherwise. Judging from others in last year's pre-Olympic meet on this same track I expected 22.3 from her. I still feel that "Kirszenstein" would have done this. But in Mexico City we had "Szewinska" yet she proved to be two meters better than the rest of the world.

The aforementioned Miss Boyle ran a gutty race to put the stamp of genuine greatness on her and teammate Jennifer Lamy, after so many good performances at home and so many bad ones away, showed that she does indeed have real speed afoot.

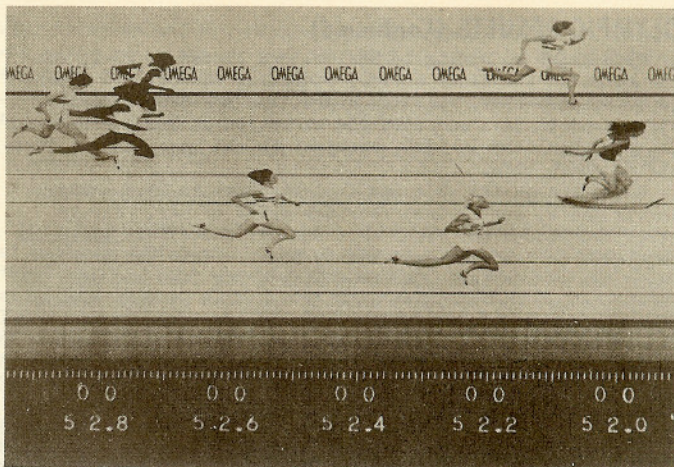
Some felt Barbara Ferrell might have had a medal had she not gotten stuck with the inside lane. Perhaps, but the inside lane is not nearly the handicap to a tiny woman (5'2 1/2 and 108 pounds) that it would be to a long-legged man.

Tyus gave it everything she had but then this was never a race she liked anyway. Likewise for Bailes. Dianne Burge never did show the 23.0 form she struck a few week earlier and who'd have thought the Australians would pick off two medals and she wouldn't be one of them?

The wind was again exactly two meters per second and I don't believe it either. The Mexicans made quite sure no records were lost because of this "minor" technicality."

**All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)**

22.5*	Irena Szewinska (Poland)	1968
22.7*	Raelene Boyle (Australia)	1968
22.8	Margaret Burvil (Australia)	1964
22.8*	Barbara Ferrell (USA)	1968
22.8*	Jennifer Lamy (Australia)	1968
22.9	Wilma Rudolph (USA)	1960
22.9*	Margaret Bailes (USA)	1968
23.0	Edith McGuire (USA)	1964
23.0	Dianne Burge (Australia)	1968
23.0	Lyudmila Samotysova (SU)	1968
23.0	Vera Popkova (SU)	1968
23.0*	Nicole Montandon (France)	1968
23.0*	Wyomia Tyus (USA)	1968



Colette Besson (France) scores Games biggest upset by winning 400m from England's Lillian Board. Besson equalled Olympic record of 52.0s. Others shown are Pechenkina (SU) 3rd, Simpson (GB) 4th, Penton (Cuba) 5th, Scott (USA) 6th and Henning (WG) 7th. Omega photo.

**400m**

No doubt about it, the women's 400m is getting tougher and tougher - ask France's Monique Noirot who ran 53.6 and was the last qualifier in her first round heat! Ask England's Lillian Board who ran 52.9 in the first round eliminations and didn't even win her heat! Ask Jarvis Scott who entered the competition with the best mark in the world at 52.9 and improved to 52.7 - and was promptly relegated to sixth best! Ask 18-year-old Tekla Chemabwai of Kenya who set a new African record at 54 flat - and was eliminated in the first round!

Only big names who failed to advance into the semi-finals were Italy's Donata Govoni, European champion Anna Chmelkova, fourth placer at Tokyo Antonina Munkacsi, and the two Australians, Bennett and Brown who evidently left their running down under.

**Heat 1:** 1-Besson (Fra) 53.1; 2-Scott (USA) 53.5; 3-Henning (WG) 53.5; 4-Fisher (Can) 54.6; 5-Basilio (Mex) 55.6; 6-Bennett (Aus) 56.5.

**Heat 2:** 1-Penton (Cuba) 52.8; 2-Board (GB) 52.9; 3-Verbele (SU) 54.0; 4-Morris (Jam) 54.1; 5-Covell (Can) 54.3; 6-Chmelkova (Cze) 54.9; 7-Munkacsi (Hun) 55.6; 8-Robotham (CRICA) 58.2.

**Heat 3:** 1-Van der Hoeven (Hol) 53.1; 2-Stroy (USA) 53.5; 3-Simpson (GB) 53.6; 4-Noirot (Fra) 53.6; 5-Chemabwai (Ken) 54.0; 6-Brown (Aus) 55.4; 7-Shezifi (Isr) 56.3.

**Heat 4:** 1-Pechenkina (SU) 53.7; 2-Green (GB) 53.9; 3-Wallgren (Swe); 4-Drinkwater (USA) 54.5; 5-Govoni (Ita) 54.7; 6-Haimi (Fin) 55.0; 7-Vicent (Urug) 56.3; 8-Bodunrin (Nig) 57.0.

Semi-finals were run the following day and the first of the two races was run in a pouring rain. The second semi saw no rain. One of the non-competitors in the trials of the 400 was the Dutch record-holder, Lia Louer. Lia was discovered to be pregnant and was removed from the competition. Just why this was done is not clear since Lia competed in one of the Mexico City "warmup" meets just a week before the Games began, running a very fine 23.9 200m. In the semis, 30-year-old Helga Henning, who had set a personal best of 53.5 in the opening round, improved in the rain to 53.3. The upset winner over Lillian Board in the first round, Cuba's Aurelia Penton, just made it into the final with a fourth place finish in her semi-final heat. vd Hoeven broke Louer's Dutch record with 52:6 and Pechenkina ended up with a new Soviet record at 52.8s. Mary Green of England ran a 53.6 and failed to qualify while teammate Janet Simpson sped 54.0 in her heat and did qualify.

**Heat 1:** 1-Henning 53.3; 2-Besson 53.6; 3-Simpson 54.0; 4-Penton 54.0; 5-Stroy 54.3; 6-Morris 54.6; 7-Verbele 54.6; 8-Fisher 55.2.

**Heat 2:** 1-Board 52.5; 2-vd Hoeven 52.6; 3-Pechenkina 52.8; 4-Scott 53.2; 5-Green 53.6; 6-Wallgren 53.9; 7-Noirot 54.2; 8-Drinkwater 57.3.

The final was, according to WITF Pre-Olympic issue odds, the biggest upset of the Games as Colette Besson, with a best

## OLYMPIC RESULTS (Continued)

of 53.8 prior to coming to Mexico, and listed at 20-1, won the title in the final stride, equalling the Olympic record of 52 seconds flat. Lillian Board, the pre-meet favorite, was second in 52.1 and with the exception of Van Der Hoeven, who finished LAST in 53.0, everyone in the race ran the fastest of their life.

Board was on the pole and I clocked her in 24.5 - and Jarvis Scott, out in lane four was ahead of her. Jarvis still led around the final turn and all those fast times can be blamed on the fast pace set by Scott. Into the straight Board was in the lead, but even with a big lead and only 50 meters to go, she couldn't hold it and inch by inch Besson and Pechenkina closed the gap. The photo-finish picture shows Besson the winner by seven-hundredths of a second. I asked Lillian if she knew Besson was closing on her and she said "yes - I knew it, but I couldn't do anything about it!"

**Mel Watman:** "To say that Colette Besson was an unexpected Olympic champion is putting it mildly. Even the French news-men, never noted for being shy at proclaiming the merit of their athletes, were flabbergasted by the attractive 22-year-old PE teacher from Bordeaux. Colette, who stands 5'6½ and weighs 123 pounds, was "given a chance to reach the final" by one French magazine in its Olympic preview."

**Bill Peck:** "In any other lane but the pole, Lillian Board would have had the gold medal. She really ran the first curve hard, yet was struggling and lost ground if anything. It is really an injustice to get stuck with lane one in any 200 or 400, but in a race of this importance, it is a crime. Are these supposed to be handicap events? Petite Besson was effected by the altitude less than any of the 400 runners - including men - judging by her bouncy ebullience at the end of the semis and final. It was a pleasure to hear Le Marsel-laise once during the Games! Cuba's Penton, (a 55.9 runner a month before the Games), impressed me as being the most aggressive athlete of the track events. It will apparently be up to the Latins and Africans to show the rest of the world how to run the middle distances with life."

**FINAL:** 1-Besson 52.0 (EOR); 2-Board 52.1; 3-Pechenkina 52.2; 4-Simpson 52.5; 5-Penton 53.7; 6-Scott 52.7; 7-Henning 52.8; 8-vd Hoeven 53.0.

**Dick Bank:** "Like everyone else I didn't see how Lillian Board could be beaten. Though I felt her 52.8 in last year's USA-British Commonwealth match caused her to be ranked and regarded much higher than her record indicated, she was definitely the one to win. I saw her in London in August run a 23.6 on a raw day and do so with a fluid style that was not evident in 1967. This, combined with her 2:02.0 behind Vera Nikolic, convinced me that she'd walk away from what was really a second-rate field. The three fastest of a year ago - Judy Pollock, Charlette Cooke and Kathy Hammond - weren't even present! Add to this Wallgren's poor form because of a very late season start, and who was there?"

As we found in the men's 400, fast times by unknowns came in big numbers. Had the aforementioned "absent three" been there I'm sure something close to 51 seconds would have been done and Board, aided by the faster pace, would have been well under 52 herself.

All credit goes to Colette Besson for having her "day of days" when it counted most but the standard of women's 400m running is pitifully low. Kirszenstein could put the record in the 50's if she desired and I wouldn't be surprised if Raelene Boyle could run it very well indeed.

We knew Jarvis Scott couldn't run well at altitude so her sixth place was a pleasant surprise while Lois Drinkwater can only block out 1968 from her memory and try to pick up where she left off in 1967."

### All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

52.0	Betty Cuthbert (Australia)	1964
52.0*	Colette Besson (France)	1968
52.1*	Lillian Board (England)	1968
52.1	Judy Pollock (Australia)	1965
52.2	Ann Packer (England)	1964
52.3*	Natalia Petschenkina (SU)	1968
52.4	Charlette Cooke (USA)	1967
52.5*	Janet Simpson (England)	1968
52.6	Kathy Hammond (USA)	1967
52.6*	H. v.d. Hoeven (Holland)	1968
52.7*	Aurelia Penton (Cuba)	1968
52.7*	Jarvis Scott (USA)	1968
52.7*	Helga Henning (West Ger)	1968



Madeline Manning scores easy win in 800m with new Olympic record of 2:00.9s. Ilona Silai (215) of Rumania was second, Maria Gommers (148) of Holland 4th. Leichtathletik.

## 800m

The heats seemed a little unnecessary as only eight were eliminated from the four heats, the others advancing into the semi-finals. World 1500m record holder Maria Gommers of Holland, who hates to run from behind, zipped the first 400 of her heat in 60.9 and brought her group across the line in the fastest run of the day. The other favorites, including Nikolic and Manning, had a rather easy time of it all.

**Heat 1:** 1-Nikolic (Yug) 2:05.7; 2-Erik (SU) 2:06.5; 3-Pigni (Ita) 2:06.7; 4-Burneleit (EG) 2:07.1; 5-Kraker (USA) 2:07.3; 6-Cheshire (Ken) 2:10.9. (62.9 first 400)

**Heat 2:** 1-Gommers (Hol) 2:04.0; 2-Silai (Rum) 2:04.1; 3-Taylor (GB) 2:04.1; 4-Zimina (SU) 2:04.4; 5-Wieck (EG) 2:08.5; 6-Shezifi (Isr) 2:09.2. (60.9 first 400)

**Heat 3:** 1-Dupureur (Fra) 2:09.5; 2-Brown (USA) 2:09.5; 3-Lowe (GB) 2:09.5; 4-Potts (NZ) 2:09.6; 5-Haimi (Fin) 2:09.6; 6-vd Made (Hol) 2:10.5 (ill). (66.1 first 400)

**Heat 4:** 1-Manning (USA) 2:08.7; 2-Hoffman (Can) 2:08.9; 3-Jehlickova (Cze) 2:08.9; 4-Keizer (Hol) 2:08.9; 5-Ole-son (Den) 2:09.0; 6-Page (GB) 2:10.2.

The sensation of the second round, in fact the sensation of the entire Games, came in the first semi-final heat when after 300m world record holder Vera Nikolic, the odds-on favorite to win the title, dropped out. Watching her one could not detect anything physically wrong. She walked beside the track for a few yards, then trotted across to the outside of the track and alternately walked and jogged past the finish line and on out of the stadium. What happened? I do not know. And I don't know anyone who really does know. Here is Mel Watman's report: "Sensation! Vera Nikolic, practically an odds-favourite, dropped out after 300m of her heat. I must confess I didn't watch the rest of the race: I was too busy training my binoculars on the Yugoslav girl who has become a national heroine in her own country and on whom so many hopes had been placed. She looked quite calm and certainly free from physical injury as she walked slowly along

the outside of the track and up the ramp that leads out of the stadium, but one later heard lurid stories as to what happened when she was out of the crowd's sight...of screaming, frothing at the mouth, even attempted suicide. None of this was I able to confirm but I was told that she had been flown back to Yugoslavia in disgrace and was expected to forfeit the considerable privileges accorded to sports stars. One can only guess that she suffered some sort of mental black-out possibly brought on by the ridiculously heavy amount of training she had been undertaking at the Village coupled with the immense pressure on her to do well. It was a sad, sad disturbing incident."

I, too, heard of the heavy work Nikolic had been subjected to in her training. And of course we in the United States can not appreciate the tremendous pressure placed on good athletes from small nations by their countrymen. It is almost overwhelming! In fact, it appears in this instance that it was overwhelming - simply too much for the mind to stand. To us a victory is wonderful, a medal is great - but if the event is lost or the medal not won, life goes on around us as before. Perhaps we are sad and "low" for a spell, but the world does not stop. But this is not the case for athletes who may live in some other nation. Especially from a small country. Nikolic was the only chance Yugoslavia had for a medal - and they constantly let her know it. The reporters, the public, the government - and the constant, unceasing pressure was just too much. Let us hope it is possible for her nation to remember and to understand that in spite of her ability and her talent that she is still just a 20 year old girl. And to remember a great athlete doesn't need to be constantly reminded what is expected of her - no one wants to win a medal more than the athlete - so ease off the pressure.

Some other surprises were a part of the semi-finals also as Burneleit, Zimina, Keizer, Erik, Potts, Pigni and Jehlickova were eliminated from a final that was now wide open.

Heat 1: 1-Manning 2:05.8; 2-Silai 2:05.9; 3-Lowe 2:06.6; 4-Hoffman 2:07.0; 5-Burneleit 2:08.4; 6-Zimina 2:08.5; 7-Keizer 2:14.8; Nikolic did not finish. (60.3 at 400m)

Heat 2: 1-Gommers 2:05.1; 2-Brown 2:05.2; 3-Taylor 2:05.2; 4-Dupureur 2:05.5; 5-Erik 2:06.0; 6-Potts 2:07.2; 7-Pigni 2:07.8; 8-Jehlickova 2:13.5. (62.2 at 400m)

Mel Watman says it best about the final: "Each of the eight finalists seemed to have some chance of winning now that Vera Nikolic was absent. Madeline Manning was the world's number one last year; Silai had run Nikolic to a couple of yards in a fast race at the Balkan Games; Dupureur was the Tokyo silver medalist; Hoffman was the Commonwealth champion; Gommers was the world record holder for 1500 meters; Doris Brown had upset Manning previously at altitude; Pat Lowe could be relied upon to have a go; while Sheila Taylor was improving at such a rate that anything was possible."

WTFW predictions had listed Manning at 10-1 and the morning of the final I told Manning to "make a liar out of me" - and am happy to report the North American Track Athlete of the Year for 1967 did just that. Silai led at the bell in a fast 59.1, but the pack was bunched as Taylor was in sixth spot in 59.6s. Down the back straight it was Manning and Silai followed closely by Taylor and Doris Brown - all in tight quarters. As Manning said later, "I told myself it's time to get out of here!" - and get she did, building up a huge lead down the final straight to win by almost two seconds with a new Olympic record of 2:00.9. This was done by the girl they said couldn't run at altitude.

Mel Watman: "Silai, aged 27, has improved from 2:05.6 to 2:01.8 this season, but Gommers is an even later developer. She had never broken 2:12 before last year and now, with a personal best of 2:02.6, is 29 years old. Sheila Taylor's fourth place was an extraordinary achievement by a girl whose best before the heats was 2:05.5 and who ranked only 18<sup>th</sup> among the entrants."

Bill Peck: "We have yet to see a really great woman at this distance, (with the possible exception of Sin Kim Dan). Manning may be one, but she will never prove it against such mediocre opposition. It must be admitted though that Madeline consistently gets the job done and would undoubtedly do well against much better opposition. Take away the big stadium, the 60,000 spectators and the Olympic buildup and I swear one would think they were looking at a bunch of novices. Gommers, Lowe and Silai must have made a half dozen mistakes each in their three races. The latter had to stop dead once on the last curve after getting herself into a second box. Nikolic and Brown and most of the others are so inefficient mechanic-

ally it makes me, who enjoys feminine grace, shudder. Everyone seems reluctant to take the lead strongly although Gommers made some attempt. I just hope Doris and the other slow ones stick around until 1972 when they can run their event and not have to worry about the 'sprinters'."

FINAL: 1-Manning 2:00.9 (NOR); 2-Silai 2:02.5; 3-Gommers 2:02.6; 4-Taylor 2:03.8; 5-Brown 2:03.9; 6-Lowe 2:04.2; 7-Hoffman 2:06.8; 8-Dupureur 2:08.2.

Dick Bank: "The word was out: "Madeline Manning can't run at altitude and doesn't have a chance. She may not even make the final." There was only one problem: no one told Madeline about it. I must admit I was one who thought this to be true. I saw her collapse at 5380 foot Aurora and I had heard stories of difficulties at 7300 foot Los Alamos. Her training in Mexico itself seemed undistinguished and she had had a lackluster year over 800 and showed poor speed over 400.

Somewhere, however, inside that sweet girl with the smiling face lies the competitive fire of a lion. We saw it when she beat Pollock over 800 in Los Angeles last year and again in Montreal when Nikolic was the victim.

The first shock came in the semi-finals when after 300ms of unorthodox running (she was well back of the leaders), Vera Nikolic cracked. There had been rumors of this. Doris Brown said she had seen the young Yugoslav driven without mercy by her coach Petrovic in training, (back to back 400's in 54.0 with short interval in between!), and she didn't see how Nikolic could stand up under the pressure. Add to this the pressure of 20 million Yugoslavs riding on the back of what was to be that country's first Gold Medal in track and field! One wonders what would have happened had a tranquil Nikolic faced Manning in the final. My guess is the first sub two minute run by Manning.

As it was it was "no contest" and my own personal regret was that there wasn't a medal for Doris Brown, who can't remember when she's had two healthy legs and has gone farther with less than any female I can think of. I expect Nikolic to bounce back in 1969 though I wonder if she won't leave Petrovic as she had done late in 1967. If Manning is all out for 1969 and the pair meet in the Europe-Americas match the result should be extremely fast.

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### All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

2:00.5	Vera Nikolic (Yugoslavia)	1968
2:00.9*	Madeline Manning (USA)	1968
2:01.0	Judy Pollock (Australia)	1967
2:01.1	Ann Packer (England)	1964
2:01.2	Dixie Willis (Australia)	1962
2:01.4	Marise Chamberlain (NZ)	1962
2:01.8	Ileana Silai (Rumainia)	1968
2:01.9	Maryvonne Dupureur (France)	1964
2:02.0	Lillian Board (England)	1968

## 80mH

First round heats were eagerly awaited, especially the very first of the five for it would unveil to the world the new Soviet 10.2 record-setter Vera Korsakova. In addition, the field for the first heat included the US champion Mamie Rallins, the West German all-time great Inge Schell, the new Italian record-holder at 10.7, young Carla Panerai and good hurdlers Carmen Smith of Jamaica and Ulla Britt Wieslander of Sweden. Glamour was also added to this heat with the presence of the Olympic Torch Bearer Basilio. The race was a good one and it answered the questions the newsmen had been asking ever since Korsakova's 10.2 was reported - Mamie Rallins answered the questions by edging Korsakova in a good 10.6 in a wind aided run. A second disappointment was Panerai from whom much was expected - she finished 5th and was eliminated with an 11 flat mark. Only the first three in each heat plus the fastest loser, (US Women's Committee note again the wording), moved to the semi-finals. In spite of being such an important qualifying heat, it is interesting to note that not a single runner from this heat made it to the final.

Pam Kilborn, the odds-on and sentimental favorite, won the second heat by half a second and set a new Olympic record at 10.4 with a legal wind of 2.0 mps.

Pat VanWolvelaere surprised everyone by winning the third heat in a lifetime best of 10.6 as England's Pat Pryce re-injured a ham-string and was forced to stop.

The fourth heat, like the first, looked "loaded" and eventually proved to be just that as all three qualifiers from this heat went all the way to the final - and all three were in the first six of the final. Young, (17 years and two weeks), Maureen Caird of Australia won the heat in an record-equaling 10.4 with Chi Cheng (10.5) and Poland's Straszynska (10.7) in the next two spots. Fourth placer Inge Aigner of Austria (10.8) also moved ahead as the fastest loser.

The fifth heat saw defending champion Karin Balzer of East Germany winning over Poland's third good hurdler Elzbieta Zebrorowska in 10.7s. Two surprises in this heat - one saw USA's Judy Dyer, a last minute qualifier to compete in the Games, snatch the third spot and move into the semi-finals giving the USA three runners in the semis, and the other surprise saw the elimination of Russia's Lyudmila Iyevlyeva, a 10.4 hurdler and one of the favorites.

Heat 1, (wind +2.4mps): 1-Rallins (USA) 10.6; 2-Korsakova (SU) 10.6; 3-Schell (WG) 10.7; 4-Smith (Jam) 11.0; 5-Panerai (Ita) 11.0; 6-Basilio (Mex) 11.1; 7-Wieslander (Swe) 11.2.

Heat 2, (wind +2.0mps): 1-Kilborn (Aus) 10.4 (NOR); 2-Bufanu (Rum) 10.9; 3-Kiss (Hun) 10.9; 4-Elejarde (Cub) 10.9; 5-Lubej (Yug) 11.0; 6-Yurukova (Bul) 11.0; 7-Wilson (GB) 11.1.

Heat 3, (wind +0.8mps): 1-VanWolvelaere (USA) 10.6; 2-Sukniewicz (Pol) 10.7; 3-Talisheva (SU) 10.8; 4-Ulloa (Chile) 11.1; 5-Meldrum (Can) 11.1; Pryce (GB) did not finish.

Heat 4, (wind +2.0mps): 1-Caird (Aus) 10.4 (EOR); 2-Chi Cheng (Tai) 10.5; 3-Straszynska (Pol) 10.7; 4-Aigner (Aut) 10.8; 5-Antenen (Swi) 10.9; 6-Jones (GB) 11.0; 7-Emonts-Gast (Bel) 11.4.

Heat 5, (wind +1.5mps): 1-Balzer (EG) 10.7; 2-Zebrorowska (Pol) 10.8; 3-Dyer (USA) 10.9; 4-Iyevlyeva (SU) 10.9; 5-Yeh (Tai) 11.7; 6-Sosa (Salv) 12.8.

Each of the two semi-final heats had six good hurdlers and there was much speculation as to who would be watching the final from the stands. The first semi brought together pending world-record holder Korsakova, teammate Talisheva, defending champion Balzer, Poland's Sukniewicz, sensation Maureen Caird and the "new" Pat VanWolvelaere with Rumania's Bufanu and Aigner of Austria tossed in for good measure. Caird waltzed away with the win running 10.5 into a 2.0mps wind. The surprising Van Wolvelaere was second, Talisheva third and Balzer the final qualifier - eliminating Korsakova who ran 10.8, about five yards slower than her world record.

The second semi was a blaster with 10.6 failing to make it into the final. Kilborn won in 10.4, once again equalling the Olympic record. Chi Cheng grabbed the second spot with her second 10.5 race, just nosing out Straszynska, also timed in 10.5. The closest battle was for the fourth qualifying spot between Poland's Zebrowska and the USA's Mamie Rallins. Officials could not separate the two with the usual photo-finish picture, so a "blow up" of just the two runners was needed - and Zebrowska had her neck across the line just a few "phtttts" sooner than Rallins to get in the final. Judy Dyer ran another fine race for sixth place in 10.8s.

Heat 1, (wind -2.0mps): 1-Caird (Aus) 10.5; 2-VanWolvelaere 10.6; 3-Talisheva 10.7; 4-Balzer 10.8; 5-Korsakova 10.8; 6-Sukniewicz 10.9; 7-Bufanu 11.0; 8-Aigner 11.1.

Heat 2, (wind 0.0): 1-Kilborn 10.4 (EOR); 2-Chi Cheng 10.5; 3-Straszynska 10.5; 4-Zebrowska 10.6; 5-Rallins 10.6; 6-Dyer 10.8; 7-Schell 10.8; 8-Kiss 11.2.

The scheduling of the semi-finals at 3:00 o'clock and the final at 4:20 was one of the few poorly planned items by the organizing committee. By the time the athletes finished the semis, had secured their warmup clothes and left the stadium the time was 3:25. In addition, due to the close battle for the fourth qualifying spot in the second semi, the girls had to wait another 15 minutes before the result was announced. The finalists were required to report for their event twenty minutes ahead of its running - it was a five minute walk to the warmup field - and five minutes back - which gave them only 15-20 minutes "on their own" to either rest in the rooms provided for them or to warm up on the adjacent field. Consensus was the final should either have been immediately after the semis or another hour later.

The final promised to be a close one - the last 80m hurdle race to be run in the Olympic Games. In lane one was the precocious youngster from Australia, Maureen Caird; lane two was Chi Cheng who had zipped to two 10.5's in heat and semi and was now ready for her 7th race in these Olympics; lane 3 was the 31-year-old Soviet veteran, already a bronze medalist in the long jump; next came Straszynska of Poland; then in lane 5 the defending champion, Karin Balzer; in lane 6 the second Pole in the final, Elzbieta Zebrowska; Van Wolvelaere was in 7; and on the outside Pam Kilborn, bronze medalist in Tokyo in 1964 and unbeaten since that race for four years!

No games at the start - they were off together and although Kilborn was off slowest of the group, they were tightly bunched over the first four barriers. Caird moved out into the lead closely followed by Kilborn and Chi - and that's the way they stayed across the finish line with less than five yards separating first and last.

One could not help but feel sorry for Kilborn, for although she offered no excuses and came up with the usual quote in the interview room, "I was beaten by a better athlete", the fact was her left shoulder was so sore she would flinch if it was touched and her left arm was badly marked where she had fallen on the last day of practice before leaving Australia. The hurdlers were going to run the barriers "one more time" - and someone had put the fifth hurdle only a foot off the correct spacing - but that did it. How Kilborn was able to get into the "set" position with a shoulder and arm in that condition will never be known.

This is not to take anything away from Caird - she was tremendous as Kilborn will be the first to admit.

Some other observations on the final: the 80m hurdles were once considered Europe's baby, but European hurdlers were shunted to 5-6-7-8 in the final....Both Caird (5'3½) and Kilborn (5'2) stated in the post-race interview they did not like the new hurdle race. Chi Cheng (5'7¾) said "yes!!".... Chi was the tallest of the hurdle finalists. In addition to the two short Australians, other "shorties" included Talisheva (5'4), Zebrowska (5'4½) and Straszynska (5'5). VanWolvelaere and Balzer are both 5'7....The three Polish hurdlers could participate in a "Miss Universe" contest as well as the Olympic hurdles! Three real cuties... Chi Cheng became the first Asian athlete to ever win an Olympic medal - there are 33 Asian nations!

FINAL: 1-Caird 10.3 (NWO & NOR); 2-Kilborn 10.4; 3-Chi Cheng 10.4; 4-VanWolvelaere 10.5; 5-Balzer 10.6; 6-Straszynska 10.6; 7-Zebrowska 10.6; 8-Talisheva 10.7.

Mel Watman: "It may sound ungracious but I'm sorry Maureen Caird chose the Olympic final to inflict her first ever defeat on Pam Kilborn. Pam, all 5'2 and 115 pounds of her, has remained unbeaten since placing third in a photo finish at Tokyo and at 29 these may have been her last Games. She was in the form of her life, but a slow start cost her dearly. Maureen was off very fast and though Pam was closing at





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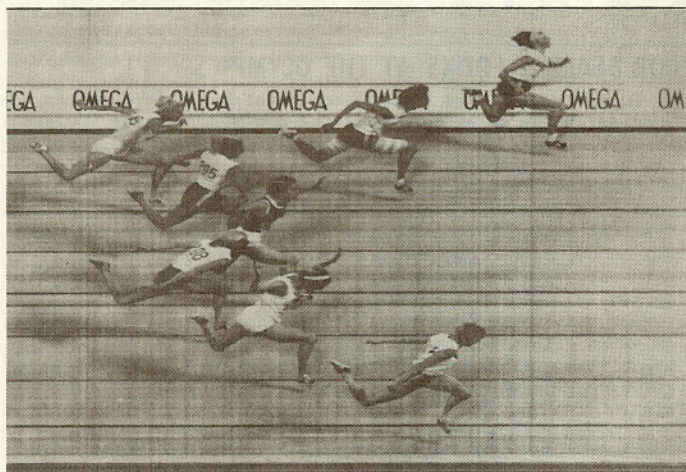
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the end it was the young Australian - 12 years Pam's junior - who snapped the tape. It was a fantastic performance for, in spite of the rain and no wind at all, she tied the listed world record of 10.3 and in so doing became the youngest Olympic athletics (T&F) champion of all time. Turned 17 only on September 29, she is two months younger than was Mihaela Penes at the time of her Tokyo triumph. At 15 she ran 10.6 for the hurdles, a mark that no one else under the age of 20 has achieved...that is until Pat VanWolvelaere (18) clocked 10.5 for fourth in the final behind Chi Cheng's magnificent 10.4s. Karin Balzer, only a tenth away from her lifetime best, wound up fifth."

**Bill Peck:** "Either the Europeans have declined or the rest of the world - including the US, lo and behold - have passed them by. I suspect that all-weather tracks, and an athlete's experience with them, make more difference in this race than in any other. The only predictable thing in this whole event was Kilborn's steadiness. Maureen Caird's come-from-behind composure, Chi Cheng's handling of the barriers despite her excess of power and speed, VanWolvelaere's amazing short-term comeback, and Mamie Rallins shutout from the final are just a few of the things that surprised me. The 80's are pretty to watch, especially from the other side of the track, but I'll bet the 100's with the new height will be a kick too."



Maureen Caird wins 80mH in 10.3s. Others are: Kilborn (Aus) 2nd, Chi Cheng (Tai) 3rd, Van Wolvelaere (USA) 4th, Balzer (WG) 5th, Straszynska (Pol) 6th, Zebrowska (Pol) 7th and Talisheva (SU) 8th. Note the excellent lean by all runners except the winner. Also note the bunched field in this, the last 80mH race to be run. Omega photo.

**Dick Bank:** "This marked the last time we will see the 80m hurdles for which I say "Thank God!" This event has been in need of junking for many years and it is too bad it took so long to give it the last rites. The height of the hurdle certainly wasn't for hurdlers, (just as the old 220y low hurdles for men was made for sprinters) and the distance in between was a handicap for all but the short-legged.

So much for that. We now have 100 meters, an additional three inches in height, 20 inches more in between hurdles and an addition meter to the first hurdle. Bring on the HURDLERS!

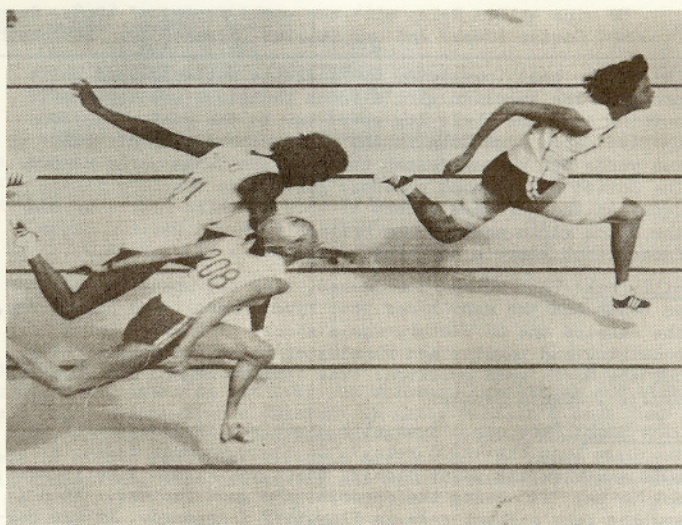
In Tokyo Pam Kilborn was photoed out of a Gold medal and for four years her Bronze told her only one thing: Gold in Mexico. She didn't lose a race from one Olympic final to another. So it was in Mexico that her seventeen year old teammate Maureen Caird jumped from the world's most promising 16-year-old to the Olympic champion. Caird, even moreso than Kilborn, was made for the 80m event. At 5'3½ and 115 pounds she is the quickest thing over a 30 inch hurdle I've ever seen. I first saw her in the last warmup meet before the Games began and she ran an effortless 10.4. I think Kilborn must have seen the writing on the wall then. There are so many who deserve Olympic Golds but never get them. Add Pam Kilborn's name to the list!

Chi Cheng, after much injury and illness in 1968, did herself proud to grab a Bronze and with her 11.2 speed over 100m and her almost 5'8 height she might well be the new hurdle Queen. Pat Van Wolvelaere was a tremendous surprise in making the final and an utter shock in placing fourth with an American record 10.5 (to equal Cherrie Sherrard's suspect Toronto run) and with height just like Chi Cheng should be a terror over the new distance.

Mamie Rallins was unlucky not to make the final, having ended up in the much tougher semi-final heat. As for Vera Korsakova, that 10.2 girl from the Soviet Union, what can one say except that even with the generous Mexicans, who would not let a record be lost no matter how the rules had to be ignored, she could not run faster than 10.6 if her life hung in the balance.

All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

10.2	Vera Korsakova (SU)	1968
10.3*	Maureen Caird (Australia)	1968
10.4*	Pam Kilborn (Australia)	1968
10.4	Galina Zarubina (SU)	1968
10.4*	Chi Cheng (Taiwan)	1968
10.5	Gisela Birkemeyer (EG)	1960
10.5	Betty Moore (England)	1962
10.5	Karin Balzer (EG)	1964
10.5	Draga Stamejic (Yug)	1964
10.5	Gundula Diel (EG)	1965
10.5	Ludmila Iyevlyeva (SU)	1968
10.5	Galina Kusnesova (SU)	1968
10.5*	Danuta Straszynska (Pol)	1968
10.5*	Pat VanWolvelaere (USA)	1968
10.5	Cherrie Sherrard (USA)	1967



Here is the blowup of Rallins and Zebrowska made by Omega to determine the 4th place winner in the second semi-final of the 80mH. Zebrowska gets the verdict by less than 1/100 of a second. Omega photo.

### 4x100m Relay

The pre-Olympic competitions had established the fact that the world record of 43.6 was certain to be beaten - the only question was by whom. The answer turned out to be relatively simple - the record was to be beaten by nearly everyone!

The USA foursome of Ferrell-Bailes-Netter-Tyus started it off in the first heat with a new mark of 43.4 in spite of the poor reception of the baton by Bailes. Australia with a good team of Lamy-Bennett-Boyle-Burge missed the mark by only one-tenth running 43.7. A very surprising Dutch team won the other heat, again in 43.4 to equal the new record. The Soviets were second in 43.6s. Cuba just made the final in fourth place and Poland finished last as Szewinska dropped the baton.

Heat 1: 1-USA (Ferrell-Bailes-Netter-Tyus) 43.4 (NOR & NWR)  
2-Australia (Lamy-Bennett-Boyle-Burge) 43.7; 3-West Germany (Meyer-Rose - Stock-Jahn-Becker) 44.1; 4-France (Alayrangues-Meyer-Montandon-Telliez) 44.3; 5-Canada (Miller-Berto-Hendry-Piotrowski) 44.7; 6-Nigeria (Bodunrin-Omorobje-Jinadu-Akindede) 45.2; 7-Mexico (Martinez-Roman-Basilio, Giron) 47.0.

Heat 2: 1-Holland (vd Berg-Sterk-Hennipmann-Bakker) 43.4 (EWR & EOR); 2-SU (Zharkova-Bukharina-Popkova-Samotyosova) 43.6; 3-Great Britain (Neil-Tranter-Simpson-Board) 43.9; 4-Cuba (Elejarde-Romay-Quesada-Cobian) 44.1; 5-Hungary (Kispal-Nemeshazi-Balogh-Toth) 44.6; 6-Taiwan (Chi Cheng-Yeh-Lim-Tien) 47.2; 7-Poland (Straszynska-Sarna-Jozwik-Szewinska) 53.0.

**Mel Watman:** "The fine showing by Tyus, Ferrell and Bailes in the individual sprints made it obvious that the USA team was

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US wins 4x100m Relay with new world record of 42.8. Runners shown are Tyus (USA), Bakker (Holland) 4th, Becker (WG) 6th, Cobian (Cuba) 2nd and Telliez (France) 8th. Leichtathletik photo.

the one to beat (completed by Mildrette Netter)...and so it proved. The American girl's baton technique was capable if nothing else and their leg speed saw to the rest. They won by five yards from Cuba in the world record time of 42.8 - two yards per person faster than the pre-Games world record. The Soviet Union, none of whose girls made the 100m final, equalled the European record of 43.4 in third place, as did the Dutch girls again. The British team was never a major factor, but there's not much wrong with a time of 43.7!"

**Bill Peck:** "All things considered, with the speed of the other teams and the many races that Tyus, Ferrell and Bailes ran, the ease of the US victory was a shock. I thought Netter's receiving and passing and running of the curve consistently put the US in good position. The fastest legs I saw were run by . . . Ingrid Becker!"

**Dick Bank:** "How can a team with girls who finished 1-2-5 in the 100m lose the 4x100 relay? In Tokyo we went 1-2-4 in the 100m and blew the relay nicely, thank you. This time it was not to be; "it" being the opposition's good fortune. When I saw the team's first race in Flagstaff I groaned. It was horrible. Once the girls got to Mexico it took Alex Ferenczy a few days to find out his best combination. In a warmup meet Willye White eliminated herself from the group when she lost ten meters on a leadoff leg. So then it was a matter of where Ferrell, Bailes and Netter would run. Because Ferrell would always run away from Bailes on a handoff there was little choice. As it turned out it was a good order and when one considers the Cubans, Dutch, Russians, etc., ran together all year the USA performance was not too bad. The exchange from Ferrell to Bailes in both heat and final was bad; Bailes was standing still both times. Otherwise, it would have been hard to improve on 42.8. It was a great way for Tyus to close her career and a sweet victory after having been on the losing team in Tokyo. Not much else to say except one would have thought the Australians, with the likes of Lamy, Burge and Boyle in the lineup should have been much higher than fifth. I think 42.8 will be around for a while!"

**FINAL:** 1-USA 42.8; 2-Cuba 43.3; 3-Soviet Union 43.4; 4-Holland 43.4; 5-Australia 43.4; 6-West Germany 43.6; 7-England 43.7; 8-France 44.2.

### All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

42.8*	USA	1968
43.3*	Cuba	1968
43.4*	Soviet Union	1968
43.4*	Holland	1968
43.4*	Australia	1968
43.6	Poland	1964
43.6*	West Germany	1968
43.7*	England	1968
44.2*	France	1968

## BOB SEAMAN LOOKS AT THE OLYMPICS

In my opinion, the US made some real break-throughs in the running events as evidenced in the 80m hurdles, the 400 and the 800. I was quite disappointed in the performances of our field event athletes. In all fairness however, some of our field event athletes were injured and were not able to perform in high gear. Even though we had five veterans back from the Tokyo Olympics in the field events, we picked up only a 6th place. Our runners were much more inexperienced with only Tyus returning from the 1964 Olympics, but they picked up a number of places.

The conclusion drawn is that American coaches must make an extra effort in the next four years to emphasize field event training. Second, our field event athletes must be given every opportunity to compete in international competition.

I noted with interest that the USA relay team used the "palm-up" baton passing method which I have advocated - and which got them a world record.

I was surprised at some of the results of the hurdles and the discus. I'm wondering if some of the records set in these two events this year were really legal!

I thought the Olympic Village was great. It was interesting just to watch all of the athletes pass by. What a thrill to be in the Village!

**Bill Peck:** "As a first-time Olympic Games spectator, I noticed most the subordinate place of women's track and field to the men's events. Maybe this was due to the lack of a Rudolph, Rand or Blankers-Koen, (or a Vera Caslavskva or a Debbie Meyer), to liven up the show. And then the men's events were so fantastic maybe the more sedate girls couldn't have gotten the spotlight in any case. But the main factor it seems to me is that women's track is still in the formative stages of development - about where the men were in the 1920's. Certainly the Mexico Olympics showed that very few areas of the world outside Europe have even begun to develop female track potential. We can expect very few of those world records to stand for long, especially when the girls realize how wide open the sport really is. If the conservative old USA can rise to the top in less than a decade I guess anything is possible."

High point athlete of the meet was Poland's Irena Szewinska with 16 points for her first in the 200 and third in the 100. Close behind came Barbara Ferrell with 14½, then Tyus and Raelene Boyle with 12½. Ingrid Becker, West Germany, scored 11½ points "the hard way" with a win in the five-event pentathlon, a sixth in the long jump and the anchor leg on the sixth place relay team.

# OLYMPIC RESULTS (Continued)

# High Jump

Fourteen athletes made the qualifying height of 1.74/5'8½, a height which would have placed them 4th at Tokyo. Ten jumpers failed at the qualifying height including all three Americans in addition to Bulgaria's Yordanka Blagoyeva who had a best of 5'10½ this year, and Rumania's Virginia Bonci (5'9¼).

Qualifiers: Rezkova (Cze), K. Schulze (EG), Schmidt (EG), Gusenbauer (Aut), Grushkina (SU), Kozyr (SU), Valentova (Cze), Okorokova (SU), Csabi (Hun), Inkpen (GB), Cypriano (Braz), Barnay (Fra) and Hrepevnik (Yug) all cleared 1.74/5'8½. Non-qualifiers: Reid (Jam) 1.71/5'7¼; Blagoyeva (Bul) 1.68/5'6; Montgomery (USA) 1.68/5'6; Denise (Fra) 1.68/5'6; Lazova (Bul) 1.68/5'6; Shirley (GB) 1.68/5'6; Bonci (Rum) 1.65/5'5; Callahan (USA) 1.60/5'3; Waerness (Nor) 1.60/5'3; Baskerville (USA) failed at opening height 1.60/5'3.

Although they had all cleared 5'8½ to get into the final, six of the athletes were out of the final competition at that height - or before. Hrepevnik and Inkpen bit the dust at 5'7¼ and they were joined by Csabi, Barnay, Cypriano and Gushkina at 5'8½. These last four were almost joined by the favorite, Rita Schmidt, as she cleared the 5'8½ only on her third and final try. Mel Watman tells it best from here on: "The battle for placings began in earnest at 1.76/5'9¼. Valentina Kozyr (18), Rita Schmidt (17), Maria Faithova and 6ft tall Karin Schulze were untroubled, but Milena Rezkova (18), Jaroslava Valentova and Ilona Gusenbauer - who gave birth on March 22nd and was competing again two months later - needed two tries. Antonina Okorokova, who jumped 1.84/6'0¼ the previous week passed. Schulze and Gusenbauer bade farewell at 1.78/5'10; Faithova made it on her third try; Okorokova, Kozyr and Schmidt at the second, while the Czechs, Rezkova and Valentova, cleared at the first attempt. At 1.80/5'10¼ Valentova, Faithova and Schmidt departed, leaving three girls to fight for medals. Rezkova, who had needed two attempts at 5'7¼, 5'8½ and 5'9¼, made it first time, as did Okorokova. Kozyr got over at the final try. The two Soviet jumpers found 1.82/5'11¼ too high for them but the extra-ordinary young Czech scraped over third time for a popular victory. Milena, or Miloslava to give her full name, is not only very young, but is very short for one who can clear such a height as 5'11½. She is only 5'6½ and weighs 134 pounds - her differential of five inches is probably the best on record by a woman. Her rise to fame has been rapid, to put it mildly, for until this season she had jumped no higher than 1.66/5'5¼.

FINAL	5'3	5'5	5'6	5'7¼	5'8½	5'9¼	5'10	5'10¼	5'11½	6'0½
1-Rezkova (Cze)	p	o	p	xo	xo	xo	o	o	xxx	xxx
2-Okorokova (SU)	p	p	o	p	o	p	xo	o	xxx	
3-Kozyr (SU)	p	o	o	o	o	o	xo	xxo	xxx	
4-Valentova (Cze)	p	o	p	o	p	xo	o	xxx		
5-Schmidt (EG)	p	o	p	o	xxx	o	xo	xxx		
6-Faithova (Cze)	p	xo	p	o	xo	o	xxo	xxx		
7-Schulze (EG)	p	o	p	xo	o	o	xxx			
8-Gusenbauer (Aut)	p	p	o	xo	o	xo	xxx			
9-Csabi (Hun)	p	o	o	o	xxx					
10-Barnay (Fra)	p	o	o	o	xxx					
11-Cypriano (Braz)	o	o	o	xxo	xxx					
12-Grushkina (SU)	p	o	xo	xxo	xxx					
13-Inkpen (GB)	p	o	o	xxx						
14-Hrepevnik (Yug)	p	xo	xo	xxx						

**Bill Peck:** "Now that the East Europeans have finally proven beyond doubt that women in this event, with a little weight training, can have good technique - they soon may be obsolescent. It has taken years to get over the scissors variations and other primitive forms. But several observers - including Dick Fosbury's coach - showed more interest in Cathy Hamblin's high jump technique when I talked to them about women's high jump styles. Gee, wouldn't Babe Didrickson have fun jumping nowadays? Question: Why did the Czech women sweep nearly all the gold medals in events requiring airborne agility as the prime requisite, (e.g. uneven parallel bars, horse vault and free exercise in gymnastics, platform diving and high jumping)???" Maybe Jan Popper can answer that one."

**Dick Bank:** "The failure of Rita Schmidt came as no surprise. She was in declining form during the last of many weeks of the summer and anyone who watched her train in Mexico could see she was in trouble. In fact, she was struggling with 5'6! The "female Brumel" is still a fantastic talent with a fantastic future but her great form in the winter certainly worked against her. I, for one, frankly do not see anything wrong with such jumping during the indoor season, but it certainly handicapped Rita. The great East German system with its excellent coaching for women, (the best in the world), in the end worked against her for the great pressure of a sport-conscious government as well as press and public were just too much for a seventeen year old girl who had come so far in just six months.

In Miloslava Rezkova we have a talent very close to Schmidt indeed. Just three months older but two inches shorter at 5'6½ she put on a tremendous exhibition of pressure jumping to out-point the two Soviets Antonina Okorokova and Valentina Kozyr. Every Czech girl had their own built-in pressure and it was great to see this girl, whose name you won't find in the first 50 in the 1967 World List show real battle nerves, then break into tears of utter joy that didn't stop until long after she'd left the victory stand. What else to say?

Okorokova has gone as far as she can for she certainly is a "made" talent who didn't arrive until a year ago and she's now 27. Kozyr, at 5'11 and three months older than Rezkova, is another great talent and whoever coaches the Czech girls deserves a big bow for first, fourth and sixth with the other two jumping over 5'10.

Women's high jumping, at last, is coming of age. In fact, Ilona Gusenbauer, who had a very bad knee in Mexico, thinks two meters (6'6¼) is possible for a woman and that's her goal! Looking in Ilona's pretty face as she said it, I couldn't say that one day it might not be accomplished"

### All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

1.91/6' ¾	Yolanda Balas (Rum)	1961
1.87/6' 1¼	Rita Schmidt (EG)	1968
1.84/6' 0½	Antonina Okorokova (SU)	1968
1.83/6' 0	Micheline Brown (Aus)	1964
1.83/6' 0	Karin Schulze (EG)	1968
1.82/5'11¼*	Milo Rezkova (Cze)	1968
1.81/5'11¼	Hsuan Hsiao-mei (China)	1965
1.80/5'10¼	Wu Fu-shan (China)	1965
1.80/5'10¼	Jaroslava Valentova (Cze)	1968
1.80/5'10¼	Valentina Grushkina (SU)	1968
1.80/5'10¼*	Valentina Kozyr (SU)	1968
1.80/5'10¼	Ilona Gusenbauer (Aut)	1968

### All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

6.82/22' 4½*	Viorica Viscopoleanu (Rum)	1968
6.76/22' 2¼	Mary Rand (England)	1964
6.68/21'11	* Sheila Sherwood (England)	1968
6.67/21'10½	Irena Szewinska (Poland)	1968
6.66/21'10¼*	Tatyana Talisheva (SU)	1968
6.63/21' 9	Ingrid Becker (WG)	1967
6.62/21' 8¾	Heide Rosendahl (WG)	1968
6.57/21' 6¾	Burghild Wieczorek (EG)	1968
6.56/21' 6¼	Berit Berthelsen (Nor)	1968

## OLYMPIC RESULTS (Continued)

### Long Jump

Qualifying distance was 6.55/20'10 in this, the first women's event of the Games. Only nine athletes reached the required distance, but the next four were advanced to the final. Highlights of the qualifying were, (not necessarily in the order of their importance); Italy's Maria Trio failed to appear; Poland's Irena Szewinska, the favorite to win this event, failed to qualify; Violet Odogwu of Nigeria set a new African record at 6.45/21'2; Heide Rosendahl had the best jump of the morning with 6.54/21'5½.

Qualifiers: Rosendahl (WG) 6.54/21'5½; Viscopoleanu (Rum) 6.48/21'3¼; Berthelsen (Nor) 6.48/21'3¼; Odogwu (Nig) 6.45/21'2; Sarna (Pol) 6.44/21'1½; Sherwood (GB) 6.42/21'0¾; White (USA) 6.42/21'0¾; Becker (WG) 6.40/21'0; Lohnert (EG) 6.35/20'10; Talysheva (SU) 6.34/20'9¾; Barton (GB) 6.34/20'9¾; Wieczorek (EG) 6.30/20'8; Watson (USA) 6.30/20'8; Wilson (GB) 6.30/20'8. Non-qualifiers: Bornholdt (WG) 6.27/20'7; Szewinska (Pol) 6.19/20'3¾; Garbey (Cuba) 6.14/20'1¾; Kispal (Hum) 5.98/19'7½; Ringa (SU) 5.84/19'2; Roman (Mex) 5.75/18'10½; Cederstrom (Swe) 5.72/18'9¾; Anum (Gha) 5.61/18'5; Lim (Tai) 5.59/18'4; Robotham (C.Rica) 4.75/15'7; Three fouls: Hendry (Can), Amman (Swi) and Sosa (Sal).

In the final, things began to be interesting immediately when 31-year old Tatyana Talisheva hopped 6.55/21'6 on her first effort. Her exuberance was short-lived, however, as England's Sheila Sherwood leapt 6.60/21'7¾ to take the lead. And then HER exuberance failed to last long as tiny, (115 pounds, 5'5½) Viorica Viscopoleanu of Rumania hopped 6.82/22'4½ for a new World and Olympic record. Undaunted, Talysheva came back in the second round to register her life-time best and move into 2nd place with 6.66/21'10½, a position she held until the 5th round when Sherwood, for the fourth time during the competition improved on her life-time best, this time with a jump of 6.68/21'11 to snatch the silver medal from the Russian. Although we will never know the distance, Talysheva cut loose on her final jump with a prodigious jump close to the new world record - but it was foul.

Except for these three athletes, Viscopoleanu, Sherwood and Talysheva, the long jump was not a good event for the top-notch jumpers. Szewinska failed to qualify, Trio failed to show and Rosendahl, Becker and Berthelsen were "off" - if you can call jumping over 21 feet "off". As this was the first women's event completed, and since WTFW had picked Viscopoleanu to win, it gave us a false sense of security - for except Szewinska in the 200, this was the last correctly predicted winner we were to get!

Viscopoleanu had an average jump (five legal jumps) just under 21'8¾, while Sherwood, the silver medalist, averaged a fraction over 21'7¾. Talysheva, with one jump of 17'7¾ and another at 14'8¾, didn't have such a good average. The two Americans, White and Watson, failed to reach their qualifying distances although Watson was over 20 feet.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Best
1-Viscopoleanu	22' 4½	Foul	21' 9½	21' 5½	21' 4¾	21' 6¾	22' 4½
2-Sherwood	21' 7¾	Foul	21' 4	21' 7½	21' 11	21' 8½	21' 11
3-Talysheva	21' 6	21' 10½	17' 7¾	20' 11½	14' 8¾	Foul	21' 10½
4-Wieczorek	Foul	21' ¾	21' 2	20' ¾	21' 0¾	20' 6	21' ¾
5-Sarna	21' 2¾	Foul	16' 4	21' 1½	20' 8½	21' 2	21' 2¾
6-Becker	Foul	20' 8¾	Foul	21' 1¾	Foul	20' 7	21' 1¾
7-Berthelsen	20' 11¾	21' 0	20' 7	20' 5	Foul	20' 8¾	21' 0
8-Rosendahl	Foul	Foul	20' 5¾	19' 10¾	20' 10¾	21' 0	21' 0
9-Odogwu	20' 5¾	19' 4	20' 2½				
10-Watson	20' 4	Foul	19' 10½				
11-White	19' 8¾	17' 10¾	19' 11½				
12-Barton	19' 5½	Foul	19' 6¾				
13-Wilson	Foul	19' 4¾	18' 4				

Bill Peck: "The gal who got the highest won the event. Viscopoleanu really gets UP. US jumpers might take note! This was a rather disappointing event despite the record leap. Berthelsen, Szewinska, Becker, Rosendahl and others were way off form partly because they were scheduled for other events, I suppose. Then again the fast conditions (of the runway) may have caused more foul problems than usual. Talysheva's final hairline foul was probably close to the leader. Has anyone noticed that long jumping is getting to be an old person's sport (men and women), contrary to the popular conception?"

Dick Bank: "After last year's pre-Olympic meet Viorica Viscopoleanu rated as one of the favorites for the Gold Medal. Her record in 1968 was not bad; in fact she had jumped as far as she did last October. Still, her season record would not support her being tabbed to win, (as Ye Olde Editor did). But who was the favorite? Berthelsen? Szewinska? Becker? Rosendahl? Talisheva? It figured to be a tremendous competition with a half dozen capable of winning and a World record probably necessary to do it.

Mrs. Viscopoleanu, just like Bob Beaman to follow, settled the contest the first time she jumped. Her leap of 22'4½ added 2¼" to Mary Rand's record but Mary, like many others, never saw it. In fact Mary, working for the BBC, led viewers at home to believe that Britain's Sheila Sherwood had won the Gold. In spite of Viscopoleanu's great initial jump the event did not disintegrate like the men's long jump did. Viscopoleanu kept the heat on with four jumps between 21'4¾ and 21'9¾ which was not bad indeed for a 29 year old!

Sherwood capped a year of sensational improvement and great come-through jumping with 21'11 which was three-quarters of an inch better than Tatyana Talisheva. For a girl - she's 31 - who didn't jump well enough to meet the qualifying standard of 20'10, Talisheva came very near taking it all with a foul that looked to be all of 22'8. If you think Russians don't weep, you should have seen this unhappy one.

Ingrid Becker never could get going though she had a foul that looked to be every bit as far as the winning jump. Heide Rosendahl, suffering from dysentery after her effortless 21'5½ qualifying jump, injured herself in quest of problematical Gold (LJ) that cost her a sure one (pentathlon). Berthelsen had been injured, while Szewinska never came close to qualifying and looked not too unhappy for it. Rumor had it that Italy's Maria Trio had suffered a broken leg and was left home."

### Shot Put

When WTFW predictions were made last January by the staff of correspondents, the biggest favorite to win (no pun intended), was Russia's Nadyezhda Chizhova, the new world record-holder, in the shot put. Chizhova polled 110 votes to 52 for Gummel of East Germany. In our Olympic Preview edition, Chizhova was listed at odds of 3-2 to win. So where does she finish? Third. Not that she put poorly. Chizhova had a fine effort at 18.19/59'8¼, but the East German's must have been putting downhill for all three of their athletes had personal bests and two of them bettered the world record.

In September Margitta Gummel had thrown 61'11 to better Chizhova's pending world mark of 61'3. So in the first round, up steps East Germany's number two thrower, Maritta Lange, and throws 61'7¾ to take the lead. Not for long, however, as Gummel tossed the sphere 62'6¾ on her third effort for a new world mark and then sewed it up in the fifth round with a throw of 64'4, a mark which cannot be blamed on either the altitude or the Tartan. Gummel stands only 5'7¾ and weighs just 181, and at age 27 will probably be on hand to defend her title in Munich. There was no qualifying competition in this event.

Bill Peck: "This event gets my nomination as the only event on the women's program which exceeded expectations. Gummel's record is the most impressive mark, taking into consideration the advantages of altitude for the other events, of any mark in the Games - excluding Beaman's leap which is not to be fully believed even by those who saw it!"

**Dick Bank:** "Whoever would have thought that Nadyezhda Chizhova, after erasing Tamara Press' World record with an early season 61'3 could even be challenged in Mexico? I didn't. The rise of Margitta Gummel from a very good shotputter to unquestionably the greatest female this event has ever seen came so suddenly that even Frau Gummel must have been a bit dazed! In her last competition of 1967 Margitta bettered 58 feet by half an inch. She had worked her way up through the years and now at 27 there was no reason to expect a breakthrough. In September she served notice with a 60'5½ and then really let it be known that she was in the thick of the fight by bettering the Russian's record with 61'11.

I remember watching her in training one day. She put in a really stiff session with the weights when one would have thought she'd be tapering off for the competition. I remarked at the time that despite explosive strength she certainly did not look unattractive at 5'9¼ and 179 pounds, but simply a strong girl.

In the first round Chizhova got a sample of what kind of an afternoon she was in for when the six-foot Maritta Lange improved her lifetime best from 58'5¼ to 61'7½!!! Unbelievable, and better than anything the Russian girl had ever done. For me, I could not understand why she was not a 60 footer long ago for she impressed me greatly at the European Championships two years ago.

This was all Gummel needed and her reply was historic: the first 19 meter put ever by a woman. With 62'6¼ the event was over. One would have thought that all the steam would have left her body then for in the men's competition places one through five were decided in the first round. In the fifth round, however, she exploded to an unheard of 64'4 and, I am sure, even she never dreamed of such a distance. Chizhova's result was 59'8¼, but on this day it didn't mean much.

On one hand we marvel at this great exhibition and on the other hand we hear stories of certain shotputters and discus throwers being injected with male hormones. When the source is very reliable, it makes you stop and think!"

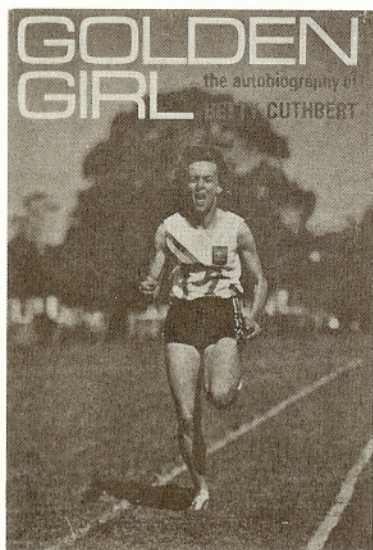
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Best
1-Gummel (EG)	60' 9½	58' 7½	62' 6¼	60' 0½	64' 4	61' 0	64' 4
2-Lange (EG)	61' 7½	Foul	59' 7½	60' 7¼	59' 8½	59' 11	61' 7½
3-Chizhova (SU)	59' 8¼	Foul	59' 1¼	57' 10	57' 4¼	56' 7½	59' 8¼
4-Bognar (Hungary)	56' 2¼	56' 9¼	56' 5½	58' 4	58' 2¼	55' 2½	58' 4
5-Boy (East Germany)	57' 11¼	56' 3¼	58' 0	57' 4½	58' 1¼	58' 0½	58' 1¼
6-Christova (Bulgaria)	54' 7½	56' 7¼	55' 3½	Foul	Foul	56' 5¼	56' 7¼
7-Fuchs (West Germany)	56' 1¼	54' 4	Foul	Foul	Foul	53' 1½	56' 1¼
8-Van Noorduy (Holland)	52' 1½	51' 6½	49' 1½	50' 11¼	53' 3	52' 10	53' 3
9-Solontsova (SU)	Foul	52' 1¼	51' 8½				52' 1¼
10-Schafer (West Germany)	48' 2¼	50' 0¼	49' 6½				50' 0¼
11-Seidler (USA)	47' 2¼	48' 9	Foul				48' 9
12-Molina (Chile)	42' 2	39' 0¼	39' 2				42' 2
13-Ok-ja Pak (South Korea)	41' 6¼	39' 7½	39' 3¼				41' 6¼
14-Martinez (Salvador)	31' 5¼	Foul	33' 4¼				33' 4¼

All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

19.61/64' 4*	Margitta Gummel (EG)	1968
18.78/61' 7½*	Maritta Lange (EG)	1968
18.76/61' 3	Nadeshda Chizhova (SU)	1968
17.89/58' 8¼	Judit Bognar (Hun)	1968
17.72/58' 1¼*	Renate Boy (EG)	1968
17.57/57' 7¼	Ivanka Christova (Bul)	1968
17.50/57' 5	Galina Zybina (SU)	1964
17.34/56' 10¼	Marlene Fuchs (WG)	1968
17.26/56' 7½	Valerie Young (NZ)	1964

All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

62.54/205' 2	Liesel Westermann (WG)	1968
61.64/202' 2	Christine Spielberg (EG)	1968
61.54/201' 11	Karin Illgen (EG)	1968
59.82/196' 3	Antonini Popova (SU)	1968
59.40/194' 10	Anita Otto (EG)	1968
59.22/194' 3	Lia Manoliu (Rumania)	1968
58.14/190' 9	Judit Stugner (Hungary)	1968
58.02/190' 4	Jolan Kleiber (Hungary)	1968
57.83/189' 8	Lyudmila Tscherbakova (SU)	1965



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## OLYMPIC RESULTS (Continued)

## Discus

This is the only event of the Games in which someone of the world leaders did not set a personal best. This can partly be blamed on the event itself, being a very unpredictable one, and partly because the heavens opened up after the first few throws and the competition was halted, started, halted and started. Lia Manoliu of Rumania, competing in her fifth Olympic Games, got off a good throw on her first effort before the rains came, and no one ever caught her. Manoliu was sixth in the Olympics at Helsinki in 1952 with a throw of 139'11. She was ninth at Melbourne (144'0); 3rd at Rome (171'9) and 3rd again at Tokyo (186'11). Mel Watman reports: "I am truly delighted to report that the seemingly impossible happened and that the 5'10½, 187 pound engineer from Bucharest pulled it off. It was her first and only good throw that did the trick; it landed at 191'2 and to everyone's surprise and not the least Lia's no one other than Westermann approached to within ten feet of it. The widely heralded East Germans, Christine Spielberg (the European champion) and Karin Illgen were some 30 feet below their best and finished nowhere. It was an extraordinary result, not least because another great Olympic veteran, Olga Connolly, (the 1956 champion), now the mother of four, placed sixth on a minimum of training."

Bill Peck: "It appears that there are more good fighting competitors in this event than any other. This includes Olga Connolly, who looked good enough for a higher position if the rains had not come after the first round. But on the other hand, Kleiber, Westermann and others who really move in the ring would have gotten off some 60 meter tosses under better conditions. I have to think Tlaloc was on the old veterans side in both discus events - and they made the most of it."

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Best
1-Manoliu (Rumania)	191' 2	Foul	Pass	Foul	153' 7	Foul	191' 2
2-Westermann (West Germany)	177' 3	189' 6	Foul	183' 0	Foul	Foul	189' 6
3-Kleiber (Hungary)	180' 1	177'11	Foul	Foul	Foul	Foul	180' 1
4-Otto (East Germany)	178' 6	177' 6	176' 9	Foul	167'10	171' 8	178' 6
5-Popova (SU)	175' 3	174' 3	168' 7	172' 7	173' 5	Foul	175' 3
6-Connolly (USA)	Foul	173' 9	166' 5	Foul	Foul	165' 4	173' 9
7-Spielberg (East Germany)	173' 5	Foul	173' 5	Foul	172' 7	163' 4	173' 5
8-Berendonk (West Germany)	173' 3	162'11	153'10	Foul	Foul	165' 6	173' 3
9-Muravyova (SU)	169'11	171' 5	164' 8				171' 5
10-Illgen (East Germany)	165' 4	Foul	171' 2				171' 2
11-Stugner (Hungary)	138' 2	168' 7	170'10				170'10
12-Dashzeveg (Mongolia)	166' 6	Foul	160' 9				166' 6
13-Catarana (Rumania)	Foul	155'10	164' 8				164' 8
14-Moseke (USA)	158' 5	146'11	144' 6				158' 5
15-Roberts (Australia)	120' 0	157' 9	Foul				157' 9

Dick Bank: "This was practically ruined by the rain - just as with the men - with the two best throws being made before it started pouring. Lia Manoliu, the 36-year-old Rumanian whose results improve greatly every Olympic year, picked up her Gold after trying five times! As a 20-year-old in Helsinki she was undistinguished in 16th position and improved to ninth, then third and again third. Her result was exceptional under any conditions but tremendous when one surveys her record.

Liesel Westermann, like Jay Silvester, relies on her speed and in a wet circle she had no chance. The wetness certainly got to other throwers, especially the East Germans, with a fourth, seventh and tenth places. The latter spot went to Karin Illgen who was the favorite of many.

Olga Connolly was a picture of frustration for she knew she had 180 feet in her but never under these conditions. One of her throws hit the roof of the cage yet if Olga had connected on just one throw she'd have had a medal.

It will be another year before all of these athletes (except Connolly) can assemble again in Athens for the European Championships but with everyone in top form the Mexico competition would have told a great deal."

## Javelin

As in the shot and discus, the entries were small enough that no qualifying round was required. Mel Watman describes this event: "The first throw of medal-winning potential came from 31-year-old Marta Rudas, the Tokyo runner-up, with 184'11 - her best this season. Next up was her compatriot Angelea Nemeth (22), the 1968 world leader at 197'6. Angela, no relation to the 1948 Olympic hammer champion, moved ahead with 189'2, but her joy was short-lived as later in the first round defending champion Mihaela Penes, listed at 6'0½ and 207 pounds, unleashed a magnificent throw of 196'7 nearly ten feet better than her 1968 top mark. Was it possible that the statuesque 21-year-old, who in Tokyo became the youngest of all Olympic track and field champions but who has since been notoriously inconsistent, had pulled off the greatest prize of all for a second time? The reply, an uncompromising negative, was delivered by Angela Nemeth in the next round. With every ounce of her 148 pounds behind it, the 5'9½ tall Hungarian flung the spear out to 198'0, her best ever. Only twice did she have anxious moments to endure: in the fifth round when Penes hit 191'5 and in the final round when Austria's Eva Janko revived memories of Herma Bauma by improving from 7th to 3rd with 190'5. So, only three years after taking the event seriously, Angela Nemeth became Olympic champion." The two Americans threw acceptably - Friedrich ending up 9th and RaNaë Bair, still not fit, finishing 11th.

Bill Peck: "Hungarians of both sexes strike me as having the quickest arms in the world. Other Europeans seem to rely more on back arch and body position. Penes is even bigger and more coordinated than I had imagined and a darn good competitor too. The best form, (in more ways than one!), belongs to Austria's Eva Janko, I thought. Anyone who had not had considerable experience on the super-fast throwing surface was at a big disadvantage I would guess."

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Best
1-Nemeth (Hungary)	189' 2	198' 0	182' 3	188' 9	Foul	174'10	198' 0
2-Penes (Rumania)	196' 7	179' 5	Foul	168' 7	191' 5	Foul	196' 7
3-Janko (Austria)	179' 1	Foul	Foul	152' 4	151' 8	190' 5	190' 5
4-Rudas (Hungary)	184'11	Foul	Foul	169' 3	Foul	172'10	184'11
5-Jaworska (Poland)	183' 0	183'11	171' 8	170' 2	Foul	174' 6	183'11
6-Urbancic (Yugoslavia)	176' 6	Foul	181'10	Foul	Foul	Pass	181'10
7-Koloska (West Germany)	175' 8	177' 5	Foul	177' 2	181' 1	Foul	181' 1
8-Launela (Finland)	177' 0	168' 9	Foul	Foul	Foul	Foul	177' 0
9-Friedrich (USA)	175' 4	167' 4	171' 1				175' 4
10-Tsymosh (SU)	Foul	Foul	175' 2				175' 2
11-Bair (USA)	162' 6	157' 9	174' 4				174' 4
12-Krawsewicz (Poland)	169' 1	Foul	Foul				169' 1
13-Dahlgren (Canada)	168' 0	167' 8	157' 7				168' 0
14-Evert (SU)	Foul	167'10	Foul				167'10
15-Platt (GB)	Foul	147' 0	159' 2				159' 2
Erika Strasser (Austria)	Foul	Foul	Foul				xxxxxx



Dick Bank: "Women's javelin throwing, for some unexplainable reason, just does not progress. True, the strong back muscles necessary for great throwing can't be developed in a woman as they can in a man. Most women (the top ones) have mediocre technique as compared to the top men, and really good throwers do not reach their peak until an advanced age. Whereas the average age of the male medal winners was 30, the average age of the women was 22. Finally, no elbow - least of all the female's - was made to take the punishment necessary to train properly for the event.

Anyway, Angela Nemeth, who barely topped 180 feet in 1967, won the title with 198'0 after Mihaela Penes, the Tokyo upset winner, looked like she'd done it again. Penes has been an in-and-outer since 1964 and had a very spotty record this year. She must be the one for the big effort when it really counts for she opened with 196'7 and in this unpredictable event it looked like the winner. Nemeth came right back to take the lead and no one threatened after that. Daniela Jaworska, the Pole who was so consistent in 1967 and usually a winner in the big ones, was never in it. Neither were Barbara Friedrich and RaNae Bair, our two hopes a year ago for medals and possibly the top spot."

All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

62.40/204' 8	Yelena Gorchakova (SU)	1964
61.38/201' 4	Elvira Ozolina (SU)	1964
60.55/198' 8	Barbara Friedrich (USA)	1967
60.54/198' 7	Mihaela Penes (Rumania)	1964
60.36/198' 0*	Angela Nemeth (Hungary)	1968
59.94/196' 8	Danuta Jaworska (Poland)	1968
59.82/196' 3	RaNae Bair (USA)	1967
59.70/195' 10	Marion Lutttge (EG)	1966
58.36/194' 9	Marta Ruda (Hungary)	1965
58.27/194' 5	Ameli Koloska (WG)	1968

All Time World List (\*indicates made in 1968 Olympics)

5129	Heide Rosendahl (WG)	1968
5098*	Ingrid Becker (WG)	1968
5038	Galina Sofina (SU)	1968
5035	Mary Rand (England)	1964
5008	Valentina Tikhomirova (SU)	1968
4995	Galina Bystrova (SU)	1964
4966*	Liese Prokop (Austria)	1968
4958*	Annamarie Toth (Hungary)	1968
4941	Maria Sisyakova (SU)	1967

### Pentathlon

Spectators in the stadium looked forward to the fourth heat of the opening event, the 80m hurdles, for they were to see the favorite, Heide Rosendahl, compete against Tikhomirova. But the heat was run and no Rosendahl. Heide had suffered a muscle pull while warming up for the race and was scratched. And there went years of hard work and a possible gold medal and a possible world record. But, the one satisfaction is that Rosendahl is young, only 21, and will have two or three more chances to win the Olympic gold.

Young Meta Antenen (Switzerland) turned in the best hurdle time with a 10.7, her lifetime best, to take a temporary lead in the scoring. Mary Peters (England), with a put of 49'6 in the shot was the point leader after two events with a score of 2096. In second spot was a surprising Liese Prokop (Austria) with 2034, but she was not expected to remain a threat as her lifetime best was only 4750. Third was Tikhomirova (2004), Toth was fourth (1962), Galina Sofina (SU) fifth with 1960 and Canada's Jenny Meldrum sixth with 1926. Ingrid Becker, one of the favorites, had her lifetime best hurdle mark at 10.9, but fell off badly in the shot with only 37'8, nearly 6½ feet below her best and was lodged in 12<sup>th</sup> place with only 1880 points.

The heavy rain spoiled the high jumping. It rained and rained and poured and poured - and the jumping went right on. There were more spoiled hairdos on the field than ever before assembled in one spot! However, the rain didn't seem to bother Ingrid Becker as she leapt 5'7¼ to equal her own all-time record which she set SEVEN YEARS before. Also jumping well was the big surprise Prokop who jumped 5'6 and led the field after the first day. Tikhomirova stood second after one day with an even 3000 points, 61 less than Prokop, Mary Peters was third and Becker had now moved into fourth - with two good events for her coming up the next day.

The long jump opened the second day festivities and Becker moved into second place with a fine jump of 21'1¼ and 4021 pts. Still the surprising leader with only one event remaining was Prokop who had jumped 19'7 and had 4043 points. Tikhomirova was now third (3986) and West Germany's third string, Manon Bornholdt, moved into fourth, coming from ninth, with a long jump of 21'0¼ for 3940 points. For the first time, Annamarie Toth moved into medal contention at fifth place (3912) and Antenen was sixth (3907).

Mel Watman: "All the 'big guns' were grouped into the same 200m heat and, as expected, Becker and Toth made the most of it. Becker set a great personal best of 23.5 to wind up champion with 5098 - a score bettered only by Irina Press and the unfortunate Heide Rosendahl. Toth's 23.8 gave her a score of 4959 and the bronze medal, but the silver went to the astonishing Austrian, Liese Prokop, at 4966. Aged 27, her best previous of 4750 did not rank her among the leading dozen contenders; in 1967 she scored 4618. European champion Tikhomirova took fourth with a mildly disappointing 4927, while the immensely promising Bornholdt (17) held off Pat Winslow for fifth. Galina Sofina, the Soviet champion at 5038, injured herself and missed the 200m; also unlucky was Djurda Focic who had to hobble around the final event in 41.8."

Cathy Hamblin, the 15-year-old record holder, was far below par with an injured leg.

Bill Peck: "Ingrid Becker gets my vote as the best female athlete I saw in the Games as far as potential goes. Her great high jumping in the midst of a pouring rain, her final blazing 200, long jumping and the anchoring of the West German relay team made me believe she had the potential in at least four events outside of the pentathlon. The single biggest disappointment of the whole Games for me was Heide Rosendahl's absence from this event. Winslow never looked so good in the hurdles and 200. If she could only have lived up to her field event potential of a year ago! My big complaint about this event as several others, is that it happens too fast, with too many other things going on to really digest what is happening."

Dick Bank: "Many German experts felt before the Games that Ingrid Becker would defeat Heide Rosendahl. Frankly, I never could see it for I saw Rosendahl's 5129 in August and I felt she had a good chance at Irina Press' World mark of 5246. As it turned out, the unfortunate Heide - who gets my vote as the "Hard Luck" athlete of the Games - would have hammered her teammate for Ingrid never could have won after her anemic 37'8 shot put. It's all academic but I think the record shows that Rosendahl, with no weaknesses and better in three of the five events plus close enough in the other two, would have been well over 5200.

The amazing athlete was Liese Prokop, the Austrian, who went from a lifetime best of 4750 to 4966 and the Silver Medal. It's not unusual for pentathlon girls to jump up 200 points or so, (though hardly commonplace), but for a 27-year-old it's unheard of! She went away the first day with 3061 simply by outdoing herself in the hurdles and high jump, (she's always been a good shotputter), and then held on with results in natural events where she has no natural ability. A really great performance.

Annamarie Toth, who is always operating at 101% efficiency, did her usual strong work on the second day to get third. The Russians disappointed with Galina Sofina limping off after the long jump and Valentina Tikhomirova dropping big points in her specialty, the high jump, (albeit during a tremendous rainstorm), and costing herself the Silver.

Pat Winslow moved up 153 points from Tokyo but only one position to sixth. It was a frustrating year for Pat and because of deep personal problems she began serious training only ten weeks before the Games just after an atrocious performance in the USA Championships. She came a long way in that time with the most intense and concentrated training of her life. With a few breaks she'd have been in there for second. Being hit twice in the stomach (by the competitor in the next lane) cost her two-tenths in the hurdles and when she was not allowed any warmups in the shot she slipped to 43'8¼ from the 46'4¼ she threw in training the previous week. She pulled herself together for 5'5 in that rainstorm, (probably the greatest performance of her life), but badly injured her back in doing so. Her second day, all things considered, showed she had the true desire to succeed that so often has been missing but on these days there wasn't enough to back it up."

## OLYMPIC RESULTS (Continued)

RESULTS	80mH	Shot Put	High Jump	First Day		Long Jump	200m	Total
				Points	Place			
1-Becker (West Germany)	10.9	37' 8	5' 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	2937	4	21' 1 $\frac{1}{4}$	23.5	5098
2-Prokop (Austria)	11.2	47' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	5' 6	3061	1	19' 7	25.1	4966
3-Toth (Hungary)	10.9	41' 7	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2896	6	20' 1	23.8	4959
4-Tikhomirova (SU)	11.2	46' 4	5' 5	3000	2	19' 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	24.9	4927
5-Bornholdt (West Germany)	11.0	40' 7	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2858	9	21' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	24.8	4890
6-Winslow (USA)	11.4	43' 8	5' 5	2918	5	19' 7	24.5	4877
7-Bauer (East Germany)	11.4	42' 7	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2834	12	20' 5	24.5	4849
8-Antenen (Switzerland)	10.7	35' 8	5' 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	2851	11	20' 8	24.9	4848
9-Peters (Great Britain)	11.0	49' 6	5' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	2965	3	18' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	24.9	4803
10-Scott (Great Britain)	11.0	37' 2	5' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	2755	18	20' 4	24.3	4786
11-Meldrum (Canada)	11.0	40' 0	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2860	8	19' 4	24.8	4774
12-Lubej (Yugoslavia)	10.9	34' 0	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2736	20	19' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	23.9	4764
13-Hansen (Denmark)	10.9	35' 10	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2775	16	20' 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	25.0	4738
14-Yurukova (Bulgaria)	11.0	38' 9	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2821	15	19' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	25.0	4728
15-Bantegny (France)	11.5	39' 11	5' 5	2826	14	19' 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	25.3	4697
16-Wilson (Great Britain)	11.1	34' 8	5' 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	2747	19	19' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	24.8	4688
17-Ackermans (Holland)	11.5	41' 5	5' 5	2855	10	18' 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	25.5	4650
18-Berthelsen (Norway)	11.6	35' 5	5' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	2621	23	20' 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	24.5	4649
19-Uhlemann (East Germany)	11.3	39' 4	5' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	2719	21	19' 9	25.0	4644
20-dos Santos (Brazil)	11.6	40' 8	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2764	17	18' 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	24.9	4578
21-Vettorazzo (Italy)	11.1	33' 11	4' 9	2545	25	19' 2	24.2	4504
22-Popescu (Rumania)	12.1	36' 11	5' 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	2644	22	19' 4	26.2	4435
23-Amman (Switzerland)	11.7	33' 11	5' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	2541	26	19' 11	25.7	4414
24-Hamblin (USA)	11.9	34' 11	4' 11	2501	27	18' 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	25.3	4330
25-Lagrosas (Philippines)	11.8	32' 7	5' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	2495	28	18' 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	27.0	4131
26-Lin (Taiwan)	11.6	32' 2 $\frac{3}{4}$	4' 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	2462	29	17' 7	26.5	4104
27-Tien (Taiwan)	11.8	29' 8	4' 5 $\frac{1}{4}$	2218	30	16' 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	25.2	3899
28-Sofina (SU)	11.6	47' 4	5' 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2894	7	18' 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	xxxx	3828
29-Pocic (Yugoslavia)	11.1	36' 5	5' 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	2833	13	19' 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	41.8	3814
30-Emonts-Gast (Belgium)	11.5	40' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	xxxxxx	1840	31	19' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$	25.7	3654
31-Roman (Mexico)	11.3	33' 1	xxxxxx	1714	32	18' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	24.6	3604
32-Robotham (Costa Rica)	13.4	28' 7 $\frac{1}{4}$	xxxxxx	1327	33	15' 6 $\frac{1}{4}$	25.4	2909
33-Cederstrom (Sweden)	11.6	33' 11	4' 9	2557	24	xxxxxx	xxxx	2557

### USA Summary by Dick Bank

As expected, the USA was good on the track and very poor in the field. The track performances have been pretty well discussed. In the long jump, Willye White qualified with 21' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$  despite an extremely painful burn suffered when a heat lamp fell on her leg that morning. In the final, she never had a chance and one can only wonder what might have been. Martha Watson wasn't ever in the picture but then Martha gets about all of her limited ability into her jumps.

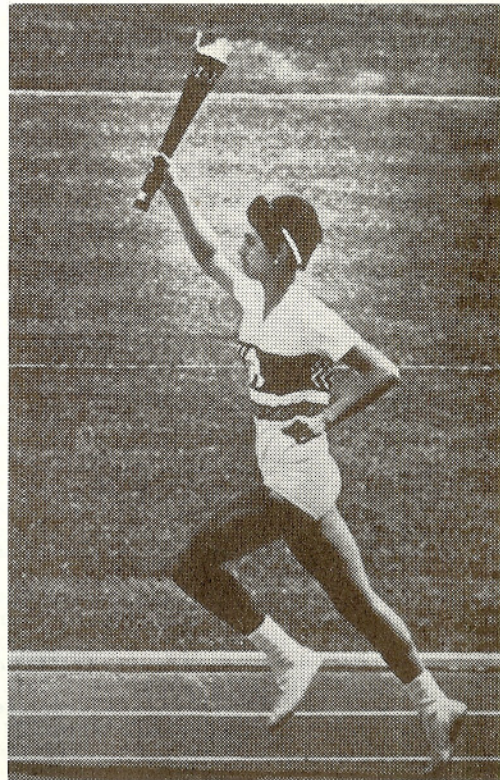
Eleanor Montgomery was sub-par all year with an injured knee and though she did jump 5' 10 7/8 in training in Mexico one was not surprised when she didn't qualify. Both Sharon Callahan and Estelle Baskerville were in over their heads though Sharon has a future.

Maren Seidler, as good at her age as anyone, saw point-blank what it takes to be world class in shot putting. Now that she'll attend university in the East where she can count her meets for the year on one hand I'm afraid her potential is lost. She'd be 100% better in California which doesn't say much when you compare California to, say, East Germany!

Carol Moseke was technically fouled up as were Friedrich and Bair but then there is no sound coaching in technical events in the United States so they couldn't have found any help even if they had wanted to. It's a pity when girls who have reached over 195' in the javelin have done so without any help. This indicates the potential in the United States but points up how little we have, and will, progress. The few coaches who devote their time to women's track are TRACK coaches and we should be happy for them no matter how lacking they might be. But as for field event coaching: forget it!

The same goes double for the pentathlon. It's a shame Pat Winslow won't be able to give the new pentathlon, (with the 80m hurdles replaced by the higher 100m hurdles), a real effort. She'd no longer have to give a hundred points away to tough opponents and with this incentive she might have realized the World record she is capable of for she has unlimited God-given ability. But Pat must work now to support her small son and the future is in Cathy Hamblin, Barbara Emerson and Jan Glotzer. They showed great potential hope in 1968, but being too small to get the necessary shot put results, lacking real technical help, finding no incentive for their event until 1972 means their talent will be stunted.

I think this is where I came in.



It didn't take long for the women to set an Olympic record! Here is Enriqueta Basilio carrying the torch into the stadium to light the Olympic flame. This was the first time a woman had ever been the torch bearer.

# KALEIDOSCOPE

She didn't win any medals at Mexico City, but RaNae Bair came back with a diamond! Bob Seaman chased her until she finally caught him! Congratulations.....Also Carole Moseke is sporting a ring on THAT finger.....Mary Rand, on hand at Mexico as a sports announcer, cut quite a figure at the Village pool in her white bathing suit....Accompanying the results of each Olympic event is a list of the All-Time World Marks in each event. 126 marks are listed in all of the events. Out of this 126 only SEVEN were made before 1964. In fact 85 of the 126 were set in 1968. Oldest marks which still make the All-Time Lists are Wilma Rudolph's 22.9 200m and Gisela Birkeneyer's 10.5 80m hurdles, both set in 1960...Irena Kirszstein Szewinska is the only individual to be listed in three events (100, 200, LJ).

The dates for the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich are August 26 to September 10 with track and field closing the show instead of opening it as in Mexico. T&F from September 2-9... ..And there will be new events for women in Munich: the 100m hurdles (replacing the 80mH), the 200m hurdles, the 1500m run and the 4x400m relay. How about that!.....It was a thrill every time a Dutch girl was escorted to the track to compete - for escorting her was Fannie Blankers-Koen who won four gold medals (100, 200, 80mH and relay) at the 1948 Olympics in London.....Speaking of Holland, one must say they emphasised women's track - of their nation's 13 entries in T&F, 12 of them were women.

Although Holland removed Lia Louer from the competition because of pregnancy, it is known others in that condition did participate - one of them six months along, and she turned in a lifetime best!.....We made two lists after the Games: one was titled "Disappointments - or, Whatever Happened to Whats-her-name". Making this team were: the Russian sprinters (Samotysova, Golomasova, Zharkova), the Russian hurdlers (Korsakova and Iyevlyeva) plus Chizhova and Sofina in the shot and pentathlon; we were disappointed in Margaret Bailes; Irenice Rodriguez of Brazil was supposed to surprise us all - she did by not showing up....Likewise for Maria Trio, my favorite group, from Italy; we were disappointed in Karin Wallgren, in Bennett and Brown the Australian 400m runners; ditto for Pete Pozzoli's Italian favorite Paoli Pigni and her teammate Carla Panerai; Rosendahl, though certainly not through any fault of her own, was a disappointment; Rita Schmidt and Karin Schulze in the high jump; Berthelsen in the long jump; Spielberg in the discus; Ann Wilson of Great Britain; and Susan Platt of the British team....There were others, but these come to mind at the moment.

The "Surprises" list is not quite so long, but full of potent performers: Tops on the list must be the two young squirts from Australia - Maureen Caird and Raelene Boyle; How about Violet Odogwu of Nigeria in the long jump getting out over 21 feet for the first time; Barbara Ferrell in the sprints; Penton of Cuba in the 400; Manning and Van Wolvelaere; Milena Rezkova in the high jump; Lange in the shot; Manoliu, (I always want to say "Man-O-War") in the discus and Liese Prokop in the pentathlon.

The California State Cross Country Championship and the Western US XC Championships will be held on 17 November at the Del Paso Country Golf Club Course, Sacramento, California....Pat McBurney, AAU Secretary, says the USA won the longest and shortest races of the Games. Not true - Australia won the shortest - 80m....The State of Arizona is forming a Coaches Association....Much of the credit for the improvement of Jenny Otto in the hurdles goes to her Los Alamos room-mate, Mamie Rallins....The Olympic Games, the World Championships of Track & Field, have forced us to cut much of the news of interest only to USA these past three issues... We shall be getting back to normal now - performances by the likes of Otto, Dyer and others are the ones we want to boost, not just the marks made by the super stars for these girls are the super stars of tomorrow - if we can keep them interested and not lose them.

Lori Schutt ran the Olympic trials with a broken metatarsal....A complaint comes from one of our top weight eventers; "During the competition in the Nationals, announcers constantly blurted out, causing some athletes to break concentration"... ..Another complaint reached us stating one of the nations best long jumpers was not invited to compete in the Olympic trials. Anyone on the Olympic Committee, (or whoever it is that does the inviting - this has always been a bit vague to me, and several thousand others), care to answer that one?... ..Kay Bruce, Iowa long jumper, passed up the Nationals this year to enter a talent contest at the Iowa fair. Her acro-

batic dance routine won her the contest - and a new Mustang! Now what's a 15-year-old kid going to do with a Mustang?.... Incidentally, she jumped 18'6½ this year....Arizona, under the direction of Records Chairman Roger Simpson, has put out an A number 1 Arizona Yearbook....

A letter from Fred Moore of the Atoms points out a couple of errors in the September issue of WTFW: 1, the picture of Cheryl Toussaint was not Cheryl Toussaint and 2, WTFW said Conrad Ford was coach of the Atoms - that wasn't quite right either since the coach is Fred Thompson....anyway, when the Jamaica team went on strike against their Olympic Committee in Mexico City, they wore any uniform they had but would not wear the Jamaica national uniform - so Carmen Smith competed in the Olympic Games wearing an Atoms uniform....

Back to the Olympics: It is interesting to note that half of the finalists in the 100 meters were also in the finals of the US Championships - speaking of tough competition!..... Chi Cheng says if she never sees another Australian it will be too soon - she lost to Boyle in her 100m heat, lost to Burge in her 100m semi, lost to Boyle and Burge in the 100m final, lost to Caird in her hurdle heat, lost to Kilborn in her hurdle semi-final and lost to Caird and Kilborn in the hurdle final. There were no Australians in her 100m quarter-final!.....

I stayed at the Villa Coapa in Mexico City where most of the Track & Field News tour members stayed. It always sort of upset me when talking about the days events someone would say about the women athletes, "She was cute" or "They were all nice looking girls" - as though it came as a shock to them that track and field athletes could look good. The amazing thing is that to compete in this sport a girl HAS to be well built - of course she doesn't have to have a pretty face, but you can bet your bottom dollar she will have a good figure! Someone will say, yeah, but what about the shot putters? Well, sez I, George Woods and Varju are not exactly sylph-like at over 300 pounds - and also the girls in the shot and discus are not the big, huge behemoths of yester-year. They, too, are well built, coordinated albeit large - but not overweight. End of sermon....

The parade of the athletes at the Opening Ceremonies was certainly "made" by the marching uniforms of the women athletes. My opinion was the marching uniforms of the US team ranked somewhere about 96th out of the 116 nations! What team uniforms impressed me? East Germany, West Germany, France and Australia. Also Japan and Korea. Jamaica's uniform was "striking", but I didn't like the Italians with their capes although most female spectators thought that was rather chic.

Record breaking was the name of the Game in Mexico. Most maligned Olympic record was the 80m hurdles where the Olympic record of 10.6 was equalled 9 times and broken 11 times.... Other records broken with apparent ease included the 100m where the record (11.2) was equalled 5 times and broken seven times, the 200 (23.0) was equalled 4 times and broken 10, the 4x100m relay (43.6) was equalled twice and broken seven times....in the hurdles, the Olympic record of 10.6 was only good enough for next-to-last in the final....Gummell, Lange and Chizhova broke the Olympic shot put record 11 times during the afternoon....the long jump and 800m records were broken once during competition and the 400m record was equalled.... the discus record was broken twice....events where the record remained intact were the high jump, javelin and pentathlon.

Lotlita Lagrossas of the Philippines, had a frustrating scare which almost kept her from participating in the pentathlon. When she arrived at the Olympic Village she was asked, as were all the athletes, to volunteer for a physical checkup by a group of doctors who were conducting some experimental research, etc., etc. This she did - and since the examinations were very complete, thought she had taken (and passed) the sex test. Lo and behold when she reported for the pentathlon she was informed she was not yet certified as a she. Which required a quick trip (3 miles) back to the village, a checkup, a quick trip back to the stadium and just time enough to run onto the field for her heat in the hurdles.

An interesting (and antimated) debate took place before the start of the long jump trials between England's Maureen Barton (with moral support from Sheila Sherwood) and the head judge of the event when he closed down the runway to prepare the pit for the competition. Maureen, whom I am sure speaks no Spanish, and the official, whom I KNOW spoke no English, engaged in a hand waving, clock pointing, arm signal debate which lasted a good five minutes - Maureen lost.



Kraker, Brown and Bair watch



Rainy 100m Victory Ceremony

## OLYMPIC GAMES PHOTOS



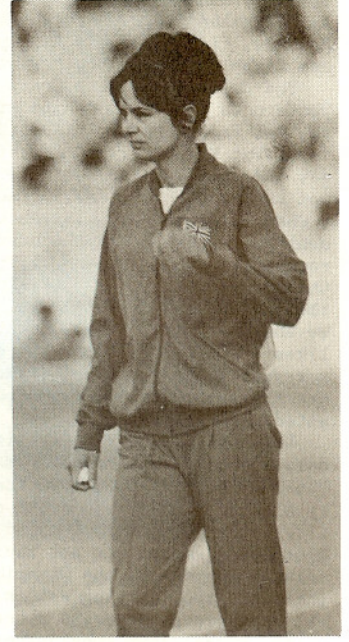
dos Santos (Brazil)



Szewinska (Poland)



Meldrum (Canada)



Simpson (GB)



Nemeth (Hungary)



Nigerian Contingent

## BY DON WILKINSON



Lamy (Australia)



Jutta Stock (WG)



Morris (Jamaica) & Samyosova (SU)

# 1968 WORLD LIST

We are listing the World's top performances for 1968 - and are including the individual's showing at the Olympic Games as well. It is interesting to note the comparison of performance with recorded marks: who came through and who didn't.

## 100 Meters

11.0	Tyus (USA)	1st
11.1	Samotysova (SU)	Elim semi-final
11.1	Bailes (USA)	5th
11.1	Ferrell (USA)	2nd
11.1	Boyle (Aus)	4th
11.1	Szewinska (Pol)	3rd
11.2	Golomasova (SU)	Elim semi-final
11.2	Chi Cheng (Tai)	7th
11.2	Burge (Aus)	6th
11.3	Gleskova (Cze)	Elim semi-final
11.3	Tkatschenko (SU)	Did not compete
11.3	Netter (USA)	Did not compete
11.3	Sharkova (SU)	Elim qtr-final
11.3	Piotrowski (Can)	Elim semi-final
11.3	Peat (GB)	Elim semi-final
11.4	Telliez (Fra)	Elim 1st round
11.4	Popkova (SU)	Did not compete
11.4	Bucharina (SU)	Did not compete
11.4	Morris (Jam)	Did not compete
11.4	I. Davis (USA)	Did not compete
11.4	Cobian (Cuba)	8th
11.4	Lamy (Aus)	Did not compete
11.4	Romay (Cuba)	Elim semi-final
11.5	Hoffman (Aus)	Did not compete
11.5	Kilborn (Aus)	Elim qtr-final
11.5	van Rensburg (SA)	Did not compete
11.5	Burda (SU)	Did not compete
11.5	vd Berg (Hol)	Elim semi-final
11.5	Quesada (Cuba)	Elim qtr-final
11.5	Becker (WG)	Did not compete
11.5	Reichert (WG)	Elim qtr-final
11.5	Neil (GB)	Elim qtr-final
11.5	Nemeshazi (Hun)	Elim 1st round
11.5	Balough (Hun)	Elim qtr-final
11.5	DeBusk (USA)	Did not compete
11.5	Toth (Hun)	Did not compete
11.5	Meyer-Rose (WG)	Elim qtr-final
11.5	Lubej (Yug)	Elim qtr-final

## 200 Meters

22.5	Szewinska (Pol)	1st
22.7	Boyle (Aus)	2nd
22.8	Ferrell (USA)	4th
22.8	Lamy (Aus)	3rd
22.9	Bailes (USA)	7th
23.0	Burge (Aus)	Elim semi-final
23.0	Samotysova (SU)	Elim semi-final
23.0	Montandon (Fra)	5th
23.0	Tyus (USA)	6th
23.0	Popkova (SU)	Elim semi-final
23.2	Bennett (Aus)	Did not compete
23.2	Stock (WG)	8th
23.3	Bakker (Hol)	Did not compete
23.3	Cobian (Cuba)	Elim semi-final
23.4	Hennipman (Hol)	Elim semi-final
23.4	Golard (GB)	Elim semi-final
23.5	Golomasova (SU)	Elim 1st round
23.5	Netter (USA)	Did not compete
23.5	vd Berg (Hol)	Elim 1st round
23.5	Tranter (GB)	Elim 1st round
23.5	Morris (Jam)	Elim semi-final
23.5	Becker (WG)	Did not compete
23.6	Balough (Hun)	Elim 1st round
23.6	Kilborn (Aus)	Did not compete
23.6	Somerville (Aus)	Did not compete
23.6	Sterk (Hol)	Elim 1st round
23.6*	James (GB)	Did not compete
23.6	Peat (GB)	Did not compete
23.6	Telliez (Fra)	Elim 1st round
23.6	Chi Cheng (Tai)	Did not compete
23.6	Balzer (EG)	Did not compete
23.6	Scharkova (SU)	Did not compete
23.6	Burda (SU)	Did not compete
23.6	Quesada (Cuba)	Did not compete
23.6	Romay (Cuba)	Did not compete
23.6	Simpson (GB)	Did not compete

## 400 Meters

52.0	Besson (Fra)	1st
52.1	Board (GB)	2nd
52.2	Burda (SU)	3rd
52.5	Simpson (GB)	4th
52.6	vd Hoeven (Hol)	8th
52.7	Penton (Cuba)	5th
52.7	Scott (USA)	6th
52.8	Henning (WG)	7th
53.2	Louer (Hol)	Did not compete
53.2	vd Maade (Hol)	Did not compete
53.4	Hammond (USA)	Did not compete
53.5	Noirot (Fra)	Elim semi-final
53.5	Stroy (USA)	Elim semi-final
53.6	Rodriguez (Bra)	Did not compete
53.6	Wallgren (Swe)	Elim semi-final
53.8	Nikolic (Yug)	Did not compete
53.9	Govoni (Ita)	Elim 1st round
53.9	Green (GB)	Elim semi-final
54.0	Werbele (SU)	Did not compete
54.0	Birnbaum (EG)	Did not compete
54.0	Chemabwai (Ken)	Elim 1st round
54.1	Brown (Aus)	Elim 1st round
54.1	Chmelkova (Cze)	Elim 1st round
54.1	Morris (Jam)	Elim 1st round
54.2	Bennett (Aus)	Elim 1st round
54.2	Randerz (Swe)	Did not compete
54.3	Covell (Can)	Elim 1st round
54.4	Vilmanis (Aus)	Did not compete
54.4	Munkasi (Hun)	Elim 1st round
54.4	Nikonorova (SU)	Did not compete
54.5	Stirling (GB)	Did not compete
54.5	Drinkwater (USA)	Elim semi-final

## 800 Meters

2:00.5	Nikolic (Yug)	Elim semi-final
2:00.9	Manning (USA)	1st
2:01.8	Silai (Rum)	2nd
2:02.0	Board (GB)	Did not compete
2:02.2	Keiser (Hol)	Elim semi-final
2:02.2	Brown (USA)	5th
2:02.5	vd Maade (Hol)	Elim 1st round
2:02.6	Gommers (Hol)	3rd
2:02.9	Lowe (GB)	6th
2:03.2	Schmidt (EG)	Did not compete
2:03.2	Burneleit (EG)	Elim semi-final
2:03.4	A. Smith (GB)	Did not compete
2:03.7	Wieck (EG)	Elim 1st round
2:03.8	Taylor (GB)	4th
2:04.0	Dupureur (Fra)	8th
2:04.3	Page (GB)	Elim 1st round
2:04.4	Simina (SU)	Elim semi-final
2:04.5	Scott (USA)	Did not compete
2:04.6	Pigni (Ita)	Elim semi-final
2:04.9	Rottmueller (WG)	Did not compete
2:05.4	Potts (NZ)	Elim semi-final
2:05.4	Jehlikova (Cze)	Elim semi-final
2:05.5	Avadkova (Cze)	Did not compete
2:05.7	Stewart (NZ)	Did not compete
2:05.7	Erik (SU)	Elim semi-final
2:05.7	Kleinau (EG)	Did not compete
2:05.7	Ligetkuti (Hun)	Did not compete
2:05.8	Wierzbowska (Pol)	Did not compete

## 80m Hurdles

10.2	Korsakova (SU)	Elim semi-final
10.3	Caird (Aus)	1st
10.4	Kilborn (Aus)	2nd
10.4	Chi Cheng (Tai)	3rd
10.4	Zarubina (SU)	Did not compete
10.4	Talysheva (SU)	8th
10.5	Balzer (EG)	5th
10.5	Iyevlyeva (SU)	Elim 1st round
10.5	Kusnezova (SU)	Did not compete
10.5	v Wolvelaere (US)	4th
10.6	Sukniewicz (Pol)	Elim semi-final
10.6	Schell (WG)	Elim semi-final
10.6	Zebrowska (Pol)	7th
10.6	Kulkova (SU)	Did not compete
10.6	Rallins (USA)	Elim semi-final
10.6	Lubej (Yug)	Elim 1st round
10.6	Straszynska (Pol)	6th
10.6	Bufanu (Rum)	Elim semi-final
10.7	Pease (Aus)	Did not compete
10.7	Nowak (Pol)	Did not compete
10.7	Sharikova (SU)	Did not compete
10.7	Panarai (Ita)	Elim 1st round
10.7	Reichert (WG)	Did not compete
10.7	Rosendahl (WG)	Did not compete
10.7	Pryce (GB)	Elim 1st round
10.7	Yurukova (Bul)	Elim 1st round
10.7	Antenen (Swi)	Elim 1st round
10.7	Larionova (SU)	Did not compete
10.7	Wieslander (Swe)	Elim 1st round

## High Jump

6' 1 $\frac{1}{4}$	Schmidt (EG)	5th
6' 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	Okorokova (SU)	2nd
6' 0	Schulze (EG)	7th
5' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	Rezkova (Cze)	1st
5' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	Kozyr (SU)	3rd
5' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	Valentova (Cze)	4th
5' 11	Gusenbauer (Aut)	8th
5' 11	Gruschkina (SU)	12th
5' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	Blagoyeva (Bul)	Did not qualify
5' 10	Faithova (Cze)	6th
5' 10	Brynzeva (SU)	Did not compete
5' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	Du Plessis (SA)	Did not compete
5' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	Bonci (Rum)	Did not qualify
5' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	Melzer (EG)	Did not compete
5' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	Pushkareva (SU)	Did not compete
5' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	Lazova (Bul)	Did not qualify
5' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	Kostyenko (SU)	Did not compete
5' 9	R. Schulze (EG)	Did not compete
5' 9	Proskova (Cze)	Did not compete
5' 9	Csabi (Hun)	9th (tie)
5' 9	Chenchik (SU)	Did not compete
5' 9	Barnay (Fra)	9th (tie)
5' 9	Inkpen (GB)	13th

Notes:-The World List is taken from the October 29 edition of the German weekly, "Leichtathletik". The only change we have made from their listing was to remove the marks made in the 100m quarter-final first heat where the wind measured 6.0m per second (13.42mph).....So tough were the Olympics that six sprinters ended up with legitimate 11.1 or better for the year.... Pity Jarvis Scott - she entered the competition with the best mark in the world for 400m at 52.9; she improved her time to 52.7 - and moved down to a tie for sixth!!.....The 400m top times were also the top eight finishers - although not exactly in the order of their best performances. The high jump also was fairly "legit" - but the finish places did not match season marks.....Biggest flop of the Games were the Russian sprinters and hurdlers with only veteran (31) Talisheva making the final - and she finished last in the hurdles.

# 1968 WORLD LIST (Continued)

## Long Jump

22' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Viscopol'nu (Ru)	1st
21' 11"	Sherwood (GB)	2nd
21' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Szewinska (Pol)	Did not qualify
21' 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Talisheva (SU)	3rd
21' 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Rosendahl (WG)	8th
21' 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Wieczorek (EG)	4th
21' 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Berthelsen (Nor)	7th
21' 5"	Lohnert (EG)	14th
21' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Becker (WG)	6th
21' 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Bornholdt (WG)	Did not qualify
21' 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Trio (Ita)	Did not compete
21' 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Sarna (Pol)	5th
21' 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Ringa (SU)	Did not qualify
21' 2"	Odogwu (Nig)	9th
21' 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Hauer (EG)	Did not compete
21' 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Watson (USA)	10th
21' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	White (USA)	11th
21' 0"	Wilson (GB)	13th
20' 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Ducas (Fra)	Did not compete
20' 10"	Kroiter (SU)	Did not compete
20' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Barton (GB)	Did not qualify
20' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Uhlemann (EG)	Did not compete
20' 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Kunzel (WG)	Did not compete
20' 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Bakker (Hol)	Did not compete

## Shot Put

64' 4"	Gummel (EG)	1st
61' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Lange (EG)	2nd
61' 3"	Chizhova (SU)	3rd
58' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Bognar (Hun)	4th
58' 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Boy (EG)	5th
57' 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Christova (Bul)	6th
56' 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Fuchs (WG)	7th
55' 11"	Friedrich (EG)	Did not compete
55' 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Solonzova (SU)	9th
55' 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	v Noorduy (Hol)	8th
54' 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Zybina (SU)	Did not compete
53' 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Friedel (EG)	Did not compete
53' 11 $\frac{1}{8}$ "	Schaffer (WG)	10th
53' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Sedelnikova (SU)	Did not compete
53' 1"	Salagean (Rum)	Did not compete
51' 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Chorbova (Bul)	Did not compete
51' 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Huber (WG)	Did not compete
51' 8"	Peters (GB)	Did not compete
51' 8"	Nekrosova (SU)	Did not compete
51' 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Westermann (WG)	Did not compete
51' 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Bedford (GB)	Did not compete
51' 3"	Khmelevskaya (SU)	Did not compete
51' 0 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Zhdanova (SU)	Did not compete
50' 11"	Kolb (EG)	Did not compete
50' 11"	Schubert (EG)	Did not compete
50' 7"	Kleiber (Hun)	Did not compete

## Discus Throw

205' 2"	Westermann (WG)	2nd
202' 2"	Spielberg (EG)	7th
201' 11"	Illgen (EG)	10th
196' 3"	Popova (SU)	5th
194' 10"	Otto (EG)	4th
194' 3"	Manoliu (Rum)	1st
190' 9"	Stagner (Rum)	11th
190' 4"	Kleiber (Hun)	3rd
188' 10"	Muravyeva (SU)	9th
186' 3"	Catarama (Rum)	13th
184' 11"	Bognar (Hun)	Did not compete
184' 4"	Khmelevskaya (S)	Did not compete
183' 0"	Trepscheck (EG)	Did not compete
182' 7"	Berendonk (WG)	8th
182' 3"	Schubert (EG)	Did not compete
181' 10"	Danilova (SU)	Did not compete
180' 7"	Parts (SU)	Did not compete
179' 3"	Nemcova (Cze)	Did not compete
178' 10"	Solonzova (SU)	Did not compete
177' 6"	Mickler (EG)	Did not compete
176' 1"	Lotz (EG)	Did not compete
175' 10"	Stoyeva (Bul)	Did not compete
175' 0"	Connolly (USA)	6th
174' 10"	Roberts (NZ)	15th
174' 8"	Sivoplysova (SU)	Did not compete

## Javelin Throw

198' 0"	Nemeth (Hun)	1st
196' 8"	Jaworska (Pol)	5th
196' 7"	Penes (Rum)	2nd
191' 2"	Koloska (WG)	7th
190' 11"	Janko (Aut)	3rd
189' 4"	Fuchs (EG)	Did not compete
186' 10"	H.Schulze (EG)	Did not compete
186' 0"	Friedrich (USA)	9th
185' 3"	Evert (SU)	14th
184' 11"	Rudas (Hun)	4th
183' 6"	Tsymosh (SU)	10th
183' 4"	V.Popova (SU)	Did not compete
182' 5"	Platt (GB)	15th
182' 5"	Launela (Fin)	8th
182' 1"	Urbanic (Yug)	6th
181' 0"	Borner (EG)	Did not compete
180' 11"	Brommel (WG)	Did not compete
179' 4"	Dahlgren (Can)	13th
179' 3"	Krawiewicz (Po)	12th
179' 2"	Bair (USA)	11th
176' 11"	Bocson (Aus)	Did not compete
176' 4"	Strasser (Aut)	Did not compete
175' 4"	Moskalyenko (SU)	Did not compete
174' 2"	Zhelyazkova (Bu)	Did not compete
173' 10"	Friedel (EG)	Did not compete

## Pentathlon

5129	Rosendahl (WG)	Did not compete
5098	Becker (WG)	1st
5038	Sofina (SU)	Did not finish
5008	Tikhomirova (SU)	4th
4966	Prokop (Aut)	2nd
4958	Toth (Hun)	3rd
4901	Bauer (EG)	7th
4890	Bornholdt (WG)	5th
4889	Uhlemann (EG)	19th
4877	Winslow (USA)	6th
4876	Yurukova (Bul)	14th
4848	Antenen (Swe)	8th
4844	Chi Cheng (Tai)	Did not compete
4841	Wilson (GB)	16th
4840	Trio (Ita)	Did not compete
4803	Lohnert (EG)	Did not compete
4797	Ackermans (Hol)	17th
4796	Scott (GB)	10th
4774	Meldrum (Can)	11th
4771	Bystrova (SU)	Did not compete
4770	Sizyakova (SU)	Did not compete
4764	Lubej (Yug)	12th
4736	Hansen (Den)	13th
4733	Berthelsen (Nor)	18th
4733	Kuzmina (SU)	Did not compete

## 400m Relay

42.8	USA	1st
43.3	Cuba	2nd
43.4	Soviet Union	3rd
43.4	Holland	4th
43.4	Australia	5th
43.6	West Germany	6th
43.7	Great Britain	7th
44.2	France	8th
44.6	East Germany	Did not compete
44.6	Hungary	Did not qualify
44.7	Poland	Did not qualify
44.7	Canada	Did not qualify
45.2	Nigeria	Did not qualify
45.3	Czechoslovakia	Did not compete
45.9	South Africa	Did not compete



400m Finish. Left to right: Pechenkina (SU) 3rd, Simpson (GB) 4th, van der Hoeven (Holland) 8th, Besson (France) 1st, Scott (USA) 6th, Henning (WG) 7th, Penton (Cuba) 5th and Board (GB) 2nd. (Don Wilkinson photo)

# CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

The 1968 National Cross Country Championships will be held in Frederick, Maryland, about 40 miles west of Baltimore, on Saturday, November 30. Entry blanks and information may be obtained from Jack Griffin, 533 Grant Place, Frederick. Entries close on November 20.

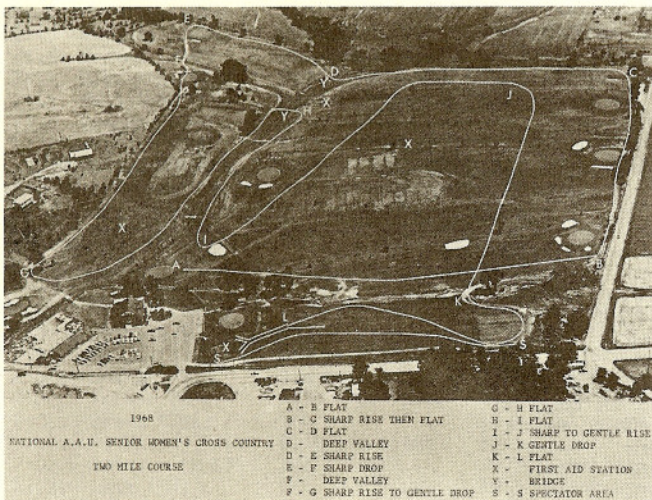
Elaborate preparations have been made to insure the success of the meet. An excellent course has been laid out as may be seen from the photographs - a course that will challenge the best of our long distance runners.

As part of the preparations, the Committee has acquired the use of a photo-replay camera to record the finish in addition to a tape recorder and the usual assemblage of people recorders. The finish chute will be over 200 feet long to assist in the proper scoring. Team members will wear black numbers and the unattached runners will wear red numbers.

To complete the plans, the meet management is hosting the entire gathering at a Maryland Turkey dinner following the races.

Competition will be held in the Senior Division (2.0 miles) which will be the official qualifying run for the International Cross Country Championships to be held in Scotland next March, a 12/13 Division (1.0 mile) and an 11/Under Division (0.75 mile). Only suggestion for the future is to increase the distance of the younger girl's race for at the end of only 3/4 mile the judges will find these runners crossing the finish line in a pack and everyone full of run.

Our congratulations to Jack Griffin, C. C. Jackson, the Frederick Junior Chamber of Commerce and all others who have helped in the planning of this Championship affair.



## HOLLYWOOD XC RUN

Hollywood, California, September 28:-Marie Mulder, on the comeback trail, won an easy victory in the Women's Two Mile run as the Hollywood Athletic Club sponsored the weekly SPA AAU run at Griffith Park's hilly, grass and dirt track.

Young Debbie Heald defeated a good field in winning the 12/13 Division mile run in 6:04. Among Debbie's victims were Diane Byington, Debbie Norris, Michele Timpke, Karen Hurlocker and Karen Kosmala. The 12/13 Division continues to provide the toughest competition in this district.

**RESULTS:-Women's Division (2.0 miles):** 1-Marie Mulder (LB Comets) 12:53; 2-Margo Chapman (Hollywood AC) 13:58; 3-Lyn Carmen (Un) 14:39; 4-Val Hennessey Morgan (LBC) 14:54; 5-Adele Pitts (LBC) 15:01. Number of competitors - 7.  
**Girl's Division (1.5 miles):** 1-Juin DesRosiers (Simi Valley) 9:56; 2-Ann Wheeler (Ontario-Montclair TC) 10:16; 3-Tina Stough (LBC) 10:45; 4-Monette Driscoll (HAC) 11:08; 5-Lisa Lucker (Un) 11:11. Number of competitors - 6.  
**Novice Division (0.75 mile):** 1-Susan Kinsey (Crescenta-Canada TC) 4:15; 2-Alberta Martin (CCTC) 4:17; 3-Marilyn McClung (SCM) 4:18; 4-Debbie Meyer (Cabrillo TC) 4:19; 5-Anne Hall (CTC) 4:28. Number of competitors - 11.  
**12/13 Division (1.0 mile):** 1-Debbie Heald (Hutchinson TC) 6:04; 2-Diane Byington (Rialto Road Runners) 6:25; 3-Debbie Norris (SCM) 6:26; 4-Michele Timpke (OMTC) 6:27; 5-Karen Hurlocker (HTC); 6-Karen Kosmala (HTC) 6:32. Number

of competitors - 32. Team scores: 1-Hutchinson TC 24; 2-Rialto 44; 3-Ontario-Montclair 66; 4-Hollywood AC 116.  
**10/11 Division (0.75 mile):** 1-Ruth Kleinsasser (Vikings) 4:03; 2-Jean Aguilera (RRR) 4:07; 3-Roberta Gomez (Fontana) 4:09; 4-Julie Aguilera (RRR) 4:09; 5-Lauren Traister (OMTC) 4:10. Number of competitors - 38. Team scores: 1-Rialto 22; 2-Fontana 54; 3-Ontario-Montclair 65.  
**9/Under Division (0.75 mile):** 1-Oaula Marshall (OMTC) 4:28; 2-Julie Slawson (FTC) 4:29; 3-Malia DeLos Santos (OMTC) 4:30; 4-Michelle Klein (SCM) 4:32; 5-Heidi Rodewald (OMTC) 4:33. Number of competitors - 35. Team scores: 1-Ontario-Montclair TC 29; 2-Fontana 42; 3-Rialto 53.  
 Total number of competitors - 136

## 347 RUNNERS AT CANADIAN RUN

Richmond, BC, Canada, October 6:-A total of 347 competitors participated in the 7th Annual Richmond Cross Country Championships here today. The races, held at Minoru Park, brought out the top performers in all age groups and good performances were the rule.

**RESULTS: 10/Under Division (1.0m):** 1-Rhona Jamieson (James Whiteside) 5:59; 2-Cindy Peterson (James Gilmore) 6:00; 3-Linda Naranjo (Whiteside) 6:04; 4-Susan Lee (Errington) 6:14; 5-Christine Gibson (Gilmore) 6:15. Team scores: 1-Gilmore 51; 2-Errington 102; 3-Whiteside 120; 4-Walter Lee 122. Number of competitors - 100.  
**11/12 Division (1.0m):** 1-Chery Falls (Blundell) 5:51.8; 2-Sharon Staples (Whiteside) 5:52.0; 3-Shelley Betts (Blundell) 5:53; 4-Ann Martin 5:54; 5-Marsha Greba (Errington) 5:57. Team scores: 1-Blundell 61; 2-Lee 103; 3-Gilmore 120; 4-Whiteside 123; 5-Errington 140; 6-Thompson 175; 7-Garden City 187. Number of competitors - 125.  
**13/14 Division (1.0m):** 1-Sheila Hutchein (McRoberts) 5:24; 2-Brenda Batcheler (Lee) 5:44; 3-Kathy Lannon (Woodward) 5:50; 4-Cathy Russell (Errington) 5:54; 5-Laura Wilson (Cambie) 5:55. Team scores: 1-McRoberts 97; 2-Blundell 105; 3-Errington 143; 4-Gilmore 149. Number of competitors - 96.  
**15/16 Division (1.0m):** 1-Cheryl Spowage (Palmer) 5:24.4; 2-Christine Schella (P) 6:02; 3-Louisa Zerbe (P) 6:08; 4-Della Setchell (Boyd) 6:13; 5-Susan Morris (Boyd) 6:17. Team scores: 1-Palmer 30; 2-Boyd 37. Number of competitors - 23.  
**Women's Open Division (2.5m):** 1-Pat Mills (UBC) 14:11; 2-Daphne Nicholls (Richmond) 15:32; 3-Kathie Stark (McRoberts) 23:43.

## ARIZONA CANAL ROAD RUN

Phoenix, Arizona, October 12: Kathy Gibbons scored an easy win over Ruth Brand and Jan Glotzer as the Arizonians raced along their famous Canals. Gibbons covered the two miles in 11:43.

**RESULTS: Open Division (2.0m):** 1-Kathy Gibbons (Phoenix Flyers) 11:43; 2-Ruth Brand (Phoenix TC) 12:17; 3-Jan Glotzer (PTC) 14:43; 4-Karen Messana (West HS) 14:53; 5-Jill Springston (PTC) 15:08.  
**12/13 Division (1.0m):** 1-Anne Gallaher (PF) 5:43; 2-Tanya Gould (PF) 5:47; 3-Nancy Thompson (PTC) 5:55; 4-Sandy Goldsmith (PTC) 6:12; 5-Susan Holmes (PTC) 6:24.  
**10/11 Division (0.75m):** 1-Diane Owen (Valley of the Sun TC) 4:20; 2-Venetia Patrick (PF) 4:26; 3-Lou Ann Bolick (VOS) 4:31; 4-Diane Walker (VOS) 4:34; 5-Christy Bigelow (PF) 4:35.  
**9/Under Division (0.5m):** 1-Sandra Ship (VOS) 3:00; 2-Debbie Cassity (VOS) 3:05; 3-Liz Dufour (PF) 3:09; 4-Vickie Murray (VOS) 3:18; 5-Bev Wolf (VOS) 3:20. Total number of competitors - 42

## INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY RUN

Terre Haute, Indiana, October 13:-Indiana State University held their first open cross country meet and fielded one of the few collegiate women's cross country teams in the USA. The team is coached by Miss Dorothy Richey, Women's PE instructor. Home-towner Cherrie Bridges obliterated the field with a victory of more than 1½ minutes. Perennial chaser Lori Schutt was runner-up.

**RESULTS: Open Division (2.0 miles):** 1-Cherrie Bridges (Indiana State University) 11:41; 2-Lori Schutt (Un) 13:17; 3-Leanna Haring (Kirkwood) 13:27; 4-Jean Benkert (K) 13:46; 5-Gail Sours (K) 14:00. Number of competitors - 31.  
**13/Under Division (1.0 mile):** 1-Cindi Taylor (Ozark) 6:45; 2-Jody Conley (Ozark) 6:57; 3-Julie Reichard (Kirkwood) 7:08; 4-Joyce Martin (K) 7:12; 5-Angie Beal (K) 7:15. Number of competitors - 9.



# CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

## GULF ASSOCIATION

Houston, Texas, October 12:-RESULTS: Ladies 440 yard dash on grass (any age - the ladies, not the grass); 1-Carlleen Groves (Houston Striders) 63.2; 2-Jerldine Taylor (Metro TC) 64.2; 3-Janet Gipson (Ft. Worth TC) 67.3. 13/Under One Mile Run: 1-Mary Rivera (Texas TC) 6:35; 2-Vicki Clark (Houston Astrobelles) 6:39; 3-Connie Bryant (HA) 6:49. Ladies Division (Two Mile Run): 1-Marsha Null (TTC) 12:58; 2-Nancy Norvell (HS) 13:36; 3-Elizabeth Labome (HS) 14:36. Total number of competitors - 36.

## FONTANA XC RUN

Fontana, California, October 6:-Once again the 12/13 year old Division stole the show at the weekly SPAAAU cross country montage. Youngsters Debbie Heald, Diane Byington, Karen Kosmala, Karen Hurlocker and Debbie Norris hooked up in a one mile duel and finished in that order. All five athletes are among the leading 12/13 year old distance runners in the nation. In the girl's division 1.5m run, Maria Stearns showed her "short course" triumph at the Long Beach beach run was no fluke with a 32 second win over Ann Wheeler. Maureen Dickson continued her dominance over the women runners and Ruth Kleinsasser scored a mild upset in winning the 10/11 year old run. A total of 154 athletes competed.

RESULTS: Women's Distance Run (4.8m): 1-Judy Ikenberry (Un) 29:22; 2-Angie VanderBorgt (Cal Poly) 30:34; 3-Juin Desrosiers (Simi Valley) 31:59; 4-Lyn Carmen (Un) 32:14. Women's Open Division (2.0m): 1-Maureen Dickson (Santa Monica TC) 11:47; 2-Kathy Dosh (SMTC) 11:56; 3-Kathy DeStout (Un) 12:49; 4-Carol Goya (LBC) 13:03; 5-Cisela Stearns (SMTC) 14:42. Girl's Division (1.5m): 1-Marie Stearns (Un) 8:06; 2-Ann Wheeler (OMTC) 8:38; 3-Jan Miller (Un) 8:45; 4-Michele Marcu (San Gabriel) 9:04; 5-Adell Pitts (LBC) 9:17. Novice Division (0.75m): 1-JoAnne Gilbreath (CCTC) 5:05; 2-Marilyn McClung (SCM) 5:18; 3-Kathy Leineke (Ventura TC) 5:20; 4-Tonny Goodrich (VTC) 5:30; 5-Betty Taylor (VTC) 5:57. 12/13 Division (1.0m): 1-Debbie Heald (HTC) 5:50; 2-Diane Byington (RRR) 5:52; 3-Karen Kosmala (HTC) 5:53; 4-Karen Jurlocker (HTC) 6:11; 5-Debbie Norris (SCM) 6:13. Team scores: 1-Hutchinson TC 24; 2-Rialto Road Runners 32; 3-Ontario-Montclair TC 75. 10/11 Division (0.75m): 1-Ruth Kleinsasser (Vikings) 4:47; 2-Michele Timpke (OMTC) 4:48; 3-Jean Aguilera (RRR) 4:57; 4-Lauen Traister (OMTC) 5:01; 5-Erika VanGores (SCM) 5:02. Team scores: 1-RRR "A" 30, 2-Fontana "A" 48; 3-Ontario-Montclair TC 66; 4-Fontana "B" 107; 5-RRR "B" 114. 9/Under Division (0.75m): 1-Paula Marshall (OMTC) 5:15; 2-Julie Slawson (Fontana) 5:22; 3-Donna Mueller (Vikings) 5:23; 4-Malia DeLosSantos (OMTC) 5:25; 5-Kim Cantu (Fontana) 5:29. Team scores: 1-Fontana "A" 34; 2-Ontario-Montclair 37; 3-RRR 75; 4-Fontana "B" 93; 5-Fontana "C" 115. Number of competitors - 44.

## PACIFIC ASSOCIATION

Sacramento, California, October 12: Another on the comeback trail, Dino Lowrey, won an impressive victory over the Sacramento State College two mile cross country course. The run was over a hilly and sandy course and was run in the rain. One hundred and fifteen athletes completed the run in four divisions.

RESULTS: Women's Division (2.0 miles): 1-Dino Lowrey (Will's Spikettes) 11:38; 2-Rose Gilbert (WS) 11:44; 3-Diane Smith (WS) 11:49; 4-Mary Franklin (Stockton TC) 12:03; 5-Kathy Wilkerson (Roseville AC); 6-Pat Cole (CCTC) 12:14. Number of competitors - 38. Team scores: 1-Will's "A" 22; 2-Will's "B" 84; 3-Lassen 88; 4-Stockton 91. 12/13 Division (1.0 mile): 1-Debbie Dobbins (WS) 5:12; 2-Eileen Claugue (WS) 5:15; 3-Sandy Langan (WS) 5:21; 4-Gail Sturzen (RAC) 5:26; 5-Glenna Stephens (WS) 5:30. Number of competitors - 25. Team scores: 1-Will's 17; 2-Roseville AC 51; 3-United San Juan 118. 10/11 Division (1.0 mile): 1-Elizabeth Dunlap (WS) 5:36; 2-Sharon Georgis (WS) 5:47; 3-Carol Hyrkas (USJ) 5:55; 4-Linda Mayer (WS) 6:01; 5-Julie Sponseller (WS) 6:02. Number of competitors - 33. Team scores: 1-Will's 22; 2-Roseville AC 47; 3-United San Juan 68. 9/Under Division (1.0 mile): 1-Gayle Protteau (WS) 5:46; 2-C. Avella (USJ) 6:07; 3-Lisa Mayer (WS) 6:09; 4-Sheila Schneider (Redwood City Striders) 6:19; 5-Kitt Carsten (WS) 6:23. Number of competitors - 19. Team scores: 1-Will's 23; 2-United San Juan 32.

## CONFUSION WINS AGAIN

Whidbey, Island, Washington, October 12:-Confusion, the unofficial winner at the Long Beach (Calif) Beach Run last month, moved north to claim another victory at the Coupeville Invitational Cross Country Run at Fort Casey State Park. In the Women's Open Division the six entries from the Falcon Track Club all ended up running "different courses" - and from this assortment of courses Judy Oliver was declared the winner. The reason for the choice of Oliver over the others has not been stated, but it is interesting to note in the report of the site, the course is listed as covering "varied terrain".

RESULTS: Women's Division (Various distances over varied terrain): 1-Judy Oliver, 2-Lynette Matthews, 3-Linda Oades, 4-Gail Davis, 5-Virginia Husted. No time. Girl's Division (1.75 miles): 1-Denise Matson (Fledglings) 10:41; 2-Diane Swegle (Seattle Dynamics) 10:48; 3-Barbara Johnson (Angels) 10:53; 4-Debbie Newing (Angels) 11:20; 5-Joan Pirie (Angels) 11:26. Team winner - Angels TC. Number of competitors - 13. 12/13 Division (0.75 mile): 1-Linda Howe (Fledglings) 4:33; 2-Doris Monstad (Angels) 5:14; 3-Jackie Guishard (Dynamics) 5:15; 4-Nancy Sorenson (Dyn) 5:16; 5-Linda Carter (Fl) 5:19. Team scores: 1-Fledglings "A" 32; 2-Angels "A" 48; 3-Fledgling "B" 91; 4-Angels "B" 99. Number of competitors - 30. 11/Under Division (0.75 mile): 1-Janice Day (Fl) 5:00; 2-Barbara Fields (Fl) 5:06; 3-Karen Sorenson (Dyn) 5:08; 4-Kim Birnner (Ang) 5:16; 5-Jennie Riggan (Fl) 5:19. Team scores: 1-Fledglings 22; 2-Angels 36. Number of competitors - 16. Total number of competitors - 65.

## SPAAAU DISTANCE RELAYS

Rialto, California, October 13:-Meet Director Dennis Ikenberry, the USA's prime promoter of Long-long distance running, staged an interesting day of competition for the female distance runners. On a tough, hilly course of dirt and deep sand, the host Rialto Roadrunners conducted a 5x2.0m women's relay, a 5x1.0m 12/13 year-old relay and a 5x0.75m relay for the 10/11 year olds. In addition, the usual open races were held and a total of 148 athletes completed the day's festivities.

RESULTS: Women's Open Relay (5x2m): 1-Unattached (and unofficial) team, 1 hr 28:30, (Angie VanderBorgt 16:53, Yolanda Saavedra 18:21, Ann Wheeler 17:56, Lynn Carmen 18:13 and Judy Ikenberry 17:07); 2-LB Comets, 1 hr 31:35, (Marie Mulder 16:03, Adele Pitts 18:17, Tina Stough 20:19, Val Hennessey Morgan 18:24, Carol Goya 18:32); 3-Crown Cities TC, 1 hr, 46:22 (Alberta Martin 21:38, Barbara Leigh 22:18, JoAnn Leigh 21:07, Joane Gilbreath 21:35, Kim Bradford 19:44); 4-Ventura Girl's TC 1 hr 58:45. Women's Division Open Run (2.0m): 1-Rhonda Kerr (Lakewood Spartans) 20:11; 2-Pat Powers (LBC) 20:39; 3-Debbie Beasley (Ontario-Montclair TC) 21:57; 4-Cheryl Follin (Back Bay TC) 22:10; 5-Kathy Smallwood (BBTC) 23:54. 12/13 Division 5x1m Relay: 1-Hutchinson TC 40:38, (Carol Burkhard 8:25, Reeny Westcott 8:13, Karen Hurlocker 8:21, Debbie Heald 7:24, Karen Kosmala 7:57); 2-Ontario-Montclair TC 42:22 (Michele Timpke 7:59); 3-Rialto Roadrunners 42:29 (Diane Byington 7:55); 4-Hutchinson TC "B", 44:17; 5-Ventura Girl's TC 45:29; 6-O-M "B" 47:00. 10/13 Division Individual Race (1.0): 1-Debbie Norris (SCM) 8:07; 2-Jana Karnes (LBC) 8:27; 3-Ruth Kleinsasser (Vikings) 8:32; 4-Denise Norris (SCM) 8:54; 5-Liz McDonald (LBC) 9:07. Number of competitors - 26. 10/11 Division 5x0.75m Relay: 1-Rialto Roadrunners "A", 42:16, (Diane Wyand 8:31, Effie Jordan 8:35, Rosie Saavedra 7:49, Sandy Snook 9:38, Jean Aguilera 7:43); 2-RR "B", 44:13 (Doreen Assumma 8:15, Sue White 8:20); 3-Fontana Cinderbells 45:52; 4-SC Missiles 46:34; 5-RR "C" 51:35; 6-Ventura Girl's TC 53:42. 9/Under 5x0.75m Relay: 1-Ontario-Montclair TC 47:54, (Malia DeLos Santos 9:09, Donna Traister 10:27, Lori Irvin 9:29, Heidi Rodewald 9:09, Paula Marshall 9:40); 2-Fontana Cinderbells 48:43 (Linda Brodock 9:10, Kim Cantu 9:06); 3-Hutchinson TC 50:29; 4-RR 51:16. 9/Under Division Individual Race (0.75m): 1-Donna Mueller (Vikings) 9:30; 2-Kathy Anno (Lakewood Spartans) 9:49; 3-Pam Fowler (SCM) 9:59; 4-Debbie Kudler (HTC) 10:37; 5-Vicki Jones (OMTC) 11:04. Number of competitors - 17.

## KETTERING, OHIO

Kettering, Ohio, October 19: The Wolverine Parkettes had no trouble winning the team title at the Kettering Invitational Cross Country Run here today. Led by Vicki Slater the Parkettes annexed the 12/13 Division with 18 points, a near-perfect score. The Kettering Striders won both the 10/11 and the 9/under Division titles as 55 young athletes took part.

**RESULTS: 12/13 Division (1.0m):** 1-Vicki Slater (Wolverine Parkettes) 5:36; 2-Karen Zimmerman (WP) 5:48; 3-Mahala Ewell (Flint TC) 5:57; 4-Donna Shell (Kettering Striders) 5:58; 5-Sandi Hammerle (WP) 6:07. Team scores: 1-Wolverine Parkettes 18; 2-Flint TC 42; 3-Toledo RRC 70. **10/11 Division (0.75m):** 1-Teri Seippel (KS) 4:16; 2-Jody Drake (KS) 4:17; 3-Joy Jarvis (KS) 4:21; 4-Nanette DuChamp (WP) 4:26; 5-Betty Shell (KS) 4:27. Team scores: 1-Kettering Striders 18; 2-Wolverine Parkettes 37; 3-KS "B" 65. **9/under Division (0.5m):** 1-Patti Fisher (WP) 2:58; 2-Janet Jarvis (KS) 2:58; 3-Mary Ann Jones (WP) 2:59; 4-Danna Pheaniss (KS) 3:07; 5-Beverly Jarvis (KS) 3:07. Team scores: 1-Kettering Striders 26; 2-Wolverine Parkettes 31.

## GIBBONS WINS AT PHOENIX

Phoenix, Arizona, October 26: Ruth Brand, who lost by 34 seconds to Kathy Gibbons two weeks earlier, closed to 18 seconds today but still chased the young Phoenix Flyer across the line as the Open Arizona Cross Country Meet was held at Washington Park.

**RESULTS: Open Division (2.0m):** 1-Kathy Gibbons (Phoenix Flyers) 11:07; 2-Ruth Brand (Phoenix TC) 11:25; 3-Lisa Chia-vario (Albuquerque OC) 11:48; 4-Kathy Ford (Duke City Dashers) 12:42; 5-Ann DeHart (DCD) 12:43. Team winner: Duke City Dashers 15 points. **12/13 Division (1.0m):** 1-Carol Hudson (AOC) 5:22.8; 2-Anne Gallaher (PF) 5:23; 3-Nancy Ihrman (PTC) 5:25; 4-Vicky Duhon (AOC) 5:26; 5-Tanya Gould (PF) 5:42. Team scores: 1-AOC 22, 2-PF 46. **10/11 Division (0.75m):** 1-Diane Owen (VOSTC) 4:11.9; 2-Venetia Patrick (PF) 4:12; 3-Viann Gallegous (DCD) 4:21; 4-Chris Bigelow (PF) 4:22; 5-Lou Ann Bolick (VOS) 4:26. Team scores: 1-VOS 34, 2-PF 40, 3-VOS 49. **9/Under Division (0.5m):** 1-Jackee Strickland (AOC) 2:50; 2-Sandra Ship (VOS) 2:55; 3-Debbie Cassidy (VOS) 3:02; 4-Liz Dufour (PF) 3:05; 5-Terry Hewitt (PF) 3:07. Team winner, VOS 15. Total number of competitors - 80.

## FIRST-EVER OHIO STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

from Michael Oliver

Toledo, Ohio, October 26:-The State of Ohio, for the first time in history, staged a Cross Country Championship and results were very encouraging. The tough course, involving several hills (7 of them), was made even tougher by the rain and 40 degree weather and was wet and grassy all the way.

Unknown Grace Butcher and young veteran Nancy Shafer hooked up in a real duel as the Open and 14/17 Divisions were run together for the sake of competition. Butcher, looking very good, edged Shafer by four seconds as the two runners finished more than a minute ahead of any other athlete. By a strange coincidence, each competing Club ended up with at least one Division Championship and one individual winner.

**RESULTS: Open Senior Division (1.9 miles):** 1-Grace Butcher (Unattached) 11:23; 2-Kathy Maher (Toledo Road Runners) 12:35; 3-Chris Tucholski (TRR) 12:56; 4-Beth Hutson (Ohio TC) 13:25; 5-Laurie Tucholski (TRR) 13:28. Team winner: Toledo Road Runners. **14/17 Division (1.9 miles):** 1-Nancy Shafer (Canton TC) 11:27; 2-Pat Skelley (CTC) 13:03; 3-Kathy Watters (CTC) 13:08; 4-Sue Waltenbaugh (CTC) 13:16; 5-Pat Adams (Ohio TC) 16:16. Team winner: Canton Track Club. **12/13 Division (1.0 mile):** 1-Nancy Andrew (TRR) 6:40; 2-Terry Seippel (Kettering Striders) 6:43; 3-Debbie Wilczynski (TRR) 6:50; 4-Pat Hanna (TRR); 5-Jody Drake (KS). Team winner: Toledo Road Runners. **10/11 Division (0.75 mile):** 1-Kathy Musshel (Ohio TC) 4:56; 2-Debbie Stevens (KS) 4:59; 3-Laurie Wilson (KS) 5:08; 4-Chris Farris (KS) 5:09; 5-Julia Beck (KS) 5:10. Team winner: Kettering Striders. **9/Under Division (0.50 mile):** 1-Donna Pheaniss (KS) 3:21; 2-Donna Grubbs (KS) 3:31; 3-Tina Beck (KS) 3:37; 4-Nancy Nichols (TRR) 3:38; 5-Wave Bice (KS) 3:42. Team winner: Kettering Striders.

# CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

## VENTURA MEET

Ventura, California, November 3: California cross country runners had a new experience here today as they ran in the RAIN over a grassy, hilly course at Ventura's Arroyo Verde Park.

Both the Long Beach Comets and the Santa Monica AA are getting together strong teams which could be a factor in the coming National Championships in Maryland this month. In the Women's Division Maureen Dickson scored a 52 second win over the "new" Marie Mulder at 2.0 miles, while in the Girl's Division mile and a half jaunt Maria Stearns was even more impressive with a 70 second win over Santa Monica teammate Jan Miller.

**RESULTS: Women's Division (2.0m):** 1-Maureen Dickson (SMAA) 11:16; 2-Marie Mulder (LBC) 12:08; 3-Kathy Dosch (SMAA) 12:27; 4-Angie VandeBorgt (Un) 12:49; 5-Carol Goya (LBC) 13:07. Team winners: 1-LBC 24; 2-SMAA 34. Number of competitors - 15. **Girl's Division (1.5m):** 1-Maria Stearns (SMAA) 8:10; 2-Jan Miller (SMAA) 9:20; 3-Juin DesRosiers (Simi Valley) 9:31; 4-Yolanda Saavedra (Rialto) 9:33; 5-Betty Payson (Simi) 9:54. Team winner: Cabrillo TC 15. Number of competitors - 19. **Novice Division (0.75m):** 1-Kathy Lieneke (Ventura) 4:12; 2-Marilyn McClung (SCM) 4:52; 3-Betty Taylor (VTC) 4:53.....7-Jan Svendsen (Un) 5:04. Number of competitors - 8. **12/13 Division (1.0m):** 1-Debbie Norris (SCM) 5:54; 2-Kristy Lieneke (VTC) 5:57; 3-Karol Stewart (Simi) 6:03; 4-Jody Peterson (Orinda-Montclair TC) 6:05; 5-Gracie Escobedo (OMTC) 6:06.....8-Diane Byington (Rialto) 6:09. Team scores: 1-Hutchinson TC 24, 2-Rialto 31. Number of competitors - 33. **10/11 Division (1.0m):** 1-Karen Kosmala (Hutchinson TC) 5:56; 2-Julie Wygle (VTC) 6:17; 3-Cynthia McNab (SCM) 6:20; 4-Jean Aguilera (RRR); 5-Effie Jordan (RRR) 6:23. Team scores: 1-Rialto "A" 18; 2-Fontana 51; 3-Rialto "B" 78. Number of competitors - 40. **9/Under Division (0.75m):** 1-Jacque Strickland (Albuquerque) 4:56; 2-Traci Green (VTC) 4:58; 3-Donna Mueller (Vikings) 5:02; 4-Michele Klein (SCM) 5:04; 5-Donna Trainset (OMTC) 5:11. Team scores: 1-Hutchinson TC 37; 2-Fontana "A" 38; 3-Ventura TC 52; 4-Fontana "B" 95. Number of competitors - 38. Total number of competitors - 153.

## Kathy Gibbons Wins SPAAU Championship

Inglewood, California, November 10:-On the beautiful, grassy, hilly course at Inglewood's Centinella Park, young Kathy Gibbons of the Phoenix Flyers scored an upset win over favored Mo Dickson in the Annual SPAAU District Championships. Marie Mulder led for the first 1 1/4 miles, but suffered stomach cramps and was forced to drop out. Gibbons was running in fourth position at that time, some 40 yards behind the leaders. Dickson took over the lead and held it until the final straight when Gibbons stormed past with all throttles blasting to win by eight seconds. Ruth Brand of the Phoenix Track Club was third.

Marie Stearns won the Girl's Division 1 1/2 mile race with ease over Debbie Norris. Debbie Heald annexed the 12/13 mile run and what a future this young lady has. Ruth Kleinsasser won the 10/11 division and Marilyn McClung edged Joanne Gilbreath to win the Novice Division.

**Partial Results: Women's Division (2.0m):** 1-Kathy Gibbons (Phoenix Flyers) 11:45; 2-Maureen Dickson (SMAA) 11:53; 3-Ruth Brand (Phoenix TC) 12:38; 4-Judy Ikenberry (Rialto RR) 12:46; 5-Kathy Dosch (SMAA) 12:59; 6-Carol Goya (LBC) 13:09. **Girl's Division (1.5m):** 1-Maria Stearns (Un) 9:26; 2-Debbie Norris (SCM) 10:05; 3-Juin Des Rosiers (Simi) 10:20; 4-Jan Miller (Un) 10:42. **Novice Division (0.75m):** 1-Marilyn McClung (SCM) 4:38; 2-Joanne Gilbreath (CCTC) 4:43; 3-Kathy Lieneke (Ventura) 5:12. **12/13 Division (1.0m):** 1-Debbie Heald (Hutchinson TC), nt. **10/11 Division (1.0m):** 1-Ruth Kleinsasser (Vikings) nt.

Long Beach, California, November 8:-Four-time Olympian and 1956 Olympic discus champion Olga Connolly, evidently is preparing for the 1972 Games in Munich for today she threw to her lifetime best with 54.38/178'5 in an All Comers meet. Her previous best was in winning the 1956 Games at 175'1 1/2.

## THE OLYMPIC GAMES - COMRADSHIP OF NATIONS by Sharon Callahan

The Olympic Games held in Mexico City was the most fantastic experience I have ever had. It is something every athlete, including myself, dreams about from the very first day they begin to train. It was the culmination of all my highest hopes.

When I first began to train, and I decided to dedicate myself to working hard and practicing every day, the Olympic Games were like stars in the sky, so beautiful yet seemingly unattainable. And when I reached my dream, it was even more beautiful than I imagined.

One of the most striking things to me was that all those nations, people of so many different cultures, could live together in perfect peace and harmony. Everyone felt something in common and no one felt like a stranger. We all had the same dreams, the same hard work, and the same hours of tears and pains. The small USA pins given to us to trade with other countries broke the language barriers and helped us to meet athletes from other countries. After a week you could see two athletes from opposite sides of the globe, joyfully engrossed in a friendly game of ping-pong in the International Club in the Olympic Village. This, to me, is beautiful.

The Opening Ceremonies was very awesome. As I marched into the field, the people seemed to go on and on. I'd never seen so many people all in one place. I got chills and a lump in my throat. I thought I was going to cry, but it was too big, too great for that. I cried later that night. As each day of competition went by, my excitement grew, and my comprehension of just how big and great the Olympics really were seemed to grow every hour as I saw the other sports. I could hardly believe I was there. But when my day of competition came, I didn't notice the crowd, the banners, or any of the sights. I wanted to do my very best and that was all that was on my mind. When competition was over, the crowd rushed back, and the noise and cheers once again filled my ears.

But the "final touch" to the Games was definitely the Closing Ceremonies. As the Olympic Flag was being lowered I could no longer hold back my emotions which had built up through the weeks. The flag looked so proud and as it was being lowered, it looked like a proud being struggling, trying to maintain its lofty position. A girl from the Netherlands turned to comfort me and I saw she felt the same way I did. We couldn't believe these marvelous happenings were over. We truly had gotten the meaning of the Olympic Games, as no one but an athlete can understand.

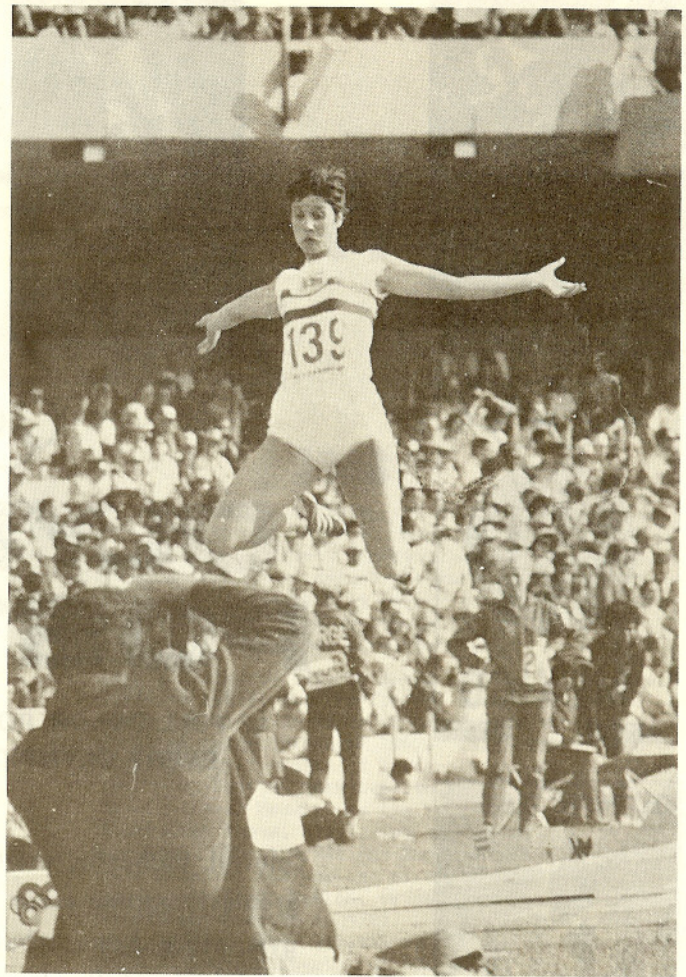
To every starting young athlete, boy or girl: in track, swimming or any other sport; in your highest dream you could never comprehend anything as marvelous, beautiful, or as heart-warming as the Olympic Games. I barely think my words do it justice. But all the work, sweat, soreness, and tears were well worth it. And I would go through them a thousand times a day to earn the honor and the thrill of participating in the greatest of all greats, the Olympic Games.

(Ed. note:-Sharon Callahan began high jumping at the start of the 1968 season - and ended up winning the USA Olympic Trials. Still in high school, she has a great future and, as you can tell from the above, a great heart. She is coached by her father and John Dobroth.)

## REPUBLIC OF CHINA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Kaoushong, Taiwan, November 3:-The 23rd Annual Taiwanese Championships were held in this seaport town over a period of four days.

RESULTS: 100m, 1-Whong Bee Yun 12.7, 2-Hong Mei Yu 12.8, 3-Fung Hwei Yim 12.9; 200m, 1-Tien Ah Mei 26.0, 2-Whong 26.2, 3-Hong 26.4; 400m, 1-Liong Su Jou 61.9, 2-Lion Yu Yun 62.0, 3-Chen Yun Hwa 62.4; 800m, 1-Chen Yun Hwa 2:35.4, 2-Lion 2:35.6, 3-Liong 2:40.1; 80mH, 1-Lin Sien Yu 12.0, 2-Lin Su Chin 12.2, 3-Chang Su Jin 12.3; HJ, 1-Chu Lin 1.52/4'11", 2-Wu Yu Chi 1.48/4'10", 3-Lai Shu Li 1.48/4'10"; LJ, 1-Wuin Yu Chiou 5.22/17'1", 2-Lu Chu Lan 5.20/17'0", 3-Lu Chin Yu 5.16/16'11"; SP, 1-Wu a Jon 10.0/32'9", 2-Shou Ji Mei 9.96/32'8", 3-Chen Fu Mei 9.50/31'2"; DT, 1-Lin Shie Mei 30.64/100'6", 2-Shu Jui Yin 30.28/99'4", 3-Whong Su Jin 29.65/97'3"; JT, 1-Cheng Twin Mei 34.55/113'4", 2-Shu Jan Tai 32.67/107'2", 3-Cheng Su Jin 32.56/106'10".



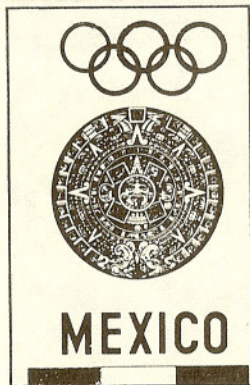
Sheila Sherwood (GB)...by Wilkinson

## CENTRAL USA XC CHAMPIONSHIPS

St. Louis, Missouri, November 3:-Cherrie Bridges won a close duel over Kathy Moore to win the Central US Women's Cross Country Championships in the pouring rain at St. Louis' Forest Park. Only three seconds behind Moore was Pam Bagiau as the Wolverine Track Club of Detroit won the team title with ease. The Albuquerque Olympette Club won the 13/Under Division title. Times were not available - they were verbally recorded on tape, but the rain fouled up the translation!

RESULTS: Open Division (2.0m): 1-Cherrie Bridges (Indiana State University) 11:48; 2-Kathy Moore (Wolverine TC) 11:59; 3-Pam Bagiau (WTC) 12:02; 4-Sara Berman (Un, Mass) 12:11; 5-Jackie Ford (WTC) nt; ...13, Nancy Norvell (Un, Texas)...36, Judy Toneboehn (Ozark TC). Team scores: 1-Wolverine TC, Detroit 30, 2-Topeka Cosmos Club 99, 3-Ozark TC, St. Louis 112, 4-Kirkwood TC, Missouri 116. Number of competitors - 39. 13/Under Division (1.0m): 1-Carol Hudson (Albuquerque OC) 5:42; 2-Vicki Slater (Wolverine TC) nt; 3-Vicky Duhon (AOC) nt; 4-Gail Sours (Kirkwood) nt; 5-Becky Hall (AOC) nt. Team scores: 1-Albuquerque OC 22; 2-Wolverine TC 57; 3-Kirkwood TC 60; 4-SEMO TC 144. Number of competitors - 40.

The Toledo Road Runners and the Wolverine Parkettes of Michigan are both involved in the sport of women's walking. On October 16, Laurie Tucholski of the TRR, traveled to Geulph, Ontario, Canada, Distance Classic which featured as one of its events a ten mile women's walk - conducted simultaneously with the men's 10 mile walk. Tucholski not only won the women's walk in 1 hr 41 minutes, but was fifth in the men's competition. The TRR are interested in hearing from other Clubs any walking performances and would like to hear from any reliable source how Tucholski's mark compares with other women's performances.



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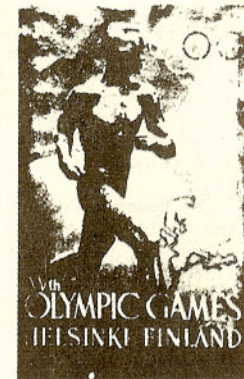
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The 1967 Yearbook is divided into Five Parts:

Part I contains the results of every major, (and most minor) competitions from their first meet through 1966. 31 different Games are included with every one from the African Games through the Znamenski Brothers Memorial Meet - with heats and finals of all races, winning and place marks for all competitors. These 74 pages would be worth the price of the entire book.

Part II lists the National Champions of 27 countries in all events and their winning performances from the beginning of Women's track in each nation. Some National Championships began as far back as 1920 - and everything is included.

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Part IV lists the top ten performers in every event for 23 nations for 1966.

Part V is a two page section devoted to the British National League and ends with the listing of the best-ever performances in each event by Continents.

The 1967 Yearbook contains 139 pages and as can be seen from the material outlined above, is a required reference book of the history of women's track and field, plus a complete resume of the 1966 season.

## 1968

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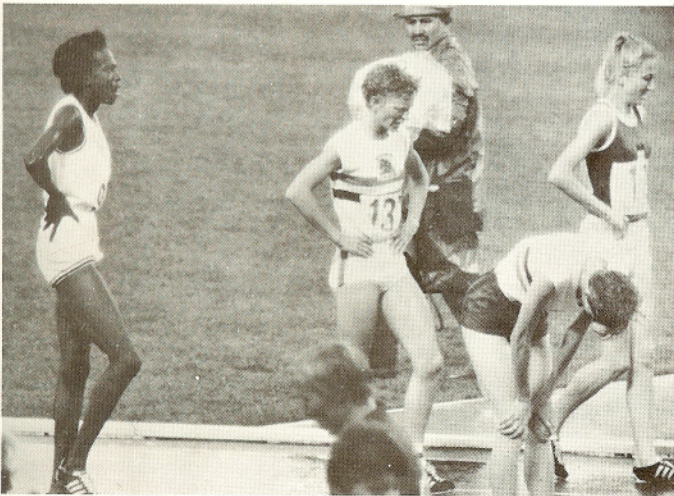
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