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West Germany's ELLEN TITTEL, new world record holder for the one mile run at 4:35.4, shown here leading England's SHEILA CAREY. Tony Duffy photo.

NEW WORLD RECORDS

1. 4x400y Relay - 3:38.7 by USA National Team (Esther Stroy, Mavis Laing, Gwen Norman, Cheryl Toussaint) at Durham, North Carolina, July 17. Old record 3:38.8 by Atoms TC and Sports International TC, 1971.
2. 100m Hurdles - 12.7 (Equals world record) by Karin Balzer (East Germany) at Berlin, July 25. Record held by Balzer and Teresa Sukniewicz (Poland) 1970.
3. 4x800m Relay - 8:16.8 by West Germany (Ellen Tittel 2:03.6, Sylvia Schenk 2:05.8, Christa Merten 2:05.8, Hildegard Falck 2:01.6) at Lubeck, July 25. Old record 8:25.0 by Great Britain 1969.
4. 100 Meters - 11.0 (Equals world record) by Renate Stecher (East Germany) at Berlin, July 31. Record held by Wyomia Tyus (USA) 1968, Chi Cheng (Republic of China) 1970 and Stecher 1970.
5. 100m Hurdles - 12.6 by Karin Balzer (East Germany) at Berlin, July 31. Old record 12.7 by Balzer and Sukniewicz.
6. Discus Throw - 64.22/210'8 by Falna Myelnik (USSR) at Helsinki, August 12. Old record 209'10 by Leisel Westermann (West Germany) 1969.
7. 1500 Meters - 4:09.6 by Karin Burneleit (East Germany) at Helsinki, August 15. Old record 4:10.9 by Jaroslava Jehlikova (Czechoslovakia) 1969.
8. 4x400m Relay - 3:29.3 by East Germany (Rita Kuhne 54.2, Ingelore Lohse 51.4, Helga Seidler 51.4, Monika Zehrt 52.3) at Helsinki, August 15. Old record 3:30.8 by Great Britain and France 1969.
9. One Mile - 4:35.4 by Ellen Tittel (West Germany) at Sittard, Holland, August 20. Old record 4:36.8 by Mia Gommers (Holland) 1969.
10. Shot Put - 20.43/67'0¼ (Equals world record) by Nadezhda Chizhova (USSR) at Moscow, August 29. Record held by Chizhova.
11. High Jump - 1.92/6'3½ by Ilona Gusenbauer (Austria) at Vienna, September 4. Old record 1.91/6'3¼ by Iolanda Balas (Rumania) 1961.
12. Discus Throw - 64.88/212'10 by Falna Myelnik (USSR) at Munich, September 4. Old record 210'8 by Myelnik 1971.

PAN AM GAMES CANADA EDGES CUBA & USA

Cali, Columbia, July 31/August 10:-A surprisingly strong and well balanced team from Canada scored a minor upset at these Pan American Games when they edged Cuba and the United States in the unofficial scoring with 105 points to 104 for Cuba and 101 for the Yankees. The US and Canada each won 5 golds to 2 for Cuba, but in overall medal acquisition Cuba was the tops with 11 to 10 for Canada and 9 for the US. Jamaica picked up one gold and five medals overall while the rest of the teams could gather only one silver (Brazil) and three bronze.

Much difficulty was about in obtaining official results, wind readings, etc., etc., (see Casey Ide's column), and so these results must be looked upon as only "semi" official although they come directly from the Games Official Results sheets. In cases where wind readings were listed, they have been shown here. We will have to wait until we hear from our Colombian correspondent, Jaime Oriz Alvear, before everything can be declared correct. Records listed were not always the correct ones - for example, the 200m record was set by Barbara Ferrell at Winnipeg at 23.8, but Wyomia Tyus was listed as the record holder at 23.7 which was her time in winning the 1967 final with a 4.1mps wind.

Canada won the pentathlon, the 200, the 800, the high jump and the long jump while the USA crew picked up their golds in the 100, 100mH, shot put and the two relays. Cuba's golds were in the discus and javelin while Jamaica won the 400.

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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Popper, Triffari & Massara

(Three of the top experts on women's track and field in the world covered the European Championships for WTFW. The general introductory comment was prepared by Elio Triffari; Jan Popper covered the 100, 200, 100mH, HJ and SP; Triffari and Salvatore Massara combined to report on the other events. In addition, we have picked up comments from Mel Watman and his report in "Athletics Weekly" plus reports from Dick Bank.)

Only two years after the Ninth edition (Athens 1969) the European Championships were held again, this time in northern Europe. Next edition will be held in Rome, Italy, in 1974, thereafter the normal quadriennial frequency will be reinstated. So these Championships were a general test for the European athletes before the Munich Olympic Games.

East Germany confirmed its claim as the leading power in the world today in women's track and field athletics. Look at the medal distribution:

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
East Germany	6	5	4	15
West Germany	3	5	3	11
USSR	2	0	3	5
Poland	1	0	2	3
Great Britain	0	2	1	3
Austria	1	0	0	1
Yugoslavia	1	0	0	1
Hungary	0	1	0	1
Rumania	0	1	0	1
Switzerland	0	1	0	1

In the high jump, two girls tied for second, so this accounts for one more silver and one less bronze.

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REEL TALK

We hope you will read the report on the European Championships. Read it thoughtfully and compare this report with the coverage of the Pan-Am Games. For the competition held in our own hemisphere we still cannot get complete results, we can not get wind readings - in short, it's a mess. From the European championships all is practically perfection. In addition to what you read here, we could have included much more material which was sent to us such as the wind reading on every jump in the long jump, the order of competitors after each round of the field events, etc., etc. We in the Americas must strive to reach the statistical level of our friends in Europe. What a difference!

Our Club Representative plan has caught on in fine style. We have more than two dozen clubs respond already and you can read some of their reports on our new "Club Page". Of course we had in mind to have active members of the club serve as representative and receive the free subscription, et al, but some of the old goats such as Fred Moore and Bob Hyten, to name a couple, have gobbled up this chance themselves. OK, girls, get in your reports!

We mailed information to nearly 300 track clubs concerning a Club Representative and letters addressed to the following clubs were returned to us by the Post Office as having moved, wrong address, etc. If these clubs will contact us with their correct address, we will forward the information to them: Flint TC, Wichita Girls TC, Rialto Road Runners, West Seattle Roadrunners, Cameron TC of Houston, Rochester TC, Chicago Zephyrs, North Detroit Stridettes, St. Louis Blues, Valley Vikings, Terman Spikettes, Seattle Olympic Club, Lubbock TC, Southeast Oregon Lions TC, Oregon TC, Wabash Valley TC, Bak-ersfield Saints TC and the District 50 Dashers. We also have on hand refund checks to be mailed to the Optimist Striders, the Community TC of Columbia and the Athens TC but can't send them until we get an address. And while still on the subject of addresses, we have a subscription order from Mary Ellen Schlitz, paid for - but no address other than on Helen Street.

For Club Representatives, the first order of business is a request you forward to us no later than October 30 the up to date list of your Club Records for these events: 100, 200, 400, 800, 1500, 100H, 200H, HJ, LJ, SP, DT, JT and Pentathlon. Send in meters if possible, but yards records are acceptable. Also include, if you wish, your 4x100 and 4x400 relays. New subscriptions sent in by authenticated Club Representatives also mean \$1 each to you - send WTFW \$4 and keep one dollar for yourself. More later in a letter to you personally.

Vince Reel, Editor

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The 1971 WTFW Yearbook

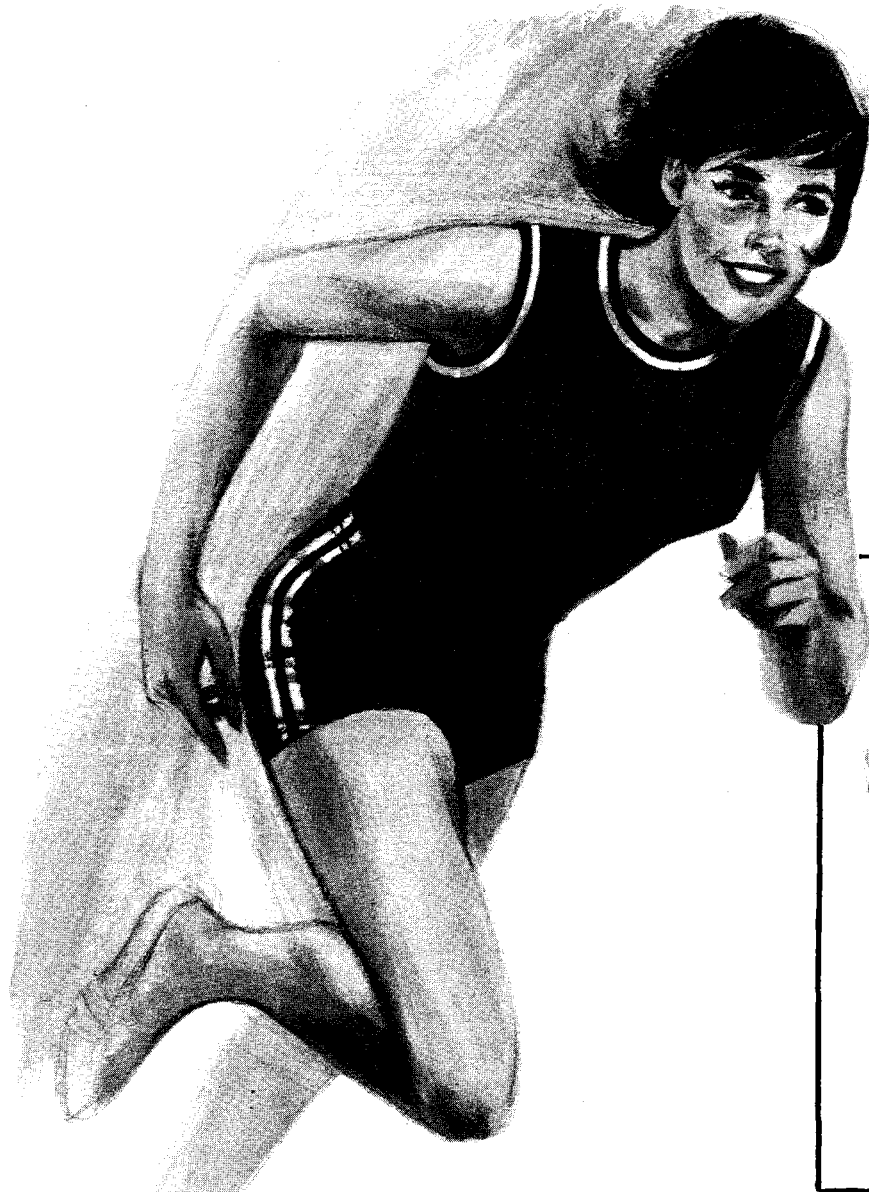
Recently I received via air mail the first US copy of Pete Pozzoli's 1971 WTFW Yearbook. It is fabulous. For those of you who have already ordered your book - when will you get your copy? Well, right now all the books are sitting in the LA Harbour, thanks to Mr. Bridges and his sweet union. Pete had many problems getting the book out this year - first of all came the seven week Postal strike in England. Added to this was a delay in receiving material from various sources, a mixup with finances and lost checks, a breakdown of the printing press - and now lovely Mr. Bridges and his helpful crew.

Two photos can be classed as "cover girls" for the 1971 book. Karin Illgen, East Germany's fantastic 1970 discus thrower, is on the front cover with Ruth Fuchs of West Germany on the back cover.

In between these two photos Pozzoli has filled 340 pages with literally EVERYTHING about women's track and field that can be imagined. Fifty pages listing COMPLETE results of every major (and many minor) Games and Matches (including walking matches); How the Nations Ranked for 1970 (USA is sixth - same as for 1969) and USSR surprises as #1; World Rankings and the top 100 performers for 1970 consumes another 50 pages; a section on Walking by Egon Rasmussen; a new section "Continental Bests" - the top 20 all time performers in each of the five continental divisions; World Age Records; 22 pages devoted to "National Best Performances" which shows at a glance exactly where your nation ranks compared to all the other nations in each event - for example, the USA is #1 (equal) in the 100m, 5th (equal) in the 200m, 6th in the 400m, 3rd in the 800m, 10th in the 1500m, 7th (equal) in the 100mH, 5th in the 200mH, (unfortunately, the field events are also listed) - 15th (equal) in the high jump, 8th (equal) in the long jump, 12th in the shot, 19th in the discus, 7th in the javelin and 22nd in the pentathlon; 35 pages of the World Record Progression - every event you can imagine and every hurdle distance and height possible; a section called simply "The Greatest" which gives the top ten of all time in each event based on the 10 best performances of that individual - some surprises here; a section of articles including "Nutrition", "De-Segregation" (an article about wind aided races), an article on Italy's Donata Govoni, "The Standing Start", "Inner Strength", "The African Scene", "European Highlights", "Time-Population Rating System"; Pozzoli's now famed "Photo Section" which includes shots of Francie Larrieu and Cheryl Toussaint of the USA; a "National" section which includes results of championships meets and top ten for each of 93 countries; and the book winds up with the USA AAU Area Champions list. 340 pages, hours and hours and hours of reading and years and years of use. Send your \$5 now and we'll get your 1971 WTFW Yearbook to you as fast as the kind Unions will let us in this Free Country.

INDOOR SCHEDULE from Tom C. Jennings

Dec 29/20	Saskatchewan Indoor Games, Saskatoon, Canada
Jan 8	Sunpapers All Eastern Games, Baltimore, Md.
Jan 14	National Invitational, College Park, Maryland
Jan 15	Albuquerque Invitational, Albuquerque, NM
Jan 15	Pocatello Invitational I, Pocatello, Idaho
Jan 21	Examiner All American Games, San Francisco, Cal.
Jan 21	Philadelphia Track Classic, Philadelphia, Penn.
Jan 22	Sunkist Invitational, Los Angeles, California
Jan 28	Millrose Games, New York City, New York
Jan 29	Boston AA Games, Boston, Massachusetts
Jan 29	Oregon Invitational, Portland, Oregon
Feb 4	Maple Leaf Games, Toronto, Canada
Feb 4	New York K. of C. Games, New York, New York
Feb 5	Seattle Invitational, Seattle, Washington
Feb 5	Fort Worth Coaches Assn, Fort Worth, Texas
Feb 5	Cleveland K. of C. Games, Cleveland, Ohio
Feb 5	Pocatello Invitational II, Pocatello, Idaho
Feb 11	Times Indoor Games, Inglewood, California
Feb 12	USTFF Championships, Houston, Texas
Feb 12	Athens Invitational, Oakland, California
Feb 18	US Olympic Invitational, New York City, New York
Feb 19	Mason-Dixon Games, Louisville, Kentucky
Feb 19	San Diego Indoor Games, San Diego, California
Feb 19	Achilles Indoor Games, Vancouver, Canada
Feb 25	National AAU Championships, New York City, NY
Mar 4	Pocatello Invitational III, Pocatello, Idaho
Mar 18	Calgary Stampede Invitational, Calgary, Canada



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PAN AM GAMES (Continued)

100 Meters:-Iris Davis was the class alone here winning her heat, semi and final all at the same 11.2 rut - a pretty good rut to be in! Unfortunately, all were wind aided, but she handled Stephanie Berto, who won both sprints at the WAAA Championships, with ease. Orien Brown won her heat and was fourth in the final for a good performance.

Trials (8-2): I, 1-Iris Davis (USA) 11.2, 2-Silvia Chibas (Cuba) 11.3, 3-Stephanie Berto (Can) 11.5, 4-Irene Fitzner (Arg) 11.9, 5-Edith Noeding (Peru) 12.2, 6-Adriana Marchena (Ven) 12.6, 7-Aida Ortiz (Col) 12.6 (Not too good seeding! Davis-Berto-Chibas finished 1-2-3 in the final!) Wind 3.8mps/8 $\frac{1}{2}$ mph; II, 1-Orien Brown (USA) 11.4, 2-Fulgencia Romay (Cuba) 11.5, 3-Rose Allwood (Jam) 11.5, 4-Silvina Das Gracias (Bra) 11.5, 5-Joan Porter (Trin) 11.7, 6-Karen Powell (Bahamas) 12.0, 7-Sandra Johnson (Coast Rica) 12.1, 8-Zulay Montano (Ven) 12.3 (No wind reading); III, 1-Juana Mosquera (Col) 11.6, 2-Luisa Vilca Maria (Peru) 11.9, 3-Diva Bishop (Pan) 12.0, 4-Joyce Veira (Sur) 12.0, 5-Beatrice Eva Allocco (Arg) 12.5, 6-Maria Figueroa (Gua) 13.6, (no wind reading).

Semi-finals (8-3), I (wind 2.7mps), 1-Davis 11.2, 2-Berto 11.5, 3-Mosquera 11.6, 4-Das Gracias 11.7, 5-Bishop 12.1, 6-Edith Noeding (Peru) 12.4, 7-Allocco 12.4; II, (no wind reading), 1-Chibas 11.4, 2-Brown 11.5, 3-Allwood 11.6, 4-Vilca 11.9, 5-Fitzner 11.9, 6-Veira 12.0, 7-Porter 12.0.

Final (8-3) (wind 3.0), 1-Davis 11.2, 2-Berto 11.4, 3-Chibas 11.4, 4-Brown 11.4, 5-Mosquera 11.4, 6-Allwood 11.6, 7-Vilca 11.9.

200 Meters:-The Pan Am record was broken many times during the trials, semis and in the final - but none can be listed official until wind readings have been secured. Rose Allwood, the young Jamaican schoolgirl who had never been under 25 seconds before, ran a fantastic series of 23.7 heat, 23.9 semi and 24.1 final and may be one to watch in the future. Berto was never in trouble here and won as she pleased by a two yard margin.

Trials, I, 1-Stephanie Berto (Can) 23.5, 2-Silvia Chibas (Cuba) 23.5, 3-Diva Bishop (Pan) 24.5, 4-H. Joslyn (Trin) 25.6, 5-L. Vargas (Ven) 25.6, 6-M. Mornate (Peru) 26.5, 7-Rusel Carrero (Nic) 26.5; II, 1-Rose Allwood (Jam) 23.7, 2-Juana Mosquera (Col) 24.2, 3-Patty Loverock (Can) 24.6, 4-A. Godoy (Arg) 24.7, 5-Sandra Johnson (CR) 24.7, 6-Laurie Barr (USA) 24.9, 7-M. L. Vilca (Peru) 24.9, 8-Karen Powell (Bah) 25.0; III, 1-Esther Stroy (USA) 23.6, 2-Fulgencia Romay (Cuba) 24.1, 3-Elsy Rivas (Col) 24.5, 4-Josefa Vicent (Ur) 24.8, 5-Irene Fitzner (Arg) 24.8, 6-Joan Porter (Trin) 24.9, 7-Cecelia Perez (Ven) 25.4, 8-Joyce Veira (Surinam) 25.6.

Semi-finals: (First semi-final results never obtained. Qualifiers were Berto, Romay, Stroy, Rivas.) II, 1-Allwood 23.9, 2-Chibas 24.2, 3-Mosquera 24.4, 4-Loverock 24.6, 5-Bishop 24.7, 6-Barr 24.7, 7-Fitzner 25.4, 8-Johnson 25.5.

Final, 1-Berto 23.5, 2-Romay 23.7, 3-Stroy 23.8, 4-Chibas 23.9, 5-Allwood 24.1, 6-Mosquera 24.2, 7-Rivas 24.6, 8-Loverock 24.9.

The USA's Stroy picked up the bronze while Laurie Barr was eliminated in the semi-finals.

400 Meters:-Heat and semi-final result sheets were so mixed it is useless to try and figure out what happened in these early races. Suffice it to say Marilyn Neufville, the world record holder at this distance, won easily in 52.3 over a hard fighting Carmen Trustette of Cuba who clocked a fine 52.8. Neufville's teammate, Yvonne Saunders, was third and with a little seraching for help for these two, Jamaica could come into Munich as a distinct threat in the 4x400 next year. The two USA runners, Norman and Scott were 7th and 8th in the final. Only one heat sheet was available to the press, and although both semi-final result sheets were printed, three of the finalists (Scott, Walsh and Saunders) names could not be found. Oh, well, Manana!

Trials: I -not available; II-not available; III, 1-Yvonne Saunders (Jam) 53.9, 2-Brenda Walsh (Can) 54.3, 3-Jarvis Scott (USA) 55.2, 4-Rosalina Abadia (Pan) 57.0, 5-Maria Cristina Ducci (Chile) 57.4, 6-Lorraine Jordan (Guy) 61.0.

Semi-finals (8-2): I, 1-Aurelia Penton (Cuba) 53.7, 2-Marilyn Neufville (Jam) 53.8, 3-Joyce Sadowick (Can) 56.0, 4-Gloria Gonzales (Cile) 57.1, 5-Cristina Cilgueira (Arg) 57.1, 6-Ana Maquilon (Col) 58.6; II, 1-Carmen Trustette

(Cuba) 55.0, 2-Gwen Norman (USA) 55.9, 3-Josefa Vicent (uru) 56.1, 4-Esly Rivas (Col) 56.7, 5-Trejos Carrero (Nic) 61.2.

Final (8-3), 1-Neufville 52.3, 2-Trustee 52.8, 3-Yvonne Saunders (Jam) 53.1, 4-Penton 53.6, 5-Brenda Walsh (Can) 54.6, 6-Sadowick 54.8, 7-Norman 55.4, 8-Scott 56.5.

800 Meters:-The trials consisted of two laps easy jogging for the good runners with 2:32.6 making it to the final. In the final Abigail Hoffman, the 24 year old Canadian Doctor, scampered to a five yard win over Doris Brown thereby verifying WTFW August statement that she can get up for the important races.

Trials (7-31): I, 1-Doris Brown (USA) 2:10.2, 2-Abigail Hoffman (Can) 2:12.4, 3-Cristina Ducci (Cile) 2:15.1, 4-Iris Fernandez (Arg) 2:15.3, 5-Edith Smith (Virgin Isl) 2:25.9, 6-Carmen Trustee (Cuba) nt; II, 1-Terry Crawford (USA) 2:10.7, 2-Penny Werthner (Can) 2:14.2, 3-Gloria Gonzales (Cile) 2:32.6, 4-Rosalina Abadia (Pan) 2:32.6, 5-Russel Carrero (Nic) 2:40.7, 6-Aurelia Penton (Cuba) 2:40.8.

Final (8-1), 1-Hoffman 2:05.5, 2-Brown 2:05.9, 3-Werthner 2:06.3, 4-Crawford 2:09.0, 5-Gonzales 2:13.0, 6-Fernandez 2:14.3, 7-Abadia 2:20.0.

100m Hurdles:-Patty Johnson was a class by herself in the 100m hurdles, winning the final by four-tenths of a second! Unfortunately, her time of 13.1 was aided by a 4.31mps wind, but her dominance over the field could not be questioned. The USA lost a chance for another medal when Pat Donnelly was disqualified for two false starts in her trial heat. Although she has undoubtedly kicked herself many times since that instant, perhaps Donnelly's misfortune will point up the fact to others that it is ridiculous for a 13.6 hurdler to try and guess the gun in a qualifying race where an easy 15 second waltz over the barriers would have qualified! Wind readings not available for the trials.

Trials (7-31): I, 1-Patty Johnson (USA) 13.4, 2-Lourdes Jones (Cuba) 13.6, 3-Penny May (Can) 13.6, 4-Mercedes Roman (Mex) 14.2, 5-Emilia Dyrzka (Arg) 14.5, 6-Lucia Vaamonde (Ven) nt; II, 1-Marlene Diaz (Cuba) 13.7, 2-Jennie Meldrum (Can) 14.5, 3-Edith Noeding (Peru) 14.7, 4-Barturen Amaya (Cile) 15.1, 5-Mayra Figueroa (Gua) 18.0, 6-Aida dos Santos (Bra) nt, Pat Donnelly (USA) disqualified for two false starts.

Final (8-1) (Wind +4.31), 1-Johnson 13.1, 2-Diaz 13.5, 3-May 13.7, 4-Roman 14.4, 5-Noeding 14.7, 6-Meldrum 14.7, 7-Amaya 15.3.

4x100m Relay Only the Cubans gave the US any race in this short relay. The Canadians faded to fourth as Loverock was below par and Turner and Sadowick not really sprinters. The Jamaicans who were battling Colombia for the bronze medal were disqualified for passing out of the zone as the Yanks set a new meet record by 0.1 with their 44.5 clocking.

Final (8-5): 1-USA (Orien Brown, Pat Hawkins, Matline Render, Iris Davis) 44.5, 2-Cuba (Silvia Chibas, Marlene Elejarde Diaz, Fulgencia Romay, Carmen Valdes) 45.0, 3-Colombia 45.9, 4-Canada 46.1, 5-Argentina 46.7, 6-Peru 47.3, Jamaica disqualified.

4x400m Relay:-This was an exciting competition with the USA, Cuba and Jamaica all figured to have a chance. The USA won in a good 3:32.4 with the Cubans grabbing second over Jamaica, both clocked in 3:34.0. Jamaica's Yvonne Saunders covered her third leg in 52.2 and anchorwoman Marilyn Neufville was clocked in 50.8 as she just missed catching Carmen Trustee of Cuba.

Final (8-5): 1-USA (Esther Stroy, Mavis Laing, Gwen Norman, Cheryl Toussaint) 3:32.4, 2-Cuba (Castillo, Chibas, Penton, Trustee) 3:34.0, 3-Jamaica (Franklin, Williams, Saunders, Neufville) 3:34.0, 4-Canada 3:41.2, 5-Colombia 3:50.4.

High Jump:-All eyes were on Debbie Brill and she did not disappoint. Although Jamaica's in-and-outer Audrey Reid stayed in the competition up to the 5'10 mark, Brill turned in her lifetime outdoor best and recorded a new Games mark at 1.85/6'0". USA jumpers Simpson and Parks were over 5'5 and 5'3 respectively for 4th and 7th places.

Final (8-2): 1-Debbie Brill (Can) 1.85/6'0", 2-Audrey Reid (Jam) 1.75/5'8", 3-Andrea Bruce (Jam) 1.70/5'7, 4-Brenda Simpson (USA) 1.65/5'5, 5-Mariana Rodriguez (Cuba) 1.65/5'5, 6-Patricia Wilson (Can) 1.60/5'3, 7-Sue Parks (USA) 5'3, 8-Bravo Smpara (Col) 5'3, 9-Marcia Sipriano (Bra) 1.55/5'1, 10-Loyo Silvia Tapia (Mex) 5'1, 11-Flora

PAN AM GAMES (Continued)

Mary Cozier (Ven) 5'11, 12-(tie) Kieritz Negro (Arg) and Ana Maria Udini (Uru) 1.50/4'11.

Long Jump:-Although she took a whirl, Willye White simply wasn't able to jump off her injured leg and so she must wait until 1975 to win the pesky Pan Am Games title which has eluded her. Brenda Eisler, Canada, continued her fine 1971 season with a leap of 21'1¼ to edge Brazil's Silvina Das Gracias who hopped 20'10.

Final: 1-Brenda Eisler (Can) 21'1¼, 2-Silvina Das Gracias (Bra) 20'10/6.35, 3-Mariana Samuels (Cuba) 6.14/20'1¼, 4-Penny May (Can) 6.13/20'1¼, 5-Yvonne Saunders (Jam) 6.01/19'8¼, 6-Moronda Lacy (USA) 5.95/19'6¼, 7-Marcia Garbey (Cuba) 5.87/19'3¼, 8-Ana Goldeman (Arg) 5.75/18'10¼.

Shot Put:-Lynn Graham had no trouble winning as she tossed the bulb nearly four feet farther than her closest rival for a new Games record at 51'8¼. Lynette Matthews, who has been over 51 feet, dropped to 46'5½ and missed getting a medal.

Final (8-4): 1-Lynn Graham (USA) 15.76/51'8¼, 2-Grecia Hamilton (Cuba) 14.63/48'0, 3-Rosa Molina Arias (Cile) 14.50/47'7, 4-Lynette Matthews (USA) 14.16/46'5½, 5-Carmen Romero (Cuba) 13.57/44'6¼, 6-Norma Catalina Suarez (Arg) 13.43/44'0¼, 7-Joan Pavelich (Can) 13.33/43'8¼, 8-Isolina Vergara (Col) 12.09/39'8.

Discus Throw (7-31):-Cuba's Carmen Romero confirmed her season marks as she threw a lengthy 187'8 for the gold medal and Games record.

Final: 1-Carmen Romero (Cuba) 57.20/187'8, 2-Maria Betancourt (Cuba) 51.76/169'9, 3-Carol Martin (Can) 50.04/164'2, 4-Joan Pavelich (Can) 48.66/159'7, 5-Renee Kletchka (USA) 48.32/158'6, 6-Isolina Vergara (Col) 46.28/151'10, 7-Irma Gladys Ortega (Arg) 44.86/147'2, 8-Luz Maria Quinonez (Ecu) 43.68/143'3.

Javelin Throw:-Tomas Nunez of Cuba scored an upset win over Sherry Calvert and Roberta Brown to annex the javelin with a so-so toss of 177'2. Neither of the US throwers were able to get beyond 169 feet.

Final (8-5): 1, Abreus Tomasa Nunez (Cuba) 54.02/177'2, 2-Sherry Calvert (USA) 51.52/169'0, 3-Roberta Brown (USA) 50.94/167'1, 4-Milagros Bayard (Cuba) 48.68/159'8, 5-Arias Rosa Molina (Chile) 43.68/143'3, 6-Surga Celina (Ven) 42.20/138'5, 7-Delia Vera-Gonzales (Peru) 39.86/130'9, 8-Ana-Julietta Scorzoni (Arg) 37.58/123'3.

Pentathlon:-Using the new pentathlon scoring tables made little difference to Canada's Debbie Van Kiekebelt as she won easily over teammate Penny May. Aida dos Santos of Brazil, third in 1967, repeated as bronze medalist in 1971. Van Kiekebelt's winning score of 4290 would have been 4904 on the old table. USA's Marilyn King, who finished in fourth spot with 3867 points, would have had 4550 on the old charts. There was nothing sensational about Van Kiekebelt's five results, but all five were fairly good save the shot, and a balance of talent in each event is what a pentathlete is after, after all.

1-Debbie Van Kiekebelt (Can) 4290 (14.5/40'6¼/5'8/20'1¼/25.0), 2-Penny May (Canada) 4112 (14.0/41'7¼/4'11/19'9½/25.0), 3-Aida dos Santos (Brazil) 3887 (14.7/37'9¼/5'0¼/17'9½/24.6), 4-Marilyn King (USA) 3867 (14.2/36'2¼/4'9/19'1½/25.2), 5-Lucia Vaamonde (Ven) 3831, 6-Mercedes Roman (Mex) 3758, 7-Emilia Dyrzka (Arg) 3641, 8-Silvia Tapias (Mex) 3381, 9-Ana Clara Goldeman (Arg) 3350, 10-Branwen Smith (Berm) 3280. (Judy Durham was injured in long jump and dropped out. She had recorded 14.9/33'0/5'2½/18'5¼).

Scoring: 1-Canada 105, 2-Cuba 104, 3-USA 101, 4-Jamaica 41, 5-Brazil 14, 6-Colombia 12, 7-Chile 10, 8-Mexico 5, 9-Argentina 4, 10 (tie) Peru and Venezuela 3.

Medals	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Cuba	2	7	2	11
Canada	5	2	3	10
USA	5	2	2	9
Jamaica	1	1	3	5
Brazil	0	1	1	2
Colombia	0	0	1	1
Chile	0	0	1	1

CASEY AT CALI by Casey Ide

July 30:-The VI Juegos Panamericana (6th Pan American Games) started off today with much pomp and ceremony and the usual pigeons, marching bands, baton twirlers, etc. After 2½ hours of beautiful girls making pretty pictures with colored handkerchiefs in the stands, the Parade of Nations seemed almost anticlimactic, but for those who were witnessing the spectacle for the first time it was still an impressive experience. Some of the athletes who had been through the ordeal before, stayed home and watched on tv. The girls report that standing in the hot sun throughout interminable welcoming speeches, (all in Spanish, of course), and the always impressive lighting of the torch, was really tiring.

The evening papers described the crowds at the stadium as "a million ants". Three hours before the actual opening ceremony was to start, the stadium was packed beyond intended capacity and thousands more were milling around outside, listening to loudspeakers. They stayed all afternoon and were still there seeking pins and autographs when the last busfull of competitors left for the athletes village, a university campus just outside the city. Here seemingly thousands more were lined up on the road outside the gates, selling ponchos, belts, and other handicraft as well as pleading for pins.

July 31:-Although early half on the 'press' seems to be from the eight English-speaking nations represented here, (the largest contingent being from Canada), NO printed matter has been provided in English. All information bulletins are in Spanish, as are all "results", and we were informed that there will be no English translations provided. Canada's CBC is trying to make a deal with the hotel to get something done about it. I guess the organizing committee thought all countries would have enough sense to send Spanish speaking representatives. There are some so-called interpreters - young, friendly and terribly overworked students - who understand and speak English - up to a point. They have been coached in stock phrases and questions but are utterly lost if you depart from the script! The press is housed at Hotel Aristi, with one English-speaking desk clerk on each shift and a few waiters who can understand a little more than "coffee". There is a long counter marked "Information" staffed by a lot of pretty girls, but if you speak English you must wait for the one girl who is fairly competent in it. Events have begun. Getting the results is something else. All announcing is in Spanish, with occasional translation into English by a girl who is trying hard. The pressroom below the stadium is a complete madhouse. So much for the communications gap.

This morning Esther Stroy and Laurie Barr qualified in the heats on the 200m. In another heat, both Stephanie Berto of Canada and Silvia Chivas of Cuba broke Wyomia Tyus' Pan-Am record by 0.2, running 23.5s. Stroy ran 23.6 which also bettered the old record. Moronda Lacy was the only US qualifier in the long jump. Tonight Patty Johnson won her hurdles heat easily, as did Terry Crawford and Doris Brown in their qualifying rounds of the 800m. The discus was the only final and Rane Kletchka took 5th with a throw of 158'6. Carol Martin and Joan Pavelich of Canada were 3rd and 4th. Cuba took both the gold and silver with Carmen Romero setting a new Pan Am record of 187'8. Stroy survived the 200m semi-final.

August 1:-Promises to try to get USA pins for the pressroom boys has brought results! I took the contestant's bus to the Village today but couldn't find any of our girls. Got a Venezuelan pin for myself, however. Our girls got their first gold tonight when Patty won the hurdles, setting a Pan Am record, 13.1s. Canada annexed three golds. Brenda Eisler won the long jump at 21'1, Stephanie Berto repeated her record time of 23.5 in the 200m with Romay of Cuba second and Stroy third, and Abby Hoffman took the 800m. Doris was 2nd and Terry 4th. The bronze went to Penny Werthner of Canada.

August 2:-Can you imagine the Olympics with no program? Spectators here wouldn't know what to do with them. The stadium is full every evening with a screaming mob who cheer wildly for everything with no conception of what is going on. At the first crack of the starter's gun they all stand up and remain standing - shouting encouragement - throughout the entire race - including the 10000 meters! (I don't know what they would do if the marathon were run inside the stadium.) So it has been doubly difficult to get the names of the contestants. Sometimes - but not always - part of the names appear on an electric scoreboard, almost always misspelled, and since those in charge are totally unable to cope with our strange way of giving surnames last, a name may be listed as

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"Doris" or "Rose" among other surnames. This has been especially true in the men's events. (Ed. - There's a man named "Rose"?)

So, the crowd was blissfully unaware that they witnessed South America's (and the Pan Am Games) first high jump over six feet when Debbie Brill had her own outdoor best of 6'0". No comment was made by the announcer - not even in Spanish. Fortunately, the Boy Scouts did use the indicating boards pretty efficiently during the field events, so I was saved from a total case of the screaming meemies! Of course the press was seated where we couldn't see the high jump at all, but I bribed a guard and got down nearby for a while with the sad tale that I had to write a story about these ladies and I would lose my job if I didn't get over there! And I would try and get him a pin. (I did.) Brenda Simpson was 4th with 5'5 and Sue Parks 7th at 5'3.

This morning Iris Davis won her 100m heat in 11.2 breaking the record by 0.3s. Orien Brown won her heat, and a Colombian girl won hers, much to the joy of the local spectators. This afternoon I took the athletes bus out to the village and our girls gave me a handful of pins with which to keep my promises to the boys at the stadium. I'm really getting service out there now! I wore my Santa Barbara Decathlon T-shirt this morning and it really intrigued the boys who work in the stadium. Tonight both our girls qualified for the 400m final although Cuba won both semis. Neufville appeared to be jogging.

August 3:-Today we got our second gold. Iris repeated her 11.2 both in the semis and the final. Orien was 4th with Ber-to of Canada in 2nd and Chibas of Cuba 3rd. Neufville of Jamaica took the 400m to no one's surprise, with Truste of Cuba 2nd and another Jamaican, Yvonne Saunders, 3rd. Both Truste and Saunders are threats in the pentathlon which starts tomorrow. I spent most of the afternoon in the press center of the hotel, trying to explain to a girl who almost spoke English, why I needed the results of the decathlon javelin. It was a long battle, involving many trips to and from the basement by boys who considered my wanting the results of the javelin very inconsiderate - any decathlon result should do as well!

August 4:-The pentathlon has begun and Saunders scratched. Truste didn't enter. At the end of the first day, Canada in one-two with Brazil in 3rd and Judy Durham fourth. Van Kiekelbelt passed Penny May tonight with a high jump of 5'6". Lynn Graham put the shot 51'8" tonight to break the Pan Am record and get our third gold medal. Our gals qualified in both relays. We had a thunderstorm this afternoon and it has cooled things off a little. Since the hotel rooms aren't air conditioned, that's a blessing!

August 5:-Roxy Anderson took me out to the transportation office at the Village and I made arrangements to fly home with the team tomorrow on their charter. Then I had lunch at their dining room with Monette Driscoll and a couple of weightlifters - and the reports were not exaggerated - the food is good! This morning Judy Durham injured her ankle in the pentathlon long jump and had to withdraw from the competition. Marilyn King finished 4th in her first international pentathlon behind two Canadians and Aida Dos Santos of Brazil, who repeated her Winnipeg 3rd place finish. Orien Brown, Pat Hawkins, Mattline Render and Iris Davis won the 4x100m relay in a new record time of 44.5s. Cuba set the old mark of 44.6 in Winnipeg. Jamaica was disqualified tonight for passing out of the zone. The 4x400m relay was a new event to these Games so our winning team of Esther Stroy, Mavis Laing, Gwen Norman and Cheryl Toussaint established a record at 3:32.4s. Marilyn Neufville anchored for Jamaica and made a valiant effort to overcome a big lead, but couldn't overtake the flying Cheryl. Tomasa Nunez of Cuba set a record of 177'2 in the javelin breaking Freidrich's mark of 174'9 set at Winnipeg. Sherry Calvert and Roberta Brown, who finished 2nd and 3rd, got a standing ovation from the crowd for lifting the Cuban girl high over head and standing that way on the victory stand after the medals had been awarded.

August 6:-I have been to South America. I have seen Cuba. Not a cloud obstructed the view as we flew over Cuba en route to Miami. Monette's family met us at the LA airport and brought me home. I'm tired after 22 days in Durham, N.C., for the African meet and then Nassau in the Bahamas, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Barbados, Trinidad, Venezuela, Bogata in Colombia, and finally Cali. Now I'll rest up for Munich!

LETTER FROM LUTHER BLAKE, New York

"I just received the August issue of WTFW and I find Nell Jackson's comments very interesting. Also, the Atoms were a happy bunch when they read they had won the Nationals by one point instead of the tie score originally announced. There is one correction regarding the Nationals; Michelle McMillan ran the leadoff leg of the Atoms mile relay, not Denise Hoot-en.

Having read our Chairman's criticism of the article written on the Pan Am trial meet and the Show meet, I feel I must attempt to answer some of her criticisms. Since none of us are perfect, I welcome criticism, but I feel it would be more helpful if individuals completely read the articles before they offered the criticism.

First, Chairman Jackson states that Quantico was the only bidder for the Trial Meet and that it was given to the Marines a year in advance. If one had taken the time to read the article I wrote in the May issue, they would find that very statement included. The biggest complaint that everyone had about the Trial Meet was that it was too early in the year. If either the Show Meet or the Nationals had been used as the trial meet, the team would have been different in five of the ten events.

Dr. Jackson also stated that the US Olympic Committee took care of the basic expenses of the Show Meet and not the Pan Am Trials. Is it not the function of the Olympic Committee to conduct both the Trials and the Olympic Trials? Why was it that bids for the Pan Am Trials had to be closed more than a year in advance? Does it take over a year to plan such a meet and only six months to plan for a National Championship?

Secondly, our Chairman states that Quantico is a good cinder track and on this point I agree. Other points regarding the meet were accurately stated in my report on the meet in the May issue of WTFW.

Thirdly, I have to agree with Chairman Jackson that transportation was provided from the airport to the Base. The Marine Corps made every effort to meet the flights they were notified about. Busses were provided for the girls to go to the track and to their meals.

Fourthly, I find myself having to agree with our Chairman that housing was a large problem. Captain Eckert and his staff did an outstanding job inputting everyone up on the Base.

If one looks at the comparison of the three meets we find that in only one event did the same two girls finish 1-2 and that was the shot put. Also only three girls won their event in all three meets - the shot, discus and 100.

I would also like to see a monthly column by the National Chairman in WTFW. It would do much to help everyone understand the problems in carrying out the activities of the office.

I would also like to know just how one goes about making a bid for a National Championship. It would be helpful if the Chairman would let us know who the members of the various committees are who govern women's track and field. And how does one get on these committees? Since the committees control so much of the girl's life in athletics it would be helpful if we knew who they are.

As to the Show Meet, I also agree with our chairman that the wind gauge was acceptable. I personally read the wind gauge when the girls were on the line getting ready to run the hurdles, and having spoken to the two very efficient young ladies who were in charge of the gauge, I can state that the hurdle race was not wind aided.

Even though the rules state that only the National Championships need be held in meters during Pan Am or Olympic year would it not make more sense to run all meets in meters during these years? And since we are the only country who continues to run in yards, why don't we run meters all the time?"

LETTER FROM VICKI CLARK, Houston

"In reference to the article on the Strawberry Festival by Calvin Brown, I would like to say that four runners in the USA have run the mile under five minutes in the same race before the Strawberry Festival race. I am referring to the Girl's National Championships at UCLA in 1970 where the first four were under five minutes. So will you please state that the Strawberry Festival was not the first time four US runners have broken five minutes in the same race."

RANDOM THOUGHTS ON USA-USSR-ALL STARS MEET by Coach Fred Moore

I arrived in Berkeley on June 27. Randall Lambert, coach of the field events, was already on hand as was Brooks Johnson, Pan Am coach, who was enlisted to assist and did a fantastic job with the sprinters and hurdlers.

We organized practices into two-a-day workouts with relay practice scheduled for the morning and regular running workouts in the afternoon.

We put together two 4x100m relay teams and it was difficult to tell which was best as long as we excluded Iris Davis.

Morale was very high during the entire week with everyone loose and working well.

It was really a rewarding experience to watch the blossoming of a new sprint star in Kathy Lawson. She was so quick to want to please and did everything that was asked of her and more - despite bursitis in her knee. Based on her performance at the meet and subsequent performances this summer it would appear she will be our next great super sprinter.

The distance runners, led by Doris Brown, worked exceptionally hard and spent many hours race planning, walking the track and mentally rehearsing what they would do. Eileen Claugus and Cheryl Toussaint must be commended for their great contributions in planning and the encouragement they gave the runners during their races. Eileen proved to the whole staff that Will Stephens has developed another outstanding young distance star. It was just hard to convince everyone she was only 16!

The hurdlers put in many hours in preparation and there weren't two more determined athletes than Patty Johnson and Mamie Rallins.

Sherry Calvert exhibited great poise and worked well while Roberta Brown was easily the most psyched-up athlete in the camp.

Watching the Russian team work out, one had to be impressed with the precision and organization they exhibited. For a team supposedly not ready, (it was, they said, too early for them), they looked extremely fit. And, as it turned out, they were....the large Russian weight athletes were not just large but they were extremely fit and showed not an ounce of fat. They all had super speed in the ring and circle....I had a difficult time telling the Russian team from the Americans until they spoke. This was a very young Russian team with many beautiful girls.

The facilities were exceptionally good and so was the food. Dave Maggard, meet director, men's coach and head coach for the University of California, did an excellent job and must be commended for his planning.

There is no way for one to prepare for a technical meeting with the Russians. It lasted 3½ hours. In addition to picking lane assignments and order of competitors for the field events, the size of the flags was discussed, the order of marching during the opening ceremonies, and how the awards were to be presented. Every detail had to be negotiated and it was a fascinating experience. One interesting point was that the Russian coaches handled both the men's and women's team and there seemed a lot less division between the men and women and a lot more cohesiveness to their team as compared with ours. Mr. Popov, the head coach, was extremely well organized and knew exactly what he was about....The Russian coaches ended each workout with a soccer game using two hurdles for goal posts to the delight of their athletes.

The Meet

The Russians were ready and extremely good...Iris Davis did her usual and expected outstanding job in the 100 meters and anchored the 400m relay to victory. She gave everyone a slight heart seizure in the relay just as she was about to blow past the Russians when she broke stride and with arms flailing like a windmill caught her balance in time to win. She said later that she had too much momentum going!

Kathy Lawson ran a sensational 200 meters in which she finished second to Australia's Raelene Boyle in a photo finish. She was passed by Russia's Nadezhda Besfamlnaya with only 50m to go, but battled back to grab the silver.

Our 400m runners battled a strong wind up the back stretch and came off the last curve in a commanding position only to see Russia's Kolesnikova, who had been "cooling it" into the wind, come from far back to steal the race with a great finish.

In the 800 meters, Doris Brown and Terry Crawford working together executed their race plan to perfection with Terry opening up the inside to Doris with 330y to go. Doris shot

through into the lead and Terry fought Niola Sabaite as long as she could, but the Russian closed the gap in the stretch and won despite Brown's best time of the year.

In the 1500 meters, Doris set a new American record while she and Kathy Gibbons again worked a perfectly executed race plan - and again the Russians were too strong as Tamara Panigelova came through to win.

Patty Johnson withstood the pressure of TEN false starts and still got off to a bullet start and won the hurdles going away. Mamie Rallins was hit hard by Tikhomirova, broke stride and fell back to finish 5th.

In the 4x400 relay, it was a replay of the 400m dash times four as the Americans grabbed the lead on each leg only to see the Russians pass them by in the stretch and finally win. Our splits were Stroy 54.5, Norman 54.3, Toussaint 54.0 and Scott 55.5.

Sherry Calvert led the javelin through the first four rounds and appeared to be the winner until Nina Marakina, who had only one throw over the 160' mark up to the fifth round, came through to win by seven inches.

Willie White was magnificent in winning the long jump under terrific pressure. It was another great come-through performance by America's all time best long jumper. Kim Atlesey made a real gutty performance jumping off a swollen knee that made her a doubtful entry right up until meet time.

It was obvious from the meet results that we still have a long way to go to compete with the rest of the world in women's track in some events, but this was a great young team and the potential is obviously there. Now it is up to all of us to develop that talent.

All the girls made my week an exciting and pleasurable one. I can't imagine a greater bunch of young ladies in one place at one time!

CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS by Dennis Troughton

Winnipeg, Canada, August 21/22:-While Canadian high jump star Debbie Brill won her specialty at the Canadian Senior Championships, it was teammate Penny May who dominated the show.

Over 540 competitors and more than 3500 spectators took in the first time the age-class and senior competitions. The track, site of the 1967 Pan American Games, was the home of both hot competition and hot weather as the temperature soared over 80° both days.

Both male and female athletes took part in the meet.

May, who took the silver medal in the pentathlon at the recently completed Pan Am Games in Cali, Colombia, won both hurdle events in 13.7 and 26.9 and then edged Pan Am gold medalist Brenda Eisler in the long jump, 19'10½ to 19'10.

Her 200mH time was a Canadian record in a meet that produced few new marks. The previous mark was 27.8. Her 100mH time was only two-tenths off her own Canadian record. Both races were run into negative wind, -2.0 for the shorter race and -0.9 in the 200. She won the long jump on her sixth and final leap.

Brill cleared 5'11 to win the high jump while Patty Wilson of Central Ontario, placed second with 5'7.

In the absence of Patty Loverock, Irene Piotrowski proved excellent opposition for Pan Am gold medalist Stephanie Berto in both the 100 and 200. Berto downed Piotrowski in the 100m with an 11.6 clocking (wind -1.0) to Irene's 11.7. In the 200m, Stephanie captured the race in 23.3 against a 2.9 wind for a new Canadian record. Piotrowski clocked 24.0s.

Another runner who attracted much attention over the weekend was Abby Hoffman. She lost her 800m title to Penny Werthner when she dropped out after one lap. Werthner posted a time of 2:07.8 for the gold medal. Noreen Liepens was second in 2:08.9 and Maureen Crowley third at 2:09.8.

Werthner tried for a double in the 1500, but petite Thelma Fynn won the race with 4:28.8 to 4:29.8 for Liepens with Werthner in third at 4:30.6.

The host province was able to post only one first place finish in the senior women's events as Valerie Peterson downed Jay Dahlgren in the javelin with a throw of 165'3 to Dahlgren's 142'2. Beryl Rodrigues of Quebec placed second with a throw of 156'0.

CLUB NEWS

SUFFOLK AC by Art Spear

I would like to mention a few notes on our club which is just two years old in December. Mainly a long distance club, we have been able in our first two years of existence to be second in the Junior National Cross County in 1969 at Toledo, Ohio (losing by only 1 point to the Wolverines), and fifth in the Senior National XC Championships in St. Louis, Mo., in 1970. We are, however, concentrating heavily on our age groupers starting at age 6 and finding potential in most events. We've had some very respectable performances also with our 14/over group this season including an 18'7/8" long jump by 16 year old Debbie Flippen and good distance marks by 15 year old Anita Scandurra, 22 year old Kathy McIntyre and 32 year old Nina Kuscsik who has run the two mile in 11:43 and 3 hours 5 minutes for the marathon.

MOTOR CITY by Deborah Thornton

I am happy to report that the Motor City (PAL) Club is doing very well. On July 31, one of our girls (name not known) won a trip to Bowling Green, Kentucky, to compete in the Jaycee Meet there. She took 1st in the 220 and 2nd in the 100. One of our younger girls went to the Nationals which were held in Springfield, Colorado. On the 14th of August we went to the Shelby-Utica Sterling Heights Olympians TC and Detroit Striders Club for a meet in remembrance of Mr. Fred Daniels who was coach of the Detroit Striders. He also has a daughter on the track team - Alfreda Daniels. That about wraps it up for now.

ALBUQUERQUE OC by Edward Hudson

The Albuquerque Olympette Club held its 6th Annual Awards Presentation at the Heights Boys Club on Saturday evening, August 21. Guest speakers were Hugh Hackett, University of New Mexico track coach, and J. D. Kailer, UNM Booster Club.

Coach Floyd Highfill presented awards for performances attained during the last year. Recipients were Carol Hudson, outstanding track performance; Tammy Cordes, outstanding field performance; Carol Hudson, outstanding single achievement; Karla Meadows, most dedicated; Spider Baker, most improved; Lucille Jones, most inspirational performance; Kathy George, outstanding sportsman award. Special mention awards went to Lisa Chiavario, Kim Kloeppel and Lisa Gibbs.

Scholarships to the University of New Mexico were extended for Barbara Butler and Lisa Chiavario. The scholarships are made possible by contributions from business men and other interested people who understand the difficulty in obtaining athletic scholarships by the fairer sex and who wish to see these young women further their track careers.

HOUSTON ASTRO-BELLES by Rosalind Nichols

The Astro-Belles have taken their last track trip of the 1971 season. During this season we have been experiencing tough competition and we have learned one thing - in order to compete with the tough athletes and the outstanding athletes, you must work as hard as the tough ones work! You just can't get out on the track and do a little jogging and expect to be up there with the others. The workouts might seem hard, but when you get out on the track in competition and run your race you'll notice you are with them and not far behind.

We Astro-Belles give credit to our coach, Mr. Herman Goldberg, because without him coaching us we couldn't have met the cream of the crop let alone finish up with them. The Astro-Belles are wearing smiles because this past season we set new records in nearly every place we ran. We are proud of our mile relay team which ran 3:54.6 and 3:58.4 and has the 5th best time in the nation. Next year we will be stronger and hope to do better. And so we, the Houston Astro-Belles want to pay tribute to our coach, Mr. Goldberg and to tell him the hard workouts have proven something to us.

FLANAGAN CLAN by Bruce Flanagan

Ursula Radford, 17 year old high school senior at Camas HS, became the ninth recipient of the John F. Kennedy Award which is given annually to the most outstanding member of the Flanagan Clan. Ursula set Clan records in the 8# shot at 44'11 1/2 and the 4k shot at 40'8 1/2 in addition to a Clan milestone with her fourth place in the National Girl's Championships and third at the National Junior Olympics.

Other Club records this summer were set by LuAnn Simon in the 100mH at 14.5 and 134'8 in the javelin by Diane Wallila.

Seven Flanagan Clan girls received subscriptions to WITFW for their 1971 performances.

RIALTO ROAD RUNNERS by Willis Kleinsasser

Cross country has always been the "bag" of the Rialto Road Runners. At least one National girls title in each of the past three years indicates a high level of training. Anyone wondering about their success should visit the annual training camp held near Wrightwood in rugged terrain at 6500-8000 foot elevation.

This year some 105 youngsters - 75 of them girls - worked out twice daily in seven ability groups each led by at least one experienced runner. Camp Director Willis Kleinsasser and several fellow Senior Track Club members aided head coach Dave Japs in nine days of steady base training. As a result the Roadrunners appear to be ready in all age groups and especially in the 14-17 level where a full, strong team appears to be ready to challenge all comers.

Not only did the group enjoy training, but daily routine consisted of such activities as forest walks, yoga, swimming, horseback riding, indoor and outdoor games and crafts were added to evening entertainment such as films, karate demonstrations, a dance band, magician, Indian dancers, etc. as all of Rialto seemed to go all out in support of the team. An amazing "all-you-can-eat" diet was possible because of numerous donations. The nine day experience cost Roasrunners only a startling \$15 with non-members paying only \$30.

If the team wins no titles, they can still reminisce about a marvelous vacation in clear mountain air.

GRIFFITH PARK RUN by Casey Ide

Los Angeles, California, September 5:-Neither heat nor smog kept the truly dedicated from competing in the 5th Annual Griffith Park Cross Country Run over an uphill and downhill mile course; sand and mud combining to make it a real workout.

There were three divisions for girls and women, and the elementary girls really had the best times - perhaps because they ran first before it got so hot and the smog enveloped the area. A new meet record was set in the women's division despite the fact that their time was hurt when the leader, Judy Graham, turned off onto the 2-mile course and was all the way up a steep hill before someone turned her around. Pam Jewell, running second, started to follow Judy but was turned around almost immediately. By the time Judy got back on the right track, she found herself back in the pack, and the hill and the heat had taken too great a toll for her to improve her position.

The mile was a new event for the 11/Unders and Linda McQuarrie's 6:04 is a fine meet record. Times of 6:05 and 6:07 by Laurie Jewell and Teresa Tomasic show how keen the competition is in this age group and gives great promise for the future.

In the 12/14 group, Debbie Johnson set a meet record in 5:44 with Mary Decker, 5:45, also breaking the record. Kathy Jewell with a 5:58 nipped Vicki Mills for third.

RESULTS: 11/Under - one mile (New event): 1-Linda McQuarrie (LB Comets) 6:04, 2-Laurie Jewell (LBC) 6:05, 3-Teresa Tomasic (LBC) 6:07, 4-Donna Mueller (Rialto Road Runners) 6:14, 5-Patty Gnehm (RRR) 6:20. Number of competitors -46.
14/Under - One mile: 1-Debbie Johnson (RRR) 5:44 (rec), 2-Mary Decker (LBC) 5:45, 3-Kathy Jewell (LBC) 5:48, 4-Vicki Mills (LBC) 5:49, 5-Doreen Assuma (RRR) 6:00, 6-Ruth Kleinsasser (RRR) 6:06. Number of competitors - 32.
15/Over - One mile:-Pam Jewell (LBC) 5:53, 2-Linda Green (LBC) 6:03, 3-Suzy DeAngelis (LBC) 6:12, 4-Sandy Dean (LBC) 6:17, 5-Beverly McQuarrie (LBC) 6:18....7-Judy Graham (LAC) 6:31. Number of competitors - 15.

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LASSEN CINDERELLAS by Bob Wall

Pam Allen, 13, on summer vacation in Hawaii with some relatives took part in the Hawaii Junior Olympic program. In four weeks of competition Pam broke the Hawaiian (12/13) State record for the 880 three times. Her best result was 2:29.4 which is also her personal best. In addition to the half mile, Pam broke three other Hawaiian State records; the 440 in 66.8, the long jump at 15'3½ and the triple jump at 31'8. All this is quite good, especially when you consider Pam is primarily a long distance runner, (4th in the California State in the mile) - and she is only 4'8, weighing 70 pounds!

The Lassen Cinderellas traveled over 25,000 miles via car to cross country and track meets during the 1970-71 year. Our closest meet is 220 miles away!

VALLEY OF THE SUN by Sue Humphrey



Pam Secchiari is the answer to every coach's dream. She has been running in AAU meets for only three months and already has a long list of accomplishments. Running for the VOSTC of Phoenix, Arizona, Pam went to the Age Group Nationals and won the 10/11 100 yard dash in 12.3, the long jump with a leap of 16'1½ and was fifth in the 220 at 28.3. She was the high point athlete of her Age Group.

In only her second out-of-state competition, she again gained notice at the Region X Junior Olympics in Albuquerque. Never behind in her races, Pam won the 100 in 12.1 (12.0h) and the long jump with a mark of 16'2½. She also anchored the victorious VOS 440y relay and soundly defeated the National AAU champions, the Duke City Dashers.

Her first triathlon competition resulted in a 1731 score, second place in the Arizona Championships and broke the State record. Her marks were 13.2 (100m), 24'5½ (SP) and 4'1 (HJ).

In the Arizona Junior Olympic meet on June 5, Pam competed in three events and set three Junior Olympic Association records with winning marks of 6.5 for 50y, 12.1 for 100 yards and 16'2½ in the long jump.

Already she has broken the 10/11 Association LJ record of Judy Rejebian's at 16'2 and has been over 17'0 in practice.

Not bad for a girl who until April had not run in other than grade school track meets.

LETTER FROM DELORES GARCIA, Long Beach, Cal.

"After reading your editorial in the August issue, thought you might be interested in making a comparison between the 1929 track and field program and the 1971 version.

There is now an All City track meet held in Long Beach each February with boys and girls from 14 junior high schools (including Edison) competing. A Relay Carnival is held in early March with boys and girls from the same schools competing.

The Jefferson Jr. High boys did poorly, but the girl's team placed second and won the Relay Carnival.

Jefferson has one AAU track and field athlete. SHE is 13 year old Andee Garcia who ran and jumped for the first time in 1970 as a 7th grader.

She now holds several school records and has received the Jefferson All Star T&F award two years in succession.

She joined the Long Beach Comets in April of 1970 and has had some degree of success on the national level.

Andee placed 6th in the long jump (16'10½) at the Age Group meet in Bakersfield and is a member of the NR breaking 440 and 880y medley relay teams in the 12.13 division."

(Ed. note:--Jefferson coaches Sedgewick, Eikelman and Thompson of the 1929 season wouldn't recognise the place now!)

LETTER FROM JUDY VERNON, England

"I finished second in the National Pentathlon here with a personal best of 4544 (she has since improved to 4655) and I have one more chance to qualify for the European Championships - next Sunday at Crystal Palace. I am quite hopeful of obtaining the standard as I had only an 18'3 long jump on the 4544 score - but three personal bests, 24.3 200m, 5'4½ in the high jump and a (mighty) 30'11 in the shot.

My husband has his first international on Saturday, Great Britain vs France. As you can see we are really settling down over here and I just love the country. We are having warm, sunny weather - about 80°. We have also bought a new flat in Surrey.

I won the Scottish Championships at Edinbrugh, a beautiful city and the running track in superb. I won the 100m hurdles with 14.3, (one hurdle was a 3 footer, which was quite a surprise) and also the long jump with 19'4½."

LETTER FROM BRIAN ALLEN, Berkeley

"I enjoy your magazine and appreciate the efforts you make in keeping us up to date in a sport that gets so little attention and support in the United States.

It pleased me to read your comments concerning the need for the running events to be held in meters rather than in yards, particularly in view of the international meetings held this year. I would like you to take the point even further and advocate a complete changeover for all women's track and field. It is unrealistic and old fashioned to insist on running 100 yards and 1 mile races when the future cried out for 100 meters and 1500 meters. The rest of the world has long ago discovered this. I was particularly sorry to see a two mile race added to the 1971 AAU Championships when it called for 3000 meters. Obviously, we in the sport want to see longer distances for ladies and hope that the Olympic Games and other major championships will include them. But let us all push for distances that will get support in Europe and around the world. It is time we changed and I feel somehow that statisticians would welcome it too - those asterics at the end of an athlete's time converting up or down to meters would then be unnecessary.

I hope you will use your column to try and persuade the officials in Women's T&F to get in line with the rest of the world."

LETTER FROM ANDREW HUXTABLE, England

"In the June issue just received, you reprinted from "AAW" a piece by Ken Oakley on the 200mH. You may have noted that at Birmingham on 3 July two races were held (at this distance), one over present spacings and one over UK proposal (20m). There were, unfortunately, only two in the experiment but it did appear to show that the new spacing was preferred since times were faster by 0.3 (Pat Whitehead) and 0.5 (Brenda Tiffin). There was to have been a further experiment at Solihull on 24 July with in addition to the present spacings races over the Australian and Polish proposals; as yet I have not seen the results."

LETTER FROM WILLIS KLEINSASSER, Azusa, Cal.

"Recent letters have perplexed me. Has California been voted out of these "United" states? The venom displayed is a bit startling. So we have "loud mouths". Do the writers actually think this is a geographical exclusive?

It appears to me women's track and field needs all the unity it can get. Why worry about where the performers are located?

I certainly agree 1000% with your stand that something has to be done about the endless meets. Even the most ardent fan can do without 12 hour meets! Could dashes be held on two straightaways simultaneously? Or hurdles and dashes at the same time? Who needs the 50 yard dash? Keep pushing for meaningful change."

LETTER FROM R. N. BARTH, Los Angeles

"As a dedicated track nut, I first subscribed to your magazine out of curiosity as it dealt with my favorite sport. Now I find myself as deeply engrossed with the progress of women's track and field as I am with men's competition. Congratulations on an outstanding publication."

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Continued)

Of the total of 42 medals awarded, no less than 26 went to German athletes while the USSR continued to display difficulty in replacing some of the old champions and was really successful only in the throws, as always. It also seemed that the margin between the first three nations and the rest of the European countries has increased greatly. Furthermore, among the 42 medals given, the Eastern Europeans collected 26 to 16 for the West (and 11 of these by the West Germans).

Scoring the meet with the usual 10-8-6-4-2-1 system shows how powerful the German athletes are compared to the rest of Europe. Between them (East and West) they tallied 236 points compared to only 198 for all the other nations combined!

1-EG	132	8-Rum	13
2-WG	104	9-Swi	10
3-USSR	53	Yug	10
4-Pol	41	11-Cze	2
5-GB	34	12-Fra	1
6-Hun	16	Swe	1
7-Aut	14	Bul	1
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Three world records were set. Karin Burneleit in the 1500 meters, Faina Myelnik in the discus and the East German 4x400 meter relay team. Ingrid Mickler and Renate Stecher were the most successful individuals with two golds and a silver each.

Weather was very humid with rain only the last day of the competition. Attendance was fine averaging 30,000 per day with peaks of 45,000 the last two days. The good Tartan facility of the Helsinki Olympic Stadium and a very knowledgeable and enthusiastic crowd contributed to the success of these championships. Organization was fine, with perfect information media: A NOIKA Japanese computer was used to tabulate the results for the crowd and the press only a few seconds after each event's end and a trigonometric system was used to measure the throws, allowing only 25 seconds to give the exact measurement.

(Bank) It was a simply tremendous European Championships and one hardly knows where to begin in putting thoughts into words. The Finnish organization was superb. When it comes to staging a competition of this type there is no one better. The enthusiasm of the Finns for a great performance no matter by whom makes the whole atmosphere just a little more enjoyable than it would be otherwise. To sit in a stadium of more than 40,000 really knowledgeable enthusiasts is a rare treat seldom experienced by this observer and, I would think, most others as well.

In watching (the women's events) of the European Championships we were watching, for the most part, the Olympic Games. As I see it there are really only five other individuals who can have a strong influence on the gold medal picture in Munich next year. They would be: Iris Davis (USA) 100; Raelene Boyle (Australia) 200; Marilyn Neufville (Jamaica) 400; Petra Rivers (Australia) javelin; and if she can regain her 1970 form, Chi Cheng (Republic of China) 100 and 200. Other than that, it will be strictly a European show.

100 Meters: -Veteran Nemeshazi and injury-plagued Val Peat, fourth at Athens, were the major losses in the heats where the tricks of the Baltic win duplicated the slowing effect of the electrical timing system used here (as at Sofia) without any reaction factor. (Most pressmen, who were situated at the famous Olympic Stadium finish line agree now that this "pure" electric tim is in general 0.2 seconds slower than hand-made times). Another surprise was the general scratching of the Soviet dash-women who concentrated themselves to the relay while Besfamlnaya ran the 200 only. Sylvie Telliez sustained a leg injury and was carried off the field.

In the semi-finals the situation was cleared without doubt in favor of Renate Stecher, who recently equalled the WR of 11.0 for the second time, and of the West German trio. Olympic pentathlon champ Ingrid Mickler-Becker won the first semi in 11.53 a stride ahead of Elfsgard Schittenhelm; neither Szewinska nor Athens sensation Petra Vogt, successfully coming back just before these Games and both were having trouble with Italy's Cecilia Molinari who was very strong in the first part of the race. In the second semi, Stecher, timed by Longine' at 11.49, was a clear winner with newcomer Helen Helten, an average 11.9 sprinter only three months ago, far more impressive than better known Hungarian champ Gyorgy Balogh and Athens bronze medalist Anita Neil, the last remaining thread of British sprinting glory of 1969/70. Monika Meyer, GDR's Spartikade champ of 1970 and most possibly the next chapter

of the Vogt/Stecher tradition, who ran 11.2 a week before, was the fastest and most impressive loser, far ahead of European Junior Champ Helena Flisnik-Kerner and Netherland's Wilma v.d. Berg, robbed of her chances by injury and illness in the past few months.

Renate Stecher, running in lane 8, was the big favorite in the final, and Ingrid Mickler, who was the last woman to beat her in last year's European Cup final, was her neighbor in lane 7. So everything was prepared for a fine sprint battle with Helten, Balogh, Neil, Vogt, Schittenhelm and Szewinska in lanes 1 to 6. "The whole season I have not gotten so bad and slow start", revealed Renate, a student of pedagogy in Jena, later. And Imgrid, a sport student at Mainz University, said: "I felt everything went surprisingly well up to 80 meters, but suddenly I lost my rhythm feeling and tightened up." These words describe the whole situation of the Helsinki clash between Europe's fastest almost perfectly. It was a two-way affair, to the surprise of most observers, up to 80 meters with Stecher coming up steadily from 60 meters on. In her last strides, Renate, looking more like a thrower than the fastest girl of our continent, came through in her usual manner, and her 11.35 electric time was easily the best ever seen at European Championships, surely faster than the hand-timed 11.3's of Hyman and Heine at Belgrade in 1962. Most of us stopped our watches at 11.2, and one feels that the "wind nil" reading was not exactly correct as there was some wind against during the race.

Mickler finished second with some space between her and fast closing Elfsgard Schittenhelm who did not begin sprinting until age 18 - with 13.0; actually the difference between Schittenhelm and Inge Helten was even smaller. With places 2-3-4, West Germany's relay coach Wolfgang Thiele could sleep quiet in the nights before the relay. The most impressive newcomer was Inge Helten who turned to the sprints only after a back injury prevented her from long jumping as well as she had dreamed she would.

In a separate fight for places 5 through 8, Gyorgy Balogh, whose real strength seems to be the 200/400 combination, won by a small margin over a little disappointing Irena Szewinska. A big champion at Budapest years ago and a future mother in the stands at Athens, Irena was very slow in the first 20 meters and could catch only two more in the final stages. Recovering Petra Vogt fought bravely, but she is perhaps only number 4 in GDR today behind Stecher, Meyer and Ellen Stropahl who ran 11.1 ten days ago, but nevertheless was allowed to run only the 200m here.

(Bank) I cannot think of any top sprinter I have ever seen over 100 who is less impressive than Renate Stecher. Maybe it is her appearance which surely does not lend itself to the sprints. She is terribly strong and runs 100 on strength alone. Her time of 11.4 was a long way from her 11.0 accomplished just before the DDR came to Helsinki. I am sure she can run 11.2 and even 11.1 but I do not think she will win the gold medal in the 100 (at Munich). In the 200 it will take a super athlete to beat her for she is a great 200 runner. I don't see Irena Szewinska challenging her and if Chi Cheng is not at her best Frau Stecher will be the definite favorite. I think Raelene Boyle can give her a strong run if she is able to come to Munich in high form. This is always a problem for an Australian girl this time of year. Ingrid Mickler is consistently good over 100 but I don't see her getting any better. Gyorgyi Balogh is not as impressive as her times and certainly not in Stecher's class. If Petra Vogt can regain her 1969 form she could be a factor. I see Iris Davis as the favorite over 100 and, at the moment, the only one to keep the solidly built Renate from becoming the first since Wilma Rudolph to win both sprints.

HEATS (August 10)

I (wind -1.6m), 1-Szewinska (Pol) 11.8, 2-Neil (GB) 11.8, 3-Meyer (EG) 11.9, 4-v.d. Berg (Hol) 11.9, 5-Margit Nemeshazi (Hun) 12.1; Tuula Rautanen (Fin) scr.

II (wind -1.0m), 1-Schittenhelm (WG) 11.5, 2-Balogh (Hun) 11.7, 3-Vogt (EG) 11.7, 4-Antenen (Swi) 11.8, 5-Elizabeth Johns (GB) 11.9; Nadya Besfamlnaya (SU) scr.

III (wind -0.9m), 1-Mickler (WG) 11.6, 2-Zharkova (SU) 11.8, 3-Molinari (Ita) 11.9, 4-Jedrejek (Pol) 11.9, 5-Helen Kapfer (Aut) 12.0, 6-Val Peat (GB) 12.1.

IV (wind -0.8m), 1-Stecher (EG) 11.4, 2-Helten (WG) 11.7, 3-Telliez (Fra) 11.9, 4-Flisnik (Pol) 12.0; Galina Bucharina (SU) scr.

SEMI-FINALS (August 11)

I (wind -1.1m), 1-Mickler 11.5, 2-Schittenhelm 11.6, 3-

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Szewinska 11.8, 4-Vogt 11.8, 5-Cecilia Molinari 11.9, 6-Lyudmila Zharkova 11.9, 7-Danuta Jadrejek 12.0; Sylvianne Telliez scratched due to injury.

II (wind -0.1m), 1-Stecher 11.5, 2-Helten 11.6, 3-Balogh 11.7, 4-Neil 11.7, 5-Monika Meyer (EG) 11.8, 6-Helena Flisnik 12.0, 7-Wilma van den Berg 12.1; Meta Antenen scr. due to other obligations.

FINAL (August 11)

(wind nil), 1-Renate Stecher 11.4, 2-Ingrid Mickler (WG) 11.5, 3-Elfgard Schittenhelm (WG) 11.5, 4-Inge Helten (WG) 11.6, 5-Gyorgyi Balogh (Hun) 11.6, 6-Irena Szewinska (Pol) 11.6, 7-Petra Vogt (EG) 11.7, 8-Anita Neil (GB) 11.8.

200 METERS:-Many runners involved in relays and/or 400 meters scratched, and so the seeding of heats was far from perfect. Possibly organizer in the future could find a solution between the demands of the press and program printers - and the benefit of the athletes. Fortunately, in no heat was there a fight between fourth and fifth, and even if elimination of 23.7 performer Bakulin or experienced Karin Lundgren could be described as a surprise, their actual form was not up to par. Electrical times of the winners were 23.76 (Stecher), 23.78 (Kroniger) 23.78 (Heinich) and 23.61 (Rita Wilden).

Annegret Kroniger, 19 year old European junior runner-up, was the big surprise of the semifinals. She won in 23.36, equalling her hand-timed personal best of 23.2 after a hard fight with Balogh and clearly ahead of her conqueror in the WG championships, Rita Wilden-Jahn. The elimination of v.d. Berg was no surprise after her 100m troubles. In the second semi, Stecher, as usual more impressive in the longer sprint, was timed in 23.23, thus equalling the meet record time of Kirszenstein-Szewinska (23.1 at Budapest). Behind her, Irena showed more spirit, and blonde Nadya Besfamilnaya impressed on the turn. Ellen Stropahl, with 23.7 nine-tenths behind her personal best of just a week earlier, eliminated Margaret Critchley, the little and last remaining hope of British sprinting who was only a shadow of that Edinburgh bronze medalist of a year ago.

In the final, the two tallest runners Szewinska and Heinich (both 1.76/5'9") in the inside and outside lanes, while the middle lanes found Stecher, Stropahl, Kroniger, Balogh and Rita Wilden and Besfamilnaya - this was THE Renate Stecher Show of Helsinki. The strong, but relaxed pupil of Horst Hille was meters ahead in her first 10 strides and never a gain in any danger. Her superiority at the finish was the biggest one during these days with five or more meters between her and the well-balanced field. (Athletics Weekly photo actually shows $\frac{3}{4}$ meters, ed). Renate was timed in 22.67. That means she actually bettered her hand timed pb and EG record, as well as equalling the European fastest time of Szewinska achieved in Mexico's thin air. Surprisingly, Renate, who was timed unofficially in 11.1 for the first curving 100m, said after the race: "I got a better start than in the 100, but never had the feeling I was running too fast." Well, it is certainly true that a relaxed sprinter has no sense of speed, and that relaxed sprinting is nevertheless the fastest sprinting.

Gyorgyi Balogh, only 0.2 behind Stecher in the year's list before Helsinki, led the rest of Europe well from the curve, and was really not threatened in the straight. Szewinska, coming up in each race despite the loss of condition during a 10 day attack of flu in the weeks before, caught Besfamilnaya at the 80m mark and was not aware of the big finish usually turned in by the Soviet champion. But Szewinska got her 5th EC medal, her first bronze one. A ding-dong battle between the remaining two East Germans and the West German pair, (although it was surprising to see them fighting for only 5th place), was again won by the newcomer Kroniger. Ellen Stropahl, a 19 year old schoolgirl from Potsdam, disappointed a bit, and one feels that she could do more in 100 meters.

HEATS (August 12) - Rain

I (wind nil), 1-Stecher (EG) 23.8, 2-vd Berg (Hol) 24.1, 3-Kapfer (Aut) 24.2, 4-Critchley (GB) 24.2, 5-Barbara Bakulin (Pol) 24.6; Raisa Nikanorova (SU) and Ivanka Venkova (Bul) scr.

II (wind -0.3m), 1-Kroniger (WG) 23.8, 2-Stropahl (EG) 23.9, 3-Szewinska (Pol) 25.6; Marina Sidorova-Nikiforova (SU), Marika Eklund (Fin) and Anita Neil (GB) scr.

III (wind nil), 1-Heinich (EG) 23.8, 2-Ruth (Hol) 24.0, 3-Baloch (Hun) 24.3, 4-Wilden (WG) 24.5, 5-Elisabeth Randers (Swe) 24.8; Sylviane Telliez (Fra) and Karolina Kapfer (Aut) scr.

IV (wind nil), 1-Wilden-Jahn (WG) 23.6, 2-Besfamilnaya (SU) 23.7, 3-Jozwik (Pol) 24.1, 4-Meyer (Fra) 24.3, 5-Karin Lundgren (Swe) 24.6, 6-Della Pascoe (GB) 24.7; Mona-Lisa Strandvall (Fin) scr.

SEMI-FINALS (August 12)

I (wind nil), 1-Kroniger 23.4, 2-Balogh 23.4, 3-Wilden-Jahn 23.5, 4-Heinich 23.6, 5-Urszula Jozwik (Pol) 24.0, 6-Wilma van den Berg (Hol) 24.0, 7-Gabrielle Meyer (Fra) 24.3.

II (wind nil), 1-Stecher 23.3, 2-Szewinska 23.5, 3-Besfamilnaya 23.6, 4-Stropahl 23.7, 5-Margaret Critchley (GB) 23.9, 6-Trudy Roth (Hol) 23.9, 7-Helga Kapfer (Aut) 24.1, 8-Annelie Wilden (WG) 24.5.

FINAL (August 13)

(wind nil), 1-Renate Stecher (EG) 22.7, 2-Gyorgyi Balogh (Hun) 23.3, 3-Irena Szewinska (Pol) 23.3, 4-Nadzyehda Besfamilnaya (SU) 23.4, 5-Annegret Kroniger (WG) 23.6, 6-Rita Wilden-Jahn (WG) 23.6, 7-Ellen Stropahl (EG) 23.6, 8-Christine Heinich (EG) 23.7.

400 METERS:-No major surprises occurred during the heats, although the seeding seemed far from equal with an easy third heat and three other hard series which caused France's Bernadette Martin to be eliminated with a good 53.7 while Liz Randerz made it into the semis in the following heat with a 54.5.

The strong East German trio had no troubles, each of them winning her heat while two of the three Soviet girls had a poor show and only experienced Chistyakova didn't fail in the trials. Besson and Seidler, the two favorites, showed fitness and self control as did the diminutive (5'0" and 106 pounds) West German Inge Boedding.

The semis saw another relaxed run by Besson who didn't expend all her energy as usual, clearly jogging the last meters. Frese, the shadow of that scintillating one-lap specialist she was last year, did poorly as did her teammate Rueckes who dropped a full second from her heat time. Rita Kuhne, EG, was the last qualifier and the East Germans went into the final with the maximum number of runners - three.

In the final, Besson had a very favorable lane, the second, and was thus able to control the others, i.e. Seidler who was running at her right. Runners from the inside and their 1971 best times: Kuhne 52.7, Besson 52.5, Seidler 52.2, Eklund 52.9, Sykora 53.3, Lohse 52.5, Chistyakova 53.2 and Boedding 52.9. Colette had a surprisingly slow start, perhaps aiming to change pace in the second half of the race, exactly the opposite of her usual running tactics. So Seidler opened up an early lead and progressively increased her margin over the rest of the field. Helga came into the final straight almost eight meters ahead and we all were looking to Besson, waiting for her attack. But the French girl was really unable to sprint, showing she has only one way of running this race - full speed from the first stride. It was a hard lesson for Colette, who could only look at Helga Seidler crossing the finish line some 20 yards ahead. Little Boedding and Maria Sykora used their sprinting ability to gain some places in the final straight, but only the West German girl was able to catch Inge Lohse in the very last yards. Chistyakova had the same start as Besson, but her progression during the race was better. The former Miss Burda, then Pechyenkina (with this name she won the bronze medal in Mexico) is recovering from a long rest after marriage with hurdler Valentin Chistyakova and the birth of their child, but I must say she seemed more an 800m runner than a 400m one. For Seidler, the final time was a personal and national record. Not too bad for a girl who emerged only at the middle of the 1970 season, (she was Fischer then), with a 52.8 heat at the National championships.

(Watman) Probable cause of Besson's downfall: she was seen on the morning of the race running flat out 100m repetitions!

(Bank) I don't know if I was more impressed with Helga Seidler's strong domination of the 400 or Colette Besson's collapse. Besson has never impressed me and except for Athens I have really seen no indication of her being the great 400 runner we are told she is. There are a lot of good 400 runners in Europe but Frau Seidler stamped herself as being superior when she ran a great solo leg in the 4x400 (timed from 50.8 to 51.4 depending upon whose watch you believe). I doubt if Marilyn Neufville will regain the form that carried her to 51.0 and after being barred from international competition in 1971 one will have to wait and see if Kathy Hammond has the desire to get back up to the top. Certainly the 400 seems to stand almost still and maybe one day when a runner

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of Irena Szewinska's ability seriously tackles this event we will at last have our breakthrough. Until such time, one cannot get too excited over the results.

HEATS (August 10)

I, 1-Kuhne (EG) 53.2, 2-Besson (Fra) 53.2, 3-Rueckes (WG) 53.6, 4-Lundgren (Swe) 53.8, 5-Svetla Slateva (Bul) 54.0, 6-Mariana Filip-Suman (Rum) 54.3, 7-Bozena Zientarska (Pol) 55.0.

II, 1-Seidler (EG) 52.7, 2-Boedding (WG) 53.0, 3-Chistyakova (SU) 53.2, 4-Burggraef (Hol) 53.6, 5-Bernadette Martin (Fra) 53.7, 6-Danutia Pieczka (Pol) 54.3, 7-Stefka Guyonung (Bul) 55.1.

III, 1-Eklund (Fin) 54.4, 2-Frese (WG) 54.4, 3-Kaefer (Aut) 54.5, 4-Randerz (Swe) 54.5, 5-Krystyna Hryniewicka (Pol) 54.7, 6-Lyubov Aksyonova (SU) 54.9, 7-Josefina Salgado Perez (Spa) 56.3.

IV, 1-Lohse (EG) 53.3, 2-Sykora (Aut) 53.5, 3-Strandvall (Fin) 53.7, 4-Roscoe (GB) 54.0, 5-Nadyezhda Kolyesnikova (SU) 54.4, 6-Lotta Malmstrom (Swe) 54.7, 7-Ingunn Einarsdotter (Ice) 61.3.

SEMI-FINALS (August 11)

I, 1-Seidler 52.8, 2-Besson 52.9, 3-Eklund 53.1, 4-Chistyakova 53.2, 5-Karoline Kaefer (Aut) 53.7, 6-Marianne Burggraef (Hol) 53.8, 7-Karin Lundgren (Swe) 54.0, 8-Annette Rueckes (WG) 54.4.

II, 1-Lohse 53.0, 2-Boedding 53.2, 3-Sykora 53.3, 4-Kuhne 53.8, 5-Mona-Lisa Strandvall (Fin) 54.0, 6-Christel Frese (WG) 54.1, 7-Jeanette Roscoe (GB) 54.6, 8-Elizabeth Randerz (Swe) 54.9s.

FINAL (August 12)

1-Helga Seidler (EG) 52.1 (24.8-37.7), 2-Inge Boedding (WG) 52.9 (25.2-38.4), 3-Ingelore Lohse (EG) 52.9 (24.6-37.6), 4-Maria Sykora (Aut) 53.0 (24.9-38.3), 5-Natalya Chistyakova (SU) 53.2 (25.0-38.3), 6-Marika Eklund (Fin) 53.4 (25.2-38.3), 7-Colette Besson (Fra) 53.7 (25.1-38.5), 8-Rita Kuhne (EG) 53.9 (25.4-38.7). Note: Intermediate splits electrically recorded.

800 METERS:-The seeding for the heats was quite accurate and none of the top runners found much difficulty in qualifying for the next round, the Bulgarian Petrova being the best non-qualifier in spite of tying her pb at 2:05.9.

But it was written somewhere that this event had to offer a big surprise. The first occurred in the second semi when one medal contender, Ileana Silai, refused to lead at her usual fast pace and had no speed in the final stages to qualify for the final. If the pace had been 2:01.5 to 2:02.0, (which is really not too difficult for Ileana), she would be able to go into the final, but as it was she lost to that great fighter from Ireland, Claire Walsh who is always hard to beat in the big races and who set a pb of 2:03.4 in securing her spot in the final.

The experts diagnosed the coming final as a race between Hoffmeister and Falck, fresh from her world record of 1:58.3, while Nikolic was talking about a sub-two minute pace. There were high possibilities of a clocking around 1:57 thereby definitely cancelling Sin Kim Dan from the 800m (unofficial) record book. But this day had to be a bad one for West Germany. Just minutes before the start of the final, Liesel Westermann had lost first place and her world record in the discus on the final throw of the competition - and Hildegard Falck was not going to be more fortunate.

Gisela Ellenberger was the speediest at the start and began leading in order to control the race for her teammate Falck. Vera Nikolic was running at Ellenberger's right, but leaving some space between her and Gisela. So, at 200 meter mark Hoffmeister tried to pass between them, having Falck at her right. Unfortunately, the East German girl collided with Ellenberger and lost balance. Falck was too close to dodge and as Hoffmeister fell, she touched the feet of Falck with the result that both girls fell to the track, Hoffmeister falling hard on the tartan. Falck suffered a knee abrasion and stopped, but Hoffmeister got up and tried to follow. Walsh, who had to avoid the fallen runners and had lost some ground, was Hoffmeister's target, but after 400m she dropped from the race.

In this manner, one of the most looked-forward-to races of these championships was completely ruined by the most casual of accidents. Vera Nikolic, at this point, had no one with her. She gained the head of the field and increased

the pace. After a 57.8 first lap and a 1:29.7 at the 600, the Yugoslavian had already won. Vera offered also some fast sprinting to the crowd in the final straight in her effort to beat the two minutes she had promised before the race, but she was, in fact, two/hundredths of a second over this barrier, yet became the world's third best-ever performer and doubling her continental win in Budapest after five years.

Behind Nikolic there was room for a desperate battle between Pat Low and Rosemary Stirling. The British duo finished in this order with new personal bests for both of them, and their medals being a sort of homage to Lillian Board who had dominated this event in Athens just two years earlier. Walsh lost almost three seconds due to the Hoffmeister-Falck spill and was unable to regain contact. Westermann tried to comfort Falck after the fall while a melancholy Hoffmeister left the field feeling she had lost all chances for the 800/1500 double she was aiming for.

(Bank) We must wait now until Munich to see what the outcome of a Nikolic-Falck-Hoffmeister race shall be. This was one of the events I was anticipating most and so the disappointment was great not only for the fallen runners. Vera Nikolic obviously has recovered from her Mexico City trauma. She was ready mentally for these Championships and prepared to do whatever necessary to win. We know Hildegard Falck can not run Nikolic's race and win. So does Frau Falck. I am not so sure she can run away from Nikolic but that is her only hope. The Yugoslav seems to have the fire and determination that is required to run this race as it should be run. I think this could definitely upset Hildegard Falck's mental approach. I feel Gunhild Hoffmeister is an under-rated runner capable of being there at the finish with anyone. It will certainly be these three in Munich and I see no one at this time who is in the same league with them.

HEATS (August 10)

I, 1-Falck (WG) 2:05.0, 2-Kulcsar (Hun) 2:05.3, 3-Poehland (EG) 2:05.3, 4-Ramello (Ita) 2:05.7, 5-Vasilena Amzina (Bul) 2:06.4, 6-Sandra Sutherland (GB) 2:09.5; Sinikka Tynnela (Fin) did not start.

II, 1-Nikolic (Yug) 2:04.8, 2-Stirling (GB) 2:06.7, 3-Schenk (WG) 2:07.4, 4-Wierzbowska (Pol) 2:07.9, 5-Birgitte Jennes (Den) 2:09.5, 6-Coro Fuentes Lopez (Spa) 2:12.6. Annemarie Nenzell (Swe) scr.

III, 1-Hoffmeister (EG) 2:05.9, 2-Walsh (Ire) 2:06.1, 3-Lowe (GB) 2:06.4, 4-Hoiler (Den) 2:06.7, 5-Elzbieta Skowronska (Pol) 2:06.9; Maria Sykora (Aut) scr.

IV, 1-Silai (Rum) 2:04.9, 2-Govoni (Ita) 2:05.5, 3-Sabaite (SU) 2:05.5, 4-Ellenberger (WG) 2:05.6, 5-Tonka Petrova (Bul) 2:05.9, 6-Greta Andersen (Nor) 2:07.6; Jaroslava Jehlikova (Cze) scr.

SEMI-FINALS (August 11)

I, 1-Nikolic 2:03.7, 2-Wierzbowska 2:05.3, 3-Ellenberger 2:05.4, 4-Lowe 2:05.4, 5-Magdolna Kulcsar (Hun) 2:06.2, 6-Waltraud Poehland (EG) 2:06.9, 7-Angela Ramello (Ita) 2:07.5, 8-Kirsten Hoiler (Den) 2:07.6.

II, 1-Hoffmeister 2:03.1, 2-Falck 2:03.2, 3-Stirling 2:03.3, 4-Walsh 2:03.4, 5-Silai (Rum) 2:03.9, 6-Sylvia Schenk (WG) 2:04.6, 7-Donata Govoni (Ita) 2:05.0; Nijole Sabaite (SU) scr.

FINAL (August 12)

1-Vera Nikolic (Yug) 2:00.0, 2-Pat Lowe (GB) 2:01.7, 3-Rosemary Stirling (GB) 2:02.1, 4-Danutia Wierzbowska (Pol) 2:04.2, 5-Gisela Ellenberger (WG) 2:05.1, 6-Claire Walsh (Ire) 2:08.6. Hildegard Falck (WG) and Gunhild Hoffmeister (EG) fell and did not finish.

1500 METERS:-From the first three finishers at Athens (Jehlickova, Gommers and Pigni), only the Czech was able to present again her challenge for a medal in Helsinki. Gommers has retired while Pigni's maternity in March forced the Italian lady to scratch from the championships. Jehlickova was not in perfect condition either after her long rest and operation and also because of a strange accident which happened to her shortly before the championships when she crashed into a glass (door) in a hotel and collected cuts which required 38 adhesive bandages to cover. However, Jarka qualified for the final with her seasonal best, while Christa Merten came up with the biggest sensation as she was eliminated without offering much of a fight. Tamara Pangelova, the favorite of most of the experts, did not show. Vera Nikolic ran a heat in 4:24.5 after her 800 win and was eliminated. Zsuzsa Volgyi ran 4:18.0 in the first heat and was eliminated.

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In the final, Tittel and Amzina were the first leaders passing 200m in a fast 30 and closely followed by Hoffmeister. Tittel was still in front at 400 (67.9) but Hoffmeister soon passed as did the two other East Germans Kleinau and Burneleit. At 800m Kleinau was flanking Hoffmeister in 2:17 but faded slightly by 1000m and Hoffmeister led at 2:50.0.

The order at that point was Hoffmeister, Burneleit, Tittel, Kleinau, Ridley and Bragina with Allison and Jehlickova some meters behind this group. Still Hoffmeister led at 1200m in 3:23.7 and then in the final straight the East German girl looked back, saw Burneleit who was increasing her pace and gave room for her teammate to take the lead and win the title.

Burneleit's time was a new global best at 4:09.6. Hoffmeister at 4:10.3 and Tittel at 4:10.4 also went under the old world mark. Jehlickova could only beat out Allison for seventh place, but this was a fine display by the defending champion.

It was the finest 1500m ever run with pretty Sheila Carey only 11th with 4:17.5 and we have a clear indication that this event can produce 4:05 performers in a very short time. We had seen Burneleit run before always as a pace-runner who lost many races in the final stages, so her win was a big surprise for everyone - and you had only to look at Burneleit's face immediately after the race to realize that!

The event produced the richest series of personal bests and national records (nine!), with six of the finalists improving their times in the same race. But the event is still young, as shown by the fact that there are still too many "doubblers" (800 and 1500). Perhaps in five or six years the four minute barrier will be for this event what it once was for the men's mile.

(Bank) An improvement of 1.1 seconds in two years time is not exactly what I thought would be the progress shown in this event. For some reason female runners over this distance don't really extend themselves except in a competition of this type. I am quite sure if a pacemaker pulled the field around that 4:05 would have been the record at Helsinki. Once again we have three runners standing apart from the rest. Karin Burneleit impressed me as being very strong over the last 200 although I felt Hoffmeister would have been with her all the way had she skipped the 800. I don't see Ellen Tittel as a winner in this type of competition but she surely gets the most out of what ability she is blessed with. This event is too new to have turned up a super talent. When one does show up I think 3:55 will not be out of the question.

HEATS (August 13)

I, 1-Tittel (WG) 4:14.2, 2-Bragina (SU) 4:15.0, 3-Kleinau (EG) 4:15.3, 4-Carey (GB) 4:16.2, 5-Zsusza Volgyi (Hun) 4:18.0, 6-Sinikka Tyynela (Fin) 4:22.0, 7-Belen Azpeitia Mendioroz (Spa) 4:24.0, 8-Anneke de Lange (Hol) 4:24.2, 9-Vera Nikolic (Yug) 4:24.5, 10-Angela Ramello (Ita) 4:30.3; Ingrid Christensen (Nor) scr.

II, 1-Burneleit (EG) 4:14.9, 2-Amzina (Bul) 4:16.8, 3-Ridley (GB) 4:17.4, 4-Knutsson (Swe) 4:18.2, 5-Magdalena Kulcsar (Hun) 4:21.2, 6-Djordjica Rajher (Yug) 4:22.4, 7-Joke vd Stelt (Hol) 4:23.0, 8-Catherine Bultze (Fra) 4:23.1, 9-Gerda Ranz (WG) 4:25.8; Birgit Jennes (Den) did not finish; Tamara Pangelova (SU) scr.

III, 1-Hoffmeister (EG) 4:17.2, 2-Allison (GB) 4:17.2, 3-Jehlickova (Cze) 4:17.4, 4-Ligetkuti (Hun) 4:17.6, 5-Christa Merten (WG) 4:18.2, 6-Galina Kuzmina (SU) 4:19.1, 7-Elis Gommers (Hol) 4:19.3, 8-Grete Andersen (Nor) 4:23.0, 9-Bronislawa Doborzynska (Pol) 4:24.2, 10-Zina Boniolo (Ita) 4:31.4, 11-Lena Sjoestedt (Swe) 4:34.0.

FINAL (August 15) Humidity 100%

1-Karin Burneleit (EG) 4:09.6 (world record), 2-Gunhild Hoffmeister (EG) 4:10.3, 3-Ellen Tittel (WG) 4:10.4, 4-Rita Ridley (GB) 4:12.7, 5-Regine Kleinau (EG) 4:13.7, 6-Lyudmila Bragina (SU) 4:13.9, 7-Jaroslava Jehlickova (Cze) 4:14.8, 8-Joan Allison (GB) 4:14.8, 9-Sara Ligetkuti (Hun) 4:16.1, 10-Vasilena Amzina (Bul) 4:17.3, 11-Sheila Carey (GB) 4:17.5, 12-Inger Knutsson (Swe) 4:21.5.

100 METER HURDLES:-Another example of the growing seeding problem as well as of the poor overall standard of the new higher hurdles event: only 17 hurdlers fulfilled their obligation as entries and only 22 were nominated by their Federations to enter at all, (with possible finalists Ann Wilson, Lyubov Kononva, Tatyana Kondrashova and Barbel Podeswa dropping out for various reasons). There are only five countries

in Europe with real sub-13.5 performers - and so the standard is far away from the past tightness of the last 80mH seasons. If just one more of the participants in the heats had scratched, (i.e. the Icelandic champion who did not show up for her semifinal), only two rounds (heats) would have been necessary. Karl-Heinz Balzer, the successful coach of East Germany's hurdlers, said to me afterwards, "Before the new hurdling distance would be as common in more countries, (as for example the sprints), it is unnecessary to speak about any second hurdle event in such type of competition."

So the only athlete who was eliminated was unhappy Sheila Garnett, but even in the heats the superiority of the East Germans was clearly shown by the electrical 13.3 clockings of Balzer and Ehrhardt who thus bettered the EC record time of Athens memory. Both exercised their ability once more in the semis, and their final clash was considered as the most interesting duel in the short distances in Helsinki. West German champ Margit Bach, one of the much publicized West German candidates for "Miss Helsinki" title, was the only one surprising elimination, with little known but steady Polybayarova being the only unpredicted finalist.

The East German hurdlers were four lanes apart in the final, the big contest was not as evident as in the flat sprint. But it was a truly fantastic race. Annelie Ehrhardt, two inches shorter and 13 pounds lighter than Karin Balzer, was in front with the smallest possible margin most of the race. Karin, the grand old lady of the hurdling world for almost a decade now, tried hard and suffered from an unprecedented experience of colliding with four hurdles. But she fought as spirited as never before, closed the millimeter gap about the ninth or tenth barrier and won with a deep forward bend at the finish line. Three one-hundredths of a second divided the experienced sport teacher from Magdeburg and the up-and-coming photo-laboratory assistant who is Frau Balzer's club and training mate for many seasons. 12.94 for the winner and 12.97 for second; no man's or woman's race at Helsinki was decided by such a small margin. "It was the hardest fight over 100m hurdles I have ever run," commented Karin, happy for her third European title, immediately afterward. 12.94 - that was also the full confirmation of Karin's latest world record of 12.6 achieved with a 1.9mps aiding wind, for with nil wind it was worth at least 12.8 hand time.

Four weeks ago Teresa Sukniewicz's Helsinki chance was a big zero; the best Polish athlete of 1970 was completely out of form and regularly lost to Tereza Nowak and Danuta Straszynska. But the prettiest woman athlete Poland has ever produced came back in the right moment. Sukniewicz, engaged to former sprint champion Romanowski, was a perfect third for half the distance and did beat teammate Straszynska for the first time this season and by a clear margin. Straszynska, who has won even against Balzer in their June clash at Edinburgh and ran a 12.8 pb just the week before Helsinki, was too nervous and had big troubles even with Meta Antenen. The Swiss allround prospect, competing in her third EC although only 22, was third at the third hurdle and fourth up to the last barrier losing to Straszynska only in the run to the tape. One-hundredth of a second separated her from the Polish co-favorite (13.34 to 13.35) which is far more illustrative than the official times of 13.3 and 13.4s. Another one-hundredth of a second difference was between Nowak and Bufanu (13.46 to 13.47) both being very disappointed in view of their pre-Helsinki standard.

(Watman) When Karin Balzer became Olympic 80m hurdles champion in 1964 she was 26 years old and had completed 11 seasons in athletics. She gave birth to a son the following year and no one would have argued had she decided not to return to competition. With an Olympic gold medal, a European silver (1962) and a share in the world 80mH record of 10.5 she had achieved enough to satisfy anyone. Not enough for Karin, though. She loved racing and knew she would be better yet.

She returned to the track in 1966 and won the European 80m hurdles title; in 1967 she gained the first of five consecutive European indoor championships; she slipped to 5th in the 1968 80mH but responded to the new challenge of 100m hurdles in 1969 by winning the European title and becoming the first woman to break 13 seconds; last year she improved the world record to 12.7 and this season, in her last race before Helsinki, she produced a 12.6. This is an incredible record of achievement but Karin, now 33, is not finished yet. Here in Helsinki she streaked to her third consecutive European triumph in 12.9, tremendous running with a nil wind reading and electrical timing. Karin's heiress-apparent, 21 year old Annelie Ehrhardt (nee Jahns), was a good second comfortable clear of 12.7/12.6w performer Tereza Sukniewicz.

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(Bank) One hardly knows whether to marvel at Karin Balzer or wonder why the rest are not better. I think we must admit here is a truly great athlete. It is not just her age - 33 - that is amazing. It is her aggressive hurdling. Look at her and then look at the others. I don't think there is any question as to where she stands related to hurdlers of all time. There are faster hurdlers - Chi Cheng as a prime example - but none who attack the hurdles as she does. Her young teammate Annelie Ehrhardt seems ready to step in when Frau Balzer retires but until that time Karin Balzer will be number one. She may lose a race here and there but when she must win she does. I am told Tereza Sukniewicz was burdened with university examinations this year. This must be so for her times fell off from 1970. Still, give me Balzer. She comes to run.

HEATS (August 12, humidity 100%)

I, (wind nil), 1-Bufanu (Rum) 13.5, 2-Nowak (Pol) 13.6, 3-Olsson (Swe) 14.0, 4-Norrlund (Fin) 14.1, 5-Schoebel (Fra) 14.3, 6-Sheila Garnett (GB) 15.2.
II, (wind nil), 1-Balzer (EG) 13.3, 2-Straszynska (Pol) 13.5, 3-Bach (WG) 13.6, 4-Ongar (Ita) 14.5, 5-Einarsdottir (Ice) 15.9; Tatyana Kondrashova (SU) scr due to pentathlon.
III (wind nil), 1-Ehrhardt (EG) 13.3, 2-Sukniewicz (Pol) 13.4, 3-Poluboyarova (SU) 13.5, 4-Antenen (Swi) 13.5, 5-Andre (Fra) 14.4, 6-Murphy (Ire) 15.1.

SEMI-FINALS (August 12)

I (wind -0.8m), 1-Balzer 13.2, 2-Bufanu 13.3, 3-Nowak 13.5, 4-Antenen 13.5, 5-Margit Bach (WG) 13.8, 6-Jacqueline Andre (Fra) 14.1, 7-Sirkka Norrlund (Fin) 15.6; Ingunn Einarsdottir (Ice) scr.
II (wind +0.2), 1-Ehrhardt 13.1, 2-Straszynska 13.4, 3-Sukniewicz 13.4, 4-Poluboyarova 13.6, 5-Gun Olsson (Swe) 13.8, 6-Jeanne Schoebel (Fra) 14.1, 7-Ileana Ongar (Ita) 14.5, 8-Margaret Murphy (Ire) 15.2.

FINAL (August 13) - wind nil

1-Karin Balzer (EG) 12.9, 2-Annelie Ehrhardt (EG) 13.0, 3-Tereza Sukniewicz (Pol) 13.2, 4-Danuta Straszynska (Pol) 13.3, 5-Meta Antenen (Swi) 13.4, 6-Tereza Nowak (Pol) 13.5, 7-Valerie Bufanu (Rum) 13.5, 8-Tatyana Poluboyarova (SU) 13.7.

4x100 METER RELAY AND 4x400 METER RELAY:-Both relays were dominated by the German teams with the Soviet Union third on both occasions. The 400m relay saw a well balanced West German quartette setting a new European standard although the team was only selected two months ago. Schittenhelm, Helten, Irrgang and Mickler not only ran 43.3 leaving the East German three tenths behind, but showed the West German team is the best in the world today and it could be also next year in Munich if the United States and Australia continue their present planning with last-minute choices without a time to get together and "feel" as a team. Sprint relay running is not simply a sum of times and now that the US has only two sprinters of real international class in Iris Davis and Kathy Lawson, things could really be difficult for them.

East Germany won the four lap relay easily. Their world record was expected as a consequence of merely looking at their individual times even though Rita Kuehne did not run a fast leg. A time of 3:28 is certainly possible for the East Germans. The expected battle with France completely failed when Duclos lost the baton after the first exchange and quit.

(Watman) The East Germans came out of the final bend (in the 4x100) three meters up, but West Germany's inspired Ingrid Mickler easily handles Ellen Stropahl by quickly pulling a couple of meters clear well before the tape.

There was no one to approach the all-conquering East German team (in the 4x400) who won in a canter 1.5 seconds inside the previous world record that Britain shared with France.

4x100 HEATS (August 14)

I, 1-West Germany 44.4, 2-USSR 44.6, 3-Poland 44.8, 4-Sweden 45.3, 5-Italy (Maddalena Grassano, Alessandra Orselli, Laura Nappi, Cecilia Molinari) 45.7.
II, 1-East Germany 44.1, 2-Hungary 44.9, 3-Great Britain 45.1, 4-France 45.6, 5-Austria (Karoline Kaefner, Christine Kepplinger, Monika Holzschuster, Helga Kapfer) 45.8.

4x100 FINAL (August 15 - Humidity 100%)

1-West Germany (Elfgard Schittenhelm, Inge Helten, Annegret Irrgang, Ingrid Mickler) 43.3, 2-East Germany (Karin

Balzer, Renate Stecher, Petra Vogt, Ellen Stropahl) 43.6, 3-USSR (Lyudmila Zharkova, Galina Bukharina, Marina Nikiforova, Nadyezhda Besfamilnaya) 44.5, 4-Poland (Danuta Jedrejek, Barbara Bakulin, Urszula Joswik, Helena Flisnik-Kerner) 44.8, 5-Hungary (Ilona Bruzsenyak, Margit Nemeshazi, Gyorgi Balogh, Katalin Papp) 44.8, 6-Great Britain (Valerie Peat, Margaret Critchley, Madeline Cobb, Liz Johns) 44.9, 7-France (Gaby Meyer, Michele Beaunet, Nicole Pani-Montandon, Odette Ducas) 45.5, 8-Sweden (Anneli Olsson, Gun Olsson, Karin Lundgren, Elizabeth Randerz) 46.1.

4x400 HEATS (August 14)

I, 1-West Germany 3:34.7, 2-Great Britain 3:35.0, 3-USSR 3:35.6, 4-Sweden 3:37.2, 5-Austria (Gerline Massing, Karoline Kaefner, Sonja Termoth, Maria Sykora) 3:40.8.
II, 1-East Germany 3:34.2, 2-France 3:35.6, 3-Poland 3:37.5, 4-Finland 3:41.2, 5-Bulgaria (Ivanka Venkova, Stefka Guyonina, Tonka Petrova, Svetla Slateva) 3:43.3.

4x400 FINAL (August 15 - Humidity 82%)

1-East Germany (Rita Kuehne 54.2, Ingelore Lohse 51.4, Helga Seidler 51.4, Monika Zehrt 52.3) 3:29.3 (World record), 2-West Germany (Annette Rueckes 54.7, Christel Frese 53.1, Hildegard Falck 52.7, Inge Boeding 52.5) 3:33.0, 3-USSR (Raisa Nikanorova 54.7, Vyera Popkova 53.7, Nadya Kolyesnikova 52.8, Natalya Chistyakova 52.9) 3:34.1, 4-Great Britain (Verona Bernard 55.2, Pat Lowe 53.2, Jeannette Roscoe 53.5, Rosemary Stirling 52.6) 3:34.5, 5-Poland (Bozena Zientarska 56.6, Elzbieta Skowronska 52.1, Danuta Piecyc 52.9, Krystyna Hryniewicka 53.7) 3:35.3, 6-Sweden (Lotta Malmstrom 55.6, Ann Larsson 55.7, Elizabeth Randerz 53.7, Karin Lundgren 52.6) 3:37.1, 7-Finland (Mona-Lisa Strandvall 54.4, Riitta Hagman 55.4, Ruth Lindfore 55.0, Marika Eklund 52.4) 3:37.2; France did not finish (Monique Noirot, Nicole Duclos, Bernadette Martin, Colette Besson).

HIGH JUMP:-Never before in modern era of athletics has such a major competition been affected more by organizational troubles - but never before has there been such a thrilling jumping competition - which was also true in the men's event.

The qualification limit for the women's high jump was determined some 15 months ago. Such is the tremendous trend of this event that 1.73/5'8, an international class performance then, went into obscurity during the 1971 season with 25 athletes achieving at least 1.80/5'10 1/2 by the end of July only in Europe! 22 of them showed up for the qualifying round along with 14 other girls, all with personal bests over the necessary requirement of 5'8. In two groups and two hours during this sunny afternoon the field was reduced to - 27! From 16 Floppers, six were eliminated, among them Hungary's versatile Erika Rudolf and West Germany's big surprise Ulrike Meyfarth who with a mark of 6'0 1/2 is one of the tallest 1.80 jumpers in the world. The straddlers were more successful - only two (Paleka and Pigato) out of the 19 left the sector without final passports.

The final was supposed to start at 1740/5:40PM - and even this was thought to be too late because of the cold Helsinki evenings. But to make things worse, the program planners scheduled the decathlon pole vault on the same sector immediately before the high jump final - and so hours before it was clear the biggest group of finalists of any field event competition since the 1948 Olympics had to wait for at least one hour more. The biggest mistake made by the Finnish organizers and their IAAF supervisors was to announce the one hour postponement just before the originally scheduled time which news reached the competitors AFTER they had made their warmups on the field some 400 meters away from the stadium. This one hour of waiting is very hard even for the most experienced veteran men athletes; and it was too hard, too long and too new for most of this group. They were prepared for a long battle, but not for a long delay. After hearing the first-hand comments of many coaches and athletes, I am sure the delay diminished the fighting spirit at least of the Soviet trio, Czechoslovakia's 1.84/6'0 1/2 jumper Proskova, Hungary's strong and pretty Komka, and most of the Scandinavians. Some others, among them physically strong Gusenbauer, Inkpen and/or Poescu, were able to fill in this hour of waiting without diminishing their nervous readiness and jumping ability. Five minutes before the group was assembled anew and led to the infield, I saw Gusenbauer coming to the Austrian masseur in a hurry: "I feel great pain under my left knee, help!" The quiet man reacted fast, gave her a honey-bee poison massage - and Ilona left to the field with a happy smile.

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The first jump of the competition, a flop produced by Italy's Sara Simeoni over 1.60/5'3", came at 1850/6:50PM. The last one, Ilona Gusenbauer's unsuccessful third try at 1.91/6'3/4", came at 2257/10:57PM. In between the temperature went down steadily to perhaps 10-12°C, short rain showers attacked the competitors during the 1.75/5'8" tries, frenetic ovations for "Julma-Juha" Vaatainen during his 5000m heat made any attempt to relax in this crucial stage of the final an impossibility, and, most of all, hundreds of lights from the field lights shown directly into the eyes of all the jumpers whose approach came in a sharp angle from either the left or right. Olympic champ and reigning European champion Milena Huebnerova, who was the only competitor wearing glasses, had very tired eyes after an hour of the competition and this may be the reason she had such troubles with her stride during the 1.78/5'10" and 1.81/5'11 1/4" attempts. Add to this the fact that most jumpers had a 45-60 minute wait between jumps for the first time in their career and you come up with some explanation for some of the things that happened here. When one considers all these negative factors, you must be impressed by this fact - that 25 jumpers were still in the competition at 1.75/5'8", 17 still remained at 1.78/5'10", and ten were still trying at 1.81/5'11 1/4"!

After only five jumps, the bar went to 1.65/5'5" at seven o'clock. Only Hrepevnik, Schmidt and Gusenbauer passed at this height and only Linda Hedmark needed two tries while Belgium's pentathlon expert Emonts-Gast went out. Twenty six jumpers went on to the next stage, 1.70/5'7" beginning at 22 minutes past seven. This became the first round of importance. It took 36 minutes to see only one more girl, another pentathlonist of the past, Holland's Marian Ackermans, eliminated and for desperate third trials for floppers Karen Mack and Soviet co-holder Chulkova, (far away from any 1.87/6'1 1/2" form indication), to be successful and to notice that only Universiade winner Hrepevnik seemed to be mentally strong enough to decide to pass until 1.75/5'8", a decision without precedence.

The next hour was crucial. From two minutes until eight until 23 minutes after eight the main group of favorites were over 1.75/5'8" on their first attempts - and then had to wait and watch for another 27 minutes while the remaining jumpers could clear. Among them was Hrepevnik, who debated long with the referee about the two minute pro jump time limit shown on the big clock immediately behind the pit. Snezna, as well as Mack, Simeoni, Lazayeva and the only other bespectacled participant, Solveig Langkilde, mastered 1.75 on their second attempts; Komka and Babosek came through on their third. Out of the competition was newcomer Bouma, a 15 year old from Holland who is predestined to flop over greater things in the years to come if we judge by her height of 1.80/5'10", and some of the top names such as Linda Hedmark, Swedish citizen from only the 15th of July and created by the not well informed Swedish press as a co-favorite despite the very uneven standard; also Bea Rechner, one of the flop-pioneers in Europe, seemingly not as strong as in 1969/70; also Vyera Gavrilova, USSR's third string in all important domestic competition and owner of a 1.84/6'0" personal best, who impressed me only three weeks ago so that I named her as one of the five most serious title contenders for the EC.

The field was now reduced to 17 with the bar at 1.78/5'10" and the time eight minutes until nine. The long hour of waiting had its effect and only Gusenbauer and Popescu mastered the height on their first attempt. In the second round, Huebnerova again missed, thereby losing much in the fewer-misses-countdown to have much chance now. Sara Simeoni delighted any Italian in the still crowded stadium by hopping over for a new Italian record. Hrepevnik cleared as though she was jumping at 6'1". Rita Schmidt, indoor champ Milada Karbanova and impressive Inkpen followed as did WG champ Renate Gartner. The third round began at 2124 and soon Milena Huebnerova, faced with another of her famous competitive situations where it is "now or never", took a one foot longer runup and went over the bar. Flopper Mack went over and so the field was narrowed to ten. Soviet coach Vladimir Chistyakova described this as "the biggest defeat in the history of our high jumping" as both Lazayeva and Chulkova were eliminated. Also lost was Norway's tall Kari Karlsen, Poland's experienced Konowska as well as Bobosek and Langkilde.

Two hours and forty four minutes after the competition began - a time when Mexico and Athens were almost completed - the fight for the final places began with the bar at 1.81/5'11 1/4", a height never before attempted by ten jumpers in the same competition. Huebnerova, now the first jumper in the

starting order, took her first try at twenty five minutes to ten - and missed narrowly. Simeoni, executing the prettiest flop of all, Karin Mack and a very nervous Hrepevnik - who debated with people on and off the field almost the whole time of the competition - also missed. Rita Schmidt, who had been so nervous at Mexico, was the example of calmness here as she spent nearly every free moment talking with pentathlon champ Kirst - and cleared very easily on her first try. Only Gusenbauer, who also was very quiet during the past two hours - she kept herself wrapped in her big warm overcoat - cleared on the first attempt. At 10:45 Huebnerova started the second round - the bar quivered but stayed on. The Games were equipped with a computerized scoreboard which kept the fans informed of the three leading performers, (within 10 seconds after each trial), and for the first time Huebnerova saw her name "in lights". Barbara Inkpen, who just three weeks earlier had placed fourth in the WAAA championships with a jump of 1.73/5'8" and then switched to the flop cleared and bettered her British record and Gartner was over although she hit the bar. That made five over 5'11 1/4", another unprecedented fact. But one more was to clear - the world's best flopper and the protege of Balas and Soeters, Cornelia Popescu cleared on her final trial making six still remaining. Karin Mack and Italy's Simeoni went out - but they were happy; Hrepevnik and Karbanova had some sadness and I feel both lost too much of their usual jumping and psychological abilities during the long hours of waiting.

It took only 15 minutes for the 1.83/6'0" trials - and five of the six cleared. Rita Schmidt went into the lead with a first round clearance. Huebnerova showed the last glimpse of hope with a perfect jump and great clearance on her second try. She was immediately followed by Gusenbauer, Popescu and sensationally - Inkpen, who thus added another fraction to her new British record. Only loss was Gartner was eliminated.

So at nearly 10:30 five jumpers were prepared for the next, medal deciding height of 1.85/6'0". All were big, well built girls save Milena Huebnerova and I am sure I am considered a patriot, but she, who fought with such gallant spirit at Mexico and Athens, suffered more by the waiting and other unfavorable conditions than did her opponents for the simple reason she has far less physical reserve than the stronger jumpers.

Within the next five minutes Gusenbauer, Popescu and unbelievable Inkpen had cleared 6'0". Huebnerova and Schmidt needed 10 minutes to complete their final trials and both were eliminated. The Mexico and Athens winner was not disappointed by her fifth place, ("I was at the end of my energy") and Rita, who was leading just a few minutes before, could only duplicate her fourth place finish of Athens.

Three hours and 52 minutes after this drama started, Ilona Gusenbauer, on her first try, (who was 15th at Budapest, 8th at Mexico and 7th at Athens, but was ranked No. 1 in the world in WTFW last year), decided the run for the gold with a perfect high approaching straddle, using her six walking steps, four slow and three running steps for a strong takeoff - and went out of the pit with a wide victorious smile. Little Austria had won another gold medal, (after Liesel Prokop won the pentathlon at Athens) on the eve of the same day where big medal hopes Janko in the javelin and Sykora in the 400 had been destroyed by stronger opposition. Popescu and Inkpen, being in a complete tie from 1.83/6'0" onward, missed thrice and each received a silver medal to be completely happy. Barbara Inkpen's example for the future of flopping could become historical!

After passing 1.89/6'2 1/2" and asking the bar to be at 1.91/6'3/4", (which for a short while was announced as 1.92), Ilona made three brace attempts without real spirit which is needed for such heights. "I was completely satisfied with winning such competition, which no one ever expected", said she a few minutes later in a quiet minute after her first radio interview for happy Austrian people. "I am sure the record will come some day, but THIS medal is worth more."

The next day, after a 4km training run with her husband/coach Roland, (whose personal best of 1.90/6'2 1/4" Ilona has since beaten), a run necessary to get over the tiredness of four hours of tartan jumping, the new European champ said: "The competition was terribly long, and many of my opponents were disturbed by that - the endless waiting and waiting is not everybody's 'thing'. But I learned it during the birth of my daughter Ursula," she smiles suddenly. Incidentally, when playing with her 3 1/2 year old daughter some weeks before Helsinki, she slipped and fell heavily and was handicapped by that pain for many days. "Yes, I was prepared for that sort of competition and I tried to relax between jumps by lying under a warm blanket. It worked, but after 1.87/6'1 1/4" my

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concentration suddenly went away." Ilona's training is quite a bit less than what she did before Mexico. She gets in 8-10 training sessions each week with weightlifting being the most time consuming part (7-8 hours). She does not favor too much competition and does away with competition where the opposition is weak. "No indoor season before Munich, and much the same type of preparation we are using now", said Roland Gusenbauer, "spiritus agens" of the Vienna/Suedstadt group of outstanding Austrian athletes in the last year, and despite his youth (27) Secretary-General of the Austrian T&F Fed.

Ilona Gusenbauer won the most difficult competition of the entire Helsinki championships. And high jumping is the most crowded event in track and field (both men and women) nowadays in terms of quantity of quality. But such a type of competition will never be staged again. Dr. Jozef Sit, EAA's and IAAF's most prolific technical expert stated immediately after the qualification: "We will not hesitate to alter Munich's qualification height even over 1.80/5'10" to perhaps 1.82/5'11½ in order to do away with the unhappy situation we had here." So, I hope to see a high jump final in Munich with twelve of the best high jumpers in the world. Nevertheless, big girls like Gusenbauer, who is also a big fighter, will be favorites for any type of competition.

(Bank) I think Ilona Gusenbauer proved she is the class in women's high jumping. Her technique is consistently good and she seems to have overcome the bad nerves that have accompanied her in past big competitions. Just how long the straddle jumpers will remain on top among the women remains to be seen.

I don't consider Cornelia Popescu a particularly great talent yet she jumped within two centimetres of Gusenbauer in Helsinki. Miloslava Huebnerova is a great fighter but size limits her. Rita Schmidt seems to have gone as far as she can go. The competition in Helsinki was absolutely thrilling and Munich should be even better. The standard was very high and that was without anyone from the USSR in the first twelve! I can visualise a female with excellent flop technique one day jumping two meters (6'6"). It will come. It could even be Barbara Inkpen.

QUALIFYING (Augst 11) Qualifying height 1.73/5'8

Group A: 1-73 Gusenbauer, Hrepevnik (Yug), Huebnerova (Cze) Komka (Hun), Karbanova (Cze), Proskova (Cze), Langkilde (Den), Garrido (Fra), Hedmark (Swe), Gavrilova (SU), Ackermans (Hol), Rechner (Swi), Lazaryeva (SU). Did not qualify: Marie-Christine Debourse (Fra) 1.71/5'7¼, Vanja Paleka (Yug) 1.68/5'6, Florence Picaut (Fra) 1.65/5'5, Isabella Pigato (Ita) 1.55/5'1.

Group B: Schmidt (EG), Chulkova (SU), Babosek (Yug), Mack (WG), Gartner (WG), Eistrup (Den), Inkpen (GB), Karlisen (Nor), Simeoni (Ita), Popescu (Rum), Konowska (Pol), Bouma (Hol), Emonts-Gast (Bel), Bisang (Swi). Did not qualify: Erika Rudolf (Hun) 1.71/5'7¼, Ulrike Meyfarth (WG) 1.68/5'6, Ruth Watt (GB) 1.68, Silvia Massenz (Ita) 1.65/5'5.

FINAL (August 12)

1-Ilona Gusenbauer (Aut) 1.87/6'1½, 2-(tie) Cornelia Popescu (Rum) and Barbara Inkpen (GB) 1.85/6'0¼, 4-Rita Schmidt (EG) 1.83/6'0, 5-Milena Huebnerova (Cze) 1.83/6'0, 6-Renate Gartner (WG) 1.81/5'11¼, 7-Milada Karbanova (Cze) 1.78/5'10, 8-Snezana Hrepevnik (Yug) 1.78/5'10, 9-Sara Simeoni (Ita) 1.78/5'10, 10-Karen Mack (WG) 1.78/5'10, 11-Kari Karlisen (Nor) 1.75/5'8¼, 12-Danuta Konowska (Pol) 1.75/5'8¼, 13-Valentina Chulkova (SU) 1.75/5'8¼, 14-Solveig Langkilde (Den) 1.75/5'8¼, 15-Antonina Lazaryeva (SU) 1.75/5'8¼, 16-(tie) Magdalena Komka (Hun) and Breda Babosek (Yug) 1.75/5'8¼, 18-Grith Eistrup (Den), Alena Proskova (Cze) and Vyera Gavrilova (SU) 1.70/5'7, 21-(tie) Gloria Garrido (Fra) and Annemieke Bouma (Hol) 1.70/5'7, 23-Linda Hedmark (Swe) 1.70/5'7, 24-Beatrix Rechner (Swi) 1.70/5'7, 25-Doris Bisang (Swi) 1.70/5'7, 26-Marianne Ackermans (Hol) 1.65/5'5, 27-Roseitha Emonts-Gast (Bel) 1.60/5'3.

LONG JUMP:-The wind dominated the qualifying rounds. It blew capriciously in favor or against the competitors, perhaps in the widest range ever seen, from a +1.1 mps aiding breeze for a foul of Swedish champion Birgitta Larsson to a -5.2 for the Finnish jumper Rautanen. Both the A and B groups of qualifiers were affected even though officials failed to give wind readings for the second group. Two notable elimination occurred in Group B where Czech youngster Jarmila Nygrynova was not able to reach even 19 feet, and French 21 foot performer Odette Ducas had to retire after the first round due to an injury. Among the better jumpers, both Rosendahl and Herbst had to jump twice to reach the qualifying standard - which

actually was achieved by only seven athletes. The next five girls were added to make the field of twelve for the final which meant that a 20 foot jump made the grade - 32 years after a woman had reached that distance for the first time.

Another indication of the poor quality of the long jump field was the fact that five of the girls were also committed to other events, mostly the pentathlon, which is surely not the best way to perform well in the long jump here.

The final was described as "the 100 minutes of Merta Antenen". The blonde Swiss 22 year old girl opened the competition with a fine 6.73/22'1 - and held the lead for the next 56 jumps. Ingrid Mickler took over with only 3 jumps remaining.

After the event, Meta was a little sad, but still smiling: "I had the feeling of a good leap when I landed, and I was damning myself for my backward fall when I read the mark on the scoring table. I waited for Heide's (Rosendahl) answer, and I was able to see she was a little tired from the pentathlon and this left me a little hope. Sincerely, Mickler's last jump surprised me, but if I think I came to Helsinki without any definite hope of winning the long jump, I must say I'm quite satisfied with my performance."

Antenen had not only the second best jump, leading the competition for 98 of the 101 minutes, but also scored the best series, averaging 6.605/21'8. Mickler actually had only three valid jumps. But although Thursday had been the worst day for the West German athletes, Saturday was their most fortunate with golds in the long jump, pentathlon and men's hammer.

Too many girls were too tired from the pentathlon to perform well. Margrit Herbst, world seasonal best performer, did not even make into the final three rounds while Rosendahl, who had a good average for her six jumps at 6.603/21'7¾ did not jump as far as she did in the pentathlon, 6.69/21'11½.

Ingrid Mickler-Becker, one of the most consistent long jumpers of the season, proved she was right renouncing the pentathlon this year in favor of sprinting and long jumping. At the Helsinki stadium, the Olympic pentathlon gold medal winner picked off two golds (LJ and 4x100) and one silver (100m), tying Renate Stecher as the most successful girl of the championships.

Viorica Viscopoleanu and Deanna Yorgova, among the best Europeans until a couple of seasons ago, showed they are already walking along the sunset boulevard.

(Watman) What an array of talent this final brought forth. ...there was world record holder Heide Rosendahl (6.84/22'5¼), Olympic champion Viorica Viscopoleanu (6.82/22'4¼), Olympic pentathlon champion Ingrid Mickler (6.73/22'1), Commonwealth champion Sheila Sherwood (6.73/22'1), 1966 European champion Irena Szwinska (6.67/21'10¼), and the third ranking long jumpers of all time in Margrit Herbst (6.81/22'4¼) and Meta Antenen (22'4¼).

And what a sensational opening to the contest, for on the very first jump of the competition Meta Antenen cut the sand at a magnificent 6.73/22'1. With the wind registering a mere 0.1 mps this was the Swiss girl's best ever legitimate mark and it set the opposition a very tough target indeed.

Sheila Sherwood's best jump was her fourth of 6.62/21'8¼, but it was not quite good enough to win a medal. Rosendahl improved to 6.66/21'10¼ which held second place until Mickler's dramatic final jump. Fifty-six jumps had taken place since Antenen's great opener and there were but three more to go when the 100m silver medalist sped down the runway and sailed out to the longest leap of her extensive career: 6.76/22'2¼. Thus at age 28, the former Ingrid Becker, who was WG high jump record holder a decade ago, finally won a major title in an individual event.

(Bank) Unless people were paying close attention they could not have been aware of how outstanding Ingrid Mickler's performance was. To leave the long jump at the height of the competition and return obviously tired from the 4x100 relay and yet produce the longest jump of her life was one of the great achievements of Helsinki. When I saw that she had to leave for the relay, I gave her no chance. Even though she ran the relay well within herself my assumptions were confirmed with a poor fifth round no jump. Then to see the big one on her last effort was a real shocker. Ingrid's competitive abilities have always been strong and she has proved she is an athlete for the big occasion. I would not bet against her in Munich! After such a successful 1970 I would not bet expected Heide Rosendahl to perform at the same high level in 1971. It would be extremely hard to maintain this form and extremely unwise. As important as Helsinki was, there was no reason to sacrifice Munich for it. I think she puts herself at a disadvantage in trying to do justice to both the long

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jump and the pentathlon. With concurrents like Mickler, Antenen and Herbst it will be hard enough to win as it is. One simply cannot train for the long jump, do much sprinting and expect the high jump and shot put to take care of themselves. They demand time and the pentathlon leaves no time for anything else. In fact, there isn't enough time for it. Anyway, the long jump in Munich will be a classic. Meta Antenen showed she can be right at the top although Margrit Herbst has yet to prove herself against the best. Rosendahl's series in Helsinki was fantastic: five of the six jumps between 21'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ " and 21'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ " with a "poor" first jump of 21'2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "! She is tremendously strong and no one has ever jumped farther but I still say: beware of Ingrid Mickler and the one big effort.

QUALIFICATION (August 13 - Qualifying distance 6.25/20'6")

GROUP A: Szewinska (Pol) 20'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Herbst (EG) 20'6", Rosendahl (WG) 21'0", Barrett (GB) 20'5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Larsson (Swe) 19'11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Did not qualify: Sieglinde Amman (Swi) 19'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Margaret Murphy (Ire) 18'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Tuula Rautanen (Fin) 19'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Hannah Kleinpeter (Aut) 18'10".

GROUP B: Franzotti (Yug) 20'1", Sherwood (GB) 21'0 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Yorgova (Bul) 19'11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", Viscopoleanu (Rum) 20'3", Herzon (WG) 20'1", Mickler 21'0", Antenen (Swi) 20'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Did not qualify: Odette Ducas (Fra) injured, Jarmila Nygrynova (Cze) 18'6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

FINAL (August 14)

1-Ingrid Mickler (WG) 6.76/22'2 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 2-Meta Antenen (Swi) 6.73/22'1", 3-Heide Rosendahl (WG) 6.66/21'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 4-Sheila Sherwood (GB) 6.62/21'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 5-Irena Szewinska (Pol) 6.62/21'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 6-Viorica Viscopoleanu (Rum) 6.39/20'11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 7-Christa Herzog (WG) 6.38/20'11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 8-Barbara Anne Barrett (GB) 6.31/20'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 9-Margrit Herbst (EG) 6.29/20'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 10-Deanna Yorgova (Bul) 6.07/19'11", 11-Brigitte Larsson (Swe) 6.06/19'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 12-Radojka Franzotti (Yug) 6.05/19'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

SHOT PUT:-The most wide-spread event in present women's athletics with athletes from only two countries playing the medal game and only five other countries being able to fight for final places. After Marlene Fuch's withdrew, only 14 shot putters were named to compete and under these circumstances no qualifying round was necessary. Olympic champion Margitta Gummel shattered the pre-meet peace with a toss of 20.03/65'8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " just six days before the Helsinki final. Fortunately for Nadyezhda Chizhova she did not know about this mark until the morning of the Helsinki competition. We say 'fortunately' because Chizhova was having problems of her own as she injured the middle finger of her throwing hand in the competition at Berkeley against the USA and did not compete after that. She did her best to keep her condition, but any attempt at throwing brought about immediate pain. Outside she was smiling and spreading optimistic words to the world. But inside, only Nadya and her coach Viktor Ilyich Alekseyev knew how hard it really was.

So they went into the ring with Czechoslovakia's Helen Fibingerova, the youngest (22) and heaviest (209#) marching to the competitive sight between Gummel and Chizhova for this, the first final competition of the 1971 European Championship. Gummel was the first thrower and she started with 18.90/62'0". Holland's van Noorduyen fouled and then Lange followed with 18.87/61'11". "I was prepared to give everything in my first throw", said Nadyezhda later, "for I was not certain I would have the spirit to overcome the pain with more throws." Immediately before the shot went from her hand, Nadya felt a flash of pain through her whole body - the four kilo implement came exactly on the injured finger, slipped and flew to outside the sector, a foul. Zero. With face pale, arms on her head, she went to the side. "I tried every way not to show my weakness to the other girls, not even to teammates Ivanova and Nyekrasova. And in this moment I was aware I had only one more chance." Gummel threw 19.22/63'0" on her second throw and Chizhova tried to concentrate to herself all the motions necessary to reach 20 meters. "I forgot the pain, and only this aim remained in me." This is the mood of great champions. And so Nadyezhda went into the ring, the shot flew far and even before the 20.16/66'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " was announced on the board everyone knew - this was the decision. Gummel stated later, "I have my experience with Nadyezhda, but I was surprised once more. She is great." The Olympic champ was not able to improve on her second round mark and so Maritta Lange, at 1.82/5'11 $\frac{1}{2}$ " the tallest putter in the competition, managed to come through steadily and with a last round effort of 19.25/63'2" conquer Gummel in the fight for the silver. Inspired by Chizhova, veteran Antonina Ivanova, only 5'6" but 203 pounds, tried hard, but fouled her final throw - and so the medals were decided.

Some of the 18 meter throwers (59') looked like novices during the first round, but they soon relaxed and came thru in the next round with the exception of Poland's Ludwika Chewinska, who was 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ meters (5') under her best.

(Watman) No one in women's shot putting history has ever put the shot as far as the winning throw here - except Chizhova and the throw had a daunting effect on Gummel who fouled her next two efforts and was overtaken for second by her compatriot Maritta Lange in the final round.

Nadyezhda means "hope" in Russian and certainly when it comes to European shot-putting titles hope springs eternal. Chizhova, still only 25, has become the first woman to win three consecutive European championships - not to mention her successes in the Junior Games of 1964 and the Indoor championships of 1967, 1968, 1970 and 1971. An Olympic title is the only honor to have eluded the 5'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 196 pound Russian so far.

(Bank) The story never changes. It is the USSR v. the DDR with the DDR having the depth and the USSR having Nadyezhda Chizhova. One would not have guessed that Chizhova had injured a finger so badly one month before that her participation was doubtful. She simply is too big and too strong for the ladies from the DDR and I see no one threatening her supremacy. I do not feel this event has ever drawn much interest or attention from the public and unlike the interesting types we find in the discus and javelin, the shot putters are rather unnoticed.

FINAL (August 10)

1-Nadyezhda Chizhova (SU) 20.16/66'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 2-Maritta Lange (EG) 19.25/63'2", 3-Margitta Gummel (EG) 19.22/63'0 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 4-Antonina Ivanova (SU) 18.80/61'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 5-Hannelore Friedel (EG) 18.52/60'9 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 6-Ivanka Khristova (Bul) 17.78/58'4", 7-Galina Nyekrasova (SU) 17.56/57'7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 8-Judit Bognar (Hun) 17.33/56'10 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 9-Elis van Noorduyen (Hol) 16.68/54'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 10-Ludwicka Chewinska (Pol) 16.64/54'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 11-Sigrun Kofink (WG) 16.27/53'4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 12-Helena Fibingerova (Cze) 15.73/51'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ ", 13-Brigitte Berendonk (WG) 15.39/50'6", 14-Christine Barck (Fin) 14.42/47'3 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

DISCUS THROW:-I watched the qualifying round with Vladimir Popov, USSR team head coach. I was just saying to him that my favorite for the title was the new Soviet ace Fayna Myelnik when Karin Illgen, the leading thrower of 1970, stepped into the circle for her final throw. Illgen had a poor 50m/164' throw and a foul on her first two attempts to qualify, and this was her last chance. "Myelnik is capable of anything," said Popov as he watched Illgen, Myelnik's greatest adversary. But Illgen fouled once again and was eliminated. Popov had no reaction - but the next day Myelnik had one, and what a reaction!

But more about the qualifying round. I must admit that the wind, blowing from the left to the right of the landing area, affected several throws and forced the athletes to prolong momentum a little more than usual, i.e. throwing to the left of the landing sector to compensate for the effect of the wind. Not all competitors were able to adjust their style, and along with Illgen, another experienced athlete, 38 year old Lia Manoliu, the reigning Olympic queen who had improved this year to nearly 200 feet, failed badly. Illgen had no excuse. "I was throwing 219-223 feet and even near 69m/226' in practice these last weeks, and I can only say that here was the most obscure day of my career". Manoliu was not any more clear about her failure. "I came here ready to compete to the best of my ability, but when I did some practice at the village, I discovered suddenly I was unable to throw at all. I was so bad that my elimination did not surprise me. I don't even know now if I'll ever throw again."

Sad words from two of the mightiest protagonists of the discus these past years. The competition could have been the best of all time with these two in the final for both Danilova and Muravyeva were claiming fantastic throws in practice and Westermann had reportedly thrown over 60m/197' just before the Games - a mark she did not reach in 1970.

When the final competition began, Myelnik and Westermann both showed either could win. Fayna opened with 60.50/198'6" and Liesel replied with 61.68/202'4" while Rumani's new ace Argentina Menis, of Italian origin, only one metre behind the Soviet girl.

No change occurred in the following two rounds with many implements landing out of the sector, among them a very long throw by Myelnik in the fourth round. In the fifth round, Myelnik threw beyond the world record only to see the discus land a fraction out of the sector. Many athletes would be discouraged after two such throws were foul, but not Fayna.

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Westermann's final throw was a plus 60m toss, and then Meylnik stepped into the circle and put on a real show with perfect turns and threw legally beyond Westermann's global mark. Meylnik was pounced on by her teammates, defending champion Danilova and Muravyeva. The excitement caused Muravyeva to improve her own mark on the final throw and win the bronze medal ahead of Menis.

This may have been the first time a world record was set in the discus in a big international meeting. Furthermore, Meylnik was completely unknown even inside the USSR until last season. Fayna explains, "I stayed three years at the Moscow Institute for Physical Culture where I graduated as a physical education teacher. My discus marks were usually around 45 or 46 meters (147/150), no more. Then I moved to Abovyan, a little town near Yerevan in Armenia. Here I became automatically the best Armenian discus thrower and found the needed stimulation to improve considerably. My first international recognition was the win at Erfurt triangular against East Germany and Poland last year when I threw 61.80/202'9. This year, after a hard winter work, I asked head coach Popov for some international competition as I thought I could get a new world record. He said to me, 'be patient' and to look forward only to the European Championships. But in the recent months, some of my self confidence seemed to disappear as when I had a very bad day at the Olympic Meet in Leipzig and then at the Spartakiade the following month. But I was ready for Helsinki and believe I could have thrown farther if the wind had not bothered and caused me to face it".

It should be remembered that Fayna does not resemble the "old style" Russian discus thrower. In addition to being a very fine person, she is small and at 5'8 and 170 pounds one of the littlest throwers of the present day.

The Helsinki competition offered for the first time since mid 1969 the Liesel Westermann we were used to seeing. The blond West German girl lost her world mark, but she fought well and had a mark more than 200' - a distance she had surpassed more than any other discus thrower in history. Argentina Menis, the 22 year old Rumanian, confirmed that Lia Manoliu has found a fine and talented successor.

(Watman) One has to feel sorry for Liesel Westermann. At last she was in line for the big victory that had so far eluded her: remember she was silver medalist at both the 1966 European Championships and the 1968 Olympic Games - and the strong favorite in Athens, lost her chance when the West German team walked out.

Things were looking good for her: she had thrown her season's best of 61.68/202'4 in the second round and as the final round got under way she was comfortably clear of her closest rival, Fayna Meylnik, who had managed 198'6 as an opener and then fouled four times in a row much to her consternation. Liesel herself was encountering trouble staying in the circle but her final effort of 199'1 seemed to confirm her supremacy of the day.

Seconds later Westermann's world crumbled about her as Meylnik let rip a huge throw and kept her balance. With barely a puff of wind to help it stay aloft, the platter eventually landed at the prodigious distance of 210'8. Westermann had not only been beaten, she had lost her world record of 209'10. Disappointment too for Argentine Menis in this last round, for after occupying a medal position since her opening throw she was overtaken for third by Ludmila Muravyeva. Title holder Tamara Danilova finished fifth.

(Bank) Justice was served so far as Fayna Meylnik was concerned. She was certain she had not fouled on her fourth throw which looked to have been farther than Liesel Westermann's 61.68. The official at the circle called her for stepping on top of the metal rim of the circle which she gave strong protestation to. Had this been a valid throw the record may never have come. I watched her closely on her final attempt. She obviously knew it was a good one as it left her hand. As the discus flew on its way she began to jump up and down inside the circle. You sometimes see a thrower do this to maintain balance but in this case it was a matter of jumping for joy. She is a well put-together type who combines power with a very quick move in the circle. I can see her throwing 66m/216' if she can get the right favoring wind. Having seen her earlier this year in Berkeley, I can vouch for her having the fire and determination for the big occasion. It is no great statement to tip the world record holder as the favorite for Munich but after a very eventful 1971 I do not see anyone beating her when she is at her best. Frauline Westermann seems to have lost something in the past

two years and it is she alone who keeps the discus from going the same all-Eastern way of the shot put.

QUALIFICATION (August 11 - Qualifying distance 55m/180'5)
Danilova (SU) 57.62/189'0, Muravyeva (SU) 56.84/186'6, Menis (Rum) 56.38/185'0, Kleiber (Hun) 56.12/184'1, Westermann (WG) 55.94/183'6, Berendonk (WG) 55.24/181'3, Catarama (Rum) 55.16/181'0, Meylnik (SU) 54.58/179'1, Abahazi (Hun) 54.56/179'0, Mickler (EG) 53.76/176'4, Spielberg (EG) 53.44/175'4, Payne (GB) 52.98/173'10. Non-qualifiers: Lia Manoliu (Rum) 52.26/171'5, Judit Bognar (Hun) 52.12/171'0, Karin Illgen (EG) 50.60/166'0, Despina Kapfenidou (Gr) 47.30/155'2.

FINAL (August 12)

1. Fayna Meylnik (SU) 64.22/210'8 (world record), 2-Liesel Westermann (WG) 61.68/202'4, 3-Ludmila Muravyeva (SU) 59.48/195'2, 4-Argentina Menis (Rum) 59.04/193'8, 5-Tamara Danilova (SU) 58.28/191'2, 6-Olimpia Catarama (Rum) 57.22/187'9, 7-Anna Mickler (EG) 57.00/187'0, 8-Christine Spielberg (EG) 56.20/184'4, 9-Jolan Kleiber (Hun) 55.06/180'8, 10-Brigitte Berendonk (WG) 54.48/178'9, 11-Judit Abahazi (Hun) 51.88/170'2, 12-Rosemary Payne (GB) 50.20/164'8.

JAVELIN THROW--The only notable eliminations during the qualifying round were Eva Janko and Svyetlana Korolyova. As a matter of fact, only half of the final field was able to beat the standard of 55m/180'5 in the qualification, and so a mediocre 52.90/173'6 was sufficient to get into the final.

At last Danuta Jaworska won her first big international competition after several seasons of consistently long throws. At the last European championships she was beaten by Angela Ranky-Nemeth, who told me after the event: "Jaworska is only able to throw into the wind. There was no wind here (in Athens) so she failed." There was, in fact, some cross wind at Helsinki, but in any event Angela Ranky, back in competition this year after maternity, did not have sufficient energy, (or training) to reach the 200 foot range. The Hungarian Olympic champion was very consistent but without peaks as was the case with Ruth Fuchs, the East German ace who was the winner at last year's European Cup final.

Jaworska was the only one to throw over 200 feet here today and thereby won one of the most mediocre javelin competitions of the modern era. When you remember that the world record dates back as far as the 1964 Olympics you can understand how low the general standard is today.

Perhaps, instead of looking at the best performances of each athlete, look at the average marks which will explain the present situation. Here are the throwers, and listed are the number of legal throws and their average: Fuchs (5) 56.50/185'4, Jaworska (4) 55.82/183'1, Ranky (5) 55.58/182'4, Gryziecka (3) 55.01/180'5, Gerhards (2) 54.17/177'8, Kucserka (4) 54.13/177'7, Koloska (4) 54.04/177'3, Rudas (5) 53.96/177'0.

The competition was practically ended by the fourth round. Ameli Koloska opened with a first toss of 59.40/194'10 just slightly below her all time best, and then in the fourth try Jaworska, whose previous throw was the poorest among the first eight, came through. Jaworska stands only 5'5. The difference between the standard of men's and women's javelin throwing is the greatest of any event, 3% - and that should be reduced.

A sad sight was offered by Elvira Ozolina, (now Mrs. Jan Luszis). Her husband won his fourth straight European title in the javelin, while the best Elvira could do in the final was three consecutive fouls. Elvira won the Rome Olympics eleven years ago and had tried a serious comeback this year at the age of 31, but her name is in the Helsinki book only through her valid throw in the qualifying round.

This was a competition among the old and the married. Among the 12 finalists, seven were married and were, shall we say, experienced. Ages were Fuchs 24, Gerhards 36, Koloska 26, Ranky 25, Rudas 34, Jaworska 25, Marakina 24, Luszis 31, Urbanic 26, Gryziecka 23 with only Bajzer (21) and Kucserka (19) defending the new generation.

(Bank) This event seems to stay at the same level year after year. Always a number of 59m/193'7, some over 60m/196'10 and the occasional 61-62m/200-203 throw. Maybe women are just not destined to realize great results in this event. Still, one day a very special talent may come along and we just might see a 65-66/213-216' performance. The possibility of a judge's determination will always play an important part in this event. The Pole Ewa Gryziecka, with the year's longest throw of 62.10/203'9 - in fact the second longest throw of all time - had in the third round a throw in excess of 60 meters and possibly longer than the throw her teammate Daniela Jaworska

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(61.00/200'1) came up with in the fourth round to win. The judges on the spot ruled it a flat throw and they are obviously in a better position to see this than someone in the press tribune. Still, it looked no more flat than others which were passed. In addition to women's javelin throwing not producing improvement (the world record dates back to 1964), look at the series of the medal winners. Jaworska's next best throw measured 56.68/185'11 and the others considerably less. Ameli Koloska opened up with 59.40/194'10 and came no closer than six meters (20') after. Ruth Fuchs was a little better with three throws between 56.16/184'3 and 57.38/188'3 after her best of 59.16/194'1. This specialty still waits for a dominant talent.

QUALIFICATION (August 12 - Qualifying standard 55.00/180'5)

1-Koloska (WG) 58.44/191'9, 2-Fuchs (EG) 56.60/185'8, 3-Urbancic (Yug) 56.38/185'10, 4-Gryziecka (Pol) 55.64/182'6, 5-Marakina (SU) 55.58/182'4, 6-Ranky (Hun) 55.44/181'11, 7-Jaworska (Pol) 54.42/178'6, 8-Bajer (Pol) 53.98/177'1, 9-Gerhards (WG) 53.68/176'1, 10-Ozolina (SU) 53.44/175'4, 11-Rudas (Hun) 53.18/174'6, 12-Kucerka (Hun) 52.90/173'7. Non-qualifiers: Lyutvyva Mollova (Bul) 52.68/172'10, Eva Janko (Aut) 52.20/171'3, Kirsti Launela (Fin) 50.94/167'1, Inger-Lise Fallo (Nor) 46.78/153'6, Svyetlana Korolyova (SU) 46.14/151'5.

FINAL (August 13)

1-Daniela Jaworska (Pol) 61.00/200'1, 2-Ameli Koloska (WG) 59.40/194'10, 3-Ruth Fuchs (EG) 59.16/194'1, 4-Angela Ranky (Hun) 57.44/188'5, 5-Anneliese Gerhards (WG) 55.98/183'8, 6-Ewa Gryziecka (Pol) 55.96/183'7, 7-Maria Kucerka (Hun) 55.70/182'9, 8-Marta Rudas (Hun) 55.62/182'6, 9-Nina Marakina (SU) 55.34/181'7, 10-Nataasa Urbancic (Yug) 53.66/176'0, 11-Cecylia Bajer (Pol) 50.50/165'8, 12-Elvira Lusis-Ozolina (SU) three fouls.

PENTATHLON:-Old or new table? The "dilemma" was solved after several hours of talking by the Technical Committee. The morning of August 13, the first day of the pentathlon, we found the new IAAF table at the press desk, (see Dick Bank's article in the August issue), and consequently all the 100mH times were given in hundredths of a second and pointed to the use of the new scoring table. But one hour later, a second set of results was distributed with clockings in tenths and using the old table. What had happened? Pasquale Stassano, the Italian member of the Technical Committee, explained to me: "We realized that it was not good common sense to have the athletes qualify for these Games with the old table and then calculate their performances here on the new table for the first time. So we turned back to the old scoring system. The new will probably start being used exclusively the first of next year with an adjustment in the Munich Olympic qualifying standard".

Apart from the table, after two events the game seemed to be over - thanks to a 13.3 hurdles and 16.11/52'10% shot put double by Burglinde Pollak, East Germany, the current world record holder. Both marks were personal bests for the 20 year old specialist, the shot put mark being particularly impressive. Burglinde, who had definitely no chance for a medal in any individual event, was the favorite of most over Rosendahl and Herbst who also had entered the long jump and had hopes of winning the gold there.

But jumps were fatal to Burglinde. The high jump where the East German girl should have cleared at least 5'8 saw her stop at a mere 1.64/5'4½ losing 41 points to Rosendahl who was over 1.68/5'6. Pollak had switched to the flop this season and has not yet adjusted to it after using the straddle through 1970. Nevertheless, at the end of the first day, Pollak still had 136 points over her biggest rival Rosendahl and a good 175 points over teammate Herbst.

Admittedly, the long jump is not one of Pollak's strong points, and here both Heide and Margrit had to do their best to reduce the point margin. An aiding wind, sometimes over the limit affected the jumps, but neither Rosendahl nor Herbst took advantage of it for their best jumps. Rosendahl had her season best of 6.69/21'11½ with an aiding wind of only 0.5 while Herbst jumped 6.50/21'4 against a 1.5mps wind on her first try and then when the wind was behind her (+1.7) could do no better than 6.30/20'8.

Pollak was jumping in the other Group and needed a leap of at least 20'8 to be sure of final victory considering Rosendahl's superiority in the 200. But an injured knee gave her nothing but pain and her best was only 6.10/20'0%. On her last try, the wind was up to +5.9 behind her, but she, like

Herbst, could not take advantage and jumped only 19'6.

With only the 200 remaining, Pollak still had the lead but by only six points. Rosendahl needed to win the 200 by only one-tenth of a second for the victory. But Burglinde did not give up. Starting poorly because of knee pain she regained contact and then through the turn lost two meters to the West German. She pulled back, however, and at 170 meters the two were head and head. Only then did the bespectacled Rosendahl get her full sprinting potential into action and she pulled away to win by three tenths and win the pentathlon with a 24 point margin. Scoring with the new table brought the result to 4677 for Rosendahl and 4645 for Pollak.

The next Rosendahl-Pollak match is expected September 2/3 in Munich, and with no clash of the long jump.

I must agree with Dick Bank about a complete revision of the pentathlon. As of now this five event affair is too favorable to sprinters/jumpers with no emphasis on middle distance and technical events. Perhaps a competition with 100, 800, 100mH, HJ, LJ, SP and JT would be more significant to determine the "real" all-around athlete as the decathlon does among the men.

(Bank) I realize no athlete can be fairly judged on one competition but my first look at Burglinde Pollak was mixed with good and bad impressions. Here is a tremendously powerful athlete who looks to be one to absolutely dominate this event, if.... Her hurdle technique is not bad but it is a power run all the way. At 5'11¼ she can never be really efficient over the hurdles and I think 13.3 is a really fine achievement for her. It was in the shot put that I had to blink. Here her technique is really poor. She makes her throw from the middle of the circle and simply does not finish her put. She does not "follow through". If she can do 52'10% this way I will not be surprised at 17.00/55'9% next year. She surely has more potential than Irina Press had in this event although it is unfair to compare Fraulein Pollak with the questionable Fraulein Press. It is in her weak events - the high jump and long jump - that she falls apart and this could be her undoing in Munich. Her technique in the flop is poor and she lacks explosiveness in the long jump. The pressure of hard competition like Helsinki and even harder competition like Munich is very difficult in these events. In familiar surroundings with only a few competitors a high jumper and/or long jumper whose techniques are not the best can realize good results. Pollak has done 1.75/5'8% and 6.41/21'0%. She lacks confidence in these events and if she cannot improve herself in the next year I can see these events as those which will lose for her the gold medal. She is not a loose, relaxed jumping type anyway so tension merely causes her to come apart. We all know that the 200 will decide the issue in Munich. Pollak fought with all she had against Rosendahl but a shot putter is not going to beat a sprinter. In the end she lost her form and began to overstride. For Munich it will be an interesting fight. I don't see Heide Rosendahl ever realizing any real improvement in the shot put and high jump. I think it is a matter of what Pollak does in her weak events. Margrit Herbst is no threat as I saw her in Helsinki for the gold medal. Valentina Tikhomirova showed no signs of being a 13.3 hurdler or a 1.76/5'9% high jumper. Likewise her shot putting was poor. As stated you can never know what might be affecting an athlete's performances but I simply do not see how she did the results credited to her in the USSR. Ingrid Mickler certainly can be a factor here if she opts for this event. She cannot succeed with the type of shot putting she showed in Mexico, however.

EVOLUTION OF WORLD 800m RECORD

2:15.9	Anna Larsson, Sweden	Stockholm	28/ 8/44
2:14.8	Anna Larsson, Sweden	Helsinki	19/ 8/45
2:13.8	Anna Larsson, Sweden	Stockholm	30/ 8/45
2:13.0	J. Vasilyeva, USSR	Moscow	17/ 7/50
2:12.2	Valentina Pomogayeva, USSR	Moscow	26/ 7/51
2:12.0	Nina Pletneva, USSR	Moscow	26/ 8/51
2:11.7	Polina Solopova, USSR	Kiev	27/ 5/52
2:08.5	Nina Pletneva, USSR	Kiev	15/ 6/52
2:07.3	Nina Otkalenko, USSR	Moscow	27/ 8/53
2:06.6	Nina Otkalenko, USSR	Kiev	16/ 9/54
2:05.0	Nina Otkalenko, USSR	Zagreb	24/ 9/55
2:04.3	Lyudmilla Shevcova, USSR	Rome	7/ 9/60
2:01.2	Dixie Willia, Australia	Perth	3/ 3/62
2:01.1	Ann Packer, Great Britain	Tokyo	20/10/64
2:01.0	Judy Pollack, Australia	Helsinki	28/ 6/67
2:00.5	Vera Nicolik, Yugoslavia	London	20/ 7/68
1:58.3	Hildegard Falck, W.Germany	Stuttgart	11/ 7/71

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LONG JUMP

Antenen	6.73/22'1	6.62/21'8%	6.45/21'2	6.55/21'6	6.66/21'10%	6.62/21'8%
Franzotti	foul	5.99/19'7%	6.05/19'10%			
Sherwood	6.38/20'11%	6.52/21'4%	6.50/21'4	6.62/21'8%	6.57/21'6%	6.49/21'3%
Herbst	foul	6.29/20'7%	foul			
Viscopoleanu	6.01/19'8%	6.22/20'5	6.39/20'11½	6.39/20'11½	6.33/20'9%	foul
Herzog	6.27/20'7	foul	6.38/20'11%	5.90/19'4%	foul	6.10/20'0%
Larsson	5.79/19'0	6.06/19'10½	6.01/19'8%			
Szewinska	6.16/20'2½	6.54/21'5½	6.44/21'1½	6.56/21'6%	6.46/21'2½	6.62/21'8%
Mickler	6.42/21'0%	foul	6.64/21'9½	foul	foul	6.76/22'2%
Barrett	6.23/20'5%	6.15/20'2%	6.31/20'8½	foul	foul	6.02/19'9
Rosendahl	6.46/21'2%	6.64/21'9½	6.63/21'9	6.66/21'10%	6.63/21'9	6.60/21'7%
Yorgova	6.07/19'11	6.03/19'9½	6.00/19'8%			

SHOT PUT

Gummel	18.90/62'0	19.22/63'0%	foul	foul	18.69/61'3%	19.07/62'6%
v Noorduyin	foul	15.91/52'2½	16.68/54'8%			
Lange	18.87/61'11	17.99/59'0%	18.80/61'8%	18.63/61'1½	19.02/62'4%	19.25/63'2
Nyekrasova	15.88/52'1½	16.54/54'3%	17.56/57'7%	16.81/55'1¾	foul	foul
Chizhova	foul	20.16/66'1¾	19.35/64'5%	18.63/61'1½	foul	19.61/64'4
Berendonk	foul	15.21/49'10%	15.39/50'6			
Fibingerova	15.73/51'7½	foul	foul			
Ivanova	16.14/52'11½	17.50/57'5	17.85/58'6%	18.38/60'3%	18.80/61'8%	foul
Kofink	15.72/51'7	16.27/53'4½	16.25/53'3%			
Friedel	16.41/53'10	17.62/57'9%	18.52/60'9%	foul	18.52/60'9%	foul
Bognar	16.25/53'3%	17.33/56'10%	16.95/55'7%	17.23/56'6%	17.14/56'2%	foul
Barck	foul	13.86/45'5%	14.42/47'3%			
Khristova	17.78/58'4	foul	foul	foul	17.38/57'0%	17.40/57'1
Chewinska	foul	16.64/54'7%	16.58/54'4%			

DISCUS THROW

Mickler	55.44/181'10	foul	54.12/177'6	53.62/175'11	56.80/186'4	57.00/187'0
Catarama	56.70/186'0	53.86/176'5	53.48/175'5	53.66/176'0	57.22/187'8	foul
Berendonk	49.04/160'10	54.48/178'9	53.86/176'8			
Westermann	foul	61.68/202'4	foul	foul	foul	60.68/199'1
Myelnik	60.50/198'6	foul	foul	foul	foul	64.22/210'8
Payne	50.20/164'8	foul	48.82/160'2			
Spielberg	56.00/183'8	55.10/180'9	54.86/180'0	foul	54.26/178'0	56.20/184'4
Kleiber	foul	55.06/180'7	foul			
Danilova	57.46/188'6	58.28/191'2	56.32/184'9	55.34/181'6	foul	foul
Muravyeva	55.70/182'9	58.10/190'7	56.66/185'10	foul	foul	59.48/195'1
Abahazi	51.88/170'2	foul	50.14/164'6			
Menis	59.04/193'8	53.84/176'7	56.50/185'4	58.42/191'8	foul	57.28/187'11

JAVELIN THROW

Bajer	foul	50.50/165'8	48.78/160'0			
Marakina	54.74/179'9	55.34/181'6	53.08/174'1			
Koloska	59.40/194'10	51.15/167'9	53.48/175'5	foul	52.16/171'1	foul
Fuchs	56.22/184'5	56.16/184'3	53.60/175'10	59.16/194'1	foul	57.38/188'3
Gryziecka	foul	55.96/183'7	foul	53.46/175'4	foul	55.62/182'2
Jaworska	55.76/182'11	foul	49.86/163'7	61.00/200'1	56.68/185'11	foul
Ranky	56.40/185'0	53.74/176'3	57.44/188'5	56.24/184'6	54.04/177'3	foul
Urbancic	foul	foul	53.66/176'0			
Ozolina	foul	foul	foul			
Gerhards	foul	52.36/171'9	55.98/183'8	foul	foul	foul
Kucserka	55.70/182'9	foul	52.82/173'3	54.12/177'6	foul	53.90/176'10
Rudas	52.56/172'5	55.62/182'5	54.16/177'8	foul	54.12/177'6	53.34/175'0

PENTATHLON

Rosendahl	5299	13.5	13.70/44'11½	1.68/5'6	6.69/21'11½	23.8
Pollak	5275	13.3	16.11/52'10%	1.64/5'4½	6.10/20'0%	24.1
Herbst	5179	13.6	13.96/45'9%	1.64/5'4½	6.50/21'4	24.2
Mack	5052	13.9	12.78/41'11½	1.74/5'8½	6.01/19'8%	24.2
Tikhomirova	4986	14.0	13.84/45'5	1.64/5'4½	6.34/20'9%w	25.2
Ducas	4926	14.5	12.53/41'1%	1.66/5'5½	6.50/21'4w	24.8
Kondrashova	4887	13.8	12.20/40'0%	1.62/5'3%	5.93/19'5½	24.2
Papp	4833	14.7	13.36/43'10	1.76/5'9%	6.10/20'0%	26.3
Focic	4798	14.0	11.36/37'3%	1.70/5'7	6.00/19'8%	25.3
Eppinger	4786	14.2	12.11/39'8%	1.60/5'3	6.14/20'1¾	24.9
van Beek	4755	14.0	12.23/40'1½	1.66/5'5½	5.73/18'9½	25.3
Brezikova	4754	14.7	11.76/38'7	1.70/5'7	6.18/20'3%	25.5
Sterk	4752	13.8	11.19/36'8%	1.64/5'4½	5.80/19'0%	24.8
Birnbaumova	4702	14.1	12.79/41'11½	1.50/4'11	5.95/19'6%	24.8
Lardi	4693	14.7	11.73/38'5%	1.72/5'7%	5.79/19'0	25.4
Emonts-Gast	4578	14.5	11.40/37'4%	1.72/5'7%	5.75/18'10%zw	26.7
Picaut	4541	14.8	11.63/38'2	1.66/5'5½	5.88/19'3%	26.5
Wuerger	4506	14.8	11.61/38'1	1.64/5'4½	5.72/18'9%	26.2
Harju	4279	15.2	9.35/30'8%	1.52/4'11	6.11/20'0%zw	25.9
Bantegny	3575	14.8	11.34/37'2%	1.62/5'3%	-----	25.8

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Continued)

HIGH JUMP

Name	Age	Height	Style	1.60	1.65	1.70	1.75	1.78	1.81	1.83	1.85	1.87	1.91	Personal Best
				5'3	5'5	5'7	5'8½	5'10	5'11¼	6'0	6'0½	6'1½	6'3¼	
Lazaryeva	30	5'11½	Straddle	p	x	ox	ox	ooo						6'1½
Konowska	23	5'11½	Straddle	p	x	ox	x	ooo						5'10½
Eistrup	18	5'8½	Straddle	p	x	x	x	ooo						5'10
Huebnerova	21	5'6½	Straddle	p	x	x	x	oox	ox	ox	ooo			6'0½
Mack	24	5'9½	Flop	p	x	oox	ox	oox	ooo					5'11½
Simeoni	18	5'8½	Flop	x	x	x	ox	ox	ooo					5'9½
Hrepevnik	22	6'0½	Staddle	p	p	p	ox	ox	ooo					6'1¼
Schmidt	21	5'8½	Straddle	p	p	x	x	ox	x	x	ooo			6'1½
Chulkova	22	5'7½	Straddle	p	x	oox	x	ooo						6'1½
Emonts-Gast	27	5'8	Flop	x	ooo									5'8½
Karlson	19	5'9½	Flop	p	x	x	x	ooo						5'10½
Garrido	20	5'8	Straddle	x	x	x	ooo							5'8½
Karbanova	23	5'9½	Straddle	p	x	x	x	ox	ooo					5'11¼
Bouma	15	5'10½	Flop	x	x	x	ooo							5'9½
Gusenbauer	21	5'11¼	Straddle	p	p	x	x	x	x	ox	x	x	ooo	6'2½
Popescu	21	5'10	Flop	p	x	x	x	x	oox	ox	x	ooo		6'1½
Hedmark	25	5'10½	*Straddle	p	ox	x	ooo							6'0
Rechner	20	5'10½	Flop	p	x	ox	ooo							5'11½
Komka	22	5'9½	Straddle	p	x	x	oox	ooo						6'1½
Inkpen	22	5'11¼	Flop	p	x	x	x	ox	ox	ox	x	ooo		5'10½
Babosek	20	5'8½	Straddle	p	x	x	oox	ooo						5'11½
Proskova	23	5'8½	Straddle	p	x	x	ooo							6'1½
Langkilde	21	6'0	Straddle	p	x	x	ox	ooo						5'9½
Gavrilova	24	5'10	Straddle	p	x	x	ooo							5'11¼
Bisang	20	5'5½	Flop	x	x	ox	ooo							5'9½
Ackermans	29	5'10½	Flop	x	x	ooo								5'9½
Gartner	19	5'6½	*Straddle	p	x	x	x	ox	ox	ooo				6'0

(* indicates approached from right side)

KALEIDOSCOPE

Who do you believe department: one reliable source says the CBS-TV show will return in 1972 and another reliable source says it will not return....The old argument continues as Liz McCain states, "Oregon has the best track for high school girls". One thing is certain, Oregon produces the most fantastic Yearbook with Jim Crumpton and Roger Shaffer as editors. 110 pages, absolutely loaded with pictures and stuffed with results, statistics - even advertising. Interested, write "Who's Who", Box 276, Canyonville, Oregon, 97417. This is, without doubt, the finest such publication WITF has yet seen....Kettering's Brenda Webb won the 13.1 mile "Nurmi Marathon" in 1 hour 40:29.4. 6th place among the women went to nine year old Michelle Rosandich whose father, Tom, is a track nut from 'way back....Want to marry a foreign athlete? Run for the Ozark Track Club. First it was Judy Tonenboehm who married John Vernon and moved to England, now it's Pat Younger who is Mrs. Gerry Hinton, a Canadian, whom she met at a track meet....Liberty AC's Alice Pfaff won three events for her school, Lexington, at the Massachusetts State Championships and set State records in all three with a 7.4 50yH, a 5'3 high jump and a 17'4 long jump....

Francie Johnson describes her 1500m at the Show Meet as "One of the most forgettable moments of my track career"..... Bakersfield head Gil Bishop stated that while this town and his committee and officials enjoyed staging the 1971 National Championships, they would never bid again as long as it involved five days of competition....Debbie Heald, La Mirada Meteors, finally has permission from her doctor to start jogging....Jan Glotzer is a fashion model at Phoenix' top store, Diamonds....The Del Norte TC has to travel a minimum of 400 miles every time they compete....Bob Lafferty is no longer secretary of the US Women's Track Coaches Association. New secretary is Fred Moore, Phoenix TC....Sue Kirkland, Liberty AC, at age 26 and after a SEVEN YEAR layoff, has returned to the sport and ran 56.9 at the Junior Nationals - twice.... Ilona Gusenbauer's new world record in the high jump is five inches above her head....Ken Simmons, coach of the Michigammas, is retiring from his position at the University of Michigan....

38 athletes took part in the Los Alamos, NM, field event training camp....For entry blanks and other information regarding the 1971 National Junior XC Championships, write to Porter Martin, 5541 SW Beaverton Highway, Portland, Oregon. Event is scheduled for November 13....Rhodesia will compete in the 1972 Olympics. Their best athletes are Wendy Baynham with a mark of 141'3 in the javelin, shot and discus performer Mariette Van Heerden and sprinter Janine Kaplan...."Athletics Weekly" calls the 4x40 relay a "meaningless" event.... England's Regina Joyce set a world best for 14 year olds with

a 4:36.4 1500m run....We won't give the name of the writer or the meet he was writing about, but in one of the Club brochures which reach us here's the report: "For those who did not go to this meet, BE THANKFUL. This was one of the worst meets (THE WORST!!) that we have ever been to. The meet was six hours behind schedule and never did finish. The dashes and relays had to be held the following week, believe it or not." No, it wasn't in California....Entry blanks for the National XC Championships can be obtained from Herb Stockman, Box 333, Wickliffe, Ohio, 44092....Cleveland Knights of Columbus indoor meet will be held on a new Pro-West track....Kathy Lawson, the USA's newest sprint sensation, has enrolled at the University of Massachusetts....Williamae Ferguson is at Cal Poly, Pomona....

Lousie (Gerrish) Halle had a throw of 181' in the javelin in a recent workout....Lorraine Abramson competed for South Africa and met her husband Richard, a swimmer, at the Maacabiah Games. Now she runs for Liberty AC....A few quotes from Canada's National Coach Lionel Pugh, writing in "British Columbia Track Monthly" about the Mt. SAC Relays: "...a great deal of the wind was across and no wind measurement was ever given. (After all this was only a woman's event.) Also: "In the women's meet proper on Sunday, the wind was even cooler and the Meet itself in its usual state of poor organization.".....First Unisex world record was set in London when Brian Green, Margaret Critchley, Peter Gabbett and Val Peat won the 4x100m relay in 43.5....The Blue Ribbon TC has an athlete named Serene Farmer....Australia's Diane Pease has a class of six year olds - and they are all long jumpers....

LETTER FROM PORTER MARTIN, Portland

"I read with interest the report on the Strawberry Festival Women's T&F Meet. Sounded like a great meet and wish we could have been there. However, with no idea of detracting from the great mile run in the meet, I think we should take a second look at the following statement: "So for the first time in the US we had four runners under five minutes in the same race - and almost five".

In the 1970 Rose Festival T&F Meet, the mile run produced FIVE runners UNDER 4:55. They were Brown 4:45.4, Heald 4:47.5, Stearns 4:52.2, Foltz 4:52.3 and Hosmer 4:54.0.

In the 1971 Rose Festival four runners were under 4:56 - (Brown 4:39.6, Foltz 4:51.5, Roth 4:52.9 and Hosmer 4:56.0). Roth, incidentally, was still only 15 at the Rose Festival date.

'BEST INTERNATIONAL MATCH OF ALL TIME': Jan Popper

Moscow, August 28/29:—East Germany, the winning team of the European Cup in 1970 and the most successful squad at the recent European Championships in Helsinki, won the most important international match of the 1971 season with ease. The East German athletes beat their USSR challengers 73-62 and destroyed Poland 86-47. The Soviets had a hard time downing the Poles, eeking out a 71-62 win only due to the disqualification of the Polish sprint relay team of Irena Szewinska and her teammates.

The Moscow triangular, held at Luzhniky Stadium on two sunny evenings before a disappointing crowd of 7500 was without question a sort of European Champions Revenge: nine European champions were eligible to start and six won. One, Helga Seidler, did not start due to illness; one, Poland's sometimes erratic javelinist Danuta Jaworska, placed fourth; and one, EG's quarter mile relay squad (4x400) was too weakened by Seidler's absence to give their anchor runner enough of a lead to secure her position against the blonde heroine of the match, Natalia Chistyakova.

Natalia, as Burda the bronze medal winner at Mexico, still running with her injured arm, burned during her torch-bearing duty at the Spartikad, won the 400m flat event on Saturday night against Zehrt and disappointing Helsinki medalist Lohse, and ran another exciting race anchoring the USSR relay squad in a come-from-behind win in Sunday's final event, the 4x400 relay. Again Natalia beat Zehrt by a huge margin and was clocked in 52.0s. No one should underestimate this talented master of one-lap running next year at Munich.

In terms of top quality performance, it was Nadyezhda Chizhova's day. The European triple crowned shot putting queen used the two weeks between Helsinki and Moscow to recover from pain and joy, and feels no more harm will come from her injured middle-finger of her throwing hand. She was fully prepared for this match against her three best opponents for the second time in 20 days. The result was overwhelming. Chizhova stepped over the toe board once again on her first throw, but came back with a toss even more impressive than her first at Helsinki - 20.23/66'4½". At this moment she was one meter ahead of Gummel - and there was more to come. After a "mediocre" 19.79/64'11¼", she was once again over 20 meters - 20.17/66'2", then relaxed with 19.40/63'7¾" and finally, with all competitive duties over as she was throwing after Gummel and Lange, she exploded on her final throw to 20.43/67'0¼". Equaling the world mark once again. Behind her, Gummel was able to get the second place and Helsinki silver medalist Maritta Lange lost third to the mighty Ivanova.

Another world record was in danger in the 1500 meters. Tamara Panglyova started in high gear with a 63.5 first lap and had 2:49 at the kilometre. Only world record holder Karin Burneliet was able to hold this pace with her and once again she destroyed the "experts" opinion that she can not finish fast after a speedy first part as she beautifully accelerated during the final 100 meters. Once again she beat the pre-Helsinki world mark with a 4:10.0, while brave Tamara was timed in 4:10.2, a much applauded USSR record.

In another big running event, Burneleit's Helsinki runner-up Gunhild Hoffmeister tried hard to conquer two minutes in the 800m. She actually ran a solo second lap leaving the others far behind. Gunhild, who runs more relaxed in hard duals than in solo efforts, failed by just one second; even so she must be considered on the same level as Nikoic or Falck in any talk about what would have happened at Helsinki if the unhappy collision had not have happened.

Renate Stecher won both sprints, but the surprise came from Irena Szencska who came from far back in the furlong really furious and fought with the European champion on even terms. Likewise in the 100 was a good battle between these two. The Helsinki order was maintained also over the hurdles with Balzer edging Ehrhardt with a few more decimeters to spare. Pentathlonist Herbst beat Szewinska in the long jump, an indication of what she is capable of doing in the horizontal jump if not weakened by pentathlon efforts.

In the vertical jump, Rita Schmidt again triumphed over veteran Lazaryeva, who only recently bettered her USSR best with a leap of 1.88/6'2". Faina Myelnik settled the discus competition with her first throw (62.52/205'1"). World javelin list leader Ewa Gryziecka did the same thing in that event with a toss of 61.20/200'9 first time up. Ruth Fuchs fought hard with 60.56/198'8 in the second round and 60.26/197'1 in the fourth but could not catch the Pole.

As stated above, the outcome of the Poland vs USSR part of this triangular match could have been very surprising - if Jaworska had been able to maintain her Helsinki form and if the overnervous youngster Bakulin had not started too fast on her second sprint relay leg!

Measured on overall standards, this was the best international match of all time!

RESULTS: (August 28) 100m, 1-Stecher (EG) 11.2, 2-Szewinska (P) 11.3, 3-Besfamilnaya (SU) 11.4, 4-Stropahl (EG) 11.5, 5-Flisnik (P) 11.6, 6-Zharkova (SU) 11.6; 400m, 1-Chistyakova (SU) 53.7, 2-Zehrt (EG) 54.0, 3-N. Kolyesnikova (SU) 54.4, 4-Hryniewieck (P) 54.5, 5-Lohse (EG) 54.6, 6-Piecky (P) 54.7; 1500m, 1-Burneleit (EG) 4:10.0, 2-Pangylova (SU) 4:10.2 (rec), 3-Kleinau (EG) 4:15.5, 4-Kolakowska (P) 4:18.6 (rec), 5-Doborzynska (P) 4:23.0, 6-Vejisa (SU) 4:26.2; 4x100, 1-EG (Balzer, Stecher, Stropahl, Heinrich) 43.8, 2-USSR (Zharkova, Bukharina, Sidorova, Besfamilnaya) 45.0, Poland disqualified; HJ, 1-Schmidt (EG) 6'0¼", 2-Lazaryeva (SU) 5'11¼", 3-Gavrilova (SU) 5'11¼", 4-Konowska (P) 5'8¼", 5-Kalliwoda (EG) 5'7", 6-Procioe (P) 5'5; JT, 1-Gryziecka (P) 200'9, 2-Fuch (EG) 198'8, 3-Marakina (SU) 188'6, 4-Jaworska (P) 188'0, 5-Komissar (SU) 172'1, 6-Schmidt (EG) 160'3.

(August 29): 200m, 1-Stecher (EG) 23.0, 2-Szewinska (P) 23.1, 3-Besfamilnaya (SU) 23.5, 4-Jedrejek (P) 23.5, 5-Heinich (EG) 23.6, 6-Sidorova (SU) 23.9; 800m, 1-Hoffmeister (EG) 2:01.0, 2-Wierzbowska (P) 2:02.6 (rec), 3-Skowronska (P) 2:03.7, 4-Wayngarten (SU) 2:04.0, 5-Ruus-Dias-tinova (SU) 2:04.6, 6-Poehland (EG) 2:04.6; 100mH, 1-Balzer (EG) 12.8, 2-Ehrhardt (EG) 12.9, 3-Sukniewicz (P) 13.1, 4-Straszynska (P) 13.5, 5-Poluboyarova (SU) 13.8, 6-Kononova (SU) 14.0; 4x400, 1-USSR (Popkova, Aksonova, N. Kolyesnikova, Chistyakova) 3:33.0 (rec), 2-EG (Aben, Kuehne, Lohse, Zehrt) 3:33.3, 3-Poland 3:34.8 (rec); LJ, 1-Herbst (EG) 21'6", 2-Szewinska (P) 21'4", 3-Ringa (SU) 21'0¼", 4-Liebsch (EG) 20'11¼", 5-Smirnova (SU) 20'7¼", 6-Sochacka (P) 19'6¼"; SP, 1-Chizhova (SU) 67'0¼" (equal WR), 2-Gummel (EG) 63'7", 3-Ivanova (SU) 62'¼", 4-Lange (EG) 60'0¼", 5-Chewinska (P) 54'8¼", 6-Danilczuk (P) 48'7"; DT, 1-Myelnik (SU) 205'1, 2-Ilgen (EG) 199'10, 3-Danilova (SU) 192'11, 4-Spielberg (EG) 184'3, 5-Nadolna (P) 176'9, 6-Danilczuk (P) 137'9.

ZAMENSKIY MEMORIAL from Jan Popper

Moscow, USSR, September 11/12: Much of the usual international flavor of this annual meet was lost when it was scheduled to last in the season. In addition, many of the heroines of the recent European Championships at Helsinki had completed their season objective and were taking it easy. Therefore, the most cheered event was the 800m where young Tamara Kazachkeva followed the orders of her coach Pyetrov and ran a brave solo race to set a new USSR record with 2:03.2s. Tamara was the junior champion and is now 21 year of age.

Another interesting event saw the come-back of Galina Kuznyetsova-Dyatchina, one of the best of the old 80m hurdlers. Galina, running her first big race since maternity, won the 100mH in a good 13.4s.

Chizhova and Myelnik, easily the best Soviet women athletes of the year, had no trouble winning their specialties but Poland's world-leader in the javelin, Ewa Gryziecka, once again lost a big event, this time to the Soviet's in-and-out-er Evyert.

An interesting item was the first notice from Mongolia's Mexico discus surprise Namdjimmaa Dashzeveg in three years.

RESULTS: 100, Besfamilnaya 11.4; 200, Nikanorova 23.7, 2-Goth (Rum) 23.8, 3-Penton (Cuba) 24.0...5-Truste (Cuba) 24.4; 400, 1-Nadya Kolyesnikova 53.7, 2-Penton 53.8, 3-Truste 53.9...eliminated in heat Popkova 55.5; 800, 1-Tamara Kazachkova 2:03.2 (rec); 1500, Pangelyova 4:12.4; 100mH, Dyatchina-Kuznyetsova 13.4 (rec.eq); 200mH, 1-Kononova 16.7, 2-Babich 26.9; HJ, Lazaryeva 1.77/5'9¼"...6-Chul-kova 2.71/5'7¼"; LJ, Smirnova 6.32/201'3, 2-Ringa 6.30/20'8, 3-Viscopoleanu (Rum) 6.28/20'7¼"; SP, 1-Chizhova 19.64/64'5¼", 2-Ivanova 18.70/61'4¼"...6-Chewinska (Pol) 17.00/55'9¼"; DT, 1-Meylnik 61.36/201'3, 2-Muravyeva 59.26/194'5, 3-Menis (Rum) 58.78/192'10, 4-Danilova 57.92/190'0, 5-Solontsova 56.78/186'3, 6-Manoliu (Rum) 56.58/185'7....9-Kleiber (Hun) 54.12/177'6 (one week earlier 60.19/197'5), 10-Catarama (Rum) 54.10/177'6....16-Damzeveg (Mongolia) 44.96/147'6; JT, 1-Evyert 58.28/191'2, 2-Jaworska (Pol) 54.96/180'3, 3-Marakina 56.90/186'8...5-Gryziecka (Pol) 55.74/182'10....Nunez (Cuba) three fouls

DISCUS RECORD IN MUNICH

Munich, West Germany, September 10/12:-Russia's Fayna Meylnik set a new world record in the discus with a throw of 212'10 to steal the spotlight in the 15th Annual Hanns Braun Sportfest as 40 nations took part. The competition was not on the Olympic Stadium facility, but was held at Dantestadion on the same Recortan surface as the Games site. The crowds did not approach the size of last year's meet with 4000 on Friday, 8000 on Saturday and 10000 on Sunday. In 1970, the 15000 seat stadium was overflowing with spectators and several thousand were turned away. As was the case in 1970, the electric starting blocks and electric timing, to be used at the Olympics, were used.

In addition to Meylnik's world mark, fine performances were recorded by Poland's Irena Szewinska with a 22.8 200m, (which didn't break the meet record!), Chizhova's 67'0 toss in the shot, just ¼" off her world mark and Rosendahl's win over Szewinska in the long jump, 22'0¼ to 21'1½.

RESULTS: 100m Heats, I, 1-Schittenhelm (WG) 11.5, 2-Annum (Gha) 11.6, 3-Neil (GB) 11.8, 4-Huber (WG) 12.3, 5-Rieuwpassa (Indonesia) 12.3; II, 1-Helten (WG) 11.6, 2-Szewinska (Pol) 11.6, 3-Shachamorov (Israel) 11.9, 4-Afriye (Gha) 11.9..6-Mean Kheng (Cambodia) 12.9; III, 1-Kapfer (Austria) 11.9. FINAL, 1-Helten (WG) 11.5, 2-Schittenhelm (WG) 11.5, 3-Szewinska (Pol) 11.5, 4-Annum (Gha) 11.5, 5-Neil (GB) 11.7, 6-Shachamorov (Isr) 11.8, 7-Golden (GB) 11.9, 8-Kapfer (Aut) 11.9.

200m, Heats, I, (+1.2) 1-Annum 23.1; II, 1-(+0.2) Balogh (Hun) 23.4, 2-Rosendahl (WG) 23.5; III, (10.3), 1-Colyear (GB) 23.9...5-Kahandra (Ceylon) 25.4; IV (+0.2), 1-Szewinska (Pol) 23.7, 2-Neil (GB) 24.0...7-Sandhu (India) 26.1. FINAL, (+0.3), 1-Szewinska 22.8, 2-Annum 23.0, 3-Balogh 23.1, 4-Kroniger (WG) 23.3, 5-Rosendahl 23.4.

400m, Heats, I, 1-Ellenberger (WG) 53.7; II, 1-Eklund (Fin) 53.0, 2-Bodding (WG) 53.2, 3-Lundgren (Swe) 53.8, 4-Duclos (Fra) 54.2, 5-Balas (Isr) 55.3; III, 1-Besson (Fra) 53.5...3-Chistyakova (SU) 54.3...5-Jane Burnett (USA) 55.9. FINAL, 1-Eklund 52.7, 2-Bodding 53.2, 3-Besson 53.4, 4-Lundgren 53.5.

800m, Heats, I, 1-Allison (GB) 2:07.4; II, 1-Walsh (Ire) 2:04.9; III, 1-Stirling (GB) 2:06.8. FINAL, 1-Stirling 2:05.5, 2-Walsh 2:05.7, 3-Allison 2:05.8, 4-Sheila Carey (GB) 2:06.0, 5-Christa Merten (WG) 2:06.4.

1500m, 1-Ellen Tittel (WG) 4:12.5, 2-Hildegard Falck (WG) 4:14.6, 3-Allison (GB) 4:14.8, 4-Ligekuti (Hun) 4:15.2, 5-Rita Ridley (GB) 4:15.5, 6-Sheila Carey (GB) 4:17.8.

100mH, Heats, I (+0.2), 1-Shachamorov (Isr) 13.7, 2-Lacey O'Neal (USA) 13.8, 3-Teresa Sukniewicz (Pol) 13.9...7-Carol Thomson (USA) 14.8; II (+0.8), 1-Danuta Straszynska (Pol) 13.1, 2-Teresa Nowak (Pol) 13.3...4-Pat Donnelly (USA) 13.8, 5-Margit Bach (WG) 14.0. FINAL, (+0.6) 1-Straszynska 13.3, 2-Nowak 13.3, 3-Shachamorov 13.5, 4-Sukniewicz 13.5, 5-Olsson (Swe) 13.7, 6-Pat Donnelly (USA) 13.8, 7-Lacey O'Neal (USA) 13.9, 8-Bach 14.0.

4x100, 1-Sweden 45.6, 2-GB 45.7, 3-West Germany 46.0.

HJ, 1-Barbara Inkpen (GB) 1.85/6'0¼, 2-Komka (Hun) 1.76/5'9¼, 3-Rechner (Swi) 1.76.

LJ, 1-Heide Rosendahl (WG) 6.72/22'0¼, 2-Irena Szewinska (Pol) 6.44/21'1½, 3-Amman (Swi) 6.35/20'10.

SP, 1-Chizhova (SU) 20.42/67'0, 2-Fayna Meylnik (SU) 17.64/57'10¼, 3-Judit Bogнар (Hun) 16.94/55'7.

DT, 1-Fayna Meylnik (SU) 64.88/212'10 (World rec), 2-Leisel Westermann (WG) 60.56/198'8, 3-Muravyeva (SU) 58.20/190'11, 4-Tamara Danilova (SU) 57.44/188'5.

JT, 1-Danuta Jaworska (Pol) 60.64/198'11, 2-Ewa Gryziecka (Pol) 60.56/198'8, 3-Angela Ranky (Hun) 57.62/186'1.

DEBBIE BRILL - 6'1¼

Palermo, Italy, September 7:-Debbie Brill, still only 18 years of age, set a new United Kingdom record, a new American continental record and a new personal record when she won the high jump here at 1.86/6'1¼....Other good performances include: Maria Sykora 5024 pentathlon score at Vienna with a 14.0 hurdles, 40'2¼ shot, 5'8¼ in the high jump, 19'9 in the long jump and 24.1 for the 200....Alice Annum ran 11.3 and 23.0 at Mainz, WG, on September 12. At the same meet Gusenbauer jumped 6'1½ to win the high jump.

COCA COLA INVITATIONAL from 'Athletics Weekly'

London, England, September 16:-The annual Coca Cola Invitational brought to an end the English outdoor season. Some fine individual duels highlighted the competition.

There was a delightful upset in the women's 800m when Sheila Carey, having more or less written off this season as a disappointment, found the inspiration that had previously been lacking since last year's WAAA success. Running fourth behind Vera Nikolic, Colette Besson and Joan Allison until the final straight, she made up the best part of ten meters to pip a distressed Nikolic in a personal best of 2:02.9. The European champion had set a 28.0, 58.8, 1:30 pace, with Sheila passing the bell in a shade under one minute. Vera had set a personal best 1500m time of 4:16.9 in the previous weekends Balkan Games and easily disposed of Hildegard Falck in Berlin in 2:01.0. There was a blanket finish for third with Besson improving almost two seconds over her previous best to edge Allison (personal best of 2:03.5) and Maria Sykora.

The women's high jump featured a duel between the two holders of the Commonwealth record of 6'0¼, Barbara Inkpen and Debbie Brill with the Canadian winning at 6'0.

In other action, Pan-Am champion Stephanie Berto just beat Helen Golden over 200m while Judy Vernon took the experimental 3' 100mH race without trouble in 14.5 - only 0.3 slower than she ran in the regulation 2'9 100mH a little later.

RESULTS: 100m, Andrea Lynch 11.9; 200, 1-Stephanie Berto (Can) 24.1, 2-Helen Golden 24.1; 800m, 1-Sheila Carey 2:02.9, 2-Vera Nikolic (Yug) 2:03.0, 3-Colette Besson (Fr) 2:03.3, 4-Joan Allison 2:03.5, 5-Maria Sykora (Austria) 2:03.5, 6-Penny Werthner (Can) 2:09.6; (B Race) Thelwyn Bateman 2:05.0; 100mH, 1-Sue Garnett 14.0, 2-Judy Vernon 14.2...4-Mary Peters 14.7; Experimental 3' 100mH, 1-Judy Vernon 14.5, 2-Janet Honour 15.0; HJ, 1-Debbie Brill (Can) 6'0, 2-Barbara Inkpen 5'10¼, 3-Karla Karlsen (Nor) 5'8; LJ, 1-Maureen Chitney 19'10¼, 2-Brenda Eisler (Can) 19'10¼, ...4-Judy Vernon 18'10¼.

SILAI BEATS NIKOLIC AT BALKAN GAMES

Zagreb, September 3/5:-Ileana Silai, Rumania's question-mark half miler who didn't even make the final of the European Championships at Helsinki, today trounced the European champion, Vera Nikolic, with a fine 2:02.0 race. Nikolic was clocked in 2:02.8 and came back the next day to win the 1500 with a new Yugoslav record of 4:16.9.

RESULTS (First Day). 100, Bufanu (Rum) 11.7; 800, 1-Silai (Rum) 2:02.0, 2-Nikolic (Yug) 2:02.8; LJ, 1-Franzotti (Yu) 20'11¼, 2-Viscopoleanu (Rum) 20'9¼, 3-Yorgova (Bul) 20'9¼; DT, Menis (Rum) 194'2.

(Second Day). 200, Bufanu 23.8; 400, Jordanova (Bul) 54.9; 1500, 1-Nikolic 4:16.9, 2-Linca (Rum) 4:19.5; SP, Christova (Bul) 58'4¼; Pentathlon, Focic (Yug) 4902 (rec).

(Third Day). 100mH, Bufanu 13.6; HJ, 1-Popescu (Rum) 6'0¼, 2-Hrepevnik (Yug) 5'11¼, 3-Bonci (Rum) 5'10¼; JT, Urbancic (Yug) 191'5, 2-Becker (Rum) 189'0; 4x100, Rumania 45.7; 4x400, Rumania 3:38.0.

NIKOLIC WINS - FALCK 4th

Berlin, West Germany, September 9:-The contest that never took place at the European Championships - Vera Nikolic versus Hildegard Falck - happened here today and, as usual with such looked-forward-to competitions, it was anticlimactic as the new European Champion, Nikolic, won easily in 2:01.0 over the new world record holder who finished fourth in 2:04.4. Between the two came Pan Am champion Abby Hoffman (2:02.8) and former European Indoor champion Maria Sykora (2:03.8).

Another interesting competition took place in the 100m where Elfgard Schittenhelm won in 11.4 over Inge Helten (11.4) and Alice Annum (11.6). Just one week later, both Helten and Annum were to run 11.1!

RESULTS: 100, 1-Schittenhelm (WG) 11.4, 2-Helten (WG) 11.4, 3-Annum (Gha) 11.6; 200, 1-Annum 23.2, 2-Helten 23.4; 400, 1-Frese (WG) 53.6; 800, 1-Nikolic (Yug) 2:01.0, 2-Hoffman (Can) 2:02.8, 3-Sykora (Aut) 2:03.8, 4-Falck (WG) 2:04.4; LJ, Antenen (Swi) 20'1¼; HJ, 1-Gusenbauer (Aut) 6'0¼, 2-Vankiekelt (Can) 5'8¼; DT, 1-Westermann (WG) 200'1, 2-Menis (Rum) 192'7, 3-Catarama (Rum) 190'2, 4-Manoliu (Rum) 188'7.

WEST GERMANY EDGES USSR 68-67: MARAKINA 203'6

Kiev, USSR, September 18/19:--West Germany edged the Soviet Union in a tight, tough, explosive dual meet winning by one point in a dramatic finish. The Germans had 66 points with only the 4x400 relay remaining and needed only to finish the event to score the two points awarded in international dual competition when disaster struck on the second leg as veteran Christel Frese pulled up lame and injured. Showing the great determination she has always displayed, Christel managed to complete the lap and hand off to the third runner and enabled her team to finish the race, score the two points and win the contest 68-67.

Some fine performances were overshadowed by Frese's heroics. Nina Marakina of the Soviet Union became the third best javelin thrower of all time as she wafted the wand 203'6, far beyond her previous best. New world record holder Fayna Meylnik once again defeated former world discus record holder Liesel Westermann 207'4 to 202'6 to win for the USSR.

Ingrid Mickler continued her winning ways as she triumphed in the 100 meter sprint in 11.4 as new German sprint sensation Inge Helten, credited with an 11.1 just two weeks earlier, was second in 11.5. Mickler also won the long jump and did it the same way she did in the recent European Championships. With only one jump remaining, Mickler was firmly lodged in last place with a mark of 6.23/20'5 1/4, but she came through with flying colors to cut the sand at 6.66/21'10 1/4 and her second gold of the meeting. Mickler was also the anchor runner on the winning 4x100 relay squad in 44.4s.

Another busy body was Heide Rosendahl who finished second in the long jump, won the 100mH in 13.4 and was a surprise second in the 200 behind Helten in 23.6. Heide also ran on the winning 4x100 relay squad.

The high jump was a huge disappointment as an exciting competition was anticipated. Veteran Lazaryeva won at only 5'8 1/2 while the best the two German leapers could clear was a paltry 5'5.

RESULTS (First Day), 100, 1-Mickler (WG) 11.4, 2-Helten (WG) 11.5, 3-Besfamilnaya (SU) 11.6, 4-Mitrokina (SU) 11.7; 400m, 1-Bodding (WG) 54.7, 2-Chistyakova (SU) 54.8, 3-Ellenberger (WG) 55.1, 4-Askynova (SU) 56.3; 800, 1-Falck (WG) 2:03.8, 2-Kastakova (SU) 2:05.0, 3-Hansumae (SU) 2:07.0, 4-Sohenk (WG) 2:07.1; 100mH, 1-Rosendahl (WG) 13.4, 2-Polubrayova (SU) 13.6, 3-Dyatskina (SU) 13.9, 4-Gulck (WG) 14.3; 4x100, 1-WG (Helten, Rosendahl, Tackenberg, Mickler) 44.4, 2-SU 44.9; HJ, 1-Lazaryeva (SU) 5'8 1/2, 2-Gertig (SU) 5'7 1/4, 3-Gartner (WG) 5'5, 4-Heiksch (WG) 5'5; DT, 1-Meylnik (SU) 207'4, 2-Westermann (WG) 202'6, 3-Muravyeva (SU) 192'11, 4-Berendonk (WG) 187'2; JT, 1-Marakina (SU) 203'6, 2-Ewers (SU) 182'8, 3-Gerhards (WG) 179'11, 4-Koloska (WG) 179'7.

(Second Day), 200, 1-Herten (WG) 23.2, 2-Rosendahl (WG) 23.6, 3-Nikanorova (SU) 24.1, 4-Sidorova (SU) 24.3; 1500m, 1-Pangelova (SU) 4:15.0, 2-Merten (WG) 4:20.0, 3-Tittel (WG) 4:21.4, 4-Tipicyna (SU) 4:24.2; LJ, 1-Mickler (WG) 21'10 1/4, 2-Rosendahl (WG) 21'7 1/4, 3-Ringa (SU) 21'0 1/2, 4-Smirnova (SU) 20'8; SP, 1-Ivanova (SU) 60'11 1/4, 2-Korabyeva (SU) 57'10, 3-Kofink (WG) 53'1, 4-Berendonk (WG) 50'5 1/4; 4x400, 1-SU 3:42.0, 2-WG 4:09.4.

Final score: West Germany 68, Soviet Union 67.

FRANCE DOWNS SPAIN from Alfonso Posada

Madrid, Spain, August 28/29:--France had no trouble downing up and coming Spain in a dual meet here by the score of 92-42. Best mark of the competition was Colette Besson's 52.7 win in the 400m. Spanish athletes set four new national records as well as one new junior national best.

Winners--100/200, Pani (F) 11.8/23.9; 400, Besson (F) 52.7 ...3-Salgado (S) 55.4 (rec); 800, Duvivier (FO) 2:06.8; 1500, Azpeitia (S) 4:27.2; 100mH, Schoebel (F) 13.8...3-Molina (S) 14.6 (rec); HJ, Debourse (F) 5'7 1/4; LJ, Ducas (F) 20'10, 2-Valdor (S) 18'8 (jr.rec); SP, Parguel (F) 45'4; DT, Pierotti (F) 152'10, JT, Besso (F) 154'0; 4x100, France 45.8, 2-Spain 47.8 (rec); 4x400, 1-France 3:33.5 (Besson 52.2), 2-Spain 3:51.6 (rec)

LAWSON AND GIBBONS WIN IN OSLO

Oslo, Norway, August 3:--Kathy Lawson and Kathy Gibbons were winners here tonight as the touring Americans invaded famed Oslo stadium. Lawson won the 100m in 11.5 while Gibbons had her season best in winning the 800 in 2:06.7.

RESULTS: 100, 1-Kathy Lawson (USA) 11.5, 2-Elisabeth Randerz (Swe) 11.8, 3-Mamie Rallins (USA) 11.9; 400, 1-Elisabeth Randerz (Swe) 54.7, 2-Karin Lundgren (Swe) 54.7, 3-Jane Burnett (USA) 55.3, 4-Gail Fitzgerald (USA) 55.4; 800, 1-Kathy Gibbons (USA) 2:06.7, 2-Ingela Ericson (Swe) 2:09.0; HJ, 1-Solvejg Langkilde (Den) 5'8 1/4, 2-Kari Karlsten (Swe) 5'8 1/4...4-Linda Tiddings (USA) 5'5.

RUMANIA-FRANCE-HOLLAND

Romania turned out to be the top dual meet team in the three-way, double dual competition in Uden. The Romanians edged the Dutch 69-66 and won easily over France 72-63 while the Hollanders swamped France 78-57.

Three of the victorious Rumanians had the best marks: the 1968 Olympic discus champion, Lia Manoliu, threw 191'1 to nose out countrywoman Argentina Menis at 190'4; Valerie Bufanu toured the 100m hurdles in 13.3 and Ileana Silai won the 800 in 2:03.2.

A goodly number of the top performers did not compete for France. Michaela Penes, the 1964 Olympic javelin champion, could do no better than 3rd with a poor throw of only 154'0.

RESULTS:100, 1-Wilma van den Berg (H) 11.5, 2-Sylviane Telliez (F) 11.5, 3-Trudy Ruth (H) 11.9; 200, 1-vd Berg 23.7, 2-Ruth 23.7, 3-Gabrielle Meyer (F) 24.1...5-Colette Besson (F) 24.3; 400, 1-Marjan Burggraaf (H) 53.9, 2-Bernadette Martin (F) 54.1, 3-Alexis Badescu (R) 54.5; 800, 1-Ileana Silai (R) 2:03.2, 2-Anneke de Lange (H) 2:05.0, 3-Joke vd Stelt (H) 2:05.5, 4-Mariene Duvivier (F) 2:10.8; 1500, 1-ELS Gommers (H) 4:26.2, 2-Maria Linca (R) 4:26.7, 3-Catherina Bultez (F) 4:27.0; 100mH, 1-Valerie Bufanu (R) 13.3, 2-Jeanne Schobel (F) 13.7, 3-Jacqueline Andre (F) 13.9; 4x100, Holland 46.2, 2-France 46.4, 3-Romania 46.5; 4x400, 1-Holland 3:40.4, 2-France 3:40.5, 3-Romania 3:59.0; HJ, 1-Cornelia Popescu (R) 5'10 1/4, 2-Virginia Bonci (R) 5'7 1/4, 3-Gloria Garrido (F) 5'6; LJ, 1-Elena Vintila (R) 19'9, 2-Maria Salamon (R) 19'6, 3-Elsa Hoogendoorn (H) 18'9 1/2; SP, 1-ELS van Noorduynd (H) 58'7 1/2, 2-Anna Salagean (R) 54'3 1/4, 3-Valentina Cioltan (R) 51'10 1/4; DT, 1-Lia Manoliu (R) 191'1, 2-Argentina Menis (R) 190'4, 3-Anneke de Bruin (H) 161'3; JT, 1-Martine Bordat (F) 163'3, 2-Elisabeth Prooan (R) 161'1, 3-Michaela Penes (R) 154'0.

NORTH AFRICA REPORT from Yves Pinaud

The Fifth Maghreb Championships have been held this year at Casablanca, the economical capital of Morocco. Despite the poor track and field results, progress shown was great. Morocco dominated the meeting winning every event.

Results (Casablanca, Morocco, July 23/25--100m, 1-Malika Hadky (Mor) 12.3, 2-Safia Ben Youssef (Tun) 12.6, 3-Faquir (Mor) 12.7; 200m, Faquir 25.6, 2-Hadky 25.8, 3-Ben Youssef 26.7; 400m, 1-Hadky 58.0, 2-Faquir 59.1, 3-Leila Lamdjadani (Alg) 60.7; 800m, 1-Hadhoum Kadiri (Mor) 2:15.4, 2-Amina Bourir (Mor) 2:16.7, 3-Zenieb Deriouche (Tun) 2:19.2; 1500m, 1-Kadiri 4:48.6, 2-Hanine (Mor) 4:50.8, 3-Jalila Douira (Tun) 4:52.1; 100mH, 1-Cherifa Meskaoui (Mor) 14.9w, 2-Faquir 15.2w, 3-Lilia Attia (Tun) 16.1w; HJ, 1-Mina Djebli (Mor) 4'10 1/4, 2-Lamia Belamlih (Mor) 4'10 1/4, 3-Massaouda Ouchrif (Alg) 4'9; LJ, 1-Benboubker (Mor) 16y 18'3, 2-Meriem Zlstitene (Alg) 17'11, 3-Fatima Meziane (Mor) 17'8 1/4; SP, 1-Fatima Meskaoui (Mor) 38'7, 2-Beya Bou Abdallah (Tun) 36'2 1/4, 3-Laila Charrine (Tun) 34'3 1/4; DT, 1-Meskaoui 127'10, 2-Abdallah 104'8, 3-Ahardane (Mor) 103'4; JT, 1-Aderbach (Mor) 115'4, 2-Chedlya Ben Mrad (Tun) 112'4, 3-Zaidane (Mor) 105'7; Pentathlon, 1-Meskaoui (Mor) 4007, 2-Belamlih (Mor) 3485, 3-Addallah 3296; 4x100m, 1-Morocco 50.3, 2-Tunisia 50.7, 3-Algeria 51.5; 4x400, 1-Morocco 4:00.5, 2-Tunisia 4:06.5, 3-Algeria 4:08.3. Scores, 1-Morocco 170, 2-Tunisia 84, 3-Algeria 73.

CLIFF TEMPLE'S TRANSATLANTIC CLIFFHANGERS

From Britain's point of view, the European Championships in Helsinki were a mixture of pleasant surprise and disappointment. We scarcely expected to get both the silver and bronze in the 800m, as we did through Pat Lowe and Rosemary Stirling, but neither did we expect to come away from the 1500m final empty handed, especially as all three British girls qualified in their heats with ease.

The 800m final will long remain a talking point. Would Vera Nikolic still have won if Hildegard Falck and Gunhild Hoffmeister hadn't fallen after 150m? Some say yes because Nikolic blazed out such a fast pace (57.8 at 400m) that Falck and Hoffmeister wouldn't have had any finish left; others say 'no chance'. But the majority opinion, with which I agree, is that Falck would have won, probably edging past in the last 50m. But we'll never know.

Hoffmeister, at least, gained some consolation with a silver in the 1500m, as the East Germans ran the sort of team race that would just not have been practicable among the British trio of Rita Ridley, Joan Allison and Sheila Carey: our girls were so busy watching each other they never really thought about beating the opposition until too late.

But even in such a scarcely developed event as the 1500m, it's some competition when you have to break the world record, as Ellen Tittel did, just to get a bronze medal!

Transcending all else among the performances of the British women's team, though, was the silver medal in the high jump of Barbara Inkpen. Every national team, indeed every club team, probably has an athlete who, like Barbara, possesses enormous potential in her event, gives tantalising hints that it is going to be achieved, and then - when the chips are down - comes up with the most colossal, spectacular and atomic flop. That's Barbara. Or it was until late July, for a most amazing transformation came about.

The girl who could jump British records at little meetings when no one was looking, but couldn't clear the qualifying heights at the big meets, suddenly became a serious contender for Iolanda Balas' ancient world high jump record - and with people watching, too. How?

Well, Barbara was rather depressed the day after the English WAAA championships in July this year. Although she was the best British girl (in fourth place) the sight of Debbie Brill, Debbie Van Kiekebel and Kari Karlsen of Norway flopping over the bar, long after Barbara's straddle had been eliminated from the competition at 5'8 (her best of 1971), told her that she would place nowhere at all in Helsinki in the face of the almost universal switch to the Flop. So she switched; just three weeks and four days before the European Championships, she started jumping with the Flop. And in her first workout session cleared 5'10½.

A week later, in competition, she cleared 5'10½ for a new UK record, and shortly after arriving in Helsinki cleared 6' in training with inches to spare. And boosted by this new-found world of easy clearance over heights she had previously only talked about, she went into the competition, knowing that 18 of her rivals had achieved superior performances during the season, but that on the day all of them could fall to her newly acquired confident approach.

So it proved. One by one, the big names went out of the competition as Barbara three times beat the British record. In the past, whenever she has broken the record, she has immediately lost concentration, but this time she maintained it right through to 6'0½. The height of 6'1½ proved too much, but she at least shared the silver medal with Popescu of Rumania.

The greatest shame of the competition was that Barbara's coach, ex-naval commander Ron Murray, could not be in Helsinki to share the thrill of her breakthrough. He has brought her along from novice stage and stuck with her at all times - although she has been a British international since 1968, her only significant performance in international competition previously had been an 8th place in the 1969 European Championships in Athens. In the Mexico Olympics she failed to reach the final, and had such a spotty international record that last year she wasn't even selected for England's team for the Commonwealth Games; her reply was fairly typical - she set a British record of 5'10½ just four days before the Games began, but entries had already closed. So she had to watch Debbie Brill win the title on television; I can remember Debbie telling me in the Games Village at that time that she had just "laughed and laughed" when she had heard that Barbara, still rated one of her biggest rivals, had not been picked for England.

Now Barbara's next target is Munich, by which time Murray considers she will be capable of jumping at least 6'4. After that, she is switching seriously to the pentathlon to which, ironically, she had already officially switched earlier this year as there seemed little chance of her challenging for a high jump medal in Munich. Eventually, she could turn out to be Britain's best ever pentathlete - she's run 200m in 24.9, with only a handful of attempts to her credit, and long jumped 20'9¼ indoors.

Her pentathlon debut in 1969 was typical of the erratic performances we were used to before the 1971 model Inkpen came on the market: without any training, she was heading for a score of 4200 - with the order of events making the high jump last. Then she failed three times at 4'11, scored no points, and ended up with 2999. When you're used to that sort of thing, you just can't help expecting the worst!

GREAT BRITAIN vs WEST GERMANY

Barbara confirmed her Helsinki performance by clearing 6' to win the match event for Britain against West Germany at London's Crystal Palace track on August 28th. She failed narrowly at a new British record of 6'1½. If she had cleared, she would have gone straight up to a world record 6'3½ in accordance with the new policy she has worked out with coach Ron Murray, which is that if she has won a competition, and cleared six feet, she will not expend energy at intermediate heights. It could just work.

Murray, incidentally, hopes to visit the USA with Barbara this winter for some training away from the freezing English weather, and would appreciate anyone able to offer the use of facilities for a short period getting in touch with him at 11 New Farn Avenue, Bromley, Kent, England. In return, Ron, I'm sure, would be glad to offer some expert coaching from a man who has spent 30 years studying the event.

In the meeting, Britain was well beaten by the German team, especially in the throws where the visitors were largely a class apart; the javelin, especially, was embarrassing.

Sheila Sherwood, Olympic silver medalist and Commonwealth champion in the long jump, who was only 4th at Helsinki, had some kind of revenge, beating world record holder Heide Rosendahl by ½ inch and new European champion Ingrid Mickler by five inches, but as Sheila pointed out, a victory like that won't give her the gold medal, which was her aim for the season.

Hildegard Falck also achieved a victory that won't make up for Helsinki, winning the 800m from European silver medalist Pat Lowe in 2:05.1. She just strode away over the final 200. The new world mile record holder, Ellen Tittel, used a similar tactic in the 1500m as the first three were all grouped at 1:30m; Christa Merten, who didn't make the final in Helsinki, beat two British girls who did.

Making her international debut was your own Judy Vernon, in British colours. She finished 3rd in the 100m hurdles in 14.4, and second in a non-scoring pentathlon event held in conjunction with the match. Judy's individual pentathlon performances were: 14.2/5'5/28'10¼/20'3¼/24.7. Her total on the new tables was a frustrating 3999; on the old table it would have been 4624

RESULTS: 100m, 1-Mickler (WG) 11.8, 2-Schittenhelm (WG) 11.9, 3-Neil (GB) 12.2, 4-Johns (GB) 12.2; 200m, 1-Golden (GB) 24.1, 2-Colyear (GB) 24.7, 3-(tie) Tachenberg (WG) & A. Wilden (WG); 400m, 1-Bodding (WG) 53.2, 2-Stirling (GB) 53.2, 3-Roscoe (GB) 54.3, 4-Frese (WG) 54.5; 800, 1-Falck (WG) 2:05.1, 2-Lowe (GB) 2:05.7, 3-Schenke (WG) 2:06.1, 4-Bateman (GB) 2:07.8; 1500m, 1-Tittel (WG) 4:14.0 (UK all comers record), 2-Merten (WG) 4:15.2, 3-Ridley (GB) 4:16.3, 4-Allison (GB) 4:17.4; 1000m, 1-Rosendahl (WG) 14.1, 2-Garrett (GB) 14.2, 3-Vernon (GB) 14.4, 4-Gulck (WG) 14.7; 4x100mR, 1-West Germany (Hahnle, Tachenberg, Schittenhelm, Mickler) 44.6, 2-GB (Neil, Golden, Cobb, Johns) 45.0; 4x400mR, 1-West Germany (Czekaj 55.9, Frese 53.5, Falck 52.4, Bodding 52.7) 3:34.5 (UK all comers record), 2-GB (Bernard 55.6, Roscoe 54.0, Lowe 52.7, Stirling 52.3) 3:34.6; HJ, 1-Inkpen (GB) 6'0, 2-Gartner (WG) 5'8, 3-Mack (WG) 5'7, 4-Watt (GB) 5'7; LJ, 1-Sherwood (GB) 21'9½, 2-Rosendahl (WG) 21'9, 3-Mickler (WG) 21'4 (non-scoring), 4-Barrett (GB) 20'5¾, 5-Rosen (WG) 19'7; SP, 1-Kofink (WG) 52'11¾, 2-Berendonk (WG) 49'8, 3-Bedford (GB) 48'8¼, 4-Payne (GB) 42'5; DT, 1-Westermann (WG) 191'0, 2-Berendonk (WG) 183'1, 3-Payne (GB) 179'4, 4-Bedford (GB) 149'1; JT, 1-Koloska (WG) 187'2, 2-Gerhards (WG) 179'6, 3-Baker (GB) 144'3, 4-Williams (GB) 125'9; Pentathlon - (non scoring in match; new tables), 1-Mack (WG) 4202, 2-Vernon (GB) 3999, 3-Schallau (WG) 3901, 4-Honour (GB) 3856, (guest competitor Schmiedel (WG) 3975).

NATIONAL JUNIOR AAU by Francie Johnson

Wilmington, Delaware, July 31/August 1:-In the unusual (for me) capacity of spectator, these Junior Nationals appeared to be a well-run affair with hot competition and some very fine marks with records being broken in all events on the track except the 880 and the 100. The strange thing about the weekend was the almost drought condition of the east coast was finally broken with tremendous rainstorms which flooded out and closed the highways but somehow never managed to rain out the meet.

The Brooklyn Atoms won the team title with 36 points over the Pioneer AC who tallied 28.

100 Yard Dash:-Rhonda McManus dominated the event, running a series of 11.0, 10.9 (tying the record) and 11.1 to win the final over Ditra Henry who clocked 11.2.

Trials (7/30) I-1, Rhonda McManus (Tennessee State) 11.0, ..3-Dawn McIntyre (Ambler) 11.4; II, 1-Ditra Henry (MDYF) 11.1; III, 1-Roslyn Bryant (Chicago Zephyrs) 11.0; IV, 1-Linda Cordy (Atoms) 11.3; V, 1-Elaine Johnson (Atoms) 11.3; VI, 1-Jackie Taylor (Travelers) 11.3; VII, 1-Tolaria Weaver (Pioneer) 11.2.

Semi-finals, I, 1-McManus 10.9; II, 1-Henry 11.2; III, 1-Cordy 11.3.

Final: 1-McManus 11.1, 2-Henry 11.2, 3-Bryant 11.4, 4-Karlyn McDaniel (Pioneer AC) 11.4, 5-Cordy 11.5.

220 Yard Dash:-Rhonda McManus made it a double victory with a 24.4 win over Michele McMillan in the final. All of the first three place winners bettered the old record of 25.1 with McManus setting a new mark in the trials at 24.5s.

Trials: I-1, Chris Tucholski (Toledo) 26.4; II, 1-Rhonda McManus (TSU) 24.3, 2-Karen McDaniel (Pioneer) 25.6; III, 1-Linda Cordy (Atoms) 24.9, 2-Ditra Henry (MDYF) 25.1; IV, 1-Michele McMillan (Atoms) 24.5, 2-Tolaria Weaver (Pioneers) 25.0; V, 1-Dawn McIntyre (Ambler) 25.8; VI, 1-Rosalyn Bryant (Zephyrs) 24.7; VII, 1-Deborah Jefferson (Travelers) 26.0; VIII, 1-Chris A'Harrah (SITC) 25.9; IX, 1-Cordelia Ingram (LaMott) 25.4.

Semi-finals: I, 1-McManus 24.5; II, 1-McMillan 25.0, 2-Henry 25.3; III, 1-Bryant 25.2, 2-Cordy 25.2.

Final: 1-McManus 24.4, 2-McMillan 24.7, 3-Bryant 25.0, 4-Weaver 25.4, 5-Cordy 25.5.

440 Yard Dash:-This shaped up into a real battle with Sheila Ingram and Sue Kirkland coming out of a seven year retirement, battling it out even in the trials and going one-two in the clockings with 55.4 and 56.9, Ingram's time breaking the old record of 56.7. The final proved to be a hotly contested race that it was expected to be from the qualifying times with Sheila Ingram and Cordella Ingram taking an immediate lead and burning the rest of the field by the 220. In the final stretch Sue Kirkland started to move up on them, passing at least three runners to finish third.

Trials: I, 1-Sheila Ingram (Pioneer AC) 55.4, 2-Sue Kirkland (Liberty AC) 56.9; II, 1-Melina West (MDYF) 59.5; III, 1-Linda Reynolds (Atoms) 57.5; IV, 1-Deborah Jefferson (Travelers) 58.2; V, 1-Lissa Natkin (SITC) 57.7, 2-Cathy Prendergast (MDYF) 58.0; VI, 1-Chris A'Harrah (SITC) 58.9; VII, 1-Cordella Ingram (LaMott) 58.0.

Semi-finals: I, 1-S. Ingram 55.3, 2-Natkin 57.7; II, 1-Sue Kirkland 57.0, 2-C. Ingram 57.5; III, 1-Jefferson 57.9.

Final: 1-Sheila Ingram 55.4, 2-Cordella Ingram 56.6, 3-Kirkland 56.9, 4-Reynolds 57.6, 5-Natkin 57.8.

880 Yard Run:-This was the only running event where the winning time wasn't even close to the old record of 2:11.8s. Considering the very hot and humid weather it seems to be very poor planning to run the semis and final on the same day when the meet is a two day affair. This must have affected the performances. The final became an endurance test after running the semis in the morning. Canton's Mary Schlitz, who had a qualifying mark of a good 2:17 in the morning trials, led through the 440 in 65 then Kathy Prendergast of Mayor Daley took over and was never headed.

Semi-finals: I, 1-Kathy Prendergast (MDYF) 2:19.1; II, 1-Mary Schlitz (Canton) 2:17.8...3-Anita Scandurra (Suffolk AC) 2:22.5; III, 1-Shelly Marshall (Atoms) 2:22.2, 2-Debbie Beck (Ambler) 2:24.4, 3-Pat Hanna (Toledo) 2:27.0.

Final: 1, Prendergast 2:15.7, 2-Marshall 2:18.0, 3-Scandurra 2:19.3, 4-Beck 2:20.6, 5-Hanna 2:20.6.

Mile Run:-A new record was set in the trials by Diane Andrade of Long Island with a 5:08.6, but the final belonged to age group sensation Brenda Webb who took the lead from the start and far outpaced her opposition to set a new record at 5:06.3. The best Andrade could do in the final was 5:11.3 for second spot. It is significant that in her heat she was 23 seconds ahead of second place and perhaps had she coasted she could have given Webb a better race in the final.

Trials: I, 1-Diane Andrade (Long Island) 5:08.6, 2-Debbie Beck (Ambler) 5:31.9; II, 1-Brenda Webb (Kettering) 5:18.9, 2-Sylvia Elsen (Zephyrs) 5:19.3, 3-Mary Gallagher (Central Jersey) 5:23.0, 4-Kathy Whitcomb (Liberty AC) 5:27.7.

Final: 1-Webb 5:06.3, 2-Andrade 5:11.3, 3-Gallagher 5:15.9, 4-Elsen 5:18.3, 5-Beck 5:23.3, 6-Whitcomb 5:25.8.

100 Meter Hurdles:-This event saw the old record broken in the semi finals by both Lorraine Tummings of the Atoms and Kathi Guiney of Liberty with clockings of 14.3 and 14.4 respectively, promising a fine race in the final. This was Guiney's first attempt at the 100mH and her lack of experience showed in the final which was as competitive as expected. Guiney was out fast and led until the 8th hurdle which she hit and Tummings immediately took over the lead while Kathi was left to struggle for third. Lorraine again broke the meet record, winning in 14.2.

Trials: I, 1-Lorraine Tummings (Atoms) 14.3, 2-Sherice Duchamp (Toledo) 15.1; II, 1-Joanne Dean (Ambler) 15.4; III, 1-Kathi Guiney (Liberty AC) 14.4, 2-Claudia Johnson (Pioneer) 14.9, 3-Donna Schulenberg (MDYF) 15.3.

Final: 1-Tummings 14.2, 2-Johnson 14.6, 3-Guiney 14.6, 3-Duchamp 15.2, 5-Dean 15.3.

High Jump:-Only five made the qualifying height of 4'10.

Final: 1-Flo Herbert (Pioneer) 5'3, 2-Cindy Clemmons (Columbus) 5'2, 3-Neysa Miller (Liberty) 5'1, 4-Debbie Vetter (Blue Ribbon) 4'10, 5-Karen Moller (Delaware) 4'8.

Long Jump:-This event saw the only record broken in the field with Diane Kummer showing good strength in winning with a leap of 19'6 1/4 beating Deb Flippen who also posted a very excellent mark.

Final: 1-Diane Kummer (MDYF) 19'6 1/4, 2-Deb Flippen (Suffolk) 19'3 3/4, 3-Jackie Taylor (Travelers) 18'8, 4-Cheryl Butler (Pioneers) 17'10, 5-Beth McBride (Liberty) 17'7 1/2.

Javelin Throw: 1-Wendy Sorrick 119'7, 2-Annette Mosiej 117'6, 3-Cherie Jarrett 115'10, 4-Kathy Maher 108'5, 5-Janice Black 102'10. (Affiliations not known)

Discus Throw: 1-Micky Young (Ambler) 109'7, 2-Carol Wallin (Blue Ribbon) 106'3, 3-Julie Staskunas (Blue Ribbon) 102'6, 4-Pat Taylor (Daisy) 100'4, 5-Lynda Massey (PAL) 99'8.

Shot Put (4k): 1-Beth Miller (Delaware) 39'3, 2-Lynda Massey (PAL) 37'3/4, 3-Wendy Sorrick (Delaware) 36'11 1/4, 4-Mickey Young (Ambler) 36'6, 5-Linda Matulin (Canton) 34'5 1/2.

440y Relay (4x110): **Trials:** I, 1-Atoms 47.8, 2-MDYF 48.0; II, 1-Atoms "B" 49.7; III, 1-Delaware Sports 51.9.

Final: 1-Atoms 47.4, 2-MDYF 47.9, 3-Zephyrs 48.8, 4-Atoms "B" 49.4, 5-Toledo 50.2.

880y Medley Relay (220-110-110-440): **Trials:** I, 1-Pioneer AC 1:44.7, 2-Ambler AC 1:46.6, 3-Liberty AC 1:46.8; II, 1-Chicago Zephyrs 1:48.1; III, 1-Atoms 1:46.3; IV, 1-MDYF 1:49.3.

Final: 1-Pioneer 1:44.0, 2-Atoms 1:45.2, 3-Liberty 1:46.3, 4-Chicago Zephyrs 1:47.3, 5-Ambler OC 1:48.5.

Scoring: 1-Atoms 36, 2-Pioneers 28, 3-Delaware Sports and Mayor Daley 20, 5-Ambler OC 17, 6-Liberty AC 13 and Chicago Zephyrs 13; 8-TSU and Blue Ribbon TC 12; 10-Suffolk 7, 11-Kettering 6 and Toledo 6; 13-PAL 5; 14-LaMott, Canton, Columbus and LI Mercuresses 4; 18-Central Jersey and Fairfield Striders 3; 20-Daisy Statton 2, 21-Sports International and Travelers 1.

Exhibition events: 880y Walk, 1-Laurie Tucholski (Toledo) 3:46.8, 2-M. B. Hayford (Greenwich) 4:10.4, 3-Carol Mohanco (Kettering) 4:15.0.

12/13 220, 1-Deidre Wilson (PAL) 26.4, 2-Clenetha Ray (Travelers) 26.8 (26.5h), 3-Gina Talley (Columbus) 26.9.

12/13 880, 1-Robin Campbell (SITC) 2:18.4, 2-Susan White (SITC) 2:19.6, 3-Robin Perry (Ambler) 2:26.6.

12/13 440yR, 1-Dryades TC 51.7, 2-SITC 51.9, 3-Columbus 52.5.

BOULDER VALLEY INVITATIONAL

Broomfield, Colorado, July 31:-Nineteen clubs gathered in the beautiful town of Broomfield to participate in the Annual Boulder Valley Invitational. The women's division produced two outstanding performers in Mable Ferguson of the West Coast Jets who won the 100 in 10.5, the 440 in 56.4 and anchored the winning medley relay team with a 54.0 lap. The second outstanding performance was turned in by Debra Wedgeworth, now competing for the Denver All Stars, who zipped to a 10.6 100 behind Ferguson, won the 220 in 24.7 and had her lifetime best to win the long jump at 20'2 1/4.

The outstanding athlete ahead, however, went to this year old Renalda England of the Houston Astro-Belles. This Herm Goldberg coached lass won her 100 in 11.1 and 440 in 56.8, both new records, and then anchored her medley relay team in an exhibition against the women with a 55.0 (approximate) leg.

RESULTS: Open Division: 100, 1-Mable Ferguson (West Coast Jets) 10.5, 2-Pat Benson (Denver All Stars) 10.6, 3-Debra Wedgeworth (DAS) 10.6, 4-Williamae Ferguson (WCJ) 10.7, 5-Shirley Lenyou (WCJ) 10.9, 6-Jennifer Hughes (Boulder Cinderelles) 10.9; 220, 1-Benson 24.3, 2-Wedgeworth 24.7, 3-Williamae Ferguson 24.8; 440, Mable Ferguson 56.4; 880, Susan Abernathy (Houston Astrobelles) 2:25.0; 3000m, Pam Weigle (Rocky Mountain Roadrunners) 11:54.7; 80yH, Jenny Krien (Fort Morgan TC) 11.4; 100mH, Wendy Koenig (TOG) 15.1; 440yR, Denver All Stars 47.3; Mile Relay, The Colorado Gold 3:58.7, 2-(Exhibition) Houston Astro-Belles 3:58.4; 880yMedR, 1-West Coast Jets 1:45.0, 2-DAS 1:49.3; LJ, 1-Wedgeworth 20'2 1/4, 2-Lenyou 18'10 1/2, 3-Koenig 18'7 3/4; SP/DT, Joan Stratton (TOG) 38'4/116'4.

12/13 Division: 100, 1-Renelda England (HA) 11.1, 2-Cathy Dukes (DAS) 11.2; 220, Dukes 26.1; 440, England 56.8; 50yH, Susan Petrelli (BC) 7.9; 440yR, Denver All Stars 51.3; LJ, Iris Burleson (Aurora TC) 15'11 1/2; SP, Kelly Curran (TOG) 36'5 1/2; BBT/JT, Pam Young (TOG) 223'11/97'1.

10/11 Division: 100/220, Louise Stanton (Mesa County TC) 12.1/27.1w; 440, Melinda Johnson (Denver Flyers) 65.7; 440yR/880yMedR, Denver Flyers 55.1/2:05.7; LJ, Christine Brockhoff (Heights TC, NM) 14'5; HJ, Diane Rogowski (BC) 4'4.

9/Under Division: 100, 1-Teria Perry (DF) 13.1, 2-Rene Wynna (WCJ) 13.1; 220, Wynna 31.1.

10/11 Triathlon, Diane Rogowski (BC) 1602; 12/13 pentathlon, Gwen Jackson (CP) 3595; 14/over pentathlon, Wendy Koenig (TOG) 4025 (15.0, 26'0, 5'1, 17'4 1/4, 26.0).

LONG BEACH BEACH RUN

Long Beach, California, September 18:-Rialto Road Runners' Debbie Johnson and her teammates were victorious in the annual Long Beach Beach Run starting at the famed Belmont Pier in Belmont Shore. The 14/over division run of two miles was won in 11:35 as the RRR edged the Long Beach Comets 28-30 for the team title.

Rialto and Long Beach were close in the 12/13 1 1/2 mile run also as the Rialto group scored a close 36-44 win although Long Beach's Mary Decker was the individual winner by 28 seconds over Doreen Assuma. The Long Beach crew won the 10/11 and the 9/under titles.

RESULTS: 14/over Division (2 miles): 1-Debbie Johnson (RRR) 11:35, 2-Vicki Mills (LBC) 11:37, 3-Kathy Jewell (LBC) 11:52, 4-Esther Marquez (RRR) 11:59, 5-Linda Green (LBC) 12:04, 6-Ruth Kleinsasser (RRR) 12:09....11-Judy Ikenberry (RRR) 12:36. Score, RRR 28, LBC 30. Number of competitors 32.

12/13 Division (1 1/2m): 1-Mary Decker (LBC) 8:22, 2-Doreen Assuma (RRR) 8:40, 3-Dianna Holder (LBC) 8:43, 4-Becky Wolfbarger (SC Cheetahs) 8:45, 5-Margit Sturham (La Mirada Meteors) 8:45. Scores, 1-RRR 36, 2-LBC 44, 3-Lompoc Valley TC 73, 4-Southern Cal Cheetahs 79. Number of competitors - 50.

10/11 Division (1 1/4m): 1-Linda McQuarrie (LBC) 7:18, 2-Renee Quigley (LMM) 7:19, 3-Patty Gnehm (RRR) 7:22, 4-Teresa Tomasic (LBC) 7:23, 5-Jill Boyd (SCC) 7:24. Scores, 1-LBC 49, 2-SCC 51, 3-LMM 72, 4-SCC "B" 87. Number of competitors - 57.

9/Under Division (1m): 1-Janette Windle (LBC) 6:03, 2-Julie Franks (SCC) 6:12, 3-Donna Sanchez (RRR) 6:15, 4-Corrine Nunez (RRR) 6:15, 5-Kristy Wilson (LBC) 6:18. Team scores, 1-LBC 34, 2-RRR 42, 3-SCC 55, 4-Lomita TC 92. Number of competitors - 47.

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Denver, Colorado:-Good marks were the rule at the National Junior Olympic Championships as four new meet records were established on the US Air Force Academy field. Best of the new marks was Sheila Ingram's 53.9 quarter while the first three broke the 220 yard dash record led by Kathy Guiney.

RESULTS: 100y, 1-Ditra Henry (Chicago) 10.9, 2-Jane Oas (Wayzata, Minn) 11.0, 3-Deborah Edwards (Houston) 11.0; 220, 1-Kathy Guiney (Needham, Mass) 23.9, 2-Robyn Russell (Cleveland) 24.0, 3-Edwards 24.2; 440, 1-Sheila Ingram (Wash.DC) 53.9, 2-Edwards Koenig (Estes Park, Colo) 55.5, 3-Dee Ann Ediger (Ringwood, Okl) 56.7; 880, 1-Liane Swegle (Seattle) 2:16.8, 2-Debby Beck (Maple Glen, Pa) 2:21.3, 3-Anita Scandurra (Greenlawn, NY) 2:22.0; 80yH, 1-Bobbette Krug (La Jolla) 10.4, 2-Claudia Johnson (Wash DC) 10.4, 3-Lorraine Tummings (Brooklyn) 10.4, 4-Wendy Koenig 10.5, 5-Spider Baker (Albuquerque) 10.7; HJ, 1-Denise Kemp (Reno) 5'4 1/4, 2-Alice Pfaff (Lexington, Mass) 5'4 1/4, 3-Connie Dorsey (Champaign) 5'4; LJ, 1-Gaylene Barber (Rock Island, Ill) 19'3, 2-Debbie Flippen (Long Island) 19'3, 3-Judith Salley (Orangeburg, SC) 18'10 1/2...5-Koenig 18'0 1/2; 8#SP, 1-Iva Wright (Fresno) 46'5, 2-Susie Snider (Waco, Tex) 44'5, 3-Ursula Radford (Camas, Wash) 43'2; 440yR, 1-Region 6 47.1, Region 2 47.6, 3-Region 1 47.7.

HELTEN AND ANNUM RUN 11.1

Bonn, West Germany, September 11:-Two sprinters had their names added to the all time top ten list when practically unknown Inge Helten of West Germany edged Ghana's Alice Annum as both were clocked in 11.1 for the 100 meters. Additional information has not yet been received.

RESULTS: 100m, 1-Inge Helten (WG) 11.1 (rec), 2-Alice Annum (Ghana) 11.1 (rec), 3-Afriyie (Ghana) 11.5; 200m, 1-Afriyie 23.7, 2-Wilden (WG) 23.9....5-Jane Burnett (USA) 24.6; 400m, 1-Christel Frese (WG) 53.7....4-Jane Burnett (USA) 55.2; 1000m, Titel (WG) 2:43.0; 100mH, 1-Gulck (WG) 13.6, 2-Pat Donnelly (USA) 13.7...5-Carol Thomson (USA) 14.3....8-Margit Bach (WG) 14.8; LJ, 1-Ingrid Mickler (WG) 20'9 1/4, 2-Herzog (WG) 20'8 3/4; DT, 1-Liesel Westermann (WG) 196'4, 2-Brigitte Berendonk (WG) 192'11.

KOENIG 2:10.5 IN FIRST 880

University of Colorado, July 27:-The Colorado Gold's versatile, young Wendy Koenig ran her first ever 880 here today at the Olympic Development meet and turned in a very respectable mark of 2:10.5 after whipping through a 58 second first quarter. Jennifer Hughes won the 220 in a so-so 25.5 and Desiree Gronwald the high jump at 5'2 1/4. Stella Palamarchuk sped the one mile walk in 8:56.7.

NEW DISCUS FIND - 141'11

Alfred, New York, July 31:-Alfred University staged an invitational women's meet and drew an entry list of nearly 80 girls from all over the state of New York. Although the majority of the marks were far from good, Cindy Reinhoudt, unattached, tossed the discus a reported 141'11 as well as winning the 8 pound shot at 49'4. If these marks are authentic, the US has come up with a distinct "possible" for our much needed throwing events. Karen Doyle, unattached, won the 12/13 long jump at 15'1 and the 100 at 12.3 for the only other good marks of the day.

WALKING RESULTS

Boulder, Colorado, July 31:-Fifteen year old Stella Palamarchuk and 14 year old Ingrid Martin turned in marks for the 10 kilo walk which placed them on the official international list for 1971 here today. Although the USA does not recognize this distance for women, it is the favorite international distance and Palamarchuk is now #13 and Martin #17. Results: 10 kilometer, 1-Stella Palamarchuk (Ambler OC) 63:15.8, 2-Ingrid Martin (Un) 65:43.8, 3-Gail Brison (Un) 69:48.0; 5 kilometer walk, 1-Martin 29:35, 2-Jean Griffin (Un) 39:30.

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