

(This bulletin replaces all previous bulletins, which are no longer of interest.)

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### WE FINALLY MADE IT!

The struggle has been long and not without considerable difficulty. But we now have the final details on all the 1960 Olympic tours. We feel these itineraries have been worth waiting for and thank you for being so patient.

Actually, it was a good thing that the repeated delays took place. Had we rushed to you a final tour folder it would have been incomplete and out of date. Too many factors have changed too often--and some may change yet. But all the major details seem to be pinned down.

There never has been a worry--for us, that is--over getting rooms and tickets. Having gone to work on these two major problems early in 1958 we have been in good shape all along. The problem has been to get the best housing at the best price.

As you know, we have been disappointed by the unusually heavy increase in price of sleeping accommodations in Rome. But after separate personal trips to Rome by myself, tour manager Jack Dozier, and tour agent Henri Lightlyn we find that despite a higher-than-preferred rate we are indeed happy to have our particular accommodations. An unprecedented variety of accommodations is offered you at the best available prices.

The problem with tickets has been to get good ones for the real track fans who will accompany us to Rome. We were shocked to find that the seating capacity of the Olympic stadium is much smaller than advertised, that all the good seats on the homestretch side will go to the press, Olympic officials and other VIPs, or will be sold for \$18 per day, and that much of the rest of the stadium will not be reserved!

But as I indicated in the last bulletin, we have wonderful news on the tickets. Our special allocation of tickets has been settled as to location, and we couldn't ask for better. The contacts of Track & Field News and my trip to Rome have paid off in grand style. We will be seated high in the stadium, across from the finish line, giving a good view of the entire track and field, and the best possible perspective of the activities on the home straight. Please remember that no tickets have been printed and distributed yet and that we cannot guarantee this location 100%. But the promise has been made in writing by the responsible officials and I have every reason to believe that we will have the best available public seats in the stadium.

### VARIETY OFFERED

We have made a major effort to cater to the various tastes and pocketbooks. You will find a choice of 20 different tours, ranging from 15 to 36 days and from \$880 to \$1425. You will also find a wide variety of sleeping accommodations in Rome, where each tour members spends at least 10 nights. This variety has been arranged both to offer a range of prices and to cater to personal preferences.

This variety need not be confusing. You have only to study the itinerary chart to see which tour fits in with your plans, then check the cost. Picking your accommodations in Rome will depend upon both desires and prices.

### PRICES

Some prices are up and some down, as compared with the tentative prices printed many months ago. The increases are due to increased air fares, inclusion of more meals in Rome, and the raised Rome hotel prices. All in all the price picture is not nearly as bad as was feared.

NO MORNING TRACK and field events on Sept. 8. Those who have paid for tickets on this day will be credited accordingly.

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CHARTER FLIGHT was considered a possibility but has been rejected for a number of reasons. The one advantage is price (sometimes) but there are major problems. Tour members on a charter often don't know if the flight will take place until the last minute. There are sometimes cancellations because the plane was not filled, leaving people stranded. There can be no switches from the itinerary, everyone having to start and finish together. And there are problems of CAB approval.

### NOW IT'S YOUR TURN

Now that we have reached this point the next step is up to you. Here's what you must do:

1. Complete your deposit of \$250 (or more) per person. (This information is for the new members who may have paid a lesser deposit on the basis of previous bulletins.) Prospective tour members with lesser deposits will not have a guaranteed reservation until the full deposit has been made.
2. Fill out the enclosed Tour Selection Application and return to us. You will note that most of our tentative tours are still available but usually in somewhat altered form. This is your opportunity to choose a desired tour. Any previous indications will not be considered as the tentative tours have undergone considerable change. Some have been eliminated completely so it is essential for everyone to choose now.

Most tours can take care of any number of members. But in order to keep the tours from becoming unwieldy we will limit the number and, if necessary, run section sections.

All types of accommodation in Rome are limited in number. It is necessary for you to give three choices of sleeping accommodations. We will do our best to give you your first choice.

Whenever there are more requests than can be granted the requests will be filled on the basis of:

- a. Date of first deposit.
- b. Date of completed deposit.
- c. Promptness in returning the Tour Selection application. A reasonable time will be allowed all. But if there are unreasonable delays and it becomes necessary to make continued effort to secure your application it is understandable that higher priority must be given to those who cooperate. If there is a good reason why a choice cannot be made immediately please let us know, giving the reason, the two or three choices undecided upon, and the date by which a decision can be made. Such cooperation will protect your priority established by date of deposits.

### CONFIRMATION OF SELECTION

You will be notified of the status of your selection as quickly as possible. It will take some weeks, however, as we must first see what the other selections are. But we will not allow the confirmation to be delayed so that it works a hardship on anyone.

And please don't be too disappointed if you do not get your first choice. Remember the facilities are strictly limited and most of us are lucky to get to go at all. There will be those who are left out, that much is certain. Also, we will establish a waiting list in the various categories and as there are cancellations or changes you will move up.

### QUESTIONS

If you spot any errors or omissions in this material please let us know immediately. There may be some questions now and we will be glad to answer them. You will be kept informed of all developments. You can expect a printed folder eventually; data on such things as passports, what to pack, sightseeing, car rentals, etc.; and a goodly supply of pertinent literature we are assembling.

Again, thanks for waiting, and I hope you are as pleased with the final results as we.

*Bert Nelson* Bert Nelson, Publisher, Track & Field News

# TRACK TOURS

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Track & Field News Olympic Tour (TAFNOT) Bulletin No. 8

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GOOD NEWS is always pleasant to relate and I'm very happy to report that we have won the battle of the tickets. Word has just been received that the tickets on the backstretch side will be numbered and reserved. Further, the ticket manager states that our special allocation will be directly across from the finish line! In the minds of most track fans these are the best seats in the stadium and we are delighted to have them.

This time it appears to be final. So this one big worry is behind us. An added note is that there will be no need to call for extra money for tickets, which would have been necessary if the seats we now have were not reserved. Thanks to everyone who wrote Avery Brundage and the Olympic organizing committee. Brundage seemed to take a genuine interest in the problem and may have helped solve it.

SELECTED TOURS are confirmed for all tour members except those few to whom personal notice has been given. Lack of interest forced cancellation of Tours: 3, 5, 6 and F. All other tours will be operated. And Tour C now may be combined with tour 1 to produce Tour 1C.

SLEEPING ACCOMMODATIONS are not certain yet in all cases. Hotel Dormitory accommodations have been cancelled. Apartments are available only to groups of four or more. So those who requested hotel dormitories and those single and doubles who wanted apartments have been reassigned to their second choices. Otherwise everybody should just about get their first choice.

TOUR COSTS look good, thanks to recent developments:

No increase necessary due to allocation of tickets. (See above).

No additional charge will be necessary for jets. Jet "surcharge" of \$30 round trip is being removed. (There even is a possibility that air fares may be reduced, in which case any major saving will be passed on to tour members.)

CHANGES IN OTHER SPORTS schedules have been made. If you already have ordered tickets for other sports we have adjusted your application accordingly. If you are going to order tickets please note these changes on the information sheet you have: No morning track on 9/8. Basketball semi-finals are 7A, 7N, 8A, 8N, top price \$7.25. Finals are 9N, 10N, same prices. Boxing: 1A and 1N are  $\frac{1}{4}$  finals. Football: Eliminations now: 26A, 26N, 19A, 19N, 31A, 31N. Semis: 5N, 6N, 9N; finals 10N. Hockey both morning and afternoon on 5, 7, 9. Swimming: nothing on 30M; add 25N to prices starting with \$7.25. Wrestling: 1N, 2N, 3N, 5N have top price of \$3.50. Weightlifting has session on 9/10. Cycling: add 26A, delete 30N. Equestrian: change GP Jumping (\$3.50 top) to 10MA, 11M. GP Jumping \$11.00 top, on 11A only.

Six months to go!

*Bert Nelson*

Bert Nelson, Publisher

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CAR RENTAL AND PURCHASE information is enclosed. "Europe by Car" presents four very complete plans, with all the details spelled out. This company will handle all your rental-lease-purchase arrangements, with one exception. Rentals in Italy should be handled through their affiliate, Sadem, whose folder "Car Rental Service" is enclosed.

All car arrangements should be made directly with Track & Field News. We will act as the go-between for all tour members. Please note that arrangements should be made at once, as there will be an over demand.

OTHER INFORMATION FOLDERS are enclosed, with our compliments. Half the fun of any trip is in the planning, and we are glad to be able to contribute worthwhile literature from time to time.

WHAT AND WHERE TO BUY concerns every traveler. There are certain specialties in every country, and much to learn about prices, best shops, etc. By all means you should have some sort of buyer's guide. One of the best--many think it is the best--is "The Temple Fieldings" Selective Shopping Guide to Europe". If you want us to send you one just send us \$2.00. It covers every country in Europe, with complete details, including specific shops to patronize, and others to stay away from. One such guide can save you much money, and time.

TRIP TRAVEL ACCIDENT INSURANCE is preferred by many travelers. Track nut Louis Delucchi has made the enclosed information available and will be glad to serve you. Write directly to him at the address found on the application.

A LITTLE BAD NEWS comes into every life and so we must report an increase in air fares. Final details aren't available yet, but it looks like about a \$20 increase on round trip flights to Europe. Transatlantic carriers have completely altered rate structure, eliminating tourist and deluxe classes, but establishing different rates for prop and jet planes. Any flights that go prop (perhaps to or from Lisbon) will be at a lower rate. Full details will be announced in a later bulletin.

INVOICES will be sent to some of you shortly, notably those who are going one way by ship. The ship companies want their money early and tickets will not be held past the deadline date that will be listed on the invoice. In cases where there is also an air fare there may be a further adjustment due later.

FREE PORTS in Europe enable air passenger to pick up real bargains without paying local taxes and custom's duty. Tour 8, for instance, touches down in Amsterdam enroute to Rome, just long enough to take advantage of the free port there. Featured are perfumes, watches, cameras, and liquors (Scotch whiskey \$2.50).

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CONNECTING RESERVATIONS should be made early, especially on the return from Europe. Then you will be running into students heading back for school. Departure and arrival times are listed below. Connecting flights, to and from other points in the U.S., can be made through tour travel agent Henri Ligtelyn, 317 State St., Los Altos, Calif. Let him know the details and you will have one ticket, from home to Rome to home. (If your ticket shows you are going overseas you get 44 pounds baggage allowance in the U.S., as well as overseas.)

Tour 1--Leaves New York at 7:10 p.m., Aug. 28  
Tour 2--Leaves New York at 7 p.m., Aug. 27  
Tour 4--Leaves New York at 6:30 p.m., Aug. 21, via Montreal, where leaves 9 p.m.  
Tour 7--Leaves New York at 10 a.m. Aug. 14.  
Tour 8--Leaves New York at 9 p.m. Aug. 23.

Tour A--Arrives New York 7:05 p.m., Sept. 10. There may be additional flights on tour A, because of size.  
Tour B--Arrives New York 3:20 p.m., Sept. 17.  
Tour C--Arrives New York 8:35 a.m., Sept. 18.  
Tour D--Various arrivals in New York--4:50 p.m., 6:50 p.m. and 9:10 p.m., as there will be at least three sections.  
Tour E--Arrives New York 5:15 p.m. Sept. 25.

All flights are subject to change, but it is likely that 95% of the flights will remain as scheduled.

UNITED STATES vs. BRITISH EMPIRE TRACK MEET is scheduled for London, Sept. 14. Tour B arrives London on the 14th in time to make this meet. Any Tour B members desiring to see this quadrennial meet should let us know by May 1. We will order tickets and bill you for them.

SLEEPING ACCOMMODATIONS still have some uncertainties. Hotels are all set, have been for months. But the other classes are in a state of flux. Apartments, for instance, now are available, but probably at a higher price, maybe \$50 more. But they will be top grade apartments, including maid service. There is nothing to be concerned over. Everyone will have good accommodations in the class chosen, but there will be some minor adjustments. When it's all settled for sure we'll let everybody know the assignments.

TOUR MEMBER Ed Austin, P.O. 1114, Newhall, Calif., (near Los Angeles) wants ride to New York in time to take Tour 7. Contact him.

HOTEL IN NEW YORK will be used by some coming and going. There will be no official hotel, but many will make the Commodore, at Grand Central Terminal, the headquarters. Rates are as reasonable as you can expect in New York: Singles, \$6 to \$12; doubles, \$9.50 to \$14.50; twins, \$11 to \$14.50. Some with air conditioning. Write directly to the hotels from reservations, mentioning the tour.

DRIVING LICENSES are explained in "Europe by Car". In Italy, foreign tourists will be authorized to drive vehicles of the same category in Italy for which their driving licenses and permits are valid. But cars really aren't recommended in Rome. Traffic is always congested, will be worse during the Games. Parking is a bad problem. Public transportation is the best bet, unless you already have a car.

STADIUM SEATS across from the finish line are preferred by many for several reasons: the perspective of the home stretch is much better--a side view instead of a head-on or back view; you can see the finish line better (unless you are right on it on the finish line side); and nobody stands up in front of you at the finish, as they always do on the finish line side. And that's why we are delighted to have our seats across from the finish line.

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HOMESTRETCH is here and the finish line is in sight. Some tour members, who are travelling independently for awhile, are on their way shortly. The rest of us will be leaving in eight or ten weeks. Tour details are just about wrapped up, except for last minute items of minor concern.

TICKETS still haven't been received from Italy. So those of you who are leaving early must provide us with forwarding addresses, or arrange to pick them up in Rome. This applies both to track and field tickets being used by all, and to the individual orders. So far all individual orders have been accepted, with the exception of the final group, and no word has been received on them yet.

We have a few extra sets of tickets for all eight afternoons of track and field. These are good seats, with the TAFNOT party. Tour members interested in purchasing complete sets at \$48 per set should write immediately. If we have enough to go around we'll notify you to send your money.

INVOICES for some tour members are enclosed. Others will be along very shortly. Your invoice indicates which tour you are taking, according to our records. If we are in error let us know immediately. The class of accommodations also is noted.

ACCOMMODATIONS in Rome are pretty well settled but a few assignments still are in doubt. We may have some cancellations after the Olympic trials and this will change the picture for those with lower priorities than those who cancel. Thus in a few cases there may be a change of accommodation and a change in the invoice, either up or down.

We have abandoned our attempts to secure satisfactory private home accommodations. The official Olympic housing office's literature sets it up quite nicely. But after much correspondence we have concluded that it won't work to our satisfaction. We can get private homes, but there is no guarantee on class, baths, location, etc., and we'd rather not take a chance with your accommodations. I hope you'll agree we did the right thing.

DETAILED ITINERARIES will be available soon. All details are nailed down now, except we can't tell you your hotel in each city. It works this way. We'll have 40 or 50 people in Zurich, for instance, and it takes two or three hotels to accommodate them. The reservations have been made long ago, but until the final tours composition is known we can't say which hotels will be used by which tour members. But you will get itineraries with each hotel listed, and with a day by day schedule.

BRITISH EMPIRE VS. U.S.A. track meet can be seen by Tour B members as the tour arrives in London at 9 a.m. Sept. 14, the day of the meet. Anyone wanting us to buy tickets for the meet must notify us by return mail. This is the last call.

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BANQUETS will be held in the evening of Sept. 4, Sunday and Sept. 6, Tuesday. All tour members will gather in the large dining room of the Hotel AGIP and will meet, talk and dine with our guests. Guests will include Olympic athletes from the U.S. and other countries, former athletes, coaches, and other Games' personalities. Those of you who have relatives on the team, or who have coached team members, or who are in contact with track personalities of interest to the group, are asked to invite these people to be our guests. Just write and let us know who you can bring and we'll provide details.

WEATHER in Rome is going to be warm and humid. A careful check was taken last year during August and Sept. on the days on which the Games will be held this year. From Aug. 31 to Sept. 8, the days on which track will be held, the maximum ranged from 71 to 87. The minimum daily temperature ranged from 54 to 64. The average (taken at three hour intervals) varied from 64 to 68. There were as many days under 80 as over. Humidity varied from 61 to 89, with five days over 70 and five days under 70. Rain fell on four days, ranging from a trace to  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and on three nights, the heaviest fall being .8 of an inch. The period between opening day (Aug. 25) and Aug. 31 was hotter.

Twenty year averages show: Average daily max. in August 83 degrees, in Sept. 77. Average humidity at 1 p.m. was 51 in Sept., 43 in August. Average rainfall in Sept. was 2", in Aug. .8".

WHAT TO DO ABOUT THE WEATHER (that everybody talks about). Wear light clothes, naturally. By all means take headgear to the stadium, something to keep the hot sun off the head and out of the eyes. There is no shade in the entire stadium and an afternoon in the Roman sun can be warm. (I'm using an Evapo Cool hat--see May issue of Track & Field News. They really work!). I'm also taking a folding plastic raincoat, which will tuck into the little bag I carry to track meets to hold my binoculars, watch, sunglasses, etc.

WHAT TO WEAR AND PACK is a matter for the individual. General recommendations are to hold your wardrobe down, using interchangeable basics, or whatever the women might call them. Wash-and-wear is a must. Your baggage limit on trans-Atlantic air is 44 pounds. But don't use it all going over or you will be overweight on the return trip--the result of your purchases. Comfortable walking shoes are a must. Those of you who want more information should consult any of the standard travel books. "Europe in a Suitcase", telling how to do it with one bag each, is available for \$1 from Mrs. Muriel Scudder, Abbey Road, Manhasset, New York.

CAMERAS have been allowed in the Olympic stadia despite official announcements that they will not be. Apparently the Games' officials want to protect themselves against illegal commercial photography. Film is available in Europe, but it's a good idea to bring as much as you will need.

BINOCULARS are highly recommended for any track meet and we consider them a must for the Olympics. Also useful on sightseeing trips.

CIGARETTES of American make are expensive in Europe. Bring your own. You can usually buy them duty free at the International Airport in New York just before leaving.

PAPAL AUDIENCE may be arranged. Correspondence with Vatican officials leaves it up in the air. We are to check a few weeks before arrival in Rome, and contact officials immediately upon arrival. Do we have a volunteer for this job? If so, please let us know and we'll fill you in on details.

ANOTHER BULLETIN soon. It won't be long now.

*Bert Nelson*

NEW TOUR PRICES are shown in your invoice. The major difference, and most of the time the only difference, is caused by increased air fares. All trans-Atlantic carriers changed their fare structure several months ago and our tours have had increases of from \$4 to \$32. Most of them are up about \$23. Tour 7 also includes a small increase for an extra night in London. The jets get us in the same day we leave New York, thus adding a night in London to the trip. It's a good deal, because instead of arriving on the 15th you will already be there, with a night's sleep behind you.

JETS are used on all trans-Atlantic flights except one, and on most of the flights within Europe. Only the flight to Lisbon on tour 4 is not by jet, and that is by turbo-prop plane which is almost as good.

AIRPORT TAX is charged now by most European countries. It's a tax ranging from less than \$1.00 to about \$2.50 (usually the smaller figure) and is collected when leaving the country. This cannot be prepaid, nor included in the air ticket, and hence has not been included in the price of the tour. Be prepared to pay this tribute to the ever outstretched hand of the tax collector. France, Italy, Spain, Switzerland and England will nick you. Belgium and Portugal will not.

TRAVEL TIPS, as offered by one "expert".

Cleansing tissues weight almost nothing. Stuff your shoes with them to save space.

Drip-dries save time, money, inconvenience. European laundry and pressing services can be expensive and slow. You might bring along an American detergent.

Although it's convenient to have some foreign money in your pocket on arrival in Europe (but not necessary), there no longer is much financial advantage in buying it on the free market before you go. Most official dollar changes have been brought into line with reality. Two exceptions are Yugoslavia and Turkey, but who is going there?

Don't forget to leave your shoes outside the door of your hotel in Europe. They will usually get shined, and it's part of what you pay for.

Electric gadgets (razors, irons, etc.) are a nuisance in Europe, since voltages, wall fixtures and rules change. Best bet is to get a kit which contains converter and the various type of plugs. Or else get along with straight razor, or new battery powered shavers.

Paris Welcome Information office will undertake to answer, free, all questions, oral, written or otherwise, about Paris, France, etc. You can get free maps, etc. there. 7 rue Balzac, near the Arc de Triomphe. Phone ELYsees 52-78.

French restaurants co-operating with government sponsored rating scheme, hang out a sign with chef's head in white against blue background. These restaurants must offer a tourist menu, with prices considerably reduced over the regular fare. You may have to ask to see this tourist menu, and the waiter might not jump for joy, but they've got to do it.

Ready made clothes are not to be bought in Europe. They don't come close to the U.S. in price, style or variety and most Europeans buy in New York whenever they have a chance to do so.

Getting the right width is a problem with women's shoes in Europe, unless you have them made to order.



IN ROME there is much to do, see, eat, drink, hear, feel, and otherwise enjoy. We don't have all the answers, but a few suggestions (picked up from various sources which cannot be guaranteed) include:

For a superb view of Rome, and excellent food, dine in the rooftop restaurant of the Hotel Hassler at the top of the Spanish steps. Not cheap but worth the price. ..if you are near the Baths of Caracalla at lunch or dinner time walk to the Horti di Galatea for an outdoor meal in a beautiful garden at reasonable prices. It's at Via Porta San Sebastiano 5....take the chill from the midnight air (it says here) with hot jazz at Scheherazade, Via Montebrianzo 56. No dancing girls, despite the name, but a good orchestra...

For unbreakable glass cuff links, in all colors, you'll have to look hard, but they are unique...The Whip, Via S. Sebastiano 7, just off Piazza di Spagna, offers beautifully worked leather in striking designs, and exotic prints from Asia and Africa...when you change dollars to lire you get just about the best rate in Rome at Turiscambio, Via Crispi 60...when you visit Trevi Fountain (where you toss the coins to assure your return to Rome) take a look at Giusti, one of Rome's most elegant sport shops just across the square, from fashionable togs to anything for skiing, skind diving or what will you have?...stunning gold jewelry copied from Etruscan museum pieces are at Via del Pellegrino 95, a tiny shop in an ancient, jumbled street near central Corso Vittorio Emanuele...

If you want to twirl your spaghetti to piano rhythms, try Il Grifone, Trastevere's smart new restaurant, Piazza S. Apollonia 11 A. Reservations in order... Ask your hotel porter if there's a performance at the Teatro della Cometa. The show may be a piano recital, a concert, Tennessee Williams in Italian, but whatever it is you'll never have another theatrical evening like it. The place itself is worth the price of admission--an elegant, 320 seat court theater, completely redone, in a 16th century palace at Via del Teatro Marcello 4...the Palazzi, a swank restaurant where Mussolini once housed his girl friend Clara, has a fine filets de sole Moronsini...the Horti Galtea, see above, has a dish called canelloini, a sort of Italian enchilada consisting of diced meat inside an egg-rich paste wrapper...

One of the best and dressiest spots is the Open Gate Club, Via San Nicolo da Tolentino 3. Reservations...American breakfasts (you get the continental breakfast of roll and coffee throughout Europe) comes high in most hotels. But you can get ham and eggs, toast and American coffee for 50 cents at Californietta Via Umbria 1, in the center of Rome...Excellent food, strilling musicians and nostalgic Roman atmosphere are all at a little restaurant in Trastevere called Da Checco, Via Benedetta 13. It's walls are an odd mixture of antique street scene murals and photographs of modern movie stars who have eaten there.

Don't miss the new Ceylon Tea Center, Via Sardegna 27, just off the Via Veneto. It's open from 10:30 to 10 and airconditioned, a series of handsome rooms decorated with bamboo curtains, stunning ebony statues. You can have a quick one at the tea bar, or dawdle over your cup at a table...for more substantial food and drink, drop in at Jerry's Via Veneto 155, popular with the U.S. movie crowd here...the Via Veneto is where to see the celebrities, and all sorts of queer types, and features delightful outdoor tables with waiters who don't pester...Bricktop's is a dark den just across the hall from Jerry's, an open till sunrise celebrity haunt where an American entertainer sings and others cut up as the spirit moves them...Madison House, Via San Nicolo da Tolentino 76, where you can order apple pie or spaghetti, now has a trio to entertain you nightly...for a floor show with dancing, drop in at Boite Pigalle, popular night club at Via Umilta 77...Il pipistrello, a dark, cavelike cellar at Via Emilia 27, is still one of Rome's most fashionable night clubs, with excellent orchestra. Drinks about \$1.60, no food, no cover charge...More next bulletin.

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July 18, 1960

1. This should be the final tour bulletin, both because final details are in, and because the exodus to Europe has started.

2. TOUR DETAILS are enclosed. For each tour we list the flights, with arrival and departure time, and hotels used. Final printed folder is also enclosed, and between the two you should have the information you have been awaiting. We apologize for the delay, but it has been out of our hands--the complete data has just become available. See below for details.

3. TICKETS. Track & field tickets have just arrived. Incredibly, the Olympic organizers have just begun to ship tickets to the U.S. But the individually ordered tickets have not arrived. We would like to send both sets of tickets together, but if individual tickets are not here shortly we will send the track tickets first. The track tickets, I'm happy to report, are as promised--directly across from the finish line in reserved seats.

4. ROME ACCOMMODATIONS. Each tour member has been assigned accommodations in Rome according to the enclosed individual notice. There may be a few changes, but not many. We have done our best to be equitable on assignments but of course it is impossible to please everyone, or to know how everyone feels about the many variables. Basically, assignments have been made on the basis of requested class of accommodations, specific requests for certain hotels, grouping of friends, like interests, ages, etc., etc. Private baths are not available in all Rome hotels and have been assigned on the basis of ladies first, followed by the priority of tour membership. As noted before, accommodations are nice although not deluxe, and under the difficult circumstances that are typical of Rome 1960, we all should do fine. Hotels used include:

AGIP, Via Aurelia-8km,

MIAMI, Piazza Cola di Rienzo 29

Y.M.C.A., Piazza Indipendenza 23

5. CHANGE OF ACCOMMODATIONS There are a few Class A hotel rooms left. Any tour member in Class B accommodations desiring to change to Class A in Rome should notify me immediately. Difference in price is shown in tour folder.

6. TOUR LEADERS have been assigned as follows:

Tour 1--Bert Nelson, Publisher Track & Field News

Tour 2--Hal Bateman, Managing Editor, Track & Field News

Tour 4--Jack Dozier, Tour manager, Track & Field News

Tour 7--Dr. Linwood Dozier, long time world traveler and track nut.

Tour 8--Hal Higdon, Reporter Track & Field News

Tour A- Bert Nelson

Tour B- Hal Bateman

Tour C--Fran Errota, High School Editor, Track & Field News

Tour D--Cordner Nelson, Editor Track & Field News

Tour E--to be assigned.

TOUR LEADERS (continued) and HEADQUARTERS

Fran Errota will be at the Miami; Hal Bateman at the Agip; Bert Nelson at the YMCA. Each tour leader will serve as headquarters officer for tour members at his hotel.

7. LATE DELIVERY OF TICKETS will be made in Rome, at your hotel. See the Tour Leader.

8. BANQUETS will be held Sept. 4 and 6 at the AGIP. Tickets for admission will be distributed in Rome.

9. PRE-DEPARTURE MEETINGS will be held at airport in New York. Plan to check in two hours before flight time. When checking in ask the clerk for location of Track & Field News Tour gathering. Your Tour Leader will see that you meet other tour members. Some have suggested meetings previously at a hotel, etc., but the schedule of arrivals does not make this possible. Many tour members are flying in for direct connections, or driving directly to airport.

10. PAPAL AUDIENCE possibilities will be investigated by Hal Higdon. An announcement will be made in Rome, but check with Hal.

11. INVOICES have been sent to all but a half-dozen and these are on their way. As noted, final payment is due 60 days before departure, which means now. Airlines cannot issue tickets until the tour is paid in full, and it takes time to issue this many tickets.

12. MORE QUESTIONS? We've tried to think of everything. But if we haven't hit your particular question just drop us a line and we'll be glad to help.

13. PROCEDURE on tours is simple. No vouchers or tickets needed along the way. You will receive your air tickets in advance. At airport you will meet tour leader. He will take charge from then on, handling transfers of persons and baggage from airport to hotel and vice versa, sightseeing, hotel accommodations, etc. Your only problem is to enjoy yourself.

14. SHARING OF ROOMS cannot always be arranged in advance, except for couples of course. The single men who wish to bunk together should so inform the tour leader well before arrival in each city. In Rome your room assignments will be made in advance, but you can change among yourselves if desired. Simply arrange a swap with somebody and notify the hotel desk clerk.

15. TOUR BULLETINS have information you may want later. We suggest you take them with you.

16. HAVE A GREAT TIME on the various tours and we'll all meet in Rome. Every indication is for the finest track meet ever, and Rome is a great place for it. See you there!

*Bert Nelson*

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In ROMA

A quick tour of Rome is provided by riding the street car "Circulare Destra" which circles the city and passes most of the noteworthy points. No guide, tho. The "Circulare Sinistra" goes over the same route in the opposite direction... recommended is the "Meo Patacca" restaurant, Lungotevere, atmospheric and good food... a nice little restaurant near the Miami hotel is the Trattoria Toscana Ezio, Via. G.G.Belli, 59.61...

for Dixieland jazz, Italian style, try Thursday, Saturday or Sunday nights at Rugantino's, Piazza Sonnino 39. Good food, too, and not expensive... for Sunday morning brunch try George's, swank restaurant at Via Marche 7, just off Via Veneto... some fabulous ice cream inventions are available outdoors at Tre Scalini on the Piazza Navona...

There are about 150 horse carriages in Rome, good for a pleasant ride, but arrange the price before you start... for a view of Rome that rivals the one you get from the top of the Spanish steps, cross the city to another hill, the Janiculum... for handsome shirts, made to your measure, ready in two or three days, go to Fuel, La Camicia su Misura, Via Romagna 6, near central Vio Veneto. About \$7.25, includes an extra collar and a pair of cuffs. Can re-order by mail...

Good food, musicians singing at your table at Pastarellaro, Via San Crisogono, 33. Terrace overlooks the street... Gran Cafe delle Nazioni, Via Nazionale 14, serves marvelous pastries, plus coffee and drinks, in elegant surroundings at moderate prices...

Listed in any list of Europe's fine restaurants are: Alfredo alla Scrofa, specialties include Saltimbocco a la Romana and chicken cooked with prosciutto... Bear's Head Grill, Hotel Flora, one of Rome's most satisfying... Capriccio, gay elegance in modern dining room and upstairs terrace, cafe society and cinema celebrities... Hostario dell Orso, magnificence of medieval Italy, from the tavern bar to the Cabala Room, perhaps Europe's most beautiful night club... Fontanella, tuscan specialties such as noodles cooked in hare sauce. A great place for game dishes... Passetto, a favorite with Romans... Tre Scalini, its dining terrace faces the Bernini fountains, the great desert specialty is Tartufo Gelato, a chocolate ice and cherries sprinkled with chocho'ate chips...

Rome has two daily papers printed in English, available at all newsstands... Most Roman shops close from 1 to 4 for siesta time... taxis are cheap by U.S. standards... you will be accosted by sidewalk peddlers selling cameos, rosaries, post cards, etc. Bargain with them and the price comes way down... Olympic style programs are a small but useful program for each sporting event each day. No pictures, writeups, etc., but complete listing of entries, etc...

Doney's, sidewalk cafe on the Via Veneto, specializes in magnificent morning pastries, large tanks of American (?) coffee and a front row view of the passing parade... Tivoli, 20 miles outside Rome, is a top tourist attraction, featuring Hadrian's Villa, Villa d'Este, etc... At Villa Gregoriana a great vantage point to watch the water falls is the restaurant Sibilla, where kings have dined and been remembered by plaques in the wall... Rome is preparing a set of signs showing the way to all venues... new streets and new water system are going in, too...

Top rated restaurants in other cities our tours visit include: Brussels-- Carlton, Filet de Boeuf et Ambassadeurs, La Couronne, L'Epaule de Mouton. London--Angust Steak Houses, Caprice, Connaught Hotel, Coq d'Or, Mirabelle, Savoy Hotel, Simpson's-in-the-strand, Wheeler's Old Compton Street, White Tower. Paris--Berkeley Hotel, Grand Vefour, Joseph, Laperouse, Lasserre, L'Escargot Montorgueil, Maxims, Plaza Athenee Hotel, Taillevent, Tour d'Argent. Nice--Raynaud. Amsterdam--Amstel Hotel, Bali, Dikker and Thijs. Florence--Baldini, Hotel Excelsio, Sabatini, Trattoria Sostanza. Milan--Barca d'Oro, Giannino, Savini. Venice--Dan- ieli Royal Excelsior Hotel, gritti Palace Hotel, Harry's Bar, Taverna La Fenice. Lisbon--Hotel Aviz Restaurant, Tavares. Madrid--Botin, Commodore, Hogar Gallego, Horcher's. Barcelona--Circulo Ecuestre, Los Caracoles, Ritz Hotel. Zurich-- Ermitage, Kronenhalle, Veltliner Keller.

### TOURS DETAILS

This information supplements the final and revised printed folders. Each numbered and lettered tour is presented separately and includes a list of the flights, hotels used and meals included.

#### TOUR 1

Air; Lv. New York, Aug. 28, 7:10 p.m., Sabena No. 544 (jet). Arrive Brussels Aug. 29, 6:55 a.m. Lv. Brussels, Aug. 29, 7:35 a.m., Sabena 761. Arrive Rome 11 a.m.  
Hotels: Rome only. see individual assignment.  
Meals: In air. In Rome, three meals daily Class A; two Class B; none in apartments.

#### TOUR 2

Air: Lv. New York, Aug. 27, 7 p.m., Air France 0700. Arrive Paris Aug. 28, 6:45 a.m.  
Lv. Paris, Aug. 28, 8:40 a.m., AF 1009. Arrive Nice 10:25 a.m.  
Lv. Nice Aug. 30, 8:25 a.m., Air France 640. Arrive Rome 9:25 a.m.  
Hotels: Nice: West End. Rome (see Tour 1).  
Meals: Breakfast everywhere. In Rome (see Tour 1)

#### TOUR 4

Air: Lv. New York, Aug. 21, 6:30 p.m., Eastern Airlines 628. Arrive Montreal 7:50 p.m. Lv. Montreal 9 p.m., Canadian Pacific 501. Arrive Lisbon Aug. 22, 11:40 a.m.  
Lv. Lisbon, Aug. 24, 6:15 p.m., Iberian Airlines 632. Arrive Madrid 7:50 p.m.  
Lv. Madrid, Aug. 26, 8 a.m., Iberian Airlines 308. Arrive Barcelona 9:40 a.m.  
Lv. Barcelona, Aug. 28, 3:40 p.m., Alitalia 341. Arrive Nice 5:05 p.m.  
(At present this leg of trip is in two flights. Some may fly Barcelona to Nice on the same flight on Aug. 29.)  
Lv. Nice, Aug. 30, 8:25 a.m., Air France 641. Arrive Rome 9:25 a.m.  
(Second flight will be same time, next day, Aug. 31.)  
Hotels: Lisbon; Condostovel. Madrid, Phoenix. Barcelona, Avenida Palace. Nice, Continental. Rome (see Tour 1)  
Meals: Breakfast everywhere. One other meal daily Lisbon & Barcelona. Rome (see Tour 1).

#### TOUR 7

Air: Lv. New York Aug. 14, 10 a.m., BOAC 510. Arrive London 9:20 p.m.  
Lv. London Aug. 17, 10 a.m., BEA 317. Arrive Paris 11:05 a.m.  
Lv. Paris, Aug. 20, 8 a.m., KLM 402. Arrive Amsterdam 9:15 a.m.  
(Remainder of trip, Amsterdam to Rome, via surface.)  
Hotels: London, Strand Palace. Paris. Elysee Palace. Amsterdam, Suisse. Cologne, Basler Hof. Mannheim (10 miles from Heidelberg), Palast. Lucerne, Grand Hotel Europa. Milan, Royal. Venice, Grand Hotel Europa and Britannia (one name). Florence, Grand Hotel Baglioni Palace. Rome (see Tour 1).  
Meals: Continental breakfast everywhere. One other meal daily in Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Lucerne, Venice, Florence and perhaps Milan. Rome (see tour 1)

#### Tour 8

Air: Lv. New York, Aug. 23, 8:30 p.m., KLM 642. Arrive Amsterdam 8:40 a.m. Aug. 24.  
Lv. Amsterdam Aug. 24, 7:40 p.m., KLM 553. Arrive Rome 10:20 p.m. (During lay-over in Amsterdam you will have about nine hours to see another city and you will be treated to a sightseeing tour, with the rest of the time at leisure.)  
Meals: See tour 1.  
Hotels: See tour 1.

#### TOUR A

Air: Lv. Rome, Sept. 10, 10:45 a.m., Alitalia 270. Arrive Brussels 3 p.m.  
Lv. Brussels 4 p.m., Sabena 547. Arrive New York 7:05 p.m.  
Hotels: None used, direct flight. Meals: In plane. (continued other side)

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TOUR B

Air: Lv. Rome, Sept. 9, 11:45 a.m., Swissair 303. Arrive Geneva 1:55 p.m.  
Lv. Geneva 9 p.m., Swissair 065, Arrive Zurich 10 p.m. (During layover in Geneva you will have a chance to see another city not on your regular itinerary. City is close to airport, is compact and easily seen.)  
Lv. Zurich, Sept. 11, Air France 683, 3:05 p.m. Arrive Paris 4:10 p.m.  
Lv. Paris, Sept. 14, 8 a.m., Air France 840. Arrive London 9 a.m., in time for British Empire vs. USA track meet.  
Lv. London, Sept. 17, 1 p.m., BOAC 509, Arrive New York 3:20 p.m.  
Hotels: Zurich, Rigi Hof. Paris, Modern. London, Strand Palace.  
Meals: Continental breakfast everywhere.

TOUR C

Air: Lv. Rome, Sept. 9, 8 a.m., Alitalia 340. Arrive Nice 11:30 a.m.  
Lv. Nice, Sept. 11, 12:10 p.m., Alitalia 340. Arrive Barcelona 1:40 p.m.  
Lv. Barcelona, Sept. 13, 12:50 p.m., Iberian 305. Arrive Madrid 2:30 p.m.  
Lv. Madrid, Sept. 15, 6:20 p.m., Portuguese Airlines 553. Arrive Lisbon 8:05 p.m.  
Lv. Lisbon, Sept. 18, 12:30 a.m., TWA 903. Arrive New York 8:35 a.m. (non-jet)  
Hotels: Nice, West End. Barcelona, Avenida Palace. Madrid, Phoenix. Lisbon, Condes-teval.  
Meals: Continental breakfast everywhere. One additional meal daily in Lisbon and Barcelona.

TOUR D

Air: Lv. Rome, Sept. 9, 2:50 p.m., Air France 121. Arrive Paris 4:50 p.m.  
(Some may go on earlier Air France flight, 10:10 a.m., arrive Paris 12:10 p.m.)  
Lv. Paris 6:10 p.m. Arrive New York 9:10 p.m.  
Meals: In Air.  
Hotels: None involved.

TOUR E

Air: Lv. Rome via surface to Amsterdam.  
Lv. Amsterdam, Sept. 19, 2 p.m., KLM 403. Arrive Paris 3:15 p.m.  
Lv. Paris, Sept. 22, 12 noon, BEA 326. Arrive London 1 p.m.  
Lv. London, Sept. 24, 1 p.m. BOAC 509. Arrive New York 3:20 p.m.  
Hotels: Florence, Grand Hotel Baglioni Palace. Venice, Grand Hotel Europe and Britannia. Milan, Hotel Ambrosiano. Lucerne, Grand Hotel Europa. Heidelberg, Hotel Park Haarlax. Cologne, Grand Hotel Basler Hof. Amsterdam, Suisse. Paris, Hotel de Paris. London, Strand Palace.  
Meals: Continental breakfast everywhere. One additional meal daily in Florence, Venice, perhaps Milan, Lucerne, Heidelberg, Amsterdam.

NOTES: Continental breakfast is a light breakfast in all but England and Holland. Usually consists of beverage, rolls and marmalade, etc. Heavier breakfast usually can be ordered at additional expense. Beverage (except water) is not included in price of European lunches or dinners--you have to pay extra for coffee, tea, milk, bottled water, etc. Be prepared. (Drinking water is rated safe in all the larger cities of Europe.)

Hot meals will be served aboard all transatlantic flights, and in Europe whenever the time calls for it.

# TRACK TOURS

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1. A few late details.

2. SIGHTSEEING IN ROME Each tour member is entitled to three sightseeing tours, each lasting about three hours. Rather than confine you to a pre-planned schedule, making you all go the same place at the same time, regardless of your individual desires, we have worked out a much better procedure.

Each of you will receive three coupons, each coupon being good for one sightseeing tour. (If not used, the coupons are not refundable.) You will have a choice of four different tours of the city, each one being offered in the morning and the afternoon. Details of the various tours are shown in a pamphlet which will be given you on arrival in Rome, or which will be available from your tour leader or "hotel leader".

You may use the ticket at any time merely by reporting to the central Piazza (square) where the tours originate--address in pamphlet. Or you may sign up at your hotel the night before and if enough are interested a bus will pick you up at the hotel and take you to the central Piazza, where you will transfer to the bus of the tour of your choice.

3. BANQUET tickets are enclosed. All details of time and place are shown on the ticket, which will be collected by the waiter. (No tickee, no dinner.) The 7 p.m. time is the time to gather, with dinner served about eight. The bar will be open for those who care to buy a hard or soft drink. It's a good opportunity to visit, to relax, and to meet our guests. We'll have 40 or 50 guests for each banquet, mostly competing athletes from eight or 10 countries. Please make them feel at home and invite them to sit down to dinner with you. You'll enjoy their company, and they will enjoy the evening. We'll try and have a few words from each guest, which will make for a long but enjoyable evening, and the program will go on right through dinner. Please note that the AGIP is located West and not East of the Vatican.

4. AIR TICKETS and reservations must be reconfirmed before departure from Rome. Those travelling with a tour to Rome will give their tickets to the tour leader just before arrival in Rome. Others should give their tickets to the hotel leader where they are staying. This must be done immediately after arrival. Sara Ligtelyn, who has so capably handled much of the tour arrangements, will be at the YMCA to handle all the reconfirmations, after which your tickets will be returned to you. She will not be able to handle requests for individual changes of flights, except in cases of real emergency. Flights out of Rome have been booked solid for some time and it's not worth trying to make the change. In any case it would be up to the individual to fight it through himself.

5. PREDICTIONS-CONTEST is fun for a lot of people. Ask your tour leader for details.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS of importance in Rome will be made in one of several ways--at the Stadium, where we all sit together; at the hotel, by bulletin board; or by mimeographed bulletins.

7. NUMBER of tour members is about 210, a wonderful group of track fans and travelers from the U.S., Canada, Mexico, England, Spain, Italy and Germany.