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Brutal Assault on Four Minute Mile Landy Runs 4:02.1 & 4:02.8 within 21 days

Never since the Hägg-Andersson era of 1942-45 has the classic and impregnable 'Four Minute Mile' been so closely threatened as in the last few weeks. The assailant, 22 year old, 152 pound, 5ft 11½in Australian John M. LANDY ran a non-qualifying 5th in his 1500 metres heat at Helsinki last July in 3:57.0 (worth perhaps 4mins 17secs. for the full Mile).

Running at Melbourne on December 13th last he lopped off 7.9secs from his previous personal best of 4:10.0 (made in Belfast on the Ravenhill 5 lap track on June 24 1952) with an almost unbelievable 4:02.1 - the fourth fastest of all-time. The many sceptics were put to flight three Saturdays later when on the same track on January 3rd the Melbourne agricultural student stormed up the last straight against a strong gusting wind for perhaps an even greater 4:02.8.

The fractional times of the two races (provided by "ATHLETICS WORLD" eye-witness correspondent J.H.GALLI) tell the story. For comparison the lap times of the only two faster milers Hägg and Andersson have been added together with the laps in Landy's previous best race of 4:10.0 in June.

COMPARITIVE LAP TIMES						1,500m. Time
Hägg(1945)	4:01.3	56.6	61.9(1:58.5)	61.2(2:59.7)	+ 61.6	3:45.4(16.2)
Andersson(1944)	4:01.6	56.8	60.5(1:57.3)	62.9(3:00.2)	+ 61.4	Not recorded
Landy(13.12.52)	4:02.1	59.2	61.8(2:01.0)	62.0(3:03.0)	+ 59.1	3:45.0(17.1)
Landy(3.1.53)	4:02.8	58.4	60.8(1:59.4)	61.6(3:01.0)	+ 61.8	3:44.4(18.4)
Landy(24.6.52)	4:10.0	60.0	60.4(2:00.4)	67.6(3:08.0)	+ 62.0	Not recorded
	Total Time	1st Lap	2nd ½ Mile Lap	3rd ¼ Mile Lap	Last Lap	

The first race (December 13) was an ordinary inter-club event. Landy went into the lead at 300 yards and thenceforward opened up an ever-widening gap on his fellow Olympian Les Perry who improved on his previous best by 2 secs. with 4:13.0. Landy's 3:45.0 'temps de passage' at 1500 m. was unofficial but a full second better than Bannister's Empire best of 3:46 at Helsinki. Perry lead for the first 800 yards of the second race which was marred by the blustering wind and the fact that Landy had a heavy cold. It was clear as he passed the 1500 metre post in a brilliant 3:44.4 (3 watches) that he was in distress and that the untimely wind would take a heavy toll of precious seconds over the last 119.58 yards. A painful 18.4 secs. later the lithe curly-headed virtuoso reached his goal 2.8 secs too late to be feted as history's first 4 minute miler. Afterwards he said "On the day of that 4:02.1 race I was fresh all the way but today I was 'flat to the board' at 1,500 metres". A 14:00.0 3 miler, Landy has a best 880yard time of 1:54.2 (Feb. 1952).

We hope to publish in our next issue some account of Landy's post Olympic training under his coach the 58 year old Percy Cerutti (pronounced Sincerity without the Sin as he says) since he is one of our Australian subscribers. Meanwhile here are the details of his pre-big race build up.

THE BUILD-UP

November 1	14:00.0	3miles (Aust. rec)	December 6	3mile race washed-out
November 8	5:23.6	2000m. (Aust. rec)	December 13	4:02.1 Mile (Aust. rec)
November 15	4:14.6	Mile (6th sub 4:15)	December 16	3:49.0 1500m (Aust. rec)
November 18	9:08.2	2miles (Aust. rec)		(2:31.4 1000m en route)
November 22	1:56.7	½mile (second)	January 3	4:02.8 Mile



JOHN LANDY breaking into the lead in his great 4:02.1 mile at Melbourne on December 13 last. Note his Scandanavian type spikes which have a built-up heel to which he attaches importance.

RICHARDS 3 TIMES OVER 15 FEET.

From Roberto L. Queretani

Bob Richards, the Olympic pole-vault king started his 1953 campaign in top gear. Having won his favourite event at the Sugar Bowl out-door meeting at New Orleans on December 28th. with a "modest" and uncelestial 14'8", the La Verne preacher flew 7,000 miles to compete at Dortmund, Germany on January 3 and 4. His long mission was crowned with complete success. Not only did he break the European all-comers' 'record' (the 14'11"½ by his arch rival Don Laz at Oslo last July) by two inches but went so far as to duplicate this remarkable feat 24 hours later. (Continued page 8 col.1)

"MEDLEY RELAY" conducted by 'Baton'

The New Year's first month opens with an anniversary of sad memory. Had he lived Jack Lovelock would have attained his 43rd birthday. The 1936 Olympic 1,500 metre champion, for nine years the victim of double vision from a riding accident, was killed in a New York subway accident at Church Avenue Station on December 29th 1949. Other middle-distance runners who favoured January for their start on Life's Journey were Lovelock's successor Henry Eriksson of Sweden (born in 1920 on January 23rd) who splashed his way to victory at Wembley in 1948. Douglas Wilson (Great Britain), who has run miles under 4:15.0 10 times and 1,500m. under 3:55.0 7 times, born on the 28th had a five day handicap on the Swede. Chris Chataway, described by the Germans as the 'Red Fox of Oxford' celebrates his 22nd birthday on the last day of the month.

Fifty-seven years ago on January 18th, Willie Ritola was born. Holder of the world's 10,000 metres record for a few weeks, Ritola won four Olympic Gold Medals in 1924 and a fifth in 1928 when he beat Nurmi over 5,000 metres.

Three high-jumpers also favoured January - A.C.B. Bellerby (b. 1888); Arthur Gold, 36 on the 10th and Thiam Papa Gallo, born in 1930. Bellerby, who represented Great Britain in the 1908 Games at both high and long jump, had a style which caused much comment. In the high jump he developed a flat lay-out!

First entry in the Track Calendar for February is for the birth in 1890 of another high jump pioneer namely George Horine who is more usually credited with the invention of the modern 'Western Roll'. On February 6th we have to congratulate the 1948 Olympic starter Freddie Hulford on his 70th birthday. Few athletes who responded to his artillery ever knew that the man in the red coat ran in both the 800 and 1,500 metres in the 1908 Olympic Games held in London. Another February septuagenarian is Sir Kinahan Cornwallis who 49 years ago won the half-mile for Oxford against Cambridge in 1:54.8 which is a time still unbeaten by a British runner in this bleak March festival. Only man to better it was America's Norman Penrose Hallowell who ran 1:54.4 in 1934 two years after his 6th place in the Los Angeles 1,500 metres final.

Finally two great runners of the present and the future. Gordon Pirie becomes 22 on February 10th (incidentally a date on which Bill Tilden reaches 60) and Gaston Reiff, ten years older, becomes 32 on February 24th.

EYRE LEADS YORKSHIRE HOME FOR CROSS COUNTRY TITLE

British Empire 3 Mile Champion Len Eyre was a surprise winner of the Inter-Counties Cross Country race at Kettering on January 17 as he led home the victorious Yorkshire team over the 7½ mile course in 40 mins. 51 secs. The team race was a Battle of the Roses. The Red Rose Lancastrians had won the event in 1949, 1950, 1951 and 1952 but this time suffered an unlucky draw on the right flank of the starting pens and were thus badly hemmed back in the 300 strong maelstrom. W. Boak, A. Chorlton and L.A. Tawn closed up in fourth, ninth and twelfth places for the White Rose Yorkists for a win with 80 points (6 to score) ahead of Lancashire's 111 pts.

The event contained some surprises in that Hesketh and Peters fresh from continental successes placed only 11th and 17th-places explicable by the early bottleneck through which Eyre raced unscathed. W.P. Ranger of Sussex, one of the 31 County teams which completed the course, was an impressive third in 41:09 only 13secs behind Frank Sando (2nd for Kent) who also had an exhausting early passage. Other creditable placings included the Junior P. Thompson (Lancs.), seventh; the Somerset Champion F.L. Wyatt, eighth and the Oxford 1:54.4 half-miler S.J. Bryant (Dorset), fourteenth.

REYNOLDS SETS 'UNOFFICIAL' WORLD'S BESTS FOR 40 AND 50 MILES.

Twenty-two rugged distance men turned out for the 50 mile track race started on the first stroke of 'Big Ben' (relayed) at Mottspur Park track, Surrey at 9 a.m. on December 13th.

Just after 1.19 p.m. the tall gaunt Blackheath Harrier Derek J. Reynolds, 38, who had been Wooderson's front marker in his 4:06.4 world's mile record on the same track in 1937, led the attenuated field through the 40 mile mark having completed 160 laps in 4hrs. 19 mins. 20.4 secs namely 27:33.6 inside J.E. Fowler-Dixon's English Native record of 4:46:54.0 made in 1884. Five Others - J. Henning, H. Oliver, S. Jones, L. Piper and E. Brown were also inside the hoary old mark.

At the 5 hour gun Reynolds had covered 45 miles 1,470yd and went on to complete his 200th lap for 50 miles in 5:30:22.4 which was 43:35.6 inside E.W. Lloyd's 6:13:58.0 of 1913. The damp took its toll but 6 others finished - 4 of them inside the record. Arthur Newton's professional record remains at 5:38:42.0.

SHORT TAKES

INVESTIGATED. Last issue we mentioned that we had learnt that there were probably new sub 47 sec. Jamaican quarter-miles to be added to our list (see Jamaica -101 Not Out! page 3 Dec. 1952). The diligent researches of Dr. Queretani (see same issue p.7) have raised the score to 107! The newly uncovered marks are as under:-

45.5n	A.S. Wint	Paris	Sept. 9 1948
46.6	H.H. McKenley	Göteborg	Aug. 11 1950
46.7	H.H. McKenley	Oslo	Sept. 1 1950
46.9+	H.H. McKenley	Los Angeles	May 3 1947
46.9+	H.H. McKenley		
46.9+	H.H. McKenley		(Place and date not yet known) 1947

These fresh marks raise Wint's total from 9 to 10 and McKenley's from 59 to 64! McKenley's 46.9e mark at the 1949 A.A.U. meet was we learn actually 46.8n

REVELATION. Newly arrived in Switzerland as a refugee from Hungary is Professor Otto Misangyi who in 1932 was the Chief Timekeeper at the Los Angeles Olympics. He has revealed that the 'actual', as opposed to Official, times for Tisdall and Hampson who took the 400 metres hurdles and 800 metres titles were 51.7 and 1:49.7 and not 51.8 and 1:49.8 as have hitherto always been accepted. In Tisdall's case Misangyi got 51.7 as did Dieges and an alternate while Bishop returned 51.8. In the case of Tommy Hampson all three official timers caught him at 1:49.7 while the electric hand timing showed 1:49.67 and the famous Kirby two-eyed camera showed 1:49.70. These revelations may seem trivial but they have their repercussions. For instance it is believed that we are going to get a 1:49.9 for Alex. Wilson of Canada and hence a new sub 1:50 man while 'Slats' Hardin's place time was correctly 51.9n and not 52.0n - a fact which raises his sub 52 sec. tally from 6 to 7. Coming nearer home Hampson's new time would have squeezed him into the British All Time Ratings published in the last issue because 1:49.7 attracts 1,070 points and hence equal 38th place - a striking testimony to the harshness of the Scoring Tables to half-milers because of Harbig's unapproached 1:46.6 in 1939.

BEEF CAKE INC. Two Olympic star turns are to make their Hollywood debuts in the near future. 'Portch' Gordien, world record holder for the discus since 1949, is to appear in a comedy with zany Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis entitled "SCARED STIFF" while the Helsinki shot-putt winner has also successfully 'crashed the movies' with a part as a cross Channel swimmer with the promising title of "DANGEROUS WHEN WET". Let's hope the dye remains fast.

PROMPT CELEBRATION. On January 1st Yvette Winifred Williams marked the award of the salmon pink and silver ribbon denoting additional membership of that most excellent Order of the British Empire (5th class) in the civil division (M.B.E.) with a shot putt of 45 ft. 11½ ins. (14.01 m.). She soon learnt however that the mark would have to be disallowed as a New Zealand and British Empire record due to some irregularity in the circle. The distance was 2ft 2ins further than her 43'9"½ sixth place at Helsinki. In the history of the event only 9 girls have bettered 14 metres - 5 Russians and 4 Germans.

BOTTOM DRAW. The Mayor of Lithgow, the mining town in the New South Wales Blue Mountains behind Sydney, recently tried to present the local heroine, Marjorie Jackson, with a four-wheeled token of respect. The A.A.U. of A. however ruled that as in the 1948 Barbara Ann Scott case motor cars are taboo for amateurs. Lithgow thought again and settled for a sewing machine. Thoughtfully they instructed that the machine must be all electric and not one of those treadle kinds - "so that she can save her legs".

HAPPY AT LAST. It has long been a sadness to pioneer statistician and 1924 Olympic 100m. winner Harold Abrahams that his birthday, December 15th, is (otherwise) completely undistinguished in the athletic calendar. Research only made matters worse. It revealed that Nero shared the birthday date which similarly marked the death of Rasputin ("Sin that ye may be forgiven"). A few days ago the gloom was lifted with the discovery that Dr. Donald H. Potts, the brilliant U.S. Navy nuclear mathematician and America's No. 1 track statistician has his birthday on December 15th too.

ALTERING HISTORY. The Soviet's only book on track and field performance is "Legkaya Atletika v SSSR" by Khinchuk and Mikhailova (Published by Fizkultura i Sport, Moscow, 1951). A copy has found its way through the Iron Curtain. It betrays that all marks made prior to the "advent of Communism" were expunged by the Governing Body. Thus the 10.8 100metres by the decadent Czarist Arkhipov in 1914 was replaced by 11.2/11.0 clockings until at last in 1928 Comrade Kornienko did a 'bona fide' 10.8secs.

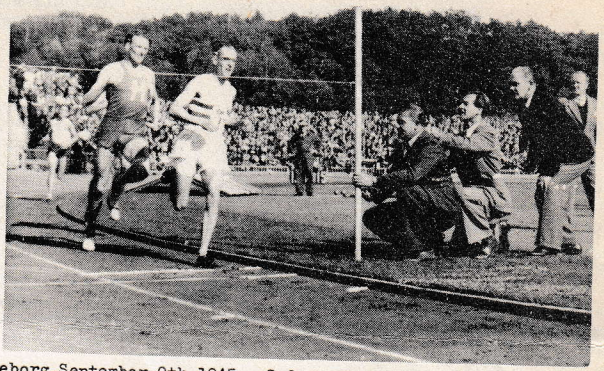
British Best Performances No. 6 - 1,500 Metres by Ross McWhirter

The sixth event to be covered in our "ATHLETICS WORLD" series on the Best British Performances of All-Time is the 1,500 m. The existence of only 62 marks at 3:55.0 or below as compared with the total of 137 marks under the equivalent mile time of 4:15.0 reflects the adherence to non metric events within the British Isles. Notation:- n, non-winning time; M, made in mile race; u, unofficial

3:46.0n	R.G.BANNISTER	Helsinki,Finland	July 26 1952
3:48.0n	G.W.NANKEVILLE	Brussels,Belgium	Aug. 27 1950
3:48.4M	S.C.WOODERSON	Göteborg,Sweden	Sept. 9 1945
3:48.4n	R.G.Bannister	Belgrade,Jugoslavia	Aug. 25 1951
3:48.7	S.C.Wooderson	Oslo,Norway	Sept.15 1938
3:48.9	S.C.Wooderson	Paris,France	Sept. 2 1945
3:49.0n	S.C.Wooderson	Glasgow,Scotland	Aug. 6 1938
3:49.0	G.W.Nankeville	White City,London	May 31 1952
3:49.0	R.G.Bannister	Paris,France	Aug. 23 1952
3:49.8n	P.J.ROBINSON	(10) White City,London	May 31 1952
3:50.0n	L.EYRE	Belgrade,Jugoslavia	Aug. 25 1951
3:50.3M	S.C.Wooderson	Motspur Park,England	Aug. 28 1937
3:50.2n	D.B.PEEL	Cologne,Germany	Aug. 20 1939
3:50.6n	G.W.Nankeville	Paris,France	Sept.10 1950
3:50.6n	L.Eyre	Paris,France	Sept.10 1950
3:50.6n	R.G.Bannister	Helsinki,Finland	July 24 1952
3:50.6	D.C.SEAMAN	Belgrade,Jugoslavia	Aug. 30 1952
3:51.0	S.C.Wooderson	Paris,France	July 25 1937
3:51.0n	L.Eyre	Brussels,Belgium	Aug. 27 1950
3:51.1M	S.C.Wooderson	(20) White City,London	May 29 1939
3:51.2	D.C.Seaman	White City,London	July 5 1952
3:51.2n	D.C.Seaman	Paris,France	Aug. 23 1952
3:51.4n	J.F.CORNES	Berlin,Germany	Aug. 6 1936
3:51.6n	D.G.WILSON	Norrköping,Sweden	Sept. 4 1950
3:52.0n	D.C.Seaman	White City,London	May 31 1952
3:52.0n	G.W.Nankeville	Helsinki,Finland	July 25 1952
3:52.2uM	R.G.Bannister	White City,London	July 14 1951
3:52.4n	D.G.Wilson	Paris,France	Sept. 2 1945
3:52.4	R.G.Bannister	Helsinki,Finland	July 4 1951
3:52.5uM	R.G.Bannister	(30) Motspur Park,England	June 7 1952
3:52.6n	J.F.Cornes	Los Angeles,Cal.	Aug. 1932
3:52.6n	G.W.Nankeville	Wembley,London	Aug. 6 1948
3:52.9	L.Eyre	Istanbul,Turkey	Sept. 2 1951
3:53.0	L.Eyre	Brussels,Belgium	Aug. 24 1950
3:53.0M	H.J.PARLETT	Paris,France	May 27 1951
3:53.2n	D.G.Wilson	Oslo,Norway	Aug. 24 1946
3:53.2n	L.Eyre	Amsterdam,Holland	June 17 1951
3:53.2n	L.Eyre	Helsinki,Finland	July 24 1952
3:53.4n	C.A.J.EMERY	Oslo,Norway	Sept.15 1938
3:53.5n	R.H.THOMAS	(40) Helsinki,Finland	Sept. 5 1937
3:53.6n	R.H.Thomas	Milan,Italy	Sept.17 1933
3:53.6	S.C.Wooderson	Paris,France	Sept. 6 1938
3:53.6	H.J.Parlett	Paris,France	Apr. 29 1951
3:53.6	G.W.Nankeville	White City,London	May 24 1952
3:53.7n	D.G.Wilson	Berkeley,Cal.	June 23 1951
3:53.8	J.F.Cornes	Paris,France	July 29 1934
3:54.0n	C.W.BRASHER	Luxembourg,Luxembourg	Aug. 23 1951
3:54.2n	T.McL.RIDDELL	Munich,Germany	Aug. 11 1935
3:54.4n	R.GRAHAM	Helsinki,Finland	Sept. 5 1937
3:54.4n	D.C.LAW	(50) White City,London	July 5 1952
3:54.5n	J.C.STOTHARD	Oslo,Norway	Sept.12 1937
3:54.5n	L.Eyre	Los Angeles,Cal.	May 16 1952
3:54.6	G.W.Nankeville	Paris,France	May 4 1952
3:54.6n	P.J.Robinson	Paris,France	June 8 1952
3:54.6	J.I.DISLEY	White City,London	July 5 1952
3:54.7n	A.V.REEVE	Munich,Germany	Aug. 11 1935
3:54.8n	A.V.Reeve	Paris,France	July 29 1934
3:54.8	S.C.Wooderson	Brussels,Belgium	July 16 1939
3:54.8n	D.G.Wilson	Wembley,London	Aug. 6 1948
3:55.0n	A.J.COOLLYER	(60) Cologne,Germany	Aug. 28 1939
3:55.0n	D.G.Wilson	Oslo,Norway	Aug. 22 1946
3:55.0n	D.G.Wilson	Göteborg,Sweden	Aug. 28 1946

SUMMARY

Sydney Charles WOODERSON(Blackheath Harriers)	9 marks
Leonard EYRE(Leeds' Harehill Liberal H. & A.C.)	8 marks
Roger Gilbert BANNISTER(Achilles Club)	7 marks
George William NANKEVILLE(Walton A.C.)	7 marks
Douglas Gordon WILSON(Polytechnic Harriers)	7 marks
Donald Charles SEAMAN(London Athletic Club)	4 marks
14 other athletes have also qualified with one or more mark.	



Göteborg, September 9th 1945. Sydney Wooderson passing through the 1,500 metre tape in 3:48.4 on his way to his 4:04.2 mile. The Swede Arne Andersson, who in recording 3:48.5n registered his 23rd sub-3:50.0 timing, went on to cover the last 119.6 yards in 15.3 secs. to win in his fourth best mile time of 4:07.8.

SUMMARY(Continued)

1952	18 marks	1937	5 marks	Of the 62 listed marks 3 were made in U.S.A., 14 in the U.K. and 45 in the rest of Europe.
1951	10 marks	1939	4 marks	
1950	6 marks	1938	4 marks	

Below is listed a progressive record of the best times put up by United Kingdom athletes over this comparatively rarely contested distance. Wilson was the first man to be timed to break 4 minutes in the world though clearly W.G.George first did so back in 1886.

3:59.8	H.A.Wilson(Hallamshire H.)	Shepherd's Bush	May 30 1908
3:56.8	A.N.S.Jackson(Oxford U.A.C.)	Stockholm	July 10 1912
3:55.6n	H.B.Stallard(Achilles Club)	Paris	July 10 1924
3:52.6n	J.F.Cornes(Achilles Club)	Los Angeles	Aug. 6 1932
3:51.4n	J.F.Cornes(Achilles Club)	Berlin	Aug. 6 1936
3:51.0	S.C.Wooderson(Blackheath H.)	Paris	July 25 1937
3:50.3M	S.C.Wooderson(Blackheath H.)	Motspur Park	Aug. 28 1937
3:49.0	S.C.Wooderson(Blackheath H.)	Glasgow	Aug. 6 1938
3:48.7	S.C.Wooderson(Blackheath H.)	Oslo	Sept.15 1938
3:48.4M	S.C.Wooderson(Blackheath H.)	Göteborg	Sept. 9 1945
3:48.0n	G.W.Nankeville(Walton A.C.)	Brussels	Aug. 27 1950
3:46.0n	R.G.Bannister(Achilles Club)	Helsinki	July 26 1952

English Cross Country Victories on the Continent

The early season cross country international meetings on the continent were dominated as never before by athletes from England. The 1952-53 season pattern was initiated by Gordon Pirie at the Criterium des As race at Brussels back in November (23rd) when he (25:57) and his fellow Olympic finalist Frank Sando (25:59) drew away from the two Belgian stars Lucian Theys (26:04) and Vandewattyne (26:03). The reigning English cross country champion Walter Hesketh closed up with 5th place in 26:20 to ensure an 8pts team victory over France (26 pts.) and Belgium 'A' (28 pts.).

Three weeks later, on Sunday December 14, Hesketh won the 5 mile Louvain race by 19 secs. from the Belgian De Duytsche. Meanwhile at Lyons the world's fastest marathoner Jim Peters, who had come in as a last minute reserve for Fred Norris, 8th in the Helsinki 10,000 metres, cut loose with a most impressive and unexpected win in the 46th Aycagner classic over only 7½ kilometres. Peters' time was a record 21:49.8 which downed a very disappointed Jacques Vernier by 15 secs. The 23 year old North African Medjiaji came in fourth behind Furic and just 2secs. ahead of England's Ray Hatton and Eric Hardy who ran in 5th and 6th in 22:21.

In fine weather expected to favour Gaston Reiff, 6,200 spectators paid admission to watch the 9,200 metres (5¾ miles) race at Mezidon, Normandy which proved to be England's fourth continental triumph with Pirie, the holder, a clear winner in 29:11 by 12 secs. from Theys who ousted his more illustrious countryman Reiff from second place. The other major placings were 4, Prat (France); 5, Vandewattyne (Belgium); 6, Hesketh (G.B.); 7, Petitjean (France) and 8th Sando (G.B.). The next major clash occurs at Hannut on February 1st when Mimoun will be in the field against Pirie.

THE WORLD'S BEST PERFORMERS 1952 (Concluded)

The 8 Field Events

These lists, which embrace the eight standard field events conclude the World Rankings for the 1952 season. The track events were covered in our previous issue. (Vol. 1 No. 11 December 1952).

HIGH JUMP

6' 10 ¹ / ₂ "	Walter Davis (U.S.A.)	Dallas, Tex.	May 10
6' 9 ¹ / ₂ "	Charles Holding (U.S.A.)	Beaumont, Tex.	May 10
6' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Emery Barnes (U.S.A.)	Long Beach, Cal.	June 21
6' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Arnold Betton (U.S.A.)	Long Beach, Cal.	June 21
6' 8"	Herman Wyatt (U.S.A.)	Stanford, Cal.	Mar. 29
6' 8"	J. Lewis Hall (U.S.A.)	Miami, Fla.	May 3
6' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Peron DuBard (U.S.A.)	Columbus, O.	May 6
6' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Ken Wiesner (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 28
6' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Ion Săter (Rumania)	Cluj	Oct. 6
6' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Gösta Svensson (Sweden)	Göteborg	May 22

POLE VAULT

15' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	Robert Richards (U.S.A.)	Toronto	Sept. 30
14' 11 ¹ / ₂ "	Don Law (U.S.A.)	Oslo	July 30
14' 9"	Don Cooper (U.S.A.)	Fresno, Cal.	May 10
14' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	Ragnar Lundberg (Sweden)	Gävle	Aug. 1
14' 6"	Pyotr Denisenko (U.S.S.R.)	Kiev	June 11
14' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	George Mattos (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 28
14' 5"	Richard Coleman (U.S.A.)	Champaign, Ill.	Mar. 1
14' 4"	Robert Smith (U.S.A.)	Fresno, Cal.	May 10
14' 4"	Jack Rowan (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	May 16
14' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	Torfi Bryngarsson (Iceland)	Gävle	Aug. 1
14' 3"	Jerry Welbourn (U.S.A.)	Ann Arbor, Mich.	May 31

BROAD JUMP

26' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	George Brown (U.S.A.)	Fresno, Cal.	May 10
25' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	F. Morgan Taylor (U.S.A.)	Berkeley, Cal.	June 14
25' 4 ¹ / ₂ "	Meredith Gourdiue (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 27
25' 2"	Jerome Biffle (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 27
24' 10"	Ary Façanha da Sá (Brazil)	São Paulo	June 8
24' 10"	Henk Visser (Holland)	Rotterdam	June 29
24' 9 ¹ / ₂ "	Neville Price (South Africa)	Oklahoma	May 24
24' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Arthur Scott (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	Apr. 18
24' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Fred Johnson (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 27
24' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	William Albans (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	Apr. 18
24' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Sylvanus Williams (Nigeria/G.B.)	Paris	Aug. 24
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25' 2 ¹ / ₂ "	Neville Price (South Africa)	Austin, Tex.	Apr. 5
24' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Masaji Tajima (Japan)	Tokyo	Apr. 29

HOP, STEP & JUMP

53' 2 ¹ / ₂ "	Adhemar da Silva (Brazil)	Helsinki	July 23
52' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	Leonid Shcherbakov (U.S.S.R.)	Helsinki	July 23
50' 11 ¹ / ₂ "	Rui Ramos (Portugal)	Lisbon	June 22
50' 11"	Arnaldo Devonish (Venezuela)	Helsinki	July 23
50' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	Walter Ashbaugh (U.S.A.)	Helsinki	July 23
50' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	George Shaw (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 28
50' 4 ¹ / ₂ "	Yoshio Iimuro (Japan)	Tokyo	Apr. 27
50' 0"	Boris Zambrimborts (U.S.S.R.)		
wind assisted			
50' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Walter Ashbaugh (U.S.A.)	Long Beach, Cal.	June 21
50' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Yoshio Iimuro (Japan)	Tokyo	Apr. 29
50' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Keizo Hasegawa (Japan)	Stockholm	July 11
50' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Sol Mazzocca (U.S.A.)	Long Beach, Cal.	June 21

SHOT PUT

58' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	James Fuchs (U.S.A.)	Compton, Cal.	June 4
57' 4 ¹ / ₂ "	Parry O'Brien (U.S.A.)	Long Beach, Cal.	June 20
57' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	Darrow Hooper (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 27
56' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Bernie Mayer (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 27
56' 2"	Jiří Skobla (C.S.R.)	Prague	Oct. 11
55' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	Georgiy Fyodorov (U.S.S.R.)		Aug.
55' 0 ¹ / ₂ "	Otto Grigalka (U.S.S.R.)	Helsinki	July 21
54' 9 ¹ / ₂ "	John Savidge (G.B.)	Paris	Aug. 23
54' 9 ¹ / ₂ "	Heino Lipp (Estonia)	Kiev	June 10
54' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Roland Nilsson (Sweden)	Stockholm	July 30
54' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	Wilbur Thompson (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles	June 27

DISCUS THROW

183' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	Sim Iness (U.S.A.)	Eugene, Ore.	May 23
181' 10 ¹ / ₂ "	Fortune Gordien (U.S.A.)	Santa Barbara, Cal.	Apr. 12

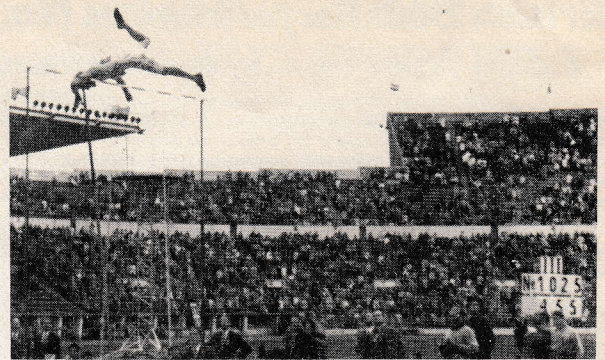


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THE VAULT I. R.E. Richards making his third, last and successful attempt at 14' 11¹/₂" to win America's 12th consecutive Olympic pole vault crown since 1896. Helsinki, July 22 1952.

DISCUS THROW (continued)

179' 0"	Adolfo Consolini (Italy)	Perugia	July 5
175' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	Ferenc Klics (Hungary)	Leipzig	May 31
175' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	James Dillion (U.S.A.)	Long Beach, Cal.	June 21
173' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	Boris Matveyev (U.S.S.R.)	Ashkhabad	Oct. 19
172' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	Roland Nilsson (Sweden)	Belgrade	Sept. 17
171' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	Frank Doyle (U.S.A.)	Berkeley, Cal.	May 31
171' 0"	Charles Emery (U.S.A.)	Princeton, N.J.	May 24
170' 4 ¹ / ₂ "	Parry O'Brien (U.S.A.)	Berkeley, Cal.	June 13
170' 2 ¹ / ₂ "	Giuseppe Tosi (Italy)	Perugia	July 5
170' 0"	Darrow Hooper (U.S.A.)	Dallas, Tex.	May 9

HAMMER THROW

200' 11 ¹ / ₂ "	Sverre Strandli (Norway)	Oslo	Sept. 14
199' 4 ¹ / ₂ "	Karl Storch (Germany)	Karlsruhe	Sept. 28
198' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	Mikhail Krivonozov (U.S.S.R.)	Tashkent	Oct. 13
197' 11 ¹ / ₂ "	József Csérmák (Hungary)	Helsinki	July 24
197' 10 ¹ / ₂ "	Imre Németh (Hungary)	Budapest	Aug. 10
193' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	Karl Wolf (Germany)	Karlsruhe	June 15
192' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	Miloš Máca (C.S.R.)	Brno	June 11
191' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	Nikolay Ryedkin (U.S.S.R.)		
189' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	Georgiy Dibenko (U.S.S.R.)		

JAVELIN THROW

249' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	Toivo Hyttiäinen (Finland)	Turku	July 30
245' 2 ¹ / ₂ "	Franklin Held (U.S.A.)	Göteborg	Aug. 7
243' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	Soini Nikkinen (Finland)	Vammala	Aug. 31
242' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	William Miller (U.S.A.)	Vienna	Aug. 7
242' 0 ¹ / ₂ "	Cyrus Young (U.S.A.)	Helsinki	July 23
239' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	Yuriy Shcherbakov (U.S.S.R.)		
238' 2 ¹ / ₂ "	Eino Lappanen (Finland)	Säynätsläo	Aug. 31
237' 0 ¹ / ₂ "	Viktor Tsibulenko (U.S.S.R.)	Leningrad	Aug. 24
wind assisted			
246' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	Soini Nikkinen (Finland)	Seinäjoki	Aug. 24

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BRITISH RANKINGS 1952

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The figure in brackets after the name shows the athlete's place in the 1951 rankings

Brackets round beaten runner's name

100 YARDS (100 metres)

1. Emmanuel McDONALD BAILEY (1)
 - 5.7e 3rd Harringay (indoors) 50yds. 29/3
 - 10.6m 1st Leyton (heat) 7/5
 - 10.7m 1st Leyton (final) 7/5
 - 11.0m 4th Los Angeles 16/5
 - 10.4m 1st Caledonian Games 24/5
 - 9.9 1st Inter Counties (heat:9.8) 31/5
 - 9.8 1st Kinnaird Meet, Chiswick 14/6
 - 9.9 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
 - 9.7 1st A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 21/6
 - 9.6 1st A.A.A. Champs. (final) Br. Record 21/6
 - 10.6m 1st Chiswick 25/6
 - 9.7dc 1st Middlesbrough 30/6
 - 10.6m 1st Triangular (International event) 5/7
 - 10.4m 1st Olympic Games (1st round) 20/7
 - 10.5m 1st Olympic Games (2nd round) 20/7
 - 10.5m 1st Olympic Games (semi-final) 21/7
 - 10.4m 3rd Olympic Games (final) 21/7
 - 11.7e 2nd Glasgow Rangers Sports (120yds) 2/8
 - 9.8 2nd British Games (heat:9.7) 9/8
 - 10.4m 1st G.B. vs. France, Paris 24/8
 - 9.7 1st Chatham 27/8
 - 10.4m 1st Krefeld Sports, Germany 31/8
 - 9.8 1st Inter City Match 17/9

2. Brian SHENTON (2)
 - 9.9w 1st Bedford 22/3
 - 5.7e 2nd Harringay (indoors) 50yds (Bailey) 29/3
 - 11.2m 1st Paris Meet. 4/5
 - 10.9m 1st Leyton (heat) 7/5
 - 10.8m 2nd Leyton (final) 7/5
 - 10.1 1st Yorkshire Champs. (heat:10.0) 17/5
 - 10.6m 3rd Caledonian Games 24/5
 - 10.3 1st Inter Counties (heat) 31/5
 - 4th Inter Counties (final) 31/5
 - 10.9m 1st Paris Meet 8/6
 - 10.2e 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
 - 9.9 1st A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 21/6
 - 10.0 3rd A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
 - 10.9m 1st Colombes Meet. 8/8
 - 10.7m 2nd Krefeld Sports, Germany 31/8
 - 10.2 2nd City Charity Meet (Invitation) 10/9
 - 10.2 1st City Charity Meet (Team event) 10/9
 - 9.8 2nd Inter City Match. =E.N. Record 17/9
 - 10.1 1st Birmingham Meet 4/10

3. William JACK (-)
 - 9.8 1st Glasgow 20/5
 - 10.5m 2nd Caledonian Games (Shenton) 24/5
 - 10.8m 2nd British Games 2/6
 - 10.0 1st Scottish Champs. 7/6
 - 10.3 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
 - 10.1 4th A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 21/6
 - 11.3m 3rd Triangular International 5/7
 - 10.8m 1st Olympic Games (1st round) 20/7
 - 10.8m 3rd Olympic Games (2nd round) 20/7
 - 10.7m 5th Olympic Games (semi-final) 21/7
 - 10.7m 3rd G.B. vs. France, Paris 24/8

4. John Arthur GREGORY (4)
 - 9.9 1st Gloucestershire Champs. 17/5
 - 10.1 1st Midlands vs. Wales 24/5
 - 10.2 1st A.A.A. vs. C.U.A.C. 29/5
 - 10.2 1st Inter Counties (heat) 31/5
 - 2nd Inter Counties (sf) (Lillington) 31/5
 - 10.1 2nd Inter Counties (final) (Shenton) 31/5
 - 9.9 1st Midland Champs. 7/6
 - 10.1 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6

- 9.9 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 21/6
- 4th A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
- 10.9m 1st Triangular (Invitation event) 5/7

5. Alan William LILLINGTON (-)
 - 10.1 1st U.A.U. Champs. 24/5
 - 10.2 3rd Inter Counties (final) 31/5
 - 10.3 1st Northern Champs. 7/6
 - 10.3 1st N.C.A.A. vs. Universities 4/6
 - 10.3 1st English U's. v. Univ. of Wales 14/6
 - 10.0 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
 - 10.0 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (s-f) (Jack) 21/6
 - 9.9 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (f) (Shenton) 21/6
 - 9.7dc 3rd Middlesbrough 30/6
 - 11.2m 2nd Triangular International (Jack) 5/7
 - 10.8m 2nd Olympic Games (1st round) 20/6
 - 10.9m 6th Olympic Games (2nd round) 20/6

6. Austin Robinette PINNINGTON (5)
 - 10.0 1st Eton 25/3
 - 10.1 1st O.U.A.C. vs. A.A.A. 8/5
 - 9.9 1st Lancashire Champs. 17/5
 - 4th Inter Counties (s-f) (ht:10.2) 31/5
 - 10.1 1st Services vs. O.U.A.C. 12/6
 - 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
 - 9.9 1st A.A.A. Champs. (sf) 21/6
 - 5th A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
 - 11.3m 2nd Triangular (Invitation event) 5/7
 - 10.0 1st Waddilove Meet 19/7



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Sixth ranking miler and unofficial under 20 world record-holder for 1500m. with 3:50.6.

220 YARDS (200 metres)

1. Emmanuel McDONALD BAILEY (1)
 - 20.9m 1st Caledonian Games 24/5
 - 21.7 1st A.A.A. vs. C.U.A.C. 29/5
 - 21.4 1st British Games 31/5
 - 21.7 1st Inter Counties (semi-final) 2/6
 - 21.9 1st Inter Counties (final) 2/6
 - 21.4 1st Kinnaird Meet, Chiswick 14/6
 - 21.4 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
 - 21.4 1st A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 20/6
 - 21.4 1st A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
 - 21.4dc 1st Middlesbrough 30/6
 - 21.4m 1st Olympic Games (1st round) 22/7
 - 21.0m 1st Olympic Games (2nd round) 22/7
 - 21.3m 1st Olympic Games (semi-final) 23/7
 - 21.0m 4th Olympic Games (final) 23/7
 - 21.0m 1st G.B. vs. France, Paris 23/8
 - 21.2m 1st Krefeld Sports, Germany 31/8
 - 21.2 1st Inter City Match 17/9
 - 20.9m 1st Berlin (=European Record) 21/9

2. Nicolas David STACEY (2)
 - 22.3m 3rd British Games 31/5
 - 22.1 2nd Inter Counties 2/6
 - 22.5 1st Southern Champs. 7/6
 - 22.2m 2nd Triangular International 5/7
 - 21.8m 2nd Olympic Games (1st round) 22/7

- 21.5m 2nd Olympic Games (2nd round) 22/7
- 21.8m 5th Olympic Games (semi-final) 23/7

3. Brian SHENTON (3)

- 22.5m 4th Paris Meet 4/5
- 22.0m 1st A.A.A. vs. U.L.A.C. 14/5
- 21.7m 2nd Caledonian Games 24/5
- 22.3 3rd Inter Counties 2/6
- 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
- 22.1 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 20/6
- 22.0 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
- 22.2 3rd Triangular International 5/7
- 21.9m 1st Olympic Games (1st round) 22/7
- 21.9m 5th Olympic Games (2nd round) 22/7
- 21.7m 2nd Krefeld Sports, Germany 31/8
- 22.0 2nd Inter City Match 17/8

4. William JACK (-)

- 21.7m 3rd Caledonian Games 24/5
- 22.0 2nd British Games (Stacey) 31/5
- 22.5 1st Scottish Champs. 7/6
- 22.0 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
- 22.0 1st A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 20/6
- 22.2 3rd A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
- 22.0m 1st Triangular International 5/7
- 21.8m 3rd G.B. vs. France, Paris 23/8

5. William Joseph FERGUSON (-)

- 22.5 1st Birmingham 10/5
- 22.1 1st M.C.A.A. vs. Welsh A.A.A. 24/5
- 22.2e 2nd Midland Champs. 7/6
- 22.1 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) (Shenton) 20/6
- 22.3 3rd A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 20/6
- 4th A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
- 22.1m 3rd Amsterdam Meet 10/8
- 22.6 1st A.A.A. vs. Services 16/8

6. John Arthur GREGORY (-)

- 22.9 1st Gloucestershire Champs. 17/5
- 2nd M.C.A.A. vs. Welsh A.A.A. 24/5
- 21.9 1st Midland Champs. 7/6
- 21.9m 1st Belgrade 30/8

440 YARDS (400 metres)

1. Arthur Stanley WINT (1)
 - 48.3 1st U.L.A.C. Trials 26/4
 - 50.0 1st U.L.A.C. vs. Paris University 3/5
 - 49.1 1st Middlesex Champs. 17/5
 - 48.6 1st Chiswick 14/6
 - 50.0 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
 - 48.2 1st A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 20/6
 - 48.1 1st A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
 - 47.3m 1st Olympic Games (1st round) 24/7
 - 46.9m 1st Olympic Games (2nd round) 24/7
 - 46.3m 1st Olympic Games (semi-final) 25/7
 - 47.0m 5th Olympic Games (final) 25/7
 - 48.7 3rd British Games 9/8
 - 48.0 1st City Charity Meet 10/9

2. Alan DICK (2)

- 49.1 1st O.U.A.C. Handicap 8/3
- 48.8 1st Oxford v Cambridge 15/3
- 49.5 3rd British Games 2/6
- 49.4 1st O.U.A.C. v. Kingswood School 7/6
- 49.1 1st O.U.A.C. vs. Services 12/6
- 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
- 49.4 1st A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 20/6
- 49.4 4th A.A.A. Champs. (final) 21/6
- 48.7m 2nd Olympic Games (1st round) 24/7
- 49.0m 6th Olympic Games (2nd round) 24/7
- 48.3 1st Inter City Match 17/9

3. Terence Langley HIGGINS (3)

- 49.9m 1st Leyton 7/5
- 49.9m 1st Amsterdam 22/5
- 49.5 1st Inter Counties (heat) 31/5
- 48.9 1st Inter Counties (semi-final) 31/5
- 49.0 1st Inter Counties (final) 2/6
- 49.3 2nd British Games 2/6
- 49.0e 2nd Kinnaird Meet, Chiswick 14/6
- 49.6 1st A.A.A. Champs. (heat) 20/6
- 48.5 2nd A.A.A. Champs. (semi-final) 20/6
- 49.1 3rd A.A.A. Champs. (final) (Dick) 21/6
- 48.1m 1st Triangular International 5/7
- 48.7m 2nd Olympic Games (1st round) 24/7

440 YARDS (continued)		1:56.6 1st A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	20/6	13:54.2 3rd Empire vs. U.S.A.	4/8
49.1m	5th Olympic Games(2nd round)	1:54.1 4th A.A.A.Champs.(final)	21/6	14:36.6m3rd Belgrade	30/8
48.9	4th British Games	1:55.4m1st Triangular(invit.)(Evans)	5/7	4. Alan Bunyard PARKER	
49.4	2nd City Charity Meet	1:52.7m3rd Olympic Games(heat)	20/7	14:18.0 1st Lancashire Champs.	17/5
49.7	2nd Birmingham Meet	1:53.6m5th Olympic Games(semi-final)	21/7	14:04.0 3rd Inter Counties	31/5
4. Leslie Charles LEWIS (5)		1:52.5m3rd G.B.vs.France,Paris	24/8	14:06.4 1st Northern Champs.	7/6
48.7m	1st Aylesford	6. Ronald Thomas George DAY (-)		14:00.8 2nd A.A.A.Champs.	21/6
49.4	1st Southern Champs.	1:56.9 1st C.U.A.C.Sports	23/2	14:47.8m1st Triangular International	5/7
48.6m	4th Paris Meet	1:56.5 1st Oxford v Cambridge	15/3	14:18.2m2nd Olympic Games(heat)	22/7
51.1	1st A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	1:54.2m3rd Krefeld Sports,Germany	31/8	14:37.0m13th Olympic Games(final)	24/7
49.7	3rd A.A.A.Champs.(semi-final)	1:57.3 2nd Inter City Match	17/9	13:58.4 4th Empire vs. U.S.A.	4/8
48.6	2nd A.A.A.Champs.(final)(Dick, Higgins)	ONE MILE		14:57.2m2nd G.B.vs.France,Paris	23/8
49.6m	3rd Triangular International	1. Roger Gilbert BANNISTER (1)	7/6	5. Freddie GREEN	
47.8m	2nd Olympic Games(1st round)	4:10.6 1st United Hospitals Champs.	24/7	14:07.4 1st Midland Champs.	7/6
49.0m	5th Olympic Games(2nd round)	3:56.0m3rd Olympic Games(heat)	24/7	14:09.8 4th A.A.A.Champs.	21/6
49.9m	1st Antwerp(Walton A.C.tour)	3:50.6m5th Olympic Games(semi-final)	25/7	14:04.0 5th Empire vs. U.S.A.	4/8
48.3m	4th G.B.vs.France,Paris	3:46.0m4th Olympic Games(final)	26/7	14:22.6 1st British Games(Morgan)	9/8
5. Nicolas David STACEY (-)		4:13.8 1st A.A.A.vs.Services	16/8	5. Philip Richard Llewellyn MORGAN	
49.9	1st O.U.A.C.vs.	3:49.0 1st G.B.vs.France,Paris	23/8	14:07.6 1st O.U.A.C.v.A.A.A.(Chatsway)	8/5
48.4m	1st A.A.A.v.U.L.A.C.(also 48.3yu)	2. George William NANKEVILLE (2)	24/5	14:23.6 1st U.A.U.Champs,Reading	24/5
52.0	1st Buckinghamshire Champs.	3:53.6 1st Caledonian Games	24/5	14:55.6 4th International Meet,Paris	8/6
49.1	1st O.U.A.C.vs.U.L.A.C.	3:49.0 1st British Games	31/5	14:03.8 3rd A.A.A.Champs.(Green)	21/6
6. Peter Goodwin FRYER (-)		4:18.6 2nd A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	20/6	--- 4th British Games	9/8
49.2m	2nd Caledonian Games	4:09.8 1st A.A.A.Champs.(final)	21/6	SIX MILES (10,000 metres)	
50.6	1st Inter Counties(heat)	4:13.7 1st Glasgow Police Sports	28/6	1. Frank Dennis SANDO	
-	2nd Inter Counties(semi-final)	3:56.4 3rd Olympic Games(heat)	24/7	30:43.0 2nd Southern Six Miles	19/4
49.2	2nd Inter Counties(final)	3:52.0 9th Olympic Games(semi-final)	25/7	29:05.2 3rd A.A.A.Champs.	20/6
51.1	1st A.A.A.Champs.(heat)(Dick)	--- Did not finish,British Games	9/8	29:51.2m5th Olympic Games	19/7
50.0	4th A.A.A.Champs.(semi-final)	3. Christopher John CHATAWAY (6)		31:20.2m3rd G.B.vs.France,Paris	24/8
49.4e	3rd Glasgow Police Sports	4:14.5 1st O.U.A.C.Sports	28/2	2. Douglas Alastair Gordon PIRIE	
49.8	1st Waddilove Meet	4:10.2 1st Oxford v Cambridge	15/3	30:06.8 1st Battersea Meet	26/4
[46.6]	1st Glasgow Rangers Sports(off 14y)	4:17.4 1st Inter Counties(heat)	31/5	28:55.6 1st A.A.A.Champs.(Sando)	20/6
48.7	3rd Edinburgh Highland Games	4:13.8 1st Inter Counties(final)	2/6	30:09.5u7th Olympic Games	19/7
880 YARDS (800 metres)		4. David Charles LAW (-)		3. Fred NORRIS	
1. Arthur Stanley WINT (1)		4:16.0 2nd O.U.A.C.vs.A.A.A.	8/5	--- 2nd Northern Champs.	24/5
1:58.2 1st U.L.A.C.vs.Paris University	3/5	4:18.7 1st Yorkshire Champs.	17/5	29:00.6 2nd A.A.A.Champs.(Sando)	20/6
1:55.0 1st U.L.A.C. Champs.	10/5	4:11.2 1st U.A.U.Champs.	24/5	30:09.3m8th Olympic Games	19/7
1:55.0m 1st U.L.A.C.vs A.A.A.	14/5	4:19.6 2nd O.U.A.C.vs.U.L.A.C.	28/5	30:37.4m2nd G.B.vs.France(Sando)	24/8
1:55.8 1st Glasgow Police Sports	28/6	4:17.2 2nd A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	20/6	4. Walter HESKETH	
1:51.8 1st Middlesbrough	30/6	4:12.6 3rd A.A.A.Champs.(final)	21/6	retired --- Northern Champs.	24/5
1:54.2m 2nd Olympic Games(heat)	20/7	3:53.4 2nd Triangular International	5/7	29:26.6 5th A.A.A.Champs.	20/6
1:52.7m 1st Olympic Games(semi-final)	21/7	4. John Ivor DISLEY (-)		5. Colin M.GRAY	
1:49.4m 2nd Olympic Games(final)	22/7	4:11.6 1st A.A.A.vs.C.U.A.C.	29/5	30:24.3 1st Midland Champs.	14/5
2. Albert WEBSTER (5)		4:14.8 1st Southern Champs.	7/6	29:38.0 6th A.A.A.Champs.	20/6
1:56.5 1st Nottinghamshire League Match	21/5	4:14.2 1st Kinnaird Meet,Chiswick	14/6	6. James Henry PETERS	
1:53.9 1st Inter Counties(heat)	31/5	4:11.8 1st Chesterfield Meet	28/6	29:56.6 1st Essex Champs.	26/4
1:56.3 2nd Inter Counties(final)	2/6	4:14.4 3rd British Games(Nankeville)	9/8		
1:56.7 1st Midland Champs.	7/6	4:12.2 2nd City Charity Meet	10/9		
1:52.7m 1st Paris Meet.	8/6	6. Donald Charles SEAMAN (-)			
1:54.8 1st A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	20/6	3:52.0 4th British Games	31/5		
1:52.7 2nd A.A.A.Champs.(final)	21/6	4:16.4 1st A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	20/6		
1:55.7m 1st Triangular International (RGB)	5/7	4:14.8 6th A.A.A.Champs.(final)	21/6		
1:55.5m 2nd Olympic Games(heat)	20/7	3:51.3 1st Triangular International(Law)	5/7		
1:50.1m 2nd Olympic Games(semi-final)	21/7	3:51.2 2nd G.B.vs.France,Paris	23/8		
1:50.2m 5th Olympic Games(final)	22/7	3:50.6 1st Belgrade Meet	30/8		
--- 6th British Games	9/8	THREE MILES (5000 metres)			
3. Roger Gilbert BANNISTER (3)		1. Christopher John CHATAWAY (2)			
1:53.0 1st U.L.A.C.vs.A.A.A.	28/5	4:12.8 2nd O.U.A.C.vs.A.A.A.	8/5		
1:58.2 1st A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	20/6	13:59.6 1st A.A.A.Champs.	21/6		
1:51.5 1st A.A.A.Champs.(final)(Webster)	21/6	14:27.3m5th Olympic Games(heat)	22/7		
1:55.8 2nd Triangular International	5/7	14:18.0m5th Olympic Games(final)	24/7		
4. Frank EVANS (4)		(3 mile time in the lead 13:43.06)			
1:53.5m 1st Amsterdam Meet.	22/5	1. Douglas Alastair Gordon PIRIE (3)			
1:55.2 1st Inter Counties(heat)	31/5	14:07.2 1st Surrey Champs.	17/5		
1:56.1 1st Inter Counties(final)	2/6	13:44.8 1st Inter Counties	31/5		
1:58.8 3rd Northern Champs.	7/6	14:26.2m5th Olympic Games(heat)	22/7		
1:55.2 1st Glasgow	10/6	14:18.0m4th Olympic Games(final)(Chatsway)	24/7		
1:53.7 1st A.A.A.Champs.(heat)	20/6	13:53.8 2nd Empire vs. U.S.A.	4/8		
1:53.5 3rd A.A.A.Champs.(final)	21/6	14:51.0m1st G.B.vs.France,Paris	23/8		
1:55.4m 2nd Triangular(invitation event)	5/7	14:29.4m2nd Berlin Meet	21/9		
1:53.8m 3rd Olympic Games(heat)	20/7	(3 mile time :13:57.2)			
1:56.8m 8th Olympic Games(semi-final)	21/7	3. Frank Dennis SANDO (-)			
1:52.4m 2nd G.B.vs.France,Paris	24/8	14:09.8 1st Kent Champs.	17/5		
5. Charles Thomas WHITE (-)		13:48.0 2nd Inter Counties	31/5		
1:57.1 1st Inter Counties(heat)	31/5	14:54.4m3rd Triangular International	5/7		
1:57.0 3rd Inter Counties(final)	2/6	15:09.6m1st Inter Club Meet,Juankoski	22/7		
1:57.0 1st Northern Champs.(Evans)	7/6				

1951 & 1952 PLACINGS COMPARED

SPRINTS: McD.Bailey extended his reign with an 8th season of supremacy, Newly ranked are Scotland's W.Jack and fellow Olympian Alan Lillington(100yds)and the consistent W.J.Perguson(220yds),Shenton and Gregory held their positions in the 100yds, as did the now retired Stacey in the furlong.

QUARTER: Behind Arthur Wint Oxford's Alan Dick at No.2 earned the highest ranking of any new comer to the track list. P.G.Fryer needed 48.7y to make sixth spot.

HALF-MILE: Arthur Wint,who renewed his 1948 silver medal at a tenth of a second faster stayed an easy first with Webster's fine 1:50.1 and 1:50.2 marks ousting A.A.A. Champion Bannister(1:51.5y)from second.The 1946 1:51.5m man White reappeared at fifth.

MILE: Chataway closed up to third with Law Disley and Seaman perhaps temporarily displacing Eyre and Alan Parker.

THREE MILES: Britain's first ever sub 13½ minute performers Chataway and Pirie share first spot with Green and Morgan less than two seconds outside the 14:02.6 of 1951's top man W.R.Beckett.

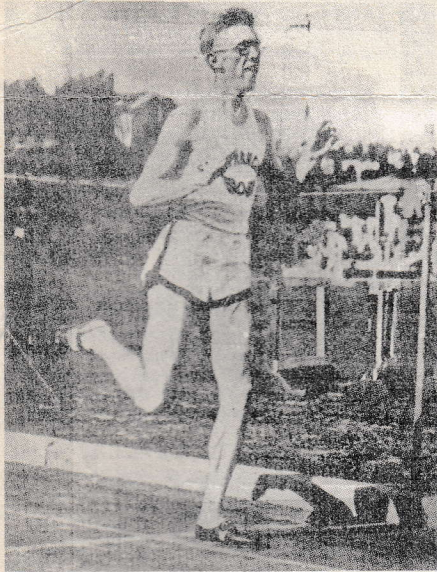
SIX MILES: Sando takes first place by the virtue of his great Helsinki 10,000 m. worth 4 secs. more than even Pirie's 28:55.

STARS OF THE THIRTIES No. 1

Ben Eastman by Neil Allen

("In the spring of 1932 a 22 year old Californian, hardly known outside Coast circles until a year before, startled track fans the world over by re-writing the record books for both the 440 and the half-mile with a series of astounding performances.")
(from "Wizards of the Middle Distances"-R.L.Q.)

BOUNDING BENJAMIN B. EASTMAN in the 1934 season was A.A.U. National 800 metres champion, world record holder for 440 yards (46.4), 500 metres (1:02.0), 600 yards (1:09.2) and 880 yards (1:49.8) and co-holder with Britain's Tom Hampson of the world's 800 metres record (1:49.8).



BEN EASTMAN, who, in his prime was 6'1" and weighed 155lbs. At 19 he ran the 440 in 51.0 (1929), and in 1930 while a freshman at Stanford University, clocked 48.2 to rank second that year in the States. In 1934 Eastman was placed second (929 points), behind Bill Bonthron (1072 points) in the balloting for the Sullivan Memorial Award which is given annually to the outstanding United States amateur athlete. A member of the Olympic Club, San Francisco, at that time he held more records than any other American.

The bespectacled prodigy ran a 1:53.0 half early in 1931 and then hit the headlines with a world record quarter of 47.4 at Los Angeles. Then on March 26, 1932 came an explosion! Running on his home track at Palo Alto, Cal. the limb shaking, long-legged Eastman tore into the lead in a 440 race and, showing an unprecedented 21.3 for the first furlong, smashed his own and "Trojan" Vic Williams' world record by a full second in recording history's first sub 47 second mark with 46.4. On June 4 at San Francisco Ben won the Pacific A.A.U. half-mile in 1:50.9 being timed in 1:50.0 at 800 metres to collect two more world records. Because his finishing speed in the 880 was unimpressive and his coach Dink Templeton thought he would make a better quarter runner, Eastman went for the shorter run at Los Angeles. But the superior speed of the smooth running Bill Carr of Los Angeles AC, allowed him to breeze past the blond-haired Ben fifty yards from the tape to win by over two yards in the record time of 46.2 while the Stanford ace was caught at 46.4.

There can be little doubt that had Eastman disregarded the plans of his coach and gone for the half, Hampson would have had a nearly impossible task. Hampson's 1:49.7 represented his absolute athletic potential whereas Eastman's powerful mid race kick might have got him home some six tenths earlier. (Britons can disagree).

The Olympic 400 metres silver medallist only ran one serious race in 1933 for a thigh injury kept him off the tracks. On April 1 at San Francisco the Blond Bomb showed himself to be no back number by setting his 600 yards world record of 1:09.2. In 1934 Nazism moved into Austria and Ben Eastman also decided that there were fresh fields to conquer. Starting with a 600 yards in 1:08.8 which clipped four tenths off his own record though the performance was never officially recognised, he went on to run his greatest tactical race. At Palmer Stadium, Princeton on June 16 he loped the first lap of a half in 54.0 and then, pushed by lanky, youthful Charlie Hornbostel of Indiana, produced a unique finish to win in 1:49.8 and penetrate the little known territory beyond

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WORLD LISTS-1952

Add 700m.	21.2	Brian Butterfield (Australia)	Brisbane	Nov. 29
Add 1500m.	3:45.0	John Landy (Australia)	Melbourne	Dec. 13
Add Mile	4:02.1	John Landy (Australia)	Melbourne	Dec. 13
Add Mile	4:08.8	Don Macmillan (Australia)	London	Sept. 10
Add 2 Miles	9:06.0	J.C. Daly (New Zealand)	Christchurch	Feb. 2
Note 3,000 m.	S/C	Rinteenpää's first name is Aulis not Olavi		
Add ShotPutt	55'2"	Stan Lampert (U.S.A.)	S. Orange, N.J.	Apr. 21

UNITED KINGDOM LISTS (Senior)

Add 800m.	1:55.4	H.M. Dove (Milocarian A.C.)	Wuppertal	-
Add 880yds.	1:55.4	G. Sorbie (Hamilton H.)	Glasgow	Aug. 2
Sub. Mile	4:12.4n	A.B. Parker (Barrow A.C.)	Chesterfield	June 28
Sub. Mile	4:16.0n	I.D.C. Gurney (Achilles Club)	Reading	May 24
Add 2 Miles	9:15.0	J. Braughton (Blackheath H.)	Wimbledon	June 11
	9:16.0n	K.L. Norris (Thames Valley H.)	White City	Sept. 10
	9:16.4	J.W. Brown (Belgrave H.)	Aylesbury	Aug. 4
	9:16.6	G.D. Ibbotson (Longwood H.)	Bradford	June 14
	9:17.0n	J. Wild (E. Cheshire H.)	Bradford	June 14
	9:17.5n	R.H. Dunkley (Polytechnic H.)	White City	Sept. 10
	9:19.2	K. Wood (Sheffield Un.H.)	Leeds	Aug. 5
Delete 120yHH	14.4w	P.B. Hildreth and substitute	14.4	
Add	14.7n	J.G.M. Hart (Atalanta Club)	Glasgow	June 28
Note 220yLH	24.7	A.R. Pinnington was straightaway		
Note High Jump	6'5"	P. Wells May 17 was at New Southgate		
Sub.	6'1"	N.G.A. Gregor (Herne Hill H.)	Edinburgh	July 12
Add	6'0"	R.W. Weldon (Victoria Pk. A.A.C)	Paisley	May 31
Add	6'0"	R.J. Giles (London A.C.)	Catford Br.	Aug. 30
Add Hop, Step	45'11 1/4"	T.M.M. McNab (Shettleston H.)		
Add ShotPutt	46'3"	P.P. Horn (B.A.O.R.)	Germany	
Add ShotPutt	44'2"	H.E.A. Moodey (formerly SIH)	Northcote, NZ	Dec. 1
Delete Shot	43'6 1/2"	T. Logan - handicap mark		
Delete Discus	150'5"	P.P. Horn - misreported		
Add	148'0"	K. Maksimczyk (Edinburgh E.H.)	West Calder	July 25
		(sloping ground)		
Sub	137'0 1/2"	W.H.J. Leocke (E.U.A.C.)	Edinburgh	June 11
Note Hammer	181'5"	E.C.K. Douglas - (sloping ground)	Rothsay	Aug. 23

UNITED KINGDOM LISTS (Junior)

220 Yards	22.4	R.J. Baddeley (Wellington Coll)	Wellington	July 12
Add 120yLH	15.4	M.St.C. Baddeley (Wellington)	Cranleigh	July 19
Add 200yLH	24.7	J.G. Reader	Newcastle	July 5
Delete Long J.	22'2 1/2"	A.M. Law - misreported		
Add Shot Putt	44'2 1/2"	R.M.B. Shelton (Wellington)	Wellington	July 12

the 1:50.0 barrier. Most significant was the unofficial time at 800 metres - 1:49.1.

One of the biggest "if only's" of track and field occurred on June 20, 1934 when "B.B." won his first and only A.A.U. title in 1:50.4. Ripping round the opening 400 metres in 52.0, Eastman electrified the crowd by his freshness at the bell but braked visibly down the home straight to amble through the tape. Had he chosen to accelerate at the finish it seems likely that a 1:48.0 timing would have been his for the asking.

Following an undefeated tour in Europe when he captained the 1934 A.A.U. team, broke the 500 metres world record (1:02.0) and ran the 800 metres in 1:50.0, the new American champion had a twenty month lay-off due to business. It was not until 1936 that Eastman got gold fever again and tried to make the National team for Berlin.

He ran 1:50.5 and 1:50.1 during a hectic comeback but a la Fonville and Dillard failed in the final trials coming fifth. Just before the great Chicago try-out the platinum track-pounder gave Woodruff some idea of how lucky (like Hampson) he had been, by turning in a 1:49.0 training run. If tribulations make for wisdom Ben Eastman must rank as one of the wisest track coaches in the United States to-day.

Richards (cont.) Bragg back to form

These two most spectacular performances caused immense delight among the large crowd inside the Westfalenhalle, one of Germany's best known indoor arenas. Richards' two 4.60 metre (15'1 $\frac{1}{2}$) vaults constituted his 27th and 28th clearances of the (once) magic 15 foot mark.

Back again in his own country, Richards defeated Don Laz at the Washington 'Evening Star' Games on January 10 with a 15 foot effort- his 29th. The Helsinki silver medallist was second at 14'3" Richards' total of 15 foot marks is now only 14 short of Cornelius 'Dutch' Warmerdam's great total of 43.

While waiting his turn both in Germany and back in the States Richards witnessed some other performances of note. At the Dortmund meeting Werner Lueg beat Herbert Schade in a 3,000 metres race, clocking 8:42.8 to win by 3.2 secs. The Westfalenhalle track is 168 metres in length so the runners had to negotiate about 18 laps. Heinz Ulzheimer won the 400 metres in 51.1 and Hans Geister showed himself the best sprinter with times of 6.0 (50 metres) and 6.9 for 60 metres. A most popular winner was the German Junior Champion Friedel Stracke, who ran 1,000 metres in 2:34.3 to beat Urban Cleve (2:34.4), now with the English Polytechnic Harriers, and the man who lead the Olympic 1500 metre field for over 2 laps Rolf Lamers (2:34.8).

In the Washington meet Walt. Davis and Ken. Wiesner met again. Davis hurt his ankle in his first attempt at 6'7" so was forced to call it a day and tie with the Dentist at 6'6". Sweden's latest dollar export, blonde Sture Landqvist who ran a 3:44.8 1,500 metres in 1951, found the currency really hard when Villanova's Fred. Dwyer took the mile from him in only 4:19.4. His Helsinki muscle injury now healed, Art. Bragg, the A.A.U. 100metres champion of 1950, won the sprint series with the most remarkable of his marks being a 9.8 100 yards part of which was round a turn.

WALT DAVIS 6'8", PARRY O'BRIEN 56'4" AT THE SUGAR BOWL MEETING

In America's annual mid-winter outdoor match at the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans three Olympic Champions were all close to their winning Helsinki marks of high summer. Richards (see above) cleared 14'8" while Walt Davis, still in business, rolled over 6'8" and Parry O'Brien beat the untrained Darrow Hooper (he has been playing 'end' for Texas A&M) by 3 feet with 56'4". Thane Baker stormed the 100 yards in 9.8secs and Jack Davis went over the 'highs' in 14.4secs.

VETERAN ARGENTINE DISTANCE RUNNER WINS AGAIN from Tomas Rector.

Raúl Ibarra, who set the South America 10,000m. record back in 1940 toured the 25 laps again to win the 1953 Argentine title at the inland city of Santa Fé in 31:47.4. Ibarra, who ran 5,000 metres in 14:24.8 in 1944, was thus over a minute outside his old best of 30:36.8. Gerardo Bönnhoff, who forced his way into the Olympic 200 metre final with a 21.6, 21.4, 21.5, 21.3 series, managed only 22.4. Chile will be the host republic for the full South American title meeting in the second half of February.

DUNCAN CLARK HITS 175'9" IN NEW ZEALAND EXHIBITION. HARRIS BACK!

Duncan, fourth United Kingdom athlete to return to live in New Zealand since the 1950 Empire Games, reached 175'9" in Papakura in an exhibition on December 13. At Northcote on December 1 he was beaten in the shot by Dr. Harold Moody (44'2") and his hammer throw landed in the middle of the cricket pitch! The man who has perhaps won for himself the title of the "world's unluckiest athlete" Doug. Harris is now in training again. With his best mark of 1:49.4 now some 5 years behind him it seems doubtful if he can recapture his world class form.

ESTHER BRAND BREAKS SPRINGBOK SHOT RECORD. du PLESSIS THROWS 150'8"

The 29 year old Olympic Women's High Jump champion Esther Brand broke Mrs Maria van As's Springbok shot-putt record of 38'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " by over a foot with 39'15" at Kimberley on November 29th. After some intensive coaching from John Powell she has finally forsaken the scissors high-jump style and has become a 'Western Roller'. Joe Truter with his eighth successive 6'4" clearance seems to be the most likely rival to Australia's Doug. Stuart for the next Empire title at Vancouver in August 1954. Stephanus du Plessis threw 150'8" to beat Hart's old discus mark (147'6" (1931) at Johannesburg in December. Another throw landing outside the sector went 168'6".

JOHN SAVIDGE REACHES 55'8" IN EXHIBITION PUTT AT MORTSPUR PARK.

At the A.A.A. Junior Athletes course on January 8th 28 year old John Savidge reached 55'8" (16.967) in a demonstration.

Home Town Triumphs for McKenley

From December 25, Christmas Day, to January 3rd 1953 Kingston, capital of Jamaica, was the theatre of a great all-negro international meeting sponsored by the Jamaica Olympic Association. All the great coloured sprinters of the day, except Britain's E. Mc.D Bailey, were on hand to do battle on the not over fast grass track.

The indefatigable Herb. McKenley was the outstanding star of the festival as he won 6 individual races at distance from 100 to 400 metres. He also anchored Jamaica's relay teams to victory in several other races. The Hustler, who has been offered a £1,000 a year appointment as Jamaica's National Coach by Mr. A. Bustamente, opened the parade on the inaugural day with an impressive 10.4 secs. for 100 metres in winning from the 1948 Olympic Champion Harrison Dillard and his fellow American Jim Gathers.

Even more impressive however were McKenley's two wins over Andy Stanfield, the Olympic 200 metres champion, at the latter's favourite distance. The first of the two clashes, a 200 metres event run on December 29th, really brought the crowd to its feet. The home town boy won with a superb finishing drive in 21.2. In the 'return match', on New Year's Day, McKenley again downed Stanfield with a 21.3 clocking at 220 yards.

A regular place winner in all these ace sprint races was a 17 year old find from Trinidad. On the fifth and last day of the competition, January 3rd, Agostini finally won his spurs by defeating Jim Gathers and Stanfield in a 10.6 100 metre race. Thus 'Young Mike' will head the 1953 100m. rankings till things get under way. This mark augurs well for the continued success of dashmen hailing from the islands around the Caribbean Sea. It is perhaps of interest to recall that this great sprinting tradition dates from the 'twenties when Andre Theard, a coloured boy from Haiti, ran 100 metres in 10.5 secs. for France in 1926.

Mal. Whitfield won a thrilling 880 yards race on Jan. 1 in the new Jamaican record time of 1:53.8. The bespectacled New Yorker Reggie Pearman was second and the spidery Roscoe Browne 3rd with an under-trained Arthur Wint making his first post-retirement debut in 1:55.2, oddly enough equal to the best he has ever put up on his native soil. The Olympic 400 metres champion announced his retirement from the track in a brief declaration to the crowd on the last day of the meeting.

Harrison Dillard 4 times crossed swords with the strong New Jersey schoolboy Milt. Campbell who ran 14.2 at the White City on his return from his decathlon success at the Olympics. After taking the first of the 4 races in 14.5, the quadruple gold medallist went down to an unexpected defeat in the second in which Campbell beat him by a whisker in 14.4. Dillard made amends in the last two tests with winning marks of 14.4 and 14.2 - this last being a new Island record.

SUMMARIES:-

1st Day: (Dec. 25) 100m. 1, McKenley 10.4; 2, Dillard; 3, Gathers; 200m. 1, Iaing, 21.6; 2, Campbell; 3, Gathers; 400m. 1, McKenley 48.0; 2, Pearman; 3, Whitfield.
2nd Day: (Dec. 26) 300yds. 1, Iaing 30.8; 2, Gathers; 3, Agostini; 500yds 1, Pearman 56.8; 2, Rhoden; 3 (tie) McKenley and Whitfield; 4x110yds Relay. 1, U.S.A. 42.3; 2, Jamaica. 120yds HH. 1, Dillard 14.5; 2, Campbell 3; Louis Knight (Jam.).
3rd Day: (Dec. 29) 100m. 1, McKenley 10.7; 2, Gathers; 3 (tie) Agostini and Rhoden; 200m. McKenley 21.2; 2, Stanfield; 3, Agostini; 400m. 1, Pearman 48.5; 2, Browne; 3, Gilbert McGregor (Jam.); Swedish Relay 1, Jamaica 1:52.3; 2, U.S.A.; 110m. HH. 1, Campbell 14.4; 2, Dillard.
4th Day: (Jan. 1) 220yds. 1, McKenley 21.3; 2, Stanfield; 3, Gathers; 880 yds. 1, Whitfield 1:53.8; 2, Pearman; 3, Browne; 4, Wint 1:55.2n. Swedish Relay. 1, U.S.A.; 2, Combined Team; 3, Jamaica. 120yds HH. Dillard 14.4; 2, Campbell.
5th Day: (Jan. 3) 100m. 1, Agostini 10.6; 2, Gathers; 3, Stanfield; 400 m. 1, McKenley 47.9; 2, Whitfield 47.9n; 3, Rhoden; 4x400m. Relay 1, Jamaica 3:12.6; 2, U.S.A. 3:12.7; 110 mHH. 1, Dillard 14.2; 2, Campbell.

Landy 4: 08.0 Stuart 6'6 $\frac{1}{4}$ " by J. Galli

On Saturday January 17th at Melbourne John Landy resolved on a 'quiet afternoon's exercise' breezed through his 3rd sub 4:10 mile in 35 days with an easy 4:08.0. Doug. Stuart, 21, opened his 1953 account with a fine 6'6 $\frac{1}{4}$ " clearance at Perth on Jan. 3rd so to close up to second behind John Winter (6'7 $\frac{1}{4}$ ") and become only the 13th British Empire jumper to conquer the 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ foot bar.

A host of fiery sprint marks has clearly established the Australians as the second most prolific source of fast sprinters. A dozen men are at 10.7 or faster for 100 metres and 13 are inside 22 secs. for the furlong. Brian Oliver, reigning Empiad triple jump champion at 51'2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", is still feeling his way back but had two trials at Perth recently at 49'9" and 49'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Now back in Australia Lloyd Hadfield reached 155'3" with the hammer at Adelaide.