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WORLD RECORDS at 7,415 ft. O'Brien 59'-5½", Bob Smith 14'-11"

LOU JONES 400 METRES IN 45.4 SECS. A. F. DA SILVA HITS 54'-3¾" (16.56)

From R. L. Quercetani

PAN-AMERICAN GAMES A GREAT SUCCESS AT MEXICO CITY.

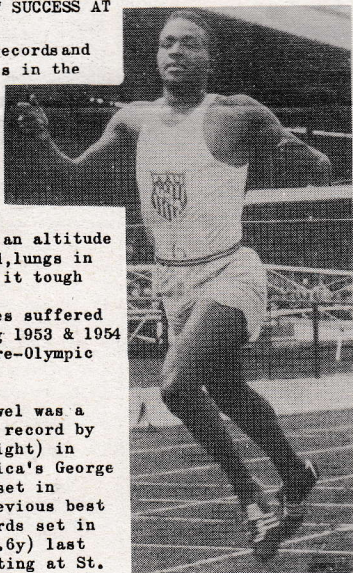
Sparkling world's records and near world record performances in the "explosive events" (i.e. the sprints and jumps) abounded when the athletes from 26 countries of North, Central, and South America congregated at Mexico City for the second edition of the Pan-American Games.

Muscles thrived at an altitude of 7,415 feet but, as expected, lungs in events over 800 metres found it tough going.

If the United States suffered an athletics recession during 1953 & 1954 then they have started the pre-Olympic season with a great boom.

Brightest track jewel was a great new world's 400 metres record by Manhattan's Lou Jones (see right) in 45.4 seconds. Thus goes Jamaica's George Rhoden's "unbeatable" 45.8s set in Sweden back in 1950. Jones previous best mark was his 46.7 for 440 yards set in coming second to Jim Lea (46.6y) last June in the A.A.U. title meeting at St. Louis; this mark was worth 46.4 for the metric event, so Jones can be said to have lopped a complete second off his personal best time. In his world record run, watched by 30,000, Jones ran himself right out à la Bannister.

The gem in the field events was Olympic Champion Ademair Ferreira da Silva's retention of his triple jump title in his last trial with a "fabulous" effort of 54 ft. 3¾ ins. (16.56) (Continued back page (p.128) col.1.)



The absence from the scene of athletes chosen to turn out for Uncle Sam in the second Pan-American Games at Mexico City (March 13th to March 19th) gave the U.S. Indoor Season an early climax at the A.A.U. Indoor Championships on February 19th. The repercussions were also felt with an unusually early start to the U.S. Outdoor season with 'try-out' meets at Los Angeles on three successive Saturdays in February.

The greatest ever edition of the A.A.U. Indoor Championships, held at New York's Madison Square Garden on February 19 before 12,500 fans brought forth one world indoor 'record' and many other sparkling performances. Lieut. Parry O'Brien, who is almost as unparalleled in his event now as was Warmerdam in the pole vault in the early 'forties', put the leather-covered 16 lbs. shot 59'5½" (18.12 metres). Two other world indoor 'records' were tied when Arnie Sowell, Woodruff's heir apparent, ran away from Audun Boysen of Norway to clock 2:08.2 for the 1,000 yards, and the bandy John Haines once more captured the 60 yard title in 6.1 secs. This latter mark is now shared by a score of sprinters (the lot includes such all-time greats as Owens, Metcalfe and Ewell) and only one week later, namely in Chicago on Feb. 26, it was once more equalled when Abe Butler of Balwin-Wallace College (Dillard's Alma Mater) did the trick on a flat clay track.

Here is a detailed review of the Eastern indoor campaign during February.

SPRINTS: Rod Richard continued to show good form with 6.2 sec. 60 yards wins in both the Millrose (Feb. 5th) and the N.Y.A.C. Games (Feb. 12), but at the National Championships he was beaten by John Haines of Penn in the above-mentioned 6.1 race. This was Haines' third consecutive victory in the A.A.U. Indoor Title meet. Art. Bragg was third and Andy Stanfield fourth.

Charlie Jenkins and Mal Whitfield have been the dominant figures over 500 and 600 yards. In February they met only once, in the 500 yard event of the N.Y.A.C. Games. The fleet Negro sophomore from Villanova College was recuperating from a virus infection and could do no better than fourth, while Whitfield won in 57.1 secs. "Marvellous Mal" was in turn thrown out of the picture by an attack of 'flu and was unable to defend his 600 yards title at the National Championships. (Continued on the back page (P.128))

DAVE STEPHENS RUNS 13:31.8 3 MILES From Joe Galli

The 24 year old "Flying Milkman" Dave Stephens at Melbourne on February 23 greatly revived Australia's newly won middle-distance running tradition with a scintillating 13:31.8 3 miles run barefoot on a grass track.

This mark which would have been hailed as a world record as recently as seven months ago hoisted Stephens to a meteoric fourth place on the world's all-time rankings behind on Vladimir Kuts of Russia (13:26.4); Chris Chataway of England (13:27.1) and Colonel Emil Zatopek (13:31.2).

STEPHENS PROGRESS AS A 3 MILER

14:48.6 Melbourne	31/ 1/1953	Stephens, who is just under 10 stone (140 lbs.) and 5ft. 7½ ins. tall, is the most relaxed runner imaginable and is greatly encouraged by his 18 year old wife Beverley who is tremendously keen.
14:35.0 Melbourne	14/ 2/1953	
14:21.4 Melbourne	28/11/1953	
14:12.4 Melbourne	13/11/1954	
14:05.8 Melbourne	29/ 1/1955	In this race he was up against Geoff Warren and Neil Robbins.
13:31.8 Melbourne	23/ 2/1955	

Dave went into the lead after only 250 yards of the first lap which occupied 70 secs. After that the race was a procession with Stephens drawing away lap by lap to win by nearly 400 yards. (Cont. back page Col. 2).



The "Flying Milkman" and his horse "Tich" on the job at Melbourne. Stephens personally drinks 3 pints of milk a day.

BRITISH RANKINGS 1954

In this third instalment of ATHLETICS WORLD'S fourth annual rankings we cover the hurdles events, the steeplechase and the four jumping events.

The lists are not intended to be an exhaustive summary of each ranked athlete's 1954 performances but a compilation which includes all their best and most significant marks.

400 METRES (& 440 YDS.) HURDLES

1951	1952	1953
1. Whittle	Gracie	Whittle
2. Scott	Scott	Gracie
3. Parker	Whittle	Hardy
4. Davis	Hardy	Scott
5. Gracie	Davis	Parker
6. Clephan	Parker	Kane

1st: HARRY KANE (b.24.v.1933)

56.0	1st	S.L.H. Trials	1/5
57.3	1st	Leyton Floodlit	5/5
56.5	1st	A.A.A.v. O.U.A.C.	6/5
54.8	1st	Middlesex Championships	22/5
55.0	1st	Sward Trophy	29/5
53.5m	1st	Cologne	30/5
53.3	1st	Inter Counties	5/6
53.7	1st	Glasgow Police	12/6
53.5	1st	Southern Champs.	19/6
53.4	1st	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
55.1	1st	Triangular International	17/7
53.3	2nd	Vancouver(55.3 ht.31/7)	3/8
52.5	2nd	British Games II	14/8
52.7m	3rd	Bern (heat)	26/8
56.0	1st	A.A.A. v. Combined Services	11/9
54.2	2nd	England v. Belgium	29/9
51.8	2nd	London v. Moscow	13/10

2nd: ROBERT DOUGLAS SHAW (b. 27.xii.1932)

54.8	1st	Welsh Championships	19/6
53.4	2nd	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
53.3	3rd	Vancouver(53.8 ht.31/7)	3/8
53.4m	1st	Bern (heat)	26/8
52.5m	2nd	Bern (semi-final)	28/8
52.3m	5th	Bern (final)	29/8
53.9	4th	London v. Moscow	13/10

3rd: DAVID KEIR GRACIE (b.26.i.1927)

56.5	1st	Caledonian Games	15/5
55.6	1st	Scottish Championships	26/6
53.7	3rd	A.A.A. Championships	10/7

4th: NEIL HARVEY DANGERFIELD (b.30.vii.1932)

56.0	2nd	A.A.A. v. U.L.A.C.	2/6
54.8	3rd	Inter Counties	5/8
54.7	2nd	Southern Championships	19/6
54.6	5th	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
56.7	2nd	Triangular International	17/7
53.9m	2nd	International Meeting	2/8
55.5	3rd	England v. Belgium	29/8

5th: ALEG JOHN HARDY (30.x.1929)

57.3	1st	Essex Championships	22/5
56.6	3rd	A.A.A. v. U.L.A.C.	2/6
54.2	2nd	Inter Counties	5/6
54.7	3rd	Southern Championships	19/6
57.6	3rd	A.A.A. (heat)	9/7

6th: THOMAS FARRELL (23.ix.1932)

56.0	2nd	U.A.U. Championships	14/5
56.4	1st	Lancashire Championships	22/5
56.8	4th	Inter Counties	5/6
56.2	1st	Loughborough v. Leeds	
55.5	1st	U.A.U.v. Scots Univs.	3/7

3,000 METRES STEEPLECHASE

1951	1952	1953
1. Disley	Disley	Disley
2. Brasher	Brasher	Ellis
3. Barratt	Johnson	Johnson
4. Howell	Ross	Brasher
5. Berry	Berry	Berry
6. Bromley	Morley	Bromley

(Puddicombe)

1st: JOHN IVOR DISLEY (b.20.xi.1928)

9:04.2	1st	Inter Counties	7/6
9:13.6	-	Bern (heat)(5th)	26/8
9:07.6	10th	Bern (final)	28/8
9:00.8	1st	London v. Moscow	13/10

(did not compete in A.A.A. (injured))

2nd: KENNETH EDWARD JOHNSON (b.14.x.1928)

9:09.8	2nd	British Games(Inter County)	7/6
9:00.8	1st	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
9:15.2	2nd	International Meeting	2/8
9:13.6	2nd	British Games II	14/8
9:17.6	8th	Bern(heat)(eliminated)	26/8
9:26.0	3rd	A.A.A. v. Combined Services	11/9

3rd: ERIC SHIRLEY (b.3.iv.1929)

9:17.0	2nd	Middlesex Championships	22/5
9:31.4	1st	Southern Championships	19/6
9:04.0	3rd	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
9:10.6	1st	International Meeting	2/8
9:06.4	1st	British Games II	14/8
9:26.0	2nd	A.A.A. v. Combined Services	11/9
9:15.2	3rd	London v. Moscow	13/10

4th: CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM BRASHER (b.21.8.1928)

9:06.6	4th	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
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5th: EDWARD L. HARDY

9:18.0	4th	Inter Counties	7/6
9:17.0	1st	N.C.A.A.	19/6
9:10.2	5th	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
9:16.4	3rd	International Meeting	2/8
9:15.8	3rd	British Games II	14/8
9:25.8	1st	A.A.A.v. Combined Services	11/9

6th: EDWARD GEORGE ELLIS (b.4.iii.1931)

9:14.0	1st	Middlesex Championships	22/5
9:17.0	3rd	Inter Counties	7/6

(severely injured)

9:27.6 3rd Triangular International 17/7

HIGH JUMP

1951	1952	1953
1. Paterson	Pavitt	Cox
2. Pavitt	Wells	Wells
3. Gregor	Paterson	Brinson
4. Leader	Cox	Gregor
5. Freeman	Button	Cunningham
6. Ramsay	Gregor	Button

1st: PETER WELLS (eligible for G.B. only in Olympic Games)(b.23.v.1929)

6' 3 ³ / ₄	1st	Christchurch,N.Z.	9/1
6' 4 ³ / ₄	1st	Christchurch,N.Z.	16/1
6' 6 ³ / ₄	1st	Christchurch,N.Z.	23/1
6' 3"	1st	Christchurch,N.Z.	6/2
6' 5 ¹ / ₂	1st	Canterbury,N.Z.	20/2
6' 6"	1st	Auckland,N.Z.	27/11
6' 7 ¹ / ₂	1st	Papakura,N.Z.	11/12

2nd: DEREK RICHARD JOHN COX (b.12.x.1931)

6' 1"	1st	Inter Counties	7/6
6' 3"	1st	Southern Championships	19/6
6' 4"	1st	International Meet,Dublin	3/7
6' 2"	2nd	Triangular International	17/7
6' 2"	7th	Vancouver	31/7
6' 2"	3rd	Edinburgh Games (sodden)	21/8
6' 0"	3rd	England v. Belgium	29/9

(Indoors 6'2³/₄ 2nd Paris 16/1)

3rd: WILLIAM PIPER

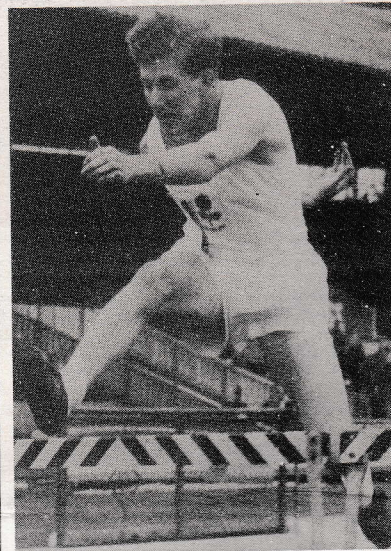
5'11"	2nd	Scottish Championships	26/6
6' 0"	1st	S.A.A.A. v. Atalanta	6/7
6' 1"	1st	Aberdeen Corporation Sports	20/7
6' 2"	1st	National Police Champs	31/7
6' 2"	3rd	Glasgow Rangers Sports	7/8
6' 3"	1st	Cowal Games	27/8
6' 1"	2nd	European Police Champs.	/9

4th: NORMAN GEORGE ALLAN GREGOR (b.15.iii.1923)

6'2"	1st	Maidstone	12/5
6' 0"	1st	Kent Championships	22/5
6' 0"	1st	Sheffield Sports	5/6
5'11"	5th	Inter Counties	7/6
6' 0"	1st	International Meeting	2/8
6' 0"	1st	A.A.A. v. Combined Services	11/9

5th: PAUL GODWIN STABLEFORTH (7.v.1934)

6' 0"	3rd	U.L.A.C. v. Paris Univ.	1/5
6' 1"	1st	U.L.A.C. Championships	8/5
6' 1"	1st	U.A.U. Championships	14/5



Action Photo by H. W. Neale
Neil Dangerfield of St.Albans, who makes his first appearance in the top six rankings with 53.9 for 400 m. hurdles.

6' 0"	2nd	U.L.A.C.v. O.U.A.C.	20/5
6' 0"	4th	Inter Counties	7/6
6' 1"	1st	Motspur Park	12/6
6' 0"	1st	Walton	5/7
6' 0"	2nd	City Charities	8/9
6' 0"	2nd	A.A.A. v. Combined Service	11/9

6th: RONALD CECIL PAVITT (15.ix.1926)

6' 2"	1st	Imber Court	8/5
6' 0"	1st	Middlesex Championship	22/5
6' 0"	1st	A.A.A. v. U.L.A.C.	2/6

POLE VAULT

1. Gregor	Elliott	Elliott
2. Anderson	Anderson	Gregor
3. Elliott	Gregor	Ward
4. Broad	Calladine	Calladine
5. Dear	Ward	Anderson
6. Petitjean	Howland	Schmidt

1st: GEOFFREY MICHAEL ELLIOTT (b.7.iv.'31)

13' 4"	1st	Motspur Park	1/5
13'4 ¹ / ₂	1st	A.A.A. v. Wales	8/5
13' 0"	1st	Essex Championships	22/5
13' 0"	1st	British Games	5/6
13' 6"	1st	Wealdstone	5/6
14' 0 ³ / ₄	1st	Glasgow Police Meeting	12/6
13' 6"	1st	R.A.F.Fighter Command	19/6
13' 5"	1st	Swansea Corporation	3/7
13' 6"	1st	A.A.A. Championships	10/7
13' 6"	2nd	Triangular International	17/7
14' 0"	1st	Wealdstone	21/7
14' 0"	1st	Vancouver	7/8
13' 6"	2nd	British Games	14/8
14' 1 ¹ / ₂	3rd	Bern	28/8
13'11 ¹ / ₄	1st	Combined Service v.AAA	11/9
13'11 ¹ / ₂	1st	England v. Belgium	29/9
14' 0"	1st	London v. Moscow	13/10
13' 6"	1st	N.C.A.A. v. Russians	16/10

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DUNKLEY 14:46.8, PHAROAH 159'1"

Good javelin-throwing and a 5,000 m. debut by 19 year old Roger Dunkley in 14:46.8 were features of the L.A.C. Winter Meeting at Hurlingham, London on March 19th.
Summary: 100m. MJ Ruddy 11.1; 800m. NA Lloyd 1:57.9; 5,000m. R Dunkley 14:46.8; HJ C Van Dyck; +PV R Hayden 11'0"; LJ D Bridgen 21'5¹/₂"
HBJ FC Luxon 45'7³/₄"; SP M Pharaoh 44'8"; DT M Pharaoh 159'1"; JT RAC Davies 209'5" and RDW Miller 206'0". + (5'10")

Survey of 880y/800m Running

MASSIVE UNITED STATES DOMINANCE

by Ross McWhirter.

This month we descend from the longer distances to the two lap event for a survey. The United States came out 3rd in our examination of the mile/1,500 metres (p.101) and nowhere in the studies of the 5,000m/3 miles (p.107) or the 10,000m/6 miles (p.115) events. Here the United States comes right back into her own as the world's leading power with a crushing dominance.

My standards for world class in this event is 1 min.51.0secs. for the full half mile (half-milers are underlined) or its equivalent 1:50.3 for the 800 metres. The choice was dictated by the desire to examine the composition of, as nearly as possible, the top hundred performers of all-time.

After the 1948 Olympic Games season the all-time list shows only 40 of what we define as "world class" runners but no less than 11 countries contribute them. The position was as follows :-

U.S.A.	22	Woodruff, Moore, Burrows, Cunningham, Perkins, Beetham, Rosenkrantz, <u>Fulton*</u> , <u>Robinson</u> , <u>Eastman</u> , <u>Kane</u> , <u>Hornbostel</u> , <u>Bush</u> , <u>Borck</u> , Lyda, <u>Clifford</u> , <u>Dianetti</u> , <u>Palmason</u> , <u>Kehoe</u> , <u>Church</u> , <u>Whitfield</u> , <u>Barten</u> .
SWEDEN	6	Liljekvist, Gustafsson, Bengtsson, Malmberg, Ljunggren, Linden
GERMANY	2	Harbig, Brandscheit
GREAT BRITAIN	2	Wooderson, Hampson
DENMARK	2	Holst-Sorensen, Bergsten
New Zealand	1	<u>Harris</u>
Italy	1	Lanzi
Finland	1	Storskrubb
France	1	Hansenne
Canada	1	Wilson
Jamaica	1	Wint

During the next four seasons 1949, 1950, 1951 & 1952 three new countries contribute. The situation at the end of the Helsinki Olympic season was as follows :-

Additions since 1948

U.S.A.	29 +	Browne, <u>Gehrmann</u> , Chambers, <u>Pruitt</u> , Barnes, McMillen, Cryer
SWEDEN	8 +	Aberg, Wolfbrandt
GERMANY	6 +	Cleve, Ulzheimer, Steines, Dohrow
GREAT BRITAIN	3 +	Webster
DENMARK	3 +	Nielsen
FRANCE	2 +	El Mabrouk
New Zealand	1 -	Jamaica 1 -
Italy	1 -	Norway 1 = Boysen
Finland	1 -	Czechoslovakia 1 = Jungwirth
Canada	1 -	Hungary 1 = Bakos

Thus 40 increases to 59. The United States increases her margin of superiority. The Germans find no less than four new men and seem all set to overtake Sweden for second place. Denmark does well to find a third "world class" man.

The current order half way between Helsinki and Melbourne shows the awakening of U.S.S.R. and the vigorous arrival of Belgium.

Additions since 1952

UNITED STATES	39 +	Santee, <u>Stanley</u> , <u>Butler</u> , Pearman, Wilson, <u>Seaman</u> , <u>Sowell</u> , <u>Courtney</u> , <u>Tidwell</u> , <u>Spurrier</u> @.
GERMANY	11 +	Stracke, Lueg, Lawrenz, Lamers, Brenner.
SWEDEN	9 +	Ekfeldt
GREAT BRITAIN	6 +	<u>Bannister</u> , Johnson, Hewson
BELGIUM	3 =	Moens, De Muynck, Leva
DENMARK	3 -	
HUNGARY	3 +	Barkanyi, Szentgali
France	2 -	
Finland	2 +	Kontio
U.S.S.R.	2 =	Ivakin, Ageyev
New Zealand	1 -	Czechoslovakia 1 -
Italy	1 -	Eire 1 = Delaney
Canada	1 -	Australia 1 = Macmillan
Jamaica	1 -	@ = performance made in 1955
Norway	1 -	

The total at the end of 1954 increases to 87 and the countries mount to 18, with Belgium, U.S.S.R., Eire and Australia the newcomers. The United States increase their lead over the "also rans" from a margin of 21 to 28. Germany instead of Sweden fills second place. (Continued and concluded in next column) AVERAGE OF TOP 10 1:48.8

The Price of a 45.4s 400m!



Lou Jones ran himself to the point of collapse to recapture for the United States the world's 400 metres record which has been Jamaican property since 1948.

This dramatic picture shows tow haired Jesse Mashburn (U.S.), who placed third (lane 5) in a time variously reported as 46.0 and 46.9, turning to help his prostrate colleague (lane 4) in the giant two-tier University Stadium at Mexico City, the 7,415 ft above sea-level venue of the 2nd Pan-American Games.

Louis Jones III, 22 is a Private in the U.S. Army and stands 6 ft. and weighs 11 stone 11 lbs. He left Manhattan University last June as a marketing major in business administration. His home is New Rochelle, N.Y. Jones' coach George Eastment commented "I'm numb, numb with joy". Mr & Mrs Jones said "We're elated". Well done!

The amazing relative wealth of half milers in the U.S.A. compared with their 3rd world place in the mile and poor showing at longer distances demands explanation. It is probably accounted for by two main factors :- 1) College men can more nearly approach their peak before retirement. 2) The climatic conditions are far more conducive to the shorter distances.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (1st)				GERMANY (2nd)			
Whitfield	1:47.9	1953	Harbig	1:46.6	1939		
Santee	1:48.4	1953	Steines	1:49.5	1952		
Woodruff	1:48.6	1940	Dohrow	1:49.6	1952		
Stanley	1:48.7	+ 1953	Stracke	1:49.6	1954		
Fulton	1:48.8	+ 1947	Ulzheimer	1:49.7	1952		
Robinson	1:48.9	+ 1937	Lueg	1:49.7	1954		
Moore	1:49.0	1940	Lawrenz	1:49.9	1954		
Eastman	1:49.1	+ 1934	Cleve	1:50.0	1951		
Burrows	1:49.2	1940	Lamers	1:50.2	1954		
Kane	1:49.2	1940	Brandscheit	1:50.3	1939		
Seaman	1:49.2	+ 1954	Brenner	1:50.3	1954		
AVERAGE OF TOP 10 1:48.8				1:49.5			
SWEDEN (3rd)				GREAT BRITAIN (4th)			
Ekfeldt	1:49.0	1953	Johnson	1:47.4	1954		
Liljekvist	1:49.2	1943	Wooderson	1:48.4	1938		
Aberg	1:49.3	1953	Hampson	1:49.7	1932		
Bengtsson	1:49.4	1948	Bannister	1:50.0	+ 1953		
Gustafsson	1:50.0	1946	Webster	1:50.1	1952		
Wolfbrandt	1:50.0	1952	Hewson	1:50.2	1954		
Malmberg	1:50.1	1944	Parlett	1:50.5	1950		
Ljunggren	1:50.1	1944	Powell	1:50.8	1938		
Linden	1:50.1	1951	Henderson	1:50.9	+ 1954		
Ny	1:50.4	1934	Lowe	1:51.2	1928		
Ring	1:50.4	1952	Boyd	1:51.2	+ 1954		
			Aylett	1:51.2	1954		
				1:49.9			

British Empire & Commonwealth Records

British Empire & Commonwealth Records are only recognised for English distances (except the two metric events of the 3,000 m. Steeplechase and the women's 80 m. Hurdles) on the World's record schedule. Records can only be approved, if made by athletes eligible to compete in a celebration of the British Empire & Commonwealth Games; if approved by the governing body for athletics in some part of the territory of the British Empire & Commonwealth; and if the conditions were the same as those required by the I.A.A.F. for the passing of a world's record. Note:- The more recent marks on this list have yet to be ratified by the British Empire & Commonwealth Games Federation. (For previous compilation see "ATHLETICS WORLD" Volume 1 No.16 June 1953 p.5.)

RUNNING

100 yards	9.3	Hector D.Hogan (Australia)	Sydney, Australia	March 13 1954
220 yards (turn)	21.0	Herbert H.McKenley (Jamaica)	Sydney, Australia	Jan. 22 1949
440 yards	47.0	Denis V.Shore (South Africa)	Krugersdorp, S.A.	Dec. 10 1938
880 yards	1m49.2	Sydney C.Wooderson (England)	Motspur Park, Surrey, Eng.	Aug. 20 1938
1 Mile	3m58.8	Roger G.Bannister (England)	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	Aug. 7 1954
2 Miles	8m41.0	Christopher J.Chataway (England)	White City, London, Eng.	June 7 1954
3 Miles	13m27.2	Christopher J.Chataway (England)	White City, London, Eng.	Oct. 13 1954
6 Miles	28m19.4	D.A.Gordon Pirie (England)	White City, London, Eng.	July 10 1953
10 Miles	50m11.0	Ian Binnie (Scotland)	Dunoon, Scotland	Aug. 28 1953
15 Miles	1h19m19.4	John W.Stone (England)	Walton-on-Thames, Eng.	Oct. 23 1954
One Hour	11 m.1,575y	Ian Binnie (Scotland)	Dunoon, Scotland	Aug. 28 1954

RELAYS

4 x 110 yds.	41.3	Great Britain & Northern Ireland (E.McDonald Bailey, J.A.Gregory, A.W.Lillington, B.Shenton)	White City, London, Eng.	July 5 1952
	41.3	Canadian Team (D.McFarlane, D.Stonehouse, H.Nelson, B.Springbett)	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	Aug. 7 1954
	41.3	Nigerian Team (E.A.Adjado, K.A.B.Olowu, A.K.O.Amu, M.A.Arogundade)	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	Aug. 7 1954
4 x 220 yds	1m27.1	University of Western Ontario (D.C.McFarlane, J.C.Parry, W.D.LaRochelle, R.M.McFarlane)	London, Ontario, Canada	May 29 1947
4 x 440 yds	3m09.2	Jamaican Team (A.S.Wint, L.A.Laing, V.G.Rhoden, H.H.McKenley)	White City, London, Eng.	Aug. 9 1952
4 x 880 yds	7m30.6	Great Britain & Northern Ireland (G.W.Nankeville, A.Webster, F.Evans, H.J.Parlett)	White City, London, Eng.	Sept. 26 1951
4 x 1 mile	16m41.0	Great Britain & Northern Ireland (C.J.Chataway, G.W.Nankeville, D.C.Seaman, R.G.Bannister)	White City, London, Eng.	Aug. 1 1953

WALKING

2 Miles	13m11.4	George E.Larner (England)	Manchester, England	July 13 1904
5 Miles	35m15.0	Roland Hardy (England)	White City, London, Eng.	May 31 1952
7 Miles	49m28.6	Roland Hardy (England)	White City, London, Eng.	May 31 1952
10 Miles	1h14m30.6	Frederick J.Redman (England)	White City, London, Eng.	May 26 1934
15 Miles	1h56m41.4	Robert Bridge (England)	Stamford Bridge, London, Eng.	May 2 1914
20 Miles	2h46m10.0	George T.Galloway (England)	White City, London, Eng.	May 26 1934
30 Miles	4h29m31.8	Harold H.Whitlock (England)	White City, London, Eng.	Oct. 5 1935
One Hour	8m.474y	Alfred H.G.Pope (England)	White City, London, Eng.	Aug. 31 1932
Two Hour	15m.701y	Robert Bridge (England)	Stamford Bridge, London, Eng.	May 2 1914

HURDLING & STEEPLECHASE

120 yds H.	14.0	Ray H.Weinberg (Australia)	Melbourne, Australia	Feb. 9 1952
220 yds H.(turn)	23.1	Geoffrey C.Goodacre (Australia)	Sydney, Australia	Jan. 1955
440 yds H.	51.8	Harry Kane (England)	White City, London, Eng.	Oct. 23 1954
3,000 m. S/C	9m00.8	Kenneth E.Johnson (England)	White City, London, Eng.	July 10 1954
	9m00.8	John I.Disley (Wales)	White City, London, Eng.	Oct. 23 1954

FIELD EVENTS

High Jump	6' 8"	Emmanuel A.Ifeajuna (Nigeria)	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	July 31 1954
Pole Vault	14' 0"	Geoffrey M.Elliott (England)	Glasgow, Scotland	June 12 1954
	14' 0"	Geoffrey M.Elliott (England)	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	Aug. 7 1954
	14' 0"	Geoffrey M.Elliott (England)	White City, London, Eng.	Oct. 13 1954
Long Jump	25' 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Neville G.Price (South Africa)	Pretoria, South Africa	March 11 1950
Hop, Step & Jump	51' 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	John P.Metcalf (Australia)	Sydney, Australia	Dec. 14 1935
Shot Putt	55' 2"	John A.Savidge (England)	Cardiff, Wales	May 8 1954
Discus	171' 6"	G.Roy Pella (Canada)	Windsor, Ontario, Canada	May 14 1954
Hammer	193' 3"	Mohamad Iqbal (Pakistan)	White City, London, Eng.	Aug. 14 1954
Javelin	224' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	John D.Achurch (Australia)	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	Aug. 5 1954

DECATHLON

5,975 points	Peter M.Mullins (Australia)	Hastings/Napier N.Z.	Jan. 2/3 1948
(1st day: 100m. 11.0-Long Jump 21'2"-Shot Putt 43'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-High Jump 5'10"-400m 53.8			
2nd day: 110m Hurdles 15.2-Discus 107'11"-Pole Vault 12'0 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-Javelin 160'3"-1,500m 5m15.0)			

Note:- Several British Empire & Commonwealth athletes have exceeded the above records but the marks have either not been achieved on British Commonwealth territory or were disallowed for technical reasons.

220y(turn) 20.9 H.H.McKenley Glasgow 2.8.52-track banked. 440y 46.0 H.H.McKenley 5.6.48. at Berkeley, Calif U.S.A. 46.8 V.G.Rhoden Glasgow 2.8.52-handicap race. One Mile 3:58.0 J.M. Landy (Australia) 21.6.54. at Turku, Finland. Pole Vault 14'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " G.M.Elliott 28.8.54 at Bern. Long Jump Marks superior to the record have been achieved by C.C.F.-O. Thompson (British Guiana) but never ratified (see p.38.) H.D.Hogan's 25'1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " leap at Brisbane on 14.11.53 was in an extra trial. 3,000 m Steeplechase 8:51.8 J.I.Disley 25.7.52 at Helsinki.



Action Photo by H. W. Neale
Harry Kane, 21 440y Hurdler.

WOMEN'S RECORDS

100 YARDS	10.4	Marjorie Jackson (Australia)	Sydney, Australia	Mar. 8 1952
220 YARDS	24.0	Marjorie Jackson-Nelson (Australia)	Sydney, Australia	Feb. 20 1954
	24.0	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	Aug. 5 1954	
440 YARDS	56.6	Pamela Bryant (Australia)	Perth, Western Australia	Feb. 28 1954
	56.6	Diane S.Leather (England)	London, England	Aug. 21 1954
880 YARDS	2m09.0	Diane S.Leather (England)	London, England	June 19 1954
4 x 110 yards Relay	46.3	Shirley B.Strickland (Australia)	Vermont Johnson (National Team)	
	46.3	Marjorie Jackson (England)	London, England	Aug. 4 1952
4 x 220 yards Relay	1m39.9	Anne Pashley (Great Britain)	Jean Newbould (Northern Ireland)	
	1m39.9	Ann E.Johnson (Australia)	London, England	Sept. 30 1953
3 x 880 yards Relay	6m46.0	Diane S.Leather (Great Britain)	I. Anne E.Oliver (Northern Ireland)	
	6m46.0	Nora R.Smailey (Ireland)	London, England	July 17 1954
80 METRES HURDLES	11.1	Shirley B.Strickland-de la Hunty (A)	---	1955
HIGH JUMP	5' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Sheila Lerwill (England)	London, England	July 7 1951
LONG JUMP	20' 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Yvette W.Williams (New Zealand)	Gisborne, New Zealand	Feb. 20 1954
SHOT PUTT	45' 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Yvette W.Williams (New Zealand)	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	July 31 1954
DISCUS THROW	151' 6"	Yvette W.Williams (New Zealand)	Gisborne, New Zealand	Jan. 9 1954
JAVELIN THROW	153'11"	Magdalena C.Swanepoel (South Africa)	Johannesburg, S.A.	Jan. 15 1955

FULL PAN - AMERICAN RESULTS

100 METRES. Final (14/3) Semi-Finals (14/3) Heats (13/3) Rec.10.6
 1.Rod Richard (U.S.A.) 10.3 4.Keith Gardner (Trinidad) 10.5
 2.Mike Agostini (Trinidad) 10.4 5.Rafael Fortún (Cuba) 10.6
 3.Willie Williams (U.S.A.) 10.4 6.Dean Smith (U.S.A.) (lame)
 Semi-finals 1st Smith 10.4; 2nd Williams 10.3, Agostini 10.3;
 3rd Richard 10.3. Harry Nelson (Canada) won his heat
 in 10.7

200 METRES. Final (16/3) Semi-Finals (15/3) Heats (15/3) Rec.21.3
 1.Rod Richard (U.S.A.) 20.7 3-Mike Agostini (Trinidad) 21.4
 2.Charlie Thomas (U.S.A.) 21.3 5.Bruce Springbett(Canada) -
 3-José T.da Conceição(Braz)21.4 6.Pitzroy Bates (Trinidad) -
 Semi-finals 1st da Conceição 20.8, Thomas 21.2 or 21.4; 2nd Bates
 21.6, Springbett 21.9; 3rd Richard 20.9, Agostini 21.3, Gerardo
 Böhnhoff (Argentine) 21.3; Apolinar Solorzano (Venezuela) 21.4.
 Williams withdrew after the first round.

400 METRES. Final (18/3) Semi-Finals (17/3) Heats (17/3) Rec.47.8
 1.Lou Jones (U.S.A.) 45.4 4.Francisco Rivera (P.Rico) 48.2
 2.Jim Lea (U.S.A.) 45.6 5.Spencer (Jamaica) 48.2
 3.J.W.Mashburn (U.S.A.) 46.0 6.Theibert (Venezuela) -
 Semi-finals 1st Jones 46.9, Lea 47.6, Theibert 47.8, Allan S. Moore
 (Jamaica) 48.2 2nd Mashburn 47.4, Rivera 47.8, Spencer 48.0, Revell
 (Canada) 48.0. Heats Spencer 47.8n.

800 METRES. Final (15/3) Heats (13/3) Record 1m53.2
 1.Arnold Sowell (U.S.A.) 1m49.7 4.Mal Whitfield (U.S.A.) 1m52.5
 2.Ion Spurrier (U.S.A.) 1m50.0 5.Juan Miranda (Argentine) 1m53.6
 3.Ramón Sandoval (Chile) 1m52.4 6.Argemiro Roque (Brazil) 1m53.8
 In Heat III Miranda did 1:53.0.

1,500 METRES. Final (19/3) Heats (17/7) Record 4m00.4
 1.Juan Miranda (Argentine) 3m53.2 4.Robert McMillen (U.S.A.) 4m04.4
 2.Wes Santee (U.S.A.) 3m53.2 5.G.Solá (Chile) 4m06.4
 3.Fred Dwyer (U.S.A.) 3m55.8 6.Filemón Comacho (Venez.) 4m08.0
 5,000 METRES. Final (15/3) Heats (14/3) Record 14m57.2
 1.Osvaldo Suárez (Argentine) 15m30.6; 2.Horace Ashenfelter (U.S.A.)
 15m31.4; 3.Jaime Correa (Chile) 15m39.2.

10,000 METRES. Final (13/3) Record 31m08.6
 1.Osvaldo Suárez (Argentine) 32m42.6; 2.Sanchez (Mexico) 33m00.4;
 3.Jaime Correa (Chile) 33m42.6

4 x 100 METRES RELAY. Final (19/3) Heats (18/3) Record 41.0
 1.United States 40.7 4.Argentina 41.9
 2.Venezuela 41.2 5.Canada 42.2
 3.Mexico 41.5 6.Dominica 42.4

The United States team was:-Williams, John Bennett, Thomas, Richard)
4 x 400 METRES RELAY. (19/3) Heats (18/3) Record 2m09.9
 1.United States 3m07.2 4.Puerto Rico 3m16.2
 2.Jamaica 3m12.5 5.Brazil 3m16.4
 3.Venezuela 3m15.5 6.Columbia 3m19.8

The United States team was:-Mashburn, Spurrier, Lea, Jones)
MARATHON. (19/3) Record 2H35m00.2
 1.Doroteo Flores (Guatemala) 2H59m09.2 4.Ramirez (Mexico) 3H10m14.2
 2.Rodriguez (Mexico) 3H02m25.6 5.Barry Lush(Can.) 3H17m25.6
 3.Velazquez (Guatemala) 3H05m25.6 6.Geo.Norman(Can.) 3H45m40.0

110 METRES HURDLES. Final (17/3) Heats (16/3) Record 14.0
 1.Jack Davis (U.S.A.) 14.3 4.Samuel Anderson (Cuba) -
 2.Keith Gardner (Jamaica) 14.7 5.Teofilo Davis Bell (Venezuela)-
 3.Lgiasias (Cuba) 14.7 -.

Heat I Gardner 14.3, Anderson 14.5, Bell 15.1. Heat II Davis 13.7w
400 METRES HURDLES. Final (14/3) S/Final & Heats (13/3) Rec.53.4
 1.Josh Culbreath (U.S.A.) 51.5 4.Amadeo Francis (Puerto Rico) -
 2.Jaime Aparicio (Columbia) 51.8 5.Juan Leiva (Venezuela) -
 3.Wilson Gomez C. (Brazil) 53.0 6.Miguel Mendez (Mexico) -

3,000 METRES STEEPLECHASE. Final (18/3) Heats (16/3) Record 9m32.0
 1. G.Solá (Chile) 9m46.8 3.Galicia (Mexico) 9m54.9
 2. Novas (Chile) 9m50.4 4.Edgard Mitt (Brazil) 10m06.4
 5th in 10:14.0 was a Mexican called GOMEZ. Could it be he ?!!

HIGH JUMP. (13/3) Previous Record 1.95 (6'4 1/2")
 1.Ernie Shelton (USA) 2m01 6'7 1/2" 3.José T.da Conceicao (B) 1m91 6' 3 1/2"
 2.Herman Wyatt (USA) 2m01 6'7 1/2" 4. Iagos (Chile) 1m89 6' 2 1/2"

POLE VAULT. (15/3) Record 4.50
 1.Bob Richards (USA) 4m50 14' 9 1/4" 4. De Souza (Brazil) 4m00 13' 1 1/4"
 2.Bob Smith (USA) 4m30 14' 1 1/4" 5. Aguilera (Mexico) 3m90 12' 9 1/2"
 3.Don Iaz (U.S.A.) 4m30 14' 1 1/4"

LONG JUMP. (14/3) Previous Record 7.14 (23' 5 1/4")
 1.Rosslyn Range (USA) 8m03 26' 4 1/4" 4.Carlos Vera (Chile) 7m49 24' 6 1/4"
 2.John Bennett (USA) 8m01 26' 3 3/8" 5.Aldo Zuccolillo (Pary) 7m39 24' 3"
 3.Ary F.de Sá (Braz.) 7m64 25' 0 1/2" 6.Cabrejas (Cuba) 7m30 23' 11 1/2"

In the qualifying Fernin Walter Donazar (Urg.) did 7m15 23' 5 1/2"
HOP, STEP & JUMP. (16/3) Previous Record 15.19 (49' 10")
 1.A.F.da Silva (Braz) 15m56 54' 3 1/2" 3.Hernandez (Cuba) 15m60 51' 2 1/2"
 2.Arn.Devonish (Ven) 15m13 52' 11 1/2" 4.Cabrejas (Cuba) 15m30 50' 2 1/2"

SHOT PUT. (14/3) Previous Record 17.25 (56' 7 1/2")
 1.Parry O'Brien (US) 17m59 57' 8 1/2" 2.Fortune Gordien (USA) 15m98 52' 5 1/2"

ENGLAND & SANDO TRIUMPH

For England victory came in the 42nd International Cross Country race as if it were a habit. They paraded six in the first 8, scoring 27 pts. to Belgium's 102, Spain's 109 and France's 116 pts, for the most overwhelming win since that at Brussels in 1932.

A record crowd of 35,000 packed the sun-drenched Lasarte race-course outside San Sebastian for the 4.35 p.m. start. Seventy men of 8 countries lined up for the flat fast 8 1/2 mile grind.

The first 1,000m. was covered in a tearaway 2:49 with the white-vested Ranger and Foord providing the impulse and edging Ken Caulder (E), Ian Binnie, the Empire 10 mile record-holder from Scotland, the red-haired 1950 victor Lucien Theys (Belgium) and the game swarthy Allal, France's leading North African. Sando was a stealthy 100 yards astern.

After 4,000 metres Ranger and Allal had a 25 yard gap on Theys who was being tailed by the English phalanx Norris, Caulder, Sando, Foord, Maynard and Hardy. At the half-way mark Sando glided into the lead and having detached himself began to recede from the toiling wake in the manner peculiar to the bed-ridden Gordon Pirie. In the closing stages only Theys and the two Spaniards Amoros and Garcia broke the 'thin white line'. Hugh Foord, 25 outkicked the influenza-smitten Ken Norris for second with Theys fourth and Amoros receiving an ovation for his fine fifth place ahead of the clinching trio Ranger, Hardy and Maynard. Some idea of the pace can be gained from the fact that Sando passed the 10,000m. mark in 32:29.0.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

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| 1. SANDO (E) 46:09 | 11. RHODES (E) |
| 2. FOORD (E) 46:33 | 14. BARIAS (Por) |
| 3. NORRIS (E) 46:35 | 15. HERMAN (Bel) |
| 4. THEYS (Bel) 46:41 | 20. CAULDER (E) |
| 5. AMOROS (Sp) 46:48 | 27. BOAK (E) |
| 6. RANGER (E) 46:54 | 31. RICHARDS (W) |
| 7. HARDY (E) 46:55 | 33. MORGAN (W) |
| 8. MAYNARD (E) 46:56 | 35. BANNON (Sc) |
| 9. BENAÏSSA (Fr) 46:57 | 36. O'GORMAN (I) |
| 10. GARCIA (Sp) 46:59 | 37. DISLEY (W) |
- Team: ENGLAND (1+2+3+6+7+8) 27 pts.
 BELGIUM (4+12+15+16+26+29+) 102 pts.
 SPAIN (5+10+21+22+23+28) 109 pts.
 FRANCE (9+13+17+19+24+34) 116 pts.

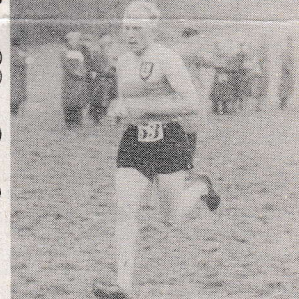


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PIRIE'S HAT-TRICK

Cardington, Bedfordshire March 5, HUGH FOORD, 25, the 29:10.0 6miler. Gordon Pirie repeated his successes of Reading (1953) and Birkenhead (1954) to become the sixth man in the 78 year history of the 'National' cross-country race to win more than twice by being the first among 462 finishers over this flat but squelching nine mile course. Pirie's club, South London Harriers, swept the team title not only for this race but also for the Junior (6 mile) and Youths (3 mile) events in a unique 'triple'.

Apart from a daring but unavailing challenge at 3 1/2 miles by the Rotherham runner Kirkup, Pirie's only molestation came from spectators who strayed onto the ill-marked course. At 6 1/2 miles he lost a shoe and discarded the other. Nearly 180 yards behind the 'Barefoot Count' Pat Ranger put in a rousing finish to down Ken Norris for second place with Hardy, Maynard, Sando and Bill Boak finishing in a tangle. George Rhodes, a 26 year old road haulier, pulled in for 8th ahead of Foord (see above) and the 1954 Junior Champion Ken Caulder (10th). South London's second man was Peter Pirie, 3mins. behind his brother's 51mins.44 secs., and their score 180 pts. to Birchfield's 243 and Bolton United's 291 pts.

The Junior event was won by 100 yards by J. McLaren (Scotland), who only has the use of one arm, from the steeplechaser R.G. Beecroft in 35:18. The Youth race was easy meat for A. Cocking in 17:42. The massive entries easily constituted the largest ever fields.

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| 3. Martin Engle (USA) 14m62 47' 11 1/2" | 4. John Pavelich (Can.) 14m24 46' 8 1/2" |
| DISCUS THROW. (15/3) Previous Record 48.91 (160' 5 1/8") | |
| 1. Fort. Gordien (USA) 53m10 174' 2 1/2" | 3. Herman Haddad (Ca) 47m14 154' 7 1/2" |
| 2. Parry O'Brien (US) 51m07 167' 6 1/2" | 4. Pedro Ucke (Arg.) 42m99 141' 0 1/2" |
| HAMMER THROW. (16/3) Previous Record 48.04 (157' 7 1/8") | |
| 1. Bob Backus (U.S.A.) 54m91 180' 1 1/2" | 3. Elbio Porta (Arg.) 51.45 168' 9 1/2" |
| 2. Martin Engle (US) 53m36 175' 0 1/2" | 4. Diaz (Chile) 50.56 165' 10 1/2" |
| JAVELIN THROW. (17/3) Previous Record 68.08 (223' 4 1/4") | |
| 1. Bud Held (U.S.A.) 69m77 228' 10 1/2" | 3. Reinaldo Oliver (PR) 65m56 215' 1 1/2" |
| 2. Ricardo Heber (Arg) 66m15 217' 0 1/2" | 4. Fajer (Mexico) 61m84 202' 10 1/2" |
| DECATHLON. (18/19-3) Previous Record 6,610 pts. (1934) | |
| 1. Rafer Johnson (U.S.A.) 6,994 pts. (10.8; 7m19; 13m43; 1m39; 50.9/14.9; 43m82; 3m70; 53m58; 5m47.5) | 2. Bob Richards (U.S.A.) 6,886 points. (P.V. 4.50 equalling own 1951 and 1954 record for Games. Did not run 1,500m) |
| 3. Figueras (Chile) 5,740 pts. | |

Meeting records were established in all events except the 5,000m; 10,000m; Marathon; and 3,000m S/C, while the Pole Vault record was equalled. The only previous Pan-American Games were held at Buenos Aires.

News from Far and Wide

U.S.S.R.

Most of the Russian winter meets have been held outdoors. In the Army Championships at Ashkhabad, the capital of Turkmenistan, early in February, Vyacheslav Bogatov ran 110 m. hurdles in 14.4 s., a time bettered so far by only 6 Europeans. Second in this race was Yuriy Lituyev (14.6s). Bogatov also ran 100 metres in 10.9 over this distance Igor Sukhorukov defeated a good field with marks of 10.5 and 10.6, with U.S.S.R. champion Viktor Ryabov showing 10.6 in the final for second place.

Anton Tyerkel hop, step and jumped 49'10" indoors in one of the many meets held at Kiev. Best of the hammer throwers (in the absence of Krivonosov and Nyenashev) is so far F. Tkachev, who threw 187'11" at Kiev. Four Russians :- V. Sitkin, K. Dombrovskiy, I. Koshkarov, and the lanky Eastern cut-off stylist Yu. Stepanov - have cleared 6'4" in the high jump, which probably precludes the fall of the national record of 6'6" set by Yuriy Ilyasov back in 1948.

SOUTH AMERICA.

Two South American "bests" went by the board when athletes from the sub-continent put finishing touches to their preparation for the Pan-American Games. Osvaldo R. Suarez of Argentine ran the 10,000 metres in 30:30.0 in a solo race which curiously enough took place in the forenoon. The best competitive mark by a South American is the 30:36.8 by Raul Ibarra, another Argentine runner, set in 1940. Juan Doroteo Miranda, also of Argentine, ran 1,500 metres in 3:53.8 for a record performance, removing from the books the 3:54.4 mark set by Chile's Guillermo Garcia Huidobro also in 1940.

In Chile Ramon Sandoval, who holds the South American 800 metre record at 1:50.9, covered 600 metres in 1:20.1, barely beating his brother Waldo (1:20.6). Ernesto Lagos, also of Chile, high jumped 6'5", fourth best ever in South American athletics history.

GERMANY.

In an indoor meet held on Feb. 27 in Berlin (Eastern Sector) Jiri Skobla, still recuperating from a foot injury, barely beat two young West Germans, Dieter Urbach and Hermann Lingnau, in the shot putt. Skobla did 52'2" Urbach, who is 20, took second place by virtue of his next best putt, from Lingnau who is only 19, both having a best effort of exactly 52'0". Zbigniew Janiszewski of Poland pole vaulted 13'9". (R.L.Q.)

SANTEE LAST LAP-53.5

Houston, Tex. March 8th. In a pre-Pan-Am meet here today Wes Santee set the fastest recorded last lap in a sub 4:10 mile when he hit the bell in 3:15.0 but blazed in 53.5 secs. Later to clock 4:08.5. The previous record was held by Britain's Dr. Roger Bannister with 53.8 in his 1954 A.A.A. title win of 4:07.6. Ernie Shelton scaled 6'9" while O'Brien beat Gordien in the discus with 175'0" to 168'9". Gordien was however nursing an arm injury.

HOUSTON TIES WORLD 4x110yd R. MARK It is reported that in March the Houston 4x110yd. sprint relay team downed Texas (40.7n) to tie the world record of 40.5. The date and place have not yet been advised.

KRIVONOSOV THROWS 196'0" (59.75m) Moscow, Feb. 27. European champion Mikhail Krivonosov, 26 opened his 1955 campaign to regain his world hammer record with a throw of 196'0" in a winter meeting.

IQBAL WINS ARMY TITLE AT 186' 2". The British Empire champion and record-holder Havildar (Sergeant) Mohamad Iqbal won the 1955 Inter-Services title of Pakistan with a throw of 186'2". He had a no-throw of 191'0".

TWO 'ASIAN' RECORDS-48.0 & 47'10" Feb. 11-13 Eden Gardens, Calcutta: Joginder Singh slashed Kanji Alags (Japan) Asian best from 48.5 to 48.0 and Parduman Singh raised his shot record to 47'10" (14.58) at India's National Championships.

LONG JUMP (cont: from col. 2)
 22' 7" 3rd British Games II 14/8
 22' 6" 1st City Charities 8/9
 22' 5" 1st England v. Belgium 29/9
 3rd: DEBEK RICHARD JOHN COX (b. 12. x. 1929)
 23' 7" 4th Vancouver (+22'5") 5/8
 (Previous Best 22'10")

4th: LESLIE PINDER (24. v. 1928)
 22'10" 1st A.A.A. Decathlon 11/6
 21'11" 2nd N.C.A.A. 19/6
 23' 2" 1st Doncaster 3/7
 22' 3" 2nd AAA v. Comb. Serv. 11/9

5th: PEROY C. LUXON (23. vi. 1930)
 20' 4" 2nd Middlesex 22/5
 22' 4" 2nd Southern 19/6
 22' 5" 2nd Waddilove 24/7
 23' 2" 1st Alperion 14/8
 22' 0" 4th London v. Moscow 13/10

6th: DAVID C. BROWN (28. x. 1933)
 20' 7" 1st Middlesex 22/5
 23'11" 1st R.A.F. Old Sarum 7/7

HOP, STEP AND JUMP
 1951 1952 1953
 1. Cross Coleman Wilmshurst
 2. Laing Goldsmith Goldsmith
 3. Goldsmith Laing Finch
 4. Salmon Cross Stephen
 5. Field Monteith Coleman
 6. Wells Wilmshurst McCoolgan

1st: KENNETH STANLEY DAVID WILMSHURST (b. 9. iv. 1931)
 24' 0" 1st Surrey (23'10") 22/5
 23' 5" 1st Sward Trophy 29/5
 23' 2" 2nd Inter Counties 5/6
 23' 1" 1st Southern 19/6
 24' 3" 1st Kinnaird 26/6
 23' 4" 4th A.A.A. 9/7
 23' 0" 2nd Triangular 17/7
 24' 8" 1st Vancouver 5/8
 (+23'8" +23'11")
 2nd: ARTHUR ROY CRUTTENDEN (b. 18. ii. 1925)
 23' 5" 1st Inter-Counties 5/6
 23' 8" 2nd A.A.A. 9/7
 23'10" 1st Triangular 17/7
 48'10" 1st Woodford (+48'0") 17/4
 48'11" 1st Surrey (+48'8" & 48'15") 22/5
 48' 8" 1st Sward Trophy 29/5
 48' 1" 1st AAA v. UIAC 2/6
 50' 1" 1st Inter Counties 7/6
 48' 3" 1st Southern 19/6
 48' 9" 1st A.A.A. 10/7

CHIGBOLU - 6FT. 6 1/2 INS.

Lagos, March 5th. J. Chigbolu, who just missed selection for the Nigerian team for Vancouver, set a new Nigerian high jump record with 6'6 1/2 to beat the old mark by half an inch. A week before at Ibadan on Feb. 26th the Empire record-holder Ifeajuna cleared 6'4 1/2 but was persuaded to retire for fear of over-taxing his now mending cartilage.

BILL ROBBINS PUTS SHOT 48' 4". On the Achilles Club Schools' tour after the postponed Oxford v. Cambridge Sports Bill Robbins, Oxford's 2nd string shot-putter, reached 48'4" at Shrewsbury School for a personal best and fifth spot on the British All-time list. At another meeting W.W. Kretschmar threw the javelin 211 feet - 3feet below his best.

STOP PRESS. GOOD MARKS IN N.Z. CHAMPIONSHIPS. Auckland Mar. 11 & 12 M. Rae won his 100 yards heat and final both in 9.5s. The wind was probably well above the limit. Rae beat Empire Champion Don Jowett in the 220y with 21.4 against his 21.6 (heats 22.0 & 21.5). Murray Halberg won the mile in 4:06.4 from K.E. Williams 4:10.7. Ernie Haskell won the 3 miles in 14:01.0. John Holland won the 120y Hurdles in 14.8. Former British internationals Peter Wells and Duncan Clark won the High Jump and Hammer with 6'5" and 172'9" respectively. D. Steward (ex-Herne Hill) 440yH in 54.8

HOP, STEP AND JUMP (cont: from col. 3)
 Wilmshurst cont: At A.A.A. Champs. a jump of 50'8" was unaccountably disallowed.
 47' 4" 1st Triangular (soggy) 17/7
 50' 1" 1st Vancouver 3/8
 (contracted mumps thereafter)
 2nd: THOMAS McI. McNAB (b. 16. xii. '33)
 47' 2" 1st Leeming 26/5
 47' 7" 1st Scots Champs. 25/6
 44' 0" 2nd Waddilove Trophy 24/7
 3rd: JOHN E.C. WHALLEY (b. 25. vi. 1934)
 47' 0" 1st Wimbledon 17/4
 46' 6" 1st Kent Champs. 22/5
 45' 7" 2nd Inter-Counties 7/6
 45' 6" 2nd Triangular Match 17/7
 4th: MICHAEL FRANCIS EGGLETON (b. 11. ii. 1934)
 47' 6" 1st R.A.F. Champs. 30/6
 45' 5" 5th A.A.A. 10/7
 45' 8" 1st Inter-Services 14/7
 5th: R. McG. STEPHEN (b. 25. viii. '32)
 45' 5" 1st Westerlands 24/4
 44' 4" 2nd Scots Champs 25/6
 46' 5" 1st Scots Univs. 3/7
 43' 9" 3rd Triangular (soggy) 17/7
 6th: R. MCCOLGAN
 46' 1" 1st Belfast 31/7
 46' 0" 1st Dublin 26/6
 45'11" 1st Belfast 28/8

Additional marks to be added:-
 p. 108 SSOYds. Day add 1:53.3m 2nd Brussels 1/9; Hewson 1:52.0y 1st Army Champs. 30/6
 Best Performance Lists: p. 99
 Add 800 metres 1:54.1m Ian Gurney Brussels Sept. 1st.

1954 BRITISH RANKINGS (Continued from page 122)

Pole Vault (continued)	
2nd: NORMAN GEORGE ALLAN GREGOR	8/5
13' 0" 2nd A.A.A. v Wales	8/5
12' 6" 1st Kent Championships	22/5
12' 0" 5th British Games I	5/6
12' 6" 4th A.A.A.	10/7
13' 6" 1st Triangular	17/7
13' 2" 1st Nat. Police Champ.	31/7
13' 3" 1st International Meet.	7/8
13' 6 1/2 1st Glasgow Rangers	2/8
13' 0" 5th British Games II	14/8
13' 0" 1st Edinburgh Games	21/8
13' 0" 1st Inverness Games	4/9
13' 0" 2nd AAA v. Comb. Service	11/9
3rd: GEOFFREY MICHAEL SCHMIDT (b. 27. ix. 1934)	
11' 6" 1st AAA v. OUAC	6/5
12' 0" 1st Sward Trophy	29/5
12' 6" 2nd Inter Counties	5/6
12' 6" 1st Southern	19/6
12' 6" 3rd A.A.A.	10/7
13' 6" 2nd Wealdstone	21/7
13' 0" 3rd International Meet.	2/8
13' 0" 3rd British Games II	14/8
4th: IAN WARD (b. 24. ii. 1929)	
11'11" 1st Mantes	9/5
12' 0" 1st Lancs. Championships	22/5
12' 0" Glasgow	29/5
12' 6" 3rd Inter-Counties	5/6
12' 9" 3rd Glasgow Police	12/6
12' 6" 1st N.C.A.A.	19/6
12' 6" 5th A.A.A.	10/7
12' 6" 3rd Triangular	17/7
13' 0" 3rd Glasgow Rangers	7/8
13' 0" 3rd British Games	14/8
12' 6" 3rd AAA v Comb. Serv.	11/9
12' 6" 3rd NCAA v Russians	16/10

5th: RAYMOND PETITJEAN (b. 1. iv. 1929)	
12' 0" 2nd Caledonian Games	15/5
12' 0" 2nd Sheffield Sports	8/6
12' 4" 2nd Hawick Games	11/6
12' 3" 1st Stoke	26/6
12' 6" 2nd Swansea	3/7
12' 0" Hcp. Widnes Police	24/7
12' 0" 1st Doncaster	4/8
12' 0" Hcp. Cowal Gathering	28/8
6th: GEORGE EDWARD BROAD (6. viii. '33)	
12' 0" 1st Surrey Champs	22/5
12' 0" 4th Swansea	3/7
12' 6" 5th Int. Meeting	2/8
12' 0" 1st London Fire Brig.	21/8
LONG JUMP	
1951 1952 1953	
1. Williams Williams Cruttenden	
2. Walker Cruttenden Whaley	
3. Cruttenden Platt Walker	
4. Broad Dixon Wilmshurst	
5. Whaley Darlow Platt	
6. Askev Broad Goodrich	
1st: KENNETH STANLEY DAVID WILMSHURST (b. 9. iv. 1931)	
24' 0" 1st Surrey (23'10")	22/5
23' 5" 1st Sward Trophy	29/5
23' 2" 2nd Inter Counties	5/6
23' 1" 1st Southern	19/6
24' 3" 1st Kinnaird	26/6
23' 4" 4th A.A.A.	9/7
23' 0" 2nd Triangular	17/7
24' 8" 1st Vancouver	5/8
2nd: ARTHUR ROY CRUTTENDEN (b. 18. ii. 1925)	
23' 5" 1st Inter-Counties	5/6
23' 8" 2nd A.A.A.	9/7
23'10" 1st Triangular	17/7

Richards' 15' Tally now up to 67!

(Continued from back page col.2) Sowell, who was still behind Boysen at the 880 yard mark (1:53.5) must have covered the last 120 yards in 14.5 secs. or so, which compares most favourably with the finishing bursts of the previous record holders such as Gehrman's 15.2 in his world's best in 1952, John Borican's 15.6 in 1939 and Glenn Cunningham's 15.3 in his 2:10.1 race of 1935 when he staved off Hornbostel's determined last minute attack in the Nationals.

BOARD TRACK BEST INDOOR 1,000 YARD PERFORMERS OF ALL-TIME

2:08.2	Don Gehrman (U.S.A.)	New York	Feb. 16 1952
2:08.2	Arnie Sowell (U.S.A.)	New York	Feb. 19 1955
2:08.8	John Borican (U.S.A.)	New York	Mar. 11 1939
2:09.2n	Glenn Cunningham	New York	Mar. 11 1939
2:09.4	Heinz Ulzheimer (Germany)	New York	Feb. 14 1953
2:09.5n	Audun Boysen (Norway)	New York	Feb. 19 1955
2:10.2	Ronnie Delaney (Ireland)	Boston	Jan. 15 1955
2:10.3n	Charles Hornbostel (U.S.A.)	New York	Mar. 16 1935
2:10.5	Mal Whitfield (U.S.A.)	Chicago	Mar. 27 1954
2:10.7n	Campbell Kane (U.S.A.)	New York	Feb. 28 1942

In the Millrose Games (Feb. 5) Boysen had run 880yds in 1:51.0, passing the 800 metres post in 1:50.1. The 1:50 barrier seems tough to surmount on the short indoor tracks. The present nearest approach is the 1:50.0m and 1:50.5y mark set by the late John Borican in 1942. Sowell put up another good working day in the I.C.4A. meeting, when he ran 4 races, notably an amazing 47.6 sec. anchor 'quarter' in a relay.

SANTEE AND NIELSEN BREAK EVEN WITH 3 to 2

The European 1,500 metre vice-champion Gunnar Nielsen of Denmark wrestled the world indoor mile record from Santee and America in the Millrose meet with a great 4:03.6 mark, two tenths under the one-week old Santee standard. In this race, the famous Wana-maker mile, Dick Ollen led the field to a 2:00.6 half, then Santee went out in front and was clocked at 3:03.6 at three quarters. But when Nielsen started his bid no one was able to hold him off. In the final stage Santee and Fred Dwyer had a sort of wrestling match, which probably originated when the latter tried to slip through on the inside. Dwyer was second in 4:06.0 but the judges decided to disqualify him, a decision which started seemingly endless recriminations. Santee was officially the runner-up but was almost caught at the tape by the fast closing Bob McMillen, the Helsinki silver medallist who had already shown improved form the previous week with a 4:11.3 clocking. The time for both runners was 4:06.5. This is easily the greatest mile race in indoor history.



FRED DWYER

In the N.Y.A.C. meet Santee and Nielsen ran themselves out of breath in the early stages and Dwyer came up at the right moment to finish an easy and impressive first in 4:06.2. Nielsen was second in 4:16.5 (sic!) and Santee third in 4:17.0. In the A.A.U. meet Santee reportedly ran only to beat the Dane and win the title, succeeding in 4:07.9. Nielsen was second in 4:08.1, Dwyer third in 4:08.4. Wes and Gunnar (who will now return to Denmark) have thus won 3 times each after six duels.

In the I.C.4As meet the following week Alex Breckenridge, the Scotsman now at Villanova, won the mile in 4:19.9 secs, beating his teammate John Kopil, who ran a good 4:20.1 mile as a high school boy in 1953, at the age of 18.

LONG DISTANCES. - Horace Ashenfelter made a clean sweep of all the long races. In the A.A.U. meet he won the 3 mile title in 18:54.0. With the gallant Fred Wilt growing older and Gordon McKenzie improved but not yet entirely upto the task, "Nip" was never seriously threatened during February. Curt Söderberg of Sweden, the man who has probably run more steeplechases than anybody, was never in contention.

HURDLES. - Despite early season defeats to Jack Davis and new-comer Rod Perry, when the chips were down Harrison Dillard once again emerged as king of the "sticks" indoors, taking the A.A.U. 60 yard title in 7.3 from Davis, Don Hildreth and Willie Stevens.

The 81st Oxford versus Cambridge University Sports were postponed from March 12th until April 16th at the White City Stadium.

FIVE MEN OVER 6 Ft. 8 ins. IN ONE MEETING!

HIGH JUMP. - With Herm Wyatt fading vis-à-vis his January form, there were no near-record performances in the high jump, but the "breadth" was more impressive than ever. J. Lewis Hall went through the three big February meets unbeaten and shared the A.A.U. title at 6'8"³/₄ with Ernie Shelton, who had come all the way from California to make amends for his relatively poor showing in last year's title meet. Tying for third place at 6'8" in this 1955 championship meet were Charles Holding, LaVerne Smith (who thus posted a personal best) and Herm Wyatt. There had been another good high jump gala on Feb. 5 when five men (Wyatt, Hall, Holding, Smith and 18 year old Phil Reavis) all cleared 6'7"¹/₂. Wilfred Lee won the ICAAAA title at 6'6", his best ever.

POLE VAULT. - Richards continued to reign supreme among pole vaulters and brought his total of 15 foot plus marks to 67. In the National Championships he broke Warmerdam's meet record by 1/8th of an inch with a 15'4" effort. He had previously done 15'2" (Feb. 5) and 15'3" (Feb. 12). In the latter meet Earl Poucher, a 21 year old from Florida, cleared 14'10", his best ever, then came within a whisker of becoming history's fifth 15 footer. After a series of 14'6" marks, Don Laz cleared 14'10" in the A.A.U. meet to grab second, while Welbourn, Poucher and Don Bragg tied for third at 14'6"! Ragnar Lundberg, the Swedish veteran, never managed to do better than 14'0" (most of the times the bar was raised directly to 14'6" after the 14 foot clearance!).

LONG JUMP. - Rosslyn Range won the A.A.U. broad jump title with a fine 25'1" effort, with Gregory Bell a close second at 25'0"¹/₄. The latter, an "unattached" from Bloomington, Indiana, added almost 1ft to his previous best! Wilbur Wilson was third at 23'9" and the Helsinki silver medallist, Meredith Gourdine, only fifth at 23'1".

SHOT PUTT. - Lt. Parry O'Brien made his 1935 debut on a cold afternoon at New York's Columbia South Field on Feb. 5. The result was a "depressing" 56'7". He moved indoors the following week and improved to 57'9"¹/₂, while Bernie Meyer was second at 56'2". In the A.A.U. meet the "lootenant" really went wild, breaking his 1954 indoor record (59'4") twice, with a longest throw of 59'5"¹/₂. Meyer was second at 55'8"³/₄, big Tom Jones third at 53'11". There were consistently good marks even in the I.C.4 As. meet (Feb. 26): Roosevelt Grier 53'4"¹/₂, Ken Bantum 53'2"¹/₄ (personal best), John Stellern (a 55 footer from California) 52'7"¹/₂ and Stewart Thomson 52'5"¹/₂.

THE CAMPAIGN ON THE MIDDLE WEST'S DIRT TRACKS.

Best performance of the indoor season among Midwestern collegians was the previously mentioned 6.1 s for 60 yards by Abe Butler. This sprinter was the soldier who turned in a 10.5 100 metres in 1953 in Germany.

A record equalling performance of less importance was turned in by Terrill Burton in the same meet (Chicago Feb. 26) when he sped over the 70 yards hurdles in 7.8s (six 2'6" hurdles) to join Bob Wright and Harrison Dillard on the books.

Kevin Gosper, the British Empire 440 yards champion from Australia, now at Michigan State, on Jan. 29 at Ann Arbor ran a good 1:11.5 over 600 yards. In February Gosper did 48.7 easily for 440 yards. Eeles Landström of Finland, the European pole vault champion, cleared 14'2" in the same Jan. 29 meet. John Moule of Canada, who also studies in the Middle West, ran a 4:09.9 mile in this area on February 12. The best field event marks here are: high jump, Mark Booth 6'6"; Pole vault, Nick Piper 13'9"³/₄; shot putt, Tom Jones 54'7"¹/₄ and Bill Neider 53'9"³/₈.

Lon Spurrier 880 yds in 1:49.8

Three important "tryout" meets for the Pan-American Games were staged at Los Angeles on successive Saturdays, Feb. 5, 12, and 19. Already in the first of these gatherings there were two sensational marks: Bobby Smith, Warmerdam's protégé and a vaulter with a surprisingly fast run-up, cleared 14'11" to reach fifth position in the All Time list, at the level of the famous South Californian "Twins" of the thirties, Bill Sefton and Earle Meadows. (It will be noted that the United States have already (indoors & out) FIVE men over 4.50m (14'9"³/₈) this year!). Giant Sim Iness of Helsinki fame made a great come-back in the discus with a mighty throw of 178'11".

Floyd Jeter cleared a high jump bar at 6'8" in the second meet.

In the third and last meet Lon Spurrier, who seemed stuck in the 1:50/1:51 range since 1952, ran a marvelous 1:49.8 half mile - fabulous at this time of the year. The runner-up, well-known Jerome Walters, did 1:56.7. Nineteen year old Rafer Johnson won a decathlon (Feb. 18/19) with 7,055 points, a total which was bettered last year only by Bob Richards and Russia's Vasily Kuznetsov. Johnson had a great first-day total of 4,360: he ran 100 metres in 10.6 and broad jumped 23'11"³/₈ with the aid of a wind. Brayton Norton was second with 6,826 points.

RANGE JUST WINS LONG JUMP WITH 26'4 1/8"

PAN-AMERICAN GAMES REPORT. (Continued from front page). The Brazilian regained his world's record-set at 53'2 1/2" (16.22) at Helsinki and lost to Leonid Shcherbakov (U.S.S.R.) at 53'2 3/4" (16.23) at Moscow in June 1953-with a prodigious hop of 20'7 1/8" (6.28), a step of 16'2 7/8" (4.95) and finally a jump of 17'5 3/4" (5.33). Da Silva "like a giant bounding chocolate sorbo rubber ball" warmed to his third and final explosion with efforts of 52'5 3/8" (16.02) and then 52'11" (16.13). Arnaldo Devonish the Olympic bronze medallist from Venezuela was second with a great 52'11" (16.13) clearance, thus gaining the No.3 spot on the all time list.

SUPERLATIVE SPRINTING

With three men returning 10.3s in the preliminaries of the 100 metres the final was a trifle disappointing. Lt. Rod Richard won decisively from the British Empire Games champion Mike Agostini (Trinidad). Richard completed a superlative exhibition by winning the 200 metres round a turn in 20.7s, also Olympic record equalling time. José T. da Conceição, the versatile Brazilian, lost his amazing 20.8s heat form in the final owing to muscle trouble.

As already stated the 400 metres produced a world's record of 45.4s and with Jim Lea at 45.6s and J.W. Mashburn, the third U.S. representative, showing 46.0s, the greatest one lap race of all time. Jones just got the better of Lea in a fantastic last straight battle. Mashburn helped to carry the crumpled Jones off the track!

Spindle shanks Arnie Sowell, hero of the indoor season, who reminds everybody of 1936 Olympic Champion John Woodruff, leaped round the back of the 800 metres field, passed Whitfield, the holder, and took a winning lead from Lon Spurrer only 25 yards from the tape.

Wes Santee was too sluggish in his response to Argentine's Juan Miranda's finishing burst and so lost the 1,500m. by a chest. The distance events were badly depressed by the great altitude. Jack Davis, the greatest performer in the business of clearing 3'6" slats, could not recapture his 13.7s (wind aided) heat form in the final. Josh Culbreath (U.S.A.) gasped on winning the 400m. Hurdles "never again in this altitude".

Ernie Shelton was so disgusted with his "only 6'7" high jump victory that he entered the decathlon to have another shot. Unfortunately en route he pulled a muscle quite badly in the 100m.

FABULOUS LONG JUMPING.

Rosslyn Range, the new A.A.U. Indoor Champion, became the No.3 man of all time in the obstinate-to-improve-event, the "broad jump", with a mighty leap of 26'4 1/8". Only the great Jesse Owens himself, with 26'8 3/4" & 26'5 3/8", and Willie Steele 26'6" have ever done better. John Bennett with 26'3 3/8" became the first white man ever to conquer 8 metres. Previous best by a white athlete was Robert Clark's 25'11 1/4" at Berlin in 1936.

In the already mentioned triple jump contest it should not escape attention that little Cuba produced two men to beat 50ft. Parry O'Brien celebrated his better-than-Olympic-record shot putt victory by marrying Miss Sandra Cordrey, 21 of S. California two days later.

N.B. This report and summary (see p.126) of the Pan-American Games is constructed from many and varied sources, some of which conflicted. Any necessary correction will be noted in April issue.

SUMMARY OF THE SEVEN WOMEN'S EVENTS.

The outstanding results in the 7 women's events were the 11.5 secs. 100 metre sprints by Barbara Jones (U.S.A.) and the High Jump of 1.68 (5'6 1/4") by Mildred McDaniell of Alabama. SUMMARY: 60m. Diaz (Cuba) 7.5 1st; Mabel Landry (U.S.A.) 7.6 2nd; McDaniell 7.6 3rd. Heats; Faggs (USA) 7.5, McDaniell 7.5. 100m. Jones 11.5 1st; Mae Faggs 11.8 2nd; Castelli (Arg.) 12.0 3rd. Heat Jones 11.5. 4 x 100m RELAY U.S.A. 47.0 (or 47.2) 1st; Argentine 47.2 2nd; Chile 49.3 3rd. 80 METRES HURDLES. B. Gaete (Chile) 11.7 1st; B. Diaz (Cuba) 11.8 2nd; Wanda de Santos (Brazil) 11.8 3rd; Gwen Hobbins (Can.) 11.9 4th. Heats; Hobbins 11.6, B. Muller (US) 11.7, de Santos 11.7, Darnowski (US) 11.8, Diaz 11.7. HIGH JUMP: McDaniell 1.68 (5'6 1/4") (American rec.) de Castro (Brazil) 1.59 (5'2 3/8") 2nd; Thomas (US) 1.59 3rd. DISCUS Ingeborg Pfuller (Arg.) 43.19 (141'8 3/8") 1st; Avelian (Arg.) 40.06 (130'5 1/8"). JAVELIN Anderson (US) 49.15 (161'3") (American rec.) 1st, Puente (Arg.) 43.33 (142'1 1/8") 2nd; Wershoven (-) 43.06 (141'3 1/4") 3rd.

MACMILLAN RUNS 1: 51.6 & 4: 05.8

Stephens Runs 13:31.8 (cont. from front page col.1) Apart from a cautious opening lap of 70 secs. and a portentous closing one of 62.8 secs., Stephens did not vary his pace by as much as three secs. in the 10 intervening laps. The way the race unwound is most succinctly put in the attached table. Particularly noteworthy is the fact that the last two miles occupied only 9:00.8 to allow Stephens to beat his previous best by 34 secs.!

LAP BY LAP FOR 13:31.8

440y	(1)	70.0
880y	(2)	66.0 2:16.0
1 1/4 M.	(3)	67.0
1 1/2 M.	(4)	68.0 2:15.0
1 3/4 M.	(5)	68.0 (4:31.0)
1 7/8 M.	(6)	68.0 2:16.0
1 3/4 M.	(7)	67.0
Two M.	(8)	68.0 2:15.0
2 1/4 M.	(9)	68.0 (4:33.0)
2 1/2 M.	(10)	69.0 2:17.0
2 3/4 M.	(11)	68.0
Three M.		62.8 2:10.8
Other placings		(4:27.8)
Warren		14:26. Robbins 14.32

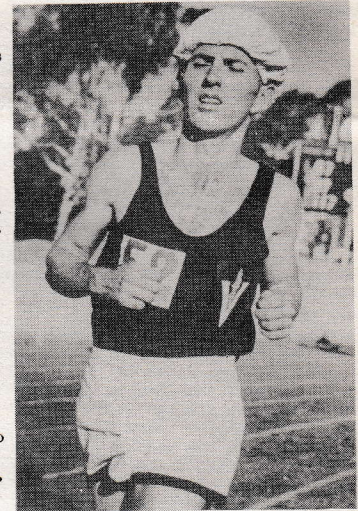
Big Don Macmillan at this same Victorian State championship meeting on Feb. 23 sliced another three tenths from the Australian national record with a powerful 1:51.6 win over John Murray and John Douglas, who both clocked an excellent 1:53.5 for the 880yd.

Four days earlier on Feb. 19 in Sydney Macmillan won a great mile victory over the New Zealand 4:04.4 miler Murray Halberg in a personal best of 4:05.8. Despite the strong wind all 8 starters bettered 4:15.0. John Plummer lead through a first lap of 61.9 with Les Wakefield up for the 1/2 mile in 2:04.3. At the bell Macmillan moved onto Plummer's shoulder in 3:07.5 and let go a searing 58.3sec. last lap which burnt off the game Halberg (4:09.0n) and Allan Lawrence (4:09.6n).

Stephens first came to light internationally in the "Friendship Games of the World Youth Festival" on a blazing August day in Bucharest in 1953 when he puzzled Zatópek and Kuts by staying with them for the first 12 1/2 laps of a 29:25.8 10,000 to record 14:33.2 for 5,000 metres. Running in England 34 days later at East Molesey on Sept. 12 he was well beaten in a mile race by John Disley (4:16.4) and Ian Boyd (4:18.6) returning 4:20.4.



800m winner Arnie Sowell.



DAVE STEPHENS (Australia) IN ACTION.

SOWELL EQUALS 1000 YD RECORD WITH 2: 08.2

(Continued from front page (p.121) column 2) Jenkins won this race easily in 1:11.9 from the man who was in a few days to cover himse with glory in far off Mexico in the Pan-Am. 400m. Jenkins had his best day in the I.C.4A. Championships at the Garden on February 26, when he ran 6 races in close succession (these included a 60 yard dash), his best time being a 1:11.2 600 yards win over the 1:50.5 half-miler Tom Courtney of Fordham 2 mile relay fame.

MIDDLE DISTANCES: Americans really began to rave about Arnie Sowell in the spring of 1954 when this nimble Negro from Pittsburg University, then just 19 and a virtual unknown, ran the 880 yards in 1:50.3 and 1:50.5 to win both the I.C.4A. and the N.C.A.A. titles! He could have in many ways deserved the title of "Woodruff's heir apparent" - like the unforgettable 'Long John', Sowell was a student at Pitt, under the tutelage of Woodruff's own coach, Carl Olson. Built on similar though somewhat reduced proportions to the 1936 Berlin Olympic winner Sowell stands 5'11" and weighs 135 pounds. Arnie (he too is a Negro) imitated his great predecessor with an outstanding "rags-to-riches" show. It will be remembered that Woodruff improved from 1:55.1 in 1935 to 1:49.9 in 1936 and was still a Pitt freshman when he won the Berlin 800 metres final from Italy's Mario Lanzi.

Now, in February of 1955, Sowell began with an easy 1:52.1 "half" in the N.Y.A.C. Games and the following week won the A.A.U. 1,000 yard title race in 2:08.2, thus equalling Don Gehrman's indoor record set in 1952. Sowell came up with his devastating finish near the end of the race to pass Boysen to win by 10 yards. The Norwegian 1:47.4m man (who was clocked in 2:09.5) was hindered in the vital last lap, by a photographer but later said that he would have no chances against Sowell anyhow.

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