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WEISNER (6'-9 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") WHITFIELD & DILLARD SET 3 NEW WORLD INDOOR "RECORDS"

From Roberto L. Quercetani

With a full month to run the American indoor season has already produced a host of excellent performances. Three "old timers" have been the athletes responsible for the real record breaking: K.G. Wiesner, M.G. Whitfield and H. Dillard.

Wiesner, a 28 year old U.S. Navy dentist who won the Silver Medal at Helsinki, was perhaps the most amazing performer even though his achievements did not receive the publicity of the track stars. After tying with Olympic winner Walt Davis at Washington at 6'6" on January 10 (see p.8 last issue), Wiesner improved to 6'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ " seven days later at Boston, this time tying with Arnold Betton, the negro jumper who played America's 3rd string at Helsinki. The big break came on Friday, January 23rd, in the 'Philadelphia Inquirer' Meet, when Wiesner eased his 14 stone 9 lb. (205 lbs.) frame over a bar resting a quarter of an inch above Edward Burke's 16 year old U.S. (and 'World') record of 6 feet 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches.

Even after this triumph Wiesner maintained a standard never before attained by an indoor high jumper. At the famous Millrose Games in New York on January 29th he tied for first at 6'8" with the man who won all America's major outdoor titles in 1951 - J. Lewis "Poppa" Hall of Florida. Two days later back at Boston Wiesner cleared 6'8 $\frac{3}{4}$ " and on February 7th in New York went over 6'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Here for the benefit of readers is a recapitulation of the best indoor (board take-off) high jump performers of all time. This list has never before been published (Editor)

WORLD'S BEST EVER INDOOR HIGH JUMPERS			
6'9 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Kenneth G. Wiesner	Philadelphia	Jan. 23 1953
6'9 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Edward D. Burke	New York	Feb. 27 1937
6'8 $\frac{15}{16}$ "	Cornelius C. Johnson	New York	Feb. 22 1936
6'8 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Walter Marty	New York	Feb. 17 1934
6'8 $\frac{3}{8}$ "	George B. Spitz, Jr.	Boston	Feb. 13 1932
6'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Lester Steers	Boston	Feb. 10 1940
6'8 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	Arnold Betton	Boston	Jan. 17 1953
6'8"	Melvin E. Walker	New York	Feb. 25 1939
6'8"	William A. Vessie	New York	Mar. 13 1943
6'8"	David D. Albritton	New York	Feb. 14 1948
6'8"	John Vislocky	New York	Feb. 14 1948
6'8"	Richard Phillips	Boston	Mar. 5 1949
6'8"	J. Lewis Hall	New York	Jan. 29 1953

Wiesner won the Wisconsin interscholastic title at 6 feet back in 1942 aged 17. While a student at Marquette, the same University that produced the man whose record he beat, the negro Ed. Burke, he three times won the N.C.A.A. title with a best outdoor mark of 6'8 $\frac{3}{8}$ " in 1946. For five years he was not heard of in National Competition but 1952 eventually saw his return to the track scene. He cleared 6'6 $\frac{3}{4}$ " in his comeback appearance and then surprised by going over 6'7 $\frac{3}{4}$ " in the Coliseum Relays last May to beat Walt Davis. Wiesner who uses a velvet smooth straddle is said to have mastered (Cont: p.8)



JIRÍ SKOBLA, 23, holder of the European Shot-putt record, seen in action. This 16st. 3lb. (227lbs) Czech last September became the first European to beat 17 metres (55'9 $\frac{1}{4}$ ") and later reached 56'2" (17.12) to share ninth place on the World's All Time List with the 1948 Olympic Champion Wilbur Thompson of America. For the story of Skobla see inside on page 2.

"How I Train" - John Landy Writes to Readers of "Athletics World"

Responding to a letter from the Editors asking that he might give fellow readers some account of his training methods, we have just received the following most engaging letter from the man that many claim to be the greatest miler of all-time.

February 1953.

_____ Road,
East Malvern,
MELBOURNE

Dear Mr. McWhirter,

Please accept my apologies for being so slow in replying to your letter. However, I have had a strenuous round of engagements and it is only now.... (Cont: Page 2)

(LANDY'S LETTER cont: from Page 1.)...that I have found time to relax and catch up on my correspondence.

My training, up till December 2nd (Note his 4:02.1 mile was on Dec. 13th, Ed.), when the examinations finished, was fitted in between periods of studying. Actually I found that the studying was quite a stimulus to the training and I have found it less pleasant since I have been on vacation.

I am sure there is nothing novel about my training methods, and they are much the same as I used before the Olympic Games. However nearly all my running in training since the Olympic Games has been done in rubber shoes and heavy socks. I found that this greatly improved my style, in that it allows a more natural foot placement. Previously I had tended to run too high on the toes, a habit easily cultivated by lots of jogging and running in spikes.

My general plan from August till December was to run about 40 miles each week, half of this distance was covered on a grass track the rest, running around the roads at night after study.

My track running consisted of alternate laps of striding and jogging. The laps were either 440 yards or 660 yards and the speed somewhere around 67 seconds per 440 yards. Previously (before the Games) I had run my laps at faster speeds but found it was difficult to maintain a training routine, as the faster works saps energy and will power. The number of laps covered at 67 seconds speed would be anything from 9 to 12 and I carried this out 4 or 5 nights each week.

As well as track running, I covered some 20 miles each week on the lawns, bordering roads in the suburb of Malvern, where I live. As a rule I do 3 to 6 miles at about 5½ to 6 minute mile pace. These were usually done on the days that I had a rest from the track, so that in all I did some training each day of the week.

I did a little work with the weights to strengthen the upper body for a few weeks before the Games, but have found little time to carry this out since.

Personally I think my improvement is due in no small measure to a more vigorous and orthodox arm action, which is in contrast with the low arm action I had when in England last year.

Please give my kindest regards to Roger Bannister, also Bill Nankeville, if you see him. Out here we are all anticipating some great races over the mile and 880 yards between these two and Don Macmillan.

I trust that this letter contains the information you require. With best wishes for a great English 1953 Athletic Season,

Yours sincerely,

John Landy

Europe's first 56ft Shot Putter

Even when he was a baby there were always plenty of weights lying around his Prague home. When Jiri was two his father went to America to Los Angeles and came home some weeks later with a gold medal for winning the Olympic heavyweight weight-lifting title with a total of 877½ lbs. (380 kgs) for the 3 lifts.

Young Jiri (the Czech for George) won two lifting titles as a junior but soon turned his attention to the shot. In 1948 he putt the 6 kilo (13.22 lbs) weight 43'6"½. Just as he was beginning to doubt his real capacities the Sparta Club coach Otakar Vodička was attracted by his massive frame and took him in hand.

Having graduated to the 16 lb. shot he began to make rapid progress and on Oct. 22nd 1950 earned 19th place in the year's European rankings with a putt of 49'10"½ (15.21). In the Czech Championships of 1951 Jiri defeated the holder Dr. Kalina for his first national title at 51'9"½ and later in the year on Sept. 6th got one off to 53'11"¼ (16.20) to equal Frantisek Douba's 19 year old national and former world's record. This mark won him 5th place on the 1951 European list behind the 29 year old blond Estonian Heino Lipp who had raised the European record to 55'8"½ (16.98); Otto Grigalka (54'10"½), the European Champion Gunnar Huseby of Iceland (54'9"½) and Britain's John Savidge (54'5").

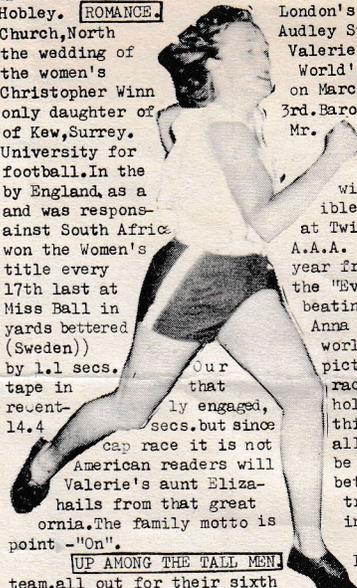
Skobla, whose nickname 'The Bear' relates more to his over partiality for the table than his build, worked really hard in the winter of 1951-52. He changed his job from confectioner to being a smith in the ČKD Sokolova Factory in Prague and joined his Army Sports club. In May 1952 he broke new ground with 53'6"½ (16.33) but at the Olympics slipped back to 52'2"¼ for 9th place.

On his return home things began to happen. On Aug. 7th at Stara-Boleslav he reached 16.45 (53'11"½) and a week later improved to 16.69 (54'9") at Budejovice. On Aug. 28 at Gottwaldov came Europe's first 17 metre putt. Jiri achieved 17.05 (55'11"¼). On Sept. 20 came 56 feet with 17.09 (56'10"½) and finally on Oct. 11 at Prague he reached 17.12 (56'2") Latest news is that he is now experimenting with the hammer and has already reached 159'2"¼.

SHORT TAKES

PARDON ME YOUR SHOW IS SLIPPING. A recent incident in the B.B.C. Television Show "Kaleidoscope" must have curled the hair of many home readers. McDonald Hobley, the interviewer was quizzing Mac D. Bailey as to the outcome of the famous 1937 race between Jesse Owens and a horse. "Who won?", asked Hobley. "Jesse Owens" replied his co-holder of the 100 metre record. "Did SHE really?" responded Hobley. **ROMANCE.** London's fashionable St. Mark's

Audley Street will be the scene of the wedding of the women's Christopher Winn only daughter of of Kew, Surrey. University for football. In the by England, as a and was responsible against South Africa won the Women's title every 17th last at Miss Ball in yards bettered (Sweden) by 1.1 secs. Our tape in recent-ly engaged, 14.4 secs. but since cap race it is not American readers will Valerie's aunt Elizabeths hail from that great ornia. The family motto is point - "On".



Valerie Margaret Ball, holder of World's Record for 880 yards, and on March 28th. Miss Ball is the 3rd Baronet Sir Nigel and Lady Ball Mr. Winn won 'blues' at Oxford both cricket and Rugby latter sport he was capped wing threequarter last season able for England's only try at Twickenham. Valerie Ball has A.A.A. 400 metres or 440 yards year from 1948 to 1952. On September the "Evening News" Floodlit Meeting beating Miss Enid Harding by five Anna Larsson's (now Mde. Hedlund world figures of 2m.15.6 secs picture shows Miss Ball at the race. Enid Harding, herself only holds the British Record at 2m. this time was made in a hand- allowed as a world's record. be interested to know that beth, Lady Ball (née Wilson) track centre Berkeley, Calif- incidentally short and to the

UP AMONG THE TALL MEN. Latest recruit to the Oxford team, all out for their sixth Light Blues at White City on March 14th, is William Barclay Livingstone Palmer. This natural 200 foot javelin thrower, who looks like becoming Britain's third 50 foot weight putter, stands 6'6" tall. His father however rates 6'8"½ while brother 'Tiny', who won basketball 'blues' in 1948-50 stands 6'11".

"MEDLEY RELAY" conducted by 'Baton'

IT HAPPENED IN MARCH. **March 1st:** Viljo Heino, holder of the world's 6 mile record enters his fortieth year. Though his 10,000 metres records have now been bettered by Zatopek, Nyström and Schade, the Finn will always be remembered as the man who first ran more than 12 miles in an hour and 10 miles in less than 50 minutes. Heino 6 times beat 30 mins. for 10,000 metres with a best of 29:27.4 and also won the 1946 European title with 29:52.0. A.A. Robertson, winner of the 1946 English National cross country title, reaches his 39th birthday two days later.

Sixty years ago on **March 4th:** C.B. Fry leapt 23'6"½ at Oxford to equal Charles S. Reber's effort at Detroit of two years earlier. Three years later to the day Fry was playing for England in a Test Match against the South Africans at Johannesburg. On **March 10th:** Sir Wavell W. Wakefield M.P., who holds the English record for Rugby Caps at 31, reaches his 55th year. It is however not so well known that he ran in the A.A.A. Championships on more than one occasion and that in 1926 he won the Herne Hill 100 yards Club Championship in 10.5 secs.

The middle of the month brings anniversaries for two of the United Kingdom's greatest marathoners. On **March 13th:** Jack Holden who in 1950 won the British Empire, A.A.A. and European Marathons becomes 46 while on **March 15th:** Tom Richards, Britian's 3rd consecutive Olympic runner-up in 1948, reaches 43.

March 23rd and 24th: are a great couple of days for milers. Jerry Cornes (43) and Roger Bannister (24) celebrate on the 23rd & Bill Nankeville (28) and Albert Hill (64) on the 24th. - a quartet which on its day would be some 11 secs. inside the world 4x1500 m. record. On **March 25th:** The Cambridge don 'Bonzo' Howland encircles 48 years. From 1927 to 1939 'Bonzo' won 20 full Internationals - a total only beaten by Donald Finlay (23). Nine times second in the A.A.A. shot-putt, Howland never won a title! Lennart Strandberg, winner of countless Swedish sprint titles and finalist in the 1936 Olympic 100 metres, reaches 38 on **March 26th.** His best time was a fine 10.3 at Malmö a month later. He was a spectator at Helsinki.

Top World Marks by Women in 1952

Below are listed the topmost performances by girl athletes made last season. In each event the best United Kingdom athlete is added in capitals for reference though only in the 800 metres and high jump do they make the world list of their own right.

The only official source on Soviet marks is "Sovjetsky Sport" which gives neither places nor dates.

The leading mark in each list was a world record except in the case of the high and long jumps and the javelin.

100 YARDS (91.44 metres)

10.4	Marjorie Jackson (Australia)	Sydney	Mar.	8
10.6	Francina Blankers-Koen (Holland)	's-Gravenhage	July	5
10.7	Shirley Delahunty (Australia)	Freemantle	Mar.	7
10.9	Erica Willis (Australia)	Sydney	Mar.	8
10.9	Daphne Hasenjager (South Africa)	Cape Town	Mar.	28
	with wind			
10.9	Shirley Hardman (New Zealand)	Hamilton	Feb.	23
10.9	Heather Armitage (Great Britain)	London	June	14
10.9	Jean Desforges (Great Britain)	Ilford	Aug.	16
11.1	J.E.SCRIVENS (Great Britain)	Birmingham	June	28

100 METRES (109.36 yards)

11.4	Marjorie Jackson (Australia)	Gifu	Oct.	4
11.5	Francina Blankers-Koen (Holland)	Frechen	Sept.	28
11.7	Janet Morreay (U.S.A.)	Amsterdam	Aug.	10
11.7	Shirley Delahunty (Australia)	Berlin	Sept.	21
11.9	JUNE FOULDS (Great Britain)	Paris	Aug.	24

200 METRES (218.72 yards) (TURN)

23.4	Marjorie Jackson (Australia)	Helsinki	July	25
23.7	Francina Blankers-Koen (Holland)	Rotterdam	June	29
23.9	Bertha Brouwer (Holland)	Rotterdam	June	29
24.1	Nadeshda Khnykina (U.S.S.R.)	Helsinki	July	25
24.2	Winsome Cripps (Australia)	Helsinki	July	26
24.3y	Shirley Delahunty (Australia)	Launceston	Mar.	22
24.6	SYLVIA CHEESEMAN (Great Britain)	Amsterdam	Aug.	24

800 METRES (874.89 yards)

2:08.5	Nina Pletnyeva (U.S.S.R.)	Kiev	June	15
2:11.7	Polina Solopova (U.S.S.R.)	Kiev	June	15
2:12.6	Valentina Bogatyryeva (U.S.S.R.)			
2:12.6	N.Chernoshchok (U.S.S.R.)			
2:13.2	Dora Barakhovich (U.S.S.R.)			
2:13.5	VALERIE BALL (Great Britain)	London	Sept.	17
2:14.4y	ENID HARDING (Great Britain)	London	Aug.	30

80 METRES HURDLES

10.9	Shirley Delahunty (Australia)	Helsinki	July	24
11.0	Maria Golubnychaya (U.S.S.R.)	Leningrad	Aug.	30
11.1	Maria Sander (Germany)	Helsinki	July	24
11.1	Francina Blankers-Koen (Holland)	Berlin	Oct.	21
11.2	Anneliese Seonbuchner (Germany)	Helsinki	July	24
	with wind			
10.8	Shirley Delahunty (Australia)	Helsinki	July	23
10.9	Maria Sander (Germany)	Helsinki	July	23
10.9	Jean Desforges (Great Britain)	Helsinki	July	23
11.3	JEAN DESFORGES (Great Britain)	Ilford	Aug.	16

HIGH JUMP

5' 5 ³ / ₈ "	Esther Brand (South Africa)	Helsinki	July	27
5' 5 ³ / ₈ "	Aleksandra Chudina (U.S.S.R.)	Kiev	June	
5' 5"	SHELLA LEWILL (Great Britain)	Chiswick	May	10
5' 5"	DOROTHY TYLER (Great Britain)	London	June	14
5' 4 ¹ / ₈ "	Lyudmila Mochilina (U.S.S.R.)	Minsk	July	
5' 4 ¹ / ₈ "	Galina Ganeker (U.S.S.R.)			
5' 4 ¹ / ₈ "	THELMA HOPKINS (Great Britain)	Naples	Oct.	5

LONG JUMP

20' 5 ³ / ₈ "	Yvette Williams (New Zealand)	Helsinki	July	23
20' 1 ¹ / ₈ "	Aleksandra Chudina (U.S.S.R.)	Helsinki	July	23
19' 10 ¹ / ₈ "	Francina Blankers-Koen (Holland)	Amsterdam	Aug.	17
19' 9 ¹ / ₈ "	Kathleen Russell (Jamaica)			
19' 7 ¹ / ₈ "	Valentina Lituyeva (U.S.S.R.)	Leningrad	Aug.	24
	with wind			
20' 7 ¹ / ₈ "	Yvette Williams (New Zealand)	Hamilton	Feb.	22
19' 5 ¹ / ₈ "	SHIRLEY CAWLEY (Great Britain)	Helsinki	July	23



Olympic Champion and world record-holder GALINA ZYBINA of Russia seen inside the Otanemi Training Camp at Helsinki. Her debut was at Brussels in 1950 where she was 4th in the shot and 3rd in the javelin. In 1951 she improved from 44'3" to 46'1⁷/₈" and from 166' 2⁷/₈" to 168'9³/₈". Her post Olympic javelin throw missed the world record put up by Smirnitskaya, now slipped to sixth, in Moscow in August 1949. The throw was nearly 10 feet better than the one that won the Olympic crown for Dana Zátopková a few days before.

SHOT PUT

50' 7 ¹ / ₈ "	Galina Zybina (U.S.S.R.)	Frunze	Oct.	1
49' 6 ¹ / ₈ "	Klavdiya Tochenova (U.S.S.R.)	Turku	Aug.	2
49' 0 ¹ / ₈ "	Tamara Tishkyevich (U.S.S.R.)	Kiev	June	
48' 11 ¹ / ₈ "	Tatyana Syevryukova (U.S.S.R.)	Moscow	Sept.	14
48' 7 ¹ / ₈ "	Anna Andreyeva (U.S.S.R.)			
47' 11 ¹ / ₈ "	Gertrud Kille (Germany)	Berlin	June	29
40' 5 ¹ / ₈ "	JOAN LINSELL (Great Britain)	London	Apr.	19

DISCUS THROW

187' 1 ¹ / ₈ "	Nina Dumbadze (U.S.S.R.)	Tbilisi	Oct.	18
180' 1 ¹ / ₈ "	Nina Romashkova (U.S.S.R.)		Nov.	
164' 9 ¹ / ₈ "	Yevgeniya Arzumanova (U.S.S.R.)	Tbilisi	Oct.	
160' 4 ¹ / ₈ "	Yelisaveta Bagryantseva (U.S.S.R.)			
160' 3 ¹ / ₈ "	Rimma Shumskaya (U.S.S.R.)			
157' 8 ¹ / ₈ "	Marianne Werner (Germany)	Cologne	Aug.	6
142' 0"	SUZANNE FARMER (Great Britain)	Chichester	June	2

JAVELIN THROW

175' 0 ¹ / ₈ "	Galina Zybina (U.S.S.R.)	Viipuri	July	
168' 8 ¹ / ₈ "	Yelena Gorchakova (U.S.S.R.)			
165' 7"	Dana Zátopková (C.S.R.)	Helsinki	July	24
164' 0 ⁷ / ₈ "	Aleksandra Chudina (U.S.S.R.)	Helsinki	July	24
163' 8 ¹ / ₈ "	Klavdiya Mayuchaya (U.S.S.R.)	Moscow	Sept.	14
163' 0 ¹ / ₈ "	Nataliya Smirnitskaya (U.S.S.R.)			
148' 7 ¹ / ₈ "	DIANE COATES (Great Britain)	London	June	14

OBITUARY. Petty Officer George Wright, 23 was drowned at sea when "Princess Victoria" sank during a violent storm on January 31st while on passage between Stranraer, Scotland and Belfast, Northern Ireland. Wright was holder of the Royal Navy 1 and 3 miles records and the Inter Services Championships 3 miles record. He also won four Royal Navy Cross Country titles from 1948 to 1951.

WANTED. Reader K.W.Houghton would like to hear from anyone with Olympic Reports in any language for sale (or for exchange with 1912, 1924, or 1932 Reports). He especially requires :- Paris 1924 Report in French and Berlin 1936 in German or English. Please write to 234 Langham Road, South Tottenham, London N.15.

CORRECTION. No. 12 P. 7 Delete Discus 148' 0" K. Maksimczyk (handicap).

BRITISH RANKINGS 1952

British rankings for 1952, on the same pattern as those published for 1951, were started last month and will be concluded with the five remaining Field Events next month.

Places, if any, in the 1951 Rankings are shown in brackets after the athlete's name.

Standard Notation: - e = estimated time, m = metric mark at 110m., 400m. or 3,000m.

N.B. These lists do NOT necessarily include EVERY mark made by an ATHLETE

120 YARDS HURDLES (110 metres hurdles)

1. Peter Burke HILDRETH (1)		
15.4	1st Sward Trophy (Parker)	10/5
15.2	1st Beds. & Hunts. (solo)	17/5
15.2	1st British Games (heat)	31/5
14.8	2nd British Games (final) (Parker)	31/5
15.0	1st Inter Counties (Parker)	2/6
14.9	1st Southern Champs (Parker)	7/6
15.0	1st Wimbledon (Parker)	11/6
15.0	1st Kinnaird Meet (Parker)	14/6
14.8	1st A.A.A. Champs (heat)	21/6
14.4	2nd AAA Champs (final) = E.N.R.	21/6
14.6	2nd Glasgow	28/6
15.0	1st Triangular Match (Parker)	5/7
14.7m	2nd Olympic Games (heat)	23/7
14.9m	6th Olympic Games (semi-final)	24/7
14.7	5th Empire v. U.S.A.	4/8
-	4th British Games (14.9 in heat)	9/8
14.7m	2nd G.B.v. France, Paris	23/8
14.9	2nd City Charity Meet.	10/9
15.0	2nd Inter City Meet.	17/9
14.7	1st Charlottenburg, Germany	21/9
2. Frederick John PARKER (2)		
15.1m	1st Paris Meet.	4/5
14.6w	1st A.A.A. v. O.U.A.C.	8/5
-	2nd Sward Trophy	10/5
15.2	1st Surrey Champs	17/5
15.1	1st A.A.A. v. C.U.A.C.	29/5
15.4	3rd British Games	31/5
15.2	2nd Inter Counties	2/6
15.5	2nd Southern Champs.	7/6
15.1	2nd Wimbledon	11/6
15.0e	2nd Chiswick	14/6
15.1	2nd Triangular Match	5/7
14.8	2nd Olympic Games (heat)	23/7
15.0	6th Olympic Games (semi-final)	24/7
14.8	1st A.A.A. v Combined Services	16/8
14.6m	1st G.B. v. France (Hildreth)	23/8
14.8	1st City Charity Meet (Hildreth)	10/9
15.0	1st Inter City Meet (Hildreth)	17/9
3. Paul Ashley Lawrence VINE (4)		
15.1w	1st Oxford v. Cambridge	15/3
14.8	1st Achilles v. Eton College	25/3
15.0w	2nd O.U.A.C. v. A.A.A.	8/5
15.2	1st O.U.C.A.C. v. R.M.A.	21/5
15.0	2nd AAA v. Services (Higham)	16/8
4. Christopher Eric Edward HIGHAM (-)		
15.5	1st Yorkshire Champs	17/5
15.5	1st Inter Counties (ht) (Birrell)	2/6
-	5th Inter Counties (final)	2/6
15.4	1st Northern Champs	7/6
-	2nd A.A.A. Champs (heat)	21/6
15.2	4th A.A.A. Champs (final)	21/6
15.9	1st Chesterfield Meet (Birrell)	28/6
15.1	3rd A.A.A. v Services (Hart)	16/8
5. John Garrow MacLachlan HART (-)		
-	4th Inter Counties (Higham)	2/6
15.5	1st Combined Services v OUAC	12/6
15.2	3rd A.A.A. Champs (heat)	21/6
15.4	1st Uxbridge	25/6
14.7	3rd Glasgow	28/6
15.3e	2nd Inter Services, Aldershot.	2/7
16.0	3rd Triangular Match	5/7
15.3m	2nd Brussels Air Display Meet.	12/7

120 YARDS HURDLES (110 metres hurdles)

6. Joseph Robert BIRRELL (6)		
15.0w	1st Birmingham	10/5
15.7	3rd Inter Counties (Higham, Hart)	2/6
15.5	2nd Northern Champs	7/6
15.2	2nd A.A.A. Champs (heat)	21/6
-	5th A.A.A. Champs (final)	21/6
-	2nd Chesterfield Meet	28/6

440 YARDS HURDLES (400 metres hurdles)

1. David Keir GRACIE (5)		
55.5	1st Glasgow (two watches)	17/5
53.6m	1st Caledonian (Scott, Whittle)	24/5
54.7	1st Glasgow (Scots A-C Record)	7/6
55.5	1st Glasgow	10/6
54.0	3rd A.A.A. Champs (final)	21/6
53.8	1st Glasgow (Scots A-C Record)	28/6
52.6m	1st Triangular Match (Scott, Whittle)	5/7
54.2m	1st Olympic Games (1st round)	20/7
53.9m	3rd Olympic Games (2nd round)	20/7
52.4m	4th Olympic Games (semi-final)	21/7
53.4	3rd Empire v U.S.A. (Whittle)	4/8
52.3m	1st Malmö Meet, Sweden	6/8
52.5m	2nd Göteborg Meet, Sweden	7/8
52.7	2nd British Games	9/8
52.9m	3rd G.B. v France, Paris	24/8
2. Angus Weatherit SCOTT (2)		
54.4m	1st Paris Meet	4/5
55.7	1st Leyton	7/5
55.2	1st Sward Trophy (Whittle)	10/5
55.0m	1st Motspur Park	14/5
54.2	1st Yorkshire Champs	17/5
54.0m	2nd Caledonian Games (Whittle)	24/5
54.6	2nd Inter Counties	31/5
53.6m	1st Paris Meet	8/6
53.4	2nd A.A.A. Champs (final) (Gracie)	21/6
54.9	1st Wealdstone Meet	28/6
54.7m	3rd Triangular Match	5/7
54.9m	3rd Olympic Games (1st round)	20/7
53.4m	4th Olympic Games (2nd round)	20/7
53.2	2nd Empire v U.S.A. (Gracie and Whittle)	4/8
53.0	3rd British Games (ENR) (Whittle)	9/8
52.4m	1st G.B. v France, Paris (Gracie)	24/8

3. Harry WHITTLE (1)		
56.5	1st Newcastle Meet.	6/5
55.8	1st A.A.A. v. O.U.A.C.	8/5
55.6	2nd Sward Trophy	10/5
55.0	1st Lancashire Champs	17/5
54.3m	3rd Caledonian Games	24/5
53.6	1st Inter Counties (Scott)	31/5
56.1	1st Northern Champs	7/6
53.4	1st AAA Champs (BN&ENR) (Scott & Gracie)	21/6
53.2m	2nd Triangular Match (Scott)	5/7
53.9m	2nd Olympic Games (1st round)	20/7
52.8m	3rd Olympic Games (2nd round)	20/7
52.9m	2nd Olympic Games (semi-final)	21/7
53.1m	5th Olympic Games (final)	21/7
53.9	5th Empire v. U.S.A.	4/8
-	4th British Games	9/8

4. Alec John HARDY (-)		
55.6	1st Southern Champs (heat)	7/6
54.8	1st Southern Champs (final) (Davis)	7/6
53.4m	1st Paddington (Davis)	10/6
55.0	4th A.A.A. Champs (final) (Davis)	21/6
5. John DAVIS (4)		
56.6m	2nd Leyton	7/5
56.3	3rd A.A.A. v. O.U.A.C.	8/5
55.9m	2nd Motspur Park	14/5
57.5	1st Middlesex Champs.	17/5
55.0	3rd Inter Counties Champs.	31/5
55.7	2nd Southern Champs (final)	7/6
- m	(2nd) Paddington (disqualified)	10/6
55.3	5th A.A.A. Champs (final)	21/6
56.5	1st A.A.A. v Combined Services	16/8

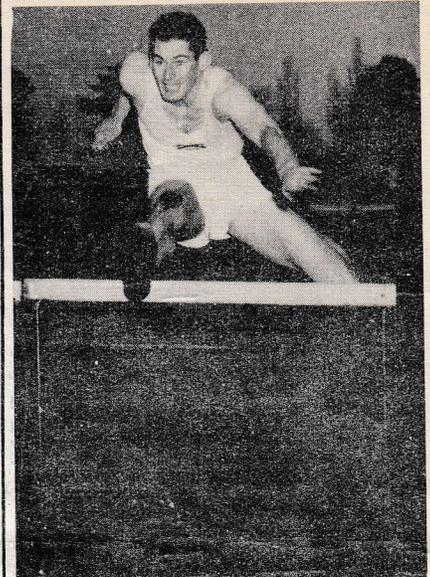


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Christopher HIGHAM, ranked fourth in the high hurdles who is expected to become the United Kingdom's thirteenth athlete to beat 15.0 seconds.

6. Frederick John PARKER (-)		
56.8m	5th Paris Meet	4/5
55.6	2nd A.A.A. v O.U.A.C.	8/5

TWO MILES STEEPLECHASE (3000 metres)

1. John Ivor DISLEY (1)		
9:26.1m	2nd Leyton	7/5
10:08.6	1st Inter Counties	2/6
9:44.0	1st AAA Champs (World's Best)	21/6
8:59.4m	1st Olympic Games (heat)	23/7
8:51.8m	3rd Olympic Games (final)	25/7
9:06.2m	1st Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
9:11.2m	1st G.B. v France, Paris	24/8
9:34.8m	3rd Inter City Meet (ill)	17/9
2. Christopher William BRASHER (2)		
9:17.4m	1st Leyton (Disley)	7/5
9:13.5m	1st Caledonian Games	24/5
10:03.6	2nd A.A.A. Champs (Johnson)	21/6
9:03.2m	4th Olympic Games (heat)	23/7
9:14.0m	11th Olympic Games (final) (hurt)	25/7
9:09.4m	2nd Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
9:25.6m	1st British Games (Johnson)	9/8
9:27.4m	4th G.B. v France, Paris	24/8
3. Kenneth Edward JOHNSON (-)		
10:24.6	4th Inter Counties	2/6
10:28.0	1st Midland Champs.	14/6
10:06.8	4th A.A.A. Champs (Ross, Berry)	21/6
9:27.0m	7th Olympic Games (heat)	23/7
9:29.0m	3rd Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
4. David Gowers ROSS (-)		
10:12.0	2nd Inter Counties (Johnson)	2/6
10:21.6	6th A.A.A. Champs (Morley)	21/6
-	5th Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
5. Walter BERRY (5)		
10:23.6	3rd Inter Counties (Johnson)	2/6
10:39.0	1st Northern Champs.	7/6
10:17.0	5th AAA Champs (Ross, Morley)	21/6
- m	4th Empire v U.S.A. (Ross)	4/8
9:39.6m	3rd British Games	9/8
6. Roy Anthony MORLEY (-)		
9:30.0m	3rd Leyton	7/5
9:28.8m	2nd Caledonian Games	24/5
10:23.0	1st Southern Champs	7/6

FIELD EVENT RANKINGS

HIGH JUMP

1. Ronald Cecil PAVITT (2)		
6' 0"	2nd Leyton(Cox)	7/5
5' 9"	1st A.A.A. v. O.U.A.C.	8/5
6' 2"	2nd Sward Trophy	10/5
6' 1"	1st Middlesex Champs.	17/5
6' 2"	2nd A.A.A. v. C.U.A.C.	29/5
6' 0"	2nd Chiswick	14/6
6' 4"	1st AAA Champs(Wells,Cox)	21/6
6' 3"	2nd Wealdstone	28/6
6' 2"	1st Triangular Match(Wells)	5/7
6' 4 ³ / ₄ "	5th Olympic Games(final)	20/7
6' 2 ¹ / ₄ "	6th Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
6' 0"	4th=British Games	9/8
6' 0 ¹ / ₂ "	4th G.B. v. France,Paris	24/8

2. Peter WELLS (abroad)		
6' 0 ¹ / ₄ "	1st Harringay Meet(Cox)	28/3
6' 2"	1st Imber Court	3/5
6' 0"	1st Leyton(Pavitt,Cox)	7/5
6' 4"	1st Sward Trophy(Pavitt)	10/5
6' 5"	1st Herts Champs.	17/5
6' 5"	1st Caledonian Games	24/5
6' 4"	1st A.A.A.vC.U.A.C.(Pavitt)	29/5
6' 3"	1st Inter Counties(Cox)	2/6
6' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Southern Champs.	7/6
6' 4"	1st Paris Meet.	8/6
6' 4"	1st Chiswick(Pavitt)	14/6
6' 2"	2nd A.A.A.Champs(Cox)	21/6
6' 3"	1st Wealdstone(Cox,Pavitt)	28/6
6' 2"	2nd Triangular Match	5/7
6' 2 ³ / ₄ "	11= Olympic Games(final)	20/7
6' 2"	4= Empire v U.S.A.(Pavitt)	4/8
6' 2 ³ / ₄ "	1st G.B. v. France,Paris(Pavitt)	24/8

3. Alan Sinclair PATERSON (1)		
6' 5"	1st Montreal,Canada	6/5
6' 0 ¹ / ₄ "	1st Hamilton,Canada	21/6
6' 1 ³ / ₄ "	- Olympic Games(qualifying rnd)	20/7
5'10 ³ / ₈ "	24= Olympic Games(final)	20/7

4. Derek Richard John COX (-)		
6' 0 ¹ / ₄ "	2nd Harringay Meet.	28/3
6' 1"	2nd Imber Court	3/5
6' 0"	3rd Leyton	7/5
6' 0"	1st A.A.A. v. U.L.A.C.	14/5
6' 1"	1st Essex Champs.	17/5
5'10"	4th Inter Counties	2/6
6' 2"	4th A.A.A.Champs.	21/6
6' 1"	3rd Wealdstone	28/6
6' 0"	2nd Glasgow(Gregor)	2/8
6' 2"	1st A.A.A. v Services	16/8
6' 3"	1st London Fire Brigade Meet.	30/8
6' 4"	1st London Champs	6/9
6' 0"	2nd Inter City Meet.	17/9

5. Eric L. HUTTON (-)		
6' 0"	1st Imber Court	10/5
6' 0"	2nd Wimbledon(Cox)	11/6
6' 2"	1st Dorking Meet.	28/6
6' 4"	1st Imber Court(inter club)	23/8
6' 2"	1st Imber Court	30/8
5' 8"	2nd City Charity Meet.	10/9
5'10"	3= Inter City Meet.	17/9

6. Norman George Allan GREGOR (3)		
5'10"	4th Triangular Match	5/7
6' 1"	1st Edinburgh	12/7
6' 0"	1st Police Champs,Folkestone	26/7
6' 0"	3rd Glasgow	2/8
6' 0 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Swansea	16/8
6' 0"	2nd Edinburgh Games	23/8

POLE VAULT

1. Geoffrey Michael ELLIOTT (3)		
12'10"x	--- Lillehall	4
12' 6"	1st U.L.A.C. v Paris U.	3/5
11' 6"	2nd Leyton	8/5
13' 1"	1st U.L.A.C. Champs. (E.N.R.)	10/5

13' 6"	1st UIAC v AAA(Anderson)ENR	14/5
12' 6"	1st U.A.U.Champs.	23/5
13' 6"	1st Inter Counties(Anderson)	31/5
13' 0"	1st Southern(Anderson)	7/6
13' 0"x	1st Harrow	7/6
13' 0"	1st AAA Champs(Anderson)	21/6
12' 6"	2nd Triangular Match	5/7
12' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	--- Olympic Games(qualifying rnd)	22/7
13' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	2nd Olympic Decathlon	25/7
13' 2"	2nd Glasgow(Gregor)	2/8
12' 6"	3= Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
13' 6"	2nd British Games	9/8
12' 6"	2nd Swansea	10/8
13' 7 ³ / ₈ "	1st G.B. v France(best U.K.)	23/8
13' 2"	1st Dunoon Meet.	30/8
13' 0"	1st City Charity Meet.	10/9



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G.M.Elliott whose vault of 13'7³/₈" has only been bettered by Victor Pickard(Canada) (13'7³/₈"-1929)among British Empire athletes.

2. Timothy Donald ANDERSON (2)		
12' 0 ¹ / ₄ "	2nd Harringay Meeting	29/3
12' 6"	1st Leyton(Elliott)	8/5
12' 9"	2nd AAA v ULAC	14/5
13' 0"	1st Surrey Champs	17/5
12' 9"	1st Caledonian Games	24/5
13' 0"	2nd Inter Counties	31/5
13' 0"	2nd Southern	7/6
13' 1"	1st A.A.A. v O.U.A.C.	12/6
12' 6"	2= AAA Champs.	21/6
12' 0"	1st Glasgow(Elliott)	28/6
13' 0"	1st Inter Services Champs	2/7
12' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	--- Olympic Games(qualifying rnd)	22/7
12' 6"	3= Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
12' 6"	4th British Games	9/8
12' 9"	1st Services v A.A.A.	16/8
12' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	4th G.B. v France,Paris	23/8

2. Norman George Allan GREGOR (1)		
12' 6"	1st Harringay(Anderson)	29/3
12' 0"	3rd Inter Counties	31/5
12' 0"	3rd Southern	7/6
12' 6"	2= A.A.A.Champs.	21/6
13' 3"	1st Maidstone Meeting	28/6
12' 6"	1st Triangular(Elliott)	5/7
12' 9 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Edinburgh	12/7
13' 0"	1st Folkestone	26/7
13' 2"	3rd Glasgow(Scottish N.R.)	2/8
13' 0"	3rd British Games	9/8
12' 6"	1st Swansea(Elliott)	16/8
12' 9"	1st Edinburgh Games	23/8
12' 6"	2nd Dunoon	30/8

Geoffrey CALLADINE (-)		
12' 6"	1st Scampton	21/5
11' 6"	6th Inter Counties	31/5
12' 4"	1st R.A.F.Champs.	11/6
12' 0"	3rd Services v O.U.A.C.	12/6
12' 0"	5th A.A.A.	21/6
12' 0"	1st Chesterfield Meeting	28/6
12' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	2nd Brussels	12/7
12' 6"	2nd Services v AAA	16/8

5. Ian WARD (-)		
11' 6"	1st Loughborough	/5
12' 0"	1st Ianos Champs.	17/5
12' 0"	4th Inter Counties(Calladine)	31/5
12' 0"	3rd Chesterfield Meeting	28/6
12' 0"	2nd Loughborough	/7
12' 0"	3rd A.A.A. v Services	16/8

6. Gilbert Donald HOWLAND (-)		
11' 0"	3rd Leyton	7/5
11' 0"	3rd AAA v U.L.A.C.	14/5
11' 9"	1st Middlesex Champs.	17/5
12' 0"	2nd Caledonian Games	24/5
11' 6"	6= A.A.A.Champs	21/6
11' 9"	1st Walton Meeting	26/7
11' 6"	2nd City Charity Meet.	10/9

LONG JUMP

1. Sylvanus Olatunde WILLIAMS (1)		
23' 0 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Sward Trophy	10/5
23' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Caledonian Games	24/5
23' 9 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Kinnaird Meeting	14/6
24' 0 ¹ / ₂ "	1st A.A.A.Champs.	21/6
24' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Copenhagen	9/7
24' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Empire v U.S.A.	4/8
24' 4 ¹ / ₂ "	1st British Games	9/8
24' 8"	1st G.B. v France,Paris	24/8
24' 5"	1st Krefeld Meeting	31/8

2. Arthur Roy CRUTTENDEN (3)		
23' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	2nd AAA Champs(Platt,Dixon)	21/6
21' 9 ¹ / ₂ "	2nd Triangular	5/7
22' 7"	5th Empire v U.S.A.(Platt)	4/8
21' 3"	9th British Games	9/8
23' 9 ¹ / ₈ "	2nd G.B. v France,Paris	24/8

3. Leonard Harrison PLATT (-)		
21'11 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Cheshire Champs.	17/5
23' 2 ¹ / ₄ "	1st Inter Counties(Dixon)	31/5
23' 6"	1st Northern Champs.	7/6
22' 5 ¹ / ₂ "	5th AAA Champs(Dixon)	21/6
22'10 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Triangular(Cruttennden)	5/7
22' 1"	6th Empire v U.S.A.	4/8

4. William Michael DIXON (-)		
22' 1"	4th AAA v CUAC	8/5
22' 9"	1st Essex Champs.	17/5
23' 2 ¹ / ₄ "	2nd Caledonian Games	24/5
23' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	1st AAA v CUAC	29/5
22' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	2nd Inter Counties	31/5
22' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Southern	7/6
22' 1 ¹ / ₄ "	6th AAA Champs.	21/6

5. Eric DARLOW (-)		
21' 7"	1st Birmingham Meeting	10/5
23' 1 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Middlesex Champs	14/5
21' 8 ¹ / ₂ "	1st MCAA v Welsh AAA	29/5
22' 7"	3rd Inter Counties	31/5
21' 7 ¹ / ₂ "	3rd Midland Champs.	7/6
22' 2"	1st R.A.F. Champs.	10/6
22'11 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Services v O.U.A.C.	12/6
23' 1 ¹ / ₈ "	1st Brussels Air Meet	12/7
22' 4 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Services v AAA(Dixon)	16/8

6. George Edward BROAD (4)		
22' 2 ¹ / ₂ "	3rd A.A.A. v O.U.A.C.	8/5
23' 1"	1st Oswestry Meeting	14/7
22' 4"	2nd Waddilove Meeting	19/7
22' 3 ¹ / ₂ "	1st AAA Junior Champs	26/7
22'11 ¹ / ₂ "	5th British Games	9/8
21' 6 ¹ / ₂ "	1st Inter City Match	17/9

1951 AND 1952 PLACINGS COMPARED

Hildreth again kept his edge over Jack Parker in the highs. Scotland's David Gracie came through from 5th to take 1st spot ahead of Scott, who gets the narrow verdict over Olympic finalist Harry Whittle. The steeplechase shows new health with John Disley more closely pressed by Brasher. In the jumps Paterson slipped from 1st. to 3rd while pole-vaulter Elliott easily gained the top position. Two new 23 foot men, Platt and Dixon, joined the long jump.

WORLD'S RECORDS

The complete list of World's Records passed (except the 15 track walking records accepted for the 17 approved events) by the International Amateur Athletic Federation as at March 1st 1953.

RUNNING

100 yards	9.3 Melvin E. Patton (U.S.A.)	Fresno, California, U.S.A.	May 15 1948
220 yards	20.2 Melvin E. Patton (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles, Calif. U.S.A.	May 7 1949
440 yards	46.0 Herbert Henry McKenley (Jamaica)	Berkeley, California U.S.A.	June 5 1948
880 yards	1m49.2 Sydney Charles Wooderson (Great Britain)	Motspur Park, Surrey, England	Aug. 20 1938
1 Mile	1m49.2 Malvin Groston Whitfield (U.S.A.)	Berea, Ohio, U.S.A.	Aug. 19 1950
2 Miles	4m01.4 Gunder Hägg (Sweden)	Malmö, Sweden	July 17 1945
3 Miles	8m40.4 Gaston Etienne Ghislain Reiff (Belgium)	Paris, France	Aug. 26 1952
6 Miles	13m32.4 Gunder Hägg (Sweden)	Gothenburg, Sweden	Sept. 20 1942
10 Miles	28m30.8 Viljo Akseli Heino (Finland)	Kouvola, Finland	Sept. 1 1949
15 Miles	48m12.0 Emil Zátopek (Czechoslovakia)	Stará Boleslav-Houtská, CSR	Sept. 29 1951
1 Hour 12 miles 809 yds.	1h17m28.6 Mikko Hietanen (Finland)	Kokkola, Finland	May 23 1948
100 metres	10.2 James Cleveland Owens (U.S.A.)	Stará Boleslav-Houtská, CSR	Sept. 29 1951
	10.2 Harold Davis (U.S.A.)	Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.	June 20 1936
	10.2 Lloyd Berrington LaBeach (Panama)	Compton, California, U.S.A.	June 6 1941
	10.2 Henry Norwood Ewell (U.S.A.)	Fresno, California, U.S.A.	May 15 1948
	10.2 Emmanuel McDonald Bailey (Trinidad & G.B.)	Evanston, Illinois, U.S.A.	July 9 1948
	20.2 Melvin E. Patton (U.S.A.)	Belgrade, Yugoslavia	Aug. 25 1951
200 metres	45.8 Vincent George Rhoden (Jamaica)	Los Angeles, Calif. U.S.A.	May 7 1949
400 metres	1m46.6 Rudolf Harbig (Germany)	Eskilstuna, Sweden	Aug. 22 1950
800 metres	2m21.3 Olle W. Åberg (Sweden)	Milan, Italy	July 15 1939
1,000 metres	3m43.0 Gunder Hägg (Sweden)	Copenhagen, Denmark	Aug. 10 1952
1,500 metres	3m43.0 Lennart Strand (Sweden)	Gothenburg, Sweden	July 7 1944
2,000 metres	5m07.0 Gaston Etienne Ghislain Reiff (Belgium)	Malmö, Sweden	July 15 1947
3,000 metres	7m58.8 Gaston Etienne Ghislain Reiff (Belgium)	Brussels, Belgium	Sept. 29 1948
5,000 metres	13m58.2 Gunder Hägg (Sweden)	Gävle, Sweden	Aug. 12 1949
10,000 metres	29m02.6 Emil Zátopek (Czechoslovakia)	Gothenburg, Sweden	Sept. 20 1942
20,000 metres	59m51.8 Emil Zátopek (Czechoslovakia)	Turku, Finland	Aug. 4 1950
25,000 metres	1h20m14.0 Mikko Hietanen (Finland)	Stará Boleslav-Houtská, CSR	Sept. 29 1951
30,000 metres	1h38m54.0 Yakov Z. Moskachenkov (U.S.S.R.)	Kokkola, Finland	May 23 1948
		Moscow, U.S.S.R.	Oct. 3 1951

RECORDS AWAITING RATIFICATION BY THE I.A.A.F.
1,000 metres in 2m21.2 by Stanislav Jungwirth (Czechoslovakia) at Stará Boleslav-Houtská on October 26 1963. On the previous afternoon at the same place Emil Zátopek (Czechoslovakia) ran 15 miles in 1h19m26.4 & 30,000 metres in 1h35m23.3. Werner Lueg of Germany ran 1,500 metres in 3m43.0 at Berlin on June 29 1963 to equal the existing record.

ANALYSIS

This list comprise 57 marks in respect of 49 events.
 Eight marks survive from the pre 1939-45 war era. Eight marks were made during the war.
 Athletes of the United States hold 27 records, the Swedes 9, the Finns and Czechs 4, the Jamaicans and Belgians 3, and 7 other countries one each.
 All the records were made in the Northern Hemisphere. Nineteen were set up in the United States and all the rest in Europe: Sweden 12, Finland 11, England 4 etc.

NOTES ON THE RECORDS

The 220 yards, 4 x 220 yds and 220 yds Hurdles marks also serve for the short-term metric records.
 The 220 yards was made on a straightaway.
 The 440 yards was made round only one turn.
 The 3 miles was set in the course of the 5,000m.
 The 6 miles was timed in the course of a 10,000 m.
 The 10 miles & 20,000 m. records were intermediate times in the hour record.
 The 15 miles mark was set during the 25,000m. record race.
 The Helsinki 120 yds Hurdles record was timed at the longer event (110 m.)
 Dillard's 220 yards & 200 metre Hurdles records were set round a turn.
 Walcott's 200 metres Hurdles record was on a straightaway and in the course of a 220 yards event.

RELAYS

4 x 110 yards	40.5 University of Southern California, U.S.A.	Fresno, California, U.S.A.	May 14 1938
	(Leland LaFond, William C. Anderson, Payton Jordan, Adrian Talley)		
4 x 220 yards & 4 x 200 metres	1m24.0 University of Southern California, U.S.A.	Los Angeles, Calif. U.S.A.	May 20 1949
	(George Pasquali, Robert Frazier, Norman Stocks, Patton)		
4 x 440 yards	2m08.8 Amateur Athletic Union of America	London, England	Aug. 9 1952
	(Gerald Eugene Cole, John W. Mashburn, Reginald Pearman, Whitfield)		
4 x 880 yards	7m29.2 United States National Team	London, England	Aug. 4 1952
	(William Ashenfelter, Pearman, John B. Barnes, Whitfield)		
4 x 1 Mile	16m42.8 Gefle Idrottsforening (Sweden)	Stockholm, Sweden	Aug. 5 1949
	SAME (Ingvar Bengtsson, Gösta Bergqvist, Åberg, Henry Eriksson)		
4 x 100 metres	39.8 United States Olympic Team	Berlin, Germany	Aug. 9 1936
	(Owens, Ralph H. Metcalfe, Foy Draper, Frank C. Wykoff)		
4 x 400 metres	3m03.9 Jamaican Olympic Team	Helsinki, Finland	July 27 1952
	(Arthur Stanley Wint, Leslie Alphanzo Laing, McKenley, Rhoden)		
4 x 800 metres	7m29.0 Swedish National Team	Stockholm, Sweden	Sept. 13 1946
	(Tore Sten, Olle Lindén, Stig Lindgård, Strand)		
4 x 1,500 mtrs.	15m30.2 Gefle Idrottsforening (Sweden)	Gävle, Sweden	July 3 1949
	SAME (Bengtsson, Bergqvist, Åberg, H. Eriksson)		

HURDLING

120 yards	13.5 Richard Harold Attlesley (U.S.A.)	Fresno, California, U.S.A.	May 13 1950
	13.5 Richard Harold Attlesley (U.S.A.)	Helsinki, Finland	July 10 1950
220 yards	22.3 Harrison Dillard (U.S.A.)	Salt Lake City, Utah, U.S.A.	June 21 1947
440 yards	51.6 Charles Hewes Moore (U.S.A.)	London, England	Aug. 9 1952
110 metres	13.5 Richard Harold Attlesley (U.S.A.)	Helsinki, Finland	July 10 1950
200 metres	22.3 Frederick Wolcott (U.S.A.)	Princeton, New Jersey, U.S.A.	June 8 1940
	22.3 Harrison Dillard (U.S.A.)	Salt Lake City, Utah, U.S.A.	June 21 1947
400 metres	50.6 Glenn Foster Hardin (U.S.A.)	Stockholm, Sweden	July 26 1934

FIELD EVENTS

HIGH JUMP	6 ft. 11 ins (2.108m.)	Lester Steers (U.S.A.)	Los Angeles, USA
POLE VAULT	15 ft. 7 3/4 ins (4.77 m.)	Cornelius A. Warmerdam (U.S.A.)	Modesto, Cal. USA
LONG JUMP	26 ft. 3 1/2 ins (8.13 m.)	James Cleveland Owens (U.S.A.)	Ann Arbor, Mich.
HOP, STEP and JUMP	53 ft. 2 3/4 ins (16.22 m)	Adhemar Ferreira da Silva (Brazil)	Helsinki
SHOT PUTT	(58 ft. 10 3/8 ins) 17.95 m.	James Emanuel Fuchs (U.S.A.)	Eskilstuna, Sweden
DISCUS THROW	(186 ft. 10 1/2 ins) 56.97 m.	Fortune Everette Gordien (USA)	Hämeenlinna, Finland
HAMMER THROW	(200 ft. 11 ins) 61.25 m.	Sverre Strandli (Norway)	Oslo, Norway
JAVELIN THROW	(258 ft. 2 ins) 78.70 m.	Yrjö Nikkanen (Finland)	Kotka, Finland

DECATHLON

DECATHLON	7,897 points Robert Bruce Mathias (U.S.A.)	Helsinki, Finland	July 25/26 1952
	(1st Day; 100 m. 10.9-Long Jump 22'10 1/2"-Shot Putt 50'2 1/2"-High Jump 6'2 1/4"-400 m. 50.2		
	2nd Day; 110 m. Hurdles 14.7-Discus 153'10"-Pole Vault 13'1 1/2"-Javelin 194'3"-1,500 m. 4m50.8)		

STARS OF THE THIRTIES No. 2

"Slats" Hardin by Neil Allen

GLENN FOSTER HARDIN (see opposite) is the man who 18 years ago, in 1934, set a world's record which has defied every assault both of the 'forties and the 'fifties. It is his 50.6 secs. for the 400 metres over 10 3 foot hurdles made on a July day in Stockholm in a race which he won by over 40 yards. The inability of the now retired C.H. Moore Jnr. to beat this truly great mark last summer should ensure at least another two years longevity to this milestone in the history of track and field, which is the most venerable (see page 6, opposite) of all the records extant for the 49 scheduled events.

The world first noticed Hardin just over 20 years ago. At the 1932 A.A.U. Championships he provided the 'story' of the meeting. He broke the tape in the 400 metres hurdles but he did not win. The judges ruled that the little known freshman from Louisiana State had run out of his lane; so they disqualified him. Hardin was however not long to be denied. In the final Olympic try-outs, only 15 days before the 400 metres hurdles final was scheduled, Hardin beat not only Joe. Healey, who had collected the disputed AAU title, but also the veteran 1924 Olympic Champion (52.6) and world record-holder (52.0) F. Morgan Taylor. Hardin's winning time was a personal best of 53.5secs.

In the glare of the great Olympic Stadium the boy who had become America's first string qualified to go forward with a gentle 3rd place in Heat 3 behind the green vested Irishman Robert Tisdall. In the semi-final Hardin caused a stir by returning 52.8 secs. so to beat Lord Burghley's 4 year old Olympic record of 53.4. For the final Hardin was drawn in the fourth lane - just where Tisdall wanted him. As the Irishman faltered in knocking down the last of the ten hurdles Hardin closed with a rush heralding the arrival of another new 'great'. Tisdall however had got home by a yard in a 51.8, which was debarred as a world record because of the fallen tenth hurdle. Hardin was given 52.0 which tied Taylor's 1928 world mark. But for an antiquated I.A.A.F. rule about fifths and tenths the record would have been his alone since the time really returned was 51.9secs.

Hardin first moved into the sole property business at the 1934 A.A.U. meeting on June 30 at Milwaukee. Fresh from running the then second fastest 440 yards (46.8) in history 6 weeks before in Alabama, he breezed past Edgar Ablowich, of 1,600 metre fame, to retain his 1933 title (52.2 at Chicago) with a world record of 51.8 secs. In the flat department he also retained his NCAA crown won in 47.1 by again beating Ivan Fuqua, also of 4x400 metre memory, this time with 47.0secs.

With this impressive record behind him Hardin joined the 1934 AAU touring team that went to Europe. The team, one of the greatest ever, included Ben Eastman (see STARS OF THE 'THIRTIES No.1), Bill Bonthron, Eulace Peacock, Jack Torrance and Corney Johnson. The first meet was a three day feast in the Swedish capital. On the first day (July 24) 'Slats' toured the 400 metres in a fluent 47.8secs. Next day he ran 300 metres (328.1yds) in a great 35.7 to beat Sven Strömberg (34.8s). The third day, July 26, dawned bright and clear over Stockholm and the handsome Hardin was ready to go. So far the meeting had yielded two world records - a 8:18.3 3,000 metres by the Dane Henry Nielsen and a 1:02.8 500 metres by Eastman. The Swedes were expectant when the "400 metre häck" came on. The result was best read from the back. Last was R. Tholin, third was S. Lundgren in 56.3, second was J. Lindahl in 56.3. Having eased up and turned round to watch these local athletes come in was 'Slats'. He had won by a margin of over 40 yards in a truly phenomenal 50.6 seconds! Officials swarmed over the 385 metre track. Apart from one hurdle fractionally dislodged everything was O.K. - A new World Record!

After that life was for Hardin an anti-climax. He however went on with his track career with the bored brilliance of a man whose greatest day was behind him. He finished the tour with a 15.4 high hurdles - proof of the suppleness of his limber frame - and a 33.6 300 metres, both in Oslo. A fortnight later he ran a 51.4 at Malmö and tossed in another 51.4 for good measure at the tour's winding up meet in Paris on August 19. In this race the unfortunate French runner-up, Pointurier, was lucky to find a timekeeper still paying attention six seconds later to award his second place a time of 57.4secs.

In 1935 Hardin took life a little easier. He however ran a 47.2 440 yards and at Baton Rouge in Louisiana, his home track, ran a great 22.4 secs. low hurdles which was not allowed as a world record because of wind assistance. In 1936 however 'Slats' made up his mind to win the Olympic title that had eluded him in 1932 at Los Angeles. At Princeton on June 13 he ran his speciality in 52.3. Four weeks later at the final try-outs in New York he was back. Under pressure from Joe Patterson (51.6) and Dale Schofield (51.7) he returned his third 51.4. At Berlin it was a case of a 53.2 semi-final, a winning



(cont: from col. 1) 52.4 secs. from the outside lane, the top step, the gold medal and retirement.

What then were the physical qualities of this man whose record proved too much even for Charley Moore? He once ran 220yds. in 21.4, he ran a half-mile relay stage once in 1:53.0 and he was possessed of the suppleness of a high hurdler. He was in the words of Dean B. Cromwell "The perfect example of what it takes". I guess he had everything. [ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FOR MUCH DATA TO R.L.Q.]

Landy 4:04.1 Title Win by J. H. Galli

John Landy stole the headlines on both days of the Aussie Championships at the Leaderville Oval, Perth on Sat. Jan. 24 and the following Monday, Australia Day, Jan. 26th. Despite the humid heat and no lap times the 22 year old wonder sped his 'quarters' in 58.8, 62.0, 62.7 and 60.6 for a meeting record of 4:04.1 - the best cross mile in history. Two days later he improved his best 880yds. time by 3/5ths with a 1:53.6 finishing into a strong breeze.

Graham Gipson, scheduled for Yale next fall, ran an impressive 47.8 440yds. besides running up to Queenslander Hec. Hogan in a 9.7 hundred. Crutty-trained Olympian Les. Perry took the 3 miles in 14:09.2 from Geoff. Warren (14:15.4), who also won the new six mile title. Ray Weinberg won his 4th hurdles title in a modest 14.6.

Best in the field was Brian Oliver with long & triple jump wins up to his old form. The two 6'6 1/2 high jumpers John Vernon and Doug. Stuart disappointed with Vernon winning at 6'4".

SUMMARY: 100yds: H. Hogan (holder) 9.7, G. Gipson 9.7, B. Butterfield 9.8; 220yds: Butterfield 22.1, Gipson 22.1, K. Reede; 440yds: Gipson 47.8, Thaggard 48.5; 880yds: J. Landy 1:53.6, G. Adair 1:55.3; Mile: Landy 4:04.1, J. Bailey 4:12.6 (disqual.), L. Perry; 3 Miles: L. Perry 14:09.2, G. Warren 14:15.4, N. Robbins; 6 Miles: Warren 30:19.6, Robbins 30:59.4, A. Lawrence 31:12.6; 120ydsHH: R. Weinberg 14.5, K. Doubleday 14.6; 220ydsLH: Doubleday 23.8, G. Goodacre; 440ydsMH: Doubleday 54.1, Goodacre 54.8; HJ: J. Vernon 6'4"; PV: P. Denton 12'6"; LW: B. Oliver 23'10 1/2"; HSJ: 50'2"; SP: P. Hanlin 46'9 1/2"; DT: K. Pardon 143'16 1/2"; HT: Pardon 156'9"; JT: J. Achurch 199'0 1/2".

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WHITFIELD AND DILLARD SET NEW STANDARDS

R.L.Quercetani's Report Continued (from Page 1)

(cont: from page 1, col 1.) the mechanics of high jumping to a very fine pitch.

Mal Whitfield has long been considered a rather "mediocre performer" on the boards. His running in the present indoor campaign has however caused critics to revise their opinions. After a great 1:10.9 for 600 yards in the Millrose Games, Whitfield stole the headlines only two days later in Boston in the AA Meeting by equalling the world indoor record for the distance, namely the 1:10.2 set by the late John Borican in March 1941 and Hughie Short in Feb. 1943. In this latter race Whitfield employed his favourite tactics of holding back for one lap, making a decisive pass and then seemingly coasting in. His victim was Herb. McKenley whose 1:10.7 in 2nd place was a personal best.

Back on the Madison Square Garden track on February 7 the invincible Mal broke the world 500 yard record of 56.9, held by the stocky 1948 Olympian George Guida (6th 400 metres) since 1949, with a phenomenal 56.6 secs. Once again Whitfield forged into the lead about half way and then staved off McKenley's closing bid. The Jamaican, surely the greatest non-stop running machine in the sprint department, did a rousing 57.0 for second.

Harrison Dillard set a new indoor record of 6 seconds flat for the infrequently run 50 yards hurdles event in the Philadelphia meeting of January 23. The undisputed master of the short indoor race, Dillard reached a winning streak of 28 on February 7.

Best of the millers, the boys who monopolize the public attention at indoor festivals, was the thick-set 21 year old Fred. Dwyer of Villanova. He got inside 4:10 on four occasions, the best being his 4:08.2 in the Millrose Games. This race was lent some unexpected excitement when Dwyer met resistance from a lanky 22 year old from Brown, one Walter Molineaux, who finished second in a close up 4:08.5. Men with higher reputations such as Fred Wilt, the Swede Ingvar Eriksson, the German Rolf Lamers and Don. Gehrman, were invariably helpless against this newest indoor sensation Fred. Dwyer. The 4:03.6 man Ingvar Eriksson of Sweden placed second to Wilt (4:10.5) in his first indoor race with a sound 4:11.4. Later he was kept in bed with 'flu and lost condition by the time he returned to the noise and glare of the boards.

Horace Ashenfelter, the Olympic 3,000 metres steeplechase champion was king of the distance men. After losing once to 21 year old Charley Capozzoli, at Boston on January 17, Ashenfelter had an unbroken succession of victories over that classic indoor distance - the two miles. His best was an excellent 8:53.0 again at Boston on January 31. It must however be pointed out that after his brilliant win in 8:55.3 over 'Ash', Capozzoli was forced into a temporary retirement from the scene as another victim of the 'flu wave.

BOB RICHARDS WITH 37 15 FOOT VAULTS CLOSES WARMERDAM'S RECORD !

Bob Richards has been steadily building up his total of 15 foot vaults. By February 10 he had added another 8 to his total of 29 reported in the last number. The position vis-a-vis 'Dutch' Warmerdam is now Richards 37, Warmerdam 43 (retired). The best of Richards marks was his magnificent 15'4" effort at New York on February 7. Unfortunately his only close rival Don Laz failed to provide the expected competition at the topmost heights, since he could never do better than 14'8".

The most successful foreigner was Germany's Olympic 800 metre bronze medallist Heins Ulsheimer (see photo p.2 October 1952 issue). In his American indoor debut he ran an impressive and confident front race to return a good 1:52.0 for 880 yards, eight tenths under the meet record, held by John Woodruff.

In the course of a dual meet in Kansas on February 7 Olympian Walter Thane Baker equalled the world 60 yard record for dirt tracks with an electric 6.1 seconds.

SUMMARIES:

Washington Evening Star Games, Wash. D.C., January 10th. 70yds: Bragg 7.1; 80yds: Bragg 8.1; 100yds: Bragg 9.8; Mile: Dwyer 4:19.4 (Bob McMillen was 5th); 2 Miles: Capozzoli 9:17.0; HJ: Davis & Wiesner (tie) 6'6"; PV: Richards 15'0", Laz 14'4".

Metropolitan Assn. Chs., New York, January 10th. 600yds: Pearman 1:11.7, McKenley, Whitfield; Mile: H. Ashenfelter 4:18.1; 3 Miles: H. Ashenfelter 14:42.1; HJ: A. Webb 6'3" (the former holder of the British all-comers' record Bill Vessie was 2nd at 6'2").

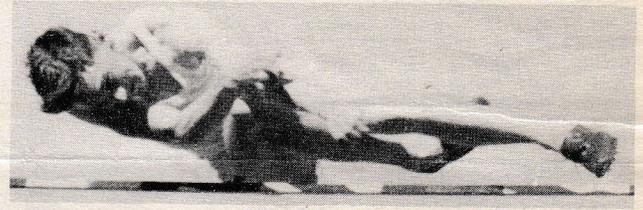
Massachusetts Knights of Columbus, Boston, Jan. 17. 50yds: Bragg 5.2, (Stanfield 3rd); 600 yds: Whitfield 1:12.0 (Rhoden 3rd); 1,000 yds: Dwyer 2:11.6; Mile Wilt 4:10.5, Eriksson 4:11.4, (Gehrman 4th) Cont:

4 NATIONAL RECORDS BY SPRINGBOKS from A. G. MATTHEWS

Though the 1952-53 South African season has been slow to get under way, there have been isolated examples of some excellent marks. Four national records have recently been created as follows;

2 Mile S/Chase: 10:05.5 Piet van Wyk at Paarl on 26.12.1952
Hop, Step, Jump: 48' 5" Ellis West at Cape Town on 22.11.1952
Discus Throw: 152' 8" Stephanus du Plessis at Benoni on 10.10.52
Javelin Throw: 219' 10" Johnny Veitch at Port Elizabeth on 6.12.52

van Wyk's mark is the 3rd best by an Empire athlete and 20.5 secs. better than T. McKenzie's old mark made back in 1922. The discus mark ranks No. 5 and the javelin as high as third behind only Stanley Lay (222'9") and Britain's Dick Miller (221'11") on an Empire compilation. Perhaps the Union's most promising pole vaulter ever, Hentie Kruger of Cape Town, has been barred from further competition due to eye trouble. Already over 13' 0" he was regarded as a certain 14 footer. Below is Joe Truter clearing 6' 5" - his best.



MARJORIE JACKSON 10.3 TIME TRIAL! HOGAN SETS NEW MARK AT 9.5 SECS.

Two superlative sprint marks were recorded in Australia on Saturday Feb. 14th. At Sydney in a time trial Olympic champion Miss Marjorie Jackson bettered her official world record by a tenth. At Brisbane Hector Hogan set new resident figures and equalled Lloyd La Beach's all-comers' mark when he became the 5th Empire sprinter ever to register 9.5secs behind Joubert's record 9.4 of 1931.

Correspondent Joe Galli also reports the following class marks prior to the Championships (see p.7) - 220yds LH: 23.4 (turn) and 440yds MH: 53.1 (Aust. record) by G. Goodacre at Moore Park, N.S.W. on Jan. 3rd; H.J. 6'6" by J. Vernon on Jan. 17th and a record 205' 1" javelin throw by John Achurch at Brisbane on January 10th

Galli reports that humid heat and an over willingness to help the sport are behind the tapering off of John Landy. On Feb. 4th at Geelong before 8,000 he ran 9:01.2 (first mile 4:19.8) in a record attempt and 3 days later a 4:11.0 mile at Melbourne.

The I.A.A.F. ask us to reiterate that their address remains the same viz: 71, St. George's Square, LONDON S.W.1

Massachusetts Knights of Columbus, Boston, Jan. 17 (continued) 2 Miles: Capozzoli 8:55.3, H. Ashenfelter (45 yds); 45 yds HH, Dillard 5.6; HJ, Wiesner & Betton (tie) 6'8", V.J. Fritz 6'6"; PV Richards 15'3", Laz 14'8".

Philadelphia Inquirer Meet, January 23. 50 yds. Bragg 5.2 (Stanfield 3rd.); 600 yds: Whitfield 1:11.9, (McKenley 4th); 1,000 yds: Joyce 2:13.; Mile: Dwyer 4:09.7, Wilt (8 yds), Gehrman 4:13.7; 2 Miles: H. Ashenfelter 9:07.2, Osman Cosgill (Turkey) 9:18.2; 50 yds HH: Dillard 6.0 (world indoor record); H.J.: Wiesner 6'9" (world indoor record), J. Webb & Fritz 6'6" (tie); PV: Richards 15'4", Laz 14'0"; 4x 440 yds: Grand Street Boys (Stanfield 50.5, Rhoden 49.1, McKenley 47.6, Whitfield 48.2) 3:15.4 (correction this race was in the Millrose Games)

Millrose Games, New York, January 29th. 60 yds: Stanfield 6.3 (6.2 in semi-final); 600yds: Whitfield 1:10.9, Sax, (McKenley 4th); 880 yds: Ulsheimer (Germany) 1:52.0, Joyce, Browne; 1 Mile: Dwyer 4:08.2, Molineaux 4:08.5, Wilt, Gehrman; 2 Miles: H. Ashenfelter 8:54.6, G. McKenzie; 60yds HH: Dillard 7.3, Campbell (4 ft.); HJ: Wiesner & Hall 6'8" (tie); Fritz 6'7"; PV: Richards 15'0", Laz 14'4"; 4x440yds Relay: (see above).

Boston A.A. Games, January 31st. 50yds: Bragg 5.5; 600yds: Whitfield 1:10.2 (equals world indoor record), McKenley 1:10.7; 1,000yds: Joyce 2:11.9; Mile: Dwyer 4:09.2, Wilt (4yds), Gehrman; 2 Miles: Ashenfelter 8:53.0, McKenzie (120yds); 45yds HH: Dillard 5.5; HJ: Wiesner 6'8", PV: Richards 15'0".

New York A.C. Games, February 7th. 60yds: Bragg 6.3, Conwell (close); 500 yds: Whitfield 56.6 (world indoor record), McKenley 57.0; 880 yds: R. Browne 1:55.3, Mile: Dwyer 4:09.8, Wilt, La Pierre, Rolf Lamers (Germany); 2 Miles: Ashenfelter 8:53.5, Ross, J.J. Barry (Ireland); 60 yds HH: Dillard 7.3; HJ: Wiesner 6'8"; PV: Richards 15'4"; SP: Fuchs 54'2", Al. Thompson 52'10", Lampert 51'2".