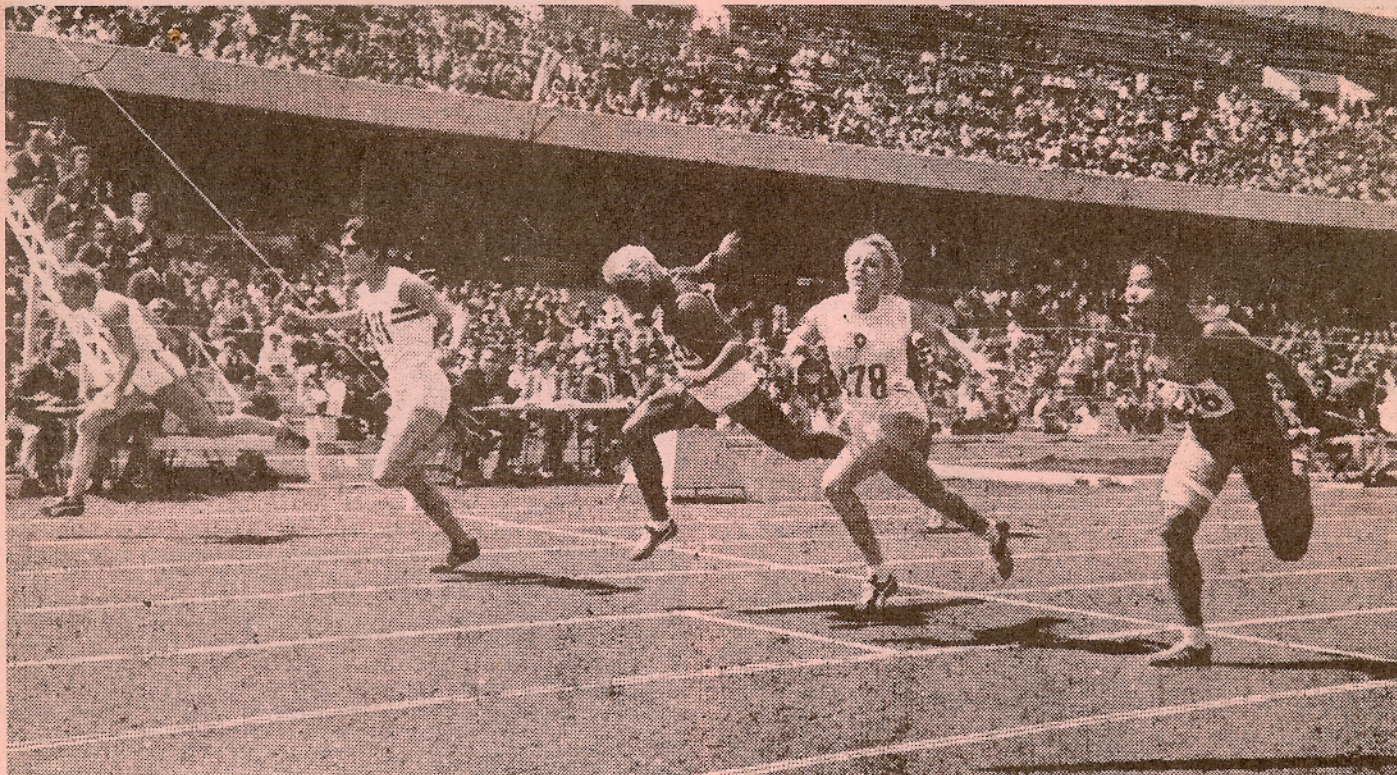


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HOW CLOSE CAN YOU GET? Mary Rand (GB), far left, wins a close 80 meter hurdles race at the Pre-Olympics in Mexico City in 10.8s. Others, from left to right are, Pat Jones (GB) 2nd, Mamie Rallins (USA) 3rd, Meta Antenen (Sweden) 4th, and Chi Cheng, (Taiwan) 5th.

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### Will It Be The 'Mess-ico' Olympics?

The athletes and spectators who attend the 1968 Olympic Games will owe a huge debt to those who suffered through the III International Games, the "dress rehearsal" for the Olympics. And a greater debt to those who went through the II and the I International Games - how one shudders to think what they must have been like! Don't get the idea the Mexican officials and the Mexican people are not hospitable, eager, anxious and constantly learning. They are all of these. But the odds are overwhelming.

The mistake the Olympic Committee made in giving the Games to Mexico was not the fact the city has a high altitude and will slow down the distance events. The mistake was in assigning the Games to a nation which has absolutely no foundation, no background in track and field athletics. The people, the officials everyone is willing and eager, but they simply do not understand what the sport is all about.

An athlete or a spectator who attends the Greatest Games in the World, the Olympics, should expect nothing less than perfection. Absolute perfection. What is it here that makes these Games less than perfection? Things you can not really put your finger on - ridiculous seeding (if any) of the races; poor transportation for the athletes; no communication between the Omega photo people, the officials and the athletes;

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### Cobian Double Winner

Twenty four nations participated in women's track and field competition at the III International Sports Competition in Mexico City - the "Pre-Olympics" - from October 15 to the 19.

The meet was filled with good performances, exciting competition and a taste of the frustrations which will have to be expected in 1968 for the Mexicans have not yet grasped the fundamentals of staging track and field competition.

Only double winner was Cuba's Miguelina Cobian who walked away from good sprinters to win both dashes in 11.4 and a very good 23.1s. Charlette Cooke of the USA scored with a world best 400 meter win and returned a couple days later to pick up the silver medal in the 800. Mary Rand suddenly loomed once again as one of the top hurdlers in the world in addition to running well in the sprints and 4x100 relay.

The field events were all of high standard except for the javelin in which the competitors could not cope with the Tartan runway, and the discus which produced good competition but only average marks. Viorica Viscopoleanu of Rumania and Tatyana Talisheva staged a classic dual in the long jump; and the two Russians, Nadyezhda Chizhova in the shot put and Antonina Okorokova in the high jump, completely outclassed their opposition to score impressive wins.



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**J. Koumans, Holland**

With the Netherlands experiencing its finest season with outstanding performances by Wilma van den Berg, Corrie Bakker, Els van Noorduyt, Marjan Thomas and many others, much news has been flowing across the Atlantic from this small country. One of the prolific reporters is J. Koumans of Voorburg. Kourmans, born on the 29th of June, 1914, is a bachelor and by his own admission he has been "married with sports" since his schooldays. Holland is proud of

its heritage in women's track and field athletics. This sport was started in 1920 in Holland, and now this small nation has 6300 female track athletes and 4700 of these are under eighteen years of age giving them a bright future.

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**Jaime Ortiz Alvear, Colombia**

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a warmup field nearly 1 1/2 miles from the stadium; a starter who evidently has not read the rules; no means of communication, no contact with judges - there must be six million Mexicans who speak English, but evidently none who understand it.

If you plan to attend the Games as a spectator, fear not - you have not been neglected in the frustration department. The stadium is beautiful. Absolutely beautiful. But whoever designed the seats must have had a grudge against humanity. Not only are the seats uncomfortable, but they have been placed in such a way as to make it nearly impossible to get a view of the track. The rise is so gradual that if the individual sitting in front of you is wearing a sombrero, (which he probably will be), you are dead and would be much better off in front of your TV. Children positively cannot see. So they stand on the seats - which means no one behind them can see. The backs of the seats, (which are cement), are 5-6 inches high - exactly the height to whap your sacro-iliac every time you try to lean back. However, they are also just high enough to sit on if you can get away with it, and if you are content to sit on a two inch wide strip of cement. Unless you have an assignment in Mexico City and are getting paid for attending, you should watch it on the big eye in comfort. And let's not get into the problem of taxi's and transportation to and from the field or you'll give your tickets to your mother-in-law.

For this competition there was only one training field - which, of course, closed for siesta just at the time a normal athlete would want to train. Can you imagine anything more frustrating than for an athlete to suit up for a workout, ride the slow bus to the training field and find it closed for siesta? Oh, there are workers around, but no one understands what you are saying - or they pretend not to understand. The athletes simply climbed the fences to get into the field.

Every Olympic Games official from President Brundage down to the lowliest gate keeper must realize the meet is for the athletes! They must do anything and everything to provide a PERFECT atmosphere for the competitors. They must realize these athletes have trained for years for this one day, that many have travelled thousands and thousands of miles to compete in these Games and everything must be done to make the athletes content and to help them do their best. They, (the athletes), must have no worries. They must not be forced to worry about the competence of the starter. They must not worry about whether or not they can train - they must have training facilities available at ANY time. The officials are at the competition to HELP the athletes, not to frustrate them. Forty minutes before the start of the pentathlon Pat Winslow was running around the stadium trying to find someone who knew where the athletes were to report, trying to find someone who understood English and not knowing the warmup field was more than a mile away - and she was to report there. This is the kind of tension the officials can eliminate. And MUST eliminate.

We shall not say anything about the announcing - it might cause a rash of suicides. The first day all announcing was given in Spanish - and very, very little of that. However, the announced results, (when given - which was rare), seldom was the same as the printed results given the newsmen which in turn was seldom the same as the final results announced later in the evening. By the third day two additional announcers were on hand to give results and information in French and English. The girl announcing in French evidently did not realize she had a microphone for she screamed into it in a most un-sotto voce tone. The girl giving the English announcements spoke good enough English, but had not a clue as to what she was saying. One of the men's 100 meter heats was won in 24 seconds, they said. The 800 was run in 12 seconds.

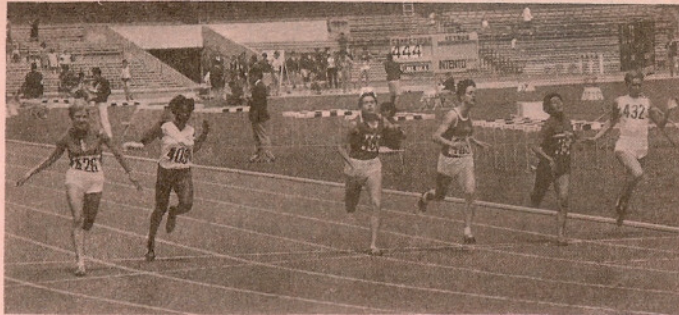
Officials did not bring the athletes on the field in time for a proper warmup. Officials missed trials - for example in the pentathlon shot. The starter was particularly bad although Dick Bank said he was much better this year. It was practically impossible to jump the gun - the starter fired so fast because he was whistled at by the unknowing spectators if anyone jumped the gun. The announcers, when working, gave heat assignments wrong, lane assignments wrong. The world record in the men's long jump was tied; I was there; but I didn't know the record had been equalled until dinner time that night. As I say - perfection is what is expected at these Games.

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100 Meters



First heat: 1 to r, Meyer 1, Quesada 2, Popkova 4, Heldt 3, Giron 5, Rand 6.



Second heat: 1 to r, Montandon 3, van den Berg 2, Akindele 4, Jones 5, Cobian 1.



Final: Meyer 2, Montandon 8, Quesada 5, Akindele 7, Heldt 4, Cobian 1, vd Berg 3.

**100 Meter Dash:**-This was the first women's event to be run and gave the first indication of how atrocious the seeding was to be during the entire meeting - although the seeding here was not as bad as the 200, 400 and hurdles. The first heat brought together six good sprinters - the first group to do battle with the very poor starter. The heat was won by Gabrielle Meyer of France, runner-up for the 100m title at the recent University Games in Tokyo, in her personal best of a fast 11.4s. Violet Quesada of Cuba, only 7th in the 200 at the Pan-Am Games, was a surprise second in a close battle with East Germany's Renate Heldt and the USSR champion Vera Popkova - all three were clocked by the Omega photo finish at 11.6s. Close behind, and running her lifetime best, was hometown favorite Esperanza Giron in 11.7s. Chasing everyone across the line was Great Britain's Mary Rand who clocked 11.9 and did not look good, running very heavy.

The second heat was an easier one with only five starters. Miguelina Cobian of Cuba ran very well to win over Dutch champion Wilma van den Berg, 11.4 to 11.5s. The French athletes continued to look good as Nicole Montandon crossed in third place in 11.6. Nigeria's Ronke Akindele copped the last qualifying spot in 11.8s. Britain's Pat Jones was last in 11.9 and like countrywoman Rand in the first heat, did not look good.

For the finals the lane assignments were 1) v. d. Berg; 2) Cobian; 3) Heldt; 4) Akindele; 5) Quesada; 6) Montandon; 7) Meyer; 8) Popkova. At the gun Heldt was off first and had the lead for the first 40 meters. Cobian again started

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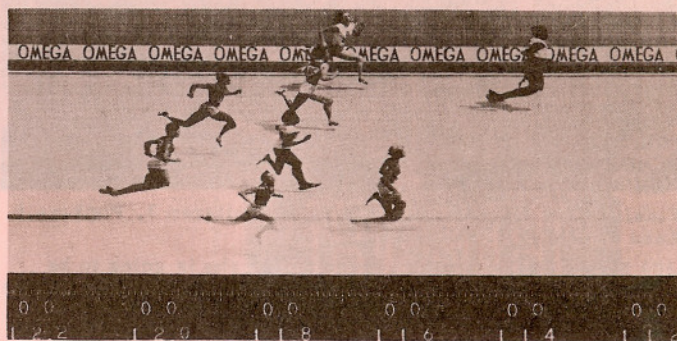
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100m Winners: Cobian, van den Berg, Meyer.

slowly although photos of the start show she was off ahead of the Dutch girl, van den Berg. Popkova was also off well. Heldt dropped back as Cobian sped past her, and faded into fourth position at the finish. Cobian came on strong and won by a huge margin to equal her time of the trials at 11.4s. Twenty year old Gabrielle Meyer had a clear margin for the silver medal and van den Berg was a surprise bronze medal winner. Quesada also turned in a surprise in nudging Vera

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Popkova for fifth. Cobian was the only runner who did not run slower in the final than in the trials - everyone else was from 0.1 to 0.4 second slower, (as were the men sprinters), which led many to wonder if the Omega was working correctly on opening day.

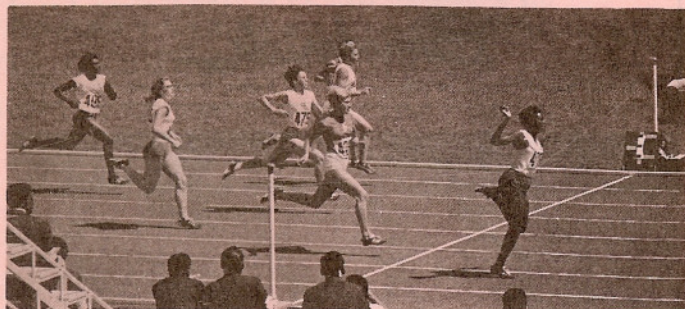
**RESULTS:** (October 16): 1-Miguelina Cobian (Cuba) 11.4; 2-Gabrielle Meyer (Fra) 11.6; 3-Wilma vd Berg (Hol) 11.7; 4-Renate Heldt (EG) 11.7; 5-Violet Quesada (Cuba) 11.8; 6-Vera Popkova (SU) 11.8; 7-Ronke Akindele (Nig) 11.9; 8-Nicole Montandon (Fra) 12.0s.

**Heats, October 15:** I-1-Meyer 11.4; 2-Quesada 11.6; 3-Heldt 11.6; 4-Popkova 11.6; 5-Giron 11.7; 6-Rand 11.9. II-1-Cobian 11.4; 2-vd Berg 11.5; 3-Montandon 11.6; 4-Akindele 11.8; 5-Jones 11.9.

### 200 Meters



II Heat: Rand (GB) 4; Popkova (SU) 3; Giron (Mex) 5; Wallgren (Swe) 2; Heldt (EG) 6; Quesada (Cuba) 1.



Final: 1 to r, Quesada 7, vd Berg 5, Wallgren 3, Popkova 6, Rand 4, Meyer 2, Cobian 1.

**200 Meter Dash:**-Cobian served notice she is going to be tough to beat in 1968 by cruising through the first heat of the 200 meter dash in 23.3s. Once again showing a complete lack of knowledge concerning the abilities of the athletes, the Games Committee had the 1-2-3 finishers of the 100 meters all in the same qualifying heat. Gabrielle Meyer was second in 23.7 for a new French record and vd Berg of Holland third in a good 23.8s. Nigeria's Akindele grabbed off the fourth and last qualifying spot in 24.4 while Ingela Ericsson of Sweden was fifth and last in 24.7s.

The second heat, with seven competitors, was a closer although slower race. Cuba's second-string Quesada nosed out Sweden's ace Karin Wallgren as both clocked identical times of 23.8s. Popkova edged Mary Rand for third, both timed in 23.9 - a personal best for Rand who looked as good here as she did bad in the 100. Montandon, Giron, (who continues to improve) and Heldt were the last three across the line and did not qualify.

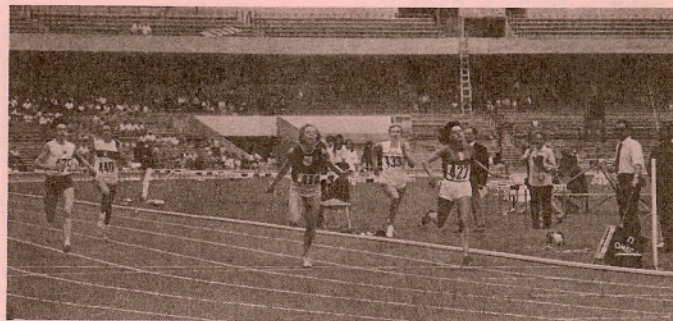
For the finals the competitors from the inside were 1)Popkova, 2) Rand, 3) Quesada, 4) Wallgren, 5) vd Berg, 6) Meyer, 7) Cobian and 8) Akindele. Rand, in lane two, was off fast and passed Quesada within 70 meters. As the field turned into the straight Popkova, Rand, Wallgren, vd Berg, Meyer and Cobian were all in contention. With 80 meters to go Cobian gradually began to pull away from the pack but the others staged a real dog fight for the remaining positions. Cobian won by three yards in her lifetime best of 23.1w. Surprising Gabrielle Meyer took the place position with another new French mark at 23.4sw. Sweden's Wallgren hung on for third in 23.5w, Mary Rand again improved her lifetime best in fourth place at 23.6w and vd Berg and Popkova were fifth and sixth in 23.7w, a personal best for the Dutch lass.

**RESULTS** (October 18): 1-Miguelina Cobian (Cuba) 23.1; 2-Gabrielle Meyer (Fra) 23.4; 3-Karin Wallgren (Swe) 23.5; 4-Mary Rand (GB) 23.6; 5-Wilma van den Berg (Hol) 23.7; 6-Vera Popkova (SU) 23.7; 7-Violet Quesada (Cuba) 24.0; 8-Ronke Akindele (Nig) 24.4s. (WIND AIDED)

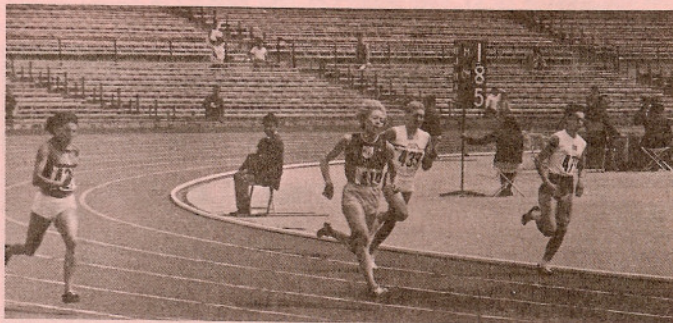
**Heats** (October 17): I-1-Cobian 23.3; 2-Meyer 23.7; 3-vd Berg 23.8; 4-Akindele 24.4; 5-Ingela Ericsson (Swe) 24.7s. II-1-Quesada 23.8; 2-Wallgren 23.8; 3-Popkova 23.9; 4-Rand 23.9; 5-Esperanza Giron (Mex) 24.5; 7-Heldt 24.5s.

(Information has reached us the 200 meter dash was wind-aided, the only wind-aided race of the entire competition. This wipes out new Cuban records, French records, Dutch records among others. Wind speed was 2.10 meters per second. The fact that this news reached us on the 24th of October more than 1600 miles away from the site of the competition and seven days late gives an indication of the lack of organization - not one result sheet gave wind speed in Mexico City.)

### 400 Meters



I Heat: Wallgren 3, Pigni 5, Cooke 2, Board 4, Noirot 1.



Final: The four leaders turn for home with 100 meters to go 1 to r, Noirot, Cooke, Board and Wallgren.



Finish: Ericsson 4, Nagy 7, Noirot 3, Chmelkova 6, Cooke 1. (Photo by Steve Murdoc)

**400 Meter Dash:**-Although the athletes were by now resigned to the fact there evidently was no one doing any seeding for the races, the placement of the entrants for the 400 meter heats bordered on the ridiculous. Placed into the first heat were the World's #1 (Cooke), #4 (Board), #8 (Wallgren) and #11 (Noirot), plus Italy's best and one of the world's top-ranked 800 meter runners, Paola Pigni - with only four to qualify. Monique Noirot of France was a surprise winner with her lifetime best of 53.1s. The USA's Charlotte Cooke closed fast for second spot in 53.2 and Karin Wallgren, the pride of Sweden, was third in 53.8 and looked impressive.



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The final qualifying spot went to the European Cup Champion and the USA-Commonwealth winner, Great Britain's Lillian Board in 54.3 - who kept up Britain's first day image by not looking good. Chasing them all in with a good time of 54.8, but not qualifying, was Pigni - this was her best time and would have placed her a close second in the following heat.

The second heat was strictly anti-climatic as Sweden's second-string, young Ingela Ericsson won by 15 meters over the 1966 European champ, Anna Chmelkova of Czechoslovakia. Ericsson ran close to her personal best with a good 54.7 while Chmelkova finished in a slow 56.4s. Third spot went to Norway's Britt Krogh in 56.6, the same time as fourth place finisher Zsuzsa Nagy of Hungary.

The final was an excellent competitive race. Wallgren drew lane 1, Board was in 2, lane 3 was vacant as Krogh scratched saving for the coming 800, Cooke was in lane 4, Chmelkova in 5, Noirot in 6, Ericsson in 7 and Nagy on the outside in lane 8. Thus it was that three of the four favorites, (Wallgren, Board and Cooke), were well placed with the only other threat, Noirot, only slightly on the outside of this strong trio. Wallgren, Board and Cooke ran almost as a unit for the first 200 meters. Wallgren was clocked at 24.2 at the halfway point and the other two and Noirot must be credited with a similar clocking. It was still anyone's race around the bend, and as they straightened for home the presence of Noirot became visible for the first time and the four leaders sped down the straight with Cooke holding a very slight lead over Wallgren with Board and Noirot only a step away. The two leaders poured it on and with 50 meters to go - just the spot where an unconditioned or negative-thinking runner would falter - Cooke began to pull away and won with a world's best of 52.4s, one-tenth better than Cuthbert's Olympic record and a new American mark. Wallgren finished strong for second spot in an excellent lifetime best of 53.0 and Noirot had no trouble grabbing off the bronze medal with her personal best of 53.7s. Wallgren's teammate, Ingela Ericsson, flew past a tiring Board to nab fourth spot with her lifetime best of 53.9s. Board was fifth in 54.0s. Chmelkova, still not in top condition after a season of injuries and setbacks, but full of fight, was sixth. Except for Noirot, who ran 0.6 slower than the trials, and Nagy, who ran the same, everyone was faster in the finals than in the trials.

This must establish Cooke as the winter favorite for the Olympic title next year for she has had little running during 1967 and exhibited tremendous strength and desire. Wallgren, who reportedly had run a 23.5 furlong in a workout two days before the race, has the speed and the strength to upset anyone at any time, and her teammate Ericsson, who came through with fantastic improvement during the 1967 season could be the big surprise. Once and for all, this race settled the question of Mexico City altitude for 400 meter runners - it's evidently an asset.

Lillian Board looked and ran "heavy" and tired. Noirot was a real surprise and could be the sleeper in 1968. The four qualifiers from the first heat placed 1-2-3-5 in the final. Great seeding!

**RESULTS (October 16):** 1-Charlette Cooke (USA) 52.3; 2-Karin Wallgren (Swe) 53.0; 3-Monique Noirot (Fra) 53.7; 4-Ingela Ericsson (Swe) 53.9; 5-Lillian Board (GB) 54.0; 6-Ana Chmelkova (Cze) 55.5; 7-Zsuzsa Nagy (Hun) 56.6s.

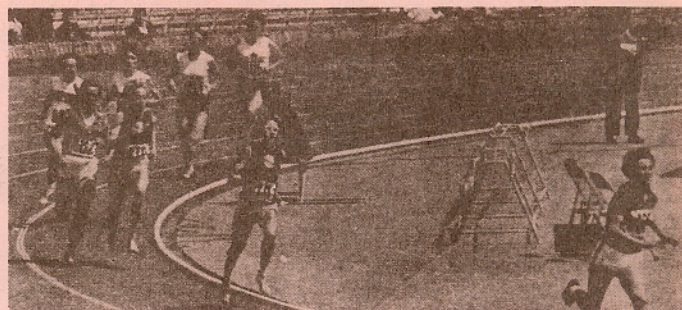
**Heats (October 15):** I-1-Noirot 53.1; 2-Cooke 53.2; 3-Wallgren 53.8; 4-Board 54.3; 5-Paoli Pigni (Ita) 54.8s. II-1-Ericsson 54.7; 2-Chmelkova 56.4; 3-Krogh 56.6; 4-Nagy 56.6; 5-Gladiz Azcuaga (Mex) 57.6s.

## 800 Meters

**800 Meter Run:**-Through good fortune, the two heats were fairly well divided with five good runners in each section. The first heat brought together Erik Laine, USSR's European Cup champion; Maryvonne Dupureur, the French champ; Paola Pigni, the Italian champion; Abby Hoffman, the Canadian champion; and Doris Brown, the number four ranked 800 runner in the world - plus Ingela Ericsson of Sweden and Lucia Quiroz of Mexico. Ericsson scratched and Dupureur hobbled up to the starting line with an ankle so sore it was evidently a great feat of courage to even walk. Brown led at the 200 meter mark in 29.6 followed by Laine, Hoffman, Pigni and Dupureur in that order. They passed the 400 meter mark in the same order with Brown leading in 63.8 and the amazing Dupureur still hanging on within striking range.



Final: Starting around the first turn of the bell lap, Nikolic is just about to lose the lead to Doris Brown. Others in the picture are Cooke, Hoffman, Erik Laine, Pigni and Krogh.



Final: With 100 meters to go, Nikolic with a big lead, Brown in second spot, Laine third, Cooke fourth, Pigni coming up on the outside of Krogh and Sobieska leading Hoffman.



Final: Nikolic wins with Cooke second, Laine third, Pigni fourth, Sobieska (hidden) fifth, Brown sixth, then Krogh and Hoffman.

At 450 meters, however, the French girl was forced out and the rest of the race was simply a run-through. Brown passed the 600 mark in 1:36 with Laine still second and Pigni now in third. With everyone looking around down the homestretch Pigni trotted across the line the winner and Quiroz was eliminated.

The second heat brought together European champion Vera Nikolic; US 400m champion Charlette Cooke fresh from her 400m victory one day ago; the Polish champion, Danuta Sobieska; Norway's ace, Britt Krogh; Hungary's Nagy; France's Vernadette Naudet; and Mexico's Maria Diaz. Miss Diaz jumped the gun the first try, but everyone was away on the second attempt. The "new" Nikolic - wearing white socks instead of her trademark black ones which made her unrecognizable to some - led through a 29.6 200 meters followed by Cooke and Krogh. The same order held past the 400 mark in 66 and the 600 in 1:37.8s. At the finish Nikolic, Cooke, Sobieska and Krogh were the qualifiers.

The final was another excellent and interesting contest. Pigni had the pole with Laine in 2, Cooke in 3, Brown in 4, Nikolic in 5, Hoffman in 6, Sobieska in 7, and Krogh in 8. The entire field rounded the turn together and as they passed the 200 meter mark Cooke held a slight lead, (about six inches), as she, Nikolic, Brown and Hoffman clocked 30 seconds. Nikolic, who doesn't like to be behind, moved into the lead around the second turn and as the field came down the home straight of the first lap, less than four yards separated Nikolic from Sobieska in first and eighth positions. In between was Cooke, Brown, Laine, Hoffman, Krogh and Pigni.



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ni in that order and they passed the 400 meters mark in 64.5.

Around the third turn, Doris Brown took command and down the back straight had a lead of 3-4 yards in an attempt to break the race open, but by the time the 600 meter spot was reached Nikolic was right back there again. Brown had a tiny lead at this point which was reached in 1:35.5 and it was here the "bunch" became individuals. Nikolic turned on the steam and built up a five yard lead over Brown around the final turn. As they passed the 700 meter mark Nikolic was on her way, Brown was five yards down but four ahead of Laine and Cooke. Coming fast on the outside was Pigni, followed at this point by Krogh with Sobieska another four yards behind Krogh and Hoffman last.

Down the final straight positions changed as sprints took over and tiring muscles slowed down others. At the tape it was Nikolic all alone in 2:05.3, Cooke picked up her second medal, this time a silver, with a five yard lead over the Soviet ace Erik Laine. Laine, Pigni, Sobieska, Brown and Krogh were all very close and only Hoffman was completely out of it.

**RESULTS (October 19):** 1-Vera Nikolic (Yug) 2:05.3; 2-Charlette Cooke (USA) 2:07.5; 3-Erik Laine (SU) 2:08.4; 4-Paola Pigni (Ita) 2:08.9; 5-Danuta Sobieska (Pol) 2:09.5; 6-Doris Brown (USA) 2:09.6; 7-Britt Krogh (Nor) 2:09.9; 8-Abby Hoffman (Can) 2:12.4s.

**Heats (October 18):** I-1-Pigni 2:10.3; 2-Brown 2:10.8; 3-Laine 2:11.0; 4-Hoffman 2:13.7; 5-Quiroz (Mex) 2:17.4s. II-1-Nikolic 2:10.7; 2-Cooke 2:12.3; 3-Sobieska 2:12.3; 4-Krogh 2:12.4; 5-Naudet (Fra) 2:12.6; 6-Nagy 2:15.3; 6-Diaz (Mex) 2:21.5s.

## 80m Hurdles

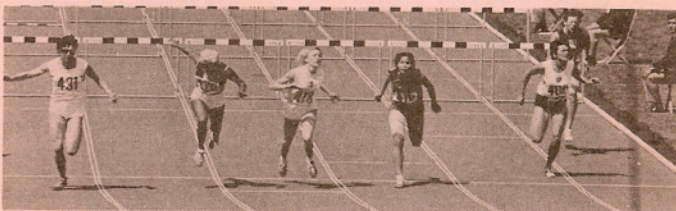
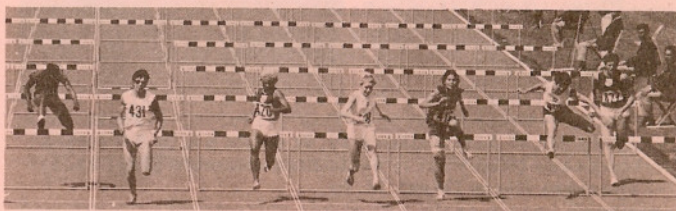
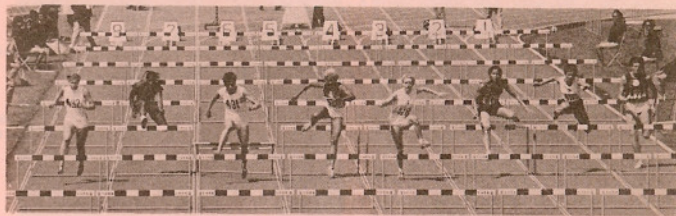
**80 Meter Hurdles:**-The two heats were so fantastically uneven it is useless to even talk about it. Suffice it to point out merely that Michiko Okamoto was next to last in her heat in 11.1 - a time which would have placed her 6th in the finals.

The first heat lost all its value when Tatyana Talisheva was injured in the long jump and forced to scratch. Mary Rand was added to this heat, fortunately, at the last minute. Violet Odogwu of Nigeria jumped once, then was caught the second time - but for some reason, unknown to anyone, she was not disqualified. She should certainly receive some special award however, for it was practically impossible to start quick enough to beat the starter - and Violet did it two times!! Mary Rand ran her fastest of the year to win the heat in a good 10.9 with Meta Antenen, the Swiss pentathlon surprise, picking up the second spot in a personal-equaling best of 11.0s. After these two, there was little to say about the other qualifiers. Odogwu was third in 11.4 and Pat Winslow fourth in 11.5, beating out long jumper Maria Trio.

The second heat was loaded. From the inside it was M. Okamoto of Japan; Esperanza Giron, the Mexican champion in lane 2; Pat Jones of Great Britain, runner-up to the EC title, in lane 3; Chi Cheng, Chinese champ in lane 4; Mamie Rallins, the USA champion in lane 5; Snejena Yosoukova, the Bulgarian pentathlete in lane 6; and Viorica Viscopoleanu, Rumania's ace, in lane 7 - and only four could qualify. The



Here's a view of the second heat which gives an idea of how close the competition was. Viscopoleanu is leading, but she finished 5th and did not qualify. Pat Jones running second here was the winner. Chi Cheng, third here, finished fourth. Rallins' head can be seen - she finished second. In between Rallins head and Chi's head you get a glimpse of the Bulgarian Yosoukova who eventually was third. Okamoto on the inside was sixth with her lifetime best of 11.1, and trailing is Esperanza Giron of Mexico.



Don Wilkinson took this excellent series of the 80m hurdles final - which illustrates how unexpected Mary Rand's win was for she is left out of the final pictures. From the left the runners are: Rand, Odogwu, Jones, Rallins, Antenen, Chi, Yosoukova and Winslow.



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entire field was even over the first hurdle - except for Rallins who pitty-patted her way for the first 12 meters. Viscopoleanu was out in front over the second hurdle and Jones was practically with her. The field, except for Giron, was running as a unit until the final hurdle when some separation showed. Jones was the winner, but no one else was sure just where they finished. The athletes waited for the results of the photo finish picture to learn who had qualified. And they waited and waited - and waited. And waited. The Omega photo finish camera may be able to print a picture in 60 seconds, but some method must be found to announce the facts on the picture. Finally, just minutes before the finals were to be run, someone approached the athletes to inform them of their lanes for the finals. When the competitors marched onto the field only five were present - the others did not know whether they were in the finals or not.

The finals were as close and exciting as a race could be. Odogwu jumped the gun again this time, but they were off on the second try. It took only two hurdles to put Winslow, Yosoukova and Odogwu behind as the other five put on a real battle. By the fifth hurdle, Jones and a surprising Mary



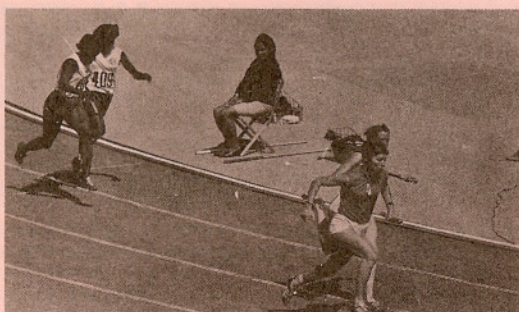
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Rand held a slight lead over Rallins, Antenen and Chi - who were not more than two feet behind. Over the seventh hurdle Jones was inches ahead of Rand with Antenen third, just a tick ahead of Chi and Rallins. Jones hit the 5th and 6th barriers and Rand surged into the lead - but only slightly. The drive for the tape was hard and all five runners were separated by only a 2-3 foot margin. Rand, the winner, had her best mark of the year - in fact, possibly for several years. But, as Jan Popper says, we tend to forget she was a finalist in the hurdles in 1960 at Rome. Jones might have won had she not knocked over the two hurdles. Antenen had her lifetime best while Rallins and Chi both ran well - Mamie was very nervous before the race and will benefit by the experience of this competition, and Chi was running on a leg made strong enough by virtue of a cortisone shot. The finals at next year's meet will undoubtedly provide the closest mass finish of the Games - and this will be finis to the 80 meter hurdles for this event will be replaced by the 100 meter event after the Olympics.

**RESULTS, October 19:** 1-Mary Rand (GB) 10.8; 2-Pat Jones (GB) 10.8; 3-Mamie Rallins (USA) 10.9; 4-Meta Antenen (Swi) 10.9; 5-Chi Cheng (China) 11.0; 6-Snejana Yosoukova (Bul) 11.2; 7-Violet Odogwu (Nig) 11.4; 8-Pat Winslow (USA) 11.6s.

**Heats, October 19:** 1-1-Rand 10.9; 2-Antene 11.0; 3-Odogwu 11.4; 4-Winslow 11.5; 5-Trio 11.7s. II-1-Jones 10.8; 2-Rallins 10.9; 3-Yosoukova 11.0; 4-Chi 11.0; 5-Viorica Viscopoleanu (Rum) 11.1; 6-Michiko Okamoto (Jap) 11.1; 7-Esperanza Giron (Mex) 11.6s.

## 4x100 Relay



Here's one reason the Cubans lost the relay to the All-Stars - a sloppy pass from Quesada to Cobian while Popkova and Montandon have already completed their handoff.

**400 Meter Relay:** -Only one country had a team, Cuba. An International "team" was provided for competition which was to consist of Heldt, vd Berg, Popkova and Noirot. However, when race time came, Montandon had replaced countrywoman Noirot and Heldt was nowhere to be found. Mary Rand, who had been sitting in the stands drinking cokes after her fine 200, was spotted by the officials and nabbed to replace the absent German. This proved to be one of the few wise things the officials did during the meeting, for it was Mary's excellent second leg which gave the All Stars the margin which the Cubans could not make up.

van den Berg started for the Internationals against Irene Martinez, who replaced Marcia Garbey of the Pan-American championship team. With Martinez running, the Cubans figured to run faster than their 44.6 at Winnipeg. However, the Dutch lass with the two pigtailed moved out to a two yard lead over Martinez and handed off to Rand. Mary ran away from Cristina Echevarria down the back stretch and gave Popkova a solid eight yard advantage. Popkova and Quesada ran the turn fairly even and Cobian made up about five yards on Montandon, but the die had been cast and the Internationals could not be caught. The winning time of 45.0 was good for a pick-up team with no baton practice, but the Cuban's time of 45.3 was disappointing.

**RESULTS (October 18):** 1-International Team (v.d. Berg-Rand-Popkova-Montandon) 45.0; 2-Cuba (Martinez-Quesada-Echevarria-Cobian) 45.3s.

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Nadderud, Norway (Sept. 12): 3x800m Relay, IL Tryving (Berit Berthelsen 2:15.9-Kari Hogseth 2:20.8-Britt Korgh-Sorensen 2:08.6) 6:45.4 (rec)



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## High Jump

**High Jump:** -A good workout for Soviet ace Antonina Okorokova. Even the "official results" sheet does not make clear the exact heights cleared by any of the competitors - except the winner Okorokova who won with a fine jump of 1.80 or 5'10 7/8. Competition was provided by pentathletes Winslow and Yosoukova, plus Nigeria's jumping and hurdling athlete, Violet Odogwu, plus Silvia Tapia of Mexico.

	1.40	1.45	1.50	1.60	1.65	1.72	1.76	1.80	1.83
Okorokova	P	P	P	P	P	O	xxx	xxx	xxx
Odogwu	P	O	O	O	O	xxx	xxx		
Yosoukova	P	O	O	O	xxx	xxx			
Winslow	P	P	xx	O	xxx				
Tapia	O	O	O	xx	xxx				

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**RESULTS, October 19:** 1-Antonina Okorokova (SU) 1.80-5'10 7/8; 2-Violet Odogwu (Nig) 1.65-5'5; 3-Snejana Yosoukova (Bul) 1.65-5'5; 4-Pat Winslow (USA) 1.60-5'3; 5-Silvia Tapia (Mex) 1.60'5'3.

## Long Jump

**Long Jump:** -This year the long jump has taken on the mantle of the "suspense" event with most major competitions not decided until the final jump by the final jumper. And the competition today fit in with the new image of the event. In as exciting a contest as one could imagine, Rumanian Viorica Viscopoleanu won over 30 year old Tatyana Talisheva of the Soviet Union on her final jump of the competition. To add further complications and interest, Talisheva was not even on the field when she lost and Viscopoleanu's "winning" jump was not her farthestest jump of the day! Her best jump, the final one, measured 6.56-21'6 1/4 which equalled Talisheva's best mark. Thus it was that Viscopoleanu's second best leap of 6.51-21'4 1/4, which she achieved on her fifth trial, won her the gold over Tatyana's second best leap of 6.48-21'3 1/2. To add still another statistic, until Viscopoleanu's 6.51 jump, both girls had marks of 6.48! And before today's competition, oddly enough, the two athletes were tied on Jan Popper's World List with identical jumps of 6.46-21'2 3/4.



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The competition started with a bang as the Rumanian girl got off her season best with 6.48-21'3 1/2 on the first round. Talisheva gave no indication of what was to come as she failed to near the board for only 5.15-16'10 3/4 on her first try. Nigerian Violet Odogwu had a good jump of 5.98-19'7 1/2 for second place at the end of the first round.

On the second round Viscopoleanu hit 6.43-21'1 1/4 but the Russian took over the lead with her sensational 6.56-21'6 1/4. Odogwu improved to 6.14-20'1 3/4, but Maria Trio of Italy moved into third spot with a fine jump of 6.37-20'10 3/4. No one improved during the third round although Viscopoleanu jumped 6.41-21'0 1/2, and Trio 6.25-20'6. Talisheva had a leap of 6.48-21'3 1/2 - but it was on this jump the Russian girl again reinjured her bothersome hamstring and had to be carried off the field in pain. This was almost identical with the incident at the European Championships in 1966.

The fourth round was uneventful except for a foul by the Rumanian and a good 6.24-20'5 3/4 by Trio. On the fifth round, Viscopoleanu got off her best jump of the day so far at 6.51-21'4 1/4 - the jump which was to eventually win her the gold, and Trio had still another good jump equalling her day's best at 6.37.

And so the stage was set for Viscopoleanu's final attempt and her tying of Talisheva at 6.56. Trio again had a good jump with 6.22-20'5 for the best series of her career. Irene Martinez, the Pan-American Games champion, never threatened with only 5.95-19'6 1/4 as her day's best.

Viscopoleanu's series must rank as one of the best of all time. With only one foul, her other five jumps were all over 21 feet.

**RESULT, October 17:** 1-Viorica Viscopoleanu (Rum) 6.56-21'6 1/4, (second best jump 6.51-21'4 1/4); 2-Tatyana Talisheva (SU) 6.56-21'6 1/4, (second best jump 6.48-21'3 1/2); 3-Maria Trio (Ita) 6.37-20'10 3/4; 4-Violet Odogwu (Nig) 6.14-20'1 3/4; 5-Irene Martinez (Cuba) 5.95-19'6 1/4; 6-Jenny Meldrum (Can) 5.79-19'0; 7-Mercedes Roman (Mex) 5.38-17'7 3/4.



Viorica Viscopoleanu and Tatyana Talisheva who had identical jumps of 6.56-21'6 1/4.

Visc	21'3 1/4	21'1 1/4	21'0 1/2	F	21'4 1/4	21'6 1/4
	6.48	6.43	6.41		6.51	6.56
Tali	16'10 3/4	21'6 1/4	21'3 1/2	P	P	P
	5.15	6.56	6.48			
Trio	F	20'10 3/4	20'6	20'5 3/4	20'10 3/4	20'5
		6.37	6.25	6.24	6.37	6.22
Odog	19'7 1/2	20'1 3/4	19'8 3/4	19'5	19'7	18'8 3/4
	5.98	6.14	6.01	5.92	5.97	5.71
Mart	18'4	19'5 1/2	19'6 1/4	19'5	18'10 1/2	19'2 3/4
	5.59	5.93	5.95	5.92	5.75	5.86
Meld	19'11 1/2	19'0	18'2 1/4	17'9 3/4	17'1 1/2	18'3
	5.78	5.79	5.54	5.43	5.22	5.56
Roma	17'7 3/4	F	F	17'1 1/2	17'2 1/4	16'8 1/2
	5.38			5.22	5.24	5.09

## Shot Put



Nadyezhda Chizhova, left, of the Soviet Union, the shot put winner with a mark of 18.11/59'5, and Renate Boy of East Germany, surprise silver medalist at 17.32/56'10".

**Shot Put:-**Demonstrating she is in a class alone, Russia's Nadyezhda Chizhova won the shot put by a huge margin as she registered only three fair throws. Her winning effort of 18.11/59'5, while short of her personal best, was far ahead of second place Renate Boy, who upset E. Germ. Margitta Gummel with her year's best mark of 17.32/56'10. Gummel was below her usual standard, but her throw of 17.26/56'7 1/2 would make any American girl delirious for months. Ivanka Khristova of Bulgaria was close to her 1967 best in fourth position with a mark of 16.74/54'11, while her teammate Jolan Kleiber, the discus winner, took a fling at the shot and ended up in sixth position. Hilma Namec, the only Mongolian athlete in the competition, was seventh and the USA's Maren Seidler, who had been throwing extremely well in practice, trembled and shook at the thought of being on the same field with her idols, and ended up last with one of her worst days. Tchobova in fifth place registered the ideal competitive goal - she improved with every throw.

**RESULTS, October 17:** 1-Nadyezhda Chizhova (SU) 18.11/59'5; 2-Renate Boy (EG) 17.32/56'10; 3-Margitta Gummel (EG) 17.26/56'7 1/2; 4-Ivanka Khristova (Bul) 16.74/54'11; 5-Maria Tchobova (Bul) 16.35/53'7 3/4; 6-Jolan Kleiber (Hun) 14.40/47'3; 7-Hilma Namec (Mon) 13.86/45'5 3/4; 8-Maren Seidler (USA) 13.28/43'6 3/4

Chiz	F	54'10 1/4	58'4 3/4	59'5	F	F
		16.72	17.80	18.11		
Boy	55'4 1/2	53'9	56'10	56'9 1/2	53'2 1/2	55'11 1/4
	16.88	16.38	17.32	17.31	16.22	17.05
Gumm	F	54'8 3/4	56'7 1/2	F	56'4	55'2 1/4
		16.68	17.26		17.17	16.82
Kris	50'8 3/4	54'11	53'7 3/4	F	F	53'9 1/4
	15.46	16.74	16.35			16.39
Tcho	50'3 1/2	51'0 1/2	51'2 1/4	51'5 1/4	53'7 3/4	F
	15.33	15.56	15.60	15.68	16.35	
Kons	45'4	47'3	F	46'5 1/2	46'7 1/2	46'7 1/2
	13.82	14.40		14.16	14.21	14.21
Nam	41'4 1/2	45'5 3/4	43'3	42'5 3/4	42'9 3/4	43'1 3/4
	12.61	13.86	13.18	12.95	13.05	13.15
Seid	F	41'8 1/2	41'11 1/4	43'6 3/4	41'8	42'2 3/4
		12.71	12.78	13.28	12.70	12.87

## Discus Throw

**Discus Throw:-**Hungary's Jolan Kleiber scored a mild upset to win the discus over the two East Germans Hentschel and Illgen with a fair throw of 52.75/173'0. With no wind to aid the throwers, the marks were generally below par for the top three. Mongolia provided one competitor, Hilma Namec, threw well enough and picked up fourth spot with a toss of 48.89/160'4.

Although there were no definite seats for the members of the press at this meeting, to protect my spot near the finish line I was forced to stay put - which unfortunately found the judges stand, filled with 37 judges, blocking my view of the



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discus ring. Every minute or so a disc would come winging out of nowhere reminding me of attending a skeet shoot.

RESULTS, October 16: 1-Jolan Kleiber (Hun) 52.75/173'0; 2-Anita Hentschel (EG) 52.25/171'5; 3-Karin Illgen (EG) 50.78/166'7; 4-Hilma Namec (Mon) 48.89/160'4; 5-Fernanda Reyes (Mex) 41.53/136'3; 6-Guadalupe Lartigue (Mex) 38.96/127'10.

Klei	154'0	173'0	168'8	168'3	F	F
	46.96	52.75	51.41	51.30		
Hent	171'5	169'5	165'5	F	F	164'8
	52.25	51.65	50.42			50.20
Illgen	165'7	F	161'7	166'7	165'4	161'3
	50.47		49.25	50.78	50.41	49.16
Namec	F	F	159'7	153'11	160'4	143'3
			48.66	46.93	48.89	43.67
Reyes	104'8	112'4	110'8	125'8	120'4	136'6
	31.90	34.25	33.74	38.31	36.68	41.53
Lart	127'10	124'7	127'10	121'2	120'11	F
	38.96	37.98	38.96	36.94	36.87	

## Javelin Throw

Javelin Throw:-A small field of only four athletes took part in the javelin, but good competition was expected between the Olympic champion, Mihaela Penes of Rumania, the European Cup champion, Daniela Jaworska of Poland, and the new Japanese record holder and Asian champion, Misako Katayama. The fourth entrant was Martha Bravo from Mexico.

However, the four participants had enough trouble for a field of 100. None of the athletes "took" to the Tartan runway and found it extremely difficult to maintain proper balance during the throw. Katayama, although fouling only one time during the competition, stated it was impossible for her to get "behind" the throw - that she was always throwing from an awkward position.

In all there were 24 throws during the competition. 14 of them were foul. Jaworska, the eventual winner, fouled on her first five efforts. Penes fouled her first four attempts, Bravo her last three. Katayama, who has a season and National record best of 54.28/178'1 led through the first five rounds with a mediocre toss of only 48.00/157'5. On her final throw the Japanese ace improved to a creditable 49.88/163'7 only to see her hopes of winning the gold crumble when Jaworska calmly threw 50.76/166'6 on her sixth - and only legal - throw. Penes simply threw from practically a stand on her last two trials. Until the fifth round, Bravo was in second place with 38.01/124'8. And wouldn't that be a surprise!

RESULTS, October 18: 1-Daniela Jaworska (Pol) 50.76/166'6; 2-Misako Katayama (Jap) 49.88/163'7; 3-Mihaela Penes (Rum) 47.21/154'10; 4-Martha Bravo (Mex) 38.01/124'8.

Jawo	F	F	F	F	F	166'6
						50.76
Kata	148'5	154'3	148'8	157'5	F	163'7
	45.24	47.02	45.31	48.00		49.88
Penes	F	F	F	F	149'1	154'10
					45.46	47.21
Bravo	119'0	F	124'8	F	F	F
	36.28		38.01			

## Pentathlon

Pentathlon:-The pentathlon developed into a real battle right down to the last tick of the watch in the last event of the two day competition. Hungary's cute Annamarie Toth, who gets 95% of her potential, beat out the USA's Pat Winslow, who gets perhaps 75% of her potential, with a world-best-equaling score of 4953 points. Winslow, who improved over her Pan-American Games performance in each of the first four events, lost it completely in the 200 meters with a slow 25.1 to Toth's sizzling 23.5s. At that, Winslow broke her own American record by 20 points, scoring 4880. Third place went to Bulgaria's Snezhana Yurukova who beat her own personal mark by one point, scoring 4735. Close behind was Switzerland's blonde surprise, Meta Antenen with a new Swiss record of 4709. Canada's Jenny Meldrum was far off form on the first day, but did well on the final afternoon to tally 4598 and pick up fifth place. Michiko Okamoto of Japan had a personal best with 4507 points, just missing the Asian record by 3 points. Mercedes Roman of Mexico was seventh, and China's Tein Ah Mei finished eighth with 3999 - only one point short of her goal.

Good hurdle marks opened the competition. Toth and Antenen both clocked 11.0 and Yurukova finished in 11.1s. Okamoto had her lifetime best at 11.3 while Meldrum with 11.4 was off her usual pace. Winslow, although clocking 11.5 for an improvement over Winnipeg, still did not look good.

After the second event, the shot put, Winslow moved closer to the lead with a good throw of 13.71/44'11 3/4, but Toth's throw of 12.55/41'2 kept her in front 1936 to 1930, and the Bulgarian girl stayed right with them with 1904 points. Winslow finally took over the lead at the end of the first day with a fine high jump mark of 1.68/5'6 1/8 to end the day with 2957 points to 2901 by Toth, 2869 for Yurukova and 2723 for the Swiss girl Antenen. Japan's Okamoto was still a threat for a medal with a score of 2669, and although having a bad first day, Meldrum was close with 2662.

The long jump competition opened the second day, and Antenen produced the best jump of the morning with a fine jump of 6.25/20'6. Toth had a respectable leap of 5.94/19'6 but Winslow fouled her first trial, and then waited until her last jump to record her best mark at 6.05/19'10 1/4. Pat limped and crawled after this jump with an apparent sore or injured leg muscle, but the human mind is a wonderful healer and the instant her distance was announced she "cured" herself miraculously and bounced and skipped around in happiness.

Thus with only the 200 meters remaining, Winslow had a lead of 3957 to 3876 for Toth and 3803 for Yurukova. Antenen still had a chance for the bronze medal with 3768 points. The four leaders ran the first section of the 200, and while Winslow ran the turn well, she found herself behind three fast sprinters as they straightened out for home and in an effort to catch them she began to overstride - and the more she would overstride, the farther she would get behind until mercifully the race ended. Toth ran a brilliant 23.5 to far outdistance the others. Antenen turned in a 24.9, but gained only nine points on Yurukova who clocked 25.0. Winslow finished in 25.1 - some 11-12 yards behind her Winnipeg run.



Pentathlon winner Annamarie Toth of Hungary, who scored a world-equaling-best of 4953, is shown on the left. Right is Meta Antenen, the surprise package from Switzerland, who was fourth in the point totals and led the field in the long jump and hurdles.

Thus with this one competition, Toth moved into the picture for the Olympic title next year. Her score equalled the year's best by West Germany's Ingrid Becker and moved her from number 20 to the top of the rankings. Yurukova demonstrated why she will probably never have to undergo the "sex" check - she proved herself as a female in front of 10000 spectators when she sat down and cried after fouling in the long jump! Except for Meldrum, every athlete in the competition scored their lifetime best.

RESULTS, October 15-16: 1-Annamarie Toth (Hun) 4953, (11.0-12.55-1.62-5.94-23.5); 2-Pat Winslow (USA) 4880, (11.5-13.71-1.68-6.05-25.1); 3-Snezhana Yurukova (Bul) 4735, (11.1-12.33-1.62-5.76-25.0); 4-Meta Antenen (Swi) 4709, (11.0-10.43-1.59-6.25-24.9); 5-Jenny Meldrum (Can) 4598, (11.4-11.88-1.50-5.87-24.5); 6-Michiko Okamoto (Jap) 4507, (11.3-10.81-1.56-5.64-25.0); 7-Mercedes Roman (Mex) 4240, (11.9-9.89-1.50-5.61-25.4); 8-Tein Ah Mei (Chi) 3999, (11.9-9.32-1.40-5.19-25.2).



## Reel Talk (cont.)

The track is wonderful! It must be one of the fastest in the world. The athletes are wonderful. The competition is terrific. Let us hope and pray the combination of fine facilities, fine athletes, fine competition will not be spoiled by poor management, communication, transportation and officiating.

I do not consider myself a prude, but I felt the remarks made by Mary Rand and Pat Jones in the post-hurdle interview were hardly in the best interest of the sport and its competitors. Their remarks seemed in bad taste, and the printing of them by a reputable newspaper, the only English paper in Mexico City, was even worse. Remarks concerning the physical attributes - or lack of same - should not be publicly expressed.

If you were a participant in the USA-British Commonwealth Meet or the Pan-American Games, you are missing a wonderful thing if you have not ordered your Catalog of photos from Don Wilkinson. (See ad.) The Catalog is 24 pages and lists more than 3000 - that's right, three thousand - photographs, more than 2000 of them from the Games in Winnipeg. From the catalog you can select the photos you personally wish to purchase - and Wilkinson is one of the few photographers in existence who charges a fair price for his pictures.

Word has reached our office from many sections of the nation that no information can be uncovered concerning the AAU National Cross Country Championships scheduled for Albuquerque, New Mexico, on 25 November. Complaints are that coaches and clubs can not secure entry blanks, do not receive answers to letters sent to Albuquerque and panic is striking their hearts. How do they enter? What is the deadline. To whom should they write. This office will be happy to act as contact for the Clubs and the Meet Management inasmuch as time is short. This is very strange coming from Albuquerque, for they have always been a 100% 'go-getem' town and organization. Let's hear from the Meet Management - and from the Clubs who have been unable to secure information.

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## Nordic Pentathlon Championships

from Einar Otto Oren

Copenhagen, Denmark (September 16-17): 1-Berit Berthelsen (Nor) 4472, (12.1-10.03-1.60-6.35-25.7); 2-Sirkka Norlund (Fin) 4275; 3-Orvokki Ojala (Fin) 4256; 4-Gunilla Karlmark (Swe) 4085.

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Stjordal, Norway (Oct. 1): Triathlon: Anne Lise Waerness (100m - 13.0; DT - 37.48/122'11 - HJ - 1.68/5'6 1/8) for 2579 points. This is a new national record - her sixth senior national record.

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## Spain 79 - Portugal 36 from Alfonso Posada

Lisbon, Portugal (September 30 and October 1):

100m, Orobia (S) 12.6; Miret (S) 12.6; 200m, Orobia 26.5, Miret 26.9; 400m, Salgado (S) 59.6; 800m, Salgado 2:23.7; 80mH, Simoes (P) 12.4; SP, Garcia (S) 11.81/38'9; DT, Garcia (S) 42.12/138'2; JT, Gallo (S) 36.06/118'3; HJ, Aguado (S) 1.52/4'11 7/8; LJ, Alonso (S) 5.30/17'4 3/4; 4x 100 relay Spain 49.4

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## Mediterranean Games Yves Pinaud

Tunis, (September 15-16), First time these Games have been open to women:

100m, 1-Telliez (Fra) 11.8w; 2-Govoni (Ita) 11.9w; 3-Seriau (Ita) 12.4. 80mH, 1-Panerai (Ita) 11.3; 2-Focic (Yug) 11.4; 3-Vettorazzo (Ita) 11.5. HJ, Hrepevnik (Yug) 1.70-5'7; 2-Focic (Yug) 1.61-5'3 3/8; 3-Giamperlati (Ita) 1.58-5'2 1/4. LJ, Trio (Ita) 6.13-20'1 1/4; 2-Focic (Yug) 5.75-18'10 1/2; 3-Sassaianni (Gre) 5.74-18'10. SP-Bou Abdallah (Tun) 11.57-37'11 1/2 (rec); 2-Djemai (Tun) 9.10-29'10 1/4; 3-Guezlane (Alg) 8.36-27'5 1/4. DT, Ben Bader (Tun) 33.10-108'7 (rec); 2-Bou Abdallah (Tun) 30.84-101' 2; 3-Guezlane (Alg) 23.20-76'1 (rec).

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## AsianT&F Meet Politics Victim

from Gurbaksh Singh Kler

The Federal Government of Malaysia announced it would not issue visas to the athletes from Israel for participation in the First Asian Track & Field Championships scheduled for January 4-8, 1968. The reason given by the government was that the "Arab nations might protest". Therefore, this competition, which was to involve 18 nations, has been called off.

It is possible the meet may be rescheduled by the Asian Track & Field Association when they meet on October 15. If rescheduled, the competition would not be held in Malaysia. All this sounds strange, for Malaysia is probably the most well-known multi-racial society in the world. It has also always seemed strange that Israel would take part in the "Asian" competitions, for surely they are not Asian.

The Tunku (Prime Minister) stated, "it is not that we want to introduce politics into sports" - but how else can such a move be interpreted.

The inclusion of Israel's athletes might have resulted in pressure from Arab nations, but the exclusion of Israel's athletes could result in a storm of International protests and the lowering of the high reputation that Malaysia has slowly achieved over the years in relation to its policy of tolerance among diverse races and religion.

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## International Meet from Luigi Mengoni

Saronno, Italy (October 9). Austria 60-Italy 57; Italy 75-Switzerland 42; Austria 77-Switzerland 40. (Many of the top athletes such as Trio, Pigni, Gusenbauer and Antenen were out of their countries and did not compete here.)

100m-Govoni (Ita) 12.2; 200m-Govoni 24.6; 400m-Toochetti (Ita) 57.8; 800m-Schatz (Aus) 2:12.8; 80mH-Aigner (Aus) 11.4; HJ-Prokop (Aus) 1.615'3 3/8; LJ-Kleinpeter (Aus) 5.73-18'9 1/2; SP-Forcellini (Ita) 13.45-44'1 1/2; DT-Signoretti (Aus) 48.52-159'2; JT-Janko (Aus) 49.50-162'4; 4x100-Italy 47.3s



## DICK BANK DISCUSSES THE 'SEX TEST': ITS HISTORY & WHY IT IS NEEDED

The regrettable Ewa Klobukowska affair in Kiev has, once and for all, brought into the open the problem of those "other than female" individuals in women's track and field. It was touched off in Budapest a year ago at the European Championships but the disqualification of the Polish sprinter on medical grounds has brought it full force in front of the public.

Klobukowska, of course, has been made to suffer through a traumatic experience and undergo psychological anxieties that will affect the remainder of her life. It seems rather conclusive that the co-World record holder over 100 meters has run for the last time. Dr. Max Danz, President of the West German Track & Field Association and a member of the European Committee of the IAAF, was quoted afterwards as saying: "It was absolutely firmly established that she is no female." The Polish Association, on the other hand, dogmatically insists Klobukowska is in fact a woman. If, by odd chance, it were proven in subsequent tests that Ewa could take part in women's events the humiliating scrutiny that she would be subjected to in packed stadia would certainly be more than any individual could endure.

Some of her teammates say she is suffering from "hormonal trouble" and instead of getting treatment for it she has been exploited by the Polish Track & Field Association which is anxious to win big meets and set records no matter what the cost. Whatever, the Polish officials can be nothing short of cruel for submitting her to this fateful verdict. Surely they must have known. An examination in Wuppertal in July confirmed the Kiev decision which means that Polish medicine must rank very low indeed if their findings did not corroborate those of Wuppertal and Kiev. The end result is that Klobukowska has been exposed to the World and there can be no condoning such incompetence on the part of the Poles.

This latest episode should, however, bring to an end the presence of these "twilight people" in the sport. It has, of course, existed from the time women began taking part in track and field. It has undergone its more notable moments but the cases were somewhat isolated prior to the end of World War II. Until this time these individuals more-or-less wandered into the sport on their own. The advent of the Soviet Union into World prominence changed all of this. While it is doubtful that the Russians actively recruited "non-female" types as has been charged in some quarters, the fact remains that a number of questionable individuals were in the USSR national team over the past twenty years. The situation was brought to a head a little over a year ago just prior to the opening of the European Championships. The chief coach of the Soviet Union at this time, (a position he occupied from 1954 to 1966), was Gavriil Korobkov. Here is what he told Neil Allen of the London Times: "We voted for the medical examination at Tokyo and had these examinations at the time of our Soviet Championships this year. (It was as a result of these examinations that the Soviet officials decided not to bring the Press sisters, Tamara and Irina, and Tatyana Shchelkanova and Maria Itkina to Budapest.) I think it is necessary so there will be no unfair advantages. It is true that in the past there have been some borderline cases. There may also be some girls who would simply not feel happy about undergoing these examinations - it is a difficult matter psychologically and there may be a few who will prefer not to compete in such major meetings in the future for fear of embarrassment."

When other members of the press and the news agencies discovered the "story" and sought a statement, Korobkov refused to talk. He, of course, was fully aware that this was going on over the years. But in the Soviet Union where triumphs, medals and records are paramount, one does not rock the boat. Korobkov later allowed privately that he was relieved that it had happened for it had caused unrest on the Soviet team among the real women. Further, it had discouraged other girls from coming into track and field. Last June when the USSR women suffered their first defeat in International competition at the hands of East Germany, Irina Press was brought back into the team for the match with Poland to beef up a weak hurdle situation. The women on the Russian team complained bitterly, threatening to give up the sport if Press was not retired permanently. The officials agreed and the era was at last brought to an end.

How long has this sort of thing been going on? For certain, about 35 years and no doubt longer. Women's track & field really did not come of age until after World War II. Before that it was most popular in Germany and prominent in Great Britain. Many stories circulate about the "he's in she's clothing" in the thirties but there are several documented cases that are well-known in Europe but almost unheard of here.

At the World Games in London in August, 1934, a Czech, Zdena Koubkova, established an astounding World record of 2:12.8 for 800 meters. It was not bettered until nine years later, (by eight-tenths of a second), and by 1952 it had been reduced only 1.1 seconds. There was good reason. Medical men determined that Koubkova was really a man and operated. But our story has a happy ending. Five years after the record run Zdenek Kubeck married his housekeeper!

In the Berlin Olympics Dora Ratjen wasn't even Germany's best high jumper. Ratjen finished equal fourth with 5'2 1/4". But the next year Ratjen claimed a World record-equalling 5'5 1/4" and in Vienna in 1938, at the European Championships, this same Ratjen jumped a sensational 5'7" - a new World record! Soon after it was announced that Ratjen was a professional and the Gold medal was returned, the World record invalidated. Ratjen was more than a professional: Ratjen was a man! Not an in-between but a 100% man!!! Nineteen years later in Bremen where he was working as a waiter, Hermann Ratjen told his story. He had grown long hair and had been forced to pose as a woman "for the sake of the honor and the glory of the Third Reich." Further, said a tearful Ratjen, "for three years I lived the life of a girl. It was most dull."

The French contributed an interesting pair at the European Championships in 1946 in Oslo. Claire Bresolles placed third in the 100, Lea Caurila third in the 200 and both ran on the 4x100 team that won a silver medal. Today, Claire Bresolles answers to the name of Pierre, is a father and lives on a farm near Metz. Lea Caurila, it was decided by doctors, was a man. An operation was performed and Leon Caurila then joined the French Air Force.

Two suspect athletes were Aleksandra Chudina of the USSR and Sim Kim Dan of North Korea. Chudina, a 6'2" chain-smoker was always quite distinguished because of her ever-present long pink cigarette holder. Chudina set a World record in the high jump and pentathlon and today is captain of a volleyball team in Moscow made up entirely of "her own kind". Sim holds the listed World record of 51.9 for 400 today, has unratified marks of 51.4 and 1:58.0 that will never be accepted because North Korea no longer is affiliated to the IAAF. Some years ago a South Korean, it is said, recognized her as the son he lost during World War II. Olympic Coach Payton Jordan, who saw her in Moscow in 1963, said Sim had the hip action and development, as well as the legs, of a man.

It was at Tokyo that the IAAF made mandatory physical examinations of women at all Championships such as European, British Commonwealth, Balkan, Asian, Pan American, etc., as well as the Olympic Games. The first one was at Kingston for the Commonwealth Games but the fireworks erupted at Budapest. The purpose of the examinations was not to disqualify athletes on the spot. Rather, it was to keep those people away who medically had no right to be there. It succeeded in keeping the aforementioned Soviets home and forced them out for good. Iolanda Balas came to Budapest - but as a spectator. She said she was injured. Balas no longer competes outside of Rumania and skipped this year's Balkan Games where an examination was necessary. In fact, she did not take part in her country's National Championships. Many people were surprised about the Russian Shchelkanova. I was not. I remember well in Los Angeles six months before when I was interviewing athletes at a press luncheon. I asked Tatyana if a woman would ever jump seven meters (22'11 1/2"). While the question was being interpreted for her, I heard Igor Ter-Ovanesyan, who was sitting close by, say, "Yes, and when it is done a real woman will do it."

In Budapest five athletes failed the visual inspection of the attending Hungarian women gynecologists. Further tests were called for. None were disqualified, but one should have been - Ewa Klobukowska. The European Committee of the IAAF felt there was a delicate way in which to do this. The Polish Association was advised of the situation. They continued to use her. At the European Cup semi-final in Wuppertal last July all athletes were examined. It was in this way that Klobukowska was then given a full examination (rather than the superficial one in Budapest) and not made to appear a specific case. The Polish Association was then told unequivocally that Ewa Klobukowska, without a shadow of a doubt, was not a woman and did not qualify for women's competition.



A quiet way was determined in which to ease her out of the sport. In the ensuing match against Great Britain she was to run the 100. She won this, then was withdrawn from the 200 supposedly through injury. She had already been selected for the Europe vs. Americas match but it was pre-determined that her eventual replacements would actually go. Injury was to be the reason given for her non-participation, the "substitutes" would make the trip and afterward she would be retired from track and field because of this injury. All of this happened except for one thing: the Poles, on the basis of their own medical findings, said she was indeed a woman and sent her with the Polish team to the Cup final.

So it was in Kiev that the European Committee had no alternative but to make their decision known to the World. What was to have been handled quietly and judiciously became a sensational story that was flashed around the World. In Kiev, nine women gynecologists, (six Russian, three Hungarian), upheld the Wuppertal findings.

What is Ewa Klobukowska? Publicly, no one knows for sure. It is known from the best of sources that she was operated on at an early age to establish the sex as female. She was then operated on a second time. No doubt this, together with other findings, (in all probability her chromosome count), was what put her out. Whatever, the findings are absolutely conclusive.

We can only guess, though probably quite accurately, that Ewa Klobukowska was born either a hermaphrodite or a pseudo-hermaphrodite. A hermaphrodite has the external as well as internal organs of both a male and female. Most often one set of organs has not fully developed. It is usually easier to make a woman of the individual. A pseudohermaphrodite is born with male and female external organs but only one set of internal organs. This makes determining the eventual sex much easier. Then there is a mosaic in which a mix-up of several cell divisions after conception causes the individual to have two or more sex-chromosome patterns.

The chromosomes determine the sex. All humans have 22 pairs of non-sex chromosomes. It is the numbers 45 and 46 that determine the sex. A normal woman has two X chromosomes, a normal man has an X and a Y chromosome. A common case of "one too many" in a woman is an XXY combination which is accompanied by male genitals. Some think Ewa may be a mosaic with some XYY cells, and others containing a single X and nothing else. A good guess would be the former.

The episode has accomplished one thing: it will keep those "non-women" away from Mexico City next year. It has, unfortunately, given the general public a wrong impression of women's track & field. One national magazine, in a first-rate job of irresponsible reporting, made Ewa out to be an innocent victim. It stated she passed in Budapest without question, saw no need to duck the test in Kiev and made out that someone was plotting against her. The readers, who had never heard of her anyway, no doubt swallowed it. The Los Angeles Times, which has accorded much less space to a World record, ran a two column by seven inch picture of her, (on the first sports page in an early edition), and a long story, (which was likewise irresponsible), by a news service with the headline, "Polish Sprinter Flunks Sex Test, Out of Meet". Hardly the kind of publicity we are striving for in women's track & field.

There seems little doubt that these unqualified types will no longer be encouraged into the sport. They hardly existed in recent years - other than in Eastern Europe. The medical exam at Mexico City will leave no doubt for it is a five-step examination, (if the first step is failed, then comes the second, if the second step is failed then the third, etc.), which should be conclusive.

The five steps will be as follows: 1 - study of the reproductive organs and pelvic region; 2 - study of the male and female hormones, (this is not 100% conclusive because a quantity of female hormones can be consumed in advance of the examination to affect the result); 3 - determination of the sex of the chromosomes, (this is done from the white cells taken from the blood stream); 4 - determination of the sex of the nuclei, (a buccal smear - barr bodies taken from the inside of the cheek); 5 - study of the sexual characteristics of the individual.

This, then, tells the story. Let us hope that what Ewa Klobukowska has been forced to face will at least exclude those girls who would have followed her. They will now be diverted to other forms of sports and on the local level. They will be protected from such an eventual day. On the other hand, those whose goal it is to equate the might of their nations with success on the track and on the field must do it now with bona-fide women. The sport must surely be the benefactor in the end.

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## Colombia Championships from Jaime Ortiz Alvear

Sixteen year old Rocio Gallo of Antioquia was the star of the Twenty first annual Women's Championships held recently in Columbia. Rocio won the 60m, 100m and 200m for individual honors. She also ran on the winning 4x100 relay.

Flor Umana, fourth place winner at the Winnipeg Pan-American Games in the javelin, won her favorite event with a toss of 42.72/140'2 and added the 80m hurdles title to her string of national championships.

RESULTS: 60m, 1-Rocio Gallo 7.8; 2-Juana Mosquera 7.8; 100m, 1-Gallo 12.2; 2-Mosquera 12.6; 200m, 1-Gallo 26.5; 2-Mosquera 27.4; 80mH, 1-Flor Umana 13.1; 2-Agueda Ulloa 13.6; HJ, 1-Stella Beltran 1.42/4'8; LJ, 1-Agueda Ulloa 4.91/16'1 1/4; SP, 1-Isolina Vergara 10.65/34' 11 1/2; DT, 1-Vergara 37.26/122'3; JT, 1-Flor Umana 42.72/140'2; 4x100, 1-Antioquia (Hernandez-Ulloa-Forero-Gallo) 51.3; 2-Valle (Ortiz-Rivas-Alvear-Mosquera) 51.9.

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Buenos Aires, October 7-15 from Jaime Ortiz Alvear

100m-Silvina Das Gracias (Bra) 11.8, 2-Irenice Rodriguez (Bra) 12.0, 3-Maria Ducci (Chile) 12.1; 200m-1-Das Gracias 24.5, 2-Rodriguez 24.8, 3-Ducci 25.0 (new national record); 800m- Carmen Oye (Chile) 2:16.9 (new national record); LJ-Irenice Rodriguez (Bra) 5.96-19'7 (new national record), 2-Alicia Kaufmanas (Arg) 5.90-19'4 1/4; HJ-1-Maria Da Conceicao Cipriano (Bra) 1.60-5'3, 2-Aida Dos Santos (Bra) 1.60; SP-Rosa Molina (Chi) 14.26-46'9 1/2, 2-Norma Suarez (Arg) 14.14-46'4 3/4; JT-Kyomi Nakagawa (Bra) 40.30-132'2; DT-Odete Valentino (Bra) 40.48-132'9; 4x100m-Brazil 48.2, 2-Uruguay 48.5, 3-Argentina 48.5s.

## African Honor Roll (Second List) Yves Pinaud

100y: Lydia Stevens (Kenya) 11.2  
220y: P. Chemabwai (Kenya) 25.0; Stevens 25.1s.  
440y: Chemabwai 56.2; Ayaa (Uganda) 58.6; C. Njeri (Kenya) 59.0s.  
880y: G. Njeri (Kenya) 2:13.8; Cheshire (Kenya) 2:15.6; Elizabeth (Kenya) 2:21.9.  
80mH: Myra Fowler (Rhodesia) 11.5s.  
LJ: Fowler 5.61/18'5; Clarice Jones (Nigeria) 5.60/18'4 1/2  
Denise Ekra (IC) 5.56/18'3.  
SP: F. Onyesikadi (Nigeria) 11.72-38'5 1/2.  
JT: Brenda Warring (Rhodesia) 36.83/120'10; Alice Mayongha (Cameroon) 37.19/122'0; D. Sigara (Kenya) 36.68/120'4.  
4x110y: Uganda 50.6s.

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## Belgium 72 - Spain 45 from Alfonso Posada

La Coruna, July 15-16: 100m, Orobias (S) 12.6; 200m, Knipping (B) 26.1; 400m, Clerbent (B) 58.4; 800m, Peyskens (B) 2:14.5; 80mH, Gast (B) 11.9; HJ, Vanherck (B) 1.62-5'3; LJ, Vanherck (B) 5.64-18'6; SP, Coremans (B) 12.32-40'5; DT, Garcia (S) 44.68-146'7; JT, Fernandez (S) 40.56-133'1; 4x100, Belgium 48.4, Spain 49.0 (record).

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## Spanish Championships from Alfonso Posada

Madrid, Spain (September 23-24): 100/200/LJ, Maria Luisa Orobias 12.3/25.5 (rec)/5.44-17'10 1/4; 400/800, Josefina Salgado 59.3/2:20.3; 80mH, Ana Molina 12.4; SP/DT/JT, Marisa Garcia 12.25-40'2 1/4 (rec)/42.34-138'11/36.82-120'9; HJ, Teresa Roca 1.50/4'11 1/8.



# CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

## WTFW INVITATIONAL

from Archie Owens

Charlette Cooke was ill and did not show. Nancy Norvell of Houston, Texas, had plane trouble and failed to get to the meet. The Atoms Track Club of Brooklyn, NY, got lost in the park where the meet was held and arrived too late to compete. Tony Hinton's Philadelphia Hawks were delayed by the State Police and were also late for the meet. The course turned out to be more than two miles by about 440 yards. Nothing else could possibly happen to foul up the meet - and nothing did, for despite the lost, the strayed and the ill, most of the majoe Eastern teams were represented. And what resulted, according to many of the visiting teams, was the "best cross country meet of the season thus far."

The meet was run in two sections, age group and senior AAU. In the women's division 24 runners went to the starting line and 23 finished the race. The hometown spectators were treated to some enjoyment by fifteen year old Sherry Korpman of the Baltimore Stridettes as she won a very important victory. Miss Korpman took an early lead of about 20 yards over MDYF's Lori Schutt, but she lost her lead when she inadvertently "cut" the course and had to retrace her steps in order not to be disqualified. Miss Schutt gained a comfortable 30 yard lead as a result of Sherry's difficulty, but fell victim to the same inadequately marked part of the course and lost ground to the fast closing Nancy Shafer of the Canton, Ohio, Track Club, and Korpman. Thanks to a quick "yell" from Shafer, Lori retraced and got back on the course in time to regain second place and there was no disqualification in her case either. So an fine display of fair play on the part of Miss Shafer cost her the second place watch. Schutt was able to regain all but 20 yds of her lost ground, but this was not enough to catch the flying Korpman at the finish, and the runners ended as they had begun: Korpman, Schutt and Shafer, with the rest of the field scattered around the course.

The Metro Track Club of East Orange, NJ, captured the team title by placing five runners in the first 17 finishers. The Baltimore Stridettes ran only three athletes, but all placed in the top 20 as Sherry's sister Linda came on strong to finish fifth and Debra Buscemi was 19th.

RESULTS: (Two miles, 440 yards): 1-Sherry Korpman (Balt.Str) 13:01.5; 2-Lori Schutt (MDYF) 13:08; 3-Nancy Shafer (Canton TC) 13:15; 4-Nancy Korrell (Frederick TFC) 13:22; 5-Linda Korpman (BS) 13:35; 6-Cindy Jo Farmer (Canton TC) 13:58; 7-Kathy McIntyre (LI Merc) 13:59; 8-Kathy Ryan (NJ Metro) 14:30; 9-Cathy Pober (NY Americettes) 14:40; 10-Gail Fitzgerald (NJ Metro) 14:51.

The age-group version of the Stridettes also had a field-day by taking the first two places in the 13 and under 1½ mile run. Pat Davis and Kathy Sheahy ran 9:14.2 and 9:15 and were trailed by Cindy Wright of the Fairfield, Pa, TC, and her running-mate Ann Shriner with 9:19 and 9:20. National Junior Olympian Gwen LeBlanc of D.C. Sports International was fifth in 9:21 followed by another Fairfield Lynn Gilbert who recorded 9:28. Nine year old Lee Gilbert of the Fairfield gang was tenth in 11:00 flat.

## \*\*\*\*\* Philadelphia Hawks Invitational

from Archie Owens

Nancy Norvell, the Houston (Texas) "school marm" who has to fly around the country to get into meets because her "home" association fails to provide a schedule, came to Philadelphia - and met the Atoms from Brooklyn.

Shelly Marshall, who really is the 1966 Junior National Champ, gave a demonstration of her ability as she opened all the jets and turned in a fabulous 11:56 on Tony Hinton's "dipsy doodle" course. This time, however, Shelley was not alone as teammates Cheryl Toussaint, Diedra Moore, Brenda Merritt and Skipper Pack ran roughshod over the opposition to walk away with the team title. If the Atom's team depth remains intact, - Look Out Albuquerque! This team can run with the best of them, and ahead of most of them. This meet marked the first team defeat for the Metro TC in three starts as an ill but "gutsy" Gail Fitzgerald fought hard for the sixth place. Norvell was close behind in seventh spot.

If Miss Norvell came so far to run, the local AAU could at least provide some officials - which it did not. Some swell people from the Philadelphia Pioneer Club filled in, and the meet went ahead as planned - thanks to "Windy" Holmes.

RESULTS: Distance, two miles - hilly; temperature 78.

1-Shelley Marshall (Atoms TC) 11:56; 2-Cheryl Toussaint (Atoms TC) 11:57; 3-Diedra Moore (Atoms TC) 12:10; 4-Brenda Merritt (Atoms TC) 12:22; 5-Skipper Pack (Atoms TC) 12:45. Number of Competitors - 20.

Age Group 13 and under. Debbie Trubela of the Delaware TFC made a real shambles of the field as she went out fast and was never in danger. The course was 1½ miles.

RESULTS: Distance 1½ miles. 1-Debbie Trubela (DelTFC) 9:44; 2-Michelle McMillan (Atoms TC) 9:58; 3-Yvonne Dickerson (Atoms TC) 10:04; 4-Cindy Wright (Fairfield, Pa) 10:07; 5-Lindy Cordy (Atoms TC) 10:21.

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## Eastern Road Run KORMAN ALL ALONE Baltimore, Maryland, October 9.

In place of the usual domestic crop of runners, the meet here was given an international flair with the importation of the North York Track Club of Toronto, Canada, featuring the tough little "Maple Leaf" Maureen Wilton. However, it was homegrown Sherry Korpman of the Baltimore Stridettes who showed the way to the finish for her second big victory of the young season with a 30 yard triumph over the mighty mite Wilton.

Sherry led over the rough Cantonsville Community College course for the entire run where the final 660 yards is an upgrade of about fifteen percent. Wilton looked to be withered at the finish, but then so did everyone else.

The other half of the Korpman sister act, Linda, faired worse than before and had to settle for eleventh due to a fall she suffered during the early part of the race.

This win definitely established Sherry Korpman as an "up and coming" young distance runner. Miss Korpman covered 2000 miles in training last year as a fifteen year old.

RESULTS: 1-Sherry Korpman (Baltimore Stridettes) 12:42.2; 2-Maureen Wilton (North York TC) 13:03; 3-Joan Rowe (NYTC) 13:41; 4-Donna Aycoth (Cumberland Valley TC, Md) 13:51; 5-Brenda Mah (NYTC) 14:01. Number of finishers 19. Length of course, unknown.

## FITZGERALD THE VICTOR

The "Boardwalk Mile", Atlantic City, New Jersey, October 9.

Gail Fitzgerald, long-legged Junior National quarter mile champion of the Metro Track Club of East Orange, NJ, overcame both poor previous racing form and a deficit by veteran Helen Yorke to win the Atlantic City "Boardwalk Mile". The race, however, is a misnomer for it is neither run on the famous boardwalk or a mile in distance. Actually the race is run down the middle of Atlantic Avenue and covers one and a half miles.

All this notwithstanding, Miss Fitzgerald and Mrs. Yorke really put together a fine race which found, among other things, Gail running out of her shoes in the final sprint for the tape, and a fine last ditch effort by Junior Olympic 220 champion Ann Coleman of the Philadelphia Hawks. Ann, who looks more like a teen age model than anything else, came on in a hurry to close from 9th to 3rd in great finishing style.

Mrs. Yorke led during the first half of the race when Fitzgerald took over and kept to the finish despite the loss of the shoe - which incidentally, she never recovered.

The NJ Metro Club won it's second team title in as many weeks by outpointing the Philadelphia Hawks 19-36. These were the only two clubs with full entries. The temperature was 48 degrees and the course level and cement. 23 athletes completed the race.

RESULTS: 1-Gail Fitzgerald (Metro TC) 9:03.8; 2-Helen Yorke (Un) 9:09; 3-Ann Coleman (Hawks) 9:41; 4-Denise Hooten (Metro TC) 9:54; 5-Kathy Ryan (Metro TC) 9:54.

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## CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

### Eastern Regional Championships

### SHELLEY MARSHALL ROLLS ON

from Archie Owens.

The Eastern Regional Championships were held on October 21 at Van Cortland Park in New York City. The course was two miles, grassy and hilly. Temperature was 63 degrees.

Led by the ever-present form of Shelley Marshall, Fred Thompson's Atoms TC completely destroyed the opposition, (as usual) by placing five runners in the top six finishers to score 16 points and an easy victory over its nearest rival the New York Americettes with 73 points and the youthful Staten Island AC which gathered 97 points.

A sweep by the Brooklyn girls was prevented by Kathy McIntyre who finished in fifth place after leading over much of the course. Kathy twisted her ankle and came to the wire in tremendous pain.

Absent from the meet, for various reasons, were the NJ Metros, Philadelphia Hawks, Baltimore Stridettes and the Frederick TFC of Maryland. These teams had figured to provide the Atoms with tough competition. Despite their absence there were 25 finishers on the rugged Van Cortland course, which is the most challenging we have seen this season. Perhaps the National Senior meet can be held here in the future.

**RESULTS:** 1-Shelley Marshall (Atoms TC) 13:33; 2-Brenda Merritt (Atoms TC) 13:36; 3-Cheryl Toussaint (Atoms TC) 13:37; 4-Diedre Moore (Atoms TC) 13:38; 5-Kathy McIntyre (LI Mercuertes) 13:58; 6-Skipper Pack (Atoms TC) 14:15; 7-Helen Yorke (Un) 14:34.

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### Central Regional Championships

The Central Region held their championships at Champagne, Illinois, on October 22. Lori Schutt, Mayor Daley Youth Foundation, won in a fine 11:18.6 over "non-conference" arch-rival Cheryl Bridges of Indiana State University. Mrs. Bridges was credited with an 11:35 clocking. The Central meet was the second in three days for both athletes with Miss Schutt winning both races from Cheryl.

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### SPAAAU XC

### Riverside Invitational

152 starters participated in the cross country meet hosted by the University of California at Riverside on 23 September. Meet director Dennis Ikenberry staged five races plus an exhibition four mile run - which was won by wife Judy Ikenberry. The course was hilly and the runners ran on dirt and pavement in clear, 80 degree weather.

**RESULTS:** Women's Division, four mile exhibition.

1-Judy Ikenberry (Pasadena AA) 26:42.5; 2-Debbie Hampton (Monterey Park) 30:05; 3-Debbie Payne (Compton TC) 31:16; 4-JoAnn Leigh (Long Beach Comets) 32:13; 5-Tina Stough (LBC) 33:01. Competitors - 7.

Women's Division, two miles:

1-Mo Dickson (Un) 14:17.4; 2-Mary Jane Leimer (Santa Monica AA) 15:12; 3-Carol Goya (Santa Ana Rockettes) 15:16; 4-Monette Driscoll (SAR) 17:15; 5-Adelle Pitts (SAR) 17:36. Team score: Santa Ana Rockettes 15. Number of competitors - 8.

Girl's Division, 14-17 years, two miles:

1-Becky White (PAA) 13:26; 2-Sharon Callahan (CCTC) 13:42; 3-Irene Wagner (Lakewood Spartans) 13:54; 4-Karen Koller (Sinaloa) 14:11; 5-Peggy Burns (Sinaloa) 14:20. Team scores: Sinaloa 19, Compton TC 42. Number of competitors - 28.

Girl's Division, 12-13 years, one mile:

1-Debbie Heald (Hutchinson TC) 7:38.9; 2-Becky Bruce (Lakewood Spartans) 8:06; 3-Joyce Scott (Compton TC) 8:11; 4-Debbie Norris (SC Missiles) 8:14; 5-Juin Desrosiers (Simi Valley Striders) 8:15. Team scores: Lakewood Spartans 40, Simi Valley Striders 41, Monterey Park 64, Rialto Road Runners 88. Number of competitors - 41.

Girl's 11 and under, 0.75 mile:

1-Diane Byington (Rialto Road Runners "A") 8:10.7; 2-Patty Cobbs (RRR); 3-Sandy Romero (RRR) 8:22; 4-Karen

Kosmala (Hutchinson TC) 8:23; 5-Juanita Cobbs (RRR) 8:42. Team scores: Rialto Road Runners 17, Hutchinson TC 51, Fontana 76. Number of competitors - 37.

Girl's Division, 9 and under, 0.75 miles:

1-Rosie Saavodra (Rialto Road Runners) 5:11; 2-Jean Aguilera (RRR) 5:11; 3-Julie Aguilera (RRR) 5:28; 4-Roberta Gomez (Fontana); 5-Rachel Bruce (Lakewood Spartans) 5:33. Team scores: Rialto Road Runners 18, Fontana "A" 41, Fontana "B" 78. Number of competitors - 31.

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### Reedley Fiesta Road Race

#### REEDLEY FIESTA ROAD RACE

"Mo" Dickson continues to impress and begins to loom as a possible winner at the Nationals in Albuquerque. Dickson won the two mile road race in Reedley over teammate Mary Jane Leimer with both Igloi-trained athletes finishing 77 seconds ahead of the third place winner.

The races, which drew a field of 166 competitors, were run on blacktop in clear weather at 60 degrees. Meet Director Bob Lehman is already looking forward to the 1968 contest.

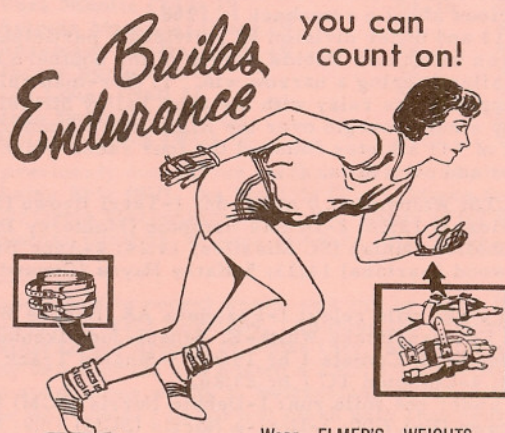
**RESULTS:** Women's Division, two miles: 1-Dickson (Un) 11:39.6; 2-Leimer (Un) 12:10; 3-L. Carman (CCTC) 13:27; 4-J. Meyer (Reedley HS) 14:11; 5-B. Agrifoglio (RHS) 14:54. Team score: Reedley HS 15. Competitors - 10.

Girl's 14-17; two miles: 1-D. Hampton (Monterey Park) 12:06; 2-T. Hannay (Stockton Blazers) 12:42; 3-D. Wells (Un) 13:09; 4-W. Everly (Un) 13:18; 5-D. Oliver (Stockton Blazers) 13:31. Team score, Stockton Blazers 15. Number of competitors - 13.

Girl's 12-13, distance 1 mile: 1-K. Wilkerson (Roseville AC) 5:21.4; 2-Debbie Heald (Hutchinson TC) 5:23; 3-K. Stewart (Simi Valley) 5:33; 4-D. Dobbins (Will's Spikettes) 5:36; 5-J. Miller (Simi Valley) 5:39. Team scores: Simi Valley 65, Will's Spikettes 69, Hutchinson TC 76, Roseville AA 84, Monterey Park 122. Number of competitors - 44.

Girl's 11 and under, one mile: 1-D. Byington (Rialto Road-runners) 5:36.6; 2-S. Langan (Will's Spikettes "A") 5:39; 3-K. Kosmala (Hutchinson TC) 5:40; 4-S. Fraga (WS "A") 5:47; 5-R. Reade (WS "A") 5:49. Team scores: Will's Spikettes "A" 24, Rialto Road Runners 61, Diablo Valley 86, Will's Spikettes "B" 111, Hutchinson TC 117, Ontario-Montclair TC 119. Number of competitors - 55.

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# CROSS COUNTRY ROUNDUP

## San Diego Invitational DeStout hands Dickson First Defeat

Meet Director Jo Westlake staged the weekly SPAAAU cross country competition in San Diego on September 30. The race was run at beautiful Balboa Park on an overcast day and on a hilly course. One hundred and thirty five runners took part.

Women's Division, Two miles: 1-Cathy DeStout 8:59.8; 2-Moe Dickson (Un) 9:02; 3-Linda Green (LB Comets) 9:28; 4-Debbie Payne (Compton TC) 9:36; 5-Carol Goya (SA Rockettes) 9:51. Scoring - LB Comets 29, Santa Ana Rockettes 45, Compton TC 58. Competitors - 24.

Girl's 14-17, Two Miles: 1-Sharon Callahan (CCTC) 9:28.4; 2-Debbie Hampton (Monterey Park) 9:29; 3-Angie Vanderborgt (Sinaloa) 9:35; 4-Shelley Dunlap (SC Missiles) 9:54; 5-Debbie Durst (Mickey's Missiles) 10:16. No team scores. Competitors - 14.

Girl's 12-13, One Mile: 1-Debbie Heald (Hutchinson TC) 6:26.8; 2-Joyce Scott (CTC) 6:27; Debbie Norris (SCM) 6:49; 4-Leslie Burch (CTC) 6:52; 5-Juin Desrosier (Simi Valley Striders) 6:55. Team scores: Simi Valley Striders 39, Hutchinson TC 43, Monterey Park 58, Southern California Missiles 81. Competitors - 41.  
Girl's 11 and under, 0.75 mile: 1-Diane Byington (Rialto Road Runners) 4:54.7; 2-Sandra Romero (RRR) 4:55; 3-Patty Cobb (RRR) 4:58; 4-Karen Kismala (Hutchinson TC) 5:05; 5-Heide Mulligan (RRR) 5:11. Team scores: Rialto Road Runners "A" 20, Hutchinson TC 83, Ontario-Montclair TC 86, Rialto Road Runners "B" 102, Fontana Cinderbells 158, St. Mary's School 188. Competitors - 56.

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## SPAAAU XC Relays & Runs

The Southern Pacific Association maintained its position as the Nation's cross country leader with another unique day of racing at Thousand Oaks, California, on a clear, hot Saturday, October 7. Meet director Bill Andrews staged two events for women, a two mile run and a 5x2 mile relay, and two events for 13 and under age group, a one mile run and a 5x1 mile relay. 18 individuals competed in the women's two mile won by Terri Brown of the home team Simi Valley Striders in 13:26, some 23 seconds ahead of second spot. Four teams (20 runners) took part in the 10 mile relay which ended extremely close for covering such a long distance and found the Pasadena AA, anchored by perennial Judy Ikenberry, the winner. A member of the second place Long Beach Comets team was Sonia Guss - which indicates she is serious about a comeback in 1968.

In the 13 and under division 50 individuals participated in the mile run which saw Debbie Norris of the Southern California Missiles scoring a narrow win. 11 five-man relay teams completed the relay with the Simi Valley Striders the winners by a huge margin over the Rialto Road Runners.

A total of 143 athletes finished the four races which were run on dirt and over hills.

RESULTS: Women's 2.0 mile run: 1-Terri Brown (Simi Valley Striders) 13:26; 2-Debbie Hampton (Monterey Park) 13:49; 3-Shelley Dunlap (SC Missiles) 14:24; 4-Anne Bassler (Lakewood Spartans) 14:33; 5-Kathy Hayes (Oxnard Rec) 14:50.

Women's 5x2 mile relay: 1-Pasadena AA (Brooke Williams-Lyn Carman-Becky White-E. Schedl-Judy Ikenberry 1 hr 12:43s; 2-LB Comets 1 hr 15:26; 3-Sinaloa Track Club 1 hr 17:22; 4-Compton TC 1 hr 23:26.

13 and under one mile run: 1-Debbie Norris (SCM) 6:58; 2-Tina Brown (Un) 7:00; 3-Denise Norris (SCM) 7:09; 4-Debra Barraza (Monterey Park) 7:17; 5-Celeste Rankin (MP) 7:23.

13 and under 5x1 mile relay: 1-Simi Valley Striders (Juin Desrosiers-Amy Glasnier-Karol Stewart-Karla Lysdal-Jan Miller) 35:13; 2-Rialto Road Runners "A" 35:46; 3-Lakewood Spartans 36:01; 4-Hutchinson TC "A" 36:17; 5-Compton TC 36:47; 6-Rialto Road Runners "B" 38:51; 7-Monterey Park 39:04; 8-Rialto Road Runners "C" 40:56; 9-Ontario-Montclair TC "A" 41:08; 10-Hutchinson TC "B" 43:35; 11-Ontario-Montclair TC "B" 47:53.

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## UCLA Invitational Dickson gets revenge

Mo Dickson got her revenge on Cathy DeStout at UCLA on October 14 as the SPAAAU weekly cross country competition. The "Mighty Mo", who was trounced by DeStout at San Diego two weeks ago by two seconds, whipped the southerner this time by 30 seconds over the 1.9 mile course. Once again the number of participants was huge - 193 - including, for the first time, a collegiate division with seven colleges competing. In addition, Norm Martin brought runners from Lakewood, Colorado, to add an inter-state touch.

College Division, 1.9 miles: 1-Pamela Donald (El Camino College) 16:01; 2-Pam DeVall (Cal Poly, Pomona) 17:21; 3-Linda McArthur (Cal Poly, SLO) 18:44; 4-Mary Etta Dunlap (El Camino) 19:12; 5-Gloria Sanchez (Eisenhower) 19:18. Competitors - 7.

Women's Division, 1.9 miles: 1-Mo Dickson (Un) 12:27; 2-Cathy DeStout (Un) 12:57; 3-Linda Greene (LB Comets) 13:09; 4-Judy Zingheim (SA Rockettes) 13:14; 5-Carol Goya (SAR) 13:32. Competitors - 29. Team scores: Sinaloa TC 36, Santa Ana Rockettes 43, LB Comets 45.

Girl's Division, 1.9 miles: 1-Maria Stearns (SC Missiles) 12:47; 2-Debbie Payne (CTC) 13:29; 3-May Wickers (Col. Rockettes) 13:37; 4-Debbie Hampton (Monterey Park) 13:47; 5-Doreen Murrell (LB Comets) 14:01. Competitors - 24. Team winner, Compton TC with 15 points.

Girl's 12-13, 1.0 mile: 1-Debbie Heald (Hutchinson TC) 5:47; 2-Becky Bruce (Lakewood Spartans) 5:55; 3-Karen Kosmala (HTC) 5:59; 4-Juin Desrosiers (Simi Valley Striders) 6:07; 5-Debbie Norris (SC Missiles) 6:08. Competitors - 49. Team scores: Simi Valley Striders 37, Hutchinson TC 48, Lakewood Spartans 55, Monterey Park 76.

Girl's 10-11, .75 mile: 1-Diane Byington (Rialto Road-runners) 4:53; 2-Carol Burkland (Hutchinson TC) 4:54; 3-Shari Jenkins (Compton TC) 4:55; 4-Sandra Romero (RRR) 4:56; 5-Heidi Mulligan (RRR) 4:58. Competitors - 49. Team scores: Rialto Road Runners "A" 16, Ontario-Montclair TC 56, RRR "B" 58, Fontana Cinderbells 118.

Girl's 9 and under, .75 mile: 1-Rosie Saavedra (RRR) 5:18; 2-Rachel Bruce (Lakewood Spartans) 5:24; 3-Doreen Asuma (RRR) 5:37; 4-Roberta Gomez (Fontana) 5:41; 5-Janice Leppard (RRR) 5:44. Competitors - 35. Team scores: Rialto Road Runners 30, Fontana Cinderbells 39, Sinaloa TC 57.

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## Coupeville Invitational

### Falcon TC Shows Strength

Fort Casey State Park, Whidbey Island, Washington. Two miles. October 7. Course was wet, weather cool and windy, but no rain.

1. Doris Brown Falcon TC) 9:35.7; 2-Vicki Foltz (FTC) 9:40; 3-Linda Mayfield (Un) 9:57; 4-Janet Johnson (FTC) 10:39; 5-Terry Kennedy (Pacemakers) 11:17. Number of competitors 12. Scoring - Falcon TC 19; Angels TC 43.

Girls 14-17, 1 1/2 miles: 1-Caroline Kruckeberg (Fledglings) 8:22.3; 2-Linda Iddings (Angels TC) 8:26; 3-Barbara Johnson (ATC) 8:27; 4-Janene Jatton (ATC) 8:42; 5-Debbie Newing (ATC) 8:43. ... 7-Pat Van Wolvelaere (ATC) 8:54. ... 9-Lindy Oliver 9:01. Number of competitors 19. Scoring, Angels TC 21, Fledglings 40.

Girls 12-13, 3/4 mile: 1-Lane Swegle (Un) 4:49.3; 2-Caroline Peterson (Un) 4:53; 3-Leslie McGee (Fledglings) 4:53; 4-Denise Matson (FTC) 5:00; 5-Sandy Glenn (FTC) 5:02. Number of competitors 22. Winning team Fledglings 20.

Girls 11 and under - Three-fourths mi-1-Alicia Johnson (FTC) 5:04; 2-Debbie Bookie (FTC) 5:07; 3-Jill Nelson (FTC) 5:09; 4-Karen Sorenson (Un) 5:17; 5-Jackie Guichard (Un) 5:21. Number of competitors 16.

Total number of competitors: 69

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## WORLD REPORT from Jan Popper

We list the first 20 athletes in the main events and other marks previously unreported. Performances marked with (\*) are converted from yards to meters. The numbers following the athletes name denotes her age. No wind assisted or other irregular marks are listed. This report is compiled from information received as of October 11. (Editor's note: Pre-Olympic marks from Mexico City have been added.) Please send any amendment or correction to the compiler, (Prague, 10, Prubezna 1762, Czechoslovakia).

### 100 Meters/100 Yards

The final solution of the "klobukowska case" must affect the ranking list in the sprints. I am fully aware that this affair, the first one decided on an "open scene", is in reality only one of - say - a dozen. But without an official and expert examination no one has the right to make decisions concerning the athletes status.....Denise Ramsden (16), the new English prospect, is a protegee of former European champion, Dorothy Hyman.....Wilma v.d. Berg finally tied Fanny Blankers' 11.5 Dutch national mark under regular conditions.....Eva Gleskova defeated both runner-ups from Kiev - Heldt and Nemeshazi - decisively within 20 days after the EC final.....No final decision in the question of the US AAU Championship race has been reached as yet.

1. Barbara Ferrell (USA) 20	11.1e	7/ 2
2. Jennifer Lamy (Aus) 18	11.2	1/21
Irena Kirszenstein (Pol) 21	11.2	7/ 1
Diana Wilson (USA) 21	11.2e	7/ 2
5. Dorothy Myles (USA)	10.4y	5/ 6
Miguelina Cobian (Cuba) 26	11.3	6/17
Wyomia Tyus (USA) 22	11.3	8/ 9
8. Karin Frisch (WG) 26	11.4	6/ 6
Irene Piotrowski (Can) 26	11.4	6/23
Mattiline Render (USA)	11.4e	7/ 2
Dee DeBusk (USA)	11.4e	7/ 2
Renate Heldt (EG) 23	11.4	7/28
Della James (GB) 18	11.4	8/ 2
Gabrielle Meyer (Fra) 20	11.4	10/15
15. Rhonda Bainbridge (Aus) 23	11.5	1/21
Denise Dunham (Aus)	11.5	1/21
Beverly Holman (Aus) 22	11.5	2/19
Cristine Echevarria (Cuba) 19	11.5	5/ 7
Hannelore Trabert (WG) 29	11.5	5/27
Eva Gleskova (Cze) 24	11.5	5/28
Annamaria Toth (Hun) 22	11.5	6/17
Eva Putnova (Cze) 17	11.5	7/ 1
Vilma Charlton (Jam) 21	11.5e	7/ 2
Diane Burge (Aus) 24	11.5	7/ 8
Janet Macfarlane (USA) 17	11.5	7/15
Karin Wallgren (Swe) 23	11.5	7/17
Nadyezhda Skelsara (SU) 19	11.5	9/ 6
Wilma vd Berg (Hol) 20	11.5	9/10
Margit Nemeshazi (Hun) 24	11.5	9/22

Other previously unreported marks: Natalia Nikolayeva (SU) 11.6.

### 200 Meters

At high-altitude Leninakan, a Caucasian town near the Turkish border, the Soviet sprinters bettered the 800 meters relay World mark with 1:34.4 - that's a 23.6 average. Three members of the squad were relatively unknown youngsters: Ukranian champ Lilia Tkachenko (21), junior title holder Tamara Borchikova (20) and Natalia Pechenkina (20), who posted a sensational 23.6 personal best at this meet. Of course bespectacled Ludmilla Samotyesova was the best and she tied her after-Tokyo record with 23.3. But this may be the basis for the renaissance of the USSR sprinting.

1. Irena Kirszenstein (Pol) 21	22.7	7/ 2
2. Jennifer Lamy (Aus) 18	23.1	3/ 8
3. Diane Burge (Aus) 24	23.2	7/ 9
4. Ludmila Samotyesova (SU) 28	23.3	10/ 1
Miguelina Cobian (Cuba) 26	23.3	10/17
6. Barbara Ferrell (USA) 20	23.4	6/17
Vyera Popkova (SU) 24	23.4	7/ 9
Annamaria Toth (Hun) 22	23.4	9/15
9. Raelene Boyle (Aus) 15	23.5	3/ 8
Irene Piotrowski (Can) 26	23.5	7/ 9
Wyomia Tyus (USA) 22	23.5	8/20
12. Beverly Holman (Aus) 22	23.6	3/ 8
Diana Wilson (USA) 21	23.6	7/ 2
Vilma Charlton (Jam) 21	23.6	7/ 9

Natalia Pechenkina (SU) 20	23.6	10/ 1
16. Margaret Snow (NZ)	23.7	3/ 8
Johanna Cornelissen (SA) 25	23.7*	2/22
Ingrid Becker (WG) 25	23.7	9/10
Gabrielle Meyer (Fra) 20	23.7	10/17
20. Kathy Hammond (USA) 15	23.8*	2/ 5
Jackie Byrnes (Aus)	23.8	3/ 8
Judy Pollock (Aus) 27	23.8un	4/20
Una Morris (Jam) 20	23.8	6/ 1
Della James (GB) 18	23.8*	6/11
Karin Wallgren (Swe) 23	23.8	7/ 5
Janet Johnson (USA) 28	23.8	7/ 9
Sylvaine Telliez (Fra) 25	23.8	7/30
Tamara Borchikova (SU) 20	23.8	8/20
Judy Fisher (Can)	23.8*	9/ 4
Hannelore Trabert (WG) 29	23.8	9/15
Maureen Tranter (GB) 20	23.8	9/15
Eva Gleskova (Cze)	23.8	9/23
Violet Quesada (Cuba)	23.8	10/17
Wilma vd Berg (Hol) 20	23.8	10/17

Other previously unreported marks: M. Critchley (GB) 23.9\*, Mary Rand (GB) 23.9; Lilia Tkachenko (SU) 24.0.

### 400 Meters

Lillian Board ran 24.3y and 38.2y at the high-altitude camp at Fort Romeu, and posted another important win in the GB-WG dual meet.....New Zealand born Rosemary Stirling, below her 1966 quality almost for the entire season, tied her personal best (54.1) at White City and ran a 1:29.2 660y test at Fort Romeu.....I am sure one of them will step into Ann Packer's shoes next year, but who?.....Yugoslavia's third string Ika Maricic defeated Noirot (55.0 to 56.1) and won the Balkan title at Istanbul with 55.3.....Surely the most interesting all-around achievement of the season was that of Berit Berthelsen, who was injured in July but came back in mid-September in a match against Finland to run 24.6 - 54.9 - 2:13.5 and scored 4472 in a pentathlon the following week, including 1.60/5'3 high jump and 6.35/20'10 long jump.

1. Charlette Cooke (USA) 19	52.4	10/16
2. Judy Pollock (Aus) 27	52.6	2/14
Kathy Hammond (USA) 15	52.6	7/ 2
4. Lillian Board (GB) 19	52.8	7/ 9
5. Karin Wallgren (Swe) 23	53.0	10/16
6. Monique Noirot (Fra) 26	53.1	10/15
7. Shin Keum Dan (NK) 29	53.3	7/ 8
8. Lois Drinkwater (USA) 16	53.5	7/ 2
9. Janet Johnson (USA) 28	53.6	7/ 2
10. Sandra Brown (Aus) 20	53.8	3/ 2
11. Ludmila Samotyesova (SU) 28	53.9	7/30
Ingela Ericsson (Swe) 20	53.9	10/16
13. Una Morris (Jam) 20	54.0	8/ 9
14. Vera Nikolic (Yug) 19	54.1u	5/
Antonia Munkacs (Hun) 29	54.1	9/15
Rosemary Stirling (GB) 20	54.1	9/22
17. Jackie Byrnes (Aus)	54.2	3/ 2
Lia Louer (Hol) 25	54.2	8/ 6
Jane Burnett (USA) 17	54.2	8/20
20. Helga Henning (WG) 30	54.3	7/16

Other previously unreported marks: Berit Berthelsen (Nor) 54.9; Laine Erik (SU), Ika Maricic (Yug), Mieke Sterk (Hol) all 55.0; Genia Marochkina (SU), Eva Haimi (Fin) both 55.2; Hilde Slaman (Hol) 55.3; Anna Dundare (SU) 55.5s.

### 800 Meters

The fastest half in recent weeks was run by Anita Rottmueller-Woerner of West Germany. Running the 3800 meters relay against Great Britain at White City, she defeated Pat Lowe by two seconds and posted a 2:03.8 anchor leg...Vera Nikolic spent some weeks in Switzerland's mountains; after that she won another important clash with Dupureur and Pignoni (2:06.7 - 2:07.5 - 2:07.6) at Osijek on September 10 and helped to inaugurate the new stadium at her birthplace, Cuprija, with a 2:04.6 victory over Pignoni (2:05.8)...Surprisingly fast newcomer of the past few weeks: Bernadette Naudet of France, 2:08.7; K. Nenzall of Sweden, 2:08.9; and Eva Haimi of Finland, 2:08.9s.

1. Judy Pollock (Aus) 27	2:01.0	6/28
2. Madeline Manning (USA) 19	2:01.6	7/ 8
3. Vera Nikolic (Yug) 19	2:02.1	7/ 5
4. Doris Brown (USA) 25	2:02.9	8/ 5
5. Karin Kessler (WG) 28	2:03.6	6/28
Laine Erik (SU) 23	2:03.6	9/ 4



Anne Smith (GB)	2:03.6*	5/27
8. Tamara Dunayskaya (SU) 24	2:04.0	9/ 4
9. Zsuzsa Nagy-Szabo (Hun) 27	2:04.5	6/28
10. Shin Keum Dan (NK) 29	2:04.6	7/ 9
Abilgail Hoffman (Can) 20	2:04.6	8/ 5
12. Waltraud Pohlitz (EG) 25	2:04.8	6/ 3
13. Maryvonne Dupureur (Fra) 30	2:05.0	6/28
14. Paola Pigni (Ita) 22	2:05.1	6/ 3
15. Danuta Sobieska (Pol) 22	2:05.2	6/ 3
16. Charlette Cooke (USA) 19	2:05.4*	6/14
17. Ileana Silai (Rum) 26	2:05.6	8/20
Patricia Lowe (GB) 24	2:05.6	9/22
Anita Rottmueller (WG) 25	2:05.6	9/22
20. Pam Piercy (GB) 30	2:05.8	7/29

Other previously unreported marks: Antje Gleichfeld (WG) 2:06.4; Margit Kulcsar (Hun) 2:07.5. Relay legs: Rottmueller 2:03.8; Rosemary Stirling 2:06.2.

#### 1500 Meters

Emilia Ovadkova, who defeated Sweden's and Hungary's 800 meter runners in recent matches, bettered the Czechoslovakian 1500 meters record with a high-class 4:21.0 just four days after she ran a world best at 1000 meters with a time of 2:44.7 at Ostrava, October 5.....Another World best is claimed by Anna Pede-Erdkamp, a pupil of Germany's endurance prophet Dr. van Aaken. Mrs. Pede finished a full marathon distance in 3:07:26.2 at Waldniel on September 16.....The Soviet milers paid the altitude-tax in their Leninakan race on October 2: Dunayskaya 4:41.0, Bragina 4:42.8, Yeremina 4:44.5!!!!

1. Anne Smith (GB) 26	4:17.3	6/13
2. Waltraud Pohlitz (EG) 25	4:19.4	7/23
3. Tamara Dunayskaya (SU) 24	4:20.7	8/ 3
4. Emilia Ovadkova (Cze) 24	4:21.0	10/ 9
5. Alla Krivoshchekova (SU) 26	4:21.4	8/ 3
6. Ludmila Bragina (SU) 24	4:22.2	8/ 3
7. Maria Gommers (Hol) 28	4:22.3	9/ 1
8. Katalina Prodan (SU) 25	4:22.7	8/ 3
9. Marie Ingrova (Cze) 23	4:23.3	7/19
10. Tamara Babintseva (SU) 33	4:23.6	8/ 3
11. Anna Zimina (SU) 28	4:24.6	8/ 3
12. Tereza Raponavičienė (SU) 34	4:25.1	8/ 3
13. Alla Vejse (SU) 24	4:25.6	8/ 3
14. Rita Lincoln (GB) 21	4:46.0m	7/18
15. Valentina Lukyanova (SU) 21	4:26.2	8/ 3
Regina Kleinau (EG) 21	4:26.2	8/ 5
17. Raisa Diastinova (SU) 26	4:27.7	7/ 2
18. Alla Yeremina (SU) 29	4:28.0	8/ 3
19. Gertud Kloepper (WG) 23	4:28.6	9/15
Tineke van Wonderen (Hol)	4:28.6	9/20

#### Hurdles

Mary Rand's success against top European hurdlers Jones and Schell in the GB-WG match (11.1 - 11.3 - 11.3) reminds us of the fact that Britain's most versatile athlete was an Olympic finalist in this event way back in 1960.....Galina Zarubina posted three 10.7's in September, a rather unusual consistency nowadays.....After some correspondence almost everything is clear in this 100 meters business: the 2'9" barriers have been used this season only in Great Britain and in one race at Bratislava, September 24, (Kucmanova 13.9, Koeppen 14.3). All other countries remain at 2'6".....As a result of this information, we now know that Cristina Perera, born October 11, 1949, holds the World mark for 2'9" hurdles with her 13.7 at Blackburn on June 3. Despite relatively frequent attempts she never again approached this time closer than 0.5 second. So the question comes up - is everything really o.k. with this Blackburn mark?... The 2'6" world best of Bolshova (13.0) was tied by Galina Kuznyetsova, (fastest non-qualifier at the Spartakiad two months ago), on the all-weather track at Leninakan. The following day Uzbekistan's best woman athlete, Rosa Babich, 27, bettered the 200 meter hurdles mark by 0.1 second with a time of 27.1.....Reports reach us that Cherrie Sherrard's 10.5 mark is questionable as pictures show a very narrow win over Mamie Rallins who was given 10.8s. Spectators state either Rallins also ran 10.5 or Sherrard ran 10.8.

1. Pam Kilborn (Aus) 28	10.4	3/ 1
2. Cherrie Sherrard (USA) 29	10.5	8/20
3. Maureen Caird (Aus) 16	10.6	1/21
Jennifer Jones (Aus) 19	10.6	3/ 6
Ludmila Iyevlyeva (SU) 26	10.6	5/20
Tatyana Talisheva (SU) 30	10.6	5/20

Tereza Nowak (Pol) 25	10.6	6/ 2
8. Tereza Sukniewicz (Pol) 19	10.7	6/ 2
Elzbieta Bednarek (Pol) 22	10.7	6/ 4
Pat Jones (GB) 23	10.7	6/13
Inge Schell (WG) 29	10.7	6/21
Karin Balzer (EG) 29	10.7	8/26
Galina Zarubina (SU) 22	10.7	9/ 7
15. Lesley Thompson (Aus) 19	10.8	1/ 7
Nilia Kulkova (SU) 32	10.8	4/25
Urszula Styrancka (Pol) 20	10.8	5/28
Vlasta Seifertova (Cze) 24	10.8	5/28
Nadyezhda Zharikova (SU) 27	10.8	6/12
Ulla-Britt Wieslander (Swe) 25	10.8	6/28
Pat Van Wolvelaere (USA) 17	10.8	7/ 1
Chi Cheng (Tai) 23	10.8	7/ 1
Irina Press (SU) 28	10.8	7/ 1
Karin Frisch (WG) 26	10.8	7/ 2
Mamie Rallins (USA) 26	10.8	7/15
Ann Wilson (GB) 18	10.8	8/ 2
Helgi Maegi (SU) 23	10.8	8/27
Danute Straszynska (Pol) 25	10.8	9/17
Vyera Korsakova (SU) 26	10.8	9/30
Mary Rand (GB) 27	10.8	10/19

Other previously unreported marks: Baerbel Loehnert (EG) and Meta Antenen (Swi) both 10.9s.

#### 100 Meters (2'6") Hurdles

Galina Kuznyetsova (SU) 13.0; Galina Zarubina (SU) 13.1; Maria Bakhmatova (SU) 13.4; Valentina Bolshova (SU), Inge Koeppen (EG), Gunilla Karlmark (Swe), all 13.5; Kira Kuzmina (SU), Tamara Rozhmanova (SU), both 13.6; Karin Balzer (EG), Tamara Pogorelova (SU), Lidia Alfeyeva (SU), Lidia Cherenyeva (SU), Tatyana Antaryan (SU), Dagmar Kaesling (EG), all 13.7.

#### 100 Meters (2'9") Hurdles

Cristina Perera (GB) 13.7; Pat Jones (GB) 13.8; Eva Kucmanova (Cze) 13.9; Mary Rand (GB) and Powder (GB), both 14.1; S. Garnett (GB), Dawson (GB) and Inge Koeppen (EG), all 14.3s.

#### 200 Meters (2'6") Hurdles

Rosa Babich (SU) 27.1; Valentina Bolshova (SU) 27.2; Pat Jones (GB) 27.3; S. Dyson (GB) and Lidia Cherenyeva (SU) both 27.6; Pat VanWolvelaere (USA) 27.7; Galina Nikolayeva (SU) 27.8; Mamie Rallins (USA) and Yelena Babkina (SU) 27.9.

#### High Jump

Thirty eight European jumpers have cleared at least 1.70/5'7 this season. This unprecedented number is divided between 14 nations with USSR (16), East Germany (5) and Czechoslovakia (5) the top contributors.....Rita Schmidt; (born October 21, 1950), jumped over her own height (5'8 1/2) at four meets in late September/October. She came from 4'10 to 5'6 in one season after learning to roll.....Karin Schulze, 9th at the Tokyo Games, made a good comeback improving from 5'5 to 5'9 in one month.....European 1966 junior champ Alena Proskova, who lives in the famous beer town Pilsen, cleared 1.74-5'8 1/2.....Another Czech prospect is Milada Karbanova, 17 and 5'10 tall, who defeated Czech champion Faithova recently with 1.71.....Snezhana Hrepevnik continues with good marks in big meets. She won both the Mediterranean and Balkan Games the latter with 1.72-5'7 3/4.

1. Antonina Okorokova (SU) 26	1.82-5'11 1/8	7/ 2
2. Eleanor Montgomery (USA) 21	1.78-5'10 1/8	8/ 4
3. Klara Pushkaryeva (SU) 25	1.76-5' 9 1/4	4/ 9
Taisia Chenchik (SU) 31	1.76-5' 9 1/4	7/ 9
Rita Schmidt (EG) 16	1.76-5' 9 1/4	7/16
Maria Faithova (Cze) 21	1.76-5' 9 1/4	8/27
7. Ludmila Komlyeva (SU) 24	1.75-5' 8 7/8	5/28
Karin Schulze (EG) 23	1.75-5' 8 7/8	9/30
9. Galina Kostyenko (SU) 29	1.74-5' 8 1/2	5/20
Ilona Gusenbauer (Austria)	1.74-5' 8 1/2	6/30
Alena Proskova (Cze) 19	1.74-5' 8 1/2	9/26
12. Nina Bryntseva (SU) 17	1.73-5' 8 1/8	6/17
Estelle Baskerville (USA) 21	1.73-5' 8 1/8	8/ 7
Linda Knowles (GB) 21	1.73-5' 8 1/8	8/ 7
Snezhana Hrepevnik (Yug) 18	1.73-5' 8 1/8	7/16
Valeria Bonci (Rum) 17	1.73-5' 8 1/8	7/17
Valentina Kozir (SU) 17	1.73-5' 8 1/8	7/18
Jaroslava Valentova (Cze) 22	1.73-5' 8 1/8	9/10
19. Robyn Woodhouse (Aus) 24	1.725-5'8	3/11
Dorothy Shiurley (GB) 28	1.725-5'8	6/ 3
Franzetta Parham (USA) 17	1.725-5'8	8/20



Other previously unreported marks: Renate Schulz (EG), Milada Karbanova (Cze) and Jarmila Zivotska (Cze), all 1.71-5'7 3/8.

#### Long Jump

Ingrid Becker strengthened her 1967 number one position as well as her "fighter" reputation with a last-jump-winning-effort against Rand at White City, September 22, (20'7 1/4 to 20'5). Together with Liesel Westermann she closes her season on a South America trip.... Corrie Bakker, the 11.5w and 6.47-21'2 3/4w Dutch champion was not allowed to compete at Mexico City's altitude by doctors.... Rand's best training jump at Font Romeu was reported as 6.47/21'3.... Tatyana Bichkova, still 17, bettered her personal best at Leninakan with 6.37/20'10 3/4 only one centimeter ahead of Nadyezhda Kroyter (20). Both cleared six meters for the first time in May of 1967.... Maria Vittoria Trio, not seen in major competition since Budapest, won the Mediterranean Games with 6.15-20'2 1/4 and then bettered the National record the following week with 6.52-21'4 3/4.

1. Ingrid Becker (WG) 25	6.63-21' 9	9/15
2. Irena Kirszenstein (Pol) 21	6.62-21' 8 3/4	6/ 4
3. Viorica Viscopoleanu (Rum)	6.56-21' 6 1/4	10/17
Tatyana Talisheva (SU) 30	6.56-21' 6 1/4	10/17
5. Maria Trio (Ita) 20	6.52-21' 4 3/4	9/24
6. Berit Berthelsen (Nor) 21	6.47-21' 3	7/ 1
7. Mary Rand (GB) 27	6.45-21' 2	7/ 9
Eva Kucmanova (Cze) 21	6.45-21' 2	9/ 2
9. Baerbel Loehnert (EG) 25	6.43-21' 1 1/4	7/ 2
10. Mirosława Salacinska (Pol) 25	6.40-21' 0	7/ 2
11. Tatyana Bichkova (SU) 17	6.37-20'10 3/4	9/30
12. Burghild Wieczorek (EG) 24	6.36-20'10 1/2	6/ 4
Nadyezhda Kroyter (SU) 20	6.36-20'10 1/2	9/30
14. Corrie Bakker (Hol) 22	6.35-20'10	5/20
Martha Watson (USA) 21	6.35-20'10	7/15
Heide Rosendahl (WG) 20	6.35-20'10	7/20
17. Sheila Parkin (GB) 22	6.33-20' 9 1/4	6/18
Inez Martinez (Cuba) 21	6.33-20' 9 1/4	7/ 2
19. Tamara Kapisheva (SU) 19	6.31-20' 8 1/2	9/30
20. Deana Yorgova (Bul) 25	6.30-20' 8	6/ 4

Other previously unreported marks: Kristina Hauer (EG) 6.22-20'5; Yelena Babkina (SU) 6.16-20'2 1/2; Maria Sizyakova (SU) and Kira Kuzmina (SU) 6.15-20'2 1/4; Lyubov Starostyenko (SU) 6.13-20'1 1/4; Ivanka Dimova (Bul) 6.12-20'1; Marjana Lubej (Yug) 6.10-20'0 1/4.

#### Javelin Throw

Until Mexico City catastrophe, Mihaela Penes was still winning, although her marks of 50.96/167'2 for the Rumanian title and the 54.90/180'1 Balkaniad performance did not fulfill the promise of the early September toss of 60.68 at the high altitude (1000m) of Poiana Brasov where Penes also had marks over 57 and 58 meters.... Three East Germans - Fuchs, Boerner and Helga Schulze - all achieved solid performances almost at the same time.... European champ Marion Luetge has a new baby.... Angela Nemeth, not related to the hammer/javelin family of Imre and Miklos, tossed 55.12/180'10 in early September, but lost most of the following meets.... Nina Marakina, still only 20, won every competition she entered since mid-August. Four years ago she was probably the most talented young Soviet javelinist but was practically expelled from a Kharkov track club for "phlegmatic and not perspective behavior".... Broemmels 55.69 was a printer's error, but her best legal mark - 53.78/176'8 - is still an important performance.

1. Mihaela Penes (Rum) 20	60.68/199' 1	9/ 3
2. Barbara Freidrich (USA) 18	60.55/198' 8	6/ 4
3. RaNae Bair (USA) 24	59.82/196' 3	7/ 2
4. Danuta Jarkowska (Pol) 21	58.68/192' 6	7/ 2
5. Vyera Savenkova (SU) 22	57.62/189' 0	8/--
6. Helga Boerner (EG) 28	56.56/185' 6	6/11
7. Lidia Yasinska (SU) 25	56.08/184' 0	5/28
Ruth Fuchs (EG) 21	56.08/184' 0	10/ 7
9. Maria Moskalenko (SU) 27	55.84/183' 2	8/ 3
10. Elvira Lusi-Ozolina (SU) 28	55.54/182' 2	6/11
11. Valentina Popova (SU) 22	55.50/182' 1	6/11
12. Ameli Koloska (WG) 23	55.48/182' 0	7/23
13. Birute Kalediene (SU) 33	55.14/180'11	6/ 4
14. Angela Nemeth (Hun) 21	55.12/180'10	9/ 7
15. Yelena Gorchakova (SU) 34	54.94/180' 3	8/ 3
16. Marilena Ciurea (Rum) 19	54.92/180' 2	7/23
17. Nina Marakina (SU) 20	54.72/179' 6	9/10

Helga Schulze (EG) 26	54.72/179' 6	9/30
19. Anna Bocson (Aus) 31	54.59/179' 1	7/ 8
20. Louise Gerrish (USA) 19	54.51/178'10	6/ 3

Other previously unreported marks: Ludmila Churkina (SU) 53.82/176'7; Almut Broemmel (WG) 53.78/176'5; Agnes Radnai (Hun) 52.42/171'11; Zhelyazkova (Bul) 52.44/172'0.

#### Shot Put

Judit Bogнар, certainly one of the prettiest shot-putters of the modern weight-lifting era, improved again: on October 11 she tossed 17.08-56'0 1/2 and 17.03-55'10 1/2 in one competition.... Slightly more consistent was her arch-rival in many European meets, Ivanka Khristova of Bulgaria - she threw three times over 16.00-54'10 and won the Balkaniad which is a very hot competition always in the shot put.... Another veteran, Ana Salagean, won her 14th consecutive Rumanian title - and was over 16 meters once again.

1. Nadyezhda Chizhova (SU) 22	18.34-60' 2	6/10
2. Margitta Gummel (EG) 26	17.68-58' 0	7/16
3. Margitta Lange (EG) 24	17.35-56'11	6/10
4. Renate Boy (EG) 27	17.32-56'10	10/17
5. Judit Bogнар (Hun) 28	17.08-56' 0 1/2	10/11
6. Galina Zybina (SU) 36	17.01-55' 9 3/4	7/31
7. Irina Solontsova (SU) 30	16.85-55' 3 1/2	4/25
8. Ivanka Khristova (Bul) 26	16.79-55' 1	8/ 6
9. Marlene Fuchs (WG) 25	16.76-54'11 3/4	6/28
10. Ludmila Zhdanova (SU) 34	16.60-54' 5 1/2	6/ 4
11. Maria Chorbova (Bul) 27	16.40-53' 9 3/4	6/11
12. Gertude Schaefer (WG) 23	16.09-52' 9 1/2	8/ 5
13. Els van Noorduy (Hol) 21	16.06-52' 8 1/4	7/16
14. Ana Salagean (Rum) 30	16.03-52' 7 1/4	9/30
15. Galina Nyekrasova (SU) 31	16.02-52' 6 3/4	8/ 1
16. Inge Friedrich (EG) 26	15.85-52' 0	5/28
17. Lidia Sharamovich (Bul) 30	15.74-51' 7 3/4	7/13
18. Anna Vanina (SU) 22	15.68-51' 5 3/4	4/ 3
19. Hannelore Friedel (EG) 19	15.64-51' 3 3/4	6/18
20. Gisela Kolb (EG) 22	15.63-51' 3 1/2	7/30

Other previously unreported marks: Lidia Kulagina (SU) 15.62-51'3; Vladimira Srbova (Cze) 15.34-50'4.

#### Discus Throw

Liesel Westermann overcame the Kiev shock very quickly - and sent the discus for a ride of 59.30/194'6, the second best in history.... She now has seven 58 meter/190'3 marks and Karin Ilgen has four.... The East German champion starts her Russian and English studies this fall.... Gabrielle Trepscheck (20) with 52.86/173'5 and Hannelore Friedel (19) with 50.44/165'5 are the best discus exponents in their age groups; this also demonstrates the strength of the DDR (East German) weight school.... Almost un-noticed by the newspapers was Jadwiga Wojtczak establishing a new Polish record of 54.74/179'7.

1. Liesel Westermann (WG) 23	59.30/194'6	10/--
2. Karin Ilgen (EG) 26	58.93/193	
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2. Karin Ilgen (EG) 26	58.93/193' 4	9/ 2
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2. Karin Ilgen (EG) 26	58.93/193' 4	9/ 2
3. Jolan Kleiber (Hun) 28	57.24/187' 9	7/16
4. Anita Hentschel (EG) 25	57.13/187' 5	9/ 3
5. Ludmila Muravyeva (SU) 27	56.70/186' 0	9/15
6. Judit Stugner (Hun) 25	56.66/185'10	5/ 7
7. Christine Spielberg (EG) 26	56.34/184'10	9/ 2
8. Ludmila Khmelevskaya (SU)	56.19/184' 4	4/--
9. Alla Zhelobkovich (SU) 30	55.10/180' 9	6/--
10. Jadwiga Wojtczak (Pol) 25	54.74/179' 7	7/15
11. Brigitte Berendonk (WG) 25	54.65/179' 3	7/19
12. Judit Bogнар (Hun) 28	54.20/177'10	8/30
13. Antonina Popva (SU) 32	54.08/177' 5	10/ 1
14. Olympia Catarama (Rum) 27	54.06/177' 4	9/29
15. Anna Mickler (EG) 25	54.02/177' 2	7/ 9
16. Irina Solontsova (SU) 30	53.28/174' 9	4/26
17. Jean Roberts (Aus) 24	53.09/174' 2	1/ 7
18. Nelli Sivoplyasova (SU) 25	53.08/174' 1	7/30
19. Rozsa Czaban (Hun) 24	53.00/173'10	6/10
20. Gabrielle Trepscheck (EG) 20	52.86/173' 5	9/10

Other previously unreported marks: Hella Ulbricht (EG) 52.00/170'7.



## Pentathlon

Maria Sizyakova (31), whose pentathlon career was so long overshadowed by the achievements of Irina Press and Shchelkanova, finally came through. During the EG-USSR match at Magdeburg, September 16-17, she defeated European champ Tikhomirova, (thanks mainly to a 0.6 improvement in the hurdles), 4765 to 4725. Then she went to Leninakan and managed an all-out effort in the thin air - 10.9(pb); 6.15/20'2 1/4 (pb); 13.52/44'4 1/4; 1.66/5'5 3/8 (pb); 25.4 - for a total of 4941 points and seventh place on the all time (unrevised) list. . . . Valentina Shapkina is the most diligent pentathlone of the year. Her 4681 points and second place at Leninakan was her 8th pentathlon of the season, and five of them were over 4500 points. . . . Up to now I have registered 40 European athletes who have scored more than 4500 points in the pentathlon this year - and the biggest surprise is the five French girls who have made this list.

1. Ingrid Becker (WG) 25	4953	9/10
Annamaria Toth (Hun) 22	4953	10/16
3. Valentina Tikhomirova (SU)	4946	8/ 3
4. Maria Sizyakova (SU) 31	4941	10/ 2
5. Pat Winslow (USA) 24	4880	10/16
6. Baerbel Loehnert (EG) 25	4785	7/27
7. Sashka Varbanova (Bul) 23	4740	7/ 9
8. Snezhana Yurukova (Bul) 23	4735	10/16
9. Valentina Shapkina (SU) 29	4734	6/25
10. Jennifer Meldrum (Can) 24	4724	7/30
11. Meta Antenen (Swi)	4709	10/16
12. Pam Kilborn (Aus) 28	4672	3/ 2
13. Kira Kuzmina (SU) 27	4653	10/ 2
14. Monique Bantegny (Fra) 27	4644	6/25
15. Marjan Thomas (Hol) 25	4639	6/11
16. Ludmila Iyevlyeva (SU) 26	4630	5/ 7
17. Marjana Lubej (Yug) 25	4625	9/22
18. Liesel Prokop (Austria) 26	4618	8/12
19. Ann Wilson (GB) 18	4605	6/17
20. Corrie Bakker (Hol) 22	4600	5/21

Other previously unreported marks: Heide Rosendahl (WG) 4573; Kristina Hauer (EG) 4556; Maria Pandeale (Rum) 4549; Nina Hansen (Den) 4548; Dagmar Kaesling (EG) 4508; Michiko Okamoto (Jap) 4507; Mieke Sterk (Hol) 4506; Zina Korniyenko (SU) 4502; Tatyana Kurganova (SU) 4476; Berit Berthelsen (Nor) 4472; Burghild Waneck (WG) 4462; Susan Scott (GB) 4419; Vlasta Seifertova (Cze) 4409.

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## People Write Letters

Larry Berman, Cambridge, Mass: "A 1 1/2 mile race, no matter how you slice it, is still a middle distance race, and to be successful a girl must be capable of 26-27 seconds for 220 yards. The rules provide for the possibility of distance (long, not middle) races, provided the permission of the National Women's T&F Chairman is obtained. Male runners could compete at anything they liked - a 700 mile race, a race up telephone poles, or a quintuple jump. Similarly, swimmers (male and female) could swim whatever they felt like, but female runners had to supplicate themselves before the throne every time they wanted to have a race longer than 1 1/2 miles."

Floyd Highfill, Albuquerque, NM: "How's this for an aggregate from one club: Long Jump - 9 & under - Karen Boardman 11'11; 10-11 - Carol Hudson 14'1; 12-13 - Sallie Caton 16'7 1/2; Open - Cathy Hamblin 17'9 1/2; for a total of 60'4 1/2. Or, HJ - 9 & under - Susan Usinger 3'7; 10-11 - Eva Hall 4'3; 12-13 - Sallie Caton 4'10 1/2; Open - Cathy Hamblin 5'0; for a total of 17'8 1/2" Can any Club beat those marks?

Margie Perez, PAA athlete, now in Bogota, Colombia: "I am here thru the "year abroad" program at La Verne College. It is pretty good working out for track at this altitude between 8500 and 9000 feet. After my first practice I saw visions, but now I can play basketball for two hours using a full court press. I have been here seven weeks, and whoever is making that survey on conditioning at high altitudes had better say you need two months before the Games in '68."

Author Unknown, New York City: "I am vehemently opposed to Bill Peck's selection as AAU Women's statistician because he's a liberal, tennis-shoe wearing, statistical wizzard who doesn't eat Helm's bread or drink chocolate malts!! And if THAT isn't enough to disqualify him, I'm sure the AAU will make up others!!"

Andrew Huxtable, London, England: "I would like to make my nomination now for athlete of the year: Lillian Board. At the risk of appearing too partisan, (after all she is at present only 4th on the world list), I think her competitive record will give her number one ranking."

Maxwell Stiles, Sports Editor, Hollywood Citizen-News: "You and your staff are doing a great job. Each issue of Women's Track and Field World is better and better and your experts are the best to be found anywhere in the world. Your paper fills a long-felt need. Many of us who write about track and field simply must have the distaff side of the sport or our work is not complete."

Archie Owens, Baltimore, Maryland: To Lyn Protteau, "Lyn, your information on the Junior National Cross Country Championships must have come from out in "left field". In the first place, Junior National Championships are not age-group competition. Some of the best athletes in the country take part in these events, and they are open to almost anyone who has not won a senior or international event. Specifically, Miss Marshall, of the Atoms Track Club of Brooklyn, won her title in 1966 at Bradford, Pennsylvania. I hope you will attend the 1967 Junior National XC Championships which will be held in Baltimore on the 11th of November."

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