

TOURISTS WIN TOSS—BUT IT DOESN'T HELP THEM

New Zealand wickets tumbling again to Laker, Lock

WISE MOVE MADE BY MEYNELL

WERNETH opener Derek Meynell is using a short-handed bat these days. He changed over after being told that his power of the back foot was suffering.

And this afternoon, at the Coppice, Meynell showed Stockport opening bowlers Don Smith and Alan Brown just how wise a decision that change-over was.

After Brown had opened with a maiden to Heywood, Meynell started on Smith. He cracked a beautiful square-drive for four, then an ugly snick for two.

In Brown's next over he revealed his new-found power with two crisp straight drives—right off the back foot.

At 3.10 p.m. Oxford blue Smith took himself off—he had looked definitely innocuous against the Werneth pair.

Ian Brookes was put on. The first and only chance came when Heywood lifted a ball from Brown off his legs to mid-wicket—but a diving George Selby dropped the difficult chance.

Borde struggles

At the other end, Brookes was looking more dangerous than either of the other bowlers and he got his reward when Heywood tried to pull him and was bowled all ends up.

Despite the loss of Heywood, the Werneth score rattled along at a good rate. But it was not due to any efforts on the part of professional Chandu Borde.

All the scoring was done by young Derek Meynell, who was batting as well as he has done at any time in his career.

Borde, still struggling for form, was finding the going more difficult, and it was no surprise when he was out lbw, playing forward to Brown.

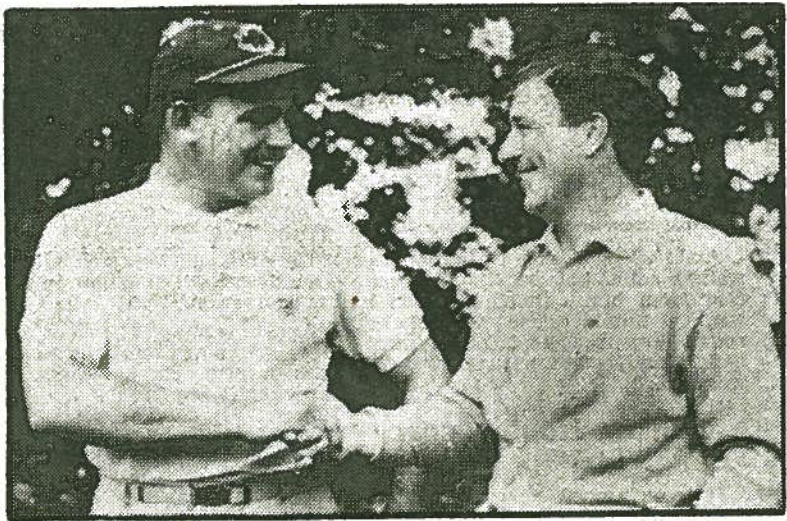
Meynell carried on his merry way, and sent his 50 up with a huge six to mid-wicket—the first amateur 50 of the season for Werneth.

CASTLETON IN TOUGH FIGHT AT WALSDEN

SIX scored in the first over, achieved with a straight drive for four and a two pulled to leg both by McDonough, gave Castleton Moor a good start in their game with Walsden. But they failed to set this pace and allowed the home side to take the initiative.

Coupe had an unsuccessful lbw appeal and Green almost took Gowland's wicket caught behind before they turned chances into reality and got concrete results.

After 45 minutes' tight bowling, McDonough sent an easy catch to Walker at mid-off, off Coupe's next ball and Green got Gowland's wicket with the first ball of the next over helped by Connor behind the wicket.



Peter Thomson (right) shakes hands with David Thomas before today's play-off.

Thomas fights back in the golf replay

DAVID THOMAS (Sudbury), on the brink of gaining golf's greatest award at Royal Lytham today, had the chance to become the first Welshman to win the most treasured trophy when he faced three-times champion Peter Thomson (Australia) in a 36-hole replay for the Open championship.

By tremendous golf Thomson reached the turn in 31 to hold a three strokes lead over Thomas who took 34. It was the Australian's extraordinary putting which made just that much difference.

Later, however, fortune swung in favour of the Welshman who had been fighting bravely against exceptional golf. When Thomson cut his drive into the rough at the long 14th Thomas played two perfect shots to the green to be down in four against five. He met more success at the next hole where, although his drive was in long grass, he played a great No. 4 iron to the green. Thomson pushed out a spoon second, pitched 12ft. from the flag and missed his putt to take another five.

Fighting hard, the Welshman holed a single 15ft. putt for a birdie three on the home green to pick up a stroke and reduce his deficit to one at halfway, with a round of 69 against Thomson's 68.

At the 27th Thomson was still only a stroke ahead.

Statham's six for 20

Against Leicestershire at Old Trafford this afternoon Statham took six wickets at the cost of only 20 runs. Leicestershire were all out 99 and of these Willie Watson, the former Yorkshire player, scored 50.

MCC tour choice on July 27

MCC stated today that the team to tour Australia and New Zealand next winter is expected to be announced on Sunday evening, July 27, during the fourth Test match at Manchester.

The captain and manager will be named before this.

Ashton 38—6 crumble to Crompton

THE Ashton wicket made a surprisingly good recovery from its drenching and a start was made only seven minutes late. Crompton sent Ashton in to bat and Arthur Booth took Bernard Ganley out with him.

Booth took a single off Hanif's first over, but in the next over from Everett he edged one dangerously near K. Booth in the gully. The attack was so keen and accurate that the first 20 minutes produced only three runs.

With the total at six, Ganley, who had not scored, lofted a ball to Everett at mid-on, but the fielder dropped an easy catch. The miss did not prove expensive, Everett making amends when he trapped Ganley lbw with the first ball off his next over.

Great start

Vijayasaraty had made a great start with two wickets in his first over but he was relieved by Everett.

He and Hanif switched ends and runs were coming more easily now as Borells and Hollingworth took liberties. Ashton had a stroke of luck when Filinged running in from the boundary dropped Hollingworth.

Hollingworth was bowled by Hanif for six at 22, and Lynton was bowled first ball so that Crompton were now right on top.

Brierley stopped the hat-trick but was bowled next ball. Hanif forsaking speed for off-spinners had taken three wickets in four balls.

AFTER two and a half days of rain, the third Test started at Leeds today—and within an hour New Zealand were again on the rack. After their best opening stand of the series—37—the tourists lost three wickets without another run being scored. Then, the biggest blow of all, John Reid was out, to make it 40 for 4.

The luck of the toss turned for Reid. He decided to bat on the drying but still soft pitch, and his opening pair, Miller and D'Arcy, responded by scoring 37 together in an hour, before a wonderful catch by the bespectacled Michael Smith at short square-leg started a breakdown.

D'Arcy, Miller and Harford were all out with the score unaltered.

The first hour there was nothing in the easy-paced pitch for the England fast bowlers, Trueman and Loader. Then came Smith's catch, taken at the second attempt, which dismissed D'Arcy off Trueman.

Smith made another at long leg to send back Miller off Laker, and in the same over from the Surrey off-spinner Harford was caught by Cowdrey close to the wicket.

Reid must have wondered whether he did the right thing choosing to bat.

The early jubilation of the New Zealanders turned to despair as Reid was clean bowled almost as soon as Lock, the Surrey left arm spinner, went on.

LIVELY PACE

Reid tried a sweep, completely missed and his stumps rattled. That was 40 for four, with all four falling in an amazing spell of little over 20 minutes.

Everything depended on the left-handed Sutcliffe, who broke his right wrist a couple of months back. He hooked Laker beautifully to the boundary, then was lucky to keep a "fizzer" from him out of his wicket.

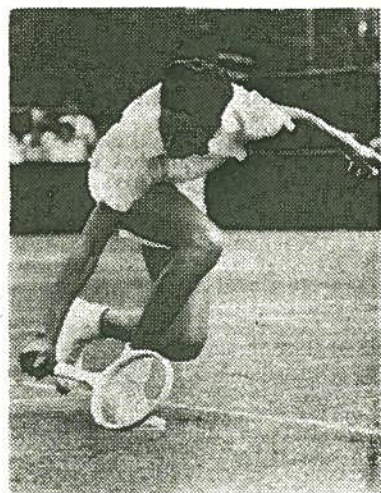
Lock, bowling at his usual lively pace, moved Milton from a batch of three in the slips, and put him at silly mid off to check forward defensive props by the patient Playle.

The long-delayed appearance of the sun at ten minutes to four was joyfully greeted by the younger spectators, but Reid, no doubt, did not share their happiness, for its drying properties could hardly improve conditions for his team.

Half the New Zealanders were out in an hour and 55 minutes for 46, as May's strategy worked, for Playle, fifth out, pushed a fairly sharp catch to Milton who held the ball smartly.

NEW ZEALAND—First Innings	
D'Arcy c Smith b Trueman	11
Miller c Smith b Laker	26
Harford c Cowdrey b Laker	0
Sutcliffe b Laker	6
Reid b Lock	3
Playle c Milton b Lock	0
MacGibbon b Laker	3
Sparling not out	0
Petrie not out	1

Total (for 7 wks) ... 50



Althea Gibson, the coloured tennis player from the United States is the Wimbledon women's singles champion again. In two straight sets 8-6 and 6-2, she defeated Great Britain's unseeded player Angela Mortimer.

Miss Mortimer put up a hard fight at the start of the tough duel and took the first two games. Miss Gibson was not helped by her insistence on getting foot-faulted.

Things looked well for Angela Mortimer when she went to a 4-2 lead but Miss Gibson not only held on but made a brilliant recovery to take the first set 8-6.

Miss Mortimer started the second set on top, and the centre court was tense with excitement. But the championship class of Althea Gibson began to show as the set progressed.

She calmly drew level with Angela and just as calmly drew ahead to win the set 6-2.

a matter of curves . . .

THE shortest distance between two points is often a curve, as every sportsman and sportswoman knows. No arrow ever sped in a straight line from bow to bull's-eye! And so it is in other sports—in bowls, for example, where a curved path is often the only way of getting anywhere near the jack. (We hold a really comprehensive stock of everything archer or bowls player needs, by the way.) Then there is spin, at both cricket and tennis—spin designed to give the ball a curve when it leaves the ground. (Two more games we are specialists for—come and look over our range of gear.) Finally, Badminton, where wind and shuttlecock feathers combine to curve almost every shot. (Yes, we can supply your needs . . .)

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centre-half.
Open Golf—Thomson
four strokes ahead at 31st.

GLAMORGAN 197—6

Werneth 127—7.

Rochdale 14—1

Royton 62—7.

Castleton Moor 100—3

NEWMARKET 5 0. Result:

Wander Belle (W H Carr) 1,

Troubadour (S Clayton) 2,

Barleycroft (L Piggott) 3.

2/1 j.f., 10/1, 3/1. 6 ran.

Pleades 2/1 j.f.

STOCKTON 5 0. Result:

Pheidippides (E Hide) 1

Sunrise (N Strick) 2

The Mole (A Ferguson) 3

4/9 fav., 9/4, 100/7 3 ran.

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THE MOST BRILLIANT OF THEM ALL

YOUNG and not having much sense at the time, I saw my first Open golf championship in 1913. It took place at Hoylake in weather that was much worse than we get now in June.

The rain, in those days, came down like steel shafts, and the gale, in great voice from the Mersey, shifted around so that it could always blow straight into the competitors' faces.

J. H. Taylor won the title that year and in a soifloquy that could be heard all over Liverpool he expressed the opinion that it was "not fit for God, man, nor devil to play golf on a day like this."

However, with his ancient battering rams, which in those days were called golf clubs, Taylor averaged 76 a round. When he had finished he knew far more about "Rain" than Somerset Maugham.

After the First World War (the Germans let me off with a caution) I saw every Open championship until 1939.

But, in 1920, through attempting to know too much, I missed one of the most dramatic victories of all times.

It happened this way. The championship, in that year, was held at Deal and I shared rooms, meals and conversation with George Duncan and Abe Mitchell.

Mitchell, at that time, had been selected by Lord Northcliffe to be professional at North Foreland Golf Club.

When Lord Northcliffe asked me if I thought that Mitchell was undoubtedly the potential champion I hazarded the opinion that he might have chosen George Duncan.

In that championship the mercurial Duncan began with two rounds of the "also-ran" class. Two 80's.

Abe Mitchell spread-eagled the field with rounds of 74 and 73.

With two rounds to go Mitchell was 13 shots ahead of Duncan and six ahead of "Sandy" Herd and Jim Barnes.

Apart from Ted Ray, eight shots behind, the rest were causing no trouble except to themselves.

On the final day Duncan had to start early and I shall always remember the advice he gave to Abe Mitchell at the breakfast table.

"Abe," he said, "not one of us can catch you. No-one will beat 72 today so all you need are two 75's and you can almost do that without looking at the ball."

Braid's wise words

"But," George added, "you don't strike off until nearly midday, so for heaven's sake keep away from that golf course until then. You will only hear a lot of nonsense about incredible scores."

"Now don't go near the first tee until it's time for you to belt that ball down the middle."

George Duncan and I then left the hotel. George to have his golf—and myself to suggest to Lord Northcliffe that, with the championship already in the bag for Mitchell, I should proceed to Wimbledon and draw Suzanne Lenglen winning the women's lawn tennis championship.

It was not until I was half-way towards Wimbledon that I remembered something that wise old gentleman of the golf links, James Braid, had conveyed to me after Duncan had had one of his bad rounds.

With a jerk of his head towards Duncan, Braid said "That fellow will not win the championship until he has come a long way from behind."

That thought kept nagging me all the time I was watching Suzanne Lenglen racketing her way to another kind of championship.

Mitchell saw the danger

But I am now a little ahead of my story.

Abe Mitchell had listened attentively to George Duncan's advice.

He had agreed with him about not going down to the golf course to listen to incredible and non-sensical golf scores.

And then, a little while after Duncan and I had left the hotel, Abe took a taxi and went straight down to the golf course.

Mitchell loitered around for an hour or so and then he suddenly heard of an incredible and non-sensical score.

It was relayed by a galloping crowd coming up to the 18th green. Unfortunately for Abe Mitchell, it wasn't so incredible or non-sensical.

The message shouted clearly by the galloping gallery was, "Duncan wants a four for a 69."

Actually, Duncan needed a four for a 71 but Mitchell didn't know this. He saw the danger and his nerves, never too good in the Open championship, suddenly began operating in the wrong direction for golf.

Not being there, I cannot give details of Mitchell's tragic third round.

TOM WEBSTER, THE FAMOUS SPORTS JOURNALIST AND CARTOONIST, HERE TELLS

THE STORY OF ONE OF THE MOST DRAMATIC GOLF VICTORIES OF ALL TIMES; OF THE WAY THE UNPREDICTABLE GEORGE DUNCAN, AGAINST ALL EXPECTATIONS, WON THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

And, when I got to know him well, I could not get the information from him either. He was in such a mental daze during that round that he could hardly remember it and, quite naturally, didn't want to.

Bunker trouble cost him an 8

It is on record, however, that on his outward half he drove into a high cross bunker. In an effort to get distance instead of safety, he took an iron and hit the face of the bunker. And before the ball had stopped rolling he had another spiteful go and—

Oh, let us not prolong the agony. He took eight shots before his ball lay quietly in the hole.

He finished that round in 84. Duncan, with a total of 231, had caught him.

Indeed, not only that, but "Sandy" Herd was ahead.

With a round of 77, Herd was 230, the leader by one shot.

But Duncan, who now and again had his moments, had them then. All through the next 18 holes.

As the Americans, perhaps quite rightly, say, he shot a 72 which gave him a total of 303 and the championship.

He finished two strokes ahead of "Sandy" Herd and four in front of his protegee, Abe Mitchell.

Apart from 1923, when Arthur Havers won at Troon, the Americans took over the championship, mainly through Bobby Jones and Walter Hagen.

Jim Barnes and Tommy Armour, naturalised Americans, won in 1925 and 1931, respectively.

Cotton halted the rot

In 1934, Henry Cotton stepped in and stopped the rot.

Incidentally, in Armour's year the title nearly went to Argentina.

Jose Jurado, from that country, lost too much time and, I think, the title, through taking off his cap too often.

Every time the crowd applauded a good shot of his, Jurado would take off his cap and bow to everyone in sight.

He did 72 holes at Carnoustie in 297 shots and about 2,000 bows.

To come back to the original hero of this story, George Duncan, he nearly came from behind again to win at Royal St. George's, Sandwich, in 1922.

He had to score a 68 in his last round to tie with Walter Hagen, I like.

ASCOT PRIZE IS THE TARGET

Another Irish stable is busy planning a raid

MOST people regard the Derby winner, Hard Ridden, and Ballymoss, successful in the Coronation Cup, as the chief challengers from Ireland for the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Ascot on Saturday, July 19. However, all being well, another powerful Irish stable, that of Seamus McGrath, will also provide a fancied runner.

This is the black Arctic Star colt, Articeelagh, which showed high promise in the Dante Stakes at York, where the luck of the race went against him. He has since continued to impress at The Curragh.

Articeelagh was so unimposing as a yearling that he was not entered for any of the English or Irish "classics" but he revealed himself as champion Irish two-year-old colt last year.

His trainer, Seamus McGrath, whose stables are at Sandyford, Dublin (he has about 60 horses there), then made long-distance plans to challenge for the big Ascot race. No notice of Articeelagh's early spring form should be taken for he was very backward.

McGrath's gallops were waterlogged at the time, and the colt and his stable-companions were unable to be given the customary training.

Now he is being "nursed" along for the big event.

Sixteen-year-old Peter Bedford, who showed much promise as an apprentice on the flat last season, has joined W. Stephenson's Royston stable.

Peter, unfortunately, put on weight and is now 8st. This prevents him from riding under Jockey Club rules, but he will be seen in the saddle again when the National Hunt season begins.

W. Stephenson has a particularly high regard for Peter Bedford who, he says, is a natural horseman.

Peter's father, Leslie Bedford, trained his own horses last season at Berkhamsted, but he has not taken out a licence this year. He may resume training in 1959.

OAKSHOT LUCKY STAR, which ran well in the Royal Hunt Cup, will find the company a lot less exalted in Monday's race or the Wallands Handicap at Lewes, where he may be capable of gaining his first success of the season.

West Ilsley trainer R. J. Colling holds a strong hand in the Elvaston Plate at Nottingham with Proud Look, Chemossel and Sea Blue. Proud Look will probably do duty and this three-year-old is not expected to repeat his Wolverhampton lapse where, with odds laid on, he was beaten by the older Cherry Hill.

George Boyd should be the trainer to follow at Edinburgh's evening meeting. He had a double on the corresponding day last year and may now win three races with Valdivia (7-40), Newton (9-5) and Haslev (9-30).

There will be racing at Castle Irwell on Friday night, the programme opening (at 6.45) with the appropriately-named "Gloaming Plate." The Dockers' Derby is fixed for 7.45 and in this Lyde's Double Up will want beating. Rock Bar looks good enough to please punters in the Eventide Handicap, which marks the homeward trek.

Saturday's racing at Manchester starts at 2.30.

Next Weeks Racing Fixtures:—Monday: Lewes, Nottingham and Edinburgh. Tuesday: Nottingham, Edinburgh and Salisbury. Wednesday: Salisbury, Yarmouth and Doncaster (evening). Thursday: Salisbury, Yarmouth and Doncaster. Friday: Manchester (evening) and Sandown Park. Saturday: Manchester, Newcastle, Sandown Park and Worcester.

Memories of Open Golf champions

and he stood on the last tee needing a four to do it.

After a fine drive he then had to wait a few nervous minutes before playing his second.

Hagen was by the green with a cigar in his mouth, but I noticed he wasn't smoking.

It had gone out when he heard Duncan wanted a four to tie.

Duncan hit a beautiful spoon shot, but it had an unlucky kick to the left of the green.

Duncan, never a reliable chip shot player, hurried it, was short, missed the long putt, and Hagen started smoking again.

Walter Hagen always boasted that nobody ever beat him in a play-off. But if Duncan had tied that day, I think he would have upset that idea.

Apart from Ted Ray, Walter Hagen was the greatest recovery player I ever saw. Nothing disturbed him.

If it was a bad lie, his immediate response was: "Waal, I put it there."

He gave me the biggest thrill

I suppose the Bobby Jones era was the greatest in golf.

In style, Jones had the lot. He also had our championships whenever he stood on the tee.

To me, it was never a question who would win, because I could never see him losing it.

Even so, George Duncan always gave me the biggest thrill of the championship.

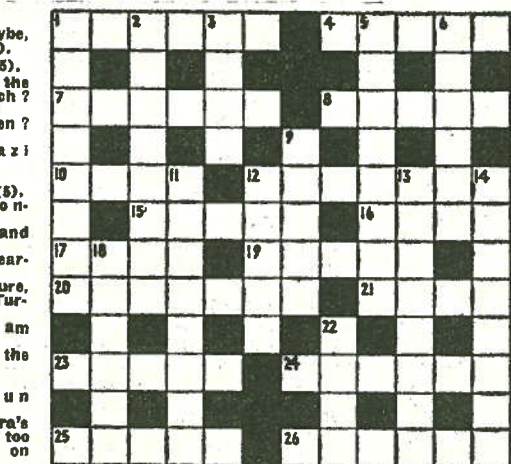
Never consistent, by no means the best putter, he was, on his day, the most brilliant of them all—

And brilliant days are the ones I like.

CROSSWORD No. 1517

ACROSS

- 1 Enlith, maybe, for jade (6).
- 4 Sea foam (5).
- 7 Put on the cricket pitch? (3).
- 8 Ball queen? (5).
- 10 Famous Nazi (4).
- 12 Bag (7).
- 13 Ill-feeling (5).
- 16 Doesn't continue (4).
- 17 Not at hand (4).
- 19 Cricketer nearby? (5).
- 20 Great pleasure, possibly Turkish (7).
- 21 Tottenham road? (4).
- 23 The talk of the town (5).
- 24 Fall (6).
- 25 Full of fun (5).
- 26 Olopatra's stands too high to go on record (6).



- 2 Much care may be needed to get it well lined! (8).
- 3 The loss in coal is simply vast! (8).
- 6 Misrepresented (4).
- 9 Like an empty House of Lords? (5).
- 11 Peer in Paris (5).
- 14 The fish—phew! (5).
- 15 The dog for the long jump? (4).
- 18 Irritating (5).
- 22 Welcome note (3, 5).
- 24 Alienate (5).
- 26 Catty (6).
- 27 Melody (4).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.—Across: 3, Walk-over. 8, Ran. C.I.D. 9, Lacrosse. 11, Becamed. 12, Mere. 13, Sweat. 18, Sprat. 19, I-o-win-a. 22, Screamer. 24, Jettison. 25, Stilts. 26, Moselles. Down: 1, Grebe. 2, Snick. 3, Willows. 4, A-dam. 5, Kurd. 6, Vessel. 7, Reefer. 10, Cedar. 14, Epics. 15, Talents. 16, Jim-jam. 17, Unites. 20, Ample. 21, Cross. 22, Sill. 23, Rose.



By THE STUDENT

THE first teaser should interest the "brighter cricket" enthusiasts. Score two points each for numbers one and three and one for number two. Four is a good score.

TEASER NUMBER ONE

Which first-class cricketers four runs in one innings took him four days?

TEASER NUMBER TWO

Which county cricketer created three records in his first season?

TEASER NUMBER THREE

Name a southerner who played for the North v. the South at cricket—while still living in the South.

Answers on Page 10.

Empire athletes delayed on flight

The Australian and New Zealand teams for the Empire Games due in London today have both been delayed.

The Australians, flying from Sydney to London via New York, have been delayed in Gander, Newfoundland. They were originally scheduled to arrive at 10.45 a.m. but are now expected to touch down about eight hours late.

Sixty-four members of the New Zealand team have been delayed by mechanical trouble in Calcutta. They are now expected to arrive in London tomorrow.

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Letter to Sports Editor HE REMEMBERS A WARNING OF 50 YEARS AGO

I SEE that Mr. Buckley, the secretary of Oldham Athletic FC, in an interview about the posting of warning notices to spectators, says it is the first time it has ever happened at Boundary Park. This is not quite correct, as I remember warning notices being posted at Boundary Park in 1908, over 50 years ago.

It was a sequel to the match with Fulham in January or February, 1908. The score was 3-3, and the trouble arose when Fulham got their equaliser in the last few minutes of the game.

Athletic strongly protested on the grounds of offside, but the referee overruled them.

Bob Hewitson, the Oldham goalkeeper, was considered guilty of misconduct for which he was afterwards suspended.

The storm really broke when Athletic went down the field immediately after they had restarted the game and scored, but the referee wouldn't agree it was a goal.

The Fulham forward line was Threlfall, Dalrymple, Harrison, Millington and Mouncher. It was Billy Cook's first game at Boundary Park.

Athletic were then unbeaten at home and they only lost four points in home games — one each to Burnley, Glossop, Fulham and Leicester Fosse, now Leicester City.

S. H. GRIMWOOD

Chadderton.

Elliott, best placed of British cyclists

Shay Elliott, of Dublin, is now the best placed of the British and Irish cyclists still in the Tour de France.

He was 11th in the overall placings, with a total time of 40hr. 57min. 28sec. when the riders set out today for the tenth stage 155.34 miles from St. Brevin-les-Pins to Royan, the longest stage so far.

At their meeting on Thursday, Oldham Health Committee accepted the resignation of Dr. B. A. Murray, assistant medical officer of health. Dr. Murray ceased his duties on June 30.

ENGLISH TURF IS SO UNFAIR TO OUR CRICKETING VISITORS

Soon we will decide to cover the Test wickets

THE uncomfortable feeling seems to be growing that for all England's resolution down the years against "covered wickets," maybe we are wrong after all. More and more are coming round to the view that leaving our wickets completely at the mercy of the elements MUST favour England at the expense of visiting sides.

This season, for instance, it is blatantly clear that for all their fight and courage New Zealand are not equipped to cope with England's strength on soft or soaked turf. They just aren't used to it.

At Lord's where he position was made infinitely worse by their losing a toss that gave England perfect conditions and then left the New Zealanders to flounder after rain, that was made painfully clear.

Where we are beginning to feel the unfairness of our "no cover" policy is when we have to admit that even if England had the worst of the toss we would still be better equipped to cope with the soft or wet conditions than our opponents. We are so used to it.

That is why I feel that the England authorities will have to reconsider their traditional policy on this issue very soon.

By
**NORMAN
YARDLEY**

Overseas authorities all seem to favour the covered pitch policy. In Australia they insist on it because they say their turf becomes impossible and dangerous after a downpour. And, in any case, they don't think it right that the luck of a shower should decide a cricket match.

Dripping misery

Much as I am reluctant to interfere with the character of cricket, the weather of the last three seasons—and especially the dripping misery of this one—is driving me to the view that we shall have to fall in line.

In the old summers we used to get plenty of showers and we had to miss the odd day's cricket here and there. But it was never as we have had it these last few years.

In an old fashioned "normal" summer I was all for the variety and spice of the fight on the occasional "sticky dog." It was a vital part of the infinite variety and charm and challenge of the game.

In Yorkshire we used to say that it sorted out the wheat from the chaff among players more surely than anything else.

But we seem to be well past the stage when our continual wet pitches can be fairly described as infinite variety. Nowadays they are

becoming dangerously monotonous. So, from the view point of fairness to our visitors—and to our dwindling thin line of paying spectators—I feel that the whole question of covering our Test wickets must be re-considered very soon.

It's serious

When I report that even Yorkshire are considering the idea you will appreciate that the overall position really is serious.

A few years ago any Yorkshireman would have thought the very idea sacrilege. Today, after losing at least 16 complete days cricket in the first two months of this season alone, he accepts that something must be done about it.

Experiments are now going on with a new type of extremely light glass fibre cover which not only protects the wicket but allows heat to go through and help rather than hinder any drying process.

I don't say that Yorkshire are definitely committed to the policy of covering wickets. But the idea may be forced on them, as well as on England, very soon.

I suspect that, for a start anyway, if the new covers are successful, they will be used for pre-match protection and, maybe, for covering at weekends.

New Zealand's ill-luck this season—they lost the toss in the first two Tests—has also prompted many people to shout the odds on the old controversy that the luck of the toss should alternate in every series. But I think we should keep right on spinning and keep the luck element right where it is.

In this I am delighted to note that I have the support of none other than the great Sir Don Bradman himself.

Would it be fair?

Of the idea of alternating he says: "That may sound fine in theory but it may happen that the team winning the toss in the first Test loses the match. Would it then be fair that this team must contemplate beforehand that it has already lost the toss for the second?"

Sir Don also tackles the other and even more important consideration. "When nobody knows in advance which side will win the toss no charges can ever be substantiated about preparing a pitch to suit one side or the other," he says.

"That sort of cry went forth at Manchester in 1956 when the wicket crumbled early to suit England's spinners. I heard the charge seriously made that the groundsman had been instructed to prepare such a pitch. What an absurdity!"

"If there was to be a pitch which would play well for a day and a half and then suddenly crack up, surely the team winning the toss, if it could play at all, would gain an overwhelming advantage. Why gamble on the toss when you have a team with at least a fifty-fifty chance on any pitch?"

And of course Sir Don is absolutely right.

*Quotes from Don Bradman's latest book "The Art of Cricket" (Hodder and Stoughton 30s.).

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WORLD CUP SHOPWINDOW ATTRACTIONS

THE World Cup is becoming the world's biggest football market. Shine in this series, and it seems you can almost name your own transfer fee.

Agents, after gazing in soccer's shop window in Sweden, were busy outbidding each other for players like Sweden's Hamrin, Skoglund, Liedholm; and Brazil's Didi, Vava, Pele and Garincha.

Didi was No. 1 attraction. But certainly no bargain. . . . His transfer value has now soared to about £142,800. Atletico of Madrid are among several Spanish clubs negotiating with Botafogo FC for his services. At his current price Didi would receive about £43,000 for himself.

To English eyes it seems odd that Didi should be so highly rated. He was played out of the game by Ronnie Clayton when England beat Brazil 4-2 at Wembley two years ago. And Bill Slater had Didi under control in our World Cup goalless draw with Brazil this month.

Didi wants his three-year-old daughter, Rebecca, to go to school in Switzerland, so Atletico have already agreed to look after her schooling there free.

Talent scouts were also after Sweden's "amateur" centre-forward, Agen Simonsson, who, I hear, may go to a Spanish or French club.

The 40/41st Royal Tank Regiment (TA), which includes many local Territorials, will be holding its annual camp at Castlemartin, Pembrokeshire, from August 16 to 30.

SO STEREOTYPED HAS MEN'S PLAY BECOME THAT . . .

WOMEN DRAW THE TENNIS CROWDS

DESPITE the departure from the game of such great players as Maureen Connolly and Doris Hart, interest in women's tennis appears to be increasing. One reason for this is that men's tennis has become monotonous. The emphasis on service and volley has resulted in the neglect of the art of the return to such an extent that, except on slow hard courts, the man with the big net game is almost invariably the winner.

Nowadays in many matches it is almost sensational when a point lasts more than three or four strokes. The Australian method—and they are the leading lawn tennis nation—is for the server to go straight to the net behind every first or second service and to do everything possible to win every service game from the net position.

On the alternate games, when receiving service, the aim is to hit outright winners on the return of service. When two players who have this approach to the game meet, the result is a monotonous exhibition.

Greater variety

Small wonder then that many people find greater pleasure in watching women's tennis, where there is greater variety of stroke play and longer rallies. The game as played by the fair sex has seen many changes, and I suppose that it originated as something of a novelty. The very fact that women were playing was enough to attract the attention of people who had looked upon tennis as strictly for men only.

Since then, women's tennis has come a long way. So, too, have women's tennis fashions. They no longer wear hats, and skirts do not reach to the ground.

But it is not only "Georgious" Gussie Moran's lace panties or Karol Fageros's gold plated ones that attract the crowds to watch the girls play today. A women's

By
Geoff Paish

single is nowadays an exhibition of nearly every stroke in the game. There may not be the power behind the service nor the speed of stroke or of foot, but one sees a contest in which courtcraft and subtlety play a large part in determining the result.

This has been so for many years. Once it was unusual for a woman to go to the net. Betty Nuttall, at her best in the last 1920's, had an underarm serve. Such champions of pre-war days as Helen Wills Moody, Helen Jacobs and Dorothy Round were primarily very sound base-line players with very fine ground strokes, and good on the volley as well.

Serve-volley expert

It was the great Alice Marble who, in 1937, introduced the serve-volley attacking game to women's tennis at Wimbledon. But even Alice Marble was unable to win the championship until 1939, by which time she had considerably strengthened her play from the back of the court.

In the immediate post-war years, four or five Americans dominated women's tennis. First we saw Pauline Betz win the Wimbledon title with a solid base-line game more in the old tradition. Very fast about the court, she had a lovely back-hand stroke with which she was able to defeat her net-rushing opponents, Louise Brough and Margaret Osborne (now Mrs. Dupont).

When Pauline Betz turned professional, it was the serve-volley game of Louise Brough, Margaret Osborne, and Doris Hart that set the pattern for the women's game.

Then came the all-conquering little "Mo" Connolly. She was no net rusher and her service was probably her weakest stroke. But off the ground she was able to play with amazing consistency, generating great pace and, most important of all, hitting the ball so close to the side lines that she was able to win most points without using the volley. Players like "Little Mo" are not born every year, and it will probably be a long time before another as good as she appears on the scene.

Perhaps it is because she was so good that her style of play seems to have had little impact on the general trend in women's tennis. The emphasis is still on swerve-volley, although there now seems to be a tendency to move away from that style.

Although never quite so decisive as in the men's game, the style of play tended to make for uninteresting spectacles. But it was the American supremacy that was beginning to kill women's tennis as a spectacle. I am sure that the recent British victory in the Wightman Cup contest has done a lot to stimulate interest in the women's game.

Other countries are also becoming stronger and there have been teams at Wimbledon from Australia, South Africa and New Zealand as well as from most of the European countries.

Perhaps the time is coming when an international ladies' team competition could be organised. This could not, I think, be on the same lines as the Davis Cup because of enormous expense of travelling, but I would like to see a women's international week arranged, in which the whole competition would be played and completed at one centre, on the lines of Britain's Inter-Counties Week.

I feel sure such a competition would be of enormous interest.

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BRIDGE QUIZ

YOU are West, and in adverse hearts are three and adventurous mood. East is the dealer at game all. Complete deal:

♠ A J 10 6	♥ K 9 2	♦ 8 7 3	♣ 10 8 4
♥ A K 5 3	♥ Q 7 6	♦ K J 8 4	♣ K J 3
♦ 9 7 2	♠ A 10 3	♥ A J 10 6	♦ K 9 2
♣ 10	♠ A 8 5 4	♥ A K 5 3	♥ Q 7 6
		♦ 9 7 2	♠ A 10 3
		♣ 10	♠ A 8 5 4
		♦ Q 5	
		♥ J 9 2	
		♦ Q 6 5	
		♣ Q 9 7 6 2	

Over East's opening bid of one club, West calls two spades, East raises to three spades and West now bids four no-trumps (Blackwood convention). East's response of five hearts shows two aces, and West's bid of six spades closes the auction.

North leads the three of spades, dummy plays the two, South the five and West the six. How should West proceed?

My Solution: The chances of making 12 tricks are not good, but North's trump lead against a slam contract suggests that he started with three low trumps and that South holds the now bare queen.

West must play a reverse dummy and hope that the

A club to the ace is followed by a low club, West trumping with the 10. A heart to the queen, a club trumped with the knave and the four of spades to East's king gives the declarer hope when the queen falls.

Dummy's last club is trumped with the ace and dummy gets back with the ace of diamonds to play the nine of spades on which West discards a diamond.

With the adverse hearts behaving kindly, West merely loses one diamond.

EWART KEMPSON.

Rank newsreels get their biggest ever facelift

RANK newsreels—Gaumont-British and Universal—are to have a face-lift. It will be the biggest transformation since the first newsreel was shown to a startled Edwardian audience in 1910. They become the first of the world's newsreels to recognise and effectively meet the challenge of television.

A brand-new personality has been engaged as commentator after a search lasting six months. He is 27-year-old Peter Lee, chosen after more than 100 people had been interviewed and 25 tested at Pinewood Studios in the search for the right personality with maximum audience impact.

Among those interviewed and tested were several well-known personalities. Peter Lee, an unknown, was chosen. That is the measure of the confidence which Rank have in him.

In the new and stream-lined newsreels, he spearheads a new policy which will not shun unpopular subjects and which will, when in the public interest, dive without fear into controversial affairs.

He will introduce and sign off all Gaumont-British newsreels, visually, and he will interview on the screen with both Gaumont-British and Universal Newsreels.

The "back-room boy" responsible for this new look is Mr. G. Grafton Green, Executive Producer in charge of the Newsreels and Special Feature Division of the Rank Organisation.

Says Mr. Grafton Green: "Since my appointment last December I have been going ahead to give the newsreels a new face and fresh impact. This is absolutely necessary to off-set the challenge of television on 'hot' news stories."

"My first decision was to personalise the newsreels by bringing the commentator onto the screen for the first time. Thanks to the co-operation of Pinewood Studios, with their enormous range of up-to-date equipment, we were able to find the right man. This man had not only to have the right voice, but also the right face. A face that will be liked and remembered. In Peter Lee, I think we have that man."

In facing up to the television challenge, does this mean that newsreels are to run with them in open competition?

Claims Mr. Grafton Green: "There is no real competition between television and newsreel."

"Now cinema newsreels move up one; not primarily presenting events just after they happen—although, as always, confident there will be the occasional world scoop—but whenever possible probing behind the news, thinking ahead of the news, and interpreting the news."

FOOTNOTE: Peter Lee was born at Ilford, Essex, educated at Parkside Preparatory School, East Horsley, the Perse School, Cambridge. He has heaved coal, peddled baby pictures, worked in a gas works, driven a fire engine, acted, worked for BBC as disc jockey and newscaster and "hoboed" round Australia.



Peter Lee

More honours for Bogarde



DIRK BOGARDE—pictured here in his latest film, "The Wind Cannot Read"—has added another "first" to his already formidable list.

Rated Britain's number one star, Bogarde has topped the film popularity poll conducted by Picturegoer magazine. He has been voted best actor of the year for his performance in "Campbell's Kingdom."

Bogarde—he has topped the polls more consistently than any other actor in Britain—went to India to play his greatest romantic role in the Betty Box-Ralph Thomas film of Richard Mason's best-selling novel.

It was his first visit to India since he served there as a wartime Army officer.

FOOTNOTE: Two more of Bogarde's films—"Doctor at Large" and "The Spanish Gardener"—were voted among the ten best pictures of the year from all world sources.

Filmgoing with T E P

JOAN BLACKMAN, a 20-year-old band vocalist from San Francisco, will make her film debut in the ingenue lead of "Good Day for a Hanging," starring Fred McMurray. Miss Blackman, a blue-eyed brunette, will be seen as MacMurray's daughter, who becomes estranged from him due to her love for a young bandit.

HMS The Seraphs, which fought the Bonhomme Richard, in the most famous naval battle in history, but also much other valuable research. Robert Stack portrays John Paul Jones in this multi-million-dollar Technirama production.

Jean Pierre Aumont arrived in Madrid from Paris to portray King Louis XVI in the film. Aumont has been busy on the Paris stage and in French television since making his last Hollywood screen appearance in "The Seventh Sin," with Eleanor Parker and George Sanders, two years ago. He recently terminated a lengthy engagement as the star of his own play, "Farfada," one of the hits of the current Paris theatre season.

Also starred in the Technirama production with Robert Stack are Macdonald Carey, Charles Coburn, Erin O'Brien, Susana Canales, Peter Cushing, Bruce Cabot, David Farrar and Bette Davis as Catherine the Great.

Briefs from the studios...

STANLEY KRAMER received more than 300 replies to his advertisement for a "former inmate of Southern chain gang, especially if fugitive" to lend technical advice on "The Defiant Ones." Tony Curtis and Sidney Poitier are co-starred as escapees from a chain gang.

Replies arrived at the average rate of 30 a day from the 30 US cities in which the advertisement was placed.

BRIGITTE BARDOT'S sister Mijanou is in films. In contrast to Brigitte, who adores dressing up and the social life, Mijanou wears the simplest of clothes, shuns parties, and for swimming wears the most modest and unrevealing of swimsuits.

At present, she is starring in "Une Balle Dans Le Canon" ("One Shot in the Barrel"). Before this, she was making "Ramuntcho."

WHEN Jean Simmons returned to her 10,000 acre ranch home after completing "The Big Country" with Gregory Peck her eyes opened wide when she saw the number of alterations husband Stewart Granger had effected during her absence.

The first thing that greeted her was a new lake and new island. Granger had bulldozed a small lake on the property increasing its size by five times and filled the water with bass for fishing. He also had an island created which he named Tracey Island, after the Granger baby.

This now gives the stars three lakes on the ranch, each with an island. These islands also have names, Jamie and Lindsay, they being Granger's children by a previous marriage.

"**THE Old Man and the Sea**," the widely-heralded Warner Bros. picture based on Ernest Hemingway's novel, has been selected to represent the United States at a second International Film Festival to be held in Stratford, Ontario, Canada, this year. The Warner-Color film, starring Spencer Tracy, will be shown in the Avon Theatre in Stratford, where the annual Shakespearean Festival is held.

MARGARET DUMONT, the famous portray of the grande dame with Groucho Marx and in many other pictures, will play the arrogant Lady Agatha in a theatre comedy sequence with Rosalind Russell in "Auntie Mame."

THEATRE NEWS

by C. W. INGHAM

All-American touch for 'Mary Dugan'

THE Americans are thorough. They have "gone to town" behind the scenes at rehearsals of "The Trial of Mary Dugan," the great American murder drama at the Savoy. Everything about this play is so legal that even the first-night tickets (Wednesday) were pinned to a blue summons.

To heighten the illusion that the audience is the jury, the impresario Peter Saunders, who stages Agatha Christie's plays, will not lower the curtain at the intervals.

At the dress rehearsal a uniformed Government official, who has nothing to do with the play, was trying to set fire to the Stars and Stripes and the flag of the State of New York.

The flags hung behind the Judge—who had to clear off the Bench pretty smartly while the official did his worst with an out-size cigarette-lighter.

Mr. Dulles needn't worry. The official was merely making sure that the flags are fire-proof. They didn't raise even a spark.

As the Judge resumed his seat a shapely, dangerous-looking blonde announced quietly to a stage hand that she could throw him into the orchestra pit.

She proved to be Sheena Marshe, who plays a Folles Girl.

Miss Marshe is a Blue Belt Judo expert and very, very quick on the fighting trigger.

Her husband Douglas Robinson, who was in "Nude With Violin," is a Judo Black Belt of the Seventh Dan. That means he's at the top. Tommy Cooper and Channing (Doves) Pollock take lessons from him.

Miss Marshe has not been on a stage before but she has done plenty of TV and cabaret work.

The Judge is Robert Henderson, who looks every inch Inner Temple.

He was in "Damn Yankees," "Call Me Madam," "South Pacific" and "Bells are Ringing." Obviously this Judge could never ask: "What is a musical?"

His wife is Estelle Winwood, now crossing the Atlantic to join Dame Sybil Thorndike in Scotland in the new film "Alive and Kicking."

Miss Winwood is British, the Judge is American. When he is working here she always seems to be busy over there. Now they're on the same side of the ocean the Judge feels happier.

Just then a very real-looking cell gate shut with a clang. And there stood Betsy Blair, for 16 years the wife of Gene Kelly. They were divorced last year.

She doesn't look the sort of girl who would murder her lover or anybody else but she faces that charge in the play. In short, Miss Blair is what show business people call a real charmer.

She works fast. While in a TV programme in Manchester she was asked to see Mr. Saunders as soon as possible. She turned up just before 7 a.m.

Over a glass of orange juice—which masquerades as her breakfast—she signed a contract. That is why she hasn't yet had a chance to live in the new flat she has taken in Paris.

Right behind Miss Blair was David Knight, late of "The Caine Mutiny." He is known as the lease-lend actor because he came from the States as a Fulbright Scholar.

David liked London, decided to stay and has made a go of it. His latest picture "The Battle of the V.I." opens in London soon.

And so, back to Mr. Saunders. "One good thing about this play," he said with a grin, "is that the author's dead and we can make changes. But we've made very few—just altered the ship name Levia-than to Queen Mary, things like that."

GILDA DAHLBERG, the New York impresario, is in London working on new productions.

Her plans, she hopes, will include West End productions of Hermoine Gingold's play, "Abracadabra," with Miss Gingold starring; "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," of which she was one of the backers on Broadway; a musical about the love story of the Brownings called "Miss Barrett and Mr. Browning"; and "Buy Me Blue Ribbons," a satirical comedy, with Lon McCallister.

Inter-racial 'Macbeth'

A PRODUCTION of "Macbeth" is to be presented by a mixed white and African cast in Blantyre, Nyasaland. The play will be produced by an African graduate of Bristol University, David Rubadiri, who thinks that the supernatural qualities of the play appeal to African audiences.

The cast includes Sir Martin Rosevaere, former Chief Inspector of Schools with the British Ministry of Education, who is playing the part of Duncan, the murdered king.

Three Africans are taking the parts of the three witches, and two Europeans play Macbeth and Lady Macbeth.

ARTS FESTIVAL WILL RECALL PAST FAME

THE days at the turn of the present century when Vancouver was a glittering centre for the theatre, opera, ballet and classical music, will be recalled when an international festival of the arts gets under way in July.

Three theatres, two auditoria and a ballroom will be devoted to staging the festival, which will last for four weeks and in which a total of 400 actors, musicians and dancers, many of them world-famous personalities, will take part.

Bookings have been received from all parts of Canada and the US, and steamship and airline companies have reported tourist reservations from such places as Argentina, Australia and Ceylon.

The Empress Theatre, now demolished to make way for a supermarket had the largest and most elegant stage west of Chicago. Its magnificent plush curtain rose for the first time on June 29, 1908 and only finally came down in 1940.

The final performance in the theatre was by Raymond Massey who starred in "Abe Lincoln in Illinois."

Pavlova's puff

When the wrecking crews knocked down the theatre walls, they came across many mementoes of past shows. In one room they found a faded pink powder puff in a heap of debris. Inscribed on it was the dimly legible signature "Pavlova"—a reminder of the days when Vancouver played host to some of the world's leading entertainers.

Other theatres also flourished in those days and stars who played before Vancouver audiences included Charlie Chaplin, John McCormack, George Arliss, Helen Hayes, Victor Herbert, Melba and Patti.

The festival will be opened by Walter Bruno conducting a symphony concert featuring the contralto, Maureen Forrester.

A full-scale production of Mozart's "Don Giovanni" starring George London and directed by Dr. Gunther Rennert, one of Europe's leading opera producers, will have six performances.

William Steinburg, Director of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, will conduct several concerts, including a performance of Verdi's Requiem, and the North American premiere of Vaughan Williams's Ninth Symphony. The colourful National Dancers of Ceylon will give eight performances.

There will also be a film festival with films from more than 20 countries.

NOEL COWARD, at present in New York, is writing a new play, as well as adapting and translating the French farce, "What Became of Emilie?" as already announced.

The things I shall remember start with Brazil

Pigeon Notes MIXED RETURNS IN RENNES RACE

THE Oldham Federation, racing from Rennes with the Lancashire Combine last Saturday, met with mixed returns. The Hollinwood club had good returns and a large percentage of birds clocked in the same day.

Kenworthy Bros. had first, third and fourth in Hey, and first, third and fifth in Saddleworth. They were the only entrants—in addition to Mills and Judson of Ashton (three birds) and Fern and Son of Denton (two birds) to clock in more than one bird on the day of liberation.

Oldham Flying Club had only three returns on the day and West Oldham only one. Several members timed in early on Sunday, which made club results look quite respectful.

This week the Federation birds are at Cheltenham. The idea of having a race from Cheltenham between the Channel races appears to be popular with the number of entries received, and pooling is good.

On Tuesday next, the birds are marked for the final Combine race of the season. Once again fanciers are asked to try to get to their respective marking stations early.

Rennes results

Oldham Federation: Mills & Judson 1015.8, Kenworthy Bros. (ABC) 1015.3, Foggerty & Son 1008, Cordwell & Son 984, E. Meylan 983, W. Wynn 966, F. Saunders 953, H. Hopkinson & Son 946, Bull & Son 946, Palmer & Son 941, Beckley Bros. 934, E. Viles (D) 930, Fern & Son 930, J. Nield 921, H. Orr 914, Mills & Judson 912, Kenworthy Bros. 897, T. A. Chadderton 895, E. Winterbottom (DE) 872, Carroll & Carlisle 871, Moorehouse & Son 867, Mills & Judson 867, G. Garside 861, Kenworthy Bros. (EF) 855, A. Lancashire 851, J. Whitehouse 832, S. Stubbs 831. (Results subject to correction.)

Hey HS (11 members sent 42 birds): Kenworthy Bros. (A) 1015, H. Orr 914, Kenworthy Bros. 897 and 855, E. G. Battie 772, W. Brown 640, T. W. Platt (BCD) 613, H. M. Calk & Son 574, W. Ashton 537, Shaw & District HS: J. W. Wynn (PABCD) 966, H. Hopkinson & Son 946, E. Viles (E) 930, G. Garside 861.

West Oldham Flying Club: C. Moorhouse & Son (A) 824, I. Taylor (BCD) 658, F. Bloor & Son 580.

Saddleworth HS.—Leading positions: Kenworthy Bros. 1015.3, J. Nield 921, Kenworthy Bros. 897, E. Winterbottom 872, Kenworthy Bros. 855.

Hollinwood HS.—Rennes result (65 birds): Foggerty & Son (ABC, nom.) 1008, Cordwell & Son 984, E. Meylan 983, F. Saunders 953, Bull & Son 946, Palmer & Son 941, T. Chadderton 895, A. Harrison 806, Bloor & Son (nom.) 580, Carter & Son 480.

Angling Notes

Anglesey a well-blessed island

DURING the past two weeks, I have been fishing in and around Anglesey and having some good sport. The surprising thing about fishing there is the number of people from the Oldham district one meets on the waters.

The waters are plentiful, there being many lakes in the south of the island and numerous small ponds that nobody bothers to fish. If we had some of these smaller ponds in our district, we would think ourselves well-blessed indeed.

Along with Mr. Green and his son, Peter, I tackled a small pond the other night. The locals regarded us as eccentric, as a babbling trout stream ran alongside. Although we saw many fish rising, we failed to connect, but as the sun set we began to catch eels in regular sequence.

Lynn Maelog, near the town of Rhosneigr holds some fine eels, and each night one finds anglers legering with a bunch of worms or dead bait in an endeavour to catch a monster.

One night, one of the anglers legered with an electric buzzing bite indicator on his line, and at dusk the buzzer was buzzing every few minutes. There is no doubt these buzzers are hot stuff when fishing for the slower biting fish.

Lake Penryn, near Valley, is probably the best of the local lakes, holding some big roach and perch. In about three hours fishing one rainy afternoon, an Oldham angler landed 23 fish which totalled 8lbs.

There was nothing exceptional in the catch, many better have been taken and will be taken, but over 1lb. average fish weight is good coarse fishing in any water. Mr. R. Hamilton, secretary of the Wellcome Anglers, and Mr. R. Bancroft, secretary of the Ashton and Oldham Association, have fished this particu-

THE best way of summing up this year's World Cup football championship is to say that the best team won. But that would hardly do justice to the remarkable allround brilliance in control, dribbling, distribution and team movement of this Brazilian eleven.

There was no weak link and every man was able to reveal his artistry, though all were obviously subject to the tournament's strictest team discipline, a fact that only slowly became evident through the three weeks.

What are the things I shall remember when I think of Sweden, 1958. First, Didi and Pele, the two Brazilian inside-forwards, who were outstanding in a side that set a new standard for football to be judged by.

Didi, tall, elegant, contemptuous even of his own ability, the "Black Prince of Football." Pele, a fly-weight who can floor any heavy-weight, tough, fast, unbelievably clever.

When he beat Gustafsson in the first half of the final by catching the ball on his chest, flicked the ball over his head once, twice, three times to deceive gathering opponents, and then shot just wide, everyone thought it was a fluke. So he coolly did it again later. This time he didn't shoot wide.

NEXT? Not so much the poor British showing as the fine Northern Ireland performances, their run ended more by injuries and exhaustion than lack of skill and enthusiasm.

Danny Banchflower, the only leading British player to stay behind and see just how far behind we are now (for I was sadly misled when I said a fortnight ago that European football is back at the top—the only small consolation being that Brazil have grafted their own hard-won skill on to a European concept of team movement).

Harry Haslam, who played with Manchester United and Oldham Athletic some years back, sends his regards to all his Oldham friends. He is now manager of Southern League club Barry Town. Harry is the only Englishman who will bring something back from Sweden.

While there, he signed a Swedish goalkeeper, Sven Lindberg, of IFK Stockholm, who, Frank Soo, tells

by JIMMY PLATT

me, is a first-class goalkeeper. Harry's dynamic attitude and will to learn would revitalise many a struggling English club.

GEORGE RAYNOR is now minus a job. What has a man to do to get a job in English football? George has been one of the most successful managers and trainers in world football for ten years. He is idolised here and everyone wants him to stay, but he thinks it time he settled again in England.

Unhappily, the reasons he has been so successful here and in Italy may—I think—be the very reasons he is not acceptable to some English club boards.

A very small number of English club managers and directors came to Sweden. It would have been worth any club's while to finance at least one official. As it was, Joe Mercer, Stan Cullis, Bert Tann and Eric Taylor were notable exceptions, and anyone who meets Joe will soon know how valuable the trip has been.

The Garrincha-Hamrin argument was about who is the best right-wing in the world. An argument decisively settled by a wonderful display by Garrincha in the final. As for the trainers: the rotund, unlikely but brilliant Brazilian Feola; the philosophical Doherty; the worried Winterbottom; the urban Nicolas of France; and Wales' Murphy. Who was the best?

THE intense nationalism in Sweden during the last week exceeded even Germany's unhappy reactions after her defeat. The Germans

(neither their team nor their national character) cannot be judged by the stupid incidents in Aachen. Herberger's team plays very hard—though not as hard as some English sides I've seen—and it is quite certain that when Juskowiak was sent off, Hamrin of Sweden should have gone with him.

And in Sunday's final, Parling of Sweden was very lucky to get away with his constant hacking and pushing. After one foul, the most responsible of all English sports editors told me: "He should be sent off now, and he should have been sent off on Tuesday."

Let's face it, all the teams here played hard, and the level of play was just too high for dirty play to have any point. Deliberate and dangerous fouls were extremely rare.

THE hospitality to players, officials, pressmen and all visitors was overwhelming. There have been free trips by air to the Arctic Circle to see the midnight sun, tours of the lakes, the islands and the cities. And parties, parties and parties. Everyone worked hard and everyone played hard. The parting words of nearly every team have been, "Thank you, Sweden, for a wonderful time."

Lastly, I shall remember the moment after the final when the King of Sweden was shaking hands with the Brazilians. Several players ran round to the end of the line and shook hands with him again. And a team official threw his arm round the King's shoulder and slapped him on the back. The King grinned happily. He must have realised he was among kings of another kind. Of the New World of Football.

Rosewall beats Hoad

Ken Rosewall beat fellow-Australian Lew Hoad 6-4, 6-2 in a professional tennis tournament yesterday at Los Angeles. In another singles match, Pancho Segura (Educador) beat Frank Sedgman (Australia) 6-3, 6-4 and in a doubles Sedgman and Tony Trabert, of USA, beat Pancho Gonzales (USA) and Rosewall 4-6, 12-10, 7-5.

LEAGUE WINS DERBY CLASH Alliance collapsed in face of big score

UNDER dull skies, the annual match between Oldham and Ashton District Cricket League and Oldham and District Sunday School Cricket Alliance took place on Saturday at Ferranti Sports Ground. Oldham and Ashton took first knock and soon settled down to run-scoring.

F. Fenton and R. Mills, who opened, soon had the measure of the Alliance bowling and it wasn't until 50 had been reached that Mills, who had scored 22, was caught by Watson at slip off the bowling of Prest, who had replaced Sedgwick at one end.

After a further ten runs had been scored, Prest had Fox lbw for 0, followed by Ford bowled for 5. The total was then 72 for three wickets, and at 80, Prest claimed the wicket of Prindle (3).

Fenton, who was still at the crease, had reached his 50, and was joined by Shaw. This pair had Alliance chasing around again, and it wasn't until the score reached 145 that Shaw, who had scored 53, was bowled by Prest.

There had been various bowling changes, but Schofield, who captained Alliance, took over opposite Prest and claimed Oldham's wicket in his first over.

Fenton, at 61, was finally bowled by Prest, and with the total at 151 the end came quickly at 156.

Fenton and Shaw each knocked ten fours in their total. Prest took eight wickets for 26 in 14.2 overs. Schofield two for 7 in two overs.

Early wickets

After tea and the appearance of the sun, Alliance opened with Lees and Watson, who was the first to go at 14; having scored three, he was bowled by Ford. Bamford (1) was caught off Byrom at 19, and Prest, who had scored five, was bowled Byrom with the total at 28.

One run on, Lees, who had reached 16, was caught off Ford. With Brierley and Bennett, the total went to 36, when the latter, who had hit eight, was bowled by Byrom.

Alliance were now 36 for five, but the tail collapsed and they closed at 47. S. Brierley carried his bat for 13. So Oldham and Ashton reversed last year's defeat. Byrom took 3 wickets for 19 in 17 overs, Ford 2 for 18 in 7 overs, Shaw 2 for 3 in 6 overs, and Mills 3 for 5 in 3 overs.

Figures prove merit of Royton Harriers

THE final tables of the Manchester and District Athletic League show Royton Harriers and Athletic Club in fourth place, and while this is disappointing in result, in practice it has provided keen and interested members with valuable competition.

Indeed, this season, despite the truly depressing climatic conditions, has shown that the club fully justified their title as an athletic club. A visit to Hillside Avenue any Tuesday or Thursday evening, when the club are not engaged elsewhere will firmly disprove any idea that the club is cross-country only; usually the people who make that assertion have never visited the headquarters.

It is a pity that one of the league runs, the last and very important one, should be in the local holidays, for third and possibly second place would by no means have presented difficulty.

The club take consolation and pride in the fact that seven members have been chosen to represent B Division against A Division of the Manchester and District Athletic League, and this match will take place at the Manchester University athletic grounds, The Firs, Fallowfield, on Tuesday evening.

All the members are expected to take part in the third Royton Harriers and Athletic Club track

Rochdale Midweek Cricket League

A complete wash-out

This week every match was completely washed out. This is the first time it has happened since the League was started.

League tables up to date:—

SECTION "A"					
	P	W	D	L	Pts
F. Smith (W) Ltd. ...	9	7	1	1	15
Hy. Whittles ...	8	5	1	2	11
Smithies ...	10	5	1	4	11
Milton Congs. ...	9	4	2	3	10
Brierley, Collier & H. ...	10	4	1	5	9
Bright's ...	9	3	2	4	8
Whipp & Bourne's ...	9	3	1	5	7
Observer ...	10	1	1	8	3

SECTION "B"					
	P	W	D	L	Pts
Midland ...	10	7	1	2	15
Kelsall & Kemp ...	10	6	1	3	13
West St. Baptists ...	10	6	1	3	13
F. S. Ratcliffe ...	10	5	2	3	12
E. Wrigley & Sons ...	10	5	2	3	12
Clarion ...	10	3	2	5	8
Holroyd's G.C.D. ...	10	3	2	5	8
Newbold Bapt. ...	10	2	3	5	7
Birch Hill ...	10	2	2	6	6
Ormerod's ...	10	2	2	6	6

LEADING SCORERS			Runs	Ave.
J. Wood (F. S. Ratcliffe) ...	153	...	30.60	
C. Aughey (Brierley's) ...	138	...	23.00	
H. Cluff (E. Wrigley's) ...	136	...	19.43	
K. Hibbott (Milton) ...	132	...	22.00	
B. Saville (Birch Hill) ...	128	...	21.33	
T. E. Buckley (West St.) ...	126	...	31.50	
J. Lynch (Holroyd's) ...	123	...	17.57	
G. Frain (Observer) ...	120	...	15.00	

LEADING BOWLERS			Wkts.	Ave.
N. Jones (Smithies) ...	37	...	3.81	
T. Jefferson (F. S. Ratcliffe) ...	33	...	6.94	
H. Kearns (Brierley's) ...	31	...	6.90	
J. Brooks (Midland) ...	29	...	3.79	
J. Walsh (Bright's) ...	28	...	6.60	
J. Connor (Whipp's) ...	25	...	7.36	
E. Cootell (Kelsall's) ...	25	...	6.92	
J. Wood (F. S. Ratcliffe) ...	24	...	4.46	
J. Baxter (Whittles) ...	24	...	5.36	
D. Beattie (Smithies) ...	23	...	5.36	

FASTEST LAP BY MOSS

"FASTEST LAP BY MOSS" is becoming a matter of course at British Grand Prix meetings. For the last four years, the 28-year-old champion British driver, Stirling Moss, has set the fastest lap in each race, those of 1955 and 1957 at Aintree and the 1954 and 1956 races at Silverstone.

With the 1958 event at Silverstone on Saturday, July 19, it seems a fair bet that Moss's name will once again be inscribed on the roll of fastest laps in the British Grand Prix.

In this year's race—the eleventh of the series—Moss leads the Vanwall team, backed by Tony Brooks and Stuart Lewis-Evans. In addition to the Vanwalls, factory teams are entered by BRM, Lotus and Cooper; Maserati and Ferrari give promise of a magnificent race in which the present Grand Prix lap record of 102.1 miles an hour (yes, held by Moss) is almost certain to be broken yet again.

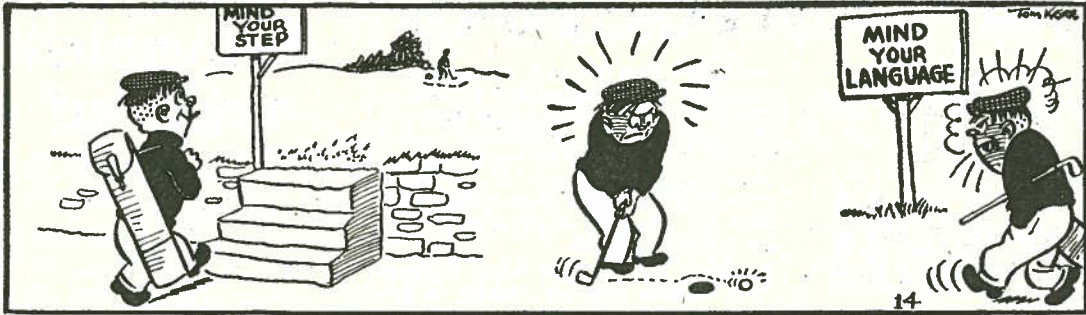
A match to be looked forward to is one promoted by Royton Harriers at Central Playing Fields, Royton, on July 24, 1958. The local club have invited Bury AC, Blackley Harriers, Middleton Harriers, Radcliffe Harriers, Clayton Harriers and Rochdale H and AC to take part in a track and field event match, and anyone interested will be welcome.

These clubs are members of the South-East Lancashire Cross-Country League, and with Rochdale H and AC pioneering the first match, it is hoped that this will be a regular meeting. One club will be absent, newly-elected De La Salle Training College, Hopwood Hall; most of their members will be on vacation.

New members are always welcome, active ones in particular, boys and girls, men and women, but there is always scope for the individual interested in administrative work. With a purely voluntary organisation, there are plenty of jobs to do.

BOBBY DAZZLER

By Tom Kerr



CHARMION WELSH WAS THE INTERNATIONAL STAR OUR DIVERS GAVE RUSSIA BIT OF A SHOCK

ENGLAND gained only one success in the first-ever diving international with Russia at Blackpool last Saturday, through the supreme artistry of Durham's Charmian Welsh, but with a little more care and the necessary amount of luck we could have held the Russians to a draw.

Chairman performed superbly and dropped only one dive in the springboard event to finish eight points ahead of her long-standing rival and English team partner, Empire Games champion Ann Long (Ilford), and a clear 18 marks in front of the first Russian competitor, Ninel Kroutova, with 127.60 points. Now Chairman Welsh, whose display was admired and warmly praised, is going to provide a strong challenge to Ann Long for her Empire springboard title. On this form she can face up confidently to the threat that will come from Canadian Irene MacDonald, who occupied third position in the Melbourne Olympics. Charmian was less successful on highboard, where she took third place to Raisa Gorokhovskaya (82.59) and Aldona Karitkaite (80.51) with a personal tally of 77.37 points.

Peter Squires (Highgate) and Keith Collin (Isleworth) led the crack Russian pair, Ura Kasakov and European spring and highboard title-holder Roman Brenner, until their final dives in the Men's springboard. Then they both failed; Kasakov (126.12) claimed first place, closely followed by Brenner (124.36), Squires being less than two points behind.

Had injection first

For once Highgate's young high-board star Brian Phelps was completely subdued by Galkin (142.80) and Ezlin (138.24). Brian who was well behind with 131.31 points received a pain-killing injection for a back ailment before he dived and this may have had an effect on his display.

Along with a number of officials, I rushed over from Blackpool to Runcorn for the annual inter-county battle between Cheshire and Lancashire in the evening. There, with one event to go, Lancashire held the lead 55-52 then Diana Wilkinson snatched six points for Cheshire from a narrow 1.2sec. win in the women's freestyle team race to tie the contest with 58 points each. This proved to be a memorable occasion for the Wilkinson household, for earlier Diana's fifteen-year-old brother Chris defeated a distinguished field in the men's 200yds. breaststroke, including British international and northern champion Tommy Walker (Accrington), Cheshire county title-holder John Power (Wallasey), along with national junior champion Howard Bentham (Trafford Park) to remove 2.5sec. off Richard Manning's British and English junior records in returning 2min. 32.8sec.

However Chris's time will not be ratified as a new record as the bath at Runcorn is a few inches short of the recognised 25 yards. A great pity as this inspired swim by Chris on last year's rankings, makes him the sixth fastest breaststroke at this distance in Britain.

Val Brown (Macclesfield) marked up Cheshire's other outstanding win in the women's 100yd. backstroke, Val registered a comfortable two seconds victory over northern junior champion Hilary Gerken (Garston) with a fast 70.1sec.

Judges' choice

Dorothy Wilson's was the happiest of Lancashire's successes. She regained her lost form and confidence to beat Fay Katchiffe (Hyde) and Stockport's Avis Garnett in the 100yd. breaststroke event.

Dorothy returned the same time as Fay (77.1sec.), but gained the judges' decision, while Avis was a

by PETER OKELL

mere two-tenths of a second behind them.

Lancashire defeated Northumberland and Durham by nine goals to five in their round game of the English county polo championship. Ken Weigh (Blackpool) and fellow seaside David Barr (Lytham) shared three goals each, while Alan Garraway (Blackburn), together with Ken Shaw (Preston) and Ron Green (Lancs. Police) netted the remainder. This evening Lancashire meet Yorkshire at Hull, and if they are successful in this match they will face Cheshire in the play-off for the right to go through into the second round.

Stella Roberts (Warrington) defends her northern counties 220-yd. freestyle title against two challengers at Morecambe's open-air stadium next Saturday, and (even in the absence of Diana Wilkinson) is not certain to keep her crown, as both Cynthia Fisher (Preston) and Carole Blaylock (Border City) have returned competition times faster than her this season.



Nineteen-year-old freestyler Lorraine Crapp, of Sydney, one of the brilliant young swimmers Australia is sending to the Empire Games in Cardiff this month. Lorraine holds the world record for 440 yards (4min. 48.6sec.) and was the first woman in the world to break five minutes for this event. At Vancouver in 1954 she set Empire Games records for 110 yards (65.9sec.) and 440 yards (5min. 11.4sec.). Australia is sending a swimming team of nine boys and nine girls to Cardiff. Between them they hold 30 world records.

Aussie Soccer results

NSW ASSOCIATION
First Division North
Mayfield 1, Wallend 2.
Adamstown 0, Newcastle 1.
East Lakes v. Awaba, Cardiff v. Cessnock, West Wallend v. Merewether, Weston v. Blacksmith play tomorrow.
First Division South
Auburn 2, EPT 4.
Balgownie 4, St. George 0.
Leichhardt 7, Manley 2.
North Shore 0, Pyrmont 2.
Sutherland v. Corrimal, Woonona v. Granville play tomorrow.
Second Division South
Merrylands 3, Artarmon 2.
University 2, Lansvale 2.
Toongabbie 2, Glebe 2.
Neerlania 10, Bondi 1.
VICTORIA
First Division North
Sunshine Utd. 3, ICI 3.
Foots City 5, Sunshine City 2.
Preston 2, Brunswick 1.
Maccabi 3, Hayduk 1 (abandoned after 78 minutes).
Yallourn v. Coburg postponed.
First Division South
St. Yarra 0, Park Rangers 4.
Frankston 1, Victoria Colts 5.
Yarra Park 2, Melbourne 0.
Richmond v. Prahran, postponed.
St. Melbourne v. Dandenong, tomorrow.
Victoria State
Morland 2, Wilhelmina 2.
Brighton 2, Geelong 0.
Slavia 3, George Cross 1.
Hakoah 3, Polonia 2.
JUST 1, Hellenic 0.
Box Hill v. Juventus play tomorrow.
NSW FEDERATION
First Division
Villawood 0, Bankstown 4.
Prague 1, Sydney Austral 0.
Canterbury 4, Concord 1.
Gladesville 3, Hakoah 4.
Apia v. Auburn, Corrimal Un v. Northside play tomorrow.
Second Division West
Polonia 8, Drummoyne 1.

Lidcombe 3, Dalmatinac 2.
Blacktown 0, Hellenic 4.
Guilford 3, Nova 3.
Concord Park 3, Regents Park 3.
Fairfield 2, Concordia 4.
Second Division East
Corinthians 1, Warrlewood 4.
St. George 1, White Eagles 3.
Melita 1, Budapest 2.
St. Peter's 2, Camperdown 2.
Julia v. Undercliffe, ground not available.
SOUTH AUSTRALIA
First Division
Victoria 0, Budapest 3.
Polonia 4, Cumberland 0.
Birkalla 2, Juventus 6.
Enfield 1, Beograde 1.
Lion 0, Pt Adelaide 2.
Second Division
Edinburgh 3, St. Adelaide 1.
Sturt 4, Salisbury 1.
Nomads 5, Mitcham 4.
Croatia 9, West Torrens 0.
Railway 3, Orange 1.
QUEENSLAND
First Division
Oxley 3, Blackstone 2.
Dinnmore 6, YMCA 2.
Bundamba 4, St. Helens 4.
Thistle 3, Hellenic 4.
Second Division
Corinthians 3, White Star 1.
Caledonians 3, Latrobe 1.
Bulimba 2, Graceville 2.
Shafston 0, Posta Inst 7.
Azzuri 3, Merton 2.
WEST AUSTRALIA
First Division
Azzuri 0, Perth City 1.
St. Perth 0, Tricolore 2.
Swan Ath 2, East Claremont 1.
St. Fremantle 0, Cracovia 1.
Nth Perth 1, Swan Valley 1.
Second Division
Spearwood 2, Shamrock 0.
Subiaco 2, Olympic 6.
Medina 2, Emu Rangers 2.
Windmills 3, Caledonians 1.
Aurora 4, Fremantle 3.

WEATHER FORECAST

Tomorrow: Mostly dry with sunny periods. Average temperatures.
Further Outlook: Occasional drizzle in some Northern areas; mostly dry elsewhere with bright periods.
LOCAL TEMPERATURES
24 hours from 10-0 a.m. yesterday
Minimum 72 deg. at 7-30 p.m.
Minimum 64 deg. at 9-0 a.m.
Today's Reading
10-0 a.m. 64 deg. 3-0 p.m. 62 deg.
Barometer at 10-0 a.m. 30.1in., rising
LIGHTING-UP TIME
10-9 p.m. to 4-3 a.m.

Three rescued after plane crash

A rescue ship last night picked up three men on a raft 183 miles North East of Johnston Island in the Hawaiian group, after a United States Air Force C-124 Globemaster with a crew of seven was reported missing. The three men were suffering from shock and minor injuries. A body was also recovered.

A jewel box inscribed with the Royal Cypher will be presented by the City of Toronto to Princess Margaret when she visits Canada

CLL MONTHLY MEETING Middleton replay request refused

MIDDLETON's evening match at Radcliffe on June 17 and 18 finished 15 minutes too soon on the second night, with Middleton wanting just one wicket to claim extra time. And the umpires later admitted that they had made "an honest mistake" in drawing stumps earlier than they should have done.

So, at last night's meeting of the CLL committee in Rochdale, Middleton asked for the match to be replayed "as it could have such an important bearing on the championship. We could have had four points just like that," added their spokesman.

But secretary John Kay insisted that Middleton could not ask for the match to be replayed. According to league rules, he pointed out, notice of such a complaint should have reached him in duplicate within seven days of the incident and accompanied by a one-guinea fee.

Heywood's representative thought that as Middleton's single letter of complaint was posted within seven days, the request should be heard—if Middleton were prepared to put their guinea on the table!

And that brought cries of "No, no, no," from the other clubs. Instead, a letter of censure is to go to the Umpires' Association.

WITH the same letter of censure will be a reference to the Castleton Moor-Crompton match in which Castleton Moor claimed last night, Vijay Manjrekar was wrongly given run out.

Manjrekar, the non-striker, was given out despite the fact that he had not crossed with his partner Geoff Gowland.

Said the Moor representative, "If it had not been so tragic, it would have been funny. Gowland had raced ten yards past the non-striker's end, yet Manjrekar had taken only two steps up the wicket and had not crossed."

HOW much is an evening's Wood Cup cricket worth to a child? Rochdale think that the charge of 1s. for the pavilion side or 6d. for the ground side is too much.

They asked the meeting of they could charge half-price for their semi-final match starting on Monday against Heywood. "We are losing a lot of money by charging the same for children as adults. It keeps away the father who wants to bring two or three children—he won't pay all that," said their representative.

He thought that the prices should be a matter for the two clubs concerned in each match to decide, but the spokesman for Rochdale's opponents in the semi-final added:

"The Wood Cup is intended to be a money-spinner. If the prices are reduced the competition is going to be a loss. I don't say it is going to make any difference in out losses on the season—we have ceased to talk in shilling for that—but if possible we should try to make the Wood Cup pay."

"Anyway," he commented, "do Rochdale seriously propose that children should be let into these matches for 3d.?"

Rochdale's proposal to reduce the prices by half for children fell through.

IN sub-committee, the League discussed a complaint against an amateur player, and afterwards this statement was given: "The club in question is to take appropriate action against the amateur player concerned. The complaint came from the umpires."

Woman knocked down

An accident occurred in Yorkshire Street, Oldham, this afternoon, when a motor-cycle ridden by Christopher Worthington (19), of Turf Lane, Royton, knocked down Mrs. Lily Rushton, of New Farm, Strinesdale.

Worthington sustained lacerations to his right knee and shock, and Mrs. Rushton sustained head injuries and shock. Both were taken to Oldham Royal Infirmary.

The French Government plans to raise 1,000 million francs (£830,000) a year by charging motorists 40 to 50 francs (8d. to 10d.) an hour for parking in Paris. The money will be used to build underground and overhead car parks.

Coach crash party will fly home

ALL but two of the tourist party involved in a coach crash on the Swiss-French border on Thursday, will arrive at Ringway Airport tomorrow afternoon. They arrive in Ostend tonight and will fly home in a specially chartered aircraft.

Left behind in hospital in Basle, were Mr. Donald Saxon, of Brackley Street, Oldham, who was cut by flying glass and was expected to leave hospital in four or five days and Mrs. Saxon who had both legs broken.

All the other injured passengers left hospital yesterday.

Mr. Harry Smith, of Arrowsmith Tours, Liverpool—who organised the holiday—said today that Mr. and Mrs. Saxon were proving a brave couple. "I have been on to our people in Basle, and they tell me they are really courageous," he said.

"Both are in extremely high spirits and want to let all their relatives and friends know that there is nothing to worry about."

Mr. Smith also paid tributes to the other members of the party involved in the crash. "There was no panic and everybody is due for praise for the way they acted in the brief confusion that followed the collision."

RELATIVES SEEN

Yesterday, Mr. Smith travelled to Oldham, Rochdale and Middleton to see relatives of all the people involved. He gave them the latest available information and said his firm would do anything to help the relatives if it was needed.

At their hotel in Luxemburg last night many of the party had black eyes, facial cuts and bandaged legs, but they were all smiling.

Mr. D. G. Davies, of Brewerton Road, Oldham, said the accident occurred when their coach was in collision with a French car and then hit a tree. The coach was badly damaged.

A Frenchman who was driving the car with which the tourists' coach was in collision, was reported to be seriously ill in hospital.

FRANKLAND'S BENEFIT TOMORROW

Norman Frankland, the former Oldham amateur, takes his benefit tomorrow at Greenfield, where he is professional this season. For the match (starting at 3 p.m.), Stanley Crump, another former Oldham professional, has promised to bring up his travelling cricket team—the Staffordshire Crusaders, who last Sunday played at Werneth.

Norman's own team includes several leading players in the Saddleworth League. It will be chosen from: Norman Frankland, Gilbert Broadbent, Herbert Needham, Matthew Dodds, Leslie Burton (Greenfield), Harold Guest, Eddie Morris, Alan Marlor (Micklehurst), Frank Molyneux, Les Garrett (Oldham), Jack Lilley (Flowery Field), George Raw and John Manseur (Uppermill).

The Crusaders side is: Stanley Crump, F. Butler, J. Oakes, J. Shaw, R. Smith (Staffordshire County), B. Crump (Northants), D. Steele, W. Smith, D. Smith (Sneyd Colliery), F. Bolton (Meakin) and G. Shaw (Silverdale).

GOOD ALL-ROUND JOINER wanted; also a good Bench Hand and Labourer. E. Howarth, Joiner & Builder, rear of Butterworth Lane, off Middleton Road, Chadderton.

TODAY'S RACING RESULTS

WITH sixteen Lancashire towns on holiday, there was a huge crowd at Haydock Park in warm summer sunshine, when Coronella won the Bettisfield Plate in a canter from Sashway and Fighting Edie. The winner is owned by Mr. J. W. Weston-Evans, who lives at Worsley, which is only about ten miles from the course.

HAYDOCK PARK

2 15-BETTISFIELD PLATE for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 9 CORONELLA J Gifford 1
 8 12 SASHWAY A G Hide 2
 8 9 FIGHTING EDIE E Britt 3
 Six runners: Top Trial, Sashway, Time Please, Clumber Park, Fighting Edie, Coronella.
 2 Time Please; 5/2 CORONELLA; 3 Fighting Edie; 6 Sashway; 20 Clumber Park; 33 Top Trial. 4 lengths.
 Total: Win 15/4; places 8/2, 13/2; forecast £8/1/2.

2 45-SATURDAY SELLING PLATE for three-year-olds. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 9 TANNIN J Sims 1
 8 11 ZURIGO P Robinson 2
 8 6 BARODA STAR J Skilling 3
 Eight runners: Iron James, Daniel IV, Window Test, Zurigo, Sunsque, Tannin, Baroda Star.
 11/8 TANNIN; 100/30 Zurigo; 9/2 Iron James; 7 Window Test; 15/2 Sunsque; 100/8 Daniel IV; 33 others. 4 lengths.
 Total: Win 9/10; places 5/6, 7/-, £1/4/-; dual forecast 15/8.

3 15-161st YEAR OF THE OLD NEWTON CUP (handicap). 1 1/2 miles.
 9 0 HUGUENOT 4yrs E Mercer 1
 9 0 PAMPERED KING 4yrs A C Rawlinson 2
 8 9 GREAT ROCK 5yrs D Morris 3
 Six runners: Pampered King, Huguenot, Great Rock, Dollandia, Rhodes, Clear Night.
 7/4 HUGUENOT; 9/2 Pampered King; 5 Dollandia; 13/2 Clear Night; 7 Great Rock; 10 Rhodes. 1 1/2 lengths.
 Total: Win 10/8; places 6/10, 9/10; forecast £2/9/4.

3 45-EAST LANCASHIRE PLATE for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
 8 6 LE ROUGE E Mercer 1
 8 13 MISS ROMPER B Swift 2
 3 3 PARDIEU E Britt 3
 Six runners: Miss Romper, Maggiora, Coole Falls, Le Rouge, Tezpur, Pardieu.
 8/11 Miss Romper; 4 LE ROUGE; 11/2 Tezpur; 8 Pardieu; 10 Coole Falls; 33 Maggiora. Neck, 5 lengths.
 Total: Win £1/7/10; places 7/4, 5/2; forecast £4/6/6.

4 15-PADDOCK HANDICAP PLATE. 1 1/2 miles.
 Eight runners: Rose Petal, The Copper Horse, Beddington, Swallow Boy, Royal Miraway, Corinthian, Theatron, Colombity.

BATH

2 0-CLEVEDON HANDICAP. About 1 1/2 miles and 120 yards.
 1 1 BUFFER 4yrs G Lewis 1
 8 13 AORANGI 6yrs G Mook 2
 8 0 VALUE 5yrs E J Cracknell 3
 Eight runners: Aorangi, Portreeve, Buffer, Wylle Valley, Value, Spino, Soho, Doctor Tadgh.
 2 Aorangi; 7/2 Value; 4 Portreeve; 5 BUFFER; 100/6 Spino; 20 others. 1 1/2 lengths.
 Total: Win £1/12/9; places 8/6, 6/6, 6/2; dual forecast £2/11/10.

2 30-CLIFTON STAKES for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
 8 9 CHARMED LIFE A Bressley 1
 9 3 ROYAL JESTER G Lewis 2
 8 7 BEROUSH W Elliott 3
 Ten runners: Royal Jester, Charmed Life, Smoke Haze, Macarao, Strada Stretta, Tally, Beroush, Nick of Port St. Anne, Pearl Rio, Drakestone.
 6/4 CHARMED LIFE; 9/4 Royal Jester; 4 Beroush; 100/8 Nick of Port St. Anne, Smoke Haze; 100/7 Macarao, Pearl Rio; 20 others. 1 length.
 Total: Win 8/6; places 4/8, 5/6, 5/-.

3 0-BRISTOL HANDICAP. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 7 EASTERN PRINCESS 4yrs A Bressley 1
 7 12 ISAMBARD 4yrs E J Cracknell 2
 8 5 SCOTTISH SANDS 6yrs G Madden 3
 Nine runners: Eastern Princess, Scottish Sands, Boony, Fatty, Isambard, Tottenham, Whiskers, Marmoset, Trace.
 5/2 EASTERN PRINCESS; 100/30 Isambard; 5 Marmoset; 11/2 Boony; 13/2 Scottish Sands; 100/8 Whiskers; 100/6 Tottenham; 20 others. 4 lengths.
 Total: Win 14/2; places 6/6, 6/-, 6/8; dual forecast 17/-, 17/2.

3 30-STEDALL PLATE for three-year-olds. 1 mile.
 9 0 VERVE A Bressley 1
 8 4 BUCKTAIL J Purcell 2
 7 9 OUR JACQUELINE R Reader 3
 Six runners: Verve, Last Fling, Sandy Shore, Bucktail, The Magi, Our Jacqueline.
 4/5 VERVE; 11/4 Bucktail; 5 Our Jacqueline; 8 Last Fling; 100/7 others. 2 lengths.
 Total: Win 7/4; places 5/4, 7/-; forecast £1/1/4.

4 0-KEYNSHAM PLATE for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
 8 10 NOW WHAT M Corke 1
 8 10 DUX GIRL E J Cracknell 2
 8 5 CATCHMENOT G Lewis 3
 Nine runners: Dux Girl, Now What, Skilugs, Hunter Trial, Ask No Questions, Sunny Queen, Pearl Harbour, Bridge of Clyde, Catchmenot.
 Betting: 100/30, 7/4 (fav.), 10/1.

4 30-BEDMINSTER STAKES. 1 mile.
 Thirteen runners: Flash Past, Lunch Interval, Farana, Hot Cakes, Little Corporal, Graceful Rocks, El Mansour, Liar Dice, Chelwood Girl, Harry Way, Oremus, Three Step, Summoned.

LINGFIELD PARK

2 0-REDHILL HANDICAP. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 4 LANGTON HEATH 4yrs B Jago 1
 9 0 JUDICATURE 4yrs W Snaith 2
 8 11 HERO'S WAY 4yrs J Mercer 3
 Four runners: Judicature, Hero's Way, Nimbler, Langton Heath.
 9/4 Judicature, Hero's Way; 5/2 LANGTON HEATH; 6 Nimbler. 1 1/2 lengths, neck.
 Total: Win 12/-; forecast £1/8/8.

2 30-VICTORIA PLATE for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 9 DONJON W Snaith 1
 8 9 GOLDEN VISION E Smith 2
 8 9 SYTHIAN P Tulk 3
 Sixteen runners: Queens Glen, Edward James, Golden Vision, Puckish, In Tune, Slipped Up, Beau Tudor, N.P.P.C., Sythian, Tant Mieux, Tracker, Terrific, Donjon, Hurry By, Temuji, Ulydia.
 2 Golden Vision; 11/4 Teanuji; 9/2 Puckish; 7 Tracker; 100/8 Queens Glen, In Tune, Ulydia; 20 Hurry By; 25 DONJON and others. 1 1/2 lengths.
 Total: Win 19/19/4; places £2/7/4, 7/8, £2/6/4.

3 0-LEIGH MEMORIAL CUP (handicap) for three-year-olds. 7 furlongs and 140 yards.
 9 0 FAULTLESS SPEECH W Snaith 1
 8 3 TRAPPER J Mercer 2
 7 9 ROBEENA G Starkey 3
 Seven runners: Faultless Speech, Maiden Newton, Trapper, Nero's Love, Robeena, True Picture, Lucky Cruzeiro.
 11/4 FAULTLESS SPEECH; 9/2 Trapper; 6 Maiden Newton, Nero's Love; 7 Robeena, Lucky Cruzeiro; 100/7 True Picture. 1 1/2 lengths.
 Total: Win 13/2; places 7/2, 7/10; dual forecast £1/2/10.

3 30-CHIDDISTONE STAKES for three-year-olds. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 11 CASEY K Gethin 1
 9 7 ATTRACTOR J Mercer 2
 8 11 EBORNEEZE J Lindley 3
 Ten runners: Attractor, Planter's Punch, Bucton, Zarak, Santa Barbara, Eborneze, Casey, Widdelo, Madoo Vindaloo, Mormon's Folly.
 6/5 CASEY; 11/8 Attractor; 100/8 Planter's Punch; 20 Bucton; 25 others. 2 lengths.
 Total: Win 11/8; places 5/10, 5/6, 13/6.

4 0-HORNE STAKES for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 9 MARGARET K Gethin 1
 8 9 DONNA E Smith 2
 8 0 ROMSEY J Lindley 3
 Seven runners: Donna, Margaret, Rosecroft Honey, Scarlet Ore, Sister Willow, Linda Sue, Romsey.
 4/11 fav., 20/1, 33/1.
 Objection to winner.

4 30-HORLEY HANDICAP. 2 miles.
 Nine runners: Fearless Cavalier, Mr Moses, Nimble, Persian Highlight, Festive, Tee Two, Chamille, Solidus, Renardeau.

STOCKTON

2 30-TIBBERSLEY STAKES for two-year-olds. 5 furlongs.
 8 9 NEROGRAH A Carson 1
 9 1 MENTONE M J Murray 2
 9 1 DENZIL F Barlow 3
 Twelve runners: Denzil, Mentone, Arklow King, Nerograph, Swynford Lad, Sheriff Belle, Kings Mills, Charmalaine, Skipaway, Marraine, Egam, Gondelo.
 4/5 Mentone; 5 Denzil, NEROGRAH; 9 Arklow King; 100/7 Skipaway; 100/6 Charmalaine, Marraine; 25 others. 1 length.
 Total: Win £1/3/0; places 7/2, 5/4, 6/10.

3 0-SWAINBY SELLING PLATE for three-year-olds. 1 1/2 miles.
 8 2 KULAI E Larkin 1
 7 12 NEON LIGHT E Hide 2
 7 2 TRIM MAID L C Parkes 3
 Six runners: Kulai, Neon Light, Corrigan's Fair, Laguna, Trim Maid, Non Vintage.
 11/10 KULAI; 7/2 Non Vintage; 11/2 Corrigan's Fair; 13/2 Neon Light; 10 Laguna; 20 Trim Maid. 3 lengths; same.
 Total: Win 7/6; places 5/10, 9/8; forecast £1/8/2.

3 30-CARRS STAKES for two-year-olds. 6 furlongs.
 8 10 CANTELO E Hide 1
 8 9 MONITION J Etherington 2
 8 5 FELWAY L G Brown 3
 Seven runners: Cantelo, Arboretum, Monition, Sallanna, Felway, Head Hunter, Millerole.
 8/11 CANTELO; 100/30 Monition; 8 Arboretum, Millerole; 100/6 Sallanna; 20 Head Hunter; 33 Felway. 4 lghs.; 1.
 Total: Win 7/2; places 4/8, 6/8; dual forecast 9/8.

4 0-YARUM PLATE (handicap). 6 furlongs.
 7 13 OUR ROSIE 4yrs K Temple-Nidd 1
 8 13 PETIGOLD 4yrs T Lappin 2
 9 6 STATFOLD 5yrs E Larkin 3
 8 3 HIGH RIVER 7yrs L C Parkes 4
 Seven runners: Statfold, Pettigold, Panshanger, Binglea, High River, Our Rosie, Little Richard.
 Betting: 9/2, 5/2, 4/1 Statfold, 20/1 High River. Binglea 9/4 (fav.).

4 30-JULY PLATE (handicap) for three-year-olds. 1 mile.
 Nine runners: Mossy Face, Stenigot Express, Lebanon, Scorton Arrow, Monawin, Fair Flyer, Queen Legend, Manby, Anamola.
 In addition to the racing fixtures already published, Manchester has been granted a two-day National Hunt fixture on Wednesday, December 31, 1958, and Thursday, January 1, 1959.

Former Irish MP detained

Eire police at Monaghan yesterday detained Mr. Liam Kelly, a former MP for mid-Tyrone in the Northern Ireland Parliament, who has also sat in the Eire Senate.

He was taken from his home at Tullygrimes, near Monaghan, and questioned by special branch detectives.

Barda officials said late last night that they could make no comment and could not say whether a charge had been or would be brought against him. Mr. Kelly was chairman in 1955 of E'anna Uladh (Republican Army of Ulster).

NOT SO EASY!

Seventy-year-old Adolf B. (name withheld by the police), charged with bigamy in Vienna, said, "I was told that if a married couple were not together for a whole year, the marriage was automatically dissolved." The judge told him, "It is not as easy as that," and informed a three months' suspended sentence.

Cullanhall is to be taken out of the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes at next Tuesday's forfeit stage, and Amerigo will not contest the race.

County Cricket Scoreboard

Lancashire v Leicestershire

At Old Trafford.
LEICESTER—First innings
 Hallam b Statham 0
 Watson c Marner b Hilton 50
 Lester c Barber b Hilton 14
 Revill c Wilson b Statham 9
 Diment b Statham 11
 Julian lbw b Statham 3
 Savage c Wilson b Hilton 6
 Smith not out 3
 Spencer c Wilson b Statham 2
 Boshier b Statham 0
 Gardner absent 0
 Extras 4
 Total 99

Derbyshire v Yorkshire

At Chesterfield.
 No play today

Notts v Northants
 At Trent Bridge.
NORTHANTS—First innings
 Brookes c N Hill b Smales 37
 Arnold c Harvey b Cotton 3
 Reynolds c N Hill b Jepson 4
 Norman b Cotton 3
 Subba Kow b Goonesena 9
 Tribe c Simpson b Goonesena 12
 Lightfoot c N Hill b Jepson 13
 Manning b Jepson 7
 Andrew not out 2
 Tyson c Hall b Smales 0
 Allen lbw b Smales 0
 Extras 4
 Total 94

Surrey v Kent

At The Oval.
KENT—First innings
 Pheby lbw b Hall 32
 Procter lbw b Sydenham 16
 Wilson c Stewart b Sydenham 18
 Pretlove not out 34
 Leary lbw b A Bedser 5
 Pettiford not out 8
 Extras 7
 Total (for 4 wks) 120

Sussex v Essex

At Hove.
ESSEX—First innings
 Dodds lbw b James 77
 Barker c Oakman b Marlar 54
 Savill c James b Bell 5
 Insole not out 31
 Taylor not out 7
 Extras 4
 Total (for 3 wks) 178

Glamorgan v Gloucestershire

At Cardiff.
GLAMORGAN—First innings
 Hedges c Smith b Brown 70
 W Davies c Carpenter b Brown 18
 Devereux c Smith 37
 Pressdee c Meyer b Smith 8
 Watkins not out 3
 Walker b Brown 22
 McConnon not out 2
 Extras 2
 Total (for 5 wks) 161

American boxer calls off fight

Cleveland Williams, the negro heavyweight from Texas, who on Wednesday would not meet Dick Richardson, of Wales, at Porthcawl, because he had "received a message" that he should not fight that night, has now called off the fight entirely.

Bob Baker, of Pittsburgh, is to box Richardson next Wednesday. Baker outpointed Richardson at Harringay last December, in March Williams beat Richardson in a fourth-round disqualification.

Mr. Wally Lesley, Richardson's manager, made the acid comment: "The guy is a quitter. He doesn't want to fight. He is a coward. Don't let's pull any punches about that. For years the Americans talked about horizontal British heavyweights. This time it is a Welshman who has frightened the life out of one of the top-ranking Americans."

Worcester v Warwick

At Worcester.
WARWICK—First innings
 Gardner b Flavell 8
 Cartwright b Coldwell 17
 Townsend c Booth b Aldridge 39
 Hitchcock c and b Flavell 1
 Horner b Coldwell 15
 Wolton not out 39
 Ibadulla not out 20
 Extras 4
 Total (for 5 wks) 143

Somerset v Middlesex

At Bath.
SOMERSET—First innings
 Lomax c Murray b Warr 34
 Wight c Russell b Warr 2
 Roe c Hooker b Warr 7
 McCool b Gale 42
 Tremlett b Moss 13
 Alley c Gale b Moss 21
 Greenham not out 16
 Ele not out 8
 Extras 6
 Total (for 6 wks) 148

Hampshire v Cambridge U.

At Portsmouth.
CAMBRIDGE U—First innings
 Green b Cannings 31
 Bernard c Blake b White 4
 Cook c Gray b Cannings 51
 Dexter not out 20
 Prideaux not out 5
 Extras 4
 Total (for 3 wks) 115

D. R. Jardine's XI v Oxford U.

At Eastbourne.
JARDINE'S XI—First innings
 Smith c Piachaud b Sayer 36
 Wilken c Jowett b Bailey 14
 Neame lbw b Bailey 5
 Metcalfe run out 17
 Hardy b Gibson 0
 Winn b Gibson 5
 Paul c Smith b Corran 23
 Robins not out 14
 Melliush not out 0
 Extras 2
 Total (for 7 wks) 116

Russian champion beaten at Henley

Stewart Mackenzie, the Australian nolder of the Diamond Skulls, magnificently retained the trophy at Henley Royal Regatta today when he beat Russia's Olympic champion, 20-year-old Vyacheslav Ivanov, easily in 8min. 6sec.—finishing 45 seconds ahead.

It was a sensational ending, for Ivanov started off at a tremendous pace, and broke the course record to Remanham Barrier by two seconds with 2min. 13sec., and led by half a length. But over the second half of the course the Australian's repeated spurts cracked the Russian.

Russia, however, won the Double Sculls, A. Berkutov and Y. Tukulov easily beating the young Marlow pair, G. Baker and M. Spracklen, in 7min. 21sec.

Bear-mauled girl's condition 'good'

The condition of Pamela Smith (18), of Handsworth Crescent, Sheffield, who was bitten and clawed by "Teddy," a Himalayan bear at Ilfracombe Zoo, yesterday, was reported today to be "very good."

She is in the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, Exeter, with arm injuries. She was on holiday at Ilfracombe with her parents and twin sister.



Oldham and Ashton Cricket League XI.—Left to right, back row: J. Shaw, A. Oldham, M. Markland, R. Mills, B. Ford, J. Byrom. Front row: J. Fox, R. Barker, R. Pringle, D. Ashworth, F. Fenton.

300 ENTRANTS PROMISE KEEN GAMES

Green Final Bowling Handicap starts on Tuesday

The soccer skill of Duncan Edwards

"Tackle Soccer this Way," by Duncan Edwards (Stanley Paul & Co. Ltd., London, 10s. 6d.).

HERE is a book every youngster interested in soccer should read, because it was written through the eyes of a young, yet experienced player, and not by someone who had waited until his playing days were over to preach the gospel.

Duncan Edwards was born in the Midlands, and by the time he was 18½ years had gained every international honour the game had to offer in the true sense, having played for England Schoolboys, England Youth, Young England, the England "B" team and, of course, the full England team.

United's manager, Matt Busby, said: "Duncan Edwards is the greatest player of his age I have ever seen."

It was October, 1957, that the publishers commissioned Duncan Edwards to write an instructional book on association football, mainly because of his great love for the game. On the eve of his departure with Manchester United for Yugoslavia, he passed the typescript of his manuscript over with, it is said, almost boyish enthusiasm.

When the news of the disaster at Munich first reached them, the publishers considered cancelling the book, but the relatives and all concerned asked for publication and said all profits should be devoted to the Lord Mayor of Manchester's Disaster Fund.

This is a well-written book left entirely as it was. Duncan Edwards stresses the importance of a young player's boots. The need, as soon as one can afford it, is to buy the very best of boots. Also wear shinguards. The player who risks injury unnecessarily is a fool, particularly in minor games where it may be some time before medical attention is available.

Duncan tells of his first days with Manchester United when, in his most humble role, he began picking up club spirit. He describes himself as little more than a general labourer, cleaning out the dressing rooms and baths after first-team men had been through their daily labours.

But, he adds, it gave him the chance to get to know such grand club men as Jack Rowley, Stan Pearson and Johnny Carey, the top men of the day. He watched them and how they conducted themselves, their attitude towards the club, and realised what was going to be expected of him.

His football education reached its climax playing alongside people like them in five-a-side games. He learned things in those games, he says, which would have taken twelve months of coaching.

He adds: "Remember, club spirit is the most powerful single element in football today. Develop it and there is no prize too great to reach for."

He deals with every position on the field from goalkeeping to outside-left, and he gives a very sound reason for preferring a goal-keeper of medium height, although giving due and just praise to the late Frank Swift.

There are seven...

THE first of the preliminary-round games in the 1958 Green Final Bowling Handicap will take place at No. 3 green, Alexandra Park, on Tuesday evening, starting at 7 p.m., when this year's event will be declared open by the president, Mr. J. Clayton.

Although 300 entries have been received there are no seedings and the draw has resulted in some of the top-class local bowlers clashing in Tuesday evening's games. The holder, Stan Boston (Nimble Nook, scr.) is opposed by another fancied candidate in Eric Raynor (Chadderton Cot, 2) and it would test anyone's ability to forecast the winner.

Another keen game is likely to be that between Tich Whitehead (unatt. scr.) and John Coverley (Church Inn, 2). That attractive player, Jimmy Wilson (Chadderton Cot., owes 3) plays Leslie Wood (unatt. 2) and will be fully tested in conceding five chalks start.

A real tussle

Two more experienced players, Jack Raynor (Coalshaw, 2), a finalist in the recent Chadderton Coronation Handicap, and Harry Taylor (Alex. Park, scr.) will have a real tussle before either is beaten, but with Raynor in top form just now it is asking rather a lot of Taylor to concede two chalks, even on his own green.

With 22 games down for decision, all competitors are requested to attend as early as possible and not to delay in reporting at committee table.

The referees are once again Messrs. Harry Taylor, J. W. Wood, Joe Warburton and James Dalton, and 76-year-old Fred Buckley is the MC.

PRELIMINARY ROUND GAMES TUESDAY, JULY 8

- J. HILTON (Crompton BC, 2) v. J. WIDDALL (Copster P., 2).
E. WALSH (Westwood P., 3) v. H. WATERWORTH (Stott's SC, 2).
W. DRONSFIELD (Waterhead P., 2) v. S. BLAND (Dunwood P., 3).
J. OTZMANN (Unatt., 4) v. D. DUNN (Unatt., 3).
G. SCHOLES (Chadderton Cot, 2) v. W. BOOTH (Dunwood P., 1).
H. HIRST (Unatt., 2) v. T. WELLS (Alexandra P., scr.).
W. CAIN (Avro's, 4) v. E. SMITH (Copster P., 3).
P. TAYLOR (Dunwood P., 2) v. J. BURTONWOOD (Hollinwood CB, 2).
T. CASH (Dunwood P., 4) v. M. FLATLEY (Coldhurst CC, 3).
H. HILTON (Royton P., 2) v. B. GOWERS (CWS, 2).
B. GUILFOYLE (Hollinwood CB, 2) v. H. KIRKMAN (Dunwood P., 2).
W. FITTON (St. Paul's CB, 2) v. B. HALFORD (Coalshaw P., 4).
H. TAYLOR (Alexandra P., scr.) v. J. RAYNOR (Coalshaw P., 2).
E. WHITEHEAD (Unatt., scr.) v. J. COVERLEY (Church Inn, 2).
J. SMITH (Dunwood P., 2) v. R. JEFFERY (Royton P., 3).
H. DAVIES (Springbank, 2) v. J. KENWORTHY (Crompton BC, 3).
E. RAYNOR (Chadderton Cot, 2) v. S. BOSTON (Nimble Nook, scr.).
H. S. SUMMERFIELD (Copster, 2) v. J. OATES (Marlborough CC, 3).
J. WILSON (Chadderton Cot, owes 3) v. LESLIE WOOD (Unatt., 2).
C. GREGORY (Nimble Nook, 3) v. G. WALKER, JR. (Royton P., 4).
A. MILLS (Monarch, 2) v. B. PRITCHARD (Saddleworth, 2).
J. BROADBENT (Springbank, 2) v. F. BESWICK (Stoneleigh P., scr.).

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9

- W. BOYD (Unatt., 3) v. H. KENNEDY (Star Hotel, 2).
O. SCHOLFIELD (Crompton B.C., 2) v. W. LEES (Lilly BC, 2).
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Stan Boston (Nimble Nook), who won the Green Final Bowling Handicap last year, on Tuesday evening clashes in a preliminary round game against another bowler of real merit in Eric Raynor (Chadderton Cot).

C. BROWN (Copster P., 5) v. W. SAMUELS (Chadderton Cot, 2).
A. JACKSON (Coalshaw P., 3) v. F. W. POTTER (Unatt., 2).
H. MAIDEN (Copster P., 3) v. A. DOYLE (Star Hotel, 2).
C. DODSON (Stoneleigh P., 2) v. W. ROWBOTTOM (Westwood P., 2).
H. SMITH (Avro's, 4) v. M. BRIERLEY (Dunwood P., 2).
Games commence at 7 p.m. prompt. Striking-out time 7-45 p.m. Each block is numbered as the second opponent reports to the committee table.

Scout award for King Paul

King Paul of Greece has accepted the "Alpha-Omega award," the highest religious award of the American Orthodox Scout movement. It was presented to him, at a ceremony held at the Royal Palace in Athens.

Queen Frederika, Crown Prince Constantine, and Princesses Sophia and Irene were present at the ceremony.

The Duke of Windsor was today admitted to the Cantonal Hospital in Lausanne—the Hospital Nestle. It is believed that he will stay there a few days for a thorough medical check-up.

THEY'LL PLAY CRICKET IN RUSSIA

An Australian cricket team is to visit Russia next year to teach the game. What visions it conjures up, should the game catch on in Russia... The Red Flag at Lord's. A "new Sputnik" instead of the new ball.

Anyway, the tour, arranged by the Australian Old Collegians with the blessing of the Aussie Government, is due to begin next April. It is asserted that it will cost each player

about £1,000 for fares and accommodation alone.

The organiser is Mr. Graeme Wallace-Smith, of Wagga Wagga, and it is hoped to include one Sheffield Shield player in the party of 22.

I hope these cricket missionaries succeed. There's nothing like their sport to calm the savage breast—until, of course, someone starts bowling body-line.

PORTHCAWL POSTPONEMENT A SHOCK

Boxing Board got losers' purse on Wednesday

IT should have been one of the biggest British boxing nights of the year last Wednesday, with open-air shows in Glasgow and Porthcawl, South Wales. But the British Boxing Board of Control lost at both venues. They received no percentage from Porthcawl because the show was put off, and the Glasgow affair cost them about £300 for the featherweight championship belt which Charlie Hill, of Cambuslang, won outright. And no one is complaining.

Was there ever such a promoter's nightmare as that dreamed up for Sir Leslie Joseph at Porthcawl? Everything in the Welsh seaside town was lovely, the weather, the ticket sales and all the usual immaculate arrangements which at Porthcawl even include flowers in the dressing-room, but alas, one half of the top liner, Cleveland Williams, declined to go into the ring against the other half, Dick Richardson, for reasons that are now well known.

With three hours to go the show was called off. The eventual outcome was a postponement of one week and this could have an adverse effect on Richardson who was finely fit and more than ready to fight. By next Wednesday he may not be so fit for boxers cannot be held at top pitch indefinitely. But one thing is certain. Richardson is fiercely angry at the delay and there won't be much love lost when the first bell goes next Wednesday.

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There is general pleasure at the thought that Hill has reaped his reward as a fine example of a courageous boxer with a good amount of skill to back up his spirit. His career has not been helped by ill-health but now he has the belt to hang over his sideboard to prove that for two and a half years at least he was king of the British featherweights, with three championship wins as milestones.

He also qualifies for a Board of Control pension of £1 per week at the age of 60. This goes to all belt winners and who says there is no heart in boxing? It may not be a fortune but it is a nice gesture.

Hill's win over his fellow Scot, Chic Brogan, was relatively easy. Not so his previous two title fights.

DICK RICHARDSON He's so angry now

In the first he went 15 rounds to outpoint Billy Kelly in Belfast. When he defended his title against Jimmy Brown last year he fought with incredible courage. Hill rocked under the pressure and every round, some feared, might be the last. The tenth round was—but for Brown not Hill.

Army's crack shot

QMSI Keith Argent (26), of the Small Arms School Corps, Chief Weapon Training Instructor at the Mons Officer Cadet School, Aldershot, won the British Army Rifle Championship at Bisley today with a score of 464 out of a possible 560.



Oram-GEC's Cape Mill bowling team.—Back row (left to right): W. Bithell, H. Bithell, H. Summerfield, H. Franklin, F. Boffin. Front: C. McHugh, F. Fitton, A. Grindrod, S. Furlong.

Judges' choice

Dorothy Wilson's happiest of Lancashire's She regained her lost form and confidence to beat Fay Ratcliffe and Stockport's Avis Garnett in 100yd. breaststroke event.

Dorothy returned the same time as Fay (77.1sec.), but gained the judges' decision, while Avis was a

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row: J. Shaw, A. Oldham, W. Kirk...
row: R. Pringle, D. Ashworth, F. Fenton...

POOLS ARE SOLUTION TO MONSOON THREAT

Werneth and Rochdale for cup final?

IF and when the Wood Cup semi-final matches end — they are DUE to start on Monday—I expect to see two teams with fine cup-fighting traditions in the final (writes DST).

For, despite Werneth's annoying tendency to slip up in vital matches against the friendly villagers from Walsden, they should be strong enough to qualify to meet the holders, Rochdale.

Heywood fans, cock-a-hoop about their team's magnificent revival this season under Fergie Gupte, will disagree, of course, but I see no reason to doubt Rochdale's ability to reach their seventh final in eight years.

Rochdale's journey to the semi-final has been convincing enough to discourage any other team from thinking they can rob them of the trophy. Against Radcliffe in the first round, and Milnrow in the second, they reached suspension for only three wickets, and then dismissed Radcliffe for 77 and Milnrow for 41.

Werneth's form

Werneth's form is difficult to assess. They can be brilliant; they can be surprisingly lethargic.

Yet if Chandu Borde gets on top with his leg-spinners and googlies, Werneth can beat the best, as they have shown already in their victories against Middleton and Ashton.

Walsden, however, with their potentially powerful array of amateur talent, have a habit of upsetting The Coppice side. I remember in 1949, a Werneth-Walsden tie being over in one night... and Werneth had been bowled out for 31.

The games will be played at Werneth and Rochdale.

MONSOON THREAT

LEAGUE CLUBS are hundreds of pounds down this season because of the Lancashire "monsoons." People will not watch cricket in cold and wet weather. Football encroaches both ends of the season, and the World Cup on TV has had its effect.

What is the solution to take away the anxious frowns secretaries and treasurers wear nowadays?

In Somerset, a locality much less sport-minded and populated than this area, a supporters football pool of 25,000 members pay one shilling a week for their chance of handsome prize money. The tax man helps himself to about 40 per cent and running expenses are in the region of £100.

All this still leaves about £400 to £500 a week for the county club.

The Central Lancashire League could organise and better these figures, with equal shares for each club. I have seen this scheme at work and am certain it could be a great success.

WALSDEN AND CANTERBURY

IF Dane Street is the Kennington Oval of the Central Lancashire League, then Walsden is the light-hearted Canterbury. This charming little ground breeds cricketers who like to make the ball climb the air, and I much admire their approach to the game; no thought of light appeals nor playing for a draw, and reputations mean not a jot.

Rochdale have drawn at home again in this Wood Cup match. Ah well, God is on the side of the big battalions. Fergi Gupte could cause an upset, but spin bowlers due to visit Dane Street nowadays may be heard muttering dark thoughts about the "Green Death."

In the League championship race,

—by
John McMahon
ex-Surrey and Somerset
bowler now professional
with Milnrow

Middleton are still dogging Rochdale. Their clash at Rochdale on July 12 could easily decide the ultimate champions. I would not care to face Gilchrist on that wicket, if it is as green as I have seen it twice this year.

EDUCATION FROM BENEFITS

MY cricket education has increased greatly this season from playing Sunday matches.

The Lancashire professionals all rally round for benefit and charity games. Dressing-room chatter takes one from the friendly Caribbean to the sunshine of India. I looked round our dressing room last Sunday at Preston. The batting order was Manjrekar, Laza, Worrell, Pepper, Sobers, Jackson, Borde, Gupte, Ramadhin and McMahon. Pepper and McMahon could not get on, and Cec was skipper!

Frank Worrell's fifty was one of the most perfect little gems I have ever watched, against no less than Tribe and Tyson. Frank's bad spell must end soon, and perhaps the Australian crowds will soon see the Typhoon again in the mood that flattened Australia last tour.

JARDINE AND THE AUSIES

RECENTLY the death was announced of Douglas Jardine, whose name will be always linked with "bodyline." The angular, unsmiling captain was not popular with Australians, but he cared not for public or Press.

"How were you out, Mr. Jardine?"

"I was adjudged lbw!"

"Oh, bad luck. Who gave you out?"

"Forty thousand Australian s!"

His adversaries and those on his side knew him as a man of iron resolve and great courage, dedicated to the success of the mission entrusted to him—the defeat of Australia. To achieve that end he had to stop Don Bradman.

Some time earlier, at Surrey's Oval, the Australians had sat all day in the pavilion because of rain, then fate in the guise of the guise of the umpires decided to play 15 minutes before time.

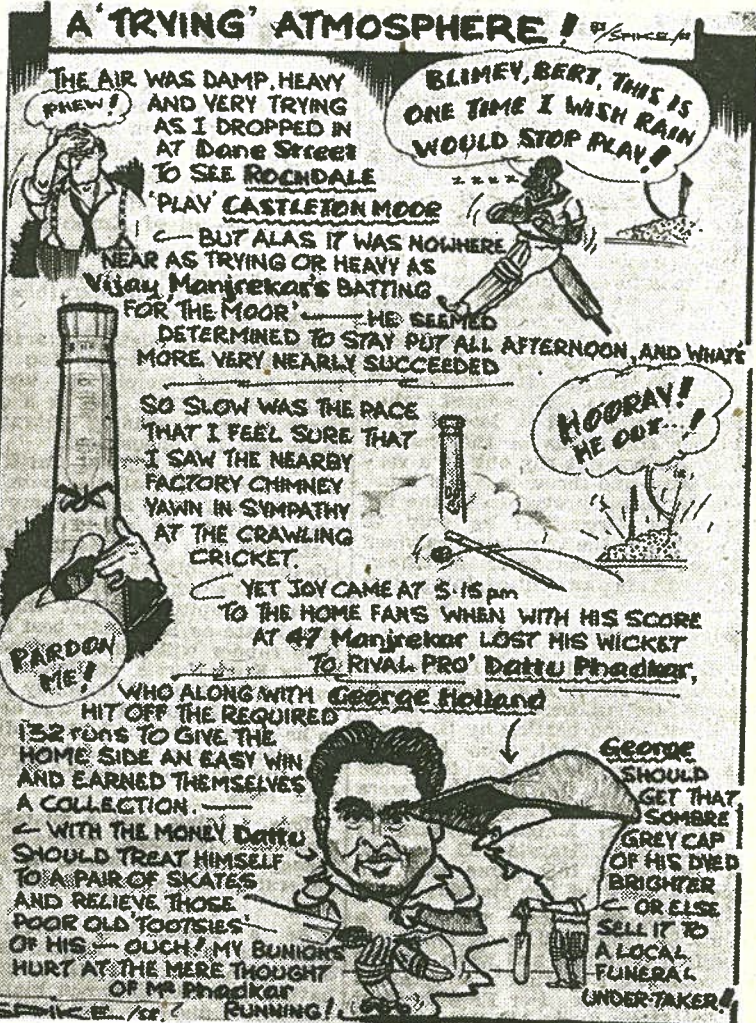
The pitch—hard underneath and soft on top from rain—caused the ball to rear viciously, and Don Bradman's stroke play was faulty and hurried and his face anxious.

It was soon over and forgotten, but not by Jardine who had taken his share—along with many other fieldsmen—of the treatment handed on by the merciless little man. I believe the bodyline plan was born at that moment.

Four conditions were necessary to fulfil bodyline: Great Speed. Continual short pitching. Great accuracy of direction at the batsman. Leg side field of five short legs and two men out.

Jardine insisted it was leg theory. Kippax, who was on the receiving end—said that if the leg stump were 6ft. high and 2ft. wide he would accept that statement.

Some said the Australians could not take defeat, but Percy Chapman's previous tour resulted in an England win, 4-1, and was one of the most popular sides ever.



PINT-SIZED HARRY SHOOK OLDHAM

By DST

LITTLE Harry Pilling walked into the Oldham ground last week for trials. Oldham had heard a lot about the 15-year-old schoolboy; had received glowing recommendations from his coach and the Staley club in the Saddleworth League, where he has been playing his cricket.

But when the Oldham officials first saw Pilling, they thought their information had gone sour on them. Standing under 5ft. in height, Pilling did not look the part to the Oldham men. "Just another schoolboy who has done well against youngsters," they thought.

The ball was tossed to the youngster and he casually trundled up to the wicket. "I expected it to pitch at least twice," said one official. "It turned that much," he added, stretching his arms. "A lovely legger, right on a length and flighted perfectly."

And it was no fluke, either. Into the second team went Pilling last Saturday and took three wickets for nine runs. "His flight really kidded the batsmen," reported second-team skipper Bert Mellor.

Professional Cec Pepper rates Pilling the find of the season for Oldham. "He's a lovely bat, too, and those leg-breaks and googlies. It's amazing how he digs them in at his age and from his height."

Another who thinks a lot about Pilling, who lives in Mossley, is former Oldham player Norman Frankland, now professional with Greenfield in the Saddleworth League. "He really surprised me when I faced him," said Norman.

ONLY unfitness is keeping Jack Pearson out of the Middleton side this season. Top of the club averages last season, with 581 runs (average 36), Jack has played only one game this season, and that was two weeks ago against Crompton when he made 12.

He was out of the side again last week, but for today's game against Heywood was one of the 12 named. The years seem to be catching up on veteran Pearson, who was once stand-in to Len Hutton at Yorkshire before turning to league cricket.

WERNETH are delighted with their professional, Chandu Borde. A thousand runs last summer in his first season with the club, and brilliant spin bowling this term—he is top of the league averages—have fully rewarded Werneth's decision to bring the 24-year-old Indian down from Northumberland where he did his first pro-ing.

And I have a feeling that Werneth will shortly show their gratitude by offering Borde another contract—and this time for a longer period than one season. One thing could hold up progress along these lines. Borde must be a strong candidate for the Indian tour next season.

FORMER Werneth amateur, Norman Wrigley, came back to the CLL this week after a spell with St. Mark's in the Oldham and Ashton League. But he did not return to Werneth. He has changed his affection to Oldham.

Young Norman, a promising all-rounder when at The Coppice, left the club midway through last season. Then he was injured in a motor-cycle accident, but, fully recovered at the start of this season he joined St. Mark's for whom he played before going to Werneth.

Last Saturday, he celebrated his return to the CLL by scoring an undefeated 62 and taking five wickets for 12 runs. Oldham repaid this fine performance by putting Wrigley in the first eleven for the unplayed midweek game at Ashton, and today's game against Radcliffe.

THE junior match between Milnrow's youngsters, led by professional John McMahon, and Oldham's youngsters, led by professional Cec Pepper, will take place at The Pollards on Thursday.

During the match, the professionals will give practical coaching and hints to the up-and-coming players. A sound way to bring them along under match conditions.

Oldham boy cricketers in quarter final

Oldham Schoolboys enter the final stages of the Lancashire Schools' Cricket Association Cup on Monday evening, when they play Blackpool at The Pollards in the quarter-final.

If Oldham win, they are at home again in the semi-finals, when they play the winners of the Rochdale-Blackburn tie. Again the match is likely to be at The Pollards.

Two existing ground floor flats will be adapted to provide accommodation for doctors' surgeries on Holts Estate, the Housing Committee has decided.

CLL AVERAGES

AMATEURS

Qual: 170 runs, 15 wkts

ASHTON

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
A Booth	15	0	79	268	17.86
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
B Priestley	72.7	11	239	23	10.39
H Hirst	51.6	9	191	18	10.61

CASTLETON MOOR

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
G V Gowland	13	2	51	238	21.63
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
H Muldowney	98.7	17	369	17	21.70

CROMPTON

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
H Jackson	12	1	71	221	20.09
R V Vijayarathay	14	1	60	259	19.92
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
T Everett	195.6	44	479	32	14.96

HEYWOOD

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
S Smith	14	4	85	382	38.20
R Purser	14	7	62	220	17.61
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
J Kitcher	90	19	270	19	14.21

LITTLEBOROUGH

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
L Warburton	9	2	41	197	28.14

MIDDLETON

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
J M Hyde	12	1	100	432	39.27
K Crook	11	3	84	220	27.50
P Fawkes	12	3	54	182	20.22
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
R Horrox	100.7	18	286	17	16.82

MILNROW

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
K Leach	14	0	59	287	20.50
L Jones	14	0	56	223	15.92
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
F Hubbard	135.7	25	471	19	24.78

OLDHAM

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
R A Acton	13	1	51	282	23.50
F Molyneux	12	1	89	253	23.00
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
W Lawton	163.7	24	476	32	14.87

RADCLIFFE

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
Hamilton	12	2	43	171	17.10
Settle	13	0	47	174	13.38

ROCHDALE

Batting	Ins.	N.O.	Hs.	Ttl.	Aver.
Hunter	11	1	70	282	28.00
Holland	12	2	56	244	24.40
Bowling	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
B Smith	119.7	23	321	34	9.44

Housing Committee members will make their annual visit to the town's housing estates on Thursday, August 14.

Saddleworth League TENSE FINISH TO STRUGGLE AT HEYSIDE

SATURDAY'S games were played on grounds saturated by the week's downpour but the cricket enjoyed some of the best played this season. At Heyside Greenfield were beaten by Heyside and although there were nine Heyside wickets standing at the time they passed the Greenfield score the game was not one-sided in any sense. Greenfield batted first and were soon in difficulties against the bowling of Smith and Baggott. After being 17 for four, E. Lee and Les Burton made a stand and took the score to 52, when Lee was bowled by Smith after making 11 valuable runs. Broadbent then joined Burton and it looked as if another stand was in the making when Burton was run out by a very good stop-and-throw-in. His score was 24 and he proved to be the top score for Greenfield as only G. Matthews of the remaining batsmen offered any resistance. Matthews made 18 in an entertaining last knock.

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Heyside were 10 when Davies was bowled for six by Frankland. Greenfield's bowlers were bowling really well but sound batting by B. Marsh and H. Broadbent, who took no liberties but waited for the loose balls, won the day and they were undefeated at the close with Broadbent 43 and Marsh 29. Scores: Greenfield 82, Heyside 83 for one. A feature of this game was the good fielding of the Heyside team.

English Steel were forced to a draw by Uppermill. Steel made 212 for four declared, and when stumps were drawn Uppermill's score stood at 86 for seven. For English Steel J. Bradbury made 115 not out and took four for 7, while for Uppermill A. Tapsfield made 57 of their 86 runs scored.

Moorside, still without a victory, were beaten at home by Stayley. Moorside were all out for 32. Stayley's score was 33 for two. Stayley's Ron Wykes came back to form by taking eight Moorside wickets for 16 runs.

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The final of the H. A. Tanner Cup will be played at Heyside on Tuesday evening, July 15, between Heyside and Delph, Heyside having won the toss for choice of ground. Ramadhin, the West Indian Test bowler, will again assist Delph.

Heyside are in their second season in the Saddleworth League and are rather proud to have progressed so far in the cup. They disposed of Norden, last year's champions, in the second round and then knocked out Friarmere in the semi-final. They have now registered Everton Weekes, the West Indian Test player as professional, presumably with the intention of playing him in the cup final and so counterbalance Delph's engagement of Sonny Ramadhin.

HARD WORK COUNTS IN THIS GRUELLING RACE EMPIRE GAMES MARATHON COULD GO TO ENGLAND

SOUTH AFRICANS Jan Barnard and Martinus Wiid may show the most stamina in the Empire Games marathon. Canada's Gord Dickson looks like revealing the fastest turn of speed. But you need speed and stamina to become a marathon champion. So my forecast is that the winner will be Eddie Kirkup, of England. Or, if not Kirkup, then Arthur Keilly, Colin Kemball or Peter Wilkinson—all of England.

No I'm not just being patriotic. My forecast is measured by the truest yardstick in marathon running—hard work.

For, make no mistake, marathons are really hard work. You can't hope to win merely by keeping going all the time. Nor is a quick burst at the beginning guaranteed to kill off the opposition.

The man who wins at Cardiff will have to run hard all the time. And from what I have seen in my running around the world England's marathon men work harder at the job than any others.

So that's why I tip an English victory, despite the fact that the man I rate as England's best marathon runner will not be competing. He is Fred Norris, of Bolton. Fred has proved himself in many marathons, and I thought he was certain to be chosen. But he had an off day last Saturday in the AAA marathon and the team was picked solely on that race.

This, I think, was a mistake. In marathon runnings, where consistency means so much, a man's general record should decide selection.

As a consolation, Norris has gained a place in England's six-mile team. South Africa, of course, have a great tradition in marathon and longer distance running—the 50 and 100 miles. They won the marathon event in the 1938 Empire Games. And Coleman's time of 2hr. 30min. 49.8sec. is still an Empire Games record. At Vancouver in 1954, South Africa picked up second and third places.

Jan Barnard, now South African champion, was third. He will be competing again, and the strength of his challenge can be judged by his South African record of 2hr. 21min. 37.2sec.

Canada's Gord Dickson, who develops his speed from the interval training method normally used by middle-distance runners, will have to be watched. And the Australian Russell goes to Cardiff with a lot of home backing.

Two predictions

The surprise marathon packet of the year is England's Colin Kemball. Last weekend, with the second marathon run of his life, he became the English champion. And he had had a most undistinguished record in five years' track and cross-country running.

Two more predictions for Cardiff. First, I think we will see a

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new Empire Games record. The course is quite reasonable. I covered most of it when I set up a new Welsh all-comers' record of 2hr. 22min. 29sec. in 1953.

Vicious hill

It is fairly flat, but on the way back there is one vicious hill, which comes as a nasty jar just when you are thinking of the finishing line and home.

Secondly, I don't think there will be a "Jim Peters" collapse at Cardiff. For one thing the afternoon temperature (the race begins at 2.30 p.m.) at Cardiff is unlikely to reach the torrid peak of Vancouver at high noon.

Scooter-bound

The referee of the race will be Squire Yarrow. A former marathon runner, he will make sure that all the stewarding and officiating is fully up to scratch by following the race on a motor-scooter.

COME TO THINK OF IT, THAT'S ABOUT THE ONLY WAY I COULD GET ROUND A MARATHON COURSE AT THE MOMENT!

Gold medal prospect

AS a 13-year-old schoolboy, Charles Porter felt the urge to jump. So he took up athletics and tried long jumping. He didn't like it. The urge was still there, so he tried high jumping. And this he did like.

He liked it so much that at Cardiff he should jump higher than anyone in the Empire to win a gold medal. And if the competition is really tough at Cardiff, that will suit Porter down to the ground.

Porter has got the nerves of steel so essential in the tense business of high jumping. He proved that in the Melbourne Olympics, when, at the end of five hours' solid jumping, he cleared 6ft. 10½in. to gain second place to the American, Charles Dumas. This height was 2½in. better than Porter's Australian record.

In the bush

Last year he was almost lost to athletics in the Australian bush—working in a remote cattle station.



Sprinter Dave Segal (Thames Valley Harriers), who will run for England in the 100 yards and 220 yards at the Empire Games, Cardiff. Last Saturday, Segal beat champion P. F. Radford in the sprint during the Kinnaid Trophy events at Chiswick.

But on return he was soon clearing 6ft. 7in.

When you first see Charles you have no doubt about what event he competes in. He is 6ft. 3in. tall and looks all legs. Although he scales only 11st. 5lb. he has muscles like whipcord developed by constant weight training.

Twenty-two years old, the bespectacled Porter first took up jumping in 1949. Soon he was clearing nearly 5ft. At 17, using the straddle style, he had put his mark up to 6ft. A year later he set up a new Australian junior record of 6ft. 6in.

Porter puts a tremendous lot of thought into high jumping. He is never satisfied, and even after doing so well in the Olympics he made some adjustments in his style.

All of which seems to indicate that Mr. Porter will be looking down on Cardiff from a considerable height.

English bred racehorse wins big American prize

At Oceanport, New Jersey, the English-bred horse, Tudor Era, won the 24,900-dollar (£58,865) Longfellow Handicap at Monmouth Park Racecourse yesterday.

Tudor Era, the favourite, won the mile race by a head from Helianthus to bring his owner, Mrs. Herbert Herff, of Tennessee, 15,935 dollars (about £5,690).

Davis Cup problem at Manchester: Return of England winger: Women may force tote change

WIMBLEDON has shown that Britain faces a hard task when they meet France in the next round of the Davis Cup at Manchester on July 17, 18 and 19.

For after the first two rounds only Bobby Wilson of the cup team remained in the championship and in the Davis Cup competition: he is primarily a doubles player.

To give some indication of the struggle that lies ahead, Roger Becker, the British No. 2, was beaten in straight sets by Jean-Claude Molinari, France's No. 5, who seldom gets into his country's team as a singles player.

[Now Becker is to marry and declares it impossible to play against France because of the LTA's ruling about tennis wives not being allowed to stay in the team's hotel].

At Wimbledon, too, Billy Knight was beaten on the opening day and then, to crown all, Michael Davies, Britain's leading player, was beaten and injured in a five-setter against the Belgian international, Jackie Brichant, who, in turn, was defeated by Ulf Schmidt, a member of the Swedish cup team which lost to France in the last round of the European Zone ties.

Davies's injury, a strained ligament in the groin, is causing some concern. On the advice of Mr. Herman David, the British Davis Cup captain, Davies scratched from

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the Wimbledon doubles so as not to risk aggravating his injured leg.

In all, Britain seems to be in for a tough fight at Manchester if they are to make any further progress in the competition.

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ONLY one more medical stands between Frank Blunstone, Chelsea and England left-winger, and his return to soccer after 18 months out of action with a twice-broken leg.

After three weeks' training at Stamford Bridge, Chelsea go to Bulgaria for two matches, returning on August 19—four days before they begin their 1958-9 League programme away to Manchester United.

Blunstone will go on that tour, although he may not play. It was on a similar pre-season trip last August to Holland that his leg went for the second time in seven months. "Now I can do anything with my leg," Blunstone told me happily as

he jogged round the pitch, a lone figure on Chelsea's enormous ground.

Then he took a ball, went through his full repertoire and finished with a sprint which took him to the top of the steep "popular side" terracing.

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THE decision of the Racecourse Betting Control Board to continue with the 4s. Tote minimum stake is bringing a renewed storm of criticism.

No move—it was made roughly a year ago—has aroused such strong feeling among the racing public for a very long time.

Disaster was predicted from the rise to 4s. But—Tote takings have actually gone up.

On the other hand there is a 5 per cent drop in attendances. So who is right? Are the family man and woman really being priced out of racegoing?

Captain Coe, like the canny chap he is, is sitting on the fence. You see, he explained, it's plain economics opposed to the popular view. He gives this tip: "If that 5 per cent attendance margin

increases, expect a return to the 2s."

It may well be that, in the end, the feminine vote will be the deciding factor.

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IN these days when few cricketers continue playing in first-class matches much into their forties, it appears strange to recall that George Gunn, sen., who died this week, continued as a county player into the age of 54.

He made a century on his fiftieth birthday, and in his 53rd year hit another hundred in the same innings for Nottinghamshire as his son, G. V. Gunn, also made a century. G. V. died following a motor-cycle accident last year.

George Gunn is frequently quoted by former cricketers as a man who could have shown present-day players a thing or two about dealing with fast bowlers. He often went far out of his ground to play them, and sometimes took guard out of his ground in order to be nearer the pitch of the ball.

Apart from his playing ability, i.e. was one of the characters of the game and there are many stories about him.

Sir Jack Hobbs recalls that, on one tour of the West Indies, Gunn, fielding on the boundary, took off his topee, worn in hot places in those days, pretending to shade his eyes. Then, quite casually, he held out the hat and caught in it a big hit by the batsman.

CLUB BOWLS CROMPTON

Crompton £70 Bowling Handicap games for tomorrow afternoon (2 p.m.): B. Halford (Chadderton, 5) v. H. Greenwood (CBC, 2); R. Barnes (CBC, 2) v. J. Burtonwood (Chadderton, 4); S. Nield (Westwood, 5) v. J. Woodcock (Oldham, 4); J. Jenkinson (Royton, 4) v. J. Collier (Rochdale, 4); J. Woodhead (Middleton, 4) v. J. Kenworthy (CBC, 2); W. Green (CBC, 2) v. J. Thompson (Heywood, 4); W. Aitham (Oldham, 5) v. J. Steele (Middleton, 5); B. Burbridge (Oldham, 5) v. F. Lomas (Middleton, 6); T. Knott (Chadderton, 3) v. H. Wild (Rochdale, 4); S. Horner (Hebden Bridge, 6) v. J. Howarth (Royton, 5).

Evening (6 p.m.): H. Yearn (Oldham, 4) v. E. Raynor (Chadderton, 4); F. Thompson (Chadderton, 4) v. G. Walker, jr. (Royton, 6); T. Broadbent (Oldham, 4) v. L. Bardsley (Shaw, 4); W. Sumner (Moston, 4) v. R. Royle (Middleton, 4); T. Schofield (Middleton, 4) v. E. Warburton (Oldham, 5); H. Rogers (Hollinwood, 5) v. E. Wright (Royton, 5); R. Woolley (Middleton, 2) v. W. Jackson (Fallsforth, 4); H. Heart (Hollinwood, 4) v. A. Heighway (Oldham, 5); R. Munro (Chadderton, 5) v. J. Smith (Chadderton, 4); F. Berry (Oldham, 3) v. A. Hemmings (Ashton, 4); H. Clarke (CBC, 2) v. G. Howarth (Royton, 5); P. T. Yearn (Oldham, 6) v. J. O'Neil (Ashton, 4).

Last week's results: N. White (CBC) 29, J. Dusk (Oldham) 31; C. Hicks (Middleton) 31, J. Miller (Chadderton) 5; P. Taylor (Shaw) 20, A. Johnston (Bury) 31; R. B. Halford (Hollinwood) 15, J. M. Wild (CBC) 31; J. Stone (Oldham) 22, A. Holroyd (Hebden Bridge) 31; G. Taylor (Moston) w.o.; J. M. Wild (CBC) 10, A. Johnston (Bury) 31; G. Taylor (Moston) 31, A. Holroyd (Hebden Bridge) 29; D. Whitehead (CBC) 24, S. Whitney (CBC) 31; L. Murphy (Middleton) 21, H. Stott (Lees) 31; A. Munro (Chadderton) 17, G. Beaver (Chadderton) 31; H. Withnall (Shaw) w.o.; A. Collinge (Rochdale) 31, H. Baker (Rochdale) 19.

UPPERMILL

Uppermill C & BC £100 Open Bowling Handicap results last Sunday.—First round: R. Hill (Chadderton, 5) 31, C. Bradley (Uppermill, 4) 29; J. Ward (Huddersfield, 5) 31, D. Jackson (Ashton, 6) 22; J. Barker (Lees, 4) 31, R. Hinchcliffe (Slaithwaite, 24) 4; A. Howarth (Royton, 3) 31, S. Howarth (Uppermill, 3) 29; P. Ellis (Slaithwaite) 31, T. Legge (Uppermill, 3) 22; H. Wheelhouse (Brighouse) 31, E. Chamberlain (Mossley) 18; N. Broadbent (Uppermill, 3) 31, E. Booth (Brighouse) 24; L. Swallow (Huddersfield) 31, E. Whitaker (Mossley) 23; H. Dale (Chadderton) 31, A. Dawson (Denton) 23. Second round: H. Boothman (Middleton) 31, A. Brown (Uppermill) 16; F. K. Booth (Brighouse) 31, J. Hamilton (Oldham) 20; H. L. Evans (Middleton) 31, W. Buckley (Greenfield) 19; J. Cudde (Huddersfield) 31, J. Newton (Uppermill, 3) 14; W. Norcliffe (Marsden, 4) 31, E. Dransfield (Delph, 4) 23; N. H. Haseldine (Bury) 31, J. Florence (Shaw) 15; F. Firth (Liversedge) 31, R. Pritchard (Mossley) 24; H. Ashworth (Royton) 31, N. Hobson (Huddersfield) 25; L. Swallow (Huddersfield) 31, W. Everett (Royton) 23. Handicap 5 unless stated.

Tomorrow afternoon (2 p.m.).—Second round: G. Fielding (Chadderton, 4) v. V. Lee (Chadderton, 3); W. Wolfenden (Uppermill, 4) v. R. Hamer (Huddersfield); F. Smith (Oldham) v. L. Hesketh (Ashton); H. Heighway (Oldham) v. S. Castle (Huddersfield); N. Brierley (Shaw) v. N. Barker (Huddersfield); A. Carter (Royton) v. J. Asprey (Stalybridge); H. Hilton (Royton) v. S. Turner (Stalybridge); J. Ramsden (Royton) v. N. Kenyon (Ashton); J. Bibby (Greenfield) v. C. Danahar (Stalybridge); A. Dawson (Mossley) v. G. Ellwood (Stockport); C. Byram (Mossley) v. H. Wheelhouse (Brighouse); L. Bardsley (Shaw, 4) v. J. H. Smith (Fallsforth).

Tomorrow evening (6 p.m.).—First round: R. Berry (Hyde) v. W. Gardner (Oldham); E. H. Taylor (Shaw) v. H. Stott (Lees, 4); T. Boston (Chadderton) v. J. Rowbotham (Romiley); D. Jenkinson (Huddersfield, 4) v. T. Prince (Oldham); B. Halford (Oldham) v. F. Radcliffe (Diggle). Second round: J. Sykes (Oldham) v. E. Jones (Stockport); P. C. Duiloch (Shaw, 4) v. G. Howarth (Ashton, 4); E. Gledhill (Chadderton) v. J. Smith (Huddersfield); S. Boston (Chadderton, 4) v. E. Clegg (Ashton); R. Hill (Royton) v. H. Kenyon (Middleton); G. Beaver (Chadderton) v. T. Schofield (Middleton). Handicap 5 unless stated.

President's Cup final played Saturday, June 28.—Winner, Bill Galloway 21; runner-up, Len Dent 15. Semi-finalists: Stan Whitehead, Arnold Brooks.

Answers To Sports Teasers

TEASER NUMBER ONE

John Mortimore, of Gloucestershire. He was one not out last Saturday, added three more on Monday, when play was restricted by rain, and was out without adding to his total when play was resumed on Tuesday—all against Oxford University at Stroud.

TEASER NUMBER TWO

Brian Close, of Yorkshire. He scored over 1,000 runs, took over 100 wickets and played for England.

TEASER NUMBER THREE

John Wisden (Surrey), founder of Wisden's Almanack. His qualification to play for the North was granted because he was joint-owner of a cricket ground at Leamington.

Mr. Fred Westwood and Miss Jun Bottomley have been appointed as general clerks to fill two vacancies on the staff of the Housing Department.

WEEKEND TELEVISION AND RADIO

Now for Lady Docker playing table tennis

LONNIE DONEGAN trying his skill with a .22 rifle, Lady Docker playing table tennis against expert Johnny Leach, Harlem Globetrotter trying some particularly hard basketball shots... these are three of the things which will figure in "Can Do," the new ABC show which starts tonight.

The idea of the show is that contestants (who are members of the public) will have to decide whether some famous entertainer or sports personality is able to perform a task which will be set. It may be in the celebrity's own line of business, or it may not.

Contestants will be able to win up to 1,600 guineas.

The main show of the evening has Dave King as its principal, and Rex Harrison (star of "My Fair Lady") is one of the leading players in the film, "Men are Not Gods," which follows.

Husband and wife are producer and star respectively of "Extra Special" (BBC) tonight. They are

Russell Turner and Barbara Lyon. And since, according to Mr. Russell, a producer must "get to know all he can about an artist's likes, dislikes, moods, temperament and so on," he is very knowledgeable in this case.

Straight variety is offered at eight with Eddie Calvert, Hal Fisher, the American comedian, and Terry Scott as three of the main performers.

The play "High Heaven," which follows, is the first by a Rottingdean schoolmaster, Alan Kennington. It is about an explorer who goes into retreat on a South American mountain only to be invaded by a party who have to bale out from an aircraft.

The party is a cultural mission consisting of a woman MP, a woman doctor, a novelist and a scientist.

Tony Britton has been given a leading role.

Opposite him will be Barbara Shelley, the auburn haired London girl, who became a star outside her own country without doing a single professional appearance here.

"I am very lucky in my television debut to have such a wonderful actor as Tony Britton and such a good director as Alan Bromley, and I hope I shall do them justice," she says.

"THE list of powerful and moving American plays on subjects such as mob violence, small-town corruption and racial intolerance grows apace on TV in this country," says ABC. Agreed. But ABC's new drama supervisor, Sydney Newman, has appealed for writers who can turn the searchlight on our own society, for good or ill.

In the meantime, ABC is doing tomorrow another turgid tale of toughies in the States. A New York journalist (played by Al Mulock, founder of the London Actor's Studio) tries to straighten up a small town.

A bully, popular locally, has been acquitted of a murder charge, and the journalist tries to break down local apathy to tyranny.

Chic Murray, the Scots comedian with the unusual, whimsical style, is on the ITV variety bill tomorrow, when Van Cliburn (piano), winner of the first prize in the Moscow International Contest, will head the list of artists.

...and Tomorrow

Tonight..

BBC

- 6 0: News.
- 6 5: Wimbledon.
- 6 15: Test.
- 6 35: Extra Special.
- 6 50: Today's Sport.
- 7 0: Wells Fargo.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 30: Fair Game, with Derek Farr.
- 8 0: Music Hall.
- 9 0: High Heaven (play).
- 10 15: The Queen at Holyroodhouse.
- 10 45: News.
- 11 0: News. Review.
- 11 30: Today on the Centre Court.

ABC

- 6 0: Holiday Town Parade.
- 6 30: Can Do.
- 7 0: Maverick.
- 8 0: Dave King Show.
- 9 0: Medie.
- 9 30: News.
- 9 35: Men Are Not Gods (film).
- 11 5: OSS.
- 11 45: Epilogue.

HOME 434m.

- 6 0: News.
- 6 15: News of the North.
- 6 25: Sports Digest.
- 6 45: Those Were The Days.
- 7 15: The Week in Westminster.
- 7 30: Light Music Festival.
- 8 15: Holiday Playhouse.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 15: Fire Burn (play).
- 10 45: A form for Complaine.
- 11 0: News.

LIGHT 1,500m.

- 6 0: Test Match Special.
- 6 35: Just Jazz.
- 7 0: Radio Newsreel.
- 7 30: Double Feature.
- 8 15: Maestro of the Movies.
- 8 45: Light Music Festival.
- 10 0: Wimbledon.
- 10 5: Serenade.
- 10 30: News.
- 10 40: Test.
- 10 45: Serenade.
- 11 0: Pick of the Pops.
- 11 55: News.

THIRD 464m.

- 6 20: The Night Sky.
- 6 30: World of Books.
- 7 0: Record Review.
- 8 0: Bach.
- 8 25: Lenin and Imperial Germany.
- 8 45: Nancy Storace.
- 9 45: George Darley.
- 10 15: Indian Classical Music.
- LUXEMBURG 208m.
- 7 0: Requests.
- 8 0: Jamboree.
- 9 30: Scottish Requests.
- 10 0: Irish Requests.
- 10 30: Spin with the Stars.
- 11 0: Bringing Christ to the Nations.
- 11 30: Record Round-up.

AFN 344m

- 7 0: News.
- 8 0: News.
- 8 5: Grand Ole Opry.
- 8 30: Ozark Jubilee.
- 8 55: Johnny Lee Wills.
- 9 0: America's Popular Music.
- 9 55: Ebony and Ivory.
- 10 0: Music Views from Hollywood.
- 10 30: News.
- 10 35: Fiesta.
- 11 0: Sports Night Cap.
- 11 5: Club Date.
- 11 30: Requests.
- 12 0: World News.
- 12 5: Request Show.

BBC

- 1 0: O Sul i Sul.
- 1 10: Ar Grwydr.
- 2 10: I Married Joan.
- 2 35: Gardening Club.
- 3 0: A Breath of Fresh Air.
- 3 30: Summer Rhapsody.
- 4 15: Brains Trust.
- 5 0: Children.
- 6 5: Sunday Special.
- 6 45: Meeting Point.
- 7 25: News.
- 7 35: The Thin Man.
- 8 0: Grand National Night (play).
- 9 15: Max Jaffa.
- 9 45: Monitor.
- 10 30: News.
- 10 40: Weather; Epilogue.

ABC

- 10 30: Church.
- 3 0: The Other Man's Farm.
- 3 30: Old Mother Riley Overseas (film).
- 5 0: Noddy.
- 5 15: (Midlands) Ivanhoe; (North) Hawkeye.
- 5 30: What's In Store.
- 6 5: News.
- 6 15: Sunday Break.
- 7 0: Whose World?
- 7 25: News.
- 7 30: The Honeymooners.
- 8 0: Dial 999.
- 8 30: Prince of Wales.
- 9 30: News.
- 9 35: African Patrol.
- 10 5: Noon at Doomsday (play).
- 11 15: Look Ahead!
- 11 45: Epilogue.

HOME 434m.

- 7 50: First Day of the Week.
- 7 55: Weather.
- 8 0: News.
- 8 10: Programmes.
- 8 18: British Melody.
- 8 55: Weather.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 10: Home for the Day.
- 9 45: Service.
- 10 30: Music Magazine.
- 11 20: Your Concert Choice.
- 12 10: The Critics.
- 12 55: Weather.
- 1 0: News.
- 1 10: Coast and Country: Bullth Wells.
- 1 40: Singing Stars.
- 2 0: Gardeners' Question Time.
- 2 30: Concert.
- 3 45: Favourite Characters.
- 4 15: Animal Attitudes.
- 4 30: Talking About Music.
- 5 0: Children.
- 5 55: Weather.
- 6 0: News.
- 6 15: Radio Newsreel.
- 6 45: Grand Hotel.
- 7 30: Letter from America.
- 7 45: The Way of Life.
- 8 25: Appeal.
- 8 30: Eustace and Hilda.
- 9 0: News.
- 9 15: Frankly Speaking.
- 9 45: Herbert Murrill.
- 10 30: Talk.
- 10 50: Epilogue.
- 11 0: News.

Man saves dog from a python

Mr. W. J. Evans, of Humewood, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, when on a recent visit to Northern Rhodesia, saved a small dog attacked by a python. Mr. Evans, staying with his daughter, Mrs. Janet Benn, at her house in Ndola, heard Mrs. Benn's dog, Rona, yelping. In the driveway, he found a python coiled round the dog, biting its throat. Mr. Evans attacked the snake with a raw-hide whip, forcing it to release Rona, and then killed it with an axe.

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9-15: Black Prince, Bankrupt, Sir Ken, Cool Water, Jack of Diamonds.
Next Meeting: THURSDAY, JULY 10

RL Test opponents at a service
The Great Britain Rugby League team and their Australian Test opponents will attend a special sportsmen's service in a suburban church at Brisbane tomorrow.
The service was suggested by the Australian Rugby League Board of Control secretary, Mr. Harold Matthews.
Two radio sports commentators will read the Lessons. Others attending will include Peter Burge, the Australian Test cricketer.

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RL tourists' smashing win over Australians

THANKS to the brilliant leadership and great courage of their captain, Alan Prescott of St. Helens, Great Britain at Brisbane today registered a clear-cut victory by 25 points to 18 in Despite a broken right arm Prescott stayed on the field for 78 minutes.

Britain were further handicapped when Dave Bolton, the Wigan stand-off, had to leave the field injured 18 minutes after the start of the match. Also a third member of the team Jim Challinor (Warrington), was hampered by a bad shoulder.

This win means that the third and final Test at Sydney on July 19 will decide the rubber. Australia won the first Test at Sydney 25-8 on June 14.

England scored five tries to Australia's four: Australia won 14 scrums to nine, and the penalties were in favour of the home side by 9-7.

Challinor's try

Great Britain were the first to score three and a half minutes after the start. A crowd of 33,000 saw Murphy start the move by breaking through on the wing. The ball went to McTigue, then to Ashton and from him to CHALLINOR, who crossed for a try near the corner.

Australia, after a slow start, pressed hard and carried play to Britain 25-yard line. Prescott, in pain at this point, was holding his right arm beside his body, and as the Australian full-back, Clifford, moved up, Prescott could only grab him with one arm. CLIFFORD kicked a penalty.

The touring side hit back and Southward made a fine run along the line and punted over Clifford's head. Clifford tackled Southward after he had kicked ahead and referee Lawler immediately awarded a penalty and warned Clifford, pointing to the dressing-room. FRASER made no mistake with his kick and after 13 minutes the score stood 5-2 in Britain's favour.

Soon afterwards, Bolton hurt his left shoulder in a tackle and left the field. He sat on the side line with a rug around him and two ambulance men nearby.

FRASER kicked another penalty



MICK SULLIVAN

"Give me the ball—I'll show 'em."



ALAN PRESCOTT

What's a broken arm in this game?

for the touring team and a try by SULLIVAN put England 10-2 up at half-time.

Four minutes after the resumption Britain crossed again. Murphy, snapping up the ball in mid-field, cut through neatly and, drawing Clifford out of position, sent SOUTHWARD away on a 20 yards sprint to touch down. FRASER kicked the goal.

KARALIUS, THE LOOSE FORWARD, HAD MOVED TO STAND-OFF, AND PRESCOTT WAS ALMOST A CRIPPLE WITH A BROKEN RIGHT FORE-ARM

Australia's first try came 12 minutes after the change-over, when MARSH threw himself over the line from a ruck. CLIFFORD goaled. Challinor, with a magnificent interception, saved his line when Australia seemed certain to score again and almost immediately England crossed for a sparkling try. McTigue broke away and although his pass went loose it was kicked ahead by SOUTHWARD who grabbed the ball and touched down between the posts. FRASER thumped the goal over the bar.

Then Australia came back into the picture again when CARLSON crossed for a try in the corner. But the touring side struck back again when Karalius and Murphy combined in a bewildering move on Australia's 25-yard line.

Timely back pass

Murphy broke away from a scrum and fired a pass to Karalius who moved inside and passed back for MURPHY to touch down between the posts. FRASER again added the goal points.

Australia fought back in the closing stages and DIAMOND and HOLMAN crossed for tries, CLIFFORD improving the second.

Great Britain: E. Fraser (Warrington); I. Southward (Workington Town); J. Challinor (Warrington); E. Ashton (Wigan), M. Sullivan (Wigan); D. Bolton (Wigan), A. Murphy (St. Helens); B. McTigue (Wigan), T. Harris (Hull), A. Prescott (St. Helens, captain), R. Huddart (Whitehaven), J. Whiteley (Hull), V. Karalius (St. Helens).

Australia: G. Clifford; P. Diamond, G. Hawick, B. Carlson, R. Kite; A. Brown, K. Holman; W. Marsh, K. Kearney, B. Davies, M. Provan, R. Mossop, K. O'Shea.

CLL SCORES AND DETAILS

Middleton v. Heywood

HEYWOOD	
S. Smith not out	13
Purser b Horrox	3
Hopkinson b Gilchrist	0
Wild b Gilchrist	12
Wilson not out	12
Extras	3
Total (for 3 wks.)	31

Milnrow v. Rochdale

MILNROW	
Leach c Pratt b Phadkar	1
Jones c Holland b Hartley	13
Knight c Cooper b Hartley	0
Fittion c Fleming b Phadkar	4
Flaherty not out	4
Lee b Phadkar	4
Lomax b Phadkar	0
Wright not out	6
Extras	4
Total (for 6 wks.)	36

Walsden v. Castleton M.

CASTLETON MOOR	
McDonough c Walker b Coupe	14
Gowland c Connor b Green	6
Manjrekar not out	1
Mitchell not out	0
Extras	4
Total (for 2 wks.)	25

Oldham v. Radcliffe

RADCLIFFE	
Hamilton c Millward b Vohra	9
Bottomley c Acton b Lawton	4
Sober c Cunningham b Lawton	11
Magnall not out	16
Shaw c Acton b Lawton	4
Fogg not out	0
Extras	4
Total (for 4 wks.)	48

Royton v. Littleborough

ROYTON	
Denison c Jackson b Halliday	2
Lees c Jackson b Halliday	0
Etchells run out	8
Fish c Jackson b Halliday	1
Longbottom not out	9
Taylor not out	0
Total (for 4 wks.)	20

Werneth v. Stockport

WERNETH	
Heywood b Brookes	13
Meynell c Mankad b Brookes	62
Borde lbw b Brown	15
Alker not out	0
Langton not out	0
Total (for 3 wks.)	90

Ashton v. Crompton

ASHTON	
Booth v Shannon b Vijayarathay	4
Ganley lbw b Everett	1
Wood c Derbyshire b Vijayarathay	1
Bartels not out	17
Hollingsworth b Hanif	6
Lynton b Hanif	0
Brierley b Hanif	0
Cunliffe not out	6
Extras	2
Total (for 6 wks.)	38

GILCHRIST IN RARE FORM AT MIDDLETON

SEEKING to avenge an early season defeat, Heywood were put in to bat by Middleton in the derby game at Towncroft. Middleton's opening pace attack of Horrox and professional Gilchrist, had the help of a lively wicket in keeping the batsmen quiet.

In his second over Horrox bowled Purser, then in the next over Gilchrist beat Hopkinson with a ball that kept low and Heywood were five for two.

Gilchrist again hit the wicket in his next over to dismiss Wilson and bring his figures to two for six.

The first boundary shot came after 50 minutes, a cover drive by Smith off the professional. Heywood's batsmen unused to Gilchrist's pace were losing their wickets by playing too late.

At the beginning of the match the gate was already one of the largest of the season.

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HARTLEY BROUGHT DRAMATIC CHANGE

MILNROW'S biggest crowd of the season, no doubt attracted by the sun and the drawing power of the visitors, saw a quiet start to the game with Rochdale.

But under the surface there was the prospect of an exciting battle, particularly if the sun should have any effect on a sodden wicket.

Milnrow won the toss and Ken Leach and Len Jones opened. Jones was the more adventurous, although any one of the three early lofted shots might have been his last.

Leach was very quiet and his defensive bat brought him only one of the first 14 runs scored in the opening half hour.

Deep in trouble

The introduction of young Wilson Hartley into the Rochdale attack brought a dramatic change over the game, as Milnrow lost six wickets in adding only 14 runs.

Hartley started the slump by dismissing Jones in his second over, and Phadkar followed this by forcing Leach to give a catch.

Shock No. 3 came when Doug Knight pulled a ball from Hartley straight to Cooper at square leg.

Brian Fittion came in, to take four off Phadkar, but then he edged the ball from the Indian.

Mick Fleming snapped up the chance, and Milnrow were deep in trouble. It was a position Phadkar exploited to the full by bowling Lee and Lomax in the same over.

The game was now only an hour old, but it looked all over.

POLICE INTERVIEW 'A-BOMB' MAN

IPSWICH police were today investigating a statement last night by a 34-year-old agricultural worker that he had written and posted to the Soviet Embassy in London the "Atom bomb in the North Sea" letter.

The man, Mr. William Stanley Whales, of Lower Brook Street, Ipswich, signed the statement in the presence of three witnesses.

It said he had been anxious to draw attention to complaints "about the treatment which was meted out to me when I was serving in the Royal Air Force, from which I was medically discharged on August 21, 1957, after 15 years' service."

Mr. Whales told a reporter today that he wrote three letters addressed to Mr. Malik and posted them together. One of the letters gave an account of his grievances connected with his service in the RAF, the second set out his complaint about the requisitioning of his father's land in Norfolk by the Air Ministry, and the third was the 'A-bomb' letter.

Boy drowns in pond

Daniel James McLeod (11), of Stanley Cottage, Weeton, near Blackpool, was drowned last night at Moor's Field, Weeton, while showing his brother Gordon (14), and 12-year-old Frank Kibble how he had learned to swim at school. The boy's father, Mr. Alick McLeod, dived into the pond and recovered his son's body.

At the National Police Championships in London today, the women's 100-yd. event was won by D. Kearton (Stockport Borough) in 11.8sec., which equals the best championship performance.

Tedious cricket

Royton had to struggle for 20 runs

ERIC DENISON raised a great cheer when he scored Royton's first two runs at The Paddock. It had taken nearly twenty minutes.

The shock was too much for his partner, Ken Lees, for he touched a ball from Littleborough's opening pace bowler, Jim Halliday, straight into the hands of wicketkeeper Roy Jackson.

Denison had sent the cutters of Littleborough's Israr Ali round the field. But they all went straight to a tight and confident field.

It looked as if big hitter Alf Etchells would wake Royton to life. From Halliday he flashed a brave six over the square-leg boundary. Then he went for another run—and ran himself out. Israr Ali and Halliday seemed dangerous and accurate on a wicket that must have been slow, and after 40 minutes Royton had scored exactly 10 runs.

The crowd got its biggest thrill when Donald Longbottom had the sight-screen moved a yard.

Harold Fish went for one run after 25 minutes at the wicket. Again the ball was taken far back by wicketkeeper Jackson, and again off Halliday. The score was 16 for four.

Lawton is chief danger to Radcliffe

IT was as if Oldham's prayers had been answered at The Pollards this afternoon. The sun broke through to welcome star West Indian, Garfield Sobers—and there was shirt-sleeved crowd,

And to reward those who did turn up, Radcliffe won the toss and batted first on a soft wicket.

The first two overs were quiet enough, Geoff Fletcher and Lal Vohra bowling a maiden each to Radcliffe's amateur opening pair, Bob Hamilton and Derek Bottomley.

Then Hamilton oiled the cogs of his run-making machine and took the first run with a pull to fine leg off Fletcher.

Two extras nudged the score along, but still the batsmen were penned in their creases by good length bowling. It was a quarter-of-an-hour before Bottomley got off the mark, and this was a hurried run which almost resulted in him being run out.

As expected on the rain affected wicket it was not long before spinner Bill Lawton came into the attack and his first over showed that the ball was turning.

Hamilton was even luckier in the next over from Vohra. Norman Wrigley at second slip got his left hand to a snick but dropped the catch. His luck ran out, though, in Vohra's next over, when he mistimed a drive and was caught by Millward at mid-off.

Cec Pepper came into the attack, but it was Lawton who was proving to be Radcliffe's wrecker. Next he had Eric Shaw turning a catch into Acton's eager hands at short leg and at this stage he had taken three wickets for 22 runs.

LINGFIELD 4 0. Objection sustained. Result now reads:—
Donna (E Smith) 1
Romsey (J Lindley) 2
Sister Willow (G Starkey) 3
4/11 fav., 20/1, 23/1. Result:
HAYDOCK 4 15.
Royal Mirway (E Mercer) 1
Beddington (A C Rawlinson) 2
Swanland Boy (E Britt) 3
9/4 fav., 7/2, 8/1. 8 ran.
NEWMARKET 4 30. Result:
Ma Marie (F Durr) 1,
Full Pitch (W H Carr) 2,
Piona (S Clayton) 3.
6/1, 7/1, 7/2 f.f.
Street Song 7/2 f.f.
BATH 4 30. Result:
Summoned (G Lewis) 1
Flash Past (R Lawson) 2
Lunch Interval (J Purcell) 3
3/1, 7/2, 5/2 fav. 13 ran.

LINGFIELD 4 30. Result:
Festive (J Lynch) 1,
Persian Highlight (J Mercer) 2,
Tee Two (B Jago) 3.
9/4 fav., 9/2, 20/1. 9 ran.
STOCKTON 4 30. Result:
Scorton Arrow (E Larkin) 1
Monawin (B Mooney) 2
Mossy Face (P E Boothman) 3
100/30 fav., 4/1, 5/1. 9 ran.
HAYDOCK 4 45. Result:
Bengal Lancer (B Swift) 1
Career Girl (E Mercer) 2
Swanland Prince (A Potts) 3
5/4, 5/6 fav., 33/1 5 ran
LANCS 32-3. Barber b Savage
15, Wharton c Spencer b Boshier
11, Pullar n.o. 3, Washbrook c
Lester b Smith 3
SOMERSET 187-8
ESSEX 225-6.
CAMBRIDGE 162-3
KENT 143 all
WARWICK 174-5

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