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WARDLE SENSATION

Leaves Roses game to 'speak his mind'

JOHNNY WARDLE, the England bowler who was sensationally sacked by Yorkshire this week, provided another shock before the opening of today's Roses game at Old Trafford.

Wardle asked for permission to stand down from the team—and gave as his reason the fact that a newspaper article would appear during the course of the game—an article which would carry Wardle's comments about his Yorkshire colleagues.

The announcement of Wardle's action was made early this afternoon by the Yorkshire skipper, J. R. Burnet. He made the following statement.

"J. H. Wardle has requested that he stand down from the match because of comments he intends to make about his colleagues in a newspaper article to be published while the match is in progress. He has been given permission to stand down and has left the ground."

HARSH THINGS

There seems little doubt that Wardle intends to say some harsh things about his colleagues. He is already reported as challenging them to say whether they have complained about his conduct or behaviour.

His withdrawal from the team seems to indicate that he wants full freedom to express his opinions about the causes of his dismissal from the Yorkshire side after this season.

If he does go in for criticism, it may well be that he will never appear for Yorkshire again—not even in the short time that is left to him.

Quick wicket for Statham

THE game began at 3.15 after a number of inspections. Yorkshire won the toss and batted.

After he had taken a single from Statham's opening over Sharpe had a lucky escape from the first ball Tattersall sent down. He edged it to slip where Grieves, usually the safest of catchers, dropped a simple chance.

Statham appeared to have some difficulty with his run-up on the greasy turf.

Double figures were on the board in a quarter of an hour, when Statham struck the first blow for Lancashire by yorking Sharpe.

Taylor then narrowly escaped being caught at the wicket in glancing Statham for a single. The first boundary came after 50 minutes, when Taylor forced Statham away to mid-wicket.

Cowes Week opens : Duke may compete

Cowes Yachting Week, which this year extends over nine days, opened today with the regatta of the Royal Southampton YC conducted jointly from the Royal Yacht Squadron and the island sailing club.

Sunderland's chairman

Colonel John Turnbull has resigned from the chairmanship of the Sunderland FC board of directors because of ill-health. His place has been taken by Mr. Stanley Ritson.

Commonwealth v Britain Eldon fails to 'arrest' Aussie star

KEITH GARDNER (Jamaica), double Empire Games gold medalist, retained his form for the Commonwealth team against Britain at the White City, London, today.

Gardner won the 120 yards hurdles, at which he is Empire champion, by inches from the South African, J. Malan. Gardner was smartly away and was always in front of the five rivals.

Stan Eldon, the speedy Reading policeman, failed to catch the Australian, Bert Thomas, in the three-mile race. He finished second, with Gordon Pirie third.

Heather Young (Longwood Ladies) gave Britain the first win when she out-ran the former world record holder, Betty Cuthbert (Australia) to win the women's 100-yd. event in 10.8sec. June Paul took the second place in the same time, and pushed Miss Cuthbert into third place in 11sec.

After the women's 100 yards, both Mrs. Young and Mrs. Paul said: "We are determined to beat the Australians every time, because we think we are the fastest girls running in the world."

'Determined'

The 440-yd. event saw the eclipse of the Empire champion Milkha Singh, of India, who only managed to struggle into fourth place—a second behind the winner Melville Spence (South Africa) whose time of 47.1sec. set up a track record.

Molly Hiscox (Spartan Ladies AC) smashed the world record for women's 440yds. by returning 55.6sec.

120 Yards Hurdles: 1, K Gardner (Empire) 14.4sec.; 2, J Malan (Empire); 3, J Swart (Empire).

100 Yards (Invitation): 1, M G Agostini (Canada) 9.8sec.; 2, D H Segal (GB); 3, J S Omagbemi (Nigeria).

Women's 100 Yards: 1, H Young (GB) 10.8sec.; 2, J Paul (GB); 3, B Cuthbert (Empire).

Men's 440 Yards: 1, M C Spence (Empire) 47.1sec.; 2, J E Salisbury (GB) 47.8; 3, K R Gosper (Empire) 48.

Three Miles: 1, A G Thomas (Empire) 13min. 20.6sec.; 2, E Eldon (GB) 13-23; 3, D A G Pirie (GB) 13-34.

Women's 4 x 110 Yard Relay: 1, Great Britain (M Weston, D Hyman, J Paul, H Young) 45.9sec.; 2, Empire (B Cuthbert, E J Haslam, W Hayes, E A Shaw) 47.7 sec. Won by 20 yards.

M Halberg (New Zealand) won the Emsley Carr Mile in 4min. 6.5sec. from M Lincoln (Australia) with G D Ibbotson (GB) third.



OPENING BLOW FOR WERNETH

AFTER a delay of 40 minutes due to the wet wicket at the Coppice, there was a shock for Werneth in the first over against Wood Cup winners, Rochdale. Dattu Phadkar, Rochdale's Indian professional, who beat Werneth single-handed in the Wood Cup, struck again by getting skipper Denis Heywood caught at first slip without a run on the board.

Rochdale had won the toss and taken the bold step of putting Werneth in to bat. A strong, blustery wind helped Phadkar to move his outswinger viciously, and it was this that beat Heywood.

After playing the first six balls comfortably, he followed the seventh which swung away to the off and nudged an easy catch to Rochdale's captain, Jackie Hunter, in the slips.

Meynell opens score

Meynell got Werneth's first runs when he scored a boundary in Geoff Frain's first over, and then Alker took the first runs off Phadkar when he pulled a short ball to the square leg boundary.

Young Meynell, who thwarted Rochdale for two hours and 50 minutes in the Wood Cup final, again looked confident. But after Frain had bowled three overs, left-arm spinner Ken Smith came on and matched Phadkar's first-over success by getting Meynell leg before.

The Werneth man had scored 15 of the 22 runs on the board.



Alf Alker sweeps a ball from Phadkar, and wicketkeeper Holland ducks as the ball goes speeding to the boundary. An incident in the Werneth-Rochdale game at The Coppice today.

CLL SCORES AND DETAILS

Stockport v Walsden

WALSDEN	
Sutcliffe b Brown	13
Connor c Wigglesworth b Mankad	0
Newton lbw b Mankad	7
Walker lbw b Brown	3
Barker lbw b Mankad	7
Cordingley b Brown	2
Moss not out	11
Crossley not out	1
Extras	0
Total (for 6 wks)	44

Werneth v Rochdale

WERNETH	
Heywood c Hunter b Phadkar	0
Meynell lbw b Smith	15
Alker not out	10
Borde not out	0
Extras	1
Total (for 2 wks)	26

Ashton v Middleton

MIDDLETON	
Hyde c Wood b Bartels	44
Crook lbw b Bartels	17
McDougall not out	7
Fawkes b Bartels	2
Gilchrist not out	0
Extras	1
Total (for 3 wks)	71

Castleton M v Oldham

CASTLETON MOOR	
McDonough b Fletcher	14
Govland not out	12
Manjrekar not out	0
Total (for 1 wkt)	26

Royton v Milnrow

ROYTON	
Denison not out	16
Lees not out	4
Total (for 0 wks)	20

Littleboro' v Heywood

LITTLEBOROUGH	
Jackson c Mooney b Liddle	8
Hawkward run out	0
Williamson b Liddle	1
Israr Ali not out	22
Whatnough not out	14
Extras	8
Total (for 3 wks)	53

Crompton v Radcliffe

Match abandoned

WALSDEN LOSE SIX FOR 44 AT STOCKPORT

WALSDEN ran smack into trouble at Cale Green this afternoon. It started in the second over from Mankad. Off the sixth ball, wicket-keeper George Wigglesworth took Bill Connor for a duck and Walsden had not opened the scoring.

Alan Sutcliffe was bowled by Brown for 13 and then three wickets fell at 22, 23 and 25.

Len Moss, who exploited Stockport not having a third man, got two fours off fast bowler Brown, and Walsden pulled round to 44 before the sixth wicket fell, Bill Barker's.

COUNTY CAPS FOR MARNER AND PULLAR



Geoff Pullar

LANCASHIRE today awarded county caps to two young batsmen—Geoff Pullar (23) and Peter Marner (22). They have been together in century stands against Warwickshire and Gloucestershire this week. Marner is the only Lancashire batsman who has scored over 1,000 runs this season to date. (See Mirror of Sport, Page 10.)

batting the eyelids!

It was, we believe, Jack Hobbs who said a certain rabbit at the crease was such a liability to his side that he couldn't even bat an eyelid! Whatever sort of bat you yourself need—for the noblest game of all; for Henry VIII's favourite, tennis; or for "Ping-Pong"—we can supply one of the right weight, balance, and size. In fact, the only bats we don't stock will be found in beifries . . .



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THAT MIDWEEK VENTURE ISN'T LIKELY TO BE REPEATED

The shadow of Goodwood spoiled Irwell races

EVEN if one allows for the fact that Goodwood's shadow was there, the racing at Castle Irwell on Wednesday hit its lowest level—only 22 horses to contest six events for £2,000 in prize money, writes The Ringer.

That fact in itself was bad enough, but just consider the fare provided by the handful of runners—

Race 1: Five ran and favourite "drew away" to win by four lengths, eight between second and third.

Race 2: Three ran; winner won "comfortably."

Race 3: Three ran; winner "never hard pressed."

Race 4: Four ran; winner had six lengths to spare.

Race 5: Three ran in a well-contested race.

Race 6: Four ran; winner "won easily."

If that constitutes a day's racing those who like it that way can have it. Many racegoers who spent their half-day holiday at Castle Irwell were bitterly sarcastic about this midweek venture during Goodwood.

Manchester cannot afford another date like this if it is to keep its public and gain newcomers.

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It was encouraging to see two of the important dailies shouting for a change in the rules of betting after the 33-1 winner of the Stewards' Cup. Here was a stable running two horses, of which the daily Press tipsters declared for one, Idler, in preference to the top weight, Epaulette—not one important racing correspondent supported the latter.

Idler was quoted at 100-6 and Epaulette, the winner, at 33-1. So anyone investing on the stable's selected actually chose Idler, which finished sixth. A fairer system of betting would be the quoting of odds against a stable where two or more horses from that establishment run in the same race. In France this is a rule of betting.

Therefore it should have been possible to back O'Gorman's stable (Epaulette and Idler coupled) at say 8-1 or 10-1 and also to back Budgett's pair, Logarithm (100-7) and Antony (100-7) also at similar prices. Some day such a change will come. But, meantime, the racegoer is on a loser when he tries to separate a stable's runners.

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On Bank Holiday Monday there are five flat race meetings as well as jumping at Newton Abbot, so racegoers all over the country will have plenty of opportunities to make their holiday expenses.

At Wolverhampton, the Holiday Handicap will see Vantage attempting to concede weight all round.

This four-year-old is overdue for a win and this may be his chance, but if Festive goes here this colt should be successful.

The Bradford Handicap, the chief race at Ripon, gives a winning opportunity to Gold Diver, which was second in his last race and is coming to hand.

At Newcastle, the Cheviot Handicap is worth over £1,400 to the winner, which may be the Middleham-trained Palor, beaten half a length only by Devonport at Ayr last month when trying to give his conqueror 9lb.

One of the best things at Chepstow's holiday meeting may be Fair Gledhill in the Welsh Stewards' Cup.

Next week's flat racing fixtures.

Monday: Epsom, Newcastle, Chepstow, Ripon and Wolverhampton. Tuesday: Chepstow, Ripon, Wolverhampton and Brighton. Wednesday: Pontefract, Brighton and Yarmouth. Friday: Newmarket and Redcar. Saturday: Newmarket, Redcar and Lewes.

Institutes Cricket League RAIN PUT A STOP TO PLAY

RAIN prevented any decision in the only league game due to be played last Saturday in the Oldham & District Institute Cricket League. In their home match against Kirkham & Mannock's at Westwood Park, George Orme's batted first and had scored 44 for the loss of two wickets when rain stopped play.

Better weather is hoped for during the coming week when the Charity Cup final is to be played on The Pollards, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The two finalists are Oldham Brewery and George Orme's, and the game, which appears to be completely open, should prove a very interesting one.

LEAGUE TABLES

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Mallinson's	7	5	1	1	11
Kirkham & Mannock's	7	4	2	1	10
George Orme's	7	3	2	2	8
Oldham Brewery	8	3	1	4	7
Chadderton United	6	2	1	3	5
Bee Mill	9	1	1	7	3

The three tunnel type passenger shelters to be bought by the Oldham Surveyors Committee are to cost £1,150.

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE OF INLAND WATERWAYS

ANGLERS throughout the country must be pleased to hear the proposals contained in the report of the committee of inquiry considering the future of canals and inland waterways. Many of the waterways are to be improved and additional traffic sought in order to make the canals more economical.

Anglers have often moaned when barges moving up and down a canal have spoiled their matches, but taking a long-term view, the barges are the saviours of the fishing.

How many canals have become silted and weeded up within a few years of the traffic ceasing? The lock gates rot, the weeds encroach from either side and finally the canal is little more than an elongated swamp. When boats ply on a canal the waters must be kept clear and open.

Among the waterways to be further developed are included some good fishing waters, Kennet and Avon, River Lee, Witham and Weaver. Among the narrow canals to be restored over a five-year period, in order to take larger craft with full pay loads, are the Leeds-Liverpool Canal, the Shropshire Union Canal, and the Trent and Mersey Canal, all containing favourite venues for local anglers.

It is proposed by the committee that to encourage trade the navigable system should be maintained to prescribed standards for 25 years. It therefore appears that if the proposals are carried out, some angling waters will be guaranteed for many years.

Copies of the report can be obtained from the Stationery Office, King Street, Manchester.

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LAST Sunday three members of the United Anglers forsook the quiet waters of the reservoirs, and like Jerome K. Jerome's three famous characters, took to a boat. Fishing with big lug-worms throughout, good catches were taken in spite of regular attacks of "mal de mer."

Dabs about six to eight inches long were caught with regularity, sometimes one, sometimes two, but the best effort came from the boatman who landed five on five hooks and these flopped out of the sea like a giant necklace. Codling, whiting and pouch whiting were also included in the catch.

ANGLING NOTES by KB

Two of the members returned to Oldham with a bag containing between 40-50lb. of mixed fish, which were shared between friends and neighbours, with a feeling of contentment after one of the finest day's fishing they had ever enjoyed.

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LAST Saturday the Chadderton Angling Association held their juvenile match at Stakehill. As is usual on juvenile matches the weather was poor and the last hour of the match was fished in a thunderstorm.

The results were: 1, Peter Green, 5oz. 6dr.; 2, Ian Gee, 1oz. 4dr.; 3, K. Chadderton, 1oz. 2dr.; 4, K. Dawson, 14dr. The next club match will be held on the River Weaver on August 10. Entries should be sent to the secretary, Mr. J. R. Goodwin, 117 Cowhill Chadderton.

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THE Waterhead Angling Club also hold their next match on the River Ouse at Bishopthorpe, York, on August 10. The coach will leave the Playhouse Cinema at 5.30 a.m. On August 6, the club will hold a special meeting at their headquarters, the George and Dragon Hotel, to make final arrangements for the match.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA REINTRODUCES THE 'PILLORY'

A 20th-century form of the old "village pillory" is being used in Czechoslovakia to punish drunkards. J. Hons, a peasant at Bechyne, South Bohemia, got drunk and shouted during the night. Bechyne National Committee (local government body) fined him 2,000 crowns (£100) and ordered street loud-speakers "to broadcast his shame to the population for three days."

A time to gobble.



AT times one may linger over the taking of a trick; at other times gobbling is essential. Love all; dealer North.

♠ J 9 6 4
 ♥ A K 9
 ♦ 7 5 2
 ♣ 10 7 4

♠ 8
 ♥ Q 7 5 2
 ♦ A K J 10
 ♣ K 5 3 2

♠ A 3
 ♥ 8 6 4
 ♦ 9 8 6 4
 ♣ A J 9 8

♠ K Q 10 7 5 2
 ♥ J 10 3
 ♦ Q 3
 ♣ Q 6

North bid one diamond and South replied with one spade. North, disliking spades, re-bid two clubs and South replied with two spades.

So far, so good; but North now made the dreadful bid of two no-trumps and this should have encouraged South—with his goodies outside the spade suit—to bid three no-trumps.

But South had been there before and settled for three

spades, North eventually observing the golden rule.

West led the king of hearts, but, on seeing dummy, quickly switched to the 10 of clubs.

On dummy's two of clubs, East played the nine to instruct West to continue with clubs when he next had the lead. This defence would be excellent on occasions, but this was the time to gobble.

South made the queen of clubs and quickly reeled off three rounds of diamonds, on the last of which he discarded the six of clubs. Now dummy's spade was led and East rushed in with the ace to lead a heart.

West won and led a club, but South trumped and played out the king and queen of spades. West still had to make the knave, but South lost only two hearts and two spades.

East should play the ace of clubs at the second trick and lead back a heart; furthermore, instead of gobbling the spade he should have played the three when dummy's eight was led. This could not lose and in fact might have gained a trick.

EWART KEMPSON

19th-HOLE TOPICS

Court appeal to raise his handicap

"**W**ACHT is a handicap?" the judge might have said when New Yorker William Wacht (pronounced Watt) asked the State Supreme Court to raise his golf handicap from 29 to 34.

This novel piece of litigation, even for America, is the outcome of a common characteristic among golfers—a disparity between form shown in matchplay and scores returned in strokeplay.

Mr. Wacht, retired estate agent and obviously not an improving golfer, usually scores more than 100, but can go round in 90 in a match. For that reason his club refused to increase his handicap. So now, taking the law into his own hands, Judge Samuel Eagar, being a golfer, has decided to play a round with Wacht—just to see Wacht's Wacht.

If this should catch on over here, our courts would need enlarging. Most golfers claim their handicaps are wrong by quite a margin. And while our judges would enjoy a lot of recreation. Their handicaps might also do with some investigation!

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THE "Bob-a-Nob" subscription schemes now in force in England and Scotland have rendered unnecessary the International Golf Fund, inaugurated by Lord Bruce of Melbourne three years ago. Hence the announcement that the fund is being wound up.

The two national unions have agreed to provide money towards the cost of running the Walker Cup, and other important international golf matches. Wales and Ireland, who have run similar individual schemes for some years, also contribute towards the same purpose.

This is all to the good. Instead of a few wealthier individuals being volunteer contributors, every golfer throughout the country, rich or poor, young or old, will now pay his "wack" and will be feeling happier that he is doing his bit, however small, towards the promotion of bigger and better amateur golf.

Another good thing is that the R and A will now be assured of a certain and possible increasing income to carry out their heavy international obligations.

Lord Bruce's fund amounted to £5,238 of which donations of £2,000 were made to the Walker Cup fund, and £500 each to the English and Scottish Unions. The £1,900 left in the "kitty" will now be handed to the R and A.

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LLANDUDNO, where upwards of £6,000 has been spent on promotions in the past seven years, will give big golf a miss next year. The Maesdu club could have staged for the fourth year, the Professional Golfers' Association British Close Championship.

Mainly because the same sources would have to be asked for subs towards the £1,000 guarantee fund, the club have, in advance of any negotiations with the PGA, said they would prefer not to stage the tournament in 1959. The Close Championship, however, may still be staged in Wales as another club is interested.

Llandudno's decision does not mean that the town has lost interest in major tournaments, and efforts are being continued to bring to Maesdu in the future one of the more important competitions open to overseas visitors.

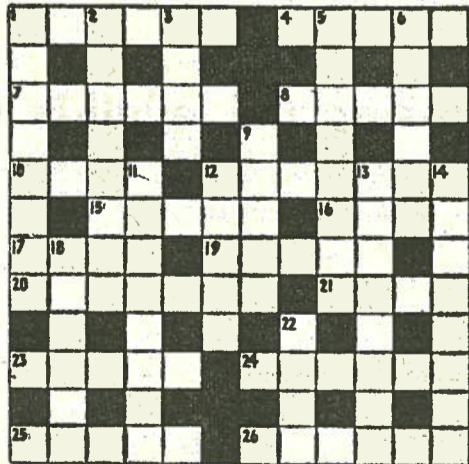
World's largest cuckoo clock

What is believed to be the world's largest cuckoo clock has just been inaugurated at Villa Carlos Paz, a summer resort in Cordoba, Argentina. The machinery is moved by a 225lb. weight and the sound actuated by two half-horse-power electric motors. The hour and half-hour strikes are given by a popping wooden cuckoo accompanied by a loud gong.

CROSSWORD No. 1541

ACROSS

- 1 Back up, but not for long (6).
- 4 Burst of speed (5).
- 7 A day at the seaside, maybe (8).
- 8 Suitable name for a simpleton? (5).
- 10 Like mutton or the dodo? (4).
- 12 Shopping galleries, or a might a 1) them (7).
- 15 First and reverse, for instance (5).
- 16 No waiter, they say (4).
- 17 Frank n a s r o t h i m s to write (4).
- 19 Fish on foot (5).
- 20 Not all (7).
- 21 Tips a a h some sand (3).
- 23 It's a point in Devonshire (5).
- 24 Hospital controller (6).
- 25 In the North gold would be called this (5).
- 26 Cheshire, possibly (6).



DOWN

- 1 Is it blooming cold? (5).
- 3 He lives in the country as a rule (6).
- 3 Number (4).

- 5 Archbishops (8).
- 6 Like an objection? (5).
- 9 Welles (5).
- 11 NHS fittings? (3).
- 12 No matchless crime? (5).
- 13 Scatter the red spies for a change (5).
- 14 It carries conviction, of course (3).
- 18 Peevish pigeon? (6).
- 22 Tie up and fog (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3, Manicure. 8, Scream. 9, Recorder. 11, Retainer. 12, Snag. 13, Tells. 19, Is-is. 22, Distance. 24, Adriatic. 25, Ghetto. 26, Monotony. Down: 1, Usurp. 2, Grate. 3, Mariner. 4, Amen. 5, Ivor. 8, Undone. 7, Enrage. 10, Cells. 14, Limit. 15, Sketchy. 16, Dis-arm. 17, Citron. 20, Unity. 21, Demon. 22, Daft. 23, Sign.

Aussie swim blitz, but we did well

LOOKING BACK ON THE EMPIRE GAMES RESULTS

DESPITE the Australian blitz on Empire swimming titles and world records at Cardiff, which earned them 11 gold, six silver and five bronze medals, swimmers and divers from the home countries gave a memorable display, England collecting six first, five second and eight third places, while the Scots tally was two first and two second positions.

The Australians displayed their world leadership in the freestyle events and only Scotland's Ian Black, with that magnificent swim in the 440yds, which separated Jon Konrads from Gary Winram, prevented the swimmers from "down under" cleaning up on gold and silver.

The Australian strength at this style can be judged from the fact that they were able to perform this feat without the assistance of Olympic champions, Jon Henricks, Murray Rose, and former world record holder, Rex Aubrey, who are in America, and Olympic sprint bronze medallist, Faith Leech, who was forced to retire from the sport through ill-health at the beginning of this year.

Dawn Fraser, world 110yds. and 100 metre record holder, took the sprint in easy fashion to reduce her records by one-tenth with 61.4sec., beating Lorraine Crapp 63.8sec., and Alva Colquhoun 64sec., by a three-yard margin, Diana Wilkinson, who lost her British and English records to Judy Grinham in the women's 4 x 110yds. freestyle team race (Judy did 65.3sec. to lower the record by four-tenths), returned 65.85sec. to claim fourth place, but Judy Grinham with 66.5sec. in her heat of the individual event, failed to qualify for the final.

Australia again

Again in the men's 110 yards it was 1, 2, 3 for Australia, their 21-year-old captain, John Devitt, was home first in 56.6sec., only 1.4sec. outside his world record. Devitt was closely followed by Gary Chapman who put up an identical time, and Geoff Shipton 57sec. was third. Neil McKechnie, 59.2sec., finished sixth, although if Neil had reproduced his season's best time, 58.2sec., fourth place would have been his. As it was, Cameron Grout (Canada), 58.5sec. and Burer (South Africa) 58.7sec., defeated him.

Ilsa Konrads swam her fastest 440 yards ever, 4min. 49.4sec. missing Lorraine Crapp's world record by a mere eight-tenths and becoming the first girl to return under five minutes for this distance in Britain with a runaway victory.

The other two five-minute Australians were well below their best form, Dawn Fraser clocking 5min. 0.8sec. and Lorraine Crapp returning 5min. 6.7sec. Elspeth Ferguson finished strongly to scrape in fourth with a good time by British standards of 5min. 15.2sec., pipping tiny Nan Rae, Scotland, 5min. 16.3sec., and Diana Wilkinson, 5min. 21.3sec., almost on the post.

Exciting finish

Diana gamely swam in this event after her tremendous performance against Dawn Fraser in the women's medley team race. Earlier in the heats Diana brought her British and English quarter-mile record down to 5min. 13.1sec., only to see her British mark broken by Nan Rae, who registered 5min. 12.2sec. one heat later.

Ilsa Konrads's 16-year-old brother Jon gained comfortable and convincing wins in both the quarter-mile and 1,650 yards. For the former he clocked 4min. 25.9sec., a new games record.

Although 4.1sec. short of his world target, Scotland's Ian Black, with that exciting finish, secured second place, putting up 4min. 28.5sec., to reduce the European 400-metre record held by Russian Boris Nikitin by 1.6sec. He clipped 8.4sec. off his own British long course record, and claimed the official British record of Neil McKechnie's 4min. 31.6sec. (short course), set at Wallasey in 1956.

Konrads gave an astonishing 1,650yd. display, racing home by 50 yards from fellow Aussie Gary Win-



JEAN OLDRLOYD, of Dewsbury, will swim for Britain in the 100-metre butterfly at the European Championships.

ram, in 17min. 45.4sec. This time Konrads is well wide of his world record of 17min. 28.7sec. Gary Winram did 18min. 17.2sec. and the third and fourth swimmers were McLachlan (South Africa) 18min. 19.1sec., and Canada's Bill Slater 18min. 51.4sec.

Scotsman Bob Sreenan was nearly two lengths behind Konrads at the finish, but still succeeded in becoming the first British swimmer to break 20min. for this distance with his 18min. 55.8sec.

The previous best was 20min. 2.7sec. set by Don Bland (Lambton) at the Vancouver Games four years ago.

Terry Gathercole, holder of the world 110yds. and 220yds. breaststroke records, remained unchallenged over 220yds. and was near his record of 2min. 40.5sec. with a 2min. 41.2sec. in his heat and 2min. 41.6sec. in the final.

Peter Rocchi (South Africa) with a fast 2min. 44.9sec. collected the silver medal, but the times of the two English boys and Welshman who occupied third, fourth and fifth positions, proved a disappointment. Chris Walkden's 2min. 47.3sec. is his season's fastest figure, established long course, although it falls 1.3sec. short of his best ever time of two years ago.

Newcomer's time

Newcomer Dick Hemingway's 2min. 50.1sec. is a personal best mark but nevertheless slow, while Welshman John Beavan's 2min. 50.9sec. is two seconds off his season's fastest time.

Brian Day, England's main hope, who has been swimming exceptionally well, failed to qualify for the final with a heat time of 2min. 53.2sec.

Giant John Monckton who took over the main Australian backstroke responsibility when Olympic champion David Teale turned down the invitation, gained an easy victory

over 110yd. in 61.7sec., just one-fifth of a second off his world record. His team partner, John Hayres followed up 1.8sec. behind with Wheaton of Canada in third place 66.5sec.

Haydn Rigby, who was treated badly by the British selectors and dropped from the internationals against France and Germany without any apparent reason, recorded his season's fastest time, 67.9sec.

Graham Sykes returned the same time but was placed fifth. Sykes, however, had not fully recovered from the illness which kept him in bed for several days. In June Graham Sykes set up a British record of 64.8sec. and, had he been fit, he would without doubt have gained a bronze medal and would have probably have given Hayres a good race for second place. Mike Payne, on whom the British selectors have lavished such attention, failed with 70.2sec. to gain entry into the final.

All three medals

It was England's turn to take all three medals in the women's 220-yd. breaststroke. From unknown to Empire champion in eight weeks is the Anita Lonsborough story. Two years ago, to assist her school, Anita switched from freestyle to breaststroke, and until the Blackpool trials had never raced 220 yards.

How magnificently she arose to this occasion, weaving her way to a new Empire Games best time of 2min. 56.3sec. in her heat, and leaving the two fancied girls, Jackie Dyson, 2min. 58.2sec. (a new British and English junior figure) and Christine Gosden, 2min. 58.4sec., trailing behind in the final, when she shattered the British and English 220yd. records with her 2min. 53.5sec., one second off the world record.

This was Anita's silent tribute to her coach, Harry Chambers, who collapsed and died on the bath side at Huddersfield while taking a class a few days before the English trials. He did not even know Anita had been selected for the games.

Never-ending clash

Margaret Edwards and Judy Grinham resumed their never-ending clash for world backstroke supremacy over 110 yards. In the heats Margaret was surprisingly beaten by 14-year-old Anne Nelson, of Queensland, although she still qualified for the final; but before this took place she defied doctor's orders to swim the backstroke leg for England in the heats of the women's medley relay.

To everyone's amazement she removed a tenth of a second off her world 100-metre and 110-yard record with a time of 72.3sec. Margaret's joy was short-lived, however, for the following night, in the final of the individual event, Judy Grinham defeated her by seven-tenths and put up a new figure, 71.9sec.

Triumph for Ian Black

Ian Black's long-awaited moment of triumph came in the 220yds, butterfly where, with a superlative swim, he completely crushed Graham Symonds and Brian Wilkinson, holder of the world 110yds. record.

His 2min. 22.6sec. against Symonds's 2min. 25.5sec., and Wilkinson's 2min. 31sec., is the fastest time returned in the world this year, and falls a mere 2.6sec. short of the standard time laid down by the International Federation for the still-vacant world record.

Back to the Aussies now, 16-year-old Beverley Bainbridge upset calculations in the women's butterfly race over a shorter 110yds. On

times diminutive Japanese Canadian Marg Ivazsaki, should have been the winner, but Bainbridge got home first in a new games time of 73.5sec. New Zealander Tessa Staveley was second with 74.4sec. and Ivazsaki 75.9sec. third.

England's two hopes, Christine Gosden 76.4sec., together with Jean Oldroyd 76.8sec., were well down, while Scots girl, Sheila Watt, 77.1sec., finished sixth.

In the men's 4 x 220yd. freestyle team race, we did not even get third place. Australia strolled to a leisurely victory in 8min. 33.4sec., which is well wide of their world record which stands at 8min. 24.5sec.

England's triumph came at the conclusion of the games with that glorious women's 4 x 100yd. medley victory. Judy Grinham had done her stuff and given England a good start on the backstroke leg by equalling her world record of 71.9sec. Anita Lonsborough played her part with 83.3sec. for her breaststroke leg, and Christine Gosden (74.2sec.) added to the lead on butterfly.

The drama was packed into the last 110yd. with Diana Wilkinson swimming as she has never done before to get in ahead of phenomenal Dawn Fraser.

DIANA GAVE ENGLAND A YARD WIN IN A NEW WORLD RECORD TIME OF 4min. 54sec., DESPITE DAWN FRASER'S BRILLIANT AND HISTORY-MAKING 60.6sec. LAST LEG AGAINST DIANA'S 64.4sec., HER BEST EVER.

I fancy Hampshire but Northants can snatch that title

AS this wet season turns into its last lap, Hampshire still keep their flag flying proudly at the top of the table, champions Surrey lie close, and Northants, second last year, look the strongest bet as the team capable of pipping them both.

By
Norman Yardley

In fact, this could be the most exciting championship finale for many a day. For Northants, and indeed for Surrey, the key match may well be the clash between them at Northampton on August 20. As the fifth Test starts the following day, Surrey are bound to be without several of their key players—Peter May and either Lock or Laker, or both, seem certain to be at The Oval.

Northants skipper, Raman Subba Row might well be there, too, but I would say the odds should be on Northants taking most points. And if they do, Surrey might not be able to recover.

Which goes to show that luck—in this case in the timing of a vital fixture clashing with a Test match—always plays an important part in any side's championship success.

Straight from the Surrey match, Northants then travel to Southampton for the other crucial game of their programme—against the hard-hitting Hampshire lads. If Subba Row is in the last Test this would give the advantage to Hampshire, who should be at full strength.

Hectic finish

But as they have to finish off their programme with visits from Yorkshire and Derbyshire, I would say that Hampshire probably have the hardest last lap to cover. So a hectic finish is in sight.

I must be frank and say that I hope Hampshire win through, not that I have any county prejudice.

I like the way their skipper, Colin Ingleby-MacKenzie has said all along: "We believe the public want to see the ball being hit hard and often and that is what we are aiming to do." And he has had his side right behind him in carrying the policy into practice.

He has set the pace with two of the fastest hundreds of the season and he has given that splendid opener, Roy Marshall, his head, so that they have been making their runs at 60 and 70 an hour from the very first ball.

A short time ago Colin told me: "We didn't start out for the championship. At the beginning of the season we would have been happy to think of finishing ninth or tenth. All we aimed to do was to play attacking cricket to please the crowds."

If such a policy brings such notable results to this modest Hampshire side, the idea might catch on in other teams and the whole championship picture might brighten to bring the crowds back. So good luck, Hampshire!

As for Northants, I respect their chances because they have an all-round competence and a wealth of experienced spin bowling—notably George Tribe's—to take advantage of this summer's conditions. Then, if the wickets harden in August, they have Frank Tyson fairly bursting to find Australian form and fitness.

Six enough!

I know it is sometimes sad to see a great side cracking—as Surrey seem to be—but it is a good thing for the game for monopolies to be broken. I know they are still capable of making this their seventh championship, but I hope they are pipped. Six in a row is enough for any club.

England's tour 17 for Australia is as strong as any I have known in my time in cricket. And, frankly, I can't see Australia holding it. The combination has only one flaw. If the one allrounder, Trevor Bailey, is injured, the Test eleven will be thrown out of balance.

Bailey is a Test-class batsman and a Test-class bowler. If he drops out for any reason we will have to go in with only five recognised batsmen, or only four bowlers. Either

necessity would reduce the overall efficiency.

I would have thought the risk of taking another allrounder with the potential of Ted Dexter, worth taking.

The other problem of this selection is the practical one of keeping the men fit. There won't be enough work for some of them to do. It sounds all right to suggest that you should play two of your four fast bowlers in alternate matches. But it doesn't work out that way. It doesn't work out that way with batsmen either.

Once Peter May sees the shape of his Test side he will want to play his Test men to keep them in match practice. And that will mean that the other lads will be on the sidelines. If you only get a match every fortnight, or three weeks, it isn't easy to keep either fitness or keenness.

Inevitable problems

BUT THESE ARE INEVITABLE PROBLEMS AND IT UP TO SKIPPER MAY, MANAGER BROWN AND THE LADS THEMSELVES TO ANTICIPATE THEM AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS NOW TO COMBAT THEM. I WOULD SAY THIS TOUR WILL DEMAND THE MOST SENSIBLE DISCIPLINE OF ANY IN RECENT YEARS.

As a touring party, however, it looks terrific. Every man is a quality player. There are no weak links in the chain. And I would say the selection of those three left-hand batsmen is as shrewd a stroke as any to counter Australia's left-arm bowling power.

As for Australian wickets, this party is equipped for any—hard, soft, firm or broken—and May has the right men to call on.

I am delighted that Wardle and Laker are in the side. It would have been a pity if there had been any sign of recrimination following their yes, no problems of recent weeks. MCC have come out of it all very well indeed.

The Australian selection naturally took attention from the rain-ruined fourth Test at Manchester. But I think everybody in this country was delighted to see New Zealand have reasonable luck with both the toss and the wicket in their first innings. They proved that with the sun at their backs and a good pitch they could shape much better than their earlier figures have suggested.

Tony MacGibbon's rallying 86 was a fine piece of character cricket. When he went in, Sutcliffe and Reid had gone to successive balls and the side was wailing again at 62 for four. He showed the way to that relatively good-looking 267 with Sparling and Petrie supporting him to the hill.

I THINK MOST FOLK FELT IT WAS A PITY THAT THE KIWIS DIDN'T CATCH ENGLAND ON A REALLY BAD WICKET. IT WOULD HAVE SEEMED POETIC JUSTICE TO SEE THEM STRUGGLING FOR A CHANGE!

Girl's record swim

Chris von Saltza, 14-year-old Californian girl, broke the women's world 200-metre backstroke swimming record at Topeka, Kansas, last night with a time of 2min. 37.4sec.

Ove Fundin, British match-race speedway champion, and fellow Swede Rune Soerwander were top scorers with 14 points each at an international meeting in Gothenburg last night. Britain's Billy Bales and Phil Clarke both scored 11.

A 'Doctor' Gordon comedy without Sparrow

AFTER "Doctor in the House," "Doctor at Sea" and "Doctor at Large," Pinewood Studios are making the fourth film of a Richard Gordon novel—"The Captain's Table." But this time, though we are still in high comedy spirits, the story does not concern that endearing young medico Simon Sparrow—so Dirk Bogarde is not around. He is, in fact, filming another "Doctor" story—Bernard Shaw's "Doctor's Dilemma."



"The Captain's Table," now on location at Tilbury Docks, is a new venture for Joseph Janni and Jack Lee, a top Rank production team responsible for "A Town Like Alice" and "Robbery Under Arms." They have not tackled comedy before. They have always wanted to try.

The author, Richard Gordon, is on the set watching their work. Meanwhile he has another—"Doctor At Ease"—featuring Sparrow ready for Dirk Bogarde next year.

He has no complaint of the way the film industry adapted his first three books—the "Doctor" series. "On the contrary," he says, "the comedy was often far funnier than the original."

Yet he says he never thinks of films when he writes.

"By a fortunate coincidence," he explains, "I just happen to think visually! Probably goes back to my days as a medical student when I found the only way to pass exams was to visualise pages in a text book."

After qualifying, Gordon went to sea for 15 months as a ship's doctor. "But it wasn't really for me. I decided my greatest contribution to medical science would be to give up practice. So I wrote comedy novels instead."

In the cast of "The Captain's Table" are John Gregson, Donald Sinden, Peggy Cummins, Nadia Gray, Reginald Beckwith, Maurice Denham and Bill Kerr. The film is set aboard a large liner and a ship's deck set now occupies a huge stage at Pinewood.



THREE hundred girls were tested for the title role in "Marjorie Morningstar" before it went to 19-year-old Natalie Wood, one of the screen's most promising young stars.

This film version of Herman Wouk's American best-seller stars her with Gene Kelly in a tempestuous love story with a background of theatre life.

The film features a tuneful theme song sung by Kelly, "A Very Precious Love."

OLDHAM'S PRE-RELEASE FILM

ONE of the best Westerns for many years has been booked for the Oldham Empire next week—before it has been released in key cities including Manchester! "Man Hunt" is in the tradition of "Shane," "High Noon" and "Stagecoach," a good story presented with some artistic force. Why is it coming to Oldham first?

"I don't really know," says Mr. Jack Smith, the theatre's manager. It's just one of those unexpected bookings that has come our way. We are just lucky.

"Man Hunt" is based on Charles O. Locke's best-seller, "The Hell Bent Kid." It tells a suspenseful story of a young peace-loving man whose scruples do not allow him to take another man's life. But he is forced to do so when he is chased



RICHARD WIDMARK narrowly escapes death from an Indian raid in a scene from "The Law and Jake Wade," a powerful Western which co-stars Robert Taylor.

Titanic film is a British stunner

OTHER films have been made of the Titanic tragedy, but none so accurately true, so historically documentary as "A Night to Remember" from Britain's Pinewood Studios. It is a big, proud, impressive piece of filmcraft that I am glad to have seen and

Filmgoing with T E P

could not bear to see again. It stuns with its authenticity, its clinical laying bare of what must have happened that night of Sunday, April 14, 1912, when the unsinkable giant of the Atlantic struck an iceberg and sank sending 1,502 people to their deaths.

The film takes almost as long to unfold as the ship took to sink and it covers every possible aspect of the catastrophe.

The film teams with characters thrown into cameo closeness so that its star, Kenneth More, playing Second Officer Herbert Lightoller (in charge of lifeboats) is merged into the throng of speaking parts.

Mounting horror

There never was a film less like a star vehicle than this.

There is sentiment, but never at the expense of the real atmosphere of the night; the goodbyes and the stiff-upper-lippery are never overstressed.

The film progresses with a mounting horror and filmgoers, wise after the event, find it alarming that, almost to the end, the Titanic passengers and crew never really accepted the fact that the ship was actually going under.

That was the real tragedy of the Titanic, the blind faith in its indestructibility, that allied to the fact that help was at hand that never came.

I shall remember the expert casting of the types aboard; Eric Ambler's all-embracing screenplay; that last shot of teaming hundreds clinging to the stern as it disappears; and Michael Goodliffe's monumental performance as the designer, Andrews.

by a revenge-crazed cattle baron in the belief that the boy killed one of his sons in cold blood.

The hate-ridden cattle man, with a gang of gunmen, carry on their relentless man hunt, which comes to a dramatic climax when, after a thrilling gun battle, the boy deliberately risks his own life to save that of the cattle baron's remaining son.

Don Murray, an actor from the New York stage who made his film debut opposite Marilyn Monroe in "Bus Stop," and who was subsequently seen as the dope addict in "A Hatful of Rain," gives a winning performance as the hunted man and Diane Varsi, who received an Academy Award nomination for her performance in Jerry Wald's "Peyton Place," acts delightfully as the girl who helps him to escape.

THEATRE NEWS

by C. W. INGHAM

The backstage girls sew and sew

KNEELING on the floor of her dressing room at Drury Lane was Tonia Lee, understudy to Julie Andrews. Scissors flashed as she cut a mass of grey and yellow French brocade. My face must have registered surprise. "They're new curtains for my bedroom," explained Miss Lee.

Not one mention was made of "My Fair Lady." The whole talk became a sewing bee.

Miss Lee turns her dressing room into a tailor's workshop. The floor is ideal for cutting "and you can get everything round you."

She was wearing a dress of navy blue glazed cotton, trimmed with white broderie anglaise. It is reversible. One side has a plunging neckline. The other is cut high.

"I made it here," said Miss Lee, snipping away.

She sewed all through the breaks in "Carousel"—but not on the day when, owing to illness in the company, she played Carrie in the afternoon and Julie at night.

Tailored underwear for other actresses flows from Miss Lee's busy needle. She was going to be a dress designer until they said she must first pass her school certificate.

That did it. She chose the stage, where they are easy about examinations.

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WONDERING what others girls do in theatre spare time I went to the Palace, where Norman Wisdom is spitting people's sides in "Where's Charley?"

Sure enough, there was Helen Anderson, understudy to Pam Galey, busy in her dressing-room making a white nylon and pink lace picture hat.

"I started on hats," said Miss Anderson, "because I've got a lot of hair and wear it in a bun. It's nearly impossible to buy a hat that fits me."

When Miss Anderson understudied the lead in "Kismet," she sewed all through those months of waiting. Just making anything she needed. Next job: a hat for Pamela Gale.

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OVER to the Palladium, intending to meet Harry Secombe, star of "Large as Life," I didn't meet sparkling Harry. I found Lynette Rae, the soubrette, sewing in her dressing room. And humming.

Wearings tights and a feathered skirt, she sat happily making a flame-coloured trapeze dress . . . seemed to go well with her flame-coloured hair.

Miss Rae makes layettes as presents for stage friends who are having babies. Lamp shades and tablecloths at her flat are all dressing-room work.

Using only the 20-minute breaks she gets in the show, she made a black velvet cocktail suit in about three weeks. Then there is the black negligee.

Miss Rae has one of those come-hither contralto voices. There's a story behind that, a story that reveals courage.

A couple of years ago Miss Rae had severe throat trouble and went into hospital. She was not able to speak for ten months. And when

MOIRA SHEARER



BALLET SCHOOLS in Britain have been criticised by Moira Shearer for becoming "too mechanically-minded about dancing."

She said this at Edinburgh when she opened the 11th International Festival of Dancing.

"I speak of ballet schools," said Miss Shearer, "because I know more about them than the others. But I think all schools go in for a tremendous amount of exams and tests, and I don't think these are at all good for dancing."

"It is perhaps very necessary to have some form of grading, but I think that a festival of this kind could gradually take the place of some of these endless exams."

she came out her voice had changed completely.

Fortunately, it was very much for the better. Everybody liked the new sound. Lead parts came, film companies engaged her to speak commentaries.

And so Miss Rae was humming again when she put down the trapeze dress and skipped back to Harry Secombe on stage.

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RALPH READER has been invited to put on the first gang show in the USA consisting of American Boy Scouts.

"It will be interesting to know how this will be received," comments Mr. Reader, "as nothing like it has ever been done before over there."

He will leave on Thursday and return in September.

EMLYN WILLIAMS has just completed a 21-week tour of Australasia at Perth. He will fly back to London immediately.

After giving a Dickens performance at the Munich Festival on August 29, he intends to accept an invitation to give a series of Dickens readings in Russia in the autumn.

By the time he returns to London, Mr. Williams will have given about 170 performances of his Dickens and Dylan Thomas programmes in Australia and New Zealand.

He has arranged a coast-to-coast Dylan Thomas tour of America to start early next year, to be followed by another New York season.

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"WILL Success Spoil Rock Hunter?" the play by George Axelrod, in which Jayne Mansfield made her name, is to be presented at the New Shakespeare, Liverpool, on Monday.

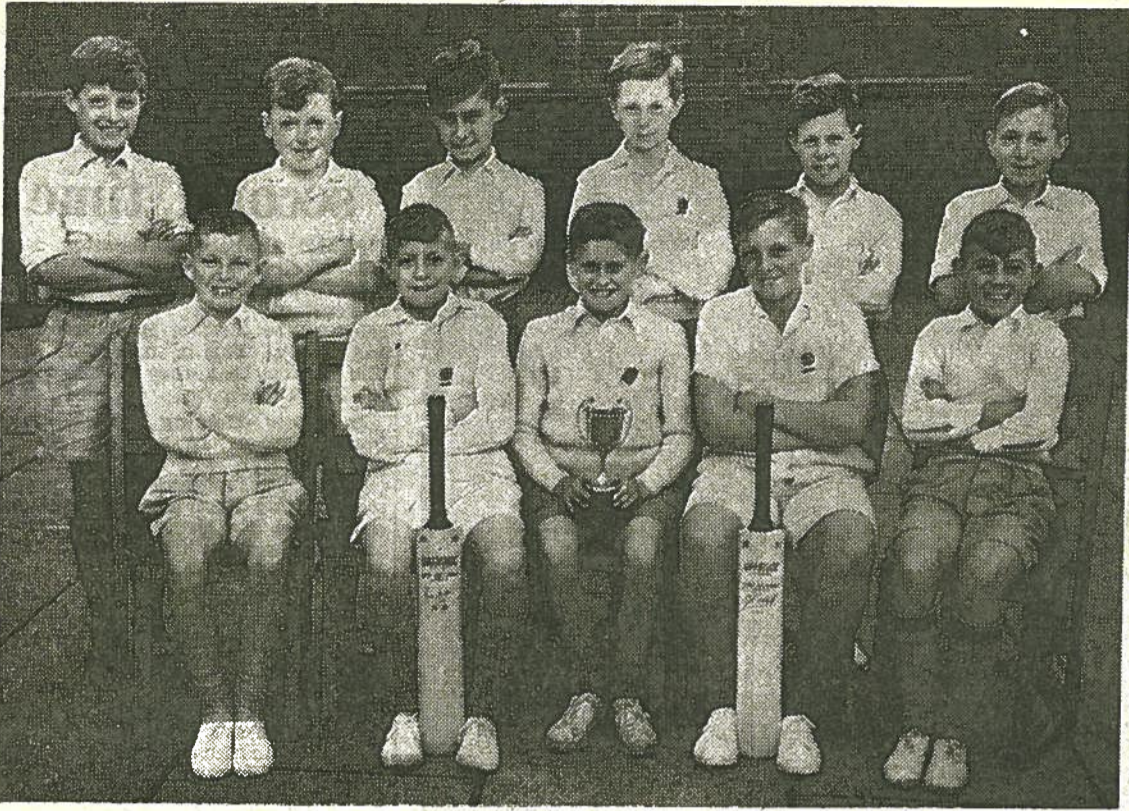
It is described as a satire on the Hollywood sex symbol, set in terms of the Faust story. Bonar Colleano, Paul Carpenter and June Cunningham are in the cast. The Devil appears in the guise of a modern theatrical agent.

A STAR SHOW FOR STAR'S JUBILEE

TO mark Albert Whelan's 60th year in the profession as a variety turn, George Elrick is organising an All-Star Show on behalf of the Water Rats, to be held at the Victoria Palace on September 28.

Jack Hylton and Val Parnell have lent the theatre for the performance, and many in the profession will be lending a hand for what promises to be Albert Whelan's biggest night.

So far the following artists have agreed to appear: Max Bygraves, Ted Ray, Tommy Trinder, Charlie Chester, Max Jaffa, Clarkson Rose, Ben Warriss Five Chesternuts.



DERKER JUNIOR SCHOOL cricket champions and cup winners.—Back row: R. Jewitt, C. Worthington, K. Delram, J. Hague, T. Blainey, D. Bailey. Front: J. Collins, B. Lethbridge, J. Mills (captain), K. Naylor, L. Jump.

DERKER JUNIORS WIN ALL 13 CUP AND LEAGUE GAMES

DERKER JUNIOR SCHOOL have had a remarkable cricket season. They have won all their cup and league matches—13 games in all—losing only 60 wickets. Last year was almost as good, for they lost only one game. The climax to this season was on Monday at The Pollards, when they won the Clayton Cup, for the sixth time in 10 years and the third time in four years, by beating Limehurst Junior School by seven-wickets.

Presenting the cup to John Mills, the Derker captain, Mr. Norman Sutcliffe, headmaster of Limehurst, said he had never seen such mature batting and all-round cricketing sense in a side so young.

Put into bat on a soft wicket, with rain threatening, Derker lost Naylor, well taken in the slips with the total seven. At 20, Lethbridge was run out, but skipper Mills was joined by Jump and the two took the score to 40, when the innings was suspended.

Cotton's fine innings

Limehurst also lost their first wicket at seven as a result of a brilliant run-out by Lethbridge. Cotton, the captain, now came in, but wickets began to fall steadily to some steady bowling by Mills and Blainey, until, with the score at 23 for 6, Reilly joined his captain to take part in a stand of 32 for the seventh wicket.

With the score at 55 for 6, Blainey produced an unplayable ball to put an end to a gallant effort by Reilly, who had held up one end while Cotton played a real captain's part, scoring runs all round the wicket. Cotton, however, ran out of partners and the Limehurst innings ended at 56, with Cotton a very fine 35 not out.

With rain falling, Derker went in again to attempt to score the 17 runs required for victory. With Jump hitting the ball very hard and Mills playing beautiful cricket, the score was taken to 51, when Jump was caught. With two cracking fours, Hague made victory certain as a cloud burst over the ground.

At the presentation ceremony, replying on behalf of the winners, Mr. Ronald Butterworth, headmaster of Derker, said he was impressed by the performance of the Limehurst captain, Cotton, who had set his side such a splendid example, and by the sporting spirit displayed by the Limehurst side.

LIMEHURST.—France run out 1, Hardacre b Mills 6, Cotton not out 35, Taylor c and b Mills 0, Mills c and b Mills 0, Cope b Blainey 2, Kennedy c Collins b Mills 5, Reilly b Blainey 4, Tasker c Collins b Blainey 0, Richardson b Blainey 0, Holt b Mills 0; extras 3; total 56.
Bowling: Mills 10.2-2-25-5; Blainey 10-5-14-4; Jewitt 1-0-8-0; Worthington 2-0-6-0.

DERKER.—Lethbridge run out 14, Naylor c Reilly b Hardacre 6, Mills not out 14, Jump c Reilly b Kennedy 20, Hague not out 8; total (for three wickets) 59.
Bowling: Cope 7-1-17-0; Tasker 4-2-2-0; Kennedy 5-1-23-1; Hardacre 8-3-10-1; Mills 3-2-7-0.

Rain delays trials

The Lancashire County net trials for promising CLL cricketers, which were due to have been held at Middleton last night, were rained off. They have been re-arranged for next Thursday evening.

Clarksfield won Whittaker Cup

Clarksfield Secondary Modern School had a very one-sided victory in the Whittaker Cup cricket final at The Pollards this week. They batted first against St. Anselm's and although rain put a stop to play on Monday evening, they suspended on Tuesday with their score at 103 for one (Colin Sykes 52 not out, Peter Cross 29 not out).

When St. Anselm's batted, they found the Clarksfield bowlers in equally good form, and with Livesey taking five wickets for 12 runs, and West three for 9, they were all out 37.

Mr A. W. Collier, president, had an addition to the loyal toast when the Rotary Club of Oldham met on Monday. "Her gracious Majesty, the Queen," he proposed,—"and Charles, Prince of Wales."



CLARKSFIELD SECONDARY MODERN SCHOOL, winners of the Whittaker Cup.—Back row: Mr. B. Bjrse, A. West, L. Martin, A. Marsden, J. Livesey, D. Shaw, K. Ward. Front: A. Bell, C. Banks, C. Sykes, I. Sykes, P. Cross.

Oldham and Ashton Cricket League

St. Matthew's 2nd increase lead to 6 pts.

ALL first division games in the Oldham and Ashton League were eventually washed out last Saturday, and all but one of the second division games. St. Matthew's 2nd beat Smith Street to increase their lead to six points.

FIRST DIVISION

Macedonia 33-8 (Wilkinson 11, Everett 11, Highton 4-19) v. St. Paul's; Springhead 85-2 (Fenton 23, Crossland 24, Carter 16 n.o., Shaw 12 n.o.) v. Queen Street; Smith Street 67-3 (Hilton 35 n.o., Fawcett 20) v. St. Matthew's; Greenacres v. Shore Edge 34-1 (Thomas 24 n.o.); St. Mark's 29-4 v. Glodwick; Hope 34-6 (Richardson 3-8) v. Ferranti.

SECOND DIVISION

St. Matthew's 50-5 (Buckley 16 n.o., Taberner 13 n.o.) v. Smith Street 48 (Jennings 18, Byrom 15 n.o., Walls 6-25); Shore Edge 25-2 v. Greenacres; Ferranti 65-4 (Cooper 32, Marshall 26) v. Hope; St. Paul's 35-4 (Brown 14, Metcalfe 3-11) v. Macedonia; Springhead 13-3 v. Queen Street.

MIDWEEK RESULTS

First Division: Springhead 75, Glodwick 76-4; Shore Edge 69, St. Matthew's 76; St. Mark's 28-5, Smith Street 27; Ferranti 49-5, Queen Street 48; St. Paul's 114, Hope 81; Macedonia 129, Greenacres 172-9.

Second Division: St. Matthew's 142, Shore Edge 24; Queen Street

Cycle road race notes CARNIVAL WINNER HAS FIVE MORE 'FIRSTS'

IT appears that the Carnival Queen's presentation to John Clayton (Manchester Clarion), winner of the Carnival Cycle Road Race on June 1, has proved to be of great inspiration. Since then, John, who recorded his first win after a complete season's inactivity, has won five first-class events.

Of these six victories the most notable is his repeat victory in the Tour of the Peaks, which he won in 1956. This year's race, which attracted a good field of amateurs and semi-professionals, was fierce from the start, with last year's winner, T. Oldfield (Viking Cycles), reduced to walking on Mam Tor near Castleton.

Clayton, however, was riding like a superman and besides winning the event by 45 seconds, took three of the four hill-climb awards, to bring his total prize money to the value of £13.

The Blackstone Edge road race on Sunday last was a tale of the champions with C. Farnsworth (North-West Section) winning from the East Scottish junior champion, with the National junior champion third. T. Glossop (Prestwich Olympic RC) continued his good form with a well-earned sixth place.

Unluckiest rider of the day was R. Richardson (Metior RC), who received punctures in both tyres simultaneously. Unfortunately he was carrying only one spare tyre, therefore was unable to continue, except in the rear of the following police car.

The local Meteor Road Club were team winners in the 47-mile North Cheshire Velo road race on Sunday last through K. Gabriels (8th), A. Grime (10th) and I. Brierley (16th). The event was won by A. Huish (Domino RC), whose club-mates, G. Collins, J. Willman and A. Virtue were placed first, second and third respectively in the Manchester Clarion race only a few miles away.

28, Ferranti 30-5; Smith Street 50, St. Mark's 52-8; Springhead 61, Glodwick 59; Greenacres 60-4, Macedonia 59; Hope 48, St. Paul's 95.

FIRST DIVISION

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts
Shaw St. Paul's	18	11	4	3	38
Glodwick Meth.	16	9	3	4	32
Hope Congl.	16	9	4	3	30
Ferranti	16	8	4	4	28
St. Matthew's	16	7	6	3	24
St. Mark's	16	6	6	4	23
Greenacres Congl.	16	6	7	3	21
Fallsworth Mace.	16	6	7	3	21
Springhead Congl.	16	6	7	3	21
Smith Street	16	4	8	4	16
Shore Edge	16	4	12	2	14
Queen Street	16	3	11	2	11

SECOND DIVISION

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts
St. Matthew's	16	12	2	2	38
Fallsworth Mace.	16	10	4	2	32
Greenacres Congl.	16	9	4	3	30
Glodwick Meth.	16	9	4	3	29
Ferranti	16	8	5	3	27
Hope Congl.	16	7	6	3	24
Shore Edge	16	6	9	3	21
Springhead Congl.	16	6	7	3	21
St. Mark's	16	6	7	3	20
Smith Street	16	6	9	1	19
Shaw St. Paul's	16	3	12	3	12
Queen Street	16	0	13	3	6



AMBITION TO SWIM CHANNEL

BILL THOMPSON, of 31 Hather-shaw Lane, Oldham, has a man-sized ambition—to swim the English Channel. For months and months now he has worked up his distance, but now he is needing some expert advice and help.

Training at Oldham Central Baths, Bill has reached distances of five miles and more—and all in a bath only 25 yards long. Now he wants somewhere bigger and with colder water.

"With people diving in around me and bumping into me, it isn't



BILLY THOMPSON training for a Channel attempt.

..... very easy to keep going. If I had a reservoir to swim in, it would be different," he said.

Bill wonders if in Oldham there are any experts who would be willing to help to train him for this marathon attempt—one he expects to make next year. "I would be really obliged for any advice," he told the Green Final.

Bill has been in the water since he was six years old, and by the time he was 13 he had been awarded three certificates. He is 5ft. 8in. and weighs around 12st. He is 28 years old.

Castleton player in a touring team

Ian Parker, the 15-year-old Castleton Moor opening bat, is the only CLL player to be chosen for the Lancashire Cricket Federation's southern tour in August.

During the week commencing August 10 matches will be played against Buckinghamshire, Kent, Berkshire, Middlesex Grammar Schools' Association, Oxfordshire and Worcestershire Schools' Association.

GREEN FINAL BOWLS HANDICAP

GUILFOYLE CAN BE YOUNGEST EVER TO WIN

THE Green Final Bowls Handicap will be won tonight (weather permitting) at Alexandra Park (No. 3 green) by one of the following four players: JIMMY BROWN (Deaf Institute, 1) v. JIM RILEY (Ferranti's, 2); BERT GUILFOYLE (Hollinwood C & B, 2) v. ERNIE TOMKINSON (Alexandra Park, 3).

Bert Guilfoyle, at 20, may be the youngest player ever to win this handicap. His victims include H. Kirkman (Dunwood), L. Bardsley (Dunwood), F. Ratcliffe (Coalshaw), W. Griffiths (CWS), L. Taylor (Copster) and R. Clough (Hr. Fallsworth).

Ernie Tomkinson, too, can boast a formidable list in I. Kemble (Waterhead), A. Prime (Copster), S. Burrington (Alexandra Park), J. Rushworth (Fallsworth), R. Andrew (Westwood Park) and F. McCulloch (Crompton).

Anyone can win

Take a look at Jimmy Brown's wins—H. Bedford (Limeside), C. Hanson (unatt.), H. Howarth (Chadderton Cot), R. Dronsfield (Dunwood), F. Woodcock (Stanley Road) and C. Rawcliffe (Star Hotel). Jim Riley had a walk-over against H. Boardman and beat J. Shaw (Crompton), R. Prime (Copster), J. Gibbons (Chadderton Cot) and A. Chadderton (Fitton Park).

It would be a little bit of luck on anyone's part if they happened to tip the winner of the handicap out of the above four players before the start this evening.

Immediately after the final, the Green Final Challenge Cup and replica will be presented by Mr. H. Hirst, Sports Editor, and the Centenary Shield and other prizes by the Mayor of Oldham (Councillor J. Bradley) from the verandah of the Blind People's Hut, adjoining No. 3 bowling green.

Merit prizes will be presented to 14-year-old Alan Jackson (Coalshaw Green Park) and 66-year-old W. Jordan (unatt.).

Rain yesterday week prevented two games in the fourth round being played and it was not until Tuesday evening that those two games, plus eight fifth-round games and the quarter-finals could be played.

Fall of favourites

It was in the fifth-round games that two of the more fancied favourites crashed. Gerald Flory (Coalshaw, 2) lost to A. Chadderton (Fitton Park, 2) 6-21, and Len Taylor (Copster, 2) lost by the same figures to Bert Guilfoyle (Hollinwood, 2).

In the quarter-finals which followed two more favourites went out. Fred McCulloch (Crompton, 1) lost to Ernie Tomkinson (Alex. P, 3) 13-21 and Bob Clough (Higher Fallsworth, 3) lost to Bert Guilfoyle (Hollinwood, 2) 11-21.

Jim Riley (Ferranti's, 2)—this is the first time he has entered this handicap—beat a good player in A. Chadderton by 21-15 and Jimmy Brown (Deaf Inst., 1) beat C. Rawcliffe (Star Hotel, 3) by 21-12.

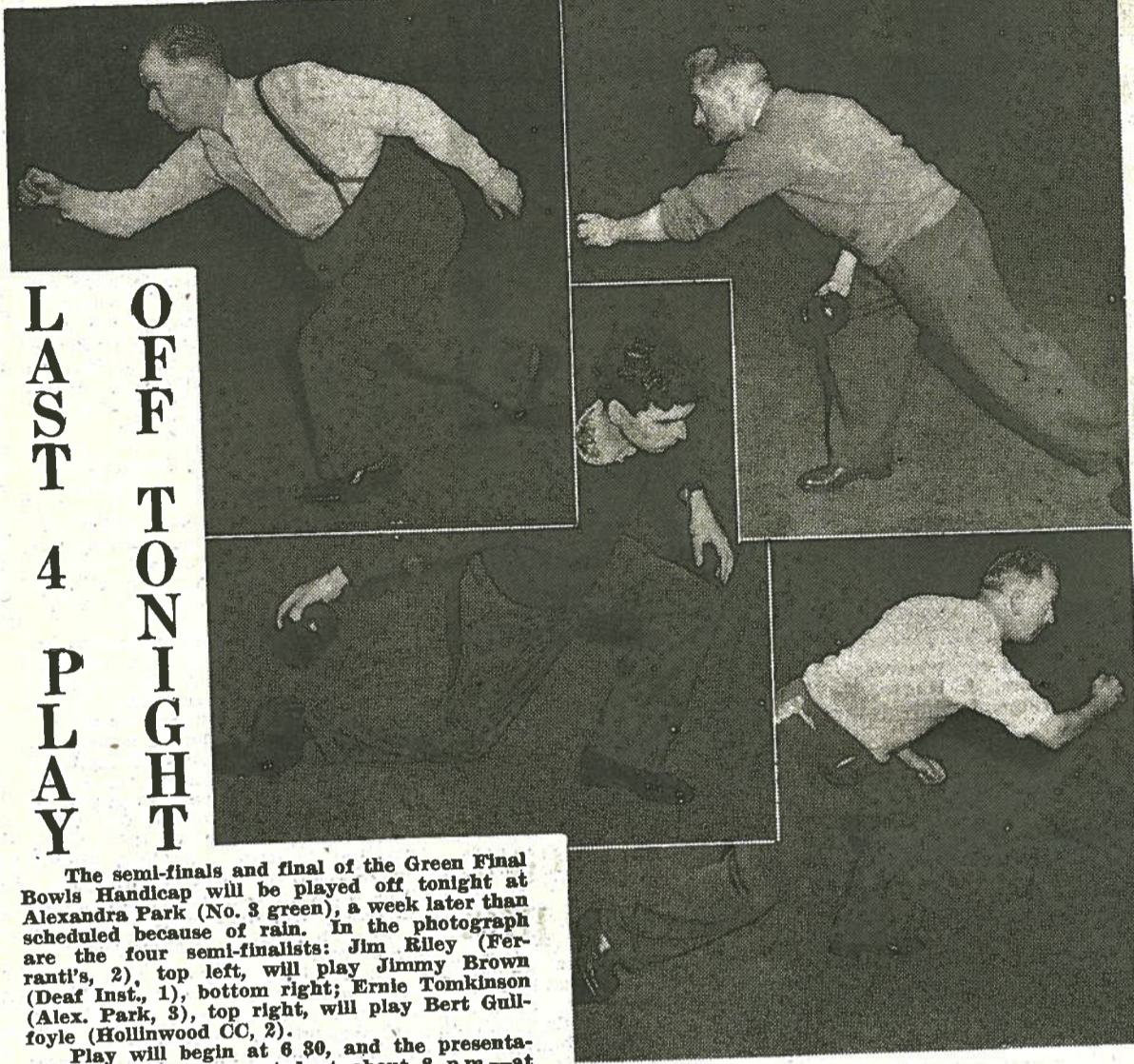
Ernie Tomkinson would like to win the first prize because he thinks it would act as a tonic to his wife, who is ill in hospital. Jimmy Brown would like to be the victor to enable him to present the first prize to his married daughter. Jim Riley has two sons, aged 17 and 15 who are hoping to carry the cup home, but Bert Guilfoyle says he will be just happy to win because he's single and "nuff-sed."

Beat track best time in self-built car

Eric Broadley (29), a building surveyor, of Chelsfield, Kent, today became the first racing driver to take a sports car round the Brands Hatch circuit, in Kent, in less than a minute.

During practice for Monday's meeting he covered the 1.24-mile circuit in 59.4sec.—a speed of 75.15 miles an hour—in a 1,100c.c. Lola which he designed and built himself.

An Army ammunition depot near Rio de Janeiro exploded last night. Ambulances from Rio Hospital were sent to the scene, in the suburb of Deodoro, where widespread fires were reported to be raging.



LAST OFF TONIGHT 4 PLAY

The semi-finals and final of the Green Final Bowls Handicap will be played off tonight at Alexandra Park (No. 3 green), a week later than scheduled because of rain. In the photograph are the four semi-finalists: Jim Riley (Ferranti's, 2), top left, will play Jimmy Brown (Deaf Inst., 1), bottom right; Ernie Tomkinson (Alex. Park, 3), top right, will play Bert Guilfoyle (Hollinwood CC, 2).

Play will begin at 6.30, and the presentation of prizes is expected at about 8 p.m.—at the Blind People's Hut adjoining the green.

ROCHDALE MID-WEEK LEAGUE

Section B champions in second season

SECTION "A"
RAIN prevented the following matches in Section "A" from being played: Observer SC v. Hilton Congs; Brierley, Collier and Hartley v. Smithies SC; and Hy Whittle's SC v. Bright's RC. The F. Smith (Whit) Ltd., S and SC match is in dispute.

SECTION "B"
West Street Baptist's 73-4, Clarion CC 70-5.
Batting first (12 overs); Clarion had splendid knocks from F. Brierley 20, B. Pickles 15, and S. Quinn 13, with Extras 12. In reply, West Street had to thank H. Whitworth 18, F. S. Murgatroyd 17, C. Kaye 15, and T. E. Buckley 14.

Kelsall and Kemp CC 46-2, Birch Hill SC 43-5.
Birch Hill, who went in first, were well served by G. W. McKeon 23 not out, and G. Derham 10 not out, but they lacked support. Kelsall and Kemp raced to an easy win in eight overs, thanks to J. Crossley 15 not out, E. Tootell 11, and W. K. Morgan 10. So Kelsall and Kemp are the champions of Section "B" in only second season.

They win the Smithies Cup—a reward for consistent play, as they only failed to get promotion last year by one point.

Midland CC 81-4, Ormerod's SC 52-6.
Midland, who had first knock (12 overs), had to thank D. Harris 42, and Extras 16. In reply, D. Sutcliffe 22 not out, and A. Beckett 11, lacked support.

E. Wrigley and Sons 37-5, Newbold Baptists 35 all.
Batting first (12 overs), only M. Stewart 14, could do anything against R. Butterworth 5-17. In reply, E. Wrigley and Sons knocked off the score in nine overs, thanks to E. Straughair, 18.

Holroyd's GCD 9, F. S. Ratcliffe's CC 35-3.—Holroyd's were shot out for a record low score against T. Jefferson, seven wickets for 6 runs. Ratcliffe's had a bit of batting practice with L. Jones 20 not out. So Ratcliffe's gain promotion at their first attempt—a very fine effort indeed.

Tomorrow, the following team has been selected to play Audenshaw CC on English Steel Corporation ground at Audenshaw: N. Morris (captain), Bright's RC; G. Frain, Observer SC; N. Cook, F. Smith (Whit.) Ltd. S and SC; C. Aughey, Brierley, Collier and Hartley; D.

Jones, Smithies SC; J. Baxter, Hy. Whittle's SC; F. Emmerson, Hy. Whittle's SC; J. Wood, F. S. Ratcliffe CC; J. Jones, F. S. Ratcliffe CC; H. Cluff, E. Wrigley and Sons; J. Connor, Whipp and Bourne's SC.

SECTION "A"

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Hy. Whittles	13	9	2	2	20
F. S. Ratcliffe (W) Ltd.	12	7	2	3	16
Bright's	13	6	3	4	15
Milton Congs.	14	5	4	5	14
Smithies	14	5	2	7	12
Brierley, C. & H.	14	4	2	8	10
Observer	14	4	2	8	10
Whipp & Bourne's	13	4	1	7	9

*This match in dispute until Tuesday's meeting

SECTION "B" FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Kelsall & Kemp	14	10	1	3	20
F. S. Ratcliffe	14	9	2	3	18
Midland	14	9	1	4	18
West St. Bapt.	14	8	2	4	16
E. Wrigley & Sons	14	7	2	5	16
Birch Hill	14	5	3	7	11
Holroyd's	14	3	3	8	9
Clarion	14	2	4	8	8
Newbold Bapt.	14	2	2	10	6
Ormerod's	14	2	2	10	6

Aussie Soccer results

Results of Australian Association football matches played today were:—

VICTORIA STATE LEAGUE.
JUST 1, Wilhelmina 4.
Slavia 0, Box Hill 1.
Brighton 0, Moreland 4.
Polonia 1, Geelong 1.
George Cross 1, Hellenic 0.
Hakoah v. Juventus playing tomorrow.

NSW ASSOCIATION—1st Div. (N)
Mayfield 0, Awaba 4.
Adamstown 0, Cessnock 3.
West Wallsend v. Cardiff, Weston v. East Lakes, Newcastle v. Wallsend and Blacksmiths v. Merewether, all playing tomorrow.

NSW FEDERATION—1st Division.
Canterbury 4, Apla 2.
Hakoah 0, Auburn 1.
Concord 0, Corrimal 3.
Gladesville 1, Prague 1.
Bankstown 2, Sydney Austral 1.
Northside 8, Villawood 1.

NSW FEDERATION—2nd Division (W)
Lidcombe 2, Polonia 0.
Nova 6, Condell Park 3.
Hellenic 5, Concordia 1.
Regents Park 1, Dalmatinac 2.
Fairfield 0, Blacktown 3.
Drummoyne 1, Guildford 3.

NSW ASSOCIATION—2nd Division.
Knock-out Cup (first round).
Toongabbie 5, Bondi 1.
Glebe 1, Lansvale 6.
Neerlândia 5, Artamon 1.
Merrylands w.o. University, forfeited.

NSW ASSOCIATION—1st Division (S)
Leichhardt 5, Corrimal 1.
St. George 0, Granville 6.
Auburn 6, Pyrmont 1.
Woonona 6, Sutherland 2.

Manly v. EPT and Balgownie v. North Shore playing tomorrow.

Aussie going home

NOTTS RELEASE TWO BOWLERS

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CCC announce that they had agreed to release Alan K. Walker, their Australian left-arm fast bowler, from fulfilling the last two years of his five-year contract with the club.

Walker has been unable to command a regular first-team place this season, and he and his family are returning to Australia in September on the boat which carries the MCC party.

Also leaving the Nottinghamshire club is leg-spinner Peter Harvey, who has been on the staff eleven years and is the present second-team captain. He was awarded his cap in 1949, and was a regular member of the first team until Bruce Dooland arrived at Trent Bridge.

Harvey has been released to take an executive position with a firm of sports outfitters.

QUEENSLAND.

Tristar Shield—1st Round.
Postal Institute 0, Thistle 3.
Corinthians 3, Caledonians 0.
East 1, Hellenic 3.
Bulimba 1, St. Helens 5.
Bundamba 2, Annerley 0.
YMCA 2, Azzurri 0.
Dinkora 2, Toowoomba Wanderers 0.
Blackstone v. Oxley playing tomorrow.

VICTORIA DOCKERTY CUP—4th Round
Sunshine City 3, Coburg 2.
South Yarra 0, Foots City 6.
Bayswater 5, Lions 1.
Florentina 1, Victoria Colts 4 (after extra time. Score after 90 minutes 1-1).

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—1st Division.
Birkalla 0, Polonia 6.
Enfield 1, Victoria 6.
Port Adelaide 1, Budapest 5.
Beograd 0, Cumberland 2.
Juventus 1, Lion 0.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—2nd Division.
Nomads 0, Sturt 5.
Croftia 1, Edinburgh 5.
Orange 3, South Adelaide 1.
West Torrens 0, Salisbury 7.
Mitcham 6, Railway 3.

W. AUSTRALIA—1st Division.
North Perth 4, Perth City 2.
South Valley 1, Tricolore 3.
Cracovia 4, East Claremont 1.
South Fremantle 2, South Perth 2.
Azzurri 5, Swan Athletic 2.

W. AUSTRALIA—2nd Division.
Aurora 2, Spearwood 2.
Windmills 5, Subiac 0.
Medina 1, Fremantle 4.
Shamrock 4, Caledonians 3.
Olympic 6, Emu Rangers 1.

Pigeon Notes

Federation win for the second time

THE Oldham Federation held their first young-bird race of the season last Saturday from Worcester. The winning bird belonged to Messrs. Hall, Schofield and Hardy. This is the second time this season that they have topped the Federation.

In Shaw Homing Society, Ken Boulton won first and second position. Ken, who has been flying pigeons for a good few years, recorded his first win the previous week from Stafford. It looks as if his fortunes may have taken a turn for the better.

From reports received, returns seemed to be mixed. Some members had all their birds back in good time, while others reported several missing.

Hollinwood Homing Society's young birds are being conveyed by South Lancashire Federation and are being liberated with the West Oldham birds.

A meeting of the entertainments committee settled most of the final arrangements for the annual prize distribution. Tickets should be ready soon.

All club secretaries are asked to send in their best old-bird and best Continental average winner, so that the Federation can publish the Federation winner.—J.C.

Oldham Federation (liberation 11-50, birds 854): Hall, Schofield & Hardy 1226, W & F Brooks 1221, Kenworthy Bros. 1208, F Boulton 1202, B G Batty 1200, F Boulton 1199, Mills & Judson 1196, T. Smith 1195, Lord & Son 1191, Hopkinson & Son 1185, Badby & Moores 1184, S Street 1174, H Cook 1169, S Street 1154, Buckley & Taylor 1149, Etchells & Breeze 1148.

Hey Homing Society (birds 170): W & F Brooks (A) 1221, Kenworthy Bros. (B) 1208, B G Batty 1200, Buckley & Taylor 1149, W Greenwood 1139, W Ashton (C) 1136, Whitehead Bros. 1084, W Greenwood (DEF) 1072, W Brown 1045, N Buckley 1008, H M Cain & Son 953, T Platt 943, F Ashworth 940, H Winterbottom 845, H Orr 808, E Robertson 701.

Shaw Homing Society (27 members, 190 kinds): K. Boulton, 1,202 and 1,199 (P, A, B, C, D, E), T. Smith 1,195 (pontoon), E. Lord and Son 1,191, H. Hopkinson and Son 1,185.5, T. Smith 1,185.0, Badley and Moores 1,184, F. Mayall 1,183, H. Travis 1,181.5, E. Viles 1,181.1, G. C. Lahe 1,180.7, R. Carr and Son 1,173, J. Hazeldine 1,152, J. Hopkinson and Son 1,129 (1st YM), A. Thomas and Son 1,091.6, R. and J. Mellor 1,091.4, T. Butterworth 1,091.2, T. and D. Taylor 1,090.8, G. Garside 1,090.3, Whitworth and Nephew 1,060, A. Cooper 1,046, C. Harmwell 1,043, Farrall Bros. 1,037, W. Clover 1,003, B. Woodhouse 974.

Hollinwood Homing Society's Stafford race (220 birds): A. Harrison 1,223 (P, A, B, C), Bloor and Son 1,222, Fogerty and Son 1,220, Carter and Son 1,211 (D), E. Meylan 1,202, Cordwell and Son 1,199, G. Smith 1,194, Palmer and Son 1,191, T. Chadderton 1,191, Nield and Brown 1,180, F. Bradbury 1,171, L. Hall 1,168, Mills and Son 1,142, Brown, Junr. 1,136, F. Maddocks 1,122, H. Sleminski 1,099.

Oldham Flying Club's Worcester race: H. Cook vel. 1,169 (A), H. S. Travis 1,121 (B), D. and S. Smith 1,110 (RP Special), A. S. Walker and Son 1,087, F. Murgatroyd 1,085, W. Greenwood 1,072 (D, E), H. Riley 1,063, J. Brierley 1,060, W. Brown 1,045, Buckley Bros. 1,037, G. Keate 985, Shore Bros. 977, H. Orr 800.

CLIFF RESCUE IN DEVON

Two people trapped by the tide at the foot of a cliff at Countisbury near Lynton, North Devon, last night were hauled to safety on rope by firemen.

They were Miss P. MacNally, 19-year-old nurse from Bishop Stortford, Hertfordshire, and Mr. J. Grayson, of Chadwell Heath, Essex.

After they had been cut off for several hours, AA patrolman E. J. Lethaby, of Countisbury, was told their plight by a couple who had seen them from a boat. He descended the cliff without a rope and helped in the rescue.

TODAY'S RACING

EPSOM

9 TATTENHAM SELLING PLATE for two-year-olds, 6 furlongs.
 8 KATE'S BLOSSOM W H Carr 1
 8 COUNTESS OBEIDA E Mercer 2
 8 STOCKWELL ROAD D Smith 3
 Nine runners: Lavender Gold, Phono, Pussy Willow, Countess Obeida, Angazi, Florist Lady, Stockwell Road, Kate's Blossom, Our Ideal.
 Evens Countess Obeida; 4 Our Ideal; 5 KATE'S BLOSSOM; 10 Stockwell Road; 100/8 Lavender Gold; 20 Florist Lady; 33 others. Neck; 2 lengths.
 Total: Win 14/4; places 5/-, 4/6, 5/10; dual forecast 12/4.
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2 35-THURSDAY AMATEUR RIDERS' HANDICAP, 1 1/2 miles.
 11 2 PLAYROOM 5yrs Mr I Balding 1
 10 8 FELLHOUND 5yrs Mr J Lawrence 2
 10 7 MARRON 5yrs Mr J Sutcliffe 3
 Eight runners: Nimbler, Playroom, Friarspark, Fellhound, Safe Approval, Terrorist, Marron, Fidelia.
 7/2 Fellhound, Nimbler; 4 Marron; 5 PLAYROOM; 6 Friarspark; 100/6 Terrorist; 33 others. 3 lengths; same.
 Total: Win 11/8/9; places 7/4, 5/4, 5/2; dual forecast 13/14/4.

3 10-DIOMED HANDICAP STAKES for three-year-olds, 7 furlongs.
 7 12 MASTER SANDS E Mercer 1
 9 0 KINGROY W H Carr 2
 8 9 THE GOLDEN AGE D Smith 3
 Four runners: Kingroy, The Golden Age, Master Sands, Chalk Stream.
 10/11 Kingroy; 4 Chalk Stream; 9/2 MASTER SANDS; 6 The Golden Age. 1 length; neck.
 Total: Win 16/4; forecast 11/10/2.

3 40-CHIPSTEAD STAKES for four-year-olds, 1 1/2 miles.
 8 6 WONDER BELLE 3yrs ... A Breaaley 1
 8 6 SUNSTROKE 3yrs W H Carr 2
 1/7 WONDER BELLE.
 Total: Win 4/4.

4 15-PEPYS HANDICAP for three-year-olds, 5 furlongs.
 Eight runners: Masquerade, Casse Nolsette, Luminarches, Tircelyn, Account Rendered, Ablaze, Braw Deal, Beau Belle.

THIRSK

2 15-SESSAY MAIDEN SWEEPSTAKES for two-year-olds, 6 furlongs.
 8 12 REACTOR A Roberts 1
 8 9 INSURRECTION G Littlewood 2
 8 9 CHILD OF STORM S Clayton 3
 Nine runners: Shamrock Star, Pony Express, Abang, Reactor, Mutation, Skipaway, Child of Storm, Insurrection, Windrose.
 30/100 Child of Storm; 8 Skipaway; 10 Windrose; 100/7 Shamrock Star; 88 REACTOR and others. 2 lengths; 1.
 Total: Win 19/4/8; places 11/3/6, 15/-, 4/6; dual forecast 19/11/8.

2 45-NORTH YORKSHIRE SELLING PLATE for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs.
 8 4 MOLLY'S FOLLY J Sims 1
 8 4 DAISY WOOD E Hide 2
 8 4 MAGIC ZETA E Larkind 3
 Fifteen runners: Welsh Star, Green Door, Rosegrit, Fil d'Abreur, Ivy Princess, Fair Cosmo, Tonise, Daisy Wood, Magic Zeta, Battle Flare, Chirk, Molly's Folly, Covita, Jury Maid, In the Bag.
 3 MOLLY'S FOLLY; 5 Green Door, Daisy Wood; 11/2 Fil d'Abreur; 10 Magic Zeta; 100/8 Ivy Princess, Chirk; 100/6 Welsh Star; 20 In the Bag; 33 others. 3 lengths; 1.
 Total: Win 12/-; places 6/2, 12/4, 10/10.

3 15-TOTE INVESTORS CUP, 1 1/2 miles.
 7 4 CALAIS 3yrs G Starkey 1
 9 4 NO COMMENT 5yrs A J Russell 2
 8 10 GREAT ROCK 5yrs ... Don Morris 3
 Seven runners: No Comment, Cullanhall, Great Rock, Pandour, Swanland Boy, Royal Star, Calais.
 5/2 CALAIS; 4 Cullanhall, Pandour; 11/2 Great Rock; 15/2 No Comment; 10 Swanland Boy; 25 Royal Star. 3 lghs.; 5.
 Total: Win 16/10; places 9/8, 21/8; dual forecast 18/11/6.

3 45-BRADFORD HANDICAP PLATE for three-year-olds, 2 miles.
 8 5 ALLOPHANE F Barlow 1
 7 11 YAKITY YAK T Dillon 2
 8 8 GUERCINA E Hide 3
 Seven runners: Cu-Nim, Silver Town, Guercina, Allophane, Jules Verne, Yakity Yak, Quite So.
 7/4 Guercina; 7/2 ALLOPHANE; 9/2 Jules Verne; 5 Quite So; 7 Silver Town; 100/8 Cu-Nim; 20 Yakity Yak. 2 lghs.; 5.
 15-NORBY MAIDEN PLATE, 1 mile.

THIRSK
 Seven runners: Dauber, Stenigot Express, Allwood Swanland, Prince, Mosswood, Pataia, Giordana.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS
 Ebor Handicap, York: HYPHEN and RHYTHMIC LIGHT.

Premier's weekend

The Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan, is spending the August holiday weekend at his Sussex home, Birch Grove, near Haywards Heath. He is expected back in London on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Ten 13-year-old children from three London boroughs flew from London Airport today for a month's holiday in Varna, Bulgaria, at the invitation of the Bulgarian Government.

WARWICK

2 15-ARDEN SELLING PLATE for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs.
 8 11 VALERIE ELLEN J Furtell 1
 8 6 FELLON J Lindley 2
 8 6 GOLDEN LEIGH W Rickaby 3
 Eight runners: Valerie Ellen, Flyaway Paul, Rum Club, The Wiggle, Golden Leigh, Super Silk, Fellon, Last Waltz.
 4/5 Fellon; 3 Golden Leigh; 8 Last Waltz; 100/8 Flyaway Paul; 100/7 The Wiggle; 20 VALERIE ELLEN and others. 3 lengths; 6.
 Total: Win 13/8/0; places 10/10, 4/8, 6/4; dual forecast 13/4/4.

2 45-MIDLAND STAKES HANDICAP for three-year-olds, 7 furlongs.
 9 5 RARE QUALITY W Rickaby 1
 8 3 LUCKY CRUZEIRO W Snaith 2
 8 2 HIGH FIDELITY T Carter 3
 Eight runners: Rare Quality, Penates, Mettition, Syrnix, Lucky Cruzeiro, High Fidelity, Gay Cobbler, Oscar's Folly.
 5/2 Mettition; 100/30 RARE QUALITY; 7/2 High Fidelity; 5 Syrnix; 100/9 Gay Cobbler; 100/8 Penates, Lucky Cruzeiro; 20 Oscar's Folly. 4 lengths; neck.
 Total: Win 15/2; places 6/10, 13/-, 7/-; dual forecast 14/17/2.

3 15-CHANDOS PLATE for two-year-olds, 5 furlongs.
 8 9 VALIANT EFFORT R McKenna 1
 8 12 PRIDE OF KILMALLOCK P Robinson 2
 8 9 SHERANDA W Rickaby 3
 Ten runners: Serene Highness, Mucuchachi, Sign On, Libett, Bus Stop, Pride of Kilmallock, Shady Deb, Sheranda, Complete Chaos, Valiant Effort.
 11/8 Sheranda; 100/30 Pride of Kilmallock; 5 Bus Stop; 8 Sign On; 100/8 Libett; 100/7 Mucuchachi; 20 VALIANT EFFORT and others. 3 lengths; 3.
 Total: Win 16/5/6; places 25/8, 9/2, 5/4.

3 45-HOLIDAY PLATE, 1 1/2 miles and 52 yards.
 7 8 BURWAY 4yrs J Wilson 1
 9 4 STARASPA 4yrs W Rickaby 2
 8 4 PELICAN PEAT 4yrs E J Cracknell 3
 Seven runners: Staraspa, Poaching, Pent House, Pelican Peat, Futasajma, Harbour Bar, Burway.
 5/2 Poaching; 3 Staraspa; 7/2 BURWAY; 5 Pent House; 8 Futasajma; 100/9 Harbour Bar; 20 Pelican Peat. Head; 2 lengths.

4 15-BUDBROOKE PLATE for three-year-olds, 1 mile.
 Two runners: Mistress Gwen, Zuman.

RAIDER SHOOT'S BANK CLERK: SEIZES £5,000

A GUNMAN walked into the Midland Bank in Boston Manor Road, Brentford, Middlesex, today, shot one of the bank employees in the thigh and escaped with between £5,000 and £6,000.

Police said that only one man was involved in the hold-up, but could give no further details why the employee was shot.

The employee was taken to West Middlesex Hospital and detained. Police were later reported to be seeking a man armed with a .22 revolver and a pocketful of ammunition.

The bank is close to the busy Great West Road.

Police described the gunman as aged about 35, fresh complexion, 5ft. 8in. tall, with medium-brown hair.

He was wearing a royal blue gaberdine suite, white shirt and black shoes, and was carrying a white carrier-bag.

Graveney's injury: not playing today

Tom Graveney was not in the Gloucestershire team against Somerset at Bristol today. He damaged his left shoulder diving for a catch on Thursday during the Lancashire match at Blackpool and it became stiff.

An X-ray revealed severe bruising with some fluid present.

WEATHER FORECAST

Tomorrow: Rather cloudy with rain at times.
 Farther outlook: Scattered showers and sunny periods.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES
 24 hours from 10 a.m. yesterday
 Maximum: 63 deg. at 4 p.m.
 Minimum: 50 deg. at 4-30 a.m.

Today's Reading
 10 a.m. 54 deg. 3 p.m. 56 deg.
 Barometer at 10 a.m. 30in., rising.

LIGHTING-UP TIMES
 9-35 p.m. to 4.56 a.m.

ALEC BEDSER ON AUSSIE TV



THE Australian Broadcasting Commission has engaged Surrey and England bowler Alec Bedser as radio and television commentator for the MCC 1958-9 tour of Australia.

Bedser made a successful debut before the Australian cameras last year, when he took part in telecasts on Sheffield Shield cricket matches.

Lancs Amateur Cup LOCAL TEAMS HAVE MIXED LUCK IN DRAW

OLDHAM teams have had mixed luck in the draws for the preliminary and first rounds of the Lancashire Amateur Cup competition.

Oldham HSOB will be at home to Wythenshawe Amateurs, and if they are successful will entertain the winners of the match between Ashton in Makerfield GSOB and Burnley Belvedere. Oldham Hulmeians will be away to Old Salfordians, and if successful they are again called upon to travel to Old Blackburnians. Royton Amateurs are at home to Manchester Architects, and if they win will be away to Old Bedians.

Chadderton GSOB have a bye in the preliminary round, and they will be at home to Manchester University in round one. Among the referees appointments for these matches is Mr. H. Houghton, of Royton, who will be in charge of the first round match between the More Society or Old Haywardians and Old Chorltonians.

Dr. Percy Scholes dies at 81

The death at Vevey, Switzerland, of Dr. Percy Alfred Scholes, author of "The Oxford Companion to Music," was announced today. Dr. Scholes, who went to live in Switzerland for health reasons, was 81.

Crash: father dies, son 'a little better'

Robert Hellwell (19), of Racefield Farm, Royton, is "a little better" in Oldham Royal Infirmary. He was injured on Friday afternoon when his father's milk van collided with a lorry at the junction of Foxdenton Lane and Broadway.

His father, Mr. Arthur Hellwell, who was driving the van, died in the infirmary on Friday night. He had to be cut out of the wrecked van.

TABLES TURNED IN SECOND HALF A GREAT VICTORY FOR RL TOURISTS

THE Rugby League touring team in New Zealand today gained a decisive victory over Canterbury at Christchurch where they won by 41 points to 21, after being 8-14 down at the interval.

Only 3,000 watched the match which started with a try for the home side within 30 seconds, scored by STEPHENS after a fine break by Tewnion. MURPHY flew over on the right to level the scores and for a brief spell the British forwards held sway. But Tewnion made another opening for PEARCE, whose try was converted.

Twice in a few minutes British players protested at the referee's rulings and eventually he called both scrums together for a brief lecture.

Two penalties by WILLIAMS against one by SOUTHWARD increased Canterbury's lead to 12-5. Sullivan had a try disallowed. Then, with their forward Bond off the field injured, Canterbury further increased their lead with another WILLIAMS penalty. A try by ASHTON made the half-time margin 14-8.

Rapid tries

A Southward penalty started the second-half revival of the tourists. Then the British backs, seeing more of the ball, harassed and eventually overcame the home side, whose tackling grew progressively weaker. MOSES, SULLIVAN and ASHTON scored tries in rapid succession, all converted by SOUTHWARD and Great Britain led by eleven points.

MARTYN scored an unconverted try and SOUTHWARD landed a penalty before Canterbury scored their first points of the second half from a WILLIAMS penalty.

After SULLIVAN had come in on the overlap to score his second try, ANDERSON broke the sequence with a fine try for Canterbury converted by WILLIAMS, but tries by SULLIVAN and MARTYN, one converted emphasis the tourists' superiority.

Final:—
 GREAT BRITAIN ... 7 9-41
 CANTERBURY 6 3-21
 Great Britain: B. Moses, I. Southward, M. Sullivan, E. Ashton, P. Jackson, A. Davies, A. Murphy, B. Edgar, A. Ackerley, B. McTigue, M. Martyn, D. Goodwin, J. Whiteley.

Canterbury: G. Williams; G. Neiman, D. Stephens, E. Anderson, J. Bond; B. Tewnion, K. Roberts; G. Cooper, John Bond, K. Pearce, M. Cooke, J. Rossiter, R. Turton.

Athletes' last chance CHANGES IN BRITAIN'S TEAM FOR SWEDEN?

SOME surprising changes can be expected when Britain's athletic team for the European championships in Stockholm from August 19 to 24 is announced on Tuesday.

The selectors go into a huddle this weekend and today will be the last opportunity for some athletes, during the Britain-Commonwealth match, to show what they can do. A poor performance and a trip to Stockholm will be out.

At the moment Britain's chances of gaining a gold medal in the European event lies only in the relays. England's girls have only to repeat their 4 x 110 yards run in the Empire Games to "walk away" with a gold medal, while Britain's men must have a chance in the 4 x 100 metres and 4 x 400 metres relays.

But such is the high standard in Europe that only a superlative performance has a chance of getting the top prize.

Train van blaze

Fire broke out in the 1.15 a.m. King's Cross-York train today. As the train passed through St. Neots Station a signalman noticed flames in the rear parcels van. He warned the next signal box at Great Paxton and the fire service.

Meanwhile the fireman of the train saw the flames, and stopped the train just before it reached Great Paxton. It was then well ablaze. The fire destroyed newspapers, magazines and some mail. The van was towed into Paxton sidings, and the train went on.

Scholarships with expenses AUSSIES SAY USA TEMPT THEIR ATHLETES

THE Australian Amateur Athletic Union is seeking an investigation into offers by United States universities to Australian athletes.

Mr. Dick Corish, an official of the Australian AAU, said today that the secretary, Mr. Arthur Hodsdon, had written to Mr. Dan Ferris, secretary of the United States AAU, asking for a full investigation.

The secretary's action followed a letter from the University of Northern Texas to Mr. Ron Aitken, president of the Australian body, asking him to recommend a talented Australian distance runner for a full athletic scholarship.

Mr. Corish said the scholarship was detailed, with all living and travelling expenses pin-pointed.

"We consider American universities are guilty of wholesale piracy of star Australian athletes," he declared. "These universities are using professional offers to entice our track and field stars to the States."

Three Australian athletes—sprinter Jim McCann and distance-runners Alan Lawrence and Pat Clohessy—are due to enrol at American universities this month. Others are considering offers.

In two-hour run FRED NORRIS SETS UP FOUR WORLD RECORDS

FRED NORRIS, the 36-year-old Bolton United harrier and British Olympic runner, set up four world best performances in a two-hour run on the Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, track today.

He covered 20 miles in 1hr. 43min. 55.4sec.: 21 miles in 1-49-20.6; and 22 miles in 1-54-55.

The previous best time for 20 miles was 1-44-52.6 by the Czech Dr. Pavel Kantorek in November.

Norris in two hours, ran 22 miles, 1,610yd. 1ft. 8in., which, in addition to beating Kantorek's 22-mile world best of 22 mile 1,117yd., also surpassed Joe Lancaster's British mark of 22 mile 418yd. 1ft. 7in.

Dennis O'Gorman, the Irish member of St. Albans AC accomplished the best performance in Britain with a 15-mile time of 1hr. 17min. 10.2sec.

MANNED SPACE FLIGHTS SOON

MANNED space flights may be possible in a year or so, using the United States Air Force's Atlas rocket as an engine, the House of Representatives Space Committee was told yesterday.

Dr. Hugh Dryden, head of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, and his assistants said the rocket would be capable of firing a 2,100lb. load into space.

The man would lie on a couch at the base of the nose cone, and would control his return to earth to some extent with slowing-down rockets and a parachute.

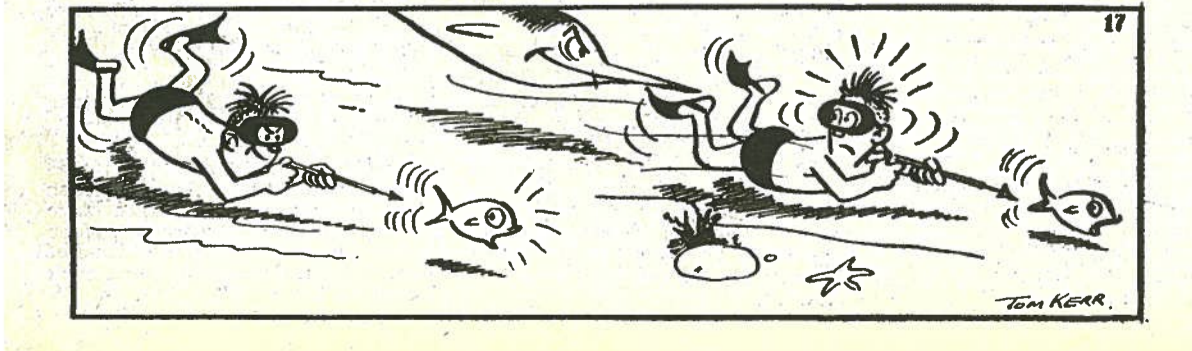
Longer space journeys, at first involving a few trips round the earth before returning, would probably be attempted in about two years, Dr. Dryden said.

He outlined plans for a rocket with a 1,500,000lb. thrust which might send a five-ton rocket to the moon and back in about five or six years' time.

Miss Arnaud's operation

Miss Yvonne Arnaud, the 65-year-old actress, had a brain operation today at the National Hospital, London. She is still "very critically ill."

BOBBY DAZZLER ... By Tom Kerr



RUNNERS-UP FOR THE ALLIANCE WILLS SHIELD



WESTWOOD MORAVIANS, runners-up for the Oldham SS Alliance Wills Shield.—Back row: W. Platt, J. Heath, R. Taylor, G. White, P. Pope, G. Rayson. Front: F. Thompson, F. Jackson, N. Mills, J. Hadfield.

Some CLL clubs are facing pro trouble now cash is tight

DECISION time for CLL clubs. Do we keep our professional? Or do we let him go? The next few weeks will produce some heated committee meetings, as clubs try to sort out the answer to this thorny problem.

Already some clubs have held their big-decision meetings—but not all have been able to remove the question-mark that often links club and professional around this time of the year.

Happy are Radcliffe who took one look at their West Indian, Garfield Sobers earlier in the season and got a further two-year contract signed and sealed in quick time; Milnrow, so pleased with their new-man John McMahon that they laid out the welcome mat for another three seasons; Middleton, who already had their West Indian fast bowler on a two-year contract.

Making sure

Almost happy are Stockport, for whom Vinoo Mankad is on a two-year contract; Werneth, who have just signed Chandu Borde for another two seasons; and Rochdale,

by D.S.T.

who have an option on Dattu Phadkar for the next two years.

The only thing that could step in the way of 1959 satisfaction for these three clubs is the Indian tour. And not until next spring will Rochdale, Stockport and Werneth know if their signed professionals are chosen for the Indian touring team. If they are, there will be hurried hunts for deputies round about next February or March.

Heywood, too, if they decide to keep Fergie Gupte, could be left in the same boat.

Money is standing in the way of progress at Oldham, where Cec Pepper is wanted again if the cash is forthcoming; at Crompton, where a decision will be made when Hanif Mohammad, their Pakistani, has sent in his terms; and at Ashton, where the move is likely to be towards a cheaper professional.

Finance is obviously the foremost factor in the minds of committees when professionals come under discussion. For after such a disappointing season the query to be answered is: Do we have a cheap professional and save money? Or do we gamble with a big name and hope for some good weather and bumper gates?

Gladwin's bombshell

After the bombshell that Cliff Gladwin dropped on them, Castleton Moor have set views on this one. Commenting on Gladwin's attitude to the club in refusing to sign, the Moor Secretary (Mr. H. Sibbert) said that the Derbyshire pace bowler had not shown very much consideration.

"In fact, professional cricketers generally leave a lot to be desired when negotiating contracts. The answer to me appears to be for all clubs to agree to a drastic reduction in professional's fees," added Mr. Sibbert.

Mr. Sibbert might have something here, for while clubs have to pay big fees they can't hope to make ends meet unless they run successful football pools and other social money-raisers. But the nigger in the woodpile so far as Mr. Sibbert's suggestion goes is that the poorer clubs must try to keep in line with clubs like Rochdale, Heywood, Radcliffe and Middleton so long as they engage star players. Until Rochdale take the lead, clubs like Castleton Moor, Littleborough, Oldham and Crompton must continue to scrape to get an attractive professional.

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JOHN McMAHON, Milnrow's Australian professional, will be in friendly opposition with his fellow-countryman, Cec Pepper, tomorrow, when he takes his benefit on the Milnrow ground.

Pepper will skipper a side including Australians Vic Jackson, Lew Laza and Ray Hogan, together with Bob Bartles, Fergie Gupte and Vijay Manjrekar, while McMahon's side has Sonny Ramadhin, Dattu Phadkar, Chandu Borde and Roy Gilchrist.

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ANOTHER Sunday match is at Woodhouses, where the North Western League leaders entertain the Wood Cup finalists, Werneth.

Woodhouses, champions of the North Western League, are turning out a strong side to take on the Werneth youngsters, who will be without their professional, Borde, who is playing in McMahon's benefit. Broomhead, professional at Stone, will be playing with his Werneth colleagues.

Australian swimmers were 'overweight'

The Australian swimming team which took part in the Empire Games left London Airport today for Paris half-an-hour late.

An airline official said: "The delay was due to weighing all the team's excess luggage."

Close-season rumours from Watersheddings Turner still absent: rain hampers pitch repairs

NEVER a dull moment: Oldham look like starting their season one man down—and no accounting for him. Problem-player Derek Turner got his "Please come training" letter early this week, but when anxious officials made the count on Thursday, Derek was absent.

Turner received a nasty back injury at the end of last season and finished up in a plaster cast, but as the cast came off and the club specialist gave the green light for rugby, there must be another reason.

Oldham couldn't solve the problem when I asked about Derek yesterday. "We know he is fit and we know he has made trips to the town," an official said. "We don't know why he hasn't been training."

The official promptly denied the rumour that there had been some difference regarding insurance payments while he was injured. "He was paid regularly," I was told.

I understand that the committee are not quite unanimous on what to do about Turner. But it is possible he will get a goodwill visit at his Ossett home.

GRASS-GROWING

THAT Oldham wouldn't give for the green, strong, ever-growing type of grass we sometimes see lying around. The unkind weather has almost completely robbed them of any chance of getting a thick covering on that annoying Watersheddings pitch.

But forget the gossip that the first six home games will be played away. That is so much rubbish.



DEREK TURNER . . . where is he?

by W. D.

No matter what the state of the ground, as long as it can be played on without danger to limbs, Oldham will have to play.

And, grass or not, there seems to be nothing dangerous about the pitch. All it really needs is a little time for the grass to grow.

This season the going should not be as tough as it was last year, when it was mud in your eye after every tackle. With average luck it will look something like a pitch by the 1959-60 season.

Which is what I thought when they told me the pitch was to be ripped up, re-drained and relaid in one close season.

BUXTON STAYS

IF there was a transfer boat tied up at Rochdale, it has sailed. It would seem from the conversation I had yesterday that 21-year-old winger RAY BUXTON is to stay Rochdale's property.

The Hornets chairman, Mr. Arthur Walker, gave a firm "No" when I asked him if there was any chance of a sale. "We have no intentions of losing Buxton for cash or for a player and cash."

So far, Oldham have not asked Rochdale officially, but I understand that they are possibly working up to a request. I wonder if Rochdale—now steered by the former Oldham player, Bryn Goldswain—will change their mind?

A GREAT TIME

HOME from Australia, KEN JACKSON is still gagged from helping us to clear up some of the going's-on down under. His contract forbids newspaper interviews until the tour ends.

By his hospital bed this week I did hear that he had a great time on the part of the tour he made. "It was a wonderful experience, and I am only sorry I had rotten luck with injuries," he said.

Managers Mitchell and Manson are also sorry. They think Ken showed a lot of potential in the games he did play, which is very pleasing all round.

ALAN DAVIES and FRANK PITCHFORD have also had bad



KEN JACKSON relaxes in Lake Hospital after his knee operation.

luck. Neither has reached the expected form, and Davies is having trouble with his back, although it is not an injury in the accepted word.

I remember Davies having trouble with that back when he joined Oldham eight years ago. It doesn't seem to be serious, but it is capable of affecting his form.

As much as the managers counted on Pitchford as No. 1 scrum-half, they have undoubtedly had to place St. Helens' Alex Murphy above him on form.

REUNION

IT seems there has been something of a Rugby League reunion in Devon this summer, as fans from the North have called on the old stalwart himself, BOB SLOMAN. One of those fans is Mr. H. Buckley, of Hereford Street, Oldham, who was with his wife, his son and wife and grandson.

They had a very interesting lunch with Bob, who gave them plenty of old rugby stories to take home to Oldham. In particular, he told them about the time he was scouting in Rugby Union territory, and one of the players described the professionals as "paid assassins."

FEE REDUCED

WE haven't heard the last of ROWLEY MOAT. In a fortnight the Rugby League Management Committee will hear a plea from him for a reduction in the £1,500 transfer fee Oldham put on him.

But Oldham heard about the



ALAN DAVIES'S back trouble affects his form.

plea on Monday night when they met, and Rowley is now on the list at £1,000, which almost certainly means no action by the Management Committee.

BABY TALK

The trouble is that the figure is still way off what the interested clubs are prepared to pay. One, I hear, has said £250 would be the right figure.

These rugby fans. I stopped on the street this week to talk to one of them, and the conversation got around to his wife. "She's having a baby you know," he said. "Oh, yes," I said. "When?"

"Oh, t' Rochdale match," replied.

Royton Harriers Several good efforts in field events

AFTER the excitement of the club match, it was back to training for Royton Harriers and Athletic Club, but a championship event, the javelin, offered an opportunity for variety. This provided welcome practice for Pearl Fletcher, who will represent the county at Barnsley, on August 30. With two throws amid the encircling gloom of a Thursday evening, she did quite well to throw 87ft. 10in. as against a personal best of 103ft. 2in., and women's hon. sec. June Troman threw 77ft. 11in. Pearl, who has also run cross-country and obtained a medal in the Northern Championships, showed her versatility by a shot putt of 29ft. 5in. to gain second place to Christine Day (Salford) who putt 31ft. 10in. Both girls were competing for the Rest team against the champions of the Manchester and District Women's Athletic League. For the boys, M. Marra did quite well to throw 94ft. 6in. and J. Barlow, youths section, threw 107ft. 2in.

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In the seniors, Jim Payne accomplished quite a good throw for one who is still a junior, by throwing the heavier senior javelin 141ft., the nearest approach by any other senior, was vice-captain Frank Hodson, who did 96ft. 4in.

Frank Hodson, last year's captain, has been a tower of strength to the club, and in company with club captain Edwin Toft, he will shortly be going to Loughborough for a week's course on field events. The object being to become qualified as AAA hon. coaches for field events, Eddie Toft is already qualified for middle distance running.

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Anyone joining the club cannot fail to improve with the expert guidance available, and for sprints Syd Buckley, back marker in the 100 and 220 at Huddersfield, and Eric Clough, former accomplished performer at short distances, are able and willing to polish any rough diamond. For jumps there is AAA hon. coach Sam Shepherd. Sufficient recommendation is the fact that the new Bolton Wanderers signing, Eddie Holden, is a Royton Harrier, and one of his boys.

The little season of road racing is approaching and the Royton club captain makes an appeal to old and new members to come along now, for the time of preparation is at hand. C.T.

NO END TO BREAKING RECORDS

THE new records established in the magnificent Sixth British Empire and Commonwealth Games brought a succession of thrills for the fortunate spectators. Looking ahead, they will bring still more work for athletes. Whatever one may think of the record cult, athletics thrives on it. And the sport will continue to thrive as long as records keep being broken. That's why there can be no let up for the poor athlete.

by JIM PETERS

It's not just physical work: athletes must put a tremendous amount of thought into running—working out of the most suitable training programmes and, of course, the best tactics to employ in races.

Take those all-conquering Aussies, for example. Their carefully-laid training plans are matched only by the shrewd study they make of their forthcoming races. Double gold medalist Herb Elliott not only outran all the others in the 880 yards and the mile—he out-generalled them.

It was said he needed a fast pace throughout to get the best out of himself. In fact, he was content to stroll along with the others for the first two laps of the mile, and then to kill off the opposition with that third lap of 58.9 seconds—normally the slowest lap in the mile. And he was still able to produce that "killer" last lap of 56.7 seconds.

New Zealand's Murray Halberg did a similar thing in the three miles, when he exploded normal theories by making his break at the 2½-mile mark.

Then there were England's stars of the track—the sprint relay teams of men and women. The girls have worked like Trojans under coach Geoff Dyson to perfect their baton-changing. They adopted one of the most difficult of all baton-passing methods, and mastered it.

There was rarely a day on the track at the Empire Village when we did not see England's male quartet practising hard to eliminate the fraction of a second which can be lost in a change-over not made at full speed.

Laughed at Nurmi

That's why records are being broken. But how much longer can athletes go on smashing records with such incredible regularity? I believe records will continue to fall for as long as men continue to devise improved training and

running techniques. I certainly don't think we have reached a stage in any event where we can say "this is as far as we can go."

It wasn't so long ago that Paavo Nurmi, the Flying Finn, was hailed as the ultimate running machine for distances of one to 10 miles. But Nurmi, who helped to revolutionise running, saw that progress would still be made.

Just after he broke the world's mile record with a time of 4min. 10.4sec., people began to wonder if any man would ever get inside the 4min. 10sec. mark. Nurmi declared that the day would soon come when a mile would be run inside four minutes. They laughed at him.

Those were the days when athletes had to take three months' rest every year to prevent themselves from getting stale.

Came the Zatopek era and training 10 and even 20 miles a day throughout the winter became part of the daily round.

It certainly did with me. I thought nothing of running more than 4,000 miles a year and training at least 50 weeks in a year—though now the thought would horrify me.

Electrical timing

Granted, then, that we can find improved techniques and the men to carry them out, it is impossible to see where record-breaking will end. A limit of 3min. 50sec. for the mile has been freely forecast. But that is based on present-day training and running techniques. Who is to say what new ideas will emerge?

When it comes to sprinting, we come up against an additional obstacle—electrical timing. The Empire Games 100 yards for men showed that human time-keeping is liable to flatter the runner. Winner Keith Gardner (Jamaica) was



GEOFF ELLIOTT, England's pole-vaulter, who retained his Empire Games title.

clocked at 9.4sec. manually, and 9.66sec. electrically.

So when we switch entirely to electrical timing (as we must surely do eventually) we will—for a time, I suppose—have to recognise two sets of times for records—those achieved under manual timing and those under electrical timing. But eventually we should see the world record of 9.3sec. equalled and finally bettered—even with electrical timing.

Talking of records, what a pity that the excellent Cardiff track, which saw the fastest sprinting ever achieved in Britain, has had to be torn up. After the glamour of the Games and the impressive closing-ceremony, it was a sad contrast to see the workmen move in with their shovels.

European Championships

Great efforts were made to keep the £12,000 track. The greyhound racing bosses could not be expected to leave it down out of the goodness of their hearts. But an attempt was made to buy them out, and the offer was a good one. The snag was, I understand, that alternative accommodation could not be found for the dog racing.

So we come to the next big event on the athletes' calendar—the European Championships in Stockholm beginning on August 17. I expect a shake-up in the British team, which will be announced next Tuesday after the Britain v. Commonwealth meeting. Many established stars will find themselves left out mainly

because Britain will have only two men in each event.

So current form must be the deciding factor. There can be no room for picking a man on reputation in the hope that he can find his form on the day. This was admissible at Cardiff, where four men could be chosen for each event. And, of course, all four home countries were represented by their own teams.

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JIM HILTON RE-ENGAGED BY SCOTTISH CLUB

JIM HILTON, the former Lancashire and Somerset allrounder, has been signed for a second season in Scottish league cricket with the Kelburne Cricket Club in the Western Union.

Oldham-born Hilton, younger brother of Lancashire's Malcolm, has been turning in some convincing performances recently, after adapting himself to the



Marner has earned cap: eyes on Meynell: soccer coaching

IF and when Peter Marner gets the Lancashire cap he so richly deserves, it will mean much-needed financial help for his old club, Crompton. Each time an ex-league player is capped for the county, the player's old club receives £100 as a thank-you for services rendered.

Peter, in his first full playing season after illness and injury, leads the Lancashire batting averages, has been the side's most consistent run-scorer, and this week became the first Lancashire batsman to reach 1,000 runs.

After such sterling performances, Peter's county cap should not be far away, and one can only reason that the delay has been because he has not yet recorded his first century for the side.

Perhaps during the Roses match this weekend, skipper Washbrook will hand Marner his cap—and Crompton will get the £100 that will do such a lot to help the present financial troubles which this week prompted a public appeal fund.

The appeal, sponsored by the Chairman of Crompton Council (Councillor J. Burke), is just one way in which Crompton hope to raise money to offset the £1,300 which the club owes. Letters are to go to all local mills, shops, public-houses and businesses during the next few days.



Peter Marner

MIRROR OF SPORT

AT a meeting of the management committee of the Rochdale Amateur League this week, 24 soccer clubs were placed in the following divisions for season 1958-9, which will commence on September 6:—

First Division.—Boots Social and Athletic Club, A. and A. Crompton's, Gravelhole, Haggate Lads, Haymain Recs., Industry FC, Railway Street, Rochdale Athletic, Tudor Rose, Turner Bros., Walsden, Whitworth.

Second Division.—Ash Mill (Shaw), Bay Horse, E. Clegg and Son, Dunlop, Highams Ltd., Industry Reserves, Pattleloux, Rochdale Athletic Reserves, Shiloh Spinners, Todmorden YC, Turner Bros. Reserve, Whitworth Reserves.

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THE Moscow squabble over who won the USSR v. USA athletics match reflects the prestige attached to being the world top nation in any particular sport.

In fact the match result proved nothing—except that Russia and America found another subject for disagreement. And what is one row more or less!

What the Moscow meeting shows the rest of the world is that the United States are still easily the No. 1 nation in men's athletics, as they

have been for 85 years. And the Russians are still top nation in women's athletics, as they have been since the war.

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THE next youngster to leave the Werneth nursery for Old Trafford is likely to be 19-year-old right-hand batsman, Derek Meynell. I understand that Lancashire officials are already considering him for the groundstaff, writes D.S.T.



Derek Meynell

Formerly bespectacled, Meynell has done better since changing to contact lenses. His skill and determination in staying over two hours for the 32 against Phadkar in the Wood Cup final stamped him as possible Lancashire material.

Meynell says: "There's nothing I would like better than to make cricket my career."

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COACHING sessions in soccer for Oldham boys have been arranged for a three-week period starting on

Tuesday, August 19. Mr. R. N. Watt, Youth Organiser for Oldham, says the sessions will be held on Hathershaw playing-fields on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting at 7.30.

Two qualified FA coaches will be in charge of the sessions. All that would-be trainees have to take along is their soccer kit—and a ball if they have one.

But Mr. Watt would like all who intend to go to let him know by post at the Education Office, so that he will have some idea of the number likely to make use of the course.

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NOW Arthur McIntyre has announced his retirement at the end of the season, Surrey must give Roy Swetman every opportunity to keep wicket. He has understudied McIntyre at the Oval for four years and in the few weeks that remain this season Swetman needs all the first-class practice he can get in readiness for the Australian tour, for which he has been chosen No. 2 to Godfrey Evans.

This season Swetman has played only seven first-class games for Surrey and three for MCC. The more bowling Swetman can take from Laker, Loader and Lock between now and his departure for Australia the better for him. He has comparatively little experience against top-class fast and spin bowling.

Furthermore, after Surrey's crushing defeat by Essex, it seems to me Swetman has a strong claim to a Surrey place on his batting. Playing for MCC early in the season he scored a century against Yorkshire.

slower wickets—the pace is about two yards slower than the wickets he has been used to south of the border.

At the start of the season he was also troubled with a back injury, but since recovering he has had an undefeated 82 with the bat and bowling performances of five for 20 and five for 36.

In addition to his skilful strokeplay and off-break bowling, 27-year-old Hilton has become popular up Paisley way for his earnest coaching of the club's up-and-coming youngsters, of whom one or two have been blooded in the first team this season under his guidance.

Sporting Query

DENNIS, Lees.—Randolph Turpin fought Sugar Ray Robinson in London on July 10, 1951. A tele-recording of the fight was shown on BBC on July 11 and July 18, 1951.

Greenfield Amateurs' first public trial

Greenfield Amateurs AFC, members of the newly-formed Saddleworth and District League, are holding their first public trial on Thursday at their Haybottom ground. The kick-off is at 7 p.m., and old and new players are asked to report at club headquarters at 6.45.

A satire on the Barrymores

FAY COMPTON, who has associations with the theatre going back over three generations, plays a leading role this weekend in a BBC production...

BUSTER KEATON ADVENTURE IS REVIVED

was tele-recorded a month ago to allow Kim Stanley (star of "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof") to return to America.

The action takes place in a Texan town called Harrison. Kim Stanley appears as a woman who goes with her small daughter (Pauline Knight) to meet her husband (Denholm Elliott)...

BUSTER KEATON was one of the great comedians of yesterday. His famous deadpan expression in the face of all hazards was a delight to cinemagoers of the silent days...

In this film Buster is an engine driver who is very devoted to his locomotive, and he finds himself and his train playing a decisive role in one of the major battles

of the American Civil War. It is not only very funny, but a first-class adventure story.

VARIETY on BBC tonight has Mr. Pastry (Richard Hearne) Peter Jones, Jack Billing, and Claudio Venturelli, the Italian singing star.

ON Channel Nine tonight, Marguerita Piazza, the star of the New York Metropolitan Opera Company, has her own show...

THE ABC film "Murder in the Footlights," which has Patricia Burke, Barbara Mullen, David Farrar and Bobby Howes in the cast.

BEFORE that there is the Saturday night medical drama which goes under the title of "Medic" and which features Richard Boone...

But his series in America has so established him as a doctor that he gets letters asking for medical advice. Tonight's instalment is about a woman alcoholic.

AMERICA is also the setting for the ABC play tomorrow night. It is "The Travelling Lady," and it

Tonight..

BBC

- 6 0: News; Weather.
6 5: Six-Five Special.
6 50: Sport.
7 0: Boots and Saddles.
7 25: News.
7 30: Fair Game.

ABC

- 6 0: Holiday Town Parade.
6 30: Can do.
7 0: Maverick.
8 0: Spectacular.
9 0: Medic.
9 30: News.
9 35: Murder in the Footlights (film).

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: Prom.

LIGHT 1,500m.

- 6 0: Cricket.
6 35: Just Jazz.
7 0: Radio Newsreel.
7 30: Saturday Night on the Light.

THIRD 464m.

- 6 20: The Night Sky.
6 30: The World of Books.
7 0: Record Review.
7 0: The Crux of the Matter.
8 20: Hindemith and Bach.

LUXEMBURG 208m.

- 7 0: Requests.
8 0: Jamboree.
9 30: Scottish Requests.
10 0: Irish Requests.
10 30: Spin with the Stars.

AFN 344m.

- 7 0: News; Music in the Air.
8 0: News.
8 5: Grand Ole Opry.
8 30: Ozark Jubilee.

BBC

- 1 0: O Sul i Sul.
1 10: A'r Drothwy'r Wyl.
2 30: I Married Joan.
3 0: People Like Maria. (World Health Organisation film).

ABC

- 11 15: Church.
3 0: Weather.
3 5: The Other Man's Farm.
3 35: Murder in Reverse (film).

HOME 434m.

- 7 50: First Day of the Week.
7 55: Weather.
8 0: News.
8 10: Programmes.

LUXEMBURG 208m.

- 7 0: Requests.
8 0: Jamboree.
9 30: Scottish Requests.
10 0: Irish Requests.
10 30: Spin with the Stars.

LIGHT 247m.

- 9 0: Chapel in the Valley.
9 30: Records.
9 45: The Archers.
10 30: Songs from the Shows.

.. and Tomorrow

- 1 45: Meet the Huggetts.
2 15: Good Evening Each.
2 45: Movie-Go-Round.
3 30: Melody Hour.
4 30: Ambrose in Paris.

THIRD 464m.

- 5 0: Instrumental Music.
5 30: Under the Loofah Tree (play).
6 15: Schubert.
6 45: Poems by John Donne.

LUXEMBURG 208m.

- 7 0: Requests.
7 45: Mr. and Mrs. Music.
8 0: Mario Lanza Sings.
8 15: Calling the Stars.

AFN 344m.

- 7 0: Biography in Sound.
7 55: Absentee Voting.
8 0: World News.
8 5: People Are Funny.

They've renamed the Persian Gulf

The Government-sponsored Middle East news agency at Cairo last night reported from Bagdad that the Iraqi Cabinet had resolved to refer to the Persian Gulf as "the Arab Gulf."

Higher pay in W. Germany

Workers' real wages in West Germany have increased by 13.2 per cent from 1955 to the beginning of 1958, compared with 3.6 per cent in Britain...

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BIRTH - On Aug. 1, at Oldham and District General Hospital, to Ada (nee Wood) and Arnold, a son (Phillip). Grateful thanks to all concerned.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS - Happy birthday to Sandy. From Grandma and Grand-dad Wood.

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GREYHOUND RACING TONIGHT 7-30: Trevor (scr.), Gentle Ruth (1), Highway Patrol (2), No Danger (2), Prince Regent (2).

British tanker aground

The British tanker Superiority (2,145 tons) went aground north of Copenhagen in a storm early today the Danish coastguard reported.

Not needed there

Among books donated to the Missouri Men's Prison library at Jefferson City, Missouri, are: "Live Alone and Like It," "Problems in Home Living," "Home Nursing and Child Care," and "How to Breast-feed a Baby."

EMPIRE

SUNDAY (open 5-0) Jean Simmons Victor Mature ANDROCLAS AND THE LION (U) Linda Darnell Dan Duryea THIS IS MY LOVE (A) PatheColor

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SUN. Louis Hayward, Barry Fitzgerald TEN LITTLE NIGGERS (A) Richard Conte in MASK OF DUST (U)

FRAULEIN

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SPIN BOWLERS IN EXCELLENT FORM

THE spin bowlers of two championship - chasing sides were in form today. At the Oval, Lock and Laker struck swiftly when Nottinghamshire batted, and by mid-afternoon seven wickets were down for 121. Then rain stopped play.

At Northampton, the home spinners sent back the first five Leicestershire batsmen for 117. New Zealanders, for once made a healthy start against Glamorgan at Swansea. They passed 100 with only two wickets down, and both Noel Harford and Bert Sutcliffe took their individual scores past 50. Hampshire went straight into the attack against Kent at Canterbury.

Jimmy Gray hit nine boundaries in his 70, and Henry Horton took his score even higher. Together they put on 114 for the second wicket.

Glamorgan v New Zealanders
At Swansea.

NEW ZEALANDERS—First Innings	
D'Arcy c Pressdee b Shepherd	4
Miller b Gatehouse	3
Harford not out	77
Sutcliffe b Walker	55
Reid not out	5
Extras	4
Total (for 3 wks)	148

Lancashire v Yorkshire
At Old Trafford.

YORKSHIRE—First Innings	
Sharpe b Statham	6
Taylor not out	7
Padgett not out	1
Total (for 1 wkt)	14

Warwickshire v Derbyshire
At Edgbaston.

WARWICKSHIRE—First Innings	
Gardner not out	48
Horne c Jackson b Gladwin	43
Stewart c Dawkes b Jackson	61
Smith not out	7
Extras	2
Total (for 2 wks)	161

Surrey v Nottinghamshire
At The Oval.

NOTTS—First Innings	
N Hill c Lock b A V Bedser	3
Springall b Lock	5
M Hill c Lock b Laker	52
Poole c Bedser b Laker	10
Goonesena c A V Bedser b Lock	8
Smales c Stewart b Laker	2
Atkinson not out	0
Jepson not out	0
Extras	8
Total (for 7 wks)	126
Rain	—

Kent v Hampshire
At Canterbury.

HANTS—First Innings	
Gray c Evans b Sayer	70
Marshall b Ridgway	17
Horton not out	82
Pitman c Pheby b Pettiford	12
Barnard not out	0
Extras	7
Total (for 3 wks)	188

Northants v Leicestershire
At Northampton.

LEICESTER—First Innings	
Hallam b Tribe	8
Watson b Manning	9
Gardner not out	46
Revill b Manning	15
Palmer b Allen	39
Diment c Manning b Allen	0
Firth not out	0
Total (for 5 wks)	117

Sussex v Middlesex
At Hove.

MIDDLESEX—First Innings	
Gale not out	64
Russell b Dexter	0
Edrich c Parks b Thomson	6
Robertson not out	60
Extras	7
Total (for 2 wks)	137

Gloucestershire v Somerset
At Bristol.

SOMERSET—First Innings	
Alley not out	26
Atkinson not out	27
Extras	3
Total (for no wks)	56
Rain	—

Worcestershire v Essex
At Worcester.

ESSEX—First Innings	
Dodds c Kenyon b Flavell	0
Barker lbw b Flavell	21
Williams c D W Richardson b Aldridge	2
Bailey b Slade	16
Bear c Booth b Aldridge	4
Taylor not out	38
GreenSmith c and b Slade	11
Ralph lbw b Slade	5
Preston not out	0
Extras	2
Total (for 8 wks)	133

MIDDLETON SEIZE THEIR CHANCES Hyde the dominant partner in run-getting spree

Quick change bowling by Oldham

HAVING only drawn £60 this season the Moor were hoping for good weather for their attractive fixture with Oldham, but once again they were unlucky and heavy rain just before the start delayed play for 40 minutes.

Oldham won the toss and put the home side in to bat. They opened with McDonough and Gowland and McDonough played a maiden over to Fletcher, but Gowland straight drove Molyneux for four.

Despite his maiden over, Fletcher was taken off in preference to professional Pepper and, at the other end, Morton took over from Molyneux.

The Oldham skipper certainly believed in changing his bowling, for Pepper lasted only one over, which cost him a single, and Molyneux went on at his end.

He should have had a wicket in this over when Gowland got a touch but the ball went between the wicket-keeper and first slip for four runs instead.

Cautious batsmen
After Gowland's escape, both batsmen took no chances, but, even so, the runs came steadily and after 25 minutes' batting there were 25 runs on the board.

Four runs later, however, McDonough was beaten by Fletcher to be well bowled. Manjrekar joined Gowland and the strong wind held up play on occasions when the balls were blown off the wicket.

After receiving one ball, there was a thrill for the sparse crowd, when they saw Manjrekar's wicket knocked back by Fletcher, but he was not out, for once again the wind had blown off the the balls and Manjrekar had stepped back hearing the shout, "balls off" and let the ball hit the wicket.

Play was then interrupted by rain for ten minutes, but on the resumption Manjrekar was soon off the mark with a single off Fletcher and a drive past mid-on for a couple off Molyneux.

Kay Leeson wins women's singles

Kay Leeson (20) won the women's singles in the Oldham Tennis Championships at Alexandra Park, this afternoon. Her opponent was Carol Schofield (17), a Counthill Grammar School pupil. Kay, the youngest-ever winner of the title, won 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

DESPITE the frequent showers, there was a fairly prompt start at Ashton. The home side won the toss and sent Middleton in, so that West Indian Gilchrist had to wait a little longer in his bid to capture his 100th wicket. The fast bowler needs only one more for his century.

Bartels opened with a maiden to Hyde and Hardy repeated the formula by stopping Crook from scoring.

Swinging the ball prodigiously, Bartels gave Hyde plenty of headaches and the Middleton skipper was glad to take a single to get to the other end.

He was happier against Hardy and took runs freely off him. At the other end, Crook turned Bartels to leg for three

Costly move

Essex came in for Bartels at the railway end to allow the pro to switch ends, but the move proved costly, Hyde scoring 13 runs off the new bowler's first over.

The result was that Hardy was reintroduced, but the run-getting spree was not stopped.

Hyde was the dominant partner and two drives to the extra cover fence were gems. The 50 went up after 45 minutes, of which Hyde had hit 39.

Sullivan replaced Hardy at 58. He failed to trouble either batsman, though Hyde mistimed an attempted hook and was lucky not to offer a catch.

At 64 Bartels caught Crook with his legs in front. McDougall joined his captain and was soon off the mark with a single, but at 67 Middleton lost their second wicket, Hyde failing to a second attempt catch by Wood at deep mid-on.

Hyde's 44 was scored in an hour and a quarter. Soon afterwards Bartels bowled Fawkes.

Battleship goes to Japan—for scrap

The 28,950-ton Chilean battleship Almirante Latorre—formerly, HMS Canada—has been sold to a Japanese firm for 690,000 dollars (about £245,700) for breaking up, it was officially announced in Santiago last night.

The battleship was built in Britain for Chile and was launched in 1913. She was bought by Britain in 1914, renamed the Canada, and with a Canadian crew fought in the Battle of Jutland in 1916. She was re-acquired by Chile in 1920.

In addition to the Almirante Latorre, two destroyers, three submarines and 18 smaller ships of the Chilean Navy will be broken up.

This will leave two cruisers of 10,000 tons, three destroyers, three corvettes, some minor units and no submarines.

Royton made bold start after delay

AFTER winning the toss, Royton came out to bat on a rain-soaked wicket. The game began an hour late owing to the state of the wicket, meanwhile, stumps were pitched on a drier part of the field.

The first over gave a clear demonstration that the bowlers could expect small help from the sodden wicket.

Denison, with what appeared to be all the time in the world, hooked Hubbard sharply to the boundary, and when Hubbard tried a slower one, Lees, who now had the strike, leaned back and cracked him for four through the short legs.

Runs continued to come quickly and after 15 minutes play the Royton score had reached 20 without loss. At this point rain stopped play.

FRENCH SEIZE ALGERIAN LEADERS

FRENCH counter-espionage police said today that they had arrested the leaders of an Algerian insurgent network whose activities extended over a third of France.

They said that the chief, his two lieutenants and top leaders of the Third Region in France of the Algerian National Liberation Front (FLN) were seized after a long investigation.

Those arrested include four young women — a 24-year-old Moslem student of philosophy and three European girls.

Police said the headquarters of the network, a flat in north-east Paris, was kept under observation night and day for several weeks.

During the day one police officer sold fruit from a barrow at the entrance to the flats. Others were disguised as house painters.

From a wagon parked opposite, police took photographs of Algerian agents arriving and leaving the building.

When they raided the flat, police said, they seized about half a ton of documents giving information on the organisation of the FLN in metropolitan France, hundreds of forged identity cards, weapons, typewriters and a duplicating machine.

Some of the documents were hidden in cupboards with false backs. Accounts showed that the income of the "Third Region" was about 30 million francs (£25,000) a month. The region extends from Dunkirk to Belfort.

The police claim it was the biggest round-up of FLN leaders in France. They had charged 19 people with attempts against the external security of the state.

Author's conviction set aside

The Supreme Court at Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, yesterday set aside convictions and sentences of up to £5 sterling fines or seven days' imprisonment imposed by a Durban magistrate on May 24 on Alan Paton, the South African writer—he wrote "Cry the Beloved Country"—and five other people.

They were found guilty of attending a meeting of Africans at Durban on December 6, 1956, for which the convenors had not given the Mayor of Durban the statutory 72 hours notice.

The day after the mass arrests of people of all races in South Africa on treason charges, all six addressed a meeting which discussed the raising of a defence fund.

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PRINCESS'S ONE-DAY VISIT TO OTTAWA

PRINCESS MARGARET was met by Canada's Governor-General, Mr. Vincent Massey, and the Prime Minister, Mr. John Diefenbaker, when she arrived in Ottawa today.

A guard of honour of the First Battalion the Canadian Guards will be waiting as the Royal train, carrying the Princess on her coast-to-coast tour of Canada, pulls into Union station.

Princess Margaret will spend only one day in the capital before leaving by helicopter on Sunday for the nearby Gatineau Hills, where she will stay at Harrington Lodge, the Prime Minister's country residence

on the shores of Harrington Lake. She goes on to Montreal on Tuesday.

This afternoon Princess Margaret attended a civic reception and in the evening a reception given by the Canadian Government.

Later she returned to Government House for a dinner and dance given by the Governor-General.

There she will have the opportunity of meeting about 90 young Canadians who were invited because it was believed they represented the type of Canadians the Princess would enjoy talking to.

Princess Margaret wound up the Western part of her Ontario tour yesterday at Hamilton.

More than 20,000 people jammed Hamilton civic stadium to see her present new colours to the Highland Light Infantry of Canada, a militia unit of which she is Colonel-in-Chief.

During her drive several cries of "Hello, Maggie," were heard from the crowd. The Princess told the Mayor of Hamilton, Mr. Lloyd Jackson, that she did not particularly like the name, but he said she was impressed by the warmth of the reception.

NEW ZEALANDERS 202—3.
Harford n.o. 105, Reid n.o. 30.
YORKS 47—1. Taylor n.o. 29.
Padgett n.o. 12.
WARWICK 218—3
LEICESTER 157 all.
HANTS 254—5.
MIDDLESEX 181—8
ESSEX 135 all.
NOTTS 135—9
EPSOM 4 15. Result:
Tireclyn (D Smith) 1.
Casse Noisette (W Elliott) 2.

Masquetade (G Lewis) 3.
9/4 fav., 9/1, 3/1
THIRSK 4 15. Result:
Patala (E Smith) 1.
Dauber (A Roberts) 2.
Allwood (E Britt) 3.
7/2, 33/1, 8/13 fav.
WARWICK 4 15. Result:
Miss Gwen (W Rickaby) 1.
Zamani (J Mercer) 2.
Miss Gwen 1/2. Only two ran

Castleton Moor (v Oldham) 49—3
Werneth (v Rochdale) 39—7
Royton (v Milnrow) 54—1
Middleton (v Ashton) 105—7.
Littleborough (v Heywood) 97—4
Walsden (v Stockport) 68 all
WARWICK 4 45. Result:
Bonetty Bob (W Rickaby) 1,
Princess Sylvia (W Sneath) 2,
Atomic Broom (J Lindley) 3.
1/2 fav., 5/2, 5/1
THIRSK 4 45. Result:
Dollar Help (B. Mooney) 1
Binglea (J. Sime) 2
Nereid (L. S. Parkes) 3.
5/2 ff., 5/2 ff., 20/1. Five ran.
EPSOM 4 45. Result:
Rose Pale (L Piggott) 1,
Witness Box (D Smith) 2,
Libra (A Breasley) 3.
4/1. 9/2, 7/4 fav.

Commonwealth athletics match:
Men's 220yds.—1, D H Segal
(GB) 21.4sec; 2, G R Day
(Empire); 3, R I Brightwell
(GB).
King Hussein today decreed
that Arab Federal States of
Jordan and Iraq had ceased to
exist.
Werneth 47—8.
Middleton 123—8
Castleton Moor 62—4