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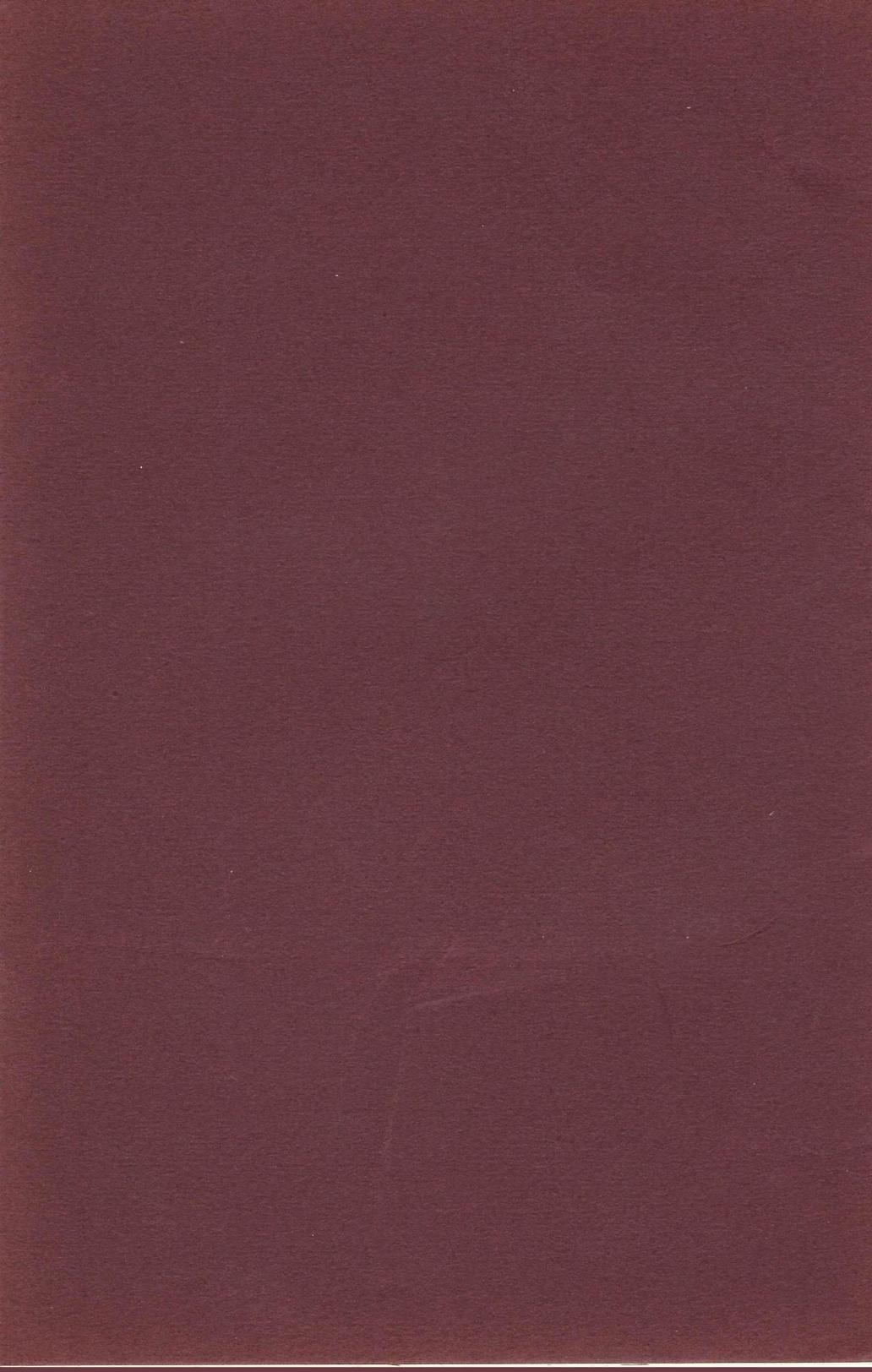
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To Tommy Green has befallen the honour of being the first Belgrave man to attain Olympic honours, and to him go our whole-hearted congratulations and best wishes. We are proud of our champion and sincerely hope that before the end of August the whole of the country will rise and congratulate a Belgrave Olympic Champion.

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We have one slight tinge of regret—that we could not provide Tommy with a club-mate to accompany him. The other Tommy—Scrimshaw—did his best to oblige and may be said to have missed selection by three yards—the distance by which he lost second place in the A.A.A. Championships. Well done, Tommy; you've Youth on your side and we are sure it's only an honour deferred!

Quite a number of Belgravians expect to make the journey to Berlin in 1936!

Meanwhile, Scrimshaw will form one of a party of six athletes representing England at the Colombes Stadium on July 24th, and our best wishes go with him.

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For the second time we have won the Surrey County Relay Championship, although handicapped on this occasion by the absence of T. Hampson (to whom we extend our best wishes for success at Los Angeles). Michael ran a splendid half-mile, however, and with Jarvis, Read and Wilcock giving of their best we retained our title. Well done!

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Our new members this month are E. W. McCarthy, W. A. Stacey, R. G. Day, A. J. Need, J. J. C. Knight, F. J. Skelley, F. J. Fife, J. F. Cox, G. F. Ford, R. W. Jordan, G. W. Harding,

C. J. Burbridge, V. O. Edwards, M. L. Ringrose, W. R. Ferris.
We wish them many years of success in our colours.

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The Hon. Treasurer is always pleased to receive orders for vests, badges, etc., and also postal orders in discharge of outstanding obligations.

Halfpennies for the Building Fund are particularly welcome.

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The Hon. Editors would appeal to all members in arrears for their copies of "The Belgravian" to send the amount on either to F. R. Webb, whose address appears on page 1, or to the Hon. Treasurer. The time is quickly approaching when a balance will have to be made for the Annual General Meeting; and the co-operation of every member is required if a true account of the year's work is to be presented.

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Congratulations to E. R. Turner, who threw the javelin with such good effect at a Kettering meeting recently that application has been made to the A.A.A. to have the throw accepted as a new British Native Record.

THE INTER-CLUB WALKS.

Our Annual Inter-Club Walks on the track were held on Monday, June 20th, and their popularity was evidenced by the entry of teams by nine clubs other than ourselves. It is very gratifying to find practically every Club of note in the Metropolitan area accepting our invitation, and participating in this competition, which approaches the highest ideals of amateurism, in that there is no trophy at stake, no awards to be gained, and no entry fees to be paid. The honour of the Clubs concerned is the only incentive offered, and the opportunity of scoring some points towards the Club total the only satisfaction to be gained, yet it would be hard indeed to find a keener or more sporting evening's entertainment.

We were glad indeed to welcome Woodford Green A.C. for the first time, and to have the opportunity of seeing A. A. Cooper and A. H. Pope in action on the Battersea Park Track.

As usual, the competition consisted of races at 5, 3, 2 and 1 Miles, with two men from each of the competing clubs contesting each event, no walker being allowed to turn out at more than one distance. Twenty points were awarded the first man, 19 the second, and so on downwards, the last man scoring one point, assuming all 20 competitors finished the course.

A start was made with the Five Miles Race and we were represented by A. L. Fletcher and F. W. Thorn. After a slow first mile Len went away in perfect style to score an easy win. He was followed by J. F. Redman (Metropolitan W.C.), this year's Junior Champion, and W. Archibald (Surrey Walking Club). Frank Thorn finished ninth for us and so the combined efforts of our two walkers scored 32 points. Metropolitan W.C. also scored 32 points in this event to finish level with us.

m. s.		m. s.	
1. A. L. Fletcher (Bel.).....	38 31½	4. W. Turtle (H.H.H.).....	39 25
2. J. F. Redman (Met.).....	39 1	5. P. Collier (L. Vid.).....	39 51
3. W. Archibald (S.W.C.)...39	11	6. A. O. Tookey (Poly.).....	39 58

Next came the 3 miles and Pope (Woodford Green A.C.) the A.A.A. Champion, was soon in the lead and completing the first mile in 7min. 13½sec. and the second in 14min. 37 sec, won easily. Harry Churcher, of ours, displayed exemplary style in finishing second. Sims (London Vidarians) was third and Reg. Elson, who deserves the highest praise for his showing, finished fifth. Thus we scored 35 points, the nearest approach to this being the 32 points of our neighbours, Ashcombe A.C.

m. s.		m. s.	
1. A. H. Pope (W.G.A.C.) 21	59 3-5	4. H. W. Glover (Ash.).....	23 18
2. H. G. Churcher (Bel.)...22	48	5. R. F. Elson (Bel.).....	23 18
3. R. Sims (L. Vid.).....23	13	6. P. R. Bayliss (Ash.).....	23 26

The third race of the evening, the Two Miles, resolved itself into a duel between G. H. Salter (Poly H.) and J. A. Bridger (London Vid.), the former eventually winning in 14min. 31sec., the fastest he has ever accomplished. One of our County Champions and ever-reliable Clubman, Harold King, was third; and Charlie Churcher showed his fastest yet in taking fifth position. In this event we scored 34 points, Polytechnic H. 32 points, and Surrey W.C. 30 points.

m. s.		m. s.	
1. G. H. Salter (Poly.).....	14 31	4. N. L. Burt (S.W.C.).....	14 59
2. J. A. Bridger (L. Vid.)...14	41	5. C. E. Churcher (Bel.) ...15	2
3. H. F. King (Bel.).....14	47	6. M. J. Fisher (H.H.H.)...15	3

At this stage of the competition we were leading with 101 points, our nearest rivals being Surrey Walking Club with 83. The last race of the evening was the One Mile event, but whereas the Croydon Club had saved two of their outstanding performers in Hancock, who has come to the front with such rapidity, and Chilton, a former Surrey County champion; we knew that we could not hope to fare as well in this race as in the others. From the pistol Cooper led and completed the course in the fast time of 6min. 46sec. The youthful Hancock was second in 6min. 57sec., and was followed by Presland (H.H.H.) a former Junior Champion, and our Walking Hon. Secretary, A. A. Harley. Our other man, L. Storey, finished ninth and so we

scored 29 points. Surrey W.C. led on this event with 34 points and Woodford Green A.C. scored the same as ourselves.

	m.	s.		m.	s.
1. A. A. Cooper (W.G.).....	6	46	4. A. A. Harley (Bel.).....	7	18
2. L. P. Hancock (S.W.C.)...	6	57	5. J. Crump (L. Vid.).....	7	23
3. F. N. Presland (H.H.H.)...	7	16	6. W. Chilton (S.W.C.).....	7	24

Thus we were enabled to win the competition once again, with our old road rivals of the S.W.C. second, and Polytechnic H. third. Final points and positions appear below :—

	5m.	3m.	2m.	1m.	Total	Pos'n
Ashcombe A.C. ...	10	32	23	27	92	5
Belgrave H. ...	32	35	34	29	130	1
Herne Hill H. ...	24	11	15	18	68	7
London Vid. W.C. ...	26	26	23	21	96	4
Metropolitan W.C. ...	32	13	11	8	64	8
Polytechnic H. ...	23	23	32	21	99	3
Surrey A.C. ...	11	9	8	6	34	9
Surrey W.C. ...	27	26	30	34	117	2
Woodford Green A.C. ...	19	25	17	29	90	6
Valentine's S.C. ...	5	—	11	7	23	10

Reviewing the evening, it can be safely said that this year's competition surpassed even the high level attained in previous years. The number of teams participating, and the standard of fast walking reached, was very satisfying.

From our own Club viewpoint we have every reason to be satisfied. In competition with nine other Clubs, comprising the strongest opposition, we were successful in scoring 130 points out of a "highest possible" of 156 points—a really splendid performance, especially when we remember that many of those who have assisted us so well in this competition in previous years were not available on this occasion. Thus Frank Elson, T. W. Green, J. G. Scamell and C. W. Redgrave were absentees this year—but in spite of this we scored our 130 points.

Another matter for encouragement is that six of our eight representatives on this occasion are still "Juniors," and will be available when the first Saturday in March comes along—the big day for walkers who have not yet attained "Senior" rank.

However, we must cease probing into the future, and conclude by thanking the Clubs who gave us their valuable support, without which we could not proceed; and by according our sincere thanks to the officials who conducted the meeting so admirably.

WITH THE WALKERS.

Tommy Green takes to America with him our very best wishes and we are confident of his ability to uphold British prestige and return home an Olympic Champion. No one has done more

than Tommy to deserve this honour and we, his club-mates, are proud to think that he is to have the opportunity of proving himself the best distance walker living. That he will do so, we have no doubt.

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It was unfortunate that Green was unable to start with the others in the 50 kilos. Championship at Leicester on June 29th. As everyone now knows, the driver of the car bringing Tommy from his home, owing a misunderstanding, assumed that Green was competing in another race being held at Croydon. It was not until the car was well on the way to London that the mistake was discovered, and a frantic dash made for Leicester, only to arrive 49 minutes late. Tommy covered the course and was unofficially timed to do four minutes better than the actual winner. Our other two men, Fred Rickards and Fred Bentley, realising that we had no team competing and disappointed at the non-arrival of Green, retired from the race. Their anxiety and disappointment, and also that of Tommy for his clubmates and himself, can be well imagined, and we can only hope that these three will be prominent in the London—Brighton race and gain first team honours for the club.

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The London—Brighton Walk will take place on September 10th, and I shall be pleased to send particulars to anyone interested.

I should also be glad to know of anyone willing to act as cyclist attendants, and so be of assistance to our walkers. We shall probably engage a 'bus to follow the race, as in past years, and application for seats should be addressed to the Walking Hon. Secretary.

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It is interesting to note that two members of the Surrey Walking Club team in our recent Inter-Club Walks were formerly runners. The two men referred to (Burt and Hancock) scored between them 36 of our rivals' 117 points. Burt used to be a prominent distance runner in the Blackheath Harriers ranks; while Hancock was running over the country less than a year ago, but now appears to be a Walking Champion in embryo.

There is a moral in this for some of our runners, but I shall have our Running Hon. Secretary after me if I put it in black and white, even if he is the proud owner of a Walk Standard Medal himself.

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With the decision of the A.A.A. Championships and the departure of the Olympic team, the Summer season seems nearly gone, and our thoughts turn to Winter aspirations. Our numerical strength is very gratifying and the general standard of ability a matter for congratulation. It is almost certain that Enfield

A.C. will prove our greatest rivals in Open Scratch team events; but in Championship events, at any rate as far as Southern Clubs are concerned, we may look to Surrey Walking Club to prove the biggest danger.

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Although the "Junior" Road Walking Championship is many months ahead, I cannot resist the temptation of penning a few words on this subject. Since we last won in 1930, we have been placed 11th and this year 4th. It is hardly to be expected in these days of keen competition that a Club can find a team capable of getting placed in the year following a win—and so our 1931 placing—although much below the Club's high standard in this event—is excusable. This year's fourth position is an indication of better things to come; but, to my mind, we should, undoubtedly, have taken third place at least. To what, then, may we attribute our (comparative) failure?

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Some will say that we have *not* failed, that we must expect the other Clubs to take their share of the honours, and that to expect to be among the placed teams every year is not reasonable, and is merely optimism without justification.

However, it has been suggested that some of our "Juniors" regard the Championship as "just one more race," instead of THE race. That, to some, it is the final race of a series, instead of an event to be tackled at the peak of fitness, with the preceding races used as "stepping stones," to a definite end. I am not suggesting that any of our walkers have ever deliberately taken up the foregoing attitude—I know their team spirit and keenness too well for that—but it is just possible they may have fallen into this line of action sub-consciously; and it is for us to explore every avenue in our efforts to succeed in winning this coming season.

I should like to stress, also, the value of strolling as a supplement to the usual stripped training. To be of any value, however, it *must* be regular and spread over three or four months. It is of little use strolling only a week or so before the big race. Strolling is not only useful in that it assists the breathing and gently exercises all the muscles, but it creates stamina and enables one to carry on through the "bad time"; to keep going in the last two miles, and even find a spurt at the finish. In fact, it gives "the little something the others haven't got," as our Champions will testify.

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It is, of course, very early to discuss the "Junior," and I shall have plenty of opportunities to return to the subject in the coming months; but the real reason for these paragraphs is the feeling

of optimism which recent events have aroused in me. As mentioned elsewhere, six of our eight representatives in the recent Inter-Club Walks were "Juniors." They are F. W. Thorn, H. G. Churcher, R. F. Elson, C. E. Churcher, A. A. Harley, L. Storey. To these first team "possibles" must be added C. W. Redgrave, C. H. Speechley, A. H. Field, R. G. Hillier and several others showing rapid improvement, such as D. E. Brown, H. Latter and W. Holman. Of course, I'm subject to sins of omission and there's always the possibility of new talent manifesting itself—so you can see the Winter season holds out great promise to us. It's for us to turn the promise into reality!

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Only one more Club Walking Handicap remains to be decided this season and the only possible winner of a prize in this group under the "Belgrave Points Scheme" is A. L. Fletcher, who has 72 points to his credit. He has one more opportunity to add to his score, or, alternatively, to present them back to the Club by being placed in the first three of the next handicap.

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FUTURE EVENTS.

July 30—2 Miles Championship (Holder, A. L. Fletcher). 1st Class Standard 15min. 30sec. 2nd Class Standard, 16min.

Aug. 17—2 Miles Handicap.

Sept. 10—London to Brighton Walk.

Entries and enquiries to:—

A. A. HARLEY, 39 Roxborough Avenue, Isleworth Mx.

THE "DORIS SHIELD" COMPETITION.

The Annual Competition for the "Doris Shield" took place on June 15th, and Thames Valley Harriers, who wrested the Shield from us last year were again successful on this occasion. H. G. Tavender and J. A. Cooper were again largely responsible for the "Valley" success, the final scores being T.V.H. 11 pts., Belgrave 7 pts., Ashcombe 6 pts. Our best show was in the Two Miles team event, in which we scored an easy win. Carter did excellently in winning from Allum in 9min. 50sec. We had our share of success in the handicap events, as the following results will show:—

INTER-CLUB EVENTS.

100 Yards.—1, H. G. Tavender (T.V.H.); 2, R. W. Beswick (A.A.C.); 3, G. Basford (Bel.). Time 10½sec.

440 Yards.—1, J. A. Cooper (T.V.H.); 2, R. W. Beswick (A.A.C.); 3, J. E. Tosh (Bel.). Time 51 4-5 sec.

Two Miles Team.—1, C. T. Carter (Bel.); 2, A. Allum (Bel.); 3, A. L. Phipps (T.V.H.); 4, W. G. Webb (Bel.). 1, Belgrave H. 12pts.; 2, T.V.H. 29pts.; 3, Ashcombe A.C. 52pts. Time 9min. 50sec.

One Mile Relay.—1, T.V.H., 2, Belgrave H.; 3, Ashcombe A.C. Time 3min. 45sec.

HANDICAPS.

100 Yards.—1, J. W. Walsen (6), T.V.H.; 2, J. Crilly (10), Bel.; 3, L. E. Alp (7), Bel.; 4, W. J. Summers (9½), Ash. Time 10sec.

Two Miles Walk.—1, W. J. Tilling (520), Ash.; 2, A. B. Westcott (570), T.V.H.; 3, W. T. Carter (425), Ash.; 4, C. E. Churcher (245), Bel. Time 14min. 5 2-5sec.

One Mile.—1, T. Cotton (80), Bel.; 2, F. L. Ridler (130), Ash.; 3, F. R. Webb (25), Bel.; 4, F. Tame (30), Bel. Time 4min. 29 4-5sec.

INTER-CLUB CONTEST AT EPSOM.

On June 22nd, a small party of 10 travelled to Ewell for the second of the Inter-Club Relay competitions. Of these only two were sprinters, so two of our distance men were called upon to participate in the sprint relays and enable us to pick up a few points towards retaining the Shield. Also, several of our members were called upon to take part in two or more races, which can hardly be considered creditable to a club with a membership of over 600!

After some delay we started off with the 4 x 100 yards relay, our team consisting of W. A. Rice, W. L. Bayliss, G. Basford and F. Powter, and we managed to take third place.

The 4 x 800 yards race followed and here our men were Carter, Rice, F. R. Webb, Ford; running in that order. Mitcham led at the first change-over, but Rice took the lead for us on the next "leg" and Webb increased it. Ferdinando, of Mitcham, ran a well-judged last stage against Ford and beat our man in the last 100 yards, leaving us to be content with second place.

Powter, Basford, Rice and F. R. Webb did duty for us in the 4 x 300 yards event and took third place; so it was "up" to our milers. We started with the knowledge that we were three points down to Mitcham, and two points to Croydon on the evening. Allum and Penny were soon out on their own, the former eventually winning with Penny content to hold on to second place. Robertshaw's machine would not function properly, however, and Wally Bayliss saved us by finding some of his old dash and finishing eighth. This enabled us to beat Epsom by three points. It was very fortunate for us that Epsom ran so well, and pushed our other rivals back; and so Mitcham, Croydon and ourselves finished all square with 11 points each, Epsom scoring seven points.

Total points to date are Belgrave 27, Mitcham 22, Croydon 19, Epsom 12.

RESULT.

4 x 100 Yards.—1, Croydon H.; 2, Mitcham A.C.; 3, Belgrave H.; 4, Epsom H. Time 43sec.

4 x 300 Yards.—1, Croydon H.; 2, Mitcham A.C.; 3, Belgrave H.; 4, Epsom H. Time 2min. 21 1-15sec.

4 x 880 Yards.—1, Mitcham A.C.; 2, Belgrave H.; 3, Epsom H.; 4, Croydon H. Time 8min. 38 2-5sec.

Mile Team Race.—1, Belgrave H., 10 pts.; 2, Epsom H., 13 pts.; 3, Croydon H., 23pts.; 4, Mitcham A.C., 36pts. Time 4min. 42sec.

INTER-CLUB RELAYS AT CROYDON.

The third of this series was held at Croydon on July 5th, and resulted in Mitcham A.C. pegging back one point of our previous lead.

For the sprints we relied upon J. Holder, L. E. Alp, F. Stower and H. W. Shields and they secured two third places. Success was ours in the 4 x 880 yards relay and One Mile team race; and the final Club scores on the evening were: Mitcham A.C. 13 pts., Belgrave H. 12 pts., Croydon H. 11 pts., Epsom H. 4pts.

RESULT.

4 x 100 Yards.—1, Mitcham A.C.; 2, Croydon H.; 3, Belgrave H.; 4, Epsom H.

4 x 880 Yards.—1, Belgrave H.; 2, Mitcham A.C.; 3, Croydon H.; 4, Epsom H. Time 8min. 32sec.

4 x 300 Yards.—1, Croydon H.; 2, Mitcham A.C.; 3, Belgrave H.; 4, Epsom H.

One Mile Team Race.—1, Belgrave H., 12pts.; 2, Mitcham A.C., 15 pts.; 3, Croydon H., 27pts.; 4, Epsom H., 36pts.

CLUB HANDICAP MEETING.

A programme of Members' Handicaps and the Club Three Miles Championship were held on June 29th.

In view of the fact that the A.A.A. Championships followed a few days later, A. W. Penny, the holder, and one or two others did not turn out in the Three Miles Championship. A close race developed, however, between A. Allum and C. T. Carter, the former eventually winning in the good time of 15min. 9sec.

The outstanding performances in the handicaps were those of

A. Kench in the 880 yards, and of a newcomer, F. Stower, in the 440 yards.

Don Brown won the Three Miles Walk in brilliant style, covering the full distance in 23min. 15sec. E. Heather gained the reward for perseverance by finishing second and Jack Field took third position from a back mark.

RESULT.

100 Yards (Junior).—Heat 1, V. Edwards, 7yds, 1; H. J. Cook, 5, 2; E. A. Keyworth, 6, 3; 10 4-5sec. Heat 2, W. F. Graydon, 2, 1; A. H. McKew, 7, 2; C. Jones, 6, 3; 11½sec. Final: Edwards 1, Cook 2, Keyworth 3; 10 2-5sec.

100 Yards (Club).—Heat Winners: L. W. Fleming, 9½yds, (10 1-10 sec.); A. W. Birnie, 9 (10 3-10); S. J. Harper, 8½ (10); J. Holder, 7 (10 1-10); A. A. Doggett, 9½ (10 1-10); E. Stone, 14 (10-1-10). Final: Fleming 1, Stone 2, Holder 3; 10sec.

880 Yards.—A. Kench, 30 yds., 1; W. A. Carnie, 48, 2; C. E. Crome, 75, 3; 1min. 56 4-5sec.

Mile Walk (Novices).—R. H. Death, Hendon, 1; B. C. Angel, Charlton, 2; W. J. Bloomfield, Battersea, 3; 8min. 34 4-5sec.

High Jump.—S. J. Harper, 5ft. 5½in., 1; J. Holder, 5ft. 2½in., 2.

S.A.A.L. Javelin Throw.—Belgrave H., 267ft. 1in., 1; Mitcham A.C., 237ft. 7in., 2; Polytechnic, 158ft. 7½in., 3.

440 Yards.—Heat 1: T. C. Jones, 20yds., 1; R. Barsby, 15, 2; 54 1-5 sec. Heat 2; F. Stower, 28, 1; J. E. Tosh, 5, 2; 50 1-3sec. Heat 3: J. Crilly, 38, 1; E. H. Jarvis, 10, 2; 50 4-5sec. Final: Stower, 1, Crilly 2, Shannon 3; 50 3-5sec.

Three Miles Walk.—D. E. Brown, 2min. 15sec., 1; E. C. Heather, 3 min. 15sec., 2; J. E. Field, 1min. 30sec. 3. 21min.

Three Miles (Club Championship, Griffin Cup).—A. Allum 1; C. T. Carter 2; E. A. Duffett 3; A. E. Smith 4; 15min. 9sec.

150 Yards (Veterans).—Heat 1: A. V. Chetland (26), 1; R. S. Read (9), 2. Heat 2: R. Williams (20), 1; H. E. Jackman (9), 2. Heat 3: W. J. Franklin (16), 2; E. R. Jessop (10), 2. Final: Jessop 1, Chetland 2, Read 3.

MATCH v. HERNE HILL HARRIERS.

On July 13th, Herne Hill Harriers visited us at Battersea Park and contested a match of seven events. Although old rivals of ours over the country and on the road, this was the first time we have had a "straight" match with our H.H.H. rivals on the track, and after an interesting evening's sport we ran out winners by 41 points to 29 points. It cannot be said that the present Herne Hill team is up to their standard of a few years back, when they were indeed a power in Southern athletics, for like all clubs with a history extending over many years, they have experienced the "swing of the pendulum," but now their star appears to be in the ascendant once again.

We had the pleasure of supplying six winners in the seven events and also claimed our share of the minor placings. T. N. Wilcock was our most prominent performer and did exceedingly well to credit us with both sprints. Scrimshaw had an easy passage in the half-mile and Michael was not troubled in winning the 440 yards for us. Fleming captured the Long Jump on our behalf, but the most thrilling event of the evening was the Mile. In this, Frank Webb and H. E. Wills (who is, incidentally, a second-claim member of our Club) ran neck and neck for the last 200 yards, Frank eventually winning by the narrowest of margins.

Included in the programme were four members' handicaps. The 300 yards and 880 yards races were not supported so well as usual and one wonders if, perhaps, we have included too many of these events in our programmes, with a consequent falling off of enthusiasm. The shorter event went to J. Holder, who has shown ability at the Field events and now proved he is a sprinter of distinct merit. Our old friend, Len Rollins, bobbed up again in the 880 yards handicap. I'm afraid he forgot the date of his "usual"—the handicap on Championship day—was still 17 days away! However, perhaps he plans a double!

In the Walk, H. Latter caused something of a sensation by winning easily in very fast time. He has made phenomenal progress (as has also his Business House club-mate, D. E. Brown) and continued improvement at the same rate should soon place him in the highest class. Heather and Jackman, also of the "younger" brigade, finished second and third; and fourth came Len Fletcher from the scratch mark, in the fastest time he has ever recorded on the Battersea track. It was approximately 14min. 4sec. Well done!

Fleming, who had won the match Long Jump for us, was also successful in the handicap event with an allowance of 2ft. 3in.

RESULTS.

MATCH EVENTS.

100 Yards.—1, T. N. Wilcock (B.H.); 2, M. Odell (B.H.); 3, E. H. Jarvis (B.H.); 4, Morant (H.H.H.). Time 10½sec.

1 Mile.—1, F. R. Webb (B.H.); 2, H. E. Wills (H.H.H.); 3, W. Willett (H.H.H.); 4, F. A. Walker (B.H.) Time 4min. 41 3-5sec.

220 Yards.—1, T. N. Wilcock (B.H.); 2, Dodd (H.H.H.); 3, J. E. Read (B.H.); 4, Coggin (H.H.H.). Time 23 1-5sec.

880 Yards.—1, T. H. Scrimshaw (B.H.); 2, F. G. Ford (B.H.); 3, W. Thorpe (H.H.H.); 4, A. Vines (H.H.H.). Time 2min. 7sec.

Long Jump.—1, B. W. Fleming (B.H.); 2, Sherma (H.H.H.); 3, C. J. Kelly (B.H.); 4, L. Lambert (H.H.H.). Distance 19ft. 10½in.

High Jump.—1, L. Lambert (H.H.H.); 2, S. J. Harper (B.H.); 3, R. Murphy (H.H.H.); 4, J. Holder (B.H.). Height 5ft. 4in.

440 Yards.—1, R. G. Michael (B.H.); 2, Dodd (H.H.H.); 3, Morant (H.H.H.); 4, Maclachlan (H.H.H.). Time 52 4-5sec.

Final Points.—Belgrave H. 41pts. H.H.H. 29pts.

HANDICAPS.

300 Yards.—J. Holder (19); 2, H. J. Mann (25); 3, A. H. Shannon (18). Time 31 4-5sec.

2 Miles Walk.—1, H. Latter (280); 2, E. C. Heather (410); 3, E. A. Jackman (375); 4, A. L. Fletcher (Scr.); 5, J. G. Coleman (385); 6, A. A. Harley (245). Time 13min. 48sec.

880 Yards.—1, H. L. Rollins (60); 2, C. Mains (65); 3, T. C. Jones (55). Time 1min. 58 1-10sec.

Long Jump.—1, B. W. Fleming (all. 2ft. 3in.), 22ft. 1½in.; 2, W. Grayden (5ft.), 21ft. 7¼in.; 3, J. Holder (1ft. 6in.), 21ft. 6½in.

AT THE MEETINGS.

Several team successes were recorded by our runners on June 25th. At the old-established Ravensbourne meeting our team won the 4 x 880 yards relay in very fast time. Those contributing to this win were: T. H. Scrimshaw, R. G. Michael, F. G. Ford and F. Tame.

Our three-milers also took first place with the low score of 17 points, to the 30 of Polytechnic H., and 32 of Highgate H. Our team consisted of Penny (3), Footer (4) and Allum (10).

At the Enfield meeting on the same afternoon we were successful in the Invitation Relay, J. E. Tosh, E. H. Jarvis, J. S. Williams and J. E. Read doing duty for us. W. Holman also deserves an "honourable mention" upon finishing sixth in the "Guildford Cup" 50 kilometres walk.

The following Saturday all interest was focussed upon the A.A.A. Championships at the White City.

The best performance by one of our members was that of Tommy Scrimshaw in finishing third in the 880 yards Championship. Tommy had led the field for best part of the course, but was passed in the last 150 yards and was unable to get on terms again. However, he had done well, and will do better yet.

Jim Tosh also did well to be placed fourth in the final of the 440 yards Championship and he is undoubtedly destined for International Championship and he is undoubtedly destined for was third in the Javelin Throw and G. H. Powell, fifth, gained a standard medal. Harold King was another to gain a standard medal, his effort being in the Seven Miles Walk.

The following Saturday's "best" goes to Tommy Green for winning the "Round Birmingham Walk" (25 miles) in record time, before packing his kit for America. At the Geneva S.C. meeting our scratch relay team was third, the position also taken by our two miles team in their event. Scrimshaw engaged in another duel with J. V. Powell, of the Olympic team, this time over 600 yards, but Powell managed to win by three yards. L. Morgan did well to finish second in both sprints to J. A. T. Hanlon at the Police Championships held at Brighton.

J. E. Tosh and H. F. King represented their counties at the Inter-County meeting on July 16th; and at Ponders End we had to be content with second place in the team race (as on the preceding Wednesday) to the Polytechnic Harriers. E. A. Jackman scored a well deserved win in the Walk handicap; and others who have troubled the place judges lately are: F. A. Arrowsmith, F. Powter, M. Odell, A. R. Shaw, F. R. Webb, H. L. Rollins, H. G. Churcher and J. G. Colman.

A "junior" team of two-milers was successful at Isleworth; and this must conclude the list of successes for this month, with due apologies for any omissions.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Entries should now be in my hands for our Club Championship meeting to be held at Battersea Park Track on July 30th, at 3 p.m.

A lengthy programme is down for decision, and the events should prove exciting both for competitors and spectators alike. I am sorry that I shall not be able to be present, as this is the one

meeting at which I expect to make a haul of outstanding debts in respect of entry fees!

As a matter of fact, I have announced my intention to the Committee of retiring from office at the end of this season, so applications for the vacant position are invited. It is a job that entails being at Battersea Park Track at least one night each week and also the majority of Sunday mornings. I have tried to get our members to send their entries in by post (they have to do this for the "Opens") but somehow they seem to prefer to wait until they are asked before they will enter an event.

Sometimes I think that if they need to be asked then they cannot have much desire to participate, but I think they are keen enough; it is just the fact that these things were done in this way in the past, and so they carry on in the same way. Our numbers have, however, considerably increased since then and what with soliciting entries, collecting the fees, making out teams for Relay and Team races, Inter-club events, etc., it really is a full-time job, and leaves no time for having a run yourself.

We have our final Club meeting at Battersea Park Track on August 17th, at 7 p.m., and the following events, all Handicaps, will be held: 100 Yards, 440 Yards, 1,320 Yards, 2 Miles Walk. This is the last chance of garnering a few more points to enable you to qualify for a prize under the Club Points Scheme.

Another meeting I should like to bring to our members' notice is to be held at Stamford Bridge on August 13th. The London Athletic Club, who are staging the meeting, have very kindly asked us to oppose them in a series of match events, and in addition are holding seven Open events, which should suit the handicap runners in our ranks.

We shall endeavour to turn out a representative side, one capable of giving the L.A.C. a close match, and hope that the members invited to represent us will be able to do so.

Then we have another match affair on August 27th, this time at the Metropolitan Police headquarters at Imber Court, Thames Ditton, where the home club and the R.N. and R.M. will provide the opposition.

Our members have often said that they thought our season finished rather early, so here is their chance to keep in active competition by turning out for the Club in these matches.

Now for a few comments on our coming Winter programme. As I write I must say that Winter seems a long way off, considering the heat wave we are having at present.

There have been several discussions over our fixtures in the past, so this season we are going to try to find fresh opponents and pastures for our members. We have arranged an home and away fixture with the Aldershot Command A.C. and are contemplating a visit to the Polytechnic Harriers' quarters at Barnet.

Our other fixtures will be on similar lines to last year and I am sure we can look forward to an enjoyable and successful season.

All entries and enquiries to E. A. DUFFETT, *Running Hon. Sec.*,
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SOUTHERN AMATEUR ATHLETIC LEAGUE.

The One mile team of the above league was decided at Stamford Bridge and we were only able to finish fifth. This permitted South London H. to take the lead from us, and so with five of the six events decided, they are half a point in front of us.

S.L.H.	...	...	...	22½ pts.
Belgrave H.	...	...	...	22 ,,
Polytechnic H.	...	...	...	21½ ,,
Highgate H.	...	...	...	15 ,,
Ilford A.C.	...	...	...	12 ,,
Herne Hill H.	...	...	...	11 ,,

In the Field Events section our men have done consistently well and lead as follows: Belgrave H. 34 pts., Poly H. 31 pts., Southgate and Wood Green A.C. 25 pts., Mitcham A.C. 24 pts., Cambridge H. 23 pts., South London H. 22 pts., Highgate H. 11 pts., Herne Hill H. 7 pts., Ilford A.C. 6 pts.

Four events remain to be decided.

THE "HARRY WRIGHT" SHIELD.

Under the new efficiency scheme, J. Holder leads with 86.2 per cent, having jumped 20ft. 0½in. on June 13th; G. H. Powell is second with 80.02 per cent. earned by his recent javelin throw.

To equal Holder's performance, the winner of the Shot Putt must putt 37ft. 0¾in. This event will take place on July 30th, and a handicap will be held in conjunction.

(Certified correct) K. B. O'KELL.

AVOIDABLY HELD OVER.

"Charming Ladies," by K. B. O'Kell. In this article the author shows a firm grasp of his subject; but it is regretted that it must be held over until the Assurance Offices are prepared to issue policies safeguarding Honorary Editors against attacks from impassioned, vindictive Amazons!

"Berlin, 1936—A Four Year Plan," by O'Kellski.

"Every Man his Own Handicapper," by O.K. (by me!).

"Mathematical Meanderings" or "O'Kell at Sea," by Himself.

