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ROUNDING THE FIRST BEND at the start of the Scottish 9 Miles Cross-Country Championship.

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April.	Motherwell & Wishaw Police.
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It has been impossible to get all the matter covering 2 months into this single issue. Much has to be held over to our special 4th BIRTHDAY NUMBER which at present is being prepared to be available early in May (price 6d.). It will

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CHIEF talking-point of the Scottish championships at Ayr was the gruelling nature of the conditions—according to some the worst in 30 years. It shows to what extent the weather can effect a cross-country course. Ayr is normally regarded as a fairly light fast course—a speed merchant's dream—like last year. This year stamina was even more valuable. There must have been few occasions when competitors finished with so much wear and tear with some bleeding profusely from barbed wire entanglement.

In all fairness to officials it must be emphasised that the course was the same as last year when there was little or no criticism of the hasards encountered. This year the heavy nature of the country rendered these difficult and even dangerous. Perhaps if it is impossible to get permission to have wire fences cut they could be liberally covered with sacking as was the last fence before reaching the race course.

Becher's Brook.

Just as in the Grand National for horses, the jump known as Becher's Brook has been the death of many a favourite's hope—so at Ayr the stream encountered mid-way round each lap ruined the chances of many well-known runners including the favourite Andrew Forbes. Swollen and in spate and with both banks a sea of mud from which no correct take-off could be had this natural hasard meant immersion each time and appeared to have a particularly adverse effect on some runners.

However, this obstacle was the same for all runners and certainly the traillayers could not be blamed for the severity of this hasard which was entirely due to the weather.

Fleming Both Powerful and Fast.

James Fleming of Motherwell Y.M.C.A. ran a splendidly-judged race to win the title from Jimmy Reid who ran the race

of his life in an epic attempt to bring off a West Kilbride double. Other features were the achievement of Jim Flockhart in finishing in the first 6, thus ensuring the equalling of Dunky Wright's total of 11 times International, and the, superb running of novices Tom McNeish of Irvine Y.M.C.A. and Tom Stevenson of Greenock Wellpark.

And a word to those, such as G. Wood (Motherwell Y.M.), J. Sanderson (Gala H.), A. Kidd (Garscube H.) and J. Reid (Victoria Park), who were just outside the premier placings. I feel that, under the terrible conditions they proved that with just that little bit extra, which they may well possess, they can make the elect grade at future attempts.

Inspired Running by Novices.

Tom McNeish was with the leaders right from the start and at one stage of the last lap looked as if he might pull off a surprise victory. That he tired somewhat in the later stages is no shame to him after such a hard season. Discreetly handled and with an easier programme McNeish might prove a phenomenon. He is a deceptive runner of amazing speed and stamina, and when he acquires more experience may reach even higher heights in long-distance running. Tom Stevenson's feat in finishing 5th is perhaps even more surprising as the limelight was less focussed on him than on McNeish. Despite his tender years and slender build he ran with the aplomb of a veteran on this course which blighted the hopes of so many and tripped with fairy-like precision over the glaur.

Shettleston Harriers' team victory was not surprising but the manner of it showed their exceptional class.

Adamson Leads His Team to Fine Double.

After a remarkably close race Gilbert Adamson of West Kilbride supplied that little bit extra fire to beat J. Stevenson of Wellpark for the youths' title and help his team to an equally narrow victory over Garscube. Adamson thus succeeded in going one better than last year. Endowed with a great racing temperament he may prove a senior star of the future with careful nursing. Fonder of country and road running than

of the track, it is in the former that he may concentrate.

Shettleston Excel in English Championship.

The English championship was followed by Scottish enthusiasts this year with quickened interest because of certain special features.

Not only as a race of great intrinsic merit with a huge field of over 600 runners but because Scottish champions. Shettleston Harriers, were down to try and go one better than their 5th of last year and because the selection of the Scottish team was in the balance. Shettleston put up a great performance in finishing 5th out of 53 teams-a tremendous boost for Scotland, and might have finished even further up but for Jim Ross having an off-day and Jimmy Stuart meeting with a slight leg mishap falling back to 68th place. Their total of 330 points easily beat, among others, the total of such well-known English clubs as Belgrave and Birchfield, while Wooderson's club Blackheath were even further in arrears.

Flockhart in particular gave a delightful display of even pace, running to count 12th team position. Geo. Craig was also in happy vein with 19th place, whilst a special bouquet must go to young Clark Wallace who made a splendid debut in the English championship, placing 51st and 3rd counting man for his club in this huge field.

Delicate Task for Selectors.

The selectors of the Scottish team are deserving of some sympathy for their's was a task of the utmost difficulty. There was a strong case for the selection of Andrew Forbes as he is undoubtedly a runner of the highest class, whilst Bobby Reid of Birchfield practically clinched his place by finishing in actual 12th position. This left the issue between Jim Stuart and Geo. Craig of Shettleston, and although the former had a slight edge on his Scottish performance, the latter's good performance in the English championship, coupled with a doubt concerning the former's fitness, may have swung the scales just in Craig's favour.

Thus sympathy is due Stuart as it is rare to find a man running in 7th position in the National not selected. At the same time Stuart must have been aware that by competing in the English race he might lose his place and that he was prepared to risk this possibility by assisting his club is a splendid tribute to his sportsmanship.

English Selectors Refuse to Follow Precedent

Frank Aaron of Leeds St. Mark, regarded some seasons ago as a champion of the future, fulfilled his promise by winning the English National in great style. The 28 years-old Doctor finished about 40 yards in front of that other great runner H. Olney (Thames Valley) in 58 mins, 8 2/5th secs. showing that the testing course was all of 10 miles.

The English selectors took an unusual course in departing from their usual procedure of picking the first 9 in the race, a method which they admitted was sometimes ruthless but admitted of no argument. On this occasion they picked the brilliant G. B. Saunders of Bolton who preferred to tackle the Junior championship (18-21 years) in which he enjoyed a runaway victory instead of tackling the Senior event. Even stranger was the preference of R. V. Hughes (Poly.) in 9th place to that of D. J. Thomson (Shaftsbury) in 8th place.

Subsequently H. Olney declined his place for reasons which are not divulged, but J. R. Carrick (Small Heath) came in with Thomson as one of the reserves. A curious feature of Sutton's team triumph, with the remarkably low pointage of 120 points, was the fact that their first man, Maleedy, finished in 11th place demonstrating that their victory was due essentially to brilliant packing.

With E. Price (Cheshire) winning the youth's title, G. B. Saunders (Bolton) the youths and F. Aaron (Leeds) the senior, it was indeed a day of triumph for the North.

Steve McCooke's Return to Form.

Steve McCooke made a welcome return to form in winning the all-Ireland cross-country championship at Finglass in 48 mins. 41 secs. first over a minute in front of John Joe Barry who finished strongly to pip P. Fahy of Coolcroo by the narrow margin of 1 sec.

This is McCooke's third win in 4 years while Coolcroo, noted as the club whose runners race in their bare-feet, won the team race for the 3rd year in succession with the splendid total of 65 points, counting 3, 5, 6, 16, 17, 18.

Ladies' Race in Blizzard.

The English ladies' cross-country championship held at Worsley near Manchester at the beginning of March was run under the severest possible conditions—in a blinding snowstorm, Miss E. Johnson of Airdale Harriers won over the 3 miles' course in 19 mins. 25 secs. by 6 secs. from Miss R. Wright (St. Gregory) with Miss E. Garratt (Ilford) third. In the team championship Birchfield with 23 points scored over Small Heath 50 points and London Olympiads 75 points.

What a pity the ladies' International cross-country between Belgium and England had to be cancelled after all arrangements had been completed. At the last minute the Belgian team intimated their withdrawal.

Oxford-Cambridge Match Provides Fire-works.

The annual meeting of the rival blues took place at the White City on March 12th and produced an amazingly high standard of competition. Some of the individual performances were almost startling in their brilliance, especially when one considers the time of year at which the meeting takes place.

Each year this match seems to create more and more interest and the standard of performance tends to take an upward trend. I have received some very interesting facts about this annual contest. Instituted in 1864 the Oxford-Cambridge event is the longest established track and field meeting in the world.

There have been seven venues, but the White City has been used since 1932. However this year, extensive improvements have been made to track and pits and no doubt these have materially assisted towards the fast times and splendid distances achieved.

Considerations of space limit mention of them all, but among the high-lights was the gallant failure of barrel-chested Cambridge athlete, A. W. Scott, to pull off the double, quarter and half-mile. He succeeded in the latter but just failed in

the former event. Then there was Roger Bannister's great victory for Oxford in the mile and P. Morgan's splendid 3 miles in 14 mins, 30.2 secs.

Favours Long-term Policy.

Beyond all measure of doubt the pièce de resistence was Roger Bannister's record breaking mile of 4 mins. 16.2 secs, which broke the 45 year-old record of C. C. H. Henderson by 1.6 secs. Not only the time achieved but the manner of it was most impressive. His lap times of 63.6. 65.2, 64 and 63 indicate the beautiful even striding of a performance completed without pressure.

Standing 6 ft. and aged 19, Bannister possesses the aliding effortless stride of the miler and is already a master of pace judgment. In some respects he may be copying Lovelock's technique of speedstamina combination, for in the last intervarsity cross-country match he finished second, fresh and in good shape, while he recently completed the half-mile in 1 min. 55 secs, equal to anything Lovelock ever did over this distance.

As an earnest of his future ambitions it can be recalled how he stood down from the list of probables for the 1,500 metres at Wembley, feeling that he was not yet ripe for the fierce heat of Olympic contest.

Experts regard him at the moment as one of Britain's brightest hopes for the 1952 Olympic Games.

High Jinks at American Indoor Season.

Joe Binks writing for "News of the World" has favoured us with some graphic accounts of the many exciting races of the recent indoor season. Incidentally Joe received the high honour of refereeing the Boston A.A.A. meeting during his stay in U.S.A. Gaston Reiff was in rampant form and claimed the lion's share in events of 2 and 3 miles with fast times and shrewd finishing bursts. Ahlden of Sweden also ran prominently, and was responsible for Reiff's sole defeat. The American stars at this distance appear to be a much improved lot and offered stern opposition. In the mile events European stars, Slykhuis, Bengston and Hansenne, all figured prominently.

At Madison Square Gardens a brand new Canadian spruce track had just been laid. With laps of 160 yards or 11 to the mile, the races are apparently very interesting to watch and the approximate 20,000 crowds have the added attraction of nearness to the competitors. This intimacy allows style and mannerisms of the competitors to be followed all the way.

Modern competition and times are teriffic. What shall we say of Reiff's winning time in a 3 miles race of 14 mins. 8 secs, being reported as "slow," or that Slykhuis "loafed" through to victory in the mile in 4 mins. 12.4 secs. Truly, indeed, is everything comparative and relative.

Of interest too is the fact that Vessie is jumping around 6 ft. 6 ins., and will probably be over for the British Games. With Reiff and Hansenne almost certain starters. This White City meet will be a most colourful one.

Fanny Back Again.

Fanny Blankers-Koen and her coachhusband are back in Holland again tired but happy after a highly successful but not all-conquering tour. Fanny, twice defeated by 17 year-old Marjorie Jackson. forecasts a bright future for the new Australian star.

It is likely that the great woman Olympic star will be seen in Scotland this year, and with the possibility also of Gaston Reiff competing here it suggests magnificent colour to an already very promising sports season.

Passing of Tom Longboat Revives Memories.

The death of Tom Longboat, colourful Canadian Indian distance runner, at the age of 62, was announced recently. Regarding his running ability there has been controversy, but of one thing there is no doubt, that he was one of the most colourful characters who ever adorned the sport. Closely associated with his name are such world figures as Alfred Shrubb and Dorando with whom he competed both as an amateur and professional. He competed in the famous "Dorando" marathon of 1908 retiring about 17 miles after being run to a standstill according to one version, but

according to the Canadian version his retiral was due to an attack of sun-stroke when holding a useful lead. Even then before he definitely became a full-fledged professional, his amateur status was the subject of acrimonious debate..

The "Babe Ruth" of His Day.

Longboat became famous over-night, when, in 1906 as a rank outsider, he won the great Around-the-Bay race at Hamilton. Later, in 1907, he won the the Boston marathon, regarded in the Western Hemisphere as the world's distance classic. The reception he received after this victory beggared description and was topped by a civic reception after a procession complete with bands and torches.

It is claimed that he amassed some 17,000 dollars as a professional runner, that he lost count of his medals as an amateur, that he had a cigar named after him, that he had the fan mail of a film

ANDREW FORBES (Scottish 3-Miles record-holder) leading from Alec. Olney (England) in the great 5,000 metres race in the Triangular

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star. He was in many respects the "Babe Ruth" of his day.

Challenged Nurmi.

Yet there was a strange paradox about this romantic figure with the seeming flair for showmanship and the spectacular. Contemporaries speak of this tall shy Indian lad with his loping stride and amazing durability. Later his races with Alfred Shrubb attracted capacity crowds at Hanlan's point and in Madison Square Garden. In the end Longboat found as others before him had done that fame was a fleeting and evanescent thing, yet in 1924 when around 38 years of age he again captured the head-lines by an audacious challenge to Paavo Nurmi, the phantom Finn," then at the height of his fame. His request to the Amateur Athletic Union for reinstatement proved abortive. Longboat simply said, "I don't think Nurmi can beat me.

Members of the Toronto Irish-Canadian Athletic Club organised a fund in which they collected nickels, dimes and quarters from Tom's host of admirers. With this they bought for him a house which remained the useful and sole tangible remainder of his erstwhile fame, and here at his beloved Ohsweken Reservation, near Brantford, Tom Longboat passed the twilight of his days, alone with his memories.

Charlie Robertson Not To Defend Title.

We are unlikely after all to have the anticipated duel for the Scottish Marathon title between holder Charles Robertson and his famous rival Donald McNab Robertson who is making a serious come-back attempt to regain his crown. Favouring a long-term policy. perhaps with Helsinki at the back of his mind, Charlie Robertson has after some thought decided to husband his resources for the future rather than face the gruelling challenge of the full 26 miles 385 yards this year.

Instead he may have a crack at the 6 miles title but will not entirely discard his road running. To keep his hand, or should I say his foot in, he expects to compete in what may be called the middle distance road races, from 12 miles upwards and may even compete in the Perth to Dundee race, which, although

all of 22 miles, is by no means so exacting a test as the gruelling full distance classic where it is the last few miles which makes such demands on the resources.

Can Shettleston Lay Bogey?

Resumption of that most interesting event the Edinburgh to Glasgow road relay is the high-light of the spring season. On form Shettleston Harriers are rank favourites and look almost certain winners. Their all-round strength is most impressive and they suffer (if that is the correct term) only from an embarrasment of riches. Other clubs on the other hand may find it difficult to put out a really representative eight.

Curiously enough, despite their great record and tradition, Shettleston have never won this event, although several times they have come close.

It will be most surprising if they fail to lay their bogey this year as Maryhill Harriers did in 1939 largely by the aid of a great McPherson second lap. The race evokes memories of some great contests in which such clubs as Plebeian, Dundee Thistle and Edinburgh Northern were especially pre-eminent.

Record That Lasted Two

The race is punctuated also by some great individual performances. Amongst the most dramatic and brilliant of these were the laps run by Jim Petrie of Dundee Thistle and Jim Flockhart of Shettleston Harriers in 1937. The record for the long 7 miles' leg was held by the great Scottish runner, Suttie Smith, and was regarded as one that might never be broken.

Nevertheless Jim Petrie, running the race of his life, smashed this great record in brilliant fashion. Some 2 minutes later, however, Jim Flockhart, fresh from his Brussel's triumph, took over from his Shettleston mate and running with exhilarating abondon beat Petrie's newly made record. These performances rank as two of the greatest bits of running ever seen on the same day.

THE SCOTTISH CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP WON BY 1 MILE TRACK CHAMPION, 25-YEARS-OLD JIM FLEMING, OVER 9 MILES GRUELLING TRAIL.

Top Left—After the first 3 miles lap the leaders are (front L. to R.) T. McNeish (Irvin: Y.M.C.A.), G. B. Craig and J. C. Flockhart (Shettleston H.): (2nd Row) A. Forbes (V.P.), J. Fleming (Motherwell Y.M.), J. Reid (West Kilbride), T. Stevenson (Greenock Wellpark), and J. Sanderson (Gala) are also in the front bunch and at this stage it is anybody's race.

Top Right-After the next circuit, three, McNeish, Reid and Fleming, despite the most testing conditions, are still running strongly and fighting it out. With the others the most popular fancied candidate, Andrew Forbes, has been dropped considerably.

Note the long but powerful limbs of McNeish, the sleeved jersey and mitts worn by Reid. And does Pleming look the likely winner? J. E. Farrell (Maryhill H.) at the top right hand of the photo has steadily worked up from about 12th to 4th position.

Bottom-Yes, Jim Fleming does it! And Hon. Secy. George Dallas is there to record it! After a heetic last lap struggle with Jim Reid, Fleming pulls out a strong finish to finish 6 secs. ahead of his wearied rival, with Farrell (behind Reid) having passed McNeish just a further 2 secs. behind and continuing his sequence of having finished in the first three since 1937.

SCOTTISH CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

Ayr Race Course, 5th March, 1949







Photos by James Girvin.

Cross-Country International, 1949

DOUBLE VICTORY FOR FRANCE.

STORY OF THE GALLANT STEVE McCOOKE.

THOUGH there was no great dramatic showing by the Scots boys selected in the 36th 9 Miles International Cross-Country Championship held this year on 26th March, 1949, at Baldoyle Racecourse, Dublin, it was none the less thrilling and worthy of its great race tradition.

The course was, after a half mile start, 5 laps mostly on the Racecourse proper, with about half mile of country each lap. After the initial half mile start, rather surprisingly, the Irish champion. Steve McCooke, had a 10 yard lead from his nearest rival in a field already well strung out. Except mainly to the Irish fraternity this was looked on as an early erratic effort that would pay its toll and end in futility.

At the conclusion of the circuit, Steve heavily bandaged on both thighs was still there with the English champion, Dr. F. E. Aaron, in close proximity. A bunch of Frenchmen knitted round their captain, Raphael Pujazon, were working up.

As the 3rd lap was entered the Irishman was still dictating but definitely showing race strains and it was thought his command must diminish shortly. A strong, determined, but tired Aaron, was still in touch. Running in sweetly tuned unison a French trio, Alain Mimoun, Charles Cerou and Pujazon, with the latter (the 1946 and 1947 International Champion) apparently giving the lead were now striking a restrained but dominant note.

But round for the 4th lap, much to Irish delight, was the tall and rugged son of Erin, battling and holding his lead though hemmed to his heels were the Continental three. The amazing 20-years old G. B. Saunders who ran throughout with a happy light-hearted smile on his face, though not near enough the leaders, was passing his tired team-mate F. E. Aaron to take 5th place.

And the last lap. Here was Steve, the gallant Steve, ungainly perhaps but still making the pace and carrying the race to his opposition, undoubtedly inspired in spirit by the deed of his countryman and Irish team manager for the day. Tim Smythe, who gloriously gained Ireland's only Individual success in the history of the International when the race was last held in Dublin in 1931.

Steve was bound to be well passed this lap, the writing had been on the wall too long. As the leaders are viewed anxiously on entering the last half mile Racecourse finish-yes, the Frenchmen, we knew it, are there; but oh, the green jersey, dance of Irish joy, he's there too! The 31-years-old farm worker, father of six, challenging to the very last! He could not match the sprint-finishing speed of the Frenchmen. 50 yards to go Pujazon racing in had a 2 yards' lead from Mimoun. 30 yards to the tape he still had at least a yard lead but seemed mentally stressed at not being able to shake off his team mate. At 15 yards Mimoun put in a super effort and Pujazon knew that a third successive victory for himself had vanished. Cerou, though not as speedy, was a good 3rd, and Steve McCooke still strongly finishing and undaunted was 4th only, 9 secs. behind Mimoun. A wonderful race!

France with great packing were easy winners of the team race.

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JAMES C. FLOCKHART

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(Shettleston Harriers).



Photo by H. W. Neale.

"Running in the English National, 1949."

Scotland has produced no more outstanding distance runner in the history of the sport in this country than James C. Flockhart, Shettleston Harriers. In the opinion of most enthusiasts he ranks as the "best ever" over the country.

Jimmy was 25 years old when he followed a younger brother's example by joining Shettleston and within a few months he burst into prominence, winning everything in his stride and finishing his first season by taking the Midlands title, Scottish Senior and Junior Champtonships and making a heroic bid, thwarted through mishap, in the international event at Newport.

Since that race Jimmy has competed in every international, a proud achievement which, considering the lapse of the war years, when he served in the Army, is a unique record. In all the 11 internationals he has contested, Jimmy has been in the Scots counting six, and on four occasions has led his country. In 1937, at Brussels, he won the individual title, beating A. Sicard after a terrific race, finishing exceptionally fresh. So fresh, indeed, that he was signing autographs a few yards beyond the tape, in handwriting that might well have been done sitting at a desk. Flockhart is the only native Scots athlete to have won the international bonour.

Equally meritorious, to those who saw both, was his Paris race 10 years later, when he was chosen, against some criticism, although finishing well back through injury in the National. Running in the same spikes he wore at Stockel, and determined to show up those who would prefer another in the team, he finished 7th, easily the best Scot, and second Britisher to finish. All his courage and "guts" were exemplified in that wonderful effort.

Flockhart's placings in internationals were—1933 Newport 12 (4th for team); 1934 Ayr 6 (1st); 1935 Paris 13 (4th); 1936 Blackpool 20 (3rd); 1937 Brussels 1; 1938 Belfast 37 (6th); 1939 Cardiff 12 (2nd); 1946 Ayr 15 (1st); 1947 Paris 7 (1st); 1948 Reading 37 (5th); 1949 Dublin 40 (5th).

National cross-country titles were gained in 1933, 34, 36 and 37, and the Shettleston club championship was won by Jimmy 7 times.

On the track his two 10 miles titles were gained in 1936 and 1937 and he won the 6 miles titles in 1935 and 1936.

IS IT COACHING WE NEED?

By G. S. BARBER.

[It should not be necessary always to qualify the publishing of an article that suggests to be of a controversial nature. We believe in complete free expression. All that is expected is that matter be free of personal animosity and has a genuine aim of furthering Athletics. It does not matter whether the views expressed are popular or unpopular; orthodox or unorthodox, or whether we agree or disagree in part or in whole with what is written.

G. S. Barber is a Past President of Maryhill Harriers and now serves as Hon. President.

-Editor.

I have been intensely interested in athletics since 1906, but must confess at the moment I am a little puzzled and confused after reading an article on the A.A.A. Coaching scheme. It appears this body was formed in 1946 and has since been coaching and advising British athletes. Up to now there are some 57 Hon. Senior and 300 Hon. Coaches, all examined and qualified as coaches.

But note that only the Senior are qualified to coach athletes up to International standard, but the others can coach novices in all track and field events.

> City of Bradford Police Athletic Club

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Saturday, 4th June, 1949

Park Avenue Ground, Bradford AT 2.15 P.M.

Grass Track-Dead Level.

£350 in Trophies and Prizes

100, 220, 880 Yds., Mile Flat Race Handicaps.

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Handicap.

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For full particulars :- P.C. CHAS. P. SMITH, Town Hall, Bradford.

I take it that the Senior ones get the pick of the bunch (but how they can tell the ones who will some day be up to International standard is beyond me) and the other coaches just peg along with what are left.

Does it mean that as soon as a person looks like being an International candidate he is accepted by that august body and they take command of him?

First there are special Athletics' courses and one MUST take a A.A.A. Hon. Coaches' examination. (Who makes out the papers and who examines them?). These courses are supported by the National Association of Organisers and Lecturers in Physical Education (does that mean if you pass you can have N.A.O.L.P.E. after your name?) or shall we say a T.C.A. (Teaching Certificate in Athletics). This whole scheme, to my mind, seems to be getting too academic.

There used to be a list of names published in the Association hand-book of those who attended the Summer School and were, I quote "leading athletes known to be coaching their events with efficiency." The A.A.A. Coaching scheme had no hand in training the Olympic team, it is said they were coached by the British Amateur Athletic Board.

What I am trying to get at is this—are we not making too much effort in this coaching business and not enough in getting some places where these coaching schemes can take place. What this country needs is not coaches, Senior or otherwise, what we want is TRACKS, TRACKS and more TRACKS. What we want is some place where a boy can strip off ANY TIME TO SUIT HIM-SELF, have a run, do some exercises, a spot of sun bathing then have a hot or cold shower or bath, and at the end not chased out by some tired attendant who wants to go home.

It is a sorry state of affairs that in most of our provincial towns like for instance Greenock, there are no track facilities. In Glasgow these are more plentiful but in most cases they are not to be enjoyed. Why? Why is it that

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some of the Glasgow clubs though tracks exist, cannot be accommodated to suit their requirements?

Surely even if coaching is desired the prime issue is that of the granting of facilities where a happy atmosphere will prevail.

My experience of athletics is that once an athlete gets to a certain higher standard, all sorts of people come forward as so called trainers and coaches who claim to be THE person who is responsible for that athletes' success-but-once the athlete begins to slip down the scale, so surely does the coach slip back to obscurity, just at the period when he is really necessary. Anyone can be a coach to a champion, it only means carrying his bag.

An athlete can only by his own efforts in persistant training and if he can persuade his club members to co-operate. make the grade. Did these out-of-town clubs have "Hon. Senior" Coaches "fully examined and tested" to enable them to win this year's National Cross Country honours? I doubt it, but I can imagine it was the enthusiasm of the individual plus the able assistance of his club members who built them up to such a high standard. No coach can make a champion out of a man who has not the gift. A champion is born not made and until we have some born in Scotland, so must we make the best out what we have got in hand.

Looking back on the years, I feel that we had better runners when each man or Club had its little "school." How can one Coach deal with a number of men all with different temperaments each with his own interests, difficulties of home life, jobs, facilities and hours of training. Is he going to change all these people's ideas of training to his own into a massed production athletic system. No: its not coaches or trainers we want, its some place where a man can train-at his own convenience-a place where he feels he is welcome and I am firmly convinced that until that time comes, we will always be behind in this country's athletic achievements.

SCOTTISH CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

DETAILS :-INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS-

- 1. 1. Fleming, Motherwell Y.M.C.A., 54m. 57s.
- 2. J. Reid, West Kilbride A.S.C., 55m. 3s.
- 3. J. E. Farrell, Maryhill H., 55m. 5s.
- 4. T. McNeish, Irvine Y.M.C.A., 55m. 36s.
- 5. T. Stevenson, Greenock W. H., 56m, 12s.
- 6. J. C. Flockhart, Shettleston H., 56m. 18s.
- J. Stuart, Shettleston H., 8; G. B. Craig. Shettleston H., 9; G. Wood, Motherwell Y.M., 10; J. Sanderson, Gala H., 11; A. Kidd, Garscube H., 12; J. Reid, Victoria Park A.A.C.

TEAM PLACINGS-

- Shettleston Harriers.—(J. C. Flockhart 5. J. Stuart 6. G. B. Craig 7. J. C. Ross 16. H. Howard 17. J. Clark 18).—69 Points. C. Wallace 21. D. Morrison 32. W. Laing 37. A. Hill 46. G. H. Taylor 69.
- (Tie) Bellahouston Harriers.—(G. Anderson 12. R. Climie 20, T. W. Lamb, 27, J. Christie 28, A. McLean 30, A. Dunwoody 47) .- 164 Points. J. Kelly 60. J. Allan 65. J. Gifford 83.
 - (Tie) Victoria Park A.A.C.—(J. Reid 10. A. Forbes 11. J. Ellis 15. R. O'Hara 41. W. Ritchie 42. D. McFarlane 45).—164 Points. A. Jenkins 49. C. Forbes 50. A. Johnston 52. J. Stirling 63. D. Dick 105.

- Garscube Harriers.—(A. Kidd 9. J. Gunn 26.
 T. McGinlay 40. T. Daily 44. R. J. Mulgrew 48. J. Andrews 56).—223 Points.
 A. Gold 58. D. G. Causon 59. A. Hay 84.
 T. A. Gourlay 91.
- Springburn Harriers.—(T. Tracey 19, D. McLachlan 33, J. C. Morton 39, D. Fyfe 61, R. F. McLean 67, A. C. Stevenson 68)
 —287 Points. H. Haughie 72, H. Frith 74. N. McGowan 75. A. Reid 87. S. S.
- Maryhill Harriers.—(J. E. Farrell 3, T. Harrison 31, R. Brymner 53, J. Bissell 62, J. Wright 70, T. K. Wilson 71).—290
 Points, J. Nelson 73, H. Morrison 76, D. Tait 79, J. Wilkie 89, A. H. Henderson
- Kilmarnock Harriers.—(W. Morton 14, R. Miller 22, C. Martin 35, T. Tod 78, D. C. Wark 80, M. Butler 85).—317 Points. J. Morton 100, D. L. Richardson 118.
- West Kilbride A.S.C.—(J. Reid 2, T. Reid 36; G. Houston 66; R. Paton 81, D. Armstrong 82, A. Wentworth 97).—364
- Greenock Glenpark Harriers.—(W. Williamson 13, J. Grant 35, W. McLean 43, W. Elder 86, C. Berry 102, B. Leitch 106).—335 Points. T. Mearns 115.
- 10.-Clydesdale Harriers.-(R. Boyd 24, D. Scott 55. D. Bowman 57. P. Younger 64. G. Divers 92. A. Donachey 95),-387 Points. E. Murphy 103. D. Stewart 114, A. Hylan

- Motherwell Y.M.C.A. Harriers.—(J. A. Fleming 1, G. Wood 8, J. McMillan 88, W. Watson 94, J. McGuire 107, R. Devon 119) .- 417 Points.
- 12.-Monkland Harriers.-(A. McPherson 29. F. Bradley 34. J. Tennant 104. H. Ryder 108. J. Geddes 111. G. Jackson 112).—498 Points D. Steel 117. W. Ward 121.

FAILED TO CLOSE IN-

- Greenock Wellpark Harriers.—(T. Stevenson 4. G. King 25. J. Sinclair 101, T. McCluskey 116. T. Reid 122. —).
- Piebeian Harriers.—(J. Latham 51, A. C. Robertson 54, W. Melnnes 77, C. S. Heaney 90, J. Houston 113, —).
- Glasgow Police A.A.—(A. McGregor 23, J. McLeish 93, S. Martin 96, G. A. Girvin 98, W. Walker 109),

INDIVIDUAL ENTRANTS :-

- John Bathgate, Ballydrain H. 13; T. H. Braid, Edinburgh Un. H. & H. 17; W. Gallacher, Vale of Leven, 18; D. Clelland, St. Modan's 19; F. G. V. Bathgate, Ballydrain H. 24; C. D. Robertson, Dundee Thistle, 28; A. C. Gibson, Hamilton H. 34; J. Barton, Shettle-ston H. 42; G. McGill, Hamilton H. 49; T. D. Reid, Larkhall Y.M. 60; R. Kerr, Ayr. Ston H. 42; G. McCill, Hamilton H. 49; T. D. Reid, Larkhall Y.M. 60; R. Kerr, Ayr. 68; E. Summerhill, Shettleston H. 74; C. Jones, Eddinburgh R. & S. 78; I. Thomson, Ayr. 98; J. Kerr, Hillington, 99; J. S. McKechnie, Strathtay, 100; J. Simpson, V.P. A.A.C., 101; J. Stewart, Hamilton, 103; P. Taylor, Dundee Thistle, 107; K. McKinnon, Kilbarchan, 109; W. H. Whalley, Ayr. 115; H. I. Fenion, Lochwinnoch, 117; J. Gardner, Vale of Leven, 118; W. Brownile, Hamilton, 119; K. Phillips, Beith, 126; M. Connell, Vale of Leven, 129; C. Craig, Hamilton, 130; D. E. Clark, H.M.S. Caledonia, 132; H. Pritchard, Eglinton, 137; J. McClure, V.P. A.A.C., 138; J. Single, H.M.S. Caledonia, 142; D. McNaughton, Auchmountain, 156; R. Donald, Glasgow Y.M., 147; R. Houston, Olympic, 149; A. Mills, Auchmountain, 151; J. M. Sellars, Paisley Y.M., 154; H. Maxwell Eglinton, 155; W. More, Auchmountain, 157; J. Giffin, Hillington, 163, J. Giffin, Hillington, 163,
- 195 Starters. 164 Finished.

YOUTHS' CHAMPIONSHIP.

DETAILS :-

INDIVIDUAL PLACINGS-1. G. Adamson. West Kilbride A.S.C.

- 2. J. Stevenson. Greenock Wellpark Harriers.
- B. L. Hainey, Doon Harriers,
- 4. D. Nelson, Motherwell Y.M.C.A. Harriers.
- T. Coleman. West Kilbride A.S.C.
- 6. W. Duncan, Victoria Park A.A.C.; 7. W. J. McCammont, Springburn H.; 8. H. Gibson, Hamilton H.; 9. E. S. Murray, Garscube H.; 10. McCafferty, St. Modan's A.A.C.; 11. D. McCulloch, Doon H.; 12. J. Craig, Hamilton H.

TEAM PLACINGS-

- West Kilbride A.S.C.—(G. Adamson 1, T. Coleman 4, J. Butcher 19, B. McLaughlin 45).—69 Points. C. Milne 55.
- Garscube Harriers.—(E. S. Murray 8. G. Dunn 17. F. J. Robertson 18. W. Munro 28).—71 Points. J. Gardner 59. W. Stanwix 89.
- Hamilton Harriers.—(H. Gibson 7, J. Craig
 J. Scoular 34, G. Hutson 44).—96
 Points. A. McGonigle 99.

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- H.M.S. Caledonia.—(R. J. W. Quigley 15.
 E. J. Berry 23. G. J. Frampton 25. A. Plumeridge 51).—114 Points. P. F. J. Smith 67.
- Doon Harriers.—B. L. Hainey 3, D. McCulloch 10, E. B. Uriarte 40, W. Chalmers 74) .- 127 Points.
- Edinburgh Eastern Harriers.—(A. Doctor 12. R. Stark 22. F. Shiels 33. W. Ness 64).—
 131 Points. W. Findlay 90. T. Johnstone
- St. Modan's A.A.C.—(McCafferty 9, M. Kaney 30, G. McDonald 41, J. Quinn 52),
 —132 Points. A. Lafferty 57, J. Brown 79.
- Kilmarnock Harriers.—(J. McPheely 20. R. Ballantyne 32, D. Todd 36, G. Wilson 46).—134 Points. J. Thomson 81, W. Aird
- 9.-Shettleston Harriers .- (E. Dolan 31, R. Bolling 37. J. Moore 38. J. Kirk 43).— 149 Points. J. McGeechan 50. A. Hender-
- Edinburgh Rover & Scout A.A.C.—I. Morrison
 I. Murdoch 39, W. Linton 47, C. Begg 48).—158 Points. D. Fordyce 49. D. Hall
- 11.—Victoria Park A.A.C.—(W. Duncan 5, A. Brodie 26, A. Hector 62, D. Orr 68).—
 161 Points. G. Munro 69, D. Bowie 96.
- 12.—Dundee Thistle Harriers.—(J. Fitzpatrick 29. S. Hopton 53, R. Johnston 58, G. Thomson 61) .- 201 Points.
- Greenock Glenpark Harriers.—(S. Williamson 13, H. Beaton 42, J. K. Aitcheson 71, W. Cooper 77).—203 Points. T. Brands 84.
- Maryhill Harriers.—(R. McDonald 35, A. Gordon 60, A. Bald 63, J. Rushbury 73).—
 Points. A. Miller 76, C. King 97.
- Greenock Wellpark Harriers.—(J. Stevenson 2. J. Thompson 65, I. Grant 80, J. Smith 100).—247 Points.
- Springburn Harriers.—(W. J. McCammont 6. R. Stevenson 78. J. Coleman 82. J. Duffy 85).—251 Points. J. Edgar 92.
- Edinburgh University H. & H.—(A. Ross 16, H. Simpson 56, A. McAllister 88, R. Davidson 93).—253 Points.
- Auchmountain Harriers.—(P. McIntosh 27, C. Facherty 66, R. Clark 83, R. Scott 99). —271 Points.
- 19 .- West of Scotland Harriers .- (W. Mullen 54, T. Cowan 72. A. Campbell 86. J. Davidson 94).-306 Points.

FAILED TO CLOSE IN-

Bellahouston Harriers,-(W. Anderson 14, C. Kirk 21, J. Carmichael 87, -).

INDIVIDUAL ENTRANTS-

- A. H. Brown (Castlehill Y.C.) 19: A. Diamond (Irvine Y.M.) 26: I. Hume (Clydesdale) 30: A. R. Girvin (Plebeian) 33: D. McCallum (Clydesdale) 36: C. Ballantyne (Monkland) 37: A. Shielda (Motherwell Y.M.) 39: T. Scott (Castlehill Y.C.) 44: D. Clotworthy (Irvine Y.M.) 51: J. McGregor (Plebeian) 58: T. Cummings (Paisley H.) 67: J. McIvor (Beith) 71: R. King (Castlehill Y.C.) 79: H. Glasgow (Plebeian) 82: J. Joyce (Olympic H.) 101: D. Carter (Edinburgh (Olympic H.) 101; D. Carter (Edinburgh R. & S.) 106; R. Steel (Beith) 116.
- 124 Starters. 119 Finished.