Columbia, Mo., Sept. 23-24—Alan Price was too fast at the start and too strong at the finish for defending titlist Paul Hendricks as he won the MAAC 100 Mile walk in record time. The Washington, D.C. walker circled the track 400 times in 18:57:01 to better Larry O'Neil's record 19:12:43 set in 1967. That was the first year Columbia held a 100 mile and they have had one every year since, but this is the first time it has been designated an AAU Title race. Hendricks was also superb as he too bettered O'Neil's mark with a 19:10:37. Price's time is an outdoor American record. Larry Young did an 18:07:12 when this race was forced indoors by torrential rains in 1971.

The race was marked not only by the record performances of Price and Hendricks but also by a record 10 finishers including the first woman Centurion. Larry O'Neil, now age 71, just missed making it 11 finishers as he stopped at 94 miles in 23:10:23. Elsie McCarvey, a protege of Larry's became the first woman to go the distance as she finished in 22:52:31. At age 49, Elsie has been walking seriously for just a year and a half.

Alan Price has had some very good races in the past. And he has had some very poor races. And he had some that have been good in spots and bad in spots. In short, he has never been too predictable. For this race, however, he was tough and consistent all the way and it has to be his best race ever at any distance. After all, it's his first National title. He went out fast with 49:05 for the first 5 miles and 1:10:19 at 10. This left Hendricks better than 4 minutes back in second place.

After 15 miles in 2:31:54, Alan's pace slowed somewhat but he still pulled gradually out on Hendricks. He threw in a 50:32 5 miles between 30 and 35, slowed again, and then sped a 53:40 between 45 and 50. At that point he had 8:54:40 and better than 10 minutes on Hendricks. Paul hadn't given up, however. He dropped his own pace to 54:22 over the next 5 to take 3 minutes out of that lead, as Price slowed again. The margin stayed about the same for another 15 miles and then Price slowed drastically to 66:35 to pass 75 miles in 13:24:32 with just 1:13 in hand. Seeing his opportunity, Hendricks accelerated to 57:32 for the next 5 and although Price responded by getting back under 60 himself, he was over a minute back at 80 miles.

Not to be denied, Price responded as a champion must and covered the 5 miles between 80 and 85 in 58:11 to again take a commanding lead as Hendricks succumbed to the efforts of his hard effort to take the lead. This time Paul had no response and Alan continued to pull away over the last 15 to take a very hard-fought and very well-earned victory. A great effort by Paul as well. His competitiveness certainly helped Alan to his record and he bettered his own winning time of last year by more than half an hour.
The race for third was equally tight between two veterans of the race, Leonard Busen and Bob Chapin. The 46-year-old Busen finally prevailed over his younger (by 2 years) rival as he walked by far their best race. Leonard's 19:40:10 was 27 minutes better than last year and that was 1½ hours better than the year before. Chapin was only 6 minutes behind and last year he only managed 90 miles in 21:07.

Busen was the early leader in this duel but when Bob put in 1:45:30 for 10 miles between 25 and 35 miles, he passed Leonard and moved nearly 6 minutes ahead. This stretched to 10 minutes by 50 miles, which he passed in 9:17:20. Busen made short work of the next 10 miles and then Chapin apparently hit the wall. By 70 miles, Bushen moved ahead and when Bob struggled through the next 5 in nearly 80 minutes that lead grew to 15 minutes. Just as quickly, Bob seemed to pass through his crisis and walked at a near 12 minute pace the rest of the way to cut the margin back to 6 minutes at the end.

In yet another titanic struggle, Jack Bleeim got away from Quick the last 15 miles to take fifth place. Actually, Jack's Ohio Track Club teammate, Richard Myers led them both at 80 miles, at which point a huge wall apparently blocked his path. Nonetheless, he finished for the second straight year and in a vastly improved time.

Of the 10 finishers, only Price, McGarvey, and 10th place Albert Van Dyke were first-time Centurions. Van Dyke had tried it several times but was never quite equal to the task before. He was a most popular triumph. An imitate at Missouri State Penitentiary, he had to adjust his training to rigid schedules and to the confines of the prison. There is no way to perform so well (and at age 53) is a real tribute to his perseverance.

The results:

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- **Stefan Yenov** 1:27:15
- **Peter Hodkinson** 1:32:17

**International Match: Great Britain-38 West Germany-28**

- **Steve Miley** 47:12
- **Steve Worthington** 1:00:44

**European Masters, Viareggio, Ital, 20 Km.**

- **Roberta Eng.** 1:59:42

**San Francisco, 8 mile race.**

- **John Dooley** 1:30:39

**London, Aug. 12, 20 Km.**

- **Grahm Satter** 1:30:39

**London-to-Brighton 52 miles, 1106 yards.**

- **Dave Cotton** 51:32:20

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The late Ron Zinn battles with Soviet all-time great Vladimir Golubnichiy and East Germany's Dieter Lindner shortly after the 5 km mark. Lindner moved out shortly thereafter and went on to second place in 1:31:13. (England's Ron Matthews won in 1:29:34.) Golubnichiy was third in 1:31:59 and Zinn a brilliant sixth in 1:32:43. Ron died in action in Vietnam the following summer cutting short a great career.
LOCKING BACK

10 Years Ago (From the October 1968 ORW)—The U.S. had an excellent team at the Olympics in Mexico City. In the 20 km, Soviet ace Vladimir Golubitchenko won his second Olympic gold in 1:33:58.4 as he managed to hold off the flat-out running of Mexico's Jose Pedraza, who was second in 1:34:00. Pedraza, a fine walker but with style problems in the heat of battle, really got carried away this time and first speeded up. Nikoloi Smaga as they started the final lap of the track but couldn't quite match the 2:33.4 by Golubitchenko, who found another gear for the final 200 yards while still staying on the ground. 

With an emotional Mexican crowd, the judges decided discretion was the better part of valor and let Pedraza have his medal. Smaga was third in 1:34:03 and Larry Young captured the first of his two Olympic bronzes with a gutsy 4:31:55.4. Larry was eighth at the half-way point in 2:31:45 but then held his pace as others faded in the conditions and moved into third at 4:31:45. Meanwhile, Goats Kofler was a very good 10th in 4:39:13,8, passing three men in the last 20 km, which he covered faster than anyone in the race, including Robson Dave.

10 Years Ago (From the October 1973 ORW)—With Hans-Georg Reismann and Karl-Franz Stadtmüller taking one-two at 20 km, East Germany swept to victory in the Lugo Cup, race walking's world championships. But put East Germany 9 points up on the USSR after the 20 and withstood a strong Soviet bid to 50. The final score was 138 to 130 with Italy third, West Germany fourth, and the USA fifth ahead of Great Britain, Japan, and Canada. Reismann had 1:31:21 to Stadtmüller's 1:31:26. A brilliant third was Ron Laird in 1:34:05 as he outdulled Nikolai Smaga. This was Ron's second bronze medal in Lugo competition to go with the one he captured in 1967 when he became a world champion. Todd Scoular was also superb as he came seventh in 1:36:23, with Larry Brown walking a solid 1:34:03 in 14th, the USSR was third after 20 km. The 50 went to West Germany's Olympic champion Bernd Kannenberg in 3:56:50.7 while John Knifton had a great 4:16:48.6 in 12th, Floyd Godwin 2:34:34 in 20th, Bill Weigle 4:20:13 in 24th, and Bob Kitson 4:28:40 in 28th. East Germany also captured the Lugo-Camino Relay, an annual affair in Switzerland. The U.S. was sixth in this one as Ron Laird ran into stomach problems on the first leg and after spending much time in the buses struggled in 16 minutes back of the leaders. 100 miles at Columbia, Shaul Ladany ruled the road in 19:55:32. Only three others finished: Chuck Miller, John Harkins, and John Argo. A few weeks later, also at Columbia, Jerry Brown won his third national title of the year as he tapped the 30 km in 2:28:12. Floyd Godwin was a minute and a half back of his Colorado TC teammate and Dan O'Connor, a prominent newcomer, edged Augie Hart for third, another 10 minutes back...The day before, Allen Minkow won the Women's 10 km title in 56:13...Shaul Ladany also won the London-to-Brighton in 7:57:47.

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DETMANN STIRS CONTROVERSY

Elliott DeMann's comments concerning judging included in his report on the tour to Sweden and England by U.S. walkers this summer did not sit too well with those in the Los Angeles area. Actually, Elliott was only quoting what he had been told by others about judging at the National 50A and 20 at UCLA. His comments in the August issue began, "In talking to the walkers, I found out that the international system of judging was not in effect and that many of the walkers there felt they had been in over-severe jeopardy as a result of this arrangement, which included an overwhelming abundance of judges. Many walkers came out of their UCLA experience with strong statements about the alleged injustices there. At any rate, our experience in Sweden seemed to confirm that the international system of judging is a "must" for future important races in the USA." Elliott went on to describe what many of them had seen in Sweden and how it felt it should be incorporated here. Both Jim Hanley, Race Walk Coordinator for the meet, and Judge Bill Chisholm have written in rebuttal and their comments certainly deserve equal space.

First, from Jim Hanley:

"Anyone who says that judging was not according to Internation Rules at the National AAU Championship at UCLA last June does not know what he is talking about. (I know, because Murray Rosenblatt "stole" lap counter Roland Freeman to record the cautions on a large chart.) The group of judges—from all parts of the country—was as good as any ever assembled in the USA and all DQs were richly deserved.

"In the past, a small group of individuals have criticized our strict Southern California judg as being unfair, too tough, etc. (Surprisingly, films and videotapes always seem to back up the judges.) Now with people like Henry Laskin, Bruce MacDonald, Martin Johnson, Bob Bloss, and John Reismann representing all parts of the U.S., the cry is that there are too many judges. In fact, these individuals would spend as much effort trying to keep their foot on the ground as they do bellyaching about the judging, our sport would be in much better shape."

And, from Bill Chisholm:

"...As an Olympian '52 in three and National Champion at 3 and 7 miles in Junior and Senior competition, and for the past 30 years an AAU and IAAF Judge, I offer the following in rebuttal of Elliott DeMann's recent comments.

"To begin with, no one acting in a voluntary role of walking judge expects any to sue for his efforts. If he does, the cry babies soon die of exhaustion. And, it may come as a surprise to some of your readers to hear that the biggest cry babies are not the new pedestrians but some of the old timers."

"None of the foregoing is new but the recent reaction by some parties to the Nationals at UCLA last June deserves some comment. To say that the Men's 5K was a wild and woolly affair would be an understatement. With 20 entries, it was difficult to comprehend the element of illegal form as always possible at the June 9 race was no exception. Some of the prime offenders drew cautions in the first 200 inspite of the instructions that 1, as head judge, gave, as I always do, that legality in a walking race starts from the first stride.

"In the June issue of ORW you mentioned the presence of a large crew of component judges being on hand. Thank you. Apparently, and this is hard to believe, none of the prime movers thought there were 200 NANO JUDGES. I don't think any competitor who, after traveling a great distance to compete in a National to find only one Judge, or one's that are not qualified, would buy that line of garbage.
"About the Head Judge syndrome. Sitting here at my desk with 27
WRITTEN CAUTIONS strewn on said desk, I have to chuckle at the idyllic
procedures mentioned by Denman in his comments. For the information of
all concerned, I am Head Judge, was called on to confer in concur with
every DQ. Our Head Judge, all certified and competent, had rooming assignments
on specified area plus Roland Vonk, but not facing written cautions to me, where, after conferring with other judges, the
decision to DQ or not was made. I feel sincerely that the preponderance of
contestants were happy to have a group of men calling the shots who
believe that if you're not walking, you're running. It's really as simple as
that and I trust that the ones who complain the most, KNOW when
they're off. The Head Judge desires, but every Judge in giving a caution should retain a written copy for himself.

On a closing note, are the personnel on these overseas junkets
selected on a PATHOLOGICAL BASIS or, are they actually awarded trips
because of performance? As the top individual fund raiser for the U.S.
Olympic team, I'm wondering."

Well, all your editor can say is that only one thing is more certain
than death and taxes—as long as we have race walking, we are going to
to controversy over judging. I don't think I'll get involved in it
this time around, but the pages are open to the rest of you.

FROM HEEL TO TOE

Bob Mims writes to tell me "You're not paying your reporters enough.
They are goofing too much. Biggest goof of the year was omitting me from the
Letec-Long results on p.4 (September). I was fifth—Don caught me right
after I crossed the finish. I was 1:31:12." 1956 Olympic 20 Km
competitor, Jim Hawson, met a senseless and tragic ending when he started
his march earlier this month. A bridge tender at night, Jim was found in his
control house one morning beaten and stabbed. Robbery was apparently
the motive. Hawson was 39 when he made the Melbourne Olympic team and
two years later in 1958 he was a member of the first U.S. track team to visit
the Soviet Union. He had also been a national road champion. I never
knew Jim well at all as he was just getting out of the sport and was
starting. I think I only competed against him once, that being in my
first race at the National 25 in Philadelphia in 1958, and I was hardly
competing against him from where he was. However, I remember him
well for his help three years later when the National 20 was held in Buffalo.
He was riding his bicycle around the course during the race and gave me
a great deal of encouragement throughout the race as I managed second
to qualify for my first international team. Mr. Hawson was equally encouraging
to everyone else, but it seemed to me at the time he had for some
reason singled me out and I felt rather honored to have his support.

Although he hadn't competed for many years there are many still active
who did compete with him and I am sure will share my sorrow in learning
of his untimely death....Add to the race schedule: Michigan AAU 20 M,
Detroit, November 12. It was originally scheduled for Nov. 4. Bob
Henderson just started again in July and a brady has that good 1 Hour
reported on some earlier page in this newsletter. Fortunately, I came
across a finished report from chassis this last night (Sunday) as originally planned
so I got another day's mail, which included the last two items as well
as Dean Ingrams AA You Race Walking Newsletter with many items of interest.
So for those who don't receive that newsletter (and I'm not sure
who all it go to), I will repeat some of these tidbits...Jimmy Carney,
who has been a good supporter of walking, was elected coach of the
1960 Olympic team. Stan Hayman, coach at Tennessee, will be the
assistant in charge of distance running and walks. I know Stan from
his days at Ohio University, and although he has no experience coaching
walkers, I think he will be easy to work with....A lot of opportunities
for International competition in 1979. First, the Pan-Am Games in Puerto
Rico July 1-15. Trials for the 20 and 50 will be held at the AAU convention
in San Antonio. Likewise with the Lagano Cup, which will be held in
Australia for the first time in 1979, as Dean reports, at least it was in West
Germany when they had the Cup race there in 1970 and 1971. There
will also be the International Walking Week in Mexico again and they
have asked for three from this country in the 20, three at 50, and
three Juniors. Officials of the Softball Grand Prix in Bergen, Norway
on May 25-27 have also invited a team of four walkers, offering a
completely different competition. They have its wonderful trip and one
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distributor of Puma, has given him a letter asking him to go to their headquarters to aid them in designing a Race Walking shoe. Well that sounded nice, and I saw the letter and gave him my two cents worth showing him my favorite, the Etonic Stridefighter, and its few drawbacks. Now he gives me the following: they desire to design different models and call them "wucking" shoes (you heard me right). Ron mentioned that he felt all of the above could classify all those who can't break 10 minutes per mile as wuckers, and those who could would be classified as race walkers. Just wait till the Mort slips that low; Laird will really get it.

Walking is a perfectly good term to describe walking. Another example of Madison Avenueese, bureaucraticese, pentagonese, or what have you, the Mort thinks that playing such games with the language is asinine, and that I have drawn up plans previously to direct the strict judging. The guy gotting to Sweden found only four judges being used; well, I found that we used only about four at UCLA. (Ed. Which doesn't seem to jibe with what we have read earlier in this issue.) Anyone caring to comment further will have to talk to me, as I don't wish to enquire further if you can't figure it out yourself. (Ed. Oh! I just figured it out.) Bob further states that Elliott Deman brought up the point that "the athletes were unanimous in their dissatisfaction with the attitude of our judges at the UCLA meet. In fact, they thought it was disgraceful concerning the intimation given out. Moreover, several of our leading judges and officials have been creating recently a poisonous negative attitude concerning the ability of our walkers. Not only do I think this is an inappropriate attitude for our morale now, but after watching the video tapes of the Swedish races, I believe the competence of many of our top judges should be seriously brought into consideration. There is insincerity on both sides. What I would like to urge is humility on both sides and the development of a cooperative, optimistic spirit to move our athletes forward." I did not wish to put anyone on the spot either or against the statement, but I do wish to commend the author. I feel that it needed to be said and that I have drawn up plans previously to direct the strict judging I felt took place at the AAU Championships. One commentator, a fine job and was well prepared; most of the problem seems to stem from the close proximity of the judges and athletes at all times. The judges in a few cases seemed to be overzealous in their mode of action due to the nervousness of the situation. If Murray were able to take his charges out on the road, I feel it would have been a different situation entirely. Rich Holland asked me during the 5 Km if we would have anyone left after the DQs were given? I will personally request...