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MEXICAN DOMINATION ENDED

After four years of complete domination of International race walking by the strong Mexican contingent, the Moscow Olympics marked a nearly complete reversal in their form, as you may have noted in our partial results last month. In the 20 Km, reigning champion Daniel Bautista was getting all he could handle from the host country's Anatoliy Solomin who was neck and neck with him as they neared the Stadium finish. Then, dramatically, Bautista was pulled by the judges with but 800 meters to go, apparently leaving the way clear for Solomin. When he too was pulled, Maurizio Damilano, who had walked brilliantly in staying close throughout and in dropping Soviet Pyotr Potschenchuk in the last 5 km sailed on to a well deserved win in Olympic record time. Although Damilano's 1:23:36 seems rather pedestrian by the past year's "standards", it was excellent in light of the apparently tight judging and high temperature (mid 80's). He left the rest of the strong field well spread out behind him. As to the Mexican threat, Domingo Colin was also disqualified while in fifth place at 10 kilometers and surprise starter, Raul Gonzales, came sixth in a time not much better than he often does on his way to 50.

Bautista, as usual, set the pace, going through the first 5 km in 20:35. Right with him were young Czech Josef Pribilinec and the third Soviet walker, Yevgeniy Yevsyukov. Colin and another Czech, Yurai Bencik were also at 20:35 and another five walkers, including Damilano, were just 1 second back. The field broke up over the next 5 km, but at 10 Bautista, Damilano, Solomin, Colin, and Potschenchuk all had 41:25. Pribilinec was well off the pace by this time, and eventually folded completely, taking nearly 33 minutes for his final 5 km.

At 15 km Bautista and Solomin were together in 62:05, with Damilano just 10 seconds back. The Italian in turn was only 3 seconds ahead of Potschenchuk. Yevsyukov was a second ahead of Sweden's Bo Gustafsson, walking the race of his life, but they were more than a minute behind the four leaders. Gustafsson suffered the same fate as Bautista and Solomin at about the same point, ending his strong effort.

With a field of 34 starting, only eight walkers were able to break 1:30. There were seven disqualifications and hopefully this indicates a return to more judicious enforcement of the written rules of the sport.

In the 50, Gonzales either did not try to, or was unable to, open up on the field in his usual manner. As a matter of fact, when he passed 10 km in 45:14 he was only in sixth with eventual winner Hartwig Gauder and Soviet ace Yevgeniy Ivchenko a half minute ahead. Putting in a hard effort over the next 10, Gonzalez was even with Gauder and Spain's Jorge Llopert at 20 in 1:29:35, with Ivchenko, his teammate Fursov, and Bautista, making a rare appearance at 50, 9 seconds back. Gonzales continued to force the pace, but couldn't shake the determined Gauder as they went through 25 in 1:52:02 and

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30 in 2:14:52. Llopart was now a minute and a half back and Ivchenko nearly that far behind him. Bautista had dropped to 11th and dropped out as did the third Mexican, Martin Bermudez, who was 4 seconds ahead of Bautista.

Gonzalez slowed drastically after 30 km and faded to 10th by 40, where he dropped out. What caused the complete collapse of the Mexican team in this race has not been reported. It was hot again--around 80--but they have walked faster in higher temperatures and at altitude besides. Whatever the cause, everyone now knows that they can be beaten, which has seemingly been impossible in the big race.

Left on his own, Gauder, primarily a 20 km specialist before this year, cruised to the win, again in Olympic record time. Llopart never lost much more ground and pulled well clear of Ivchenko, confirming his position as one of the world's best at the distance. Sweden's Bengt Simonson walked his best race since his days as a top Junior and was threatening Ivchenko for the bronze medal over the last 20 km. A distinct disappointment in both races, along with the Mexicans, was Finland's Reima Salonen. After finishing ninth at 20 in 1:31:32, he dropped out of this one while in 13th place at 30 km. Australia's Willi Sawall was also unable to duplicate the form he has shown for the past year, managing only 4:08:25, although that sufficed for 8th place as eight competitors dropped out. Another four were disqualified. Full results of the two races follow.

20 Km, July 24--1. Maurizio Damilano, Italy 1:23:35.5 (20:36, 41:25, 62:15) 2. Pyotr Potschenchuk, USSR 1:24:45.4 (20:36, 41:25, 62:18) 3. Roland Weiser, East Germany 1:25:58.2 (20:57, 42:17, 64:25) 4. Yevgeniy Yevayukov, USSR 1:26:28.3 (20:35, 41:36, 63:23) 5. Jose Marin, Spain 1:26:45.6 (20:36, 41:54, 64:18) 6. Raul Gonzalez, Mex. 1:27:48.6 (20:66, 41:54, 64:18) 7. Bohdan Bulakowski, Poland 1:28:36.3 (21:18, 43:18, 65:42) 8. Karl-Heinz Stadtmuller, E.G. 1:29:21.7 (21:06, 43:11, 66:01) 9. Reima Salonen, Fin. 1:31:32 (21:36, 44:49, 67:39) 10. Roger Mills, UK 1:32:37.8 (22:16, 44:54, 68:29) 11. Giorgio Dimilano, Italy 1:33:26.2 (21:29, 43:43, 67:07) 12. Janos Scilas, Hung. 1:34:10.5 (22:18, 45:09, 69:15) 13. Alf Brandt, Swed. 1:34:44 (21:53, 45:00, 69:32) 14. Pavol Blazek, Czech. 1:35:30.8 (21:28, 45:11, 69:57) 15. Aristidis Karageorgos, Greece 1:36:53.4 (23:37, 46:58, 70:56) 16. Hunde Tore, Ethiopia 1:37:16.6 (23:19, 47:26, 72:30) 17. Enrique Pena, Columbia 1:38:00 (23:15, 48:17, 73:12) 18. Singh Ranjit 1:38:27.2 (20:57, 46:58, 72:45) 19. Ernesto Alfaro, Col. 1:42:19.7 (24:42, 50:45, 76:52) 20. Jozef Pribilinec, Czech. 1:42:52.4 (20:25, 42:00, 70:05) 21. Martin Toporek, Austria 1:44:56 (22:00, 46:54, 74:16) 22. Johann Siegele, Austria 1:45:17.8 (24:43, 50:48, 77:42) 23. Tekeste Mitiku, Ethiopia 1:45:45.7 (24:35, 51:24, 79:50) 24. Stefano Casalt, San Marion 1:49:21.3 (25:09, 51:45, 79:50) 25. Thipsamay Chanthaphone, Laos 2:20:22 (32:01, 65:59, 1:41:20) DNF: Lucien Faber, Lux. 22:37, 47:46 and Wilfried Siegele, Austria 23:16. DQ: Anatoliy Solomin, USSR 20:39, 41:25, 62:05; Daniel Bautista, Mex. 20:35, 41:25, 62:05; Bo Gustafsson, Swed. 20:49, 41:44, 63:24; David Smith, Australia 20:36, 43:21, 66:22; Domingo Colin, Mex. 20:35, 41:25; Werner Heyer, E.G. 22:34; Yzai Bencik, Czech. 20:35.

50 Km, July 30--1. Hartwig Gauder, E.G. 3:49:24 (22:45, 44:41, 66:59, 1:29:35, 1:52:02, 2:14:52, 2:38:09, 3:01:47, 3:25:25) 2. Jorge Llopart, Spain 3:51:25 (22:50, 45:11, 67:10, 1:29:35, 1:52:32, 2:16:23, 2:40:02, 3:03:17, 3:27:16) 3. Yevgeniy Ivchenko, USSR 3:56:32 (22:45, 44:41, 66:69, 1:29:44, 1:43:22, 2:17:45, 2:42:55, 3:06:39, 3:31:10) 4. Bengt Simonson, Sweden 3:57:08 (23:47, 47:07, 1:10:37, 1:33:54, 1:57:21, 2:20:37, 2:43:57, 3:07:09, 3:31:54) 5. Vyatcheslov, Fursov, USSR 3:58:32 (22:46, 45:15, 67:10, 1:29:44, 1:52:45, 2:18:19, 2:43:37, 3:08:08, 3:32:36) 6. Jose Marin, Spain 4:03:08 (22:45, 45:11, 68:02, 1:31:11, 2:54:23, 2:18:48, 2:44:09, 3:11:04, 3:37:02) 7. Stanislaw Rola, Poland 4:07:07 (23:55, 47:53, 71:25, 1:35:10, 1:59:26, 2:22:51, 2:47:36, 3:13:05, 3:39:35) 8. Willi Sawall, Australia 4:08:25 (22:45, 45:14, 67:44, 1:32:59, 2:00:36, 2:24:58, 2:50:29, 3:18:20, 3:44:04) 9. Iazlo Sator, Hung. 4:10:53 (47:07, 1:34:57, 2:25:04, 3:17:33) 10. Pavol Blazek, Czech. 4:16:26 (47:53, 1:35:18, 2:28:08, 3:21:05) 11. Ian Richards, UK 4:22:57 (47:37, 1:36:44, 2:27:59, 3:23:59) 12. Christos Karageorgos, Greece 4:24:36 (48:30, 1:37:17, 2:33:14, 3:34:07) 13. Yurai Bencik, Czech. 4:27:39 (50:06, 1:41:45, 2:33:34, 3:29:11) 14. Enrique Pena, Col. 4:29:27 (50:15, 1:44:09, 2:37:38, 3:32:38) 15. Ernesto Alfaro, Col. 4:46:28 (50:31, 1:46:51, 2:49:08, 3:47:26) DNF: Raul Gonzalez, Mex. (22:46, 45:14, 67:10, 1:29:35, 1:52:02, 2:14:52, 2:43:10, 3:20:05) Martin Bermudez, Mex. (22:50, 45:15, 67:18, 1:31:01, 1:54:27, 2:19:15); Daniel Bausia, Mex. (22:46, 45:11, 66:59, 1:29:44, 1:52:45, 2:19:20); Reima Salonen, Fin. (23:40, 47:07, 70:37, 1:33:54, 1:57:21, 2:22:47); Bohdan Bulakowski, Pol. (23:55, 47:53, 71:25, 1:35:10, 1:59:26, 2:23:38); Dave Smith, Australia 23:40, 47:07, 70:40, 1:33:54); Bo Gustafsson, Swed. (23:40, 47:07, 70:40, 1:33:54); Gerard Lelievre, France (22:50, 45:58, 70:35, 1:34:57); Disqualified: Dietmar Meisch, E.G. (22:50, 45:15, 67:10, 1:29:41, 1:52:32, 2:16:23, 2:40:35, 3:05:54 (in third); Uwe Dunkel, E.G. (22:50, 45:14, 67:10, 1:30:10, 1:53:44, 2:18:08, 2:43:13 (in 4th); Boris Yakovlyev, USSR (22:46, 45:15, 67:10, 1:29:41, 1:52:02, 2:14:37); Jormir Vanous, Czech. (22:59, 46:22, 68:17)

OTHER INTERNATIONAL RESULTS

Golden 1 Hour, Nice, France, Aug. 17 (Hot sun, high 80's)--Roland Weiser, E.G. 14,134 meters 2. Bohdan Bulakowski, Poland 13,968 3. Gerard Lelievre, France 13,924 4. Marco Evoniuk, USA 13,695 5. Jim Heiring, USA 13,435 6. Dominique, France 13,200--good performance for Marco and Jim. Weiser, of course, was bronze medalist in Moscow.

20 Km, Tjerkassy, USSR, April 27 (First three previously reported in June issue)--1. Domingo Colin, Mex. 1:19:34.4 (39:50, 59:42) 2. Yevgeniy Ivchenko 1:19:52.6 (39:36, 59:36) 3. Ernesto Canto, Mex. 1:20:01.8 (29:50, 59:42) 4. Anatoliy Solomin 1:20:34.4 (39:36, 59:52) 5. Nikolai Polozov, 1:20:49.6 (39:42, 60:05) 6. Aivars Rumbenieks 1:20:53 (39:42, 60:06) 7. Andrei Perlov 1:21:16 8. A. Potasov 1:21:21 9. Maris Petersons 1:21:40 10. Aleksandr Pankov 1:21:44 11. A. Zankin 1:22:05 12. Felix Gomez, Mex. 1:22:15 13. G. Mironov 1:22:16 14. B. Gerus 1:22:16 15. Vladis Kazlauskas 1:22:39.... 18. Erling Andersen, Nor. 1:22:59. . . 21. Raul Gonzalez, Mex. 1:23:33

30 Km, same place--1. Daniel Bautista, Mex. 2:03:05 (20:05, 40:15, 60:35, 1:21:02, 1:42:04) 2. Pyotr Potschenchuk 2:05:05 (20:05, 41:01, 61:36, 1:22:32, 1:43:34) 3. Valeri Sunkssov 2:05:12 (20:06, 41:02, 61:37, 1:22:34, 1:43:36) 4. Ivan Tichonov 2:07:13 5. S. Tsimbalck 2:08:14 6. Martin Bermudez, Mex. 2:08:50 7. S. Triputov 2:09:30 8. Angel Flores, Mex. 2:09:53 9. Muiry Andruschenko, 2:10:02 10. A. Dmitriyev 2:11:10 11. V. Volouchin 2:11:32 12. Pedro Aroche, Mex. 2:11:36. . . 21. Enrique Vera 2:13:43

Women's 5 Km (track), Alytus, USSR, May 18--1. Valentina Nemtsanova 24:59 Women's 5 Km (track), Tjerkassy, June 1--1. Olga Tshuganova 24:12.1

20 Km, Kaunas, USSR, April 17--1. Algirdas Sakalys 1:25:46--Speaking of 20 Km, Aivars Rumbenieks reported 1:16:31.2 was on a 2500 meter loop that apparently measured 2400 meters, so he went only 19.2, which would still leave him around 1:20.--1 Hour, Alytus, USSR, May 11--1. Pyotr Potschenchuk 14,363 meters 1 Hour, Alytus, May 18--1. Potschenchuk 14,710 20 Km, Moscow, June 11--1. Anatoliy Solomin 1:22:32.6 2. Pyotr Potschenchuk 1:22:37

3. Yevgeniy Yevsyukov 1:22:51 4. Andrei Perlov 1:23:12 5. Nikolai Polozov 1:23:30 6. Maris Petersons 1:23:39 7. Viktor Semyonov 1:24:00 8. Nikolai Matveyev 1:24:24 9. Aleksandr Uralov 1:24:32 10. Ivan Sankovski 1:24:54 11. Nikolai Udoenko 1:25:36 12. Vadim Tsvetkov 1:25:49--Rumbeniks Disqualified. 20 Km, Sdr Omme, Den., June 21--1. David Smith, Australia 1:26:31 20 Km, Jarna, Swed., June 14--1. Erling Andersen 1:26:56.8
 2. Alf Brandt, Swed. 1:30:11 3. Mieszyslaw Gorski, Pol. 1:30:28 Reima Salonen, Fin. DNF. Match score: Sweden 26 Poland 23 Norway 15 Finland 10
 20 Km, Appelbo, Swed, June 22--1. Miecyslaw Goraki, Pol 1:29:00 2. Alf Brandt, Swed. 1:29:29 3. Owe Hemmingsson, Swed. 1:29:31 *Women's 10 Km, same place--1. Elisabeth Olsson 48:17.2 (road--Swedish record) 2. Thorill Gylder, Nor. 48:46 3. Monika Karlsson, Swed. 48:58 4. Margareta Olsson, Swed. 51:09 5. Ann-Marie Larsson, Swed. 51:33 6. Gerd Glder, Nor. 53:04 20 Km, Malung, Swed., June 20--1. Mieczyslaw Gorski, Pol 1:27:46 2. Lief Karlsson, Swed. 1:28:28 3. Krzysztof Drajski, Pol. 1:28:45 4. Owe Hemmingsson, Swed. 1:29:47 *Women's 5 Km (road), same place--1. Britt Holmquist 23:12 2. Thorill Gylder, Nor. 23:16 3. Gerd Gylder, Nor. 24:33 4. Ann-Marie Larsson 24:40 *5 Km (road), Stockholm, May 18--1. Sue Cook, Australia 24:55 *5 Km (road), Orebro, Swed., May 15--1. Sue Orr 23:18 2. Britt-Marie Carlsson 23:19 3. Britt Holmquist 23:50 4. Siv Gustavsson 24:02 5. Ann Jansson 24:19 6. Margareta Olsson 24:22 7. Eva Gustafsson 24:50 8. Ann-Marie Larsson 24:56 20 Km, Same Place--1. Bo Gustafsson 1:28:52 Jr. Women's 5 Km, Kisa, Swed., June 3--1. Britt-Marie Carlsson 23:38 *Women's 5 Km, same place--1. Britt Holmquist 24:17 2. Margo Vetterli, Switz. 24:44 3. Ann-Marie Larsson 25:15 *Women's 5 Km, Ottsjon, Swed. July 6--1. Ann Jansson 24:00 2. Britt Holmquist 24:42 3. Ann-Marie Larsson 25:17 Women's 3 Km (track), Ostersund, July 9--1. Ann Jansson 13:31.4 (Swedish record) 2. Britt Holmquist 13:46 Men's 5 Km (track), same place--1. Bo Gustafsson 19:50.5 2. Alf Brandt 19:58 *Women's 5 Km (road), Haggenas, Swed., July 11--1. Ann Jansson 23:42 2. Eva Karlsson 24:05 3. Eva Gustafsson 24:21 4. Ann-Marie Larsson 24:33 5. Monika Karlsson 24:38 6. Froydis Hilsen, Nor. 25:18 Dutch 50 Km Championship, Sint Oedenrode, June 15--1. Nico Schroten 4:44:08 20 Km, Lausanne, Switz., June 14--1. David Smith, Australia 1:27:09 3. Enrique Vera, Col. 1:30:22 Women's 3 Km (track), Fredrikstad, Nor., Feb. 12 (indoors)--1. Mia Kjolberg 13:24 (World's best) 2. Froydis Hilsen 13:42 *Women's 10 Km (road), Moss, Norway, April 11--1. Sue Cook (nee Orr), Australia 46:48! (World's best) 2. Mia Kjolberg 48:30 3. Line Viken, 52:12 (Cook had 23:23 at 5 Km) Women's 10 Km (track), Kyrksaterora, Nor, June 21--1. Mia Kjolberg 51:35 2. Froydis Hilsen 53:57 20 Km (track), same place--1. Erling Andersen 1:29:52 Balkan Games 20 Km (track), Kardjali, Bulg., June 14--1. Constantin Staicu, Romania 1:28:35 2. Aristidis Karageorgos, Greece 1:28:59 3. Ljodor Pescaru, Rom. 1:29:53 Bulgarian 20 Km, Sofia, May 23--1. Jantsko Kamenov 1:25:20 2. A. Ibramov 1:28:58 20 Km, Luxembourg, June 22--1. David Smith, Australia 1:27:36.2 Women's 5 Km (road), Frankfurt, W.G., June 1--1. Ingrid Adam 25:06 *5 Km, Ajka, Hung., May 25--1. Iaszlo Sator 4:02:44 10 Km, Halle, E.G. (track), June 21--1. Ralph Kowalsky 39:39.5 10 Km (track), Potsdam, E.G., July 13--1. Roland Wieser 38:54.3! 2. Werner Heyer 38:59.9 3. Karl-Heinz Stadtmuller 39:47 20 Km, Kangasniemi, Fin., July 5--1. Reima Salonen 1:29:15 *20 Km, Kalisz, Pol. May 7--1. Bohdan Bulakowski 1:24:56 2. Wieslaw Cieslak 1:27:27 3. Jaroslaw Kazmierski 1:27:53 4. Mieszyslaw Gorski 1:27:57 5. Krzysztof Drajski 1:28:09 Women's 5 Km (track), Katowice, Poland, June 1--1. Katarzyna Figurowska 28:13.4 2. Malgorzata Barbos 28:21 (first report we have seen of women's walking in Poland) *Women's 5 Km (road), Melbourne, April 19--1. Sue Cook 23:57 2. Ann Miller 24:54 *5 Km (road), Ballarat, Aust., May 10--1. Ann Miller 25:13 2. Sally Pierson 25:36 3. Lillian Harpur 25:41 *Women's 10 Km (track), Box Hill, Aust., May 24--1. Anne Miller 51:35 *5 Km (road), Melbourne, May 31--1. Anne Miller 24:33 2. Lorraine Young 25:55 20 Mile, Canberra, Aust., June 15--1. Willi Savall 2:16:48 (World's best) 2. John Sheard 2:25:17 3. John Smith 2:37:34 *Women's 5 Km, same place--1. Sue Cook 23:57 2. Anne Miller 24:40 3. Rachel Thompson 24:58 4. Lorraine Young 25:12 5. Anne Ryan 25:29

*Women's 10 Km (road), Melbourne, June 8--1. Sue Cook 49:34 2. Lorraine Young 52:12 *Australian 20 Km Championship, Sydney, March 23--1. Willi Savall 1:24:04.8 2. Dave Smith 1:27:10.9 Women's 5 Km, Marikina, Philippines, Feb. 3--1. Bernadeth Dolar 30:31 (record) 5 Km, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, April 27--1. K.T. Kamalanairgee 27:04.3 (record) *Women's 5 Km (track), Birmingham, Eng. June 7--1. Elaine Cox 24:43.2 2. E. Woeth 25:30.3 20 Km, Piacenza, Italy, May 18--1. Maurizio Damilano 1:23:15.8 2. Alessandro Pezzatini 1:23:35.2 3. Carlo Mattioli 1:24:52.2 4. Roberto Buccione 1:25:20.6 5. Giorgio Damilano 1:25:48.7 6. Sandro Bellucci 1:25:53.7 7. Vittorio Visini 1:26:35.2 20 Km, Villeneuve-d Ascq, Fr., June 28--1. Gerard Lelievre 1:27:09 20 Km (track), Baska Bystrica, Czech., July 2--1. Jorg Pasemann, E.G. 1:23:22.4 2. Meisel, E.G. 1:27:13.2 3. Petrik, Czech. 1:27:35 4. Vanous, Czech 1:27:47 5. Simka, Czech 1:28:15.2 6. Boehnke, E.G. 1:28:45 7. Matthias Kroel, E.G. 1:29:16 8. Bohus Bickel, Czech. 1:29:44 Czech 20 Km Championship, Prague, July 12--1. Petrik 1:26:59.8 2. Mackanic 1:28:06 20 Km, Brandys, Czech., May 18--1. Pavol Blazek 1:27:05.6 2. Jaromir Vanous 1:28:15 3. Miloslav Dzumak 1:29:04 *20 Km, Borsky Mikulas, Czech., May 24--1. Jozef Fribilinec 1:23:36.6 2. P. Szikora 1:28:43 3. Lubos Mackanic 1:28:59 Women's International Match, Hornchurch, Eng., May 17: Sweden 32 Norway 23 UK 21 5 Km--1. Thorill Gylder, Nor. 23:51.5 (track) 2. Elisabeth Olsson 24:08 3. Britt-Marie Carlsson, Swed. 24:19.5 4. Irene Bateman, UK 24:21 5. Elaine Cox, UK 24:23.8 6. Monika Karlsson, Swed. 25:06 7. Froydis Hilsen, Nor. 25:22.8 8. Mia Kjolberg, Nor. 25:37.3 3 Km (track)--1. Britt Holmquist, Swed. 13:42.6 2. Carol Tyson, UK 13:46.3 3. Siv Gustavsson, Swed. 14:20.2 Women's 5 Km (road) *Carphyttan, Swed., May 17--1. Britt Holmquist 24:27 2. Britt-Marie Carlsson 24:35 3. Ann Jansen 24:53 4. Ann-Marie Larsson 25:12 Women's 10 Km (road), Venjon, Swed., July 26--1. Britt Holmquist 51:13 2. Ann-Marie Larsson 51:29 East German 20 Km Championship, Eisenhuettenstadt, May 21--1. Karl-Heinz Stadtmuller 1:22:24.5 2. Jorg Paseman 1:24:17.8 3. Steffen Muller 1:24:57.3 4. M. Bonke 1:26:38 35 Km Championship, same place--1. Norbert Schaeffer 2:40:21 Women's Jr. 5 Km (track), Fredrikstad, Nor., July 23--1. Line Viken 24:43 10 Km (track), Font-Romeu, Fr., July 17--1. Erling Andersen, Nor. 39:53.9 20 Km, (Track), Bergen, Nor., July 29--1. Erling Andersen 1:24:26 (41:39.4)

U.S. RESULTS

10 Km, Stony Brook, N.Y., Aug. 2--1. Ron Danile 49:59.3 (24:15) 2. Ed O'Rourke 51:24.7 3. Sue Liers-Westerfield 52:33.6 3. Rob Timmons 52:51.7 5. Bob Timmons 57:11.3 6. Norma Arnesen 57:59.4 7. Mary Ellen O'Neil 62:11 15 Km, same place--1. Dan O'Connor 1:06:15 (21:33, 43:29) "Womens World Face Walking Championship", Syracuse, N.Y., Aug. 15--5 Km (track)--1. Sue Cook, Australia 23:39.4 2. Sue Brodock 23:40 (Brodock set the pace all the way but was passed on the last lap as very windy conditions kept this outstanding duo from an even faster time) 3. Ann Peel, Can. 24:29.3 4. Sue Liers-Westerfield 24:33 5. Esther Lopez 24:58.8 6. Bonnie Dillon 25:19.5 7. Clare Martel, Can. 26:24.6 8. Helen Davino, Can. 27:34 9. Sylvia Thibeaugh, Can. 28:30 Teams: U.S.--13 Australia--8 Canada--8 10 Km--1. Margot Vetterli, Switz. 52:20.5 2. Billian Grant, Can. 53:34 3. Vicki Jones 53:48.8 4. Cathy Curtis 55:10.8 5. Pam Reynolds, Ireland 55:14 6. Sheila Scheich, Can. 55:58.1 7. Norma Arnesen 56:21.5 8. Nancy Sweazey, Can. 56:56.4 9. Lily Whalen, Can. 58:11.5 Teams: USA--14 Canada--13 Switzerland--9 Ireland--4 (Unfortunately Sweden, Norway, and the British were not in attendance--I'm not sure why--so this couldn't really be considered a legitimate World's Championship, but it was a good start toward attracting International walkers to this country.) New York Empire Games *Walks, Syracuse: Women's 5 Km, Aug. 14--1. Susan Liers-Westerfield 27:32 (won for third year in a row) 2. Lynda Dewit 28:04 3. Dorothy Kelly 28:13 4. Tracey McCullough 28:25 5. Mary Clark 28:56 6. Cynthia Best 29:03 7. Karen Sadler 29:05 8. Sally Stewart 29:21 9. Debbie Quarilane 29:37 10. Mary Ellen O'Neil 30:28 11. Wendy Wippert 30:35 (17 finished) Women's 10

- Km, Aug. 16--1. Susan Iiers-Westerfield 52:44 2. Mary Clark 58:17 3. Cindy Best 58:31 4. Pam Reynolds, Ireland 58:32 5. Carol Brown 59:19 6. Ova Wilson 59:30 7. Mary Ellen O'Neil 59:42 8. Jamie Melfi, Springfield, Ohio 61:16 9. Deborah Qualiana 62:28 10. Kathy Flack 62:47 11. Robin Weckini 63:14 12. Janet Judd 63:54 (19 finished) Men's 20 Km--1. Mel McGinnis 1:41:06 2. Michael Morris 1:42:13 3. Peter Timmons 1:43:22 4. Don Lawrence 1:44:02 5. Richard Fenton 1:44:19 6. Larry Beckerle 1:47:33 7. Howard Jacobsen 1:48:23 8. Thomas Edwards 1:48:55 9. Ed O'Rourke 1:50:26 10. Richard Evans 1:50:31 11. David Lawrence 1:52:02 12. Jim Stroud 1:53:04 13. George Lattarulo, Mass. 1:54:32 14. Dan Stanek 1:55:11 15. David Talcott 1:55:11 Men's 50 Km, Aug. 16--1. Ali Bouchekouk 5:55:23 2. Pete Timmons 4:55:59 3. Tim McCoy 4:56:56 4. Jim Stroud 5:05:26 5. Eric Nealy 5:13:02 6. Rob Timmons 5:19:45 7. David Lawrence 5:33:46 8. John Shilling 5:41:58 9. Lou Wilson 5:43:17 10. George Lattarulo 5:46:15 11. Bob Timmons 5:54:22 Scholastic Girl's 3 Km, Aug. 15--1. Jeanne Cosulich 16:18.9 2. Catherine Flack 16:20.2 3. Julie Johnson 16:24 4. Carol Brown 16:34.7 5. Robin Weaklin 16:52.2 6. Lauren Iatkany 17:01.2 7. Sue Terry 17:16.3 8. Cathryn Morris 17:17.4 9. Margaret Wimmer 17:26.8 Scholastic Boy's 5 Km, Aug. 15--1. Pat Moroney 23:36.6 2. Andy Iles 23:40.7 3. Tom McGee 24:25.2 4. Ken McKinnon 25:06.2 5. Mark Bachman 25:40.8 6. Doug Stroud 25:57.6 7. Rob Timmons 26:11 8. James Mann 26:32.4 9. Tim Badger 27:03.6 10. Paul Iazarus 27:35.8 2 Mile, Lakewood, N.J., Aug. 5--1. Tony DeLosSantos 17:37 (age 13) 2. Steven Eackles 18:04 3. Jack Haney 18:08 2 Mile, Lakewood, Aug. 12--1. Tony DeLosSantos 17:01 2. Ben Ottmer 17:08 3. Jack Haney 17:19 Age Group 1500 Meters, Charlotte, N.C., April 27: Midget Girls--1. Andrea Early 8:51.4 2. Leigh Baker 8:57.1 3. Karen Fowler 9:51 Midget Boys--1. Edwards 10:17.7 Jr. Girls--1. Carmen Nordman 8:34 Jr. Boys--1. Herbert Turner 8:50 Age Group 1500's, Salisbury, N.C., May 3--Bantam Boys--1. Mike Goodwin 9:04 Midget Girls--1. Andrea Early 8:40 2. Leigh Baker 8:54 3. Eileen Rhodes 9:27 Midget Boys--1. Kelly Fox 8:17 2. Kevin Loltex 8:30 Jr. Girls--1. Jeanne Bilodeau 9:17 Jr. Boys--1. Herbert Turner 8:53 2. Billy Thomas 9:04 1500's at Charlotte, N.C., May 17: Midget Girls--1. Andrea Early 8:20.3 2. Leigh Baker 8:42.3 3. Karen Fowler 9:38 Jr. Boys--1. Billy Thomas 9:07 Charlotte Jr. Olympics 1500s, May 24-- Midget Girls--1. Andrea Early 8:22.7 2. Leigh Baker 8:44 3. Karen Fowler 9:43 Jr. Boys--1. Herbert Turner 8:41.9 2. Rusty Fletcher 8:43.4 3. Billy Thomas 9:07 Sectional Jun. Olympics, Charlotte, June 14--Midget Girls--1. Andrea Early 8:24.8 2. Leigh Baker 8:51 Jr. Girls--1. Carmen Nordman 8:34 Jr. Boys--1. Herbert Turner 8:24 2. Rusty Fletcher 8:38 1 Mile, Houston, July 14--1. Dave Gwyn 7:59.3 2. Matt Stein 8:45 3. Phil Bradley 9:13 4. Duane Brown 9:13 1 Mile, Houston, July 15--1. Dave Gwyn 7:43.7 2. Duane Brown 8:41 5 Km, Houston, July 20--1. Dave Gwyn 26:16 2. Mike Kelnhenz 27:38 5 Mile, Lafayette, Col., Aug. 3--1. Floyd Godwin 41:46 2. Greg McGuire 43:29 3. Paul Lightsey 44:28 Doc Tripp Memorial 10 Km, Broomfield, Col., Aug. 16--1. Floyd Godwin 48:42 2. Bob Rosencrantz 49:55 2. Greg McGuire 50:29 4. Paul Lightsey 54:40 5. Terry Femmer 56:20 6. Bob Carlson 58:12 Sr. Olympics 5 Km, Los Angeles--1. Roger Brandwein (31) 24:04.9 2. Walt Jaquith (37) 24:34.9 3. John Kelly 26:18.3 (age 50) 4. Jolene Steigerwalt (36) 29:12.6 5. John McLaughlin (50) 30:28 6. Gary Rittenberg (35) 32:40 7. Otto Wenk (66) 32:43 8. Chesley Unruh (70) 35:03 (18 finished) Sr. Olympics 10 Km, July 13--1. Roger Brandwein 47:58.8 2. Walt Jaquith 48:59.3 3. John Kelly 54:51.7 4. John McLaughlin 59:17.1 5. Milt Creange (50-54) 61:26.8 6. Hal McWilliams (60-64) 61:37.2 7. Gary Rittenberg 62:01.6 8. Otto Wenk 64:48.6 (14 finished) 1 Mile, Van Nuys, Cal., Aug. 1--1. Roger Brandwein 7:06.9 2. Jim Hanley 7:23.5 3. John Kelly 7:46.2 Women's Mile, same place--1. Paula Kash 7:31.9 2. Daine Uribe 7:34.4 Pan-Am Masters, Los Angeles: 5 Km, Aug. 16--1. Ed Bouldin (32) 22:53.5 2. Walt Jaquith (37) 24:01 3. Bill Ranney (45) 24:55.5 4. Jim Hanley (35) 25:41.3 5. Lori Maynard (44) 25:46 6. John Kelly (50) 25:46.9 7. Jesse Gastenada (41) 26:33 8. Diane Uribe (31) 26:56.8 9. Jolene Steigerwelt (36) 28:11.7 10. Gary Ritten-

- berg (35) 28:29.5 11. Harry Siitonen (54) 28:39.3 12. Mile Creange (51) 30:16.5 13. Hal McWilliams (64) 30:45.2 14. John Hanna (71) 31:01.6 15. Sheila Smith (44) 31:46.8 16. John Fraisen (53) 32:30.2 17. Chesley Unruh (73) 32:30.5 (24 finished) 20 Km, Aug. 17--1. Ed Bouldin 1:40:24.5 2. Walt Jaquith 1:44:47.9 3. Bill Ranney 1:44:47.9 4. Roger Brandwein (32) 1:48:47.2 5. Jim Hanley 1:54:28 6. Lori Maynard 1:54:31.2 7. John Kelly 1:54:34.7 8. Jolene Steigerwelt 2:00:23.7 9. Terry Matthews (36) 2:02:17 10. Harry Siitonen 2:04:19 11. Gary Rittenberg 2:06:00 12. John Hanna 2:06:33 13. Milt Creange 2:09:47 14. Sheila Smith 2:14:46 15. Bill Emmer-ton (61) 2:16:13 16. Mickey Blakesley (68) 2:23:49 British 50 Km, Basildon, July 19--1. Tim Erikson, Australia 4:10:53 2. Denis Jackson 4:16:25 3. Brian Adams 4:23:01 4. M. Lombden 4:24:37 5. Tony Geal 4:30:53 6. P. Blagg 4:31:55 European Masters, Belsink: 5 Km, Age 70-74, Aug. 6--1. Gordon Wallace, USA (Guest) 1:01:45 20 Km (age 70-74)--1. Gordon Wallace 2:13:08

THE GREAT CONTACT CONTROVERSY CONTINUED

Julian Hopkins comments in Athletics Weekly (reprinted in these pages last month) regarding abolishment of the contact rule in walking have, not surprisingly, come in for some criticism. The following letter from Jim Hanley, for example, saves me the trouble of trying to be clever in reacting to Julian's comments. Jim has put it very well:

Dear Jack:

I recently read Julian Hopkins' article (re: noncontact new definition of race walking) with interest. I immediately went out and--using that style--did a 5:10 mile. Please recognize this fantastic performance. I apologize for not breaking five minutes, but I am really out of shape.

If Mr. Hopkins was a police chief in a town with a rash of bank robberies, he would solve the problem by declaring bank robbery to be legal.

I am tired of hearing his fallacious argument that videotape judging is impractical because you would have to videotape each walker during the entire race and analyze each tape frame by frame. Using such logic, with non-videotape methods we would have to provide a judge for each walker and have him watch the walker during the entire race. And since judges could vary in strictness, prejudices, etc. walkers would have to go one at a time against the clock as in skiing under the eyes of the same judge!

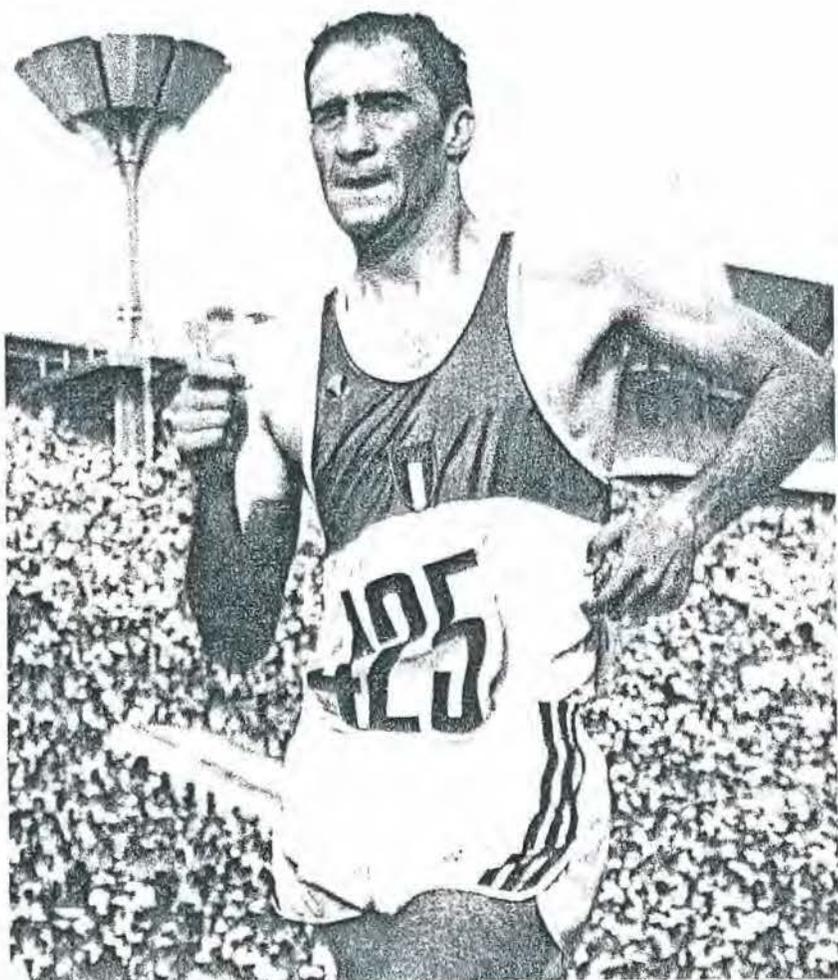
Come on now! Videotape judging is the only practical way of judging our sport! Mr. Hopkins' ideas are outmoded.

Jim Hanley

P.S. At the 1968 U.S. Olympic Training Camp, Coach Bruce Macdonald took high speed movies of race walkers doing 13 second 100 yard dashes, equal to 3:48 mile speed) totally on the ground! So much for the dumb argument that today's walkers are going so fast that they cannot maintain contact!

Editor: I have seen the film Jim refers to and have mentioned it in these pages in the past. (Although I thought they were going at something like 17-18 seconds for a 100 meters, still well under 5 minute miles and certainly a good indication that contact can be maintained at very high speeds.) The thing, of course, is that fatigue very quickly becomes a factor and a slight deterioration in form will pull one quickly off. But the vastly superior condition of today's walkers cited by Julian should allow them to maintain speed and contact for much longer times. Regardless, superior condition is no excuse for not abiding by the rules. If everyone walks within the rules, the superior athlete is still going to be ahead at the finish, his condition allowing him to go faster within those rules.

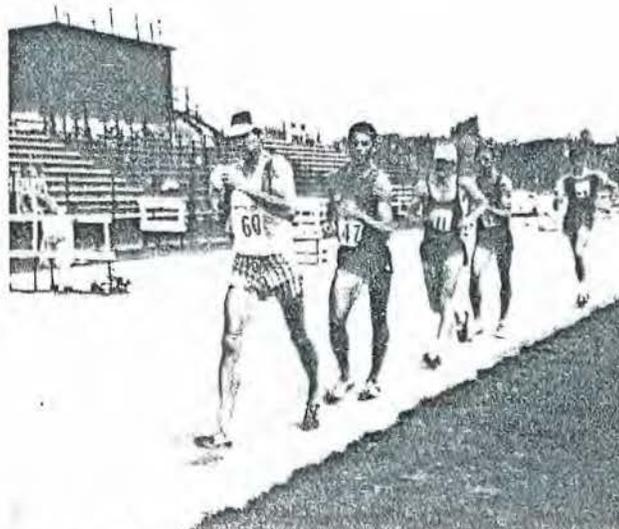
Julian has noted that "techniques have evolved in other events to improve performance, so why not in race walking as well?" No one will argue with improvement in technique--that certainly has much to do with improvement in times--but improvements in other events have come within the basic rules. Parry O'Brien revolutionized the shot put in the early '50s and others have improved on his style. But you still have to push it off the shoulder, not throw it, toss it underhanded, or spin it sidarm, which may allow some of



Italy's Maurizio Damilano is seen winning the Olympic 20 Km title in Moscow. No one can criticize his style from this photo. (UPI Photo courtesy of Elliott Denman)



1980's other Olympic titlist, East Germany's Hartwig Gauder, winner of the 50 Km. (Photo from Athletics Weekly)



.. Early Action in the TAC 1980 10 Km Championship at Chicago's Stagg Field. Marcel Jobin leads Ray Sharp, Chris Hansen, Steve Pecinovskiy, and Dan O'Connor. (Photo courtesy of Carolyn Jacobs' Instatamatic)

today's super strong men to achieve added distance. High jumping techniques have moved from the scissors, to the Eastern roll, Western roll, straddle, and flop, but a very basic rule has remained unchanged--you have to take off one foot. Gymnasts doing things like double back somersaults are known to be clearing heights over 8 feet, but they aren't allowed in high jump contests unless they can learn to do it off of one foot. Many years ago, some swimmers found a breakstroke technique that allowed them to go much faster--but not within the rules that defend breakstroking. As a result, we now have the butterfly event, as well--but they still swim breakstroke as it has always been defined. We could go on. The point is that improvements in technique are fine and to be encouraged. But Julian is not discussing improvements in technique, he is discussing changes in the basic rules that define the sport. As many have suggested, he is talking about another event entirely. Let the superior athletes--and I certainly am not questioning that they are indeed that--prove their superiority by showing how fast they can go within the rules of the sport. (By the way, I wonder why, in his stick figures, Julian showed his walker in solid contact?)

Julian was not well received by readers of Athletics Weekly, either. Note the following letters that appeared there in reaction:
 From Southern Area Coach, Bill Fogg: ". . . gives a long involved explanation of films and cameras showing loss of contact for hundredths of a second, a fact which cannot easily be seen by the naked eye. Doesn't this sort of thing happen in every sport, where enthusiasm causes people to make mistakes? I believe it even happens in football on "Match of the Day", where the technology of the camera shows that the referee, being human, has made a mistake. As a result of his mistake, teams lose. Thousands of pounds are at stake, yet no mad, hysterical outcry is made--"Change the rules." Dare I, an avid athletics fan, say that football is slightly more popular and professional than the whole of track and field events. Change the rules to suit a few individuals who don't mean to transgress? . . . I submit that the throwers and jumpers are certainly not trying to cheat when they foul the take-off board or throwing circle, etc. They are putting in 100 percent effort. They don't clamor for rules to be changed; they just get on with the competition and "concentrate" harder! Of course Bautista looks like a great athlete; so do many other walkers, even in "full flight". Please don't knock other athletes for conforming to the rules and by so doing are slower. After all, our job is to motivate! Is aesthetic appearance to be the criterion of a good walker, or are the IAAF rules the deciding factor? I feel a far more objective approach should be made to the problem of some walkers gaining an unfair advantage by straight leg running. What causes loss of contact? The bottom half of the body is normally trained almost to the nth degree leaving a supple but unbalanced machine. The muscular power and control required to counterbalance this action is tremendous but very much neglected. The first real proof of the above requirements came from Ken Matthews (Olympic Gold--Tokyo), an absolute powerhouse who had the physical strength to control his leg action and walk at speeds that were a decade before their time. . . I believe the top walkers in the world can walk fairly, if they have style, strength, power, and, above all, CONCENTRATION at speed. These are the keys to the problem. . . Let's try to evolve techniques to improve performance--not change the rules. . . Everyone I have spoken to, from the very knowledgeable Colin Young, to beginners, is of the opinion that to remove contact from the definition would ruin the sport. There should be a triangle--that is THREE sides, not an inverted 'V' floating over the ground."

From D.B. Hopkins: ". . . Judging has always been difficult. It will always be difficult and made harder if people cannot accept that judges are human. When they do make a mistake it is usually in favor of walkers and the camera will, of course, show this. The reasons for the world walking records being torn apart are correct but I think another reason is IAAF

rules where a chief judge can ignore cards recommending disqualification if he is too lenient or just chicken-hearted. I have seen walkers on the last lap of a Lugano Cup Semi-Final who would have needed 2-inch blocks of wood on their shoes to stop lifting. I have also seen on the Continent a man jog (lifting and bent knee) alongside of me for 15 out of 20 km under IAAF rules. If Julian Hopkins cannot see that continuous contact as well as the straight leg is as important as each other and should be striven for, he cannot coach the event under the rules as they stand. He should resign until the straight leg running races are organized."

From Brian Mitchell: "Julian Hopkins says that the 'correct' rule in race walking cannot be enforced; that 'to ensure fair play you would have to film every stride of each walker in the field'. He then goes on to argue that the 'straight leg rule' is all that is required. But to ensure fair play, would you not have to watch every stride of each walker in the field?"

From Mike Angrove: "I was intrigued by our National Race Walking Coach's article. So much so, that I decided to try out what he was advocating on my next training run. (Sorry, I mean walk). As I sped up into straight legged running I then wondered why we should not dispense with the other rule in walking--that of the leg being straightened in the vertically upright position. After all, if we can discard the contact rule, which has been in existence since time immemorial, why bother with the straight leg rule, which we have only had for several years. Also, it is much easier to run bending your legs than trying to straighten them at some point. How about it Julian? We could then have Sebastian Coe and Steve Ovett battling out for the world one mile 'walking' record. May I further suggest that to help us lead the world again in athletic performances, we adopt the following: vaulting poles for high jumpers; long jumpers being allowed to run over the board before taking off (distance to be measured from the board); hurdlers to run down the side of the hurdles instead of going over them, and marathon runners catching a bus between 1 and 25 miles."

From Rodney Parkins: "It is difficult to imagine a greater disservice to British race walking than Julian Hopkins' article. . . Running is faster than walking because loss of contact permits increased stride length. To remove the contact rule--the incontrovertible distinction between walking and running--flies in the face of common sense and common acceptance, and is likely to lead to recognition of race walking being withdrawn. The justification for race walking is that it is the natural development of a pitiful method of progression, although not the fastest. An analogy is breaststroke races which are held although the crawl is a faster method of aquatic progression. The straight-legged rule is a cosmetic necessity. It is secondary to maintaining contact (despite the article's spring theory of the bent leg, contact limits the stride length). With straight-leg running, how much loss of contact would be permitted? One centimeter, 6 inches..? In the same way that high jumpers accept one-foot take-offs and javelin throwers over arm throws, walkers must accept the essential constraint of walking, namely maintaining contact. And I believe the majority of walkers want it that way. Judging is not easy, and ways of making it more effective must, and can, be found (significantly, judging is considered more effective here than abroad). Efforts should be devoted to this problem, not to changing the nature of the sport."

From John Hall: ". . . The rules must and can be enforced. Our own judges do a marvelous job and I have seen strict judging in some other countries. If some can do it, why not others? I believe that too many obstacles are already put in the way of judges. If strict judging means turning the clock back then this is preferable to having walking removed from top competition. Similarly, performances could go backwards in other events if drug abuse is overcome. To suggest that super-fit competitors might only use 90 percent effort when keeping their feet on the ground is, in my view, ludicrous as I believe it takes 100 percent effort to maintain contact."

is failing as a race walker. I can understand Julian's frustration with the international scene, but to change the rules would destroy walking. Julian must remember those who walk more slowly and maintain contact, and possibly even look unimpressive. Without them there would be no internationals."

When the IAAF Race Walking Committee met in Moscow, there was apparently no discussion of this issue--at least not formally. The value of race walking seminars in Boras, Sweden (reported in the ORW) and Formia, Italy was recognized and the Chairman proposed that such frank discussions be widened. Indications from the Olympics themselves are, of course, that judging on the International level may tighten up. In the meantime, let's all keep our feet on the ground.

FORTHCOMING COMPETITIVE EXPERIENCES IN THE HEEL AND TOE SPORT

- Sat. Sept.13--TFA/USA 10 Km, West Concord, Mass., 12 noon (T)
 Sun. Sept.14--5 Km Hdcp, Van Nuys, Cal., 9:30 a.m. (D)
 10 Km, Brantford, Ontario (Q)
 30 Km, Columbia, Mo, 6:30 a.m. (M)
 15 Km, Houston, 9 a.m. (C)
 Sat. Sept.20--1 Hour, Shawinigan, Quebec (Y)
 Wed. Sept.24--20 Km (track), Trois Rivieres, Quebec (Y)
 Fri. Sept.26--15 Km road relay (2 man), St. Louis de Terrebonne, Quebec (Y)
 Sat. Sept.27--100 Mile, Columbia, Mo (14th Annual), 1 p.m. (M)
 1 Mile, Dearborn, Michigan, 10 a.m. (W)
 Sun. Sept.28--20 Km Alongo Memorial, Master's 20 Km, Jr. 10 km, and Women's
 5 Km, Dearborn (W)
 10 Km Hdcp, Van Nuys, Cal., (D)
 10 Km (road), Montreal (Y)
 Sat. Oct. 4---NATIONAL TAG 100 KM SENIOR AND MASTERS, LONGMONT, CO., 6:30
 a.m. (E)--also Open 20 Km
 Sun. Oct. 5---5 Km, Detroit (W)
 Mon. Oct. 6---10 Mile, Guelph, Ontario (Q)
 Sat. Oct. 11--10 Km, Columbia, Mo, 9 a.m. (M)
 Sun. Oct. 12--5 Km, Detroit (W)
 Sun. Oct. 19--1 Hour and 2 Hour, Westwood, Cal., 9 a.m. (D)
 New York City Marathon Racewalk Division (J)
 20 Km, Houston, 9 a.m. (C)
 Sun. Oct. 26--2 Hour, Ottumwa, Ia., 9 a.m. (O)
 5 Km, Detroit (W)
 Fri. Oct. 31--20 Km, Los Angeles (Followed by gala Halloween party), 7:30 (D)
 Sat. Nov.1---NATIONAL ATHLETICS CONGRESS 100 MILE, CHULA VISTA, CA, NOON (V)
 NATIONAL AC 40 KM, LONG BRANCH, N.J. (L)
 40 Km, Columbia, Mo., 7:30 a.m. (M)
 Sun. Nov.2---6 Mile, Eldon, Ia (O)

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LOOKING BACK

10 Years Ago (From the Aug. 1970 ORW)--In a dual meet in Toronto, the U.S. beat Canada, with races at 20 Km and 20 Miles, both on the track. In the 20, Ron Laird pulled away after 8 miles to win in 1:35:14, with John Knifton and Ron Daniel completing a sweep. Marcel Jobin, who has improved somewhat since, was the first Canadian in 1:38:21. Your editor got to fill out the U.S. side and get a first hand report mainly because no one else was available. Breezed through 10 km in 48:52 feeling fine and then crashed completely the final 3 miles to finish in 1:43:19, ahead of second Canadian Frank Johnson, who slowed even more. Shaul Ladany came from nearly a lap behind to beat us both, walking as a guest. Dave Romansky beat everyone the next day as he did the first 20 km of the 20 mile in 1:34:45, hoping for a world record. However, he slowed considerably from there and finished in 2:37:20, 8½ minutes ahead of Alex Oakley, who just edged Bob Kitchen. Canada's Bob Steadman took fourth in 2:56:23, ahead of Bryon Overton. Ladany came back with a 2:49:52. . .Romansky also won the National 40 Km, but Ladany was close--3:32:29 to 3:34:45. Ron Kulik was another 3 minutes back, a half minute ahead of Bob Kitchen. Ron Laird and Ron Daniel filled out the top six. . .The Junior National 2 Mile went to Bob Henderson in 14:43. . .The British Empire Games 20 Mile went to Aussie Noel Freeman in 2:33:33 with teammate Bob Gardiner second in 2:35:55. . . East Germany edged the USSR in a dual meet, but the Soviets won both races. Gennadiy Agapov took the 20 in 1:27:30 ahead of Peter Frenkel and Hans-Georg Reimann. The 50 went to Benjamin Soldatenko in 4:06:56 with Peter Selzer less than a minute behind. . .Christoph Hohne, only fifth in the dual meet, beat Soldatenko 4 weeks later in Prague with a 4:06:10. Soldatenko had a 4:10 with Selzer third. . .The Paris-to-Strasbourg race (512 Km that year) went to Frances Samuel Zaug in 70:04:50, with Josey Simon a half-hour behind.

5 Years Ago (From the Aug. 1975 ORW)--In the Pan-Am Games 20 Km trial in Eugene, Larry Young and Todd Scully walked together all the way, well in front of everyone else, and crossed the line in 1:34:15.6. Officials declared Young the winner, although the intent was a tie. Jerry Brown took third in 1:38:03.6, with John Knifton, Bob Kitchen, and Wayne Glusker also under 1:39. . .Bernd Kannenberg, of West Germany, won a pre-Olympic 20 Km in Montreal in 1:34:44 on a very hot day. Gerard Lelievre and Vittorio Visini followed. . .Upcoming Steve Pecinovsky edged descending star Jack Blackburn in a 6 miler in Dayton, 48:59 to 49:00. . .This time Simon won the Paris-to-Strasbourg (507 Km) in 66:50:18. . .The Soviet 20 Km Champion was Otto Bartsch, primarily a 50 Km man, in 1:27:12, ahead of Yevgeniy Ivchenko and the grand-old-man, Vladimir Golubnichiy. Soldatenko was 50 km champ in 3:58:55, 2 seconds ahead of Yevgeniy Iyungin. . .NAAU Masters titles went to Roy Thorpe, visiting from England, in 23:18 for 5 km and 1:46:11 for 20 (on a very long course). First Americans were John Kelly in the 5 with 24:10 and Kelly and Jack Mortland in the 20 with 1:53:01.

FROM HEEL TO TOE

Judges added to the International Panel at the IAAF Race Walking Committee meeting in Moscow included Frank Alongi, Elliott Denman, Larry Larson, and Bob Hickey from the U.S.. Also among those added was Nikolai Smaga of the USSR, one of the world's top 20 Km competitors in the 1960's. . .Also at that meeting the selection of Morelia, Mexico for the 1981 Lugano Cup races was finalized. . .A bit of history from Larry Larson: The first walking race in Olympic history is generally listed as the 10 Km in Stockholm in 1912, won by Canada's F.H. Goulding in 46:28.4. However, the 1904 Games in St. Louis included an All-Around competition--a 10 event contest over a single day that was part of the National championship picture in this country until sometime in the 1960's. (Your editor competed back in 1955.) The All-Around included an 880-yard walk, which in 1904 was won by Thomas Kiely in 3:59. That apparently was actually the first walk in the Olympics. Larry has also found that the first state high school track and field champ-

ionships in Wisconsin, held in 1895, included a walking race--either an 880 or a mile. Walks were a regular part of the meet schedule for both high schools and colleges at that time, along with a bicycle race. This was true even among small rural schools. Larry quotes from the May 23, 1895 Milwaukee Journal: "At the annual field day of the University of Wisconsin, held yesterday afternoon, eight university scores were broken. . . ." "Mile Walk--Norton '97, first; Zinn '98, second. Time--7:24 1/5, breaking record." Any relation to Ron Zinn? . . . Grim Reaper sent a newspaper clipping of a story off the AP wire entitled "Personality reflected in walking styles". It starts out: A walking style can intentionally or unintentionally communicate mood and self-esteem. "Subconsciously we learn quickly to evaluate others on the basis of posture, gait, and other telltale signs", adds Maurita Robarge, professor of physical education and kinesiology at the University of Wisconsin--Lacrosse and fitness consultant for Scholl here, "A basic walking style is set early in life, formed by family or peer-group copying, and, possibly structural problems", the expert notes. "But, a walk also varies according to the situation and can be a barometer of feelings, attitudes and moods." . . . Some people show off as they walk. The "macho man" often walks with an attempted swagger; his feet swing out and around from the hip joint with each step, causing a slight rocking of the upper body. He's trying to impress you with his masculinity, she says. . . . A walk may also be used as a "come-on" with a forward thrust of the pelvis, or an exaggerated side-to-side pelvic movement. Wonder if she has checked out any race walkers up there? . . . Grim, full of gems, later sent another clipping, this one from the Tulsa World entitled "Mugger May Watch Way Victim Walks". From this article we see that: "They discovered that the people most prone to mugging walked as if they were in conflict with themselves." and "People with 'tunnel vision' or not observing people around them appear to be easier targets." Grim says: "I have been known to lower my head and talk to myself! During 50 K's. From this article, I just won't carry any money with me anymore. . . . And from Tim Jacobs via the Gainesville Sun, an article titled "Boycott Spawns Laughable Losers" includes the following: "Take the happy-go-lucky Laotian named Thipsamay Chanthaphone, who competed in the 20 Kilometer walk last Thursday on his 19th birthday. He reached the stadium nearly one hour behind the pack, but stopped 80 meters short of the finish line believing he was already in. When spectators began shouting at him to keep going, Chanthaphone thought they were cheering him, and he waved happily to the crowd. Officials finally convinced him to continue down the homestretch. But he didn't stop at the finish. When last seen, he was heel-and-toeing toward the stadium tunnel for another round on the course outside." . . . Joe Duncan in Columbia would like it made clear that the National 100 Mile championship race is being held in San Diego (actually Chula Vista) this year and is not the 100 miler in Columbia on Sept. 27-28. The National is scheduled for November 1 and 2 (see schedule). There has been some confusion on this issue. They are still holding their race because it has been traditional, but they don't want it to detract in any way from the National or siphon walkers away from that race. He urges those trying to make a decision between the two to go to San Diego. If I may clarify this a little further, this will be the 14th year for the Columbia race and the third year for a National title at this distance. The 100 Miler was added to the National schedule at the 1967 RW Committee meeting and was awarded to Columbia, since they already had a race. It went there again last year, although they have never really petitioned for it. But, they have no reason to drop their race because it was decided to have a National title at the distance. I think those who bid on the National in the future should be aware that there will continue to be a race in Columbia and there may be some who prefer it because of its tradition. . . . There will be a race walk competition in conjunction with the Orange Bowl Marathon in Miami next January 17, for those who like to winter in Florida. There will be male and female divisions, probably Masters, and possible Junior. They already have confirmed entries from Canada and Mexico, so there should be good competition.

For further information write Dr. Bob Miller, Athletic Department, Florida International University, Tamiami Campus, Miami FL 33199 or call evenings 8 to 11 Miami time) at (305)-251-5483. . . According to Ray Floriani, Howie Jacobsen now has a book out titled "Racewalk To Fitness" published by Simon and Schuster. Howie also had a spot on the CBS 6 and 11 p.m. news where he explained the basic points of the heel and toe sport. . . To those who subscribe to Alan Wood's informative little sheet "The Master Walker" or for those who might like to subscribe, it's renewal time (now \$3.00 per year). The address is Alan Wood, Regency House, Rm 255, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444. . . For those who take their spring vacations in Northern Europe, note the following opportunity for competition among the tulips. (I don't think you have to compete in wooden shoes.) At Eindhoven, Holland on May 23 and 24 there will be a 100 mile event with Continental Centurion medals to those that finish within 24 hours, a 100 Kilometer event, a Kennedy Walk 50 Mile, a 50 Km, and a "pleasant walk of about 25 kilometers". Address inquiries for further information to O.L.A.T., Reinoutlaan 246, 5665 AE Galdrop, Holland. The list of Continental Centurions numbers 84, including Chris Clegg, who is also a U.S. Centurion, a British Centurion, and an Australian Centurion. . . Soccer is upon the Mortlands again with the fall season now starting and we never told you about the great success of the Hurricanes, the 11-year-old team coached by Marty and Jack and including Derek. Twelve wins and three ties in fifteen games and both regular season and Cup championships for the second season in a row. They are now unbeaten in 23 straight games. Scott's 9-year-old team had a rather disappointing season but he was still banging in some goals and things look much better for his team this fall. Meanwhile, he brought home a free ball from the Big Red soccer camp at Denison U. for his juggling skills for the second summer running.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR--A Cry For Help

As a chairman of racewalking for 6 years and an official for 4 years, I have had the enjoyment of watching age group racewalking grow, grow, and grow. But now comes the time I, like many of you out there, know a boy and a girl who have only worked and trained for this event who are entering college. Coming up through the age group program they have excelled like your children to become national champs, too.

As I talked to the parents of this young man and woman, I could see in their eyes the years of frustration they have had, now that they are out of the age group what lies ahead in college!

As I explained the college programs to them and their son, I saw a tear run down this young man's face! How awful it must feel. I know out there somewhere, other boys and girls and their parents are facing this same problem.

I know of the lonely hours they spend on their training, the meets they go to and the walks are conducted either before or after the other track events and in some age group meets, no walks at all. I know of meets where all track and field participants received awards, but nothing for the racewalkers. I know of meets where no official was available to conduct the walks, so they were dropped. But even through all of this, the walkers still participate.

To all of you young walkers, college walkers, coaches, and master walkers, and parents, I need your help. We are working here in the midwest to encourage the University of Nebraska--Lincoln to add this event in the invitationals and dual meets. I am asking for this help not only for these two freshmen walkers, but for all of you college bound walkers and young walkers coming up and you parents of these walkers, help us so we can help you and yours when they enter a Division I college, or Division II or III. Send letters and post cards to Track and Field Department, South Stadium, U. of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE 68503 c/o Dick Railsback. Thanks to those who have already helped: Bob Bowman, Benny Wagner, Dean Ingram, Marco Evoniuk, Larry Larson, Jenny McLinn, Father Patrick O'Byrne, and Bob Kitchen. Signed Kip McEwen

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