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EASY WIN FOR O'CONNOR IN 35

Belvedere, Cal., Sept. 7 (from Harry Siitonen)--1980 U.S. Olympic team member Dan O'Connor had an easy time of it at the National Athletics Congress 35 Km race walking championship today. He won the event in 3:00:31 with Dennis Reilly in second at 3:11:28. Bill Ranney snared the first Master's Division Spot in 3:13:01 and was third overall.

There was a dramatic contest for fourth place between Lake Tahoe's Walt Jaquith, an old race walker who has reactivated himself this year, and Leonard Jansen, of Shore AC in New Jersey, just fresh from a stretch at the 1980 Squaw Valley National Race Walkers Training Camp. These two lads were battling it out neck and neck about a half mile from the finish, with Walt finally pulling it out.

Santa Clar's Diane Mendoza was the only women's finisher in her first try at this distance with a fine 4:02:53. Diane just began race walking late last year with the Golden Gate Racewalkers and in Wayne Glusker's De Anza College classes. She has not previously race in anything longer than 10 Km.

The West Valley Track Club, with a formidable trio of Ranney, Jaquith, and Glenn Parker, took the national 35 Km team title for 1980

1. Dan O'Connor, American Council of Athletics 3:00:31 2. Dennis Reilly, Bauchet Street Walkers 3:11:28 3. Bill Ranney, WVTC 3:13:01 4. Walt Jaquith, WVTG 3:18:37 5. Leonard Jansen, Shore AC 3:19:01 6. Glenn Parker, WVTC 3:33:02 7. Dennis Gustafson, SF Police Dept. AC 3:35:02 8. Manny Adriano, Sequoia Sports Club 3:39:51 9. Fred Dunn, Pamakids (2nd Master) 3:44:18 10. Harry Siitonen, Northern Cal. Seniors TC (3rd Masters) 3:54:12 11. Diane Mendoza, Golden Gate Walkers 4:02:52 12. Charles Rooney, Shore AC (4th Master) 4:06:56 13. Otto Sommerauer, GGRW (5th Master) 4:11:55 DNF: Beth Sibley, GGRW, 20 Km in 2:03:54; Di Bouldin, BSW, 9 laps (2 miles, 15 ft each) 2:43:29; Charles Marut, GGRW, 7 laps in 2:10:26; Mickey Blakesley, San Diego TC, 6 laps in 2:22:41; Trish McCurdy, GGRW, 1 lap in 24:34. Judges: Bob Bowman, Tom Dooley, and Sonny Maynard

A NEW COLIN ON THE SCENE

Sudbury, Ontario--Marcelino Colin, younger brother of Mexican ace Domingo, won a tight race with Canada's Guillaume Leblanc to take the Pan-Am Junior 10 Km race walking title. Colin's time was an outstanding 43:32.2. Tim Lewis walked well for the U.S. in fifth, was not ready for the caliber of competition he faced. In the Women's 3 Km race, Canada's Ann Peel was an easy winner over her compatriot Helene Daviau in an excellent 14:39.5. Susan Ruiz walked well for the U.S. in third.
10 Km, Aug. 30--1. Marcelino Colin, Mex. 43:32.2 2. Guillaume Leblanc, Can. 43:39.5 3. Francois Lapointe, Can. 46:55.9 4. Marcial Lopez, Ven. 47:01.2 5. Tim Lewis, US 48:25.4 6. Di O'Rourke, US 53:26.9
3 Km--1. Ann Peel, Can. 14:39.5 (7:21 at 1500) 2. Helene Daviau, Can. 15:07.1 3. Susan Ruiz, US 15:41.3 4. Aimee Burr, US 15:56.5

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PRICE WINS INAUGURAL DOC BLACKBURN 75 KM

Springfield, Ohio, Aug. 31--Alan Price traveled from Washington, D.C. and overcame about a 28-minute handicap he imposed on himself by arriving late to win the First Annual Doc Blackburn 75 Km race on the North High School track. Price actually completed the distance only a couple of minutes ahead of Jack Blackburn, but was generously credited with his actual elapsed time by the sponsors, that being 8:31:41.

With Price not around at the start, the early leader was Jack Mortland, which worried no one. They all knew he was not trained for the distance, has never even finished a 50 Km, and was just out for a pleasant little Sunday stroll. Right they were, as he departed the scene at 22 miles still well in the lead (that is if you don't deduct Price's late start.) At that point, Chris Knotts was well ahead of the rest and looking strong. Jack Blackburn and Rich Myers had been together the whole race, and Price was gaining steadily on everyone.

Knotts continued well through 50 Km (5:33:34) but at 41 3/4 miles ran out of steam, got going again, and then collapsed completely at 43 1/2 miles, with his temperature recorded at over 102. Myers, meanwhile, had tried to blow Blackburn away shortly after halfway, only to do himself in, allowing Jack to snag an easy second behind the fleet Price. High temperature and humidity made the whole thing an ordeal for everyone over the last 15 or 20 miles. Race Director Kathy Blackburn did an excellent job and distance buffs may want to put this one on their schedule for next year.

1. Alan Price 8:31:41 (2:29:45 at 25 Km, 5:22:27 at 50) 2. Jack Blackburn 9:00:25 (3:02:04, 5:59:35) 3. Rich Myers 9:54:52 (3:01:12, 6:17:27) 4. Phil Lewis 10:10:26 (3:08:18, 6:33:34) DNF: Chris Knotts 8:35:48 at 43 1/2 miles (2:45:16, 5:33:34), Bill Lord (age 13) 10:18:35 at 32 miles (3:59:17, 6:53:20), Jack Mortland 3:45:39 at 22 miles (2:38:45), Chuck Kreitz (age 16) 8:57:14 for 25 miles, Jamie Melfi (age 14) 4:06:24 at 16 3/4 miles

OTHER RESULTS:

National USA/TFA 10 Km, Concord, Mass., Sept. 13--1. Troy Engle 46:03 2. Tom Knott 49:07 3. Bob Falcicola 49:08 4. Steve Vaitones 49:10 5. Mark Fenton 49:36 6. Bob Keating 50:39 7. George Lattarulo 56:10 8. Ray Holland 68:42 5.5 Mile Hdcp, Lowell, Mass., Sept. 18--1. Janet Scott 64:27 2. Fred Brown 62:49 3. Ralph Cardarelli 53:58 4. Charles Scott 53:31 5. Bob Whitney 54:20 5 Km, Long Branch, N.J., Aug. 4--1. Ray Floriani 24:16 2. John Fredericks 25:50 3. Bob Mimm 26:02 4. Tony DeLosSantos 28:00 5. Charles Rooney 28:17 6. Don Johnson 29:21 7. Brian Ball 29:30 5 Km, Long Branch, Aug. 11--1. John Fredericks 23:44 2. Ray Floriani 23:54 3. Bob Mimm 26:19 4. Norma Aronsen 26:28 5. Don Johnson 28:52 6. Charles Rooney 29:36 5 Km, Long Branch, Aug. 18--1. Ray Floriani 23:38 2. Sam DeLosSantos 24:12 3. Bob Mimm 25:22 4. Tony DeLosSantos 28:10 5. Cliff Mimm 28:29 6. Jack Haney 30:59 2 Mile, Lakewood, N.J., Aug. 17--1. Sam DeLosSantos 15:26 2. Jack Haney 17:57 2 Mile, Lakewood, Aug. 26--1. Ben Ottmer 17:23 2. Jack Haney 17:38 100 Mile, Ft. Meade, Md., Aug.--1. Alan Price (but I have no time) 24 Hour Relay, same place--Potomac Valley Seniors 144 miles 150 yds (finished 20th out of 20 running teams)--Brian Savilonis 7:58 average for 19 miles, Tim Good 8:11 for

19, Sal Corrallo 8:39 for 19, Jim Bentley 8:55 for 19, Don Wilson 9:29 for 19, Chis Cork 11:42 for 19, Marjorie Hayden 13:30 for 10, Alan Price 13:07 for 20 (while walking his 100 miles) Pan American Masters, San Juan, P.R.--5 Km--Sal Corrallo 25:40; 10 Km--1. Sal Corrallo 55:00; Women's 5 Km--1. Marjorie Hayden 37:10 Mackinac Bridge Race, Mackinaw City, Mich., Sept. 1 (app. 1 1/2 Miles)--1. Daniel Dudek 35:50 2 Hour, St. Louis, Aug. 17--1. Jerry Young 13 miles 810 yds 2. Mark Young 12 miles 720 yds 3. Scott Decker 12 mi 470 4. Mike Feitsam 12 mi 400 35 Km, St. Louis, Aug. 24--1. Jerry Young 3:35:07 2. Mike Feitsam 3:57:21 1 Mile, St. Louis, Aug. 29--1. Jerry Young 6:47 2. Mark Young 7:31 3. Jim Slawnhaw 7:58 4. Mike Feitsam 8:59 24 Hour Relay, Pakkwood, Iowa, Aug. 23-24--Pekin Race Walkers 127 miles 1520 yds--Kim Andaway, Suzy Caeter, Julie Bollinger, Julie Greiner, Apita Hall, Kim Morgan, Julie Anderson, Mindy Shy, Julie Morgan--Women's Worlds Best--they need to round up a few more Julies and go for the All-Julie record. Men: Iowa Prairie Track Club 148 miles 1420 yds--Roger Swanson, Tom Wolcott, Randy Fosdyck, Dave Eidahl, Rick Carron, Phil Douglas, Mark Iarken, Stan Smith 15 Km, Camp Mitigwa, Ia., July 26--1. Dave Eidahl 1:21:50 2. Rick Carron 1:26:20 3. Mike Sullivan 1:27:39 Girl's 5 Km, same place--1. Angela Eidahl 31:40 TFA Junior 1 Hours, Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 14--1. Scott Irwin (age 18) 6 miles 1225 yds 10 Km, Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 13--Grim Reaper 57:40 (also did 3000 M St. in 13:27.7 in which he was running, although apparently barely) 10 Km, Rogers, Ark., Sept. 20--Grim Reaper 54:38 (finished 82nd in running race--he was walking) 1 Hour, Houston, Aug. 3--1. Dave Gwyn 6 mi 1521 2. Mike Kleinhenz 6 mi 393 3. Matt Stein 6 mi 47 4. Phil Bradley 5 mi 1248 10 Km Hdcp, Houston, Aug. 9--1. Boris Balic 61:09. . . 4. Phil Bradley 59:30 5. Mike Kleinhenz 53:16. . . 7. Dave Gwyn 55:11 5 Km, Houston, Aug. 24--1. Dave Gwyn 24:47 2. Mike Kleinhenz 25:59 3. Phil Bradley 30:34 2 Mile, San Francisco, Aug. 23--1. Bill Ranney 15:22 2. Dennis Gustafson 15:57 3. Bob Robinson 19:08 National Athletics Congress Boys Championships, Pleasant Hill, Cal., July 25-27--9 and under 1500 m: 1. Mike Goodwin, N.C. 8:12.4 2. Matt Dillon, Cal. 8:29.5 10 and 11 1500 m: 1. Ron Quesary, Ohio 8:12.7 2. Van Ferrigo, Wash. 8:20 12 and 13 3 Km: 1. John Spbhlr, N.M. 15:58.8 2. Don Bicknell, NM 16:04.9 3. Tony Engelhardt, Wash. 16:06.1 4. Bob Stone 16:28.4 14 and 15 3 Km: 1. Mica Comstock, N.M. 14:53.5 2. Bob Campbell, NY 15:05.5 3. Marc Coenos, Cal. 15:42.9 4. Paul Wade, Cal. 16:22.3 16-17 3 Km--1. Scott Irwin, Neb. 14:21.4 2. Jeff Baker, Ohio 14:21.8 3. Mike Danzer, Ore. 15:42.4 4. James Allen, Cal. 15:42.5 5. Mike Norvell, N.M. 15:43.7 (I. that all a repeat of something I had in an earlier issue?) 1 Mile, San Francisco, Aug. 2--1. Dennis Gustafson 7:07 2. Chuck Marut 7:29 3. Beth Sibley 8:14 4. Craig Bergquist 8:22 10 Km, Stanford, Cal., Sept. 14--1. Dennis Reilly 49:33 2. Manny Adriano 52:52 3. Lori Maynard 53:47 4. Charles Marut 54:20 5. Fred Dunn 54:34 6. Kathy Curtis 56:05 7. James Allen 58:00 8. Harry Siitonen 59:28 (23 finishers) 1 Mile, same place--1. James Allen (16) 8:19.2

Hastings-to-Brighton 60.64 Km, Aug. 2--1. Tim Erickson, Australia 5:31:40 2. Peter Hodgkinson 5:44:59 3. Peter Selby 5:49:50 5 Mile, London, Aug. 13--1. Erling Anderson, Nor. 34:41 2. George Nibre 34:58 3. Amos Seddon 35:37 50 Km, Flers, France, Aug. 31--1. Gerard Lelievre 3:58:39 37 3/4 Mile, Isle of Man, Aug. 16--1. Murray Iambden 5:37:00 2. Graham Young 5:43:31 3. John Paddick 5:51:52 British Women's 5 Km Champ., Aug. 16--1. Irene Bateman 24:09 (track) 2. Siv Gustavsson, Swed. 24:47.6 3. Britt Holmquist, Swed. 24:49.6 4. E. Gustavsson, Swed. 25:00.5 5. J. Barrett 25:18.5 6. Elaine Woeth 26:26.2 (Carol Tyson DQ'd) 100 Mile (road), Leicester, Eng., July 25-26--1. Dave Boxall 17:45:10 2. A. Colling 18:04:51 3. J. Dowling 18:50:10 4. D. Jones 18:56:41 5. M. V.D. Brank, Holland 19:09:52 6. P.C. Delbeke, Belg. 19:15:50 7. C. Lockhorst, Hol. 19:35:18 8. J.D. Dijgraaf, Hol. 19:38:53 9. P. Gierentijn, Belg. 19:50:42 10. T. Bikke, Belg. 19:51:46 (64 finishers under 24 hours of 98 starters) European Veterans Championships, Helsinki: 20 Km, 40-44--1. Daniel Bjorkgren, Swed. 1:40:45

2. Paavo Pohjolainen, Fin. 1:45:56 3. Mario Pollanz, Italy 1:48:18 45-49--
 1. Herbert Melisch, Austria 1:42:54.2 2. Werner Schmidt, W.G. 1:44:12 3.
 Pietro Cobbato, Italy 1:44:12 50-54--1. Karl-Erik Svensson, Swed. 1:43:43
 2. Enrico Raina, Italy 1:45:09. 3. Alan Scott, Swed. 1:48:18 55-59--1.
 Herward, Klopfer, W.G. 1:49:11.2 2. Hakon Nilson, Nor. 1:52:59 3. Ake
 Landstrom, Swed. 1:54:42 60-64--1. Oddvar Sandvik, Nor. 1:51:45 2. John
 Ljungren, Swed. 1:57:22 (1948 Olympic 50 Km Gold Medalist, Silver medal in
 1960, 4th in 20 Km in 1956, 19th in 20 Km in 1964 at age 48) 65-69--1. Jochen
 Muller, W.G. 2:07:19 2. Joka Baboia, Rom 2:09 70-74--1. Gordon Wallace, US
 2:13:08 (Didn't officially count) 2. Ragnar Karlsson, Swed. 2:15:43 75-79--
 1. Floreat de Meyer, Belg. 2:50:38 80 and up--1. Walter Keeler, G.B. 2:38:48
 10 Km: 40-44--1. Bruno Secchi, Italy 46:16 2. Paavo Vohjailinen, Finl 46:41
 3. Daniel Bjorkgren, Swed. 47:51 4. Julius Muller, W.G. 48:47 5. Eino Haapala
 Fin 48:57 45-49--1. Pietro Cobbato, Ita. 48:35 2. Werner Schmidt, WG 49:47
 3. Colin Young, GB 50:04 4. Herbert Molisch, Austria 51:09 50-54--1. Karl-
 Erik Svensson, Swed. 48:35 2. Enrico Ruina, It. 49:58 3. Hein Zethof, Neth.
 53:21 55-59--1. Hakon Nielsen, Nor. 52:52 2. Herwalk Kloppe, W.G. 53:15
 60-64--1. Oddvar Sandvik, Nor. 52:21 2. Jan Blidberg, Swed. 60:27 65-69--
 1. F. Chico Scimone, It, 59:12 2. Jochen Muller, E.G. 59:24 3. Heinrich
 Ermatinger, Switz. 60:09 70-74--1. Gordon Wallace 61:45 2. Ragnar Karlsson,
 Swed. 64:45 75-79--1. Floreat de Meyer, Belg. 1:23:26 80-up--1. Walter
 Keeler, GB 1:20:34 Women's 5 Km: 35-39--1. Judy Farr, GB 26:58 40-44--1.
 Yvonne Smit, GB 30:18 45-49--1. Shiela Jennings, GB 27:13 50-54--1. Olga
 Meyer, W.G. 28:24 2. Margareta Olsson, Swed. 29:26 55-59--1. Karin Larsson,
 Swed. 30:27 60-64--1. May Bengtsson, Swed. 27:55! 2. Brita Tibbling, Swed.
 28:09 3. Inga Magrelius, Swed. 30:54 65-69--1. Hildegard Keuchel, W.G.
 33:09 70 up--1. Justine Bucher, W.G. 36:27

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sat. Oct. 11--NATIONAL ATHLETICS CONGRESS 100 KM, LONGMONT, CO., 6:30 a.m.
 (also 20 Km and 5 Km) (E)
 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 Walker's Division (J)
 20 Km, Houston, 9 a.m. (C)
 Sun. Oct. 26--2 Hour, Ottumwa, Iowa 9 a.m. (O)
 5 Km, Detroit (W)
 2 Man 10 Km Relay, Chatagua, IL, 9 a.m. (S)
 Thu. Oct. 31--20 Km, Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m. (D) (Also Halloween party)
 Sat. Nov. 1--NATIONAL ATHLETICS CONGRESS 40KM, LONG BRANCH, NJ (L)
 NATIONAL ATHLETICS CONGRESS 100 MILE, CHULA VISTA, CAL, NOON (V)
 40 Km, Columbia, Mo., 7:30 a.m. (M)
 Sun. Nov. 2--5 Mile, Eldon, Iowa (O)
 Sun. Nov. 9--5 Km, Detroit (W)
 2 Mile, Los Angeles, 3 p.m. (D)
 Sat. Nov. 15--20 Km, Columbia, Mo., 8:30 a.m. (M)
 Sun. Nov. 16--5 Mile, Brighton, Iowa (O)
 15 Km, St. Louis, 8 a.m. (S)
 35 Km, Houston, 9 a.m. (C)
 Thu. Nov. 27--5 Mile Men, 2 Mile Women, Des Moines, Ia., 9 a.m. (O)
 Sun. Nov. 30--Coney Island 10 Mile Handicap, 10 a.m. (F)
 Sat. Dec. 6--20 Km, Columbia, Mo., 10 a.m. (M)
 Sun. Dec. 7--Girl-Boy 6 Mile Relay, Newton, Iowa, 2 p.m. (O)
 40 Km, Houston, 9 a.m. (C)

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 LOOKING BACK

10 Years Ago (From the Sept. 1970 ORW)--John Knifton, just recently a U.S. citizen and better known for his exploits at shorter distances until this time, won the National 50 Km in Santa Barbara in 4:35:02. John Kealy was nearly 3 minutes back and Bob Kitchen another minute behind. Rounding out the top six were Goetz Klopfer, Jim Lopes, and Bryon Overton. . . In the National 25 Km, scant details were available at press time, but Dave Romansky survived a severe electrical storm to win in under 2 hours with Knifton second. . . Lee and Bob Rund dropped in from Indiana to take one-two in the Annual 6 Mile 536 yard Handicap in Worthington, Ohio with fast time honors going to Jack Mortland in a not-so-fast 51:28, . . The Canadian 50 Km title went to Detroit's Gerald Bocci in 4:54:57 ahead of Pat Farrelly. Jeanne Bocci set unofficial American records from 25 Km up, going the distance in 5:45:20. . . In the walker's training camp at Boulder, Laird turned in such times as 40.9 for 220 yards and 1:28 for 440 during an informal track meet. . . In Australia, Noel Freeman turned in a 1:50:02 for 15 miles on the track, passing 20 km in 1:30:10. . . Eivor Johansson, of Sweden, won the Women's International 5 Km in 24:40. . . East Germany's Lutz Lipkowski won the European Jr. 10 Km in 43:35.6 with Karl-Heinz Stadtmuller, who has gone on to much better things than Lipkowski, only fourth.

5 Years Ago (From the Sept. 1975 ORW)--Larry Young was an easy winner in the National 50 Km. The two-time Olympic bronze medalist was 12 minutes ahead of Augie Hirt in 4:18:56 in the race held in Smithtown, N.Y. John Knifton, Tom Knatt, Ray Somers, and Paul Ide filled the next four spots, all under 4:40. Back in seventh was Dan O'Connor. . . The Women's National 10 Km went to Sue Brodock in 52:03, nearly 7 minutes ahead of runner-up Sandy Briscoe. In an accompanying Girl's 3 Km, Vickie Cook, just 11 years old, won in 16:11. What's ever become of Vicki? . . . Marcel Jobin won the Canadian 20 Km in 1:34:31 ahead of Alex Oakley and John Knifton. . . Roland Weisser (third in the Moscow 20 Km) won the East German Junior 10 Km title in 41:46.8

Women's International Match, Boras, Swed., July 7: Sweden 85, Denmark 48, France 45, West Germany 40, Switzerland 24. Junior 5 Km--1. Berit Karlsson, Swed. 25:02.5 2. Monika Gunnarsson, Swed. 25:48.4 3. Charlotte Hansen, Den 26:36 Sr. 5 Km--1. Siv Gustavsson, Swed. 23:57.6 2. Elisabet Olsson, Swed. 24:07.2 3. Britt Holmquist, Swed. 24:30.4 4. Ann Jansson, Swed. 24:39.9 5. Margot Vetterli, Switz. 25:33.2. 6. Claudine Richard, Fr. 26:04.3 7. Monicka Glockler, WG 26:18.8 8. Ingrid Adam, WG 26:41.4

FROM HEEL TO TOE

A step forward for women's walking is a decision at the IAAF meetings in Moscow to recognize World Records for the 5 and 10 Km walks. The 1981 Lugano Cup Championships in Mexico will also include a Women's 5 Km as an official World's Championship for the first time. . . We mentioned the Western States 100 Mile Endurance Run over mountainous terrain in a recent issue. Third in that race this year in 19:53:56 was ex-walker Bill Weigle. Bill was on the 1972 Olympic team at 50 Km and was second ranked in the U.S. in both 1972 and 1973. The interesting thing is that he retired at that time because of a hypoglycemia problem that wouldn't allow him to go the long distances. If he's going for 20 hours, he must have solved the problem. Congratulations Bill, still a loyal ORW subscriber. . . As you see in this

month's race schedule, the National 100 Km in Longmont is on Oct. 11, not the 4th as listed last month. I guess anyone who was really interested in going knows that by this time. Unfortunately, the notice on the change reached me on the day I got the August issue from the printer. The 20 Km Invitational accompanying the title race is called "Walk With the Olympians" and will feature Marco Evoniuk, Dan O'Connor, Jim Heiring, and possibly Marcel Jobin. Also note that Marco Evoniuk represents the Frank Shorter Racing Team, not Running Club, as people (including the ORW) keep listing it. We, of course, lay the blame on others who keep sending us incorrect information. But we better not blow it again in the future, Mr. Shorter being a lawyer and all that. . . Larry Larson has assumed the task of putting together a Handbook of Race Walking for the Race Walking Committee and will receive develop funds to help him along. . . An International walking seminar is scheduled for Grand Quevilly, France from Feb. 27 to March 1, 1981. Dean Ingram is considering sending a representative so that we may keep abreast of the situation in the world of walking. . . Alan Wood, Editor of The Master Walker has another publishing venture going. He is now editing Nutritional Nuggets, which can come your way every other month for a cost of \$6.00 per year. Write Alan at 140 Rt. 23, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444 for further information. He is also ranked as a Life Master and is available for bridge lessons, if that's what turns you on. . . Does anyone out there have copies of Martin Rudow's Race Walking or Harold Whitlock's Race Walking that they are willing to part with for a price. If so, contact David Talcott, RD2 Box 4, Owego, NY 13287 and state your terms. . . In commenting on the Olympic walks, Colin Young of Athletic Weekly says: "The pleas for stricter judging emanating from the West, led by Britain and the United States, certainly appeared to have had effect based on the judges' actions. There were a total of 11 disqualifications, including four of the leaders in the 20 Km and three in the 50 Km. Judging by the limited television coverage shown in this country, the judges were not too strict, as both the bronze medalists looked particularly fortunate to survive to the finish."

COMMENTARY FROM BILL CHISHOLM (1932 Olympian and International Judge)

"As a long time judge of race walking, albeit a strict one, I have read with great interest comments by many of your readers relative to the out-of-hand state of the sport. It is no comfort to one who has long forecast the demise of our sport to find that so many are now recognizing the terrible condition of a once great sport.

"What happened? In a nutshell, complete disregard for the basic rule 'unbroken contact'. Without strict adherence to this fundamental rule, race walking, as it was intended, becomes a farce. It has to be discouraging for the bulk of contestants involved in race walking who abide by the rules to see the pell mell rush for records that has become the pattern, ignoring legality of style.

"What's to be done to restore race walking to a higher degree of respectability, both nationally and internationally? As one who has been associated with the sport, first as a competitor back in the Thirties and for the past 30 years as a judge, I'd like to throw out a few thoughts.

"First off, everyone is, or should be, in agreement, that without judges, race walking becomes a farce. In no other sport is the role of the official as essential as that of the race walking judge to the sport itself.

"Granted that the judge of race walking is an all important factor in the sport, what if anything is done to attract people to take part in what many classify as a thankless job? All track and field officials are generally recognized as being a dedicated group of humans and included in that group are the walk judges. They differ from the others in one important respect--

their authority to rule of the legality of the contestant. That authority has been weakened in recent years with the head judge entering into the act, which in itself, might be good, IF the head judge is competent. I believe that the head judge should produce after every race, caution slips that were issued by the judges with an explanation of why he did or did not concur. Lot of extra detail? Agreed, but a real necessity to help clear up a questionable phase of the sport. In my personal opinion, I feel that far too much authority is vested in the head judge. As for head judges at indoor meets, I'd be greatly relieved if there are ANY JUDGES in attendance at said meets, let alone Head.

"Some random thoughts: There are far too many championships today with competent, fair judges spread too thin--some judges have a tendency to ignore the style of defending titlists--a walking race should be judged from the very first step with no bending of the rules at any point--names of judges should be carried right along with race results--I am sure that every racing pedestrian knows in his or her heart when they are illegal. In this regard, some of the chronic offenders could qualify for an Oscar. (Ed, I don't really agree with Bill on this point. There are times that you know you are not as smooth as others, but at speed, I don't really think you can be sure about your own contact. In a competitive situation you are going to push to the limit of what you hope is still legal until a judge tells you otherwise.) Even though they are unpaid, walk judges should copy baseball and other officials in not fraternizing with contestants.

"All of the foregoing is offered in good spirit. I'm confident that a majority of the race walking fraternity can read sincere meaning into my written thoughts."

And, one further comment re: Judging, from Dr. Robert T. VanUden, Jr., in Roanoke, Va.:

"The abundance of correspondence about the problems of judging contact appears to boil down to one question and its subsequent ramifications: CAN JUDGES ADEQUATELY DETECT LOSS OF DOUBLE CONTACT?"

"If the answer is yes, then the problem rests with the judges. It is fair to assume that racewalkers are not trying to lift, but that being aware of current judging standards (or the lack thereof) that allow them to approach or exceed legality, they will do so to remain competitive.

"If the answer is no, then two possibilities exist,

1. Videotape the race or segments and review the tapes. The capability for doing this would probably exist only for major competitions--smaller races would still be "judged" in the old manner.
2. Consider some sort of rule change that would allow judges to "judge". The consensus of your letters seems against this.

"I would be most interested in knowing whether the judges feel they can detect loss of contact without recourse to videotapes, photographs, etc."

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SOME WALKING FEATS FROM THE LAST CENTURY (Sent to us by historian Tom Dooley--he doesn't cite the source)

NEW YEAR GALA 1876

W. Perkins Walk

1 M	6:23)	Great
2 M	13:32)	Stuff!
3 M	20:47)	

In September last for a stake of 200 pounds, he accomplished the remarkable feat of walking 8 miles inside the hour. 10,000 spectators.

Some seven or eight pedestrians opposed him. To each of these he conceded long starts, indeed, some of them were so far ahead before he toed the mark that it seemed to the non-professional impossible that he could ever approach them. . .

He walked very erect and with a spring that made some present think he was running but as he came quite near it was evident that his method was quite legitimate.

The winner was loudly cheered not only when he finished his journey, but at every corner of the circuit.

Perkins walked for 50 pounds 4 miles inside 30 minutes --7:07, 14:37, 22:15, 29:37--and at the finish the spectators were so delighted with the performance that Perkins was seized and carried off the ground.

Scotland, May 2, 1876--Weston, the American pedestrian, commenced yesterday to walk at the Newhall Grounds, Sheffield 55 miles in 12 consecutive hours, including half a mile backwards. Weston walked very evenly at the rate of 5 miles an hour and few seconds, and completed half the distance in 5:35. The 40th mile was covered in 8:14.5. The feat was accomplished with 38 min. to spare, amidst loud applause. Weston took refreshments on the way in the shape of beef, tea, jellies, etc.

Scotland, May 5, 1876--Joseph Speaser has been 21 days at his task at Cremorne London and has walked 982½ miles, a very creditable performance when the weather he has had is taken into consideration. He has, in order to accomplish his intended feat to walk 2017½ miles in 39 days, or average 51 3/4 miles per day.

Scotland, April 20, 1876--The rarely accomplished feat of walking 1000 miles in 1000 consecutive hours has been performed at Wrexham, John Watton, who styled himself a young novice ped. completing his 1000 mile walk at a quarter past eight on Sunday night, having commenced on March 27. He declared that he was quite fresh at the end and walked an extra mile carrying a child.

The 24 hours walking competition for which a prize of 100 pounds was offered terminated last night at the Agricultural Hall, London in the presence of many thousands of spectators. . . Vaughan of Chester won the 100 pounds. . . he having performed the extraordinary feat of walking 120 miles in 24 hours. Weston's performance of 109 miles 172 yards was also beaten by Howes of Haggerstone with 117 miles less 150 yards. Grossland of Sheffield covered 113 miles 5 laps, while Newman of Camden town did 101 miles 5 laps.

Scotland, May 13, 1876--Weston the ped. has failed in an attempt at Brighton to walk 100 miles without rest, but he completed the 125 miles in 28½ hours, and when his 30 hour allowance was up he had walked 130 miles, 5 more than he had proposed and 2½ miles of which were walked backwards.

March 16, 1859--Joseph Spencer has failed in his attempt at Remorne to walk 3000 miles in 60 days. In 29 days he had walked 1326 miles when he became ill and being 124 miles behind in his estimate of 50 miles per day, he gave up the attempt. Spencer is 57 years of age and it is but fair to state that the weather was very unfavorable.

May 22, 1859, Scotland--The noted long distance walker, Edward Payton Weston, mad his debut on the north side of the Tweed by appearing at the Springfield Ground, Glasgow on Saturday. It was arranged that the feat he should perform was that of walking 55 miles in 12 hours. Accordingly at 8 o'clock on the morning Weston made his appearance in his accustomed costume of boots and leggings, velvet pants, white shirt, and light linen hat and at 8:15 commenced his task. . .

So well indeed did he get over the ground that he completed his distance of 55 miles in 37 min. less than the time allotted. In order to fill out the 12 hours, and to show his fresh condition, he walked ½ mile backward and another ½ miles playing the cornet at the head of the band.

And a later similar attempt by Weston at Eden, Scotland on April 27, 1859-- Little need be said now regarding of him, but that he is a light built man of medium size, 37 years of age, with a care-worn countenance. . . In his hand he held a short cane.

He completed the distance with 40 minutes to spare. . . ½ mile of the 32nd mile Mr. Weston walked backwards, during ½ of the 42nd, he plays a cornopean.

When all was over, he was surrounded by a great crowd of onlookers and carried off shoulder high. Several medic men were present and Dr. Peter Young, on examining the 'ped' pronounced his pulse to be beating full and strong at 160. 10,000 were in attendance.

BOOK REVIEW

Le fou en pyjama by Marcel Jobin--Reviewer Bill Purves

Canada's Marcel Jobin, whose place in walking history would seem secure on the strength of his recent performances, has decided to cement it with an autobiography. It won't convey any style tips or training secrets, but it will do wonders for your high school French and strike a responsive note in anyone who has spent a large fraction of his life in a sweatshop. Jobin discusses the ridicule and neglect walkers experience and how he has dealt with them. Also the effect of long training hours on his career and family life. His litany of complaints gets a bit hard to bear, but two episodes alone justify the effort of reading in French. Jobin tells what it was like to sit from the 1972 Olympic team at the last minute after his wife was already on the boat to Europe. And his account of the pressure in the last 24 hours before the start of the 20 Km in Montreal is enough to assuage the disappointment of anyone who didn't make the team. Order it from Les Editions Libre Expression in Montreal.

Someone also sent me a brief review of Howie Jacobsen's book mentioned in the last issue, but typically, I can't locate it anywhere in well organized publishing offices. Perhaps another time. Meanwhile, we have a bunch more results just in from overseas.

Women's 5 Km, Kharkov, USSR, Aug. 15--1. N. Krivohizia 22:28.4 (No word as to whether road or track, but this is about a half minute under the all-time road best--maybe the same course they used for that 1:16 20 Km earlier? Anyway, with walking now an official sport on the International scene, we can expect to hear much more from the Soviets.) 20 Km (track), Moscow, Aug. 15--1. Pyotr Potsechenchuk 1:21:30 (Soviet record) USSR 20 Km Championship, Donetsk, Sept. 6--1. Nikolai Vinnitschenko 1:21:47 2. Yevgeniy Ivchenko 1:21:56 3. Anatoliy Solomin 1:22:23 4. Andrei Perlov 1:22:52 5. Ivan Sankovski 1:23:00 6. Maris Petersons 1:23:14 Italy vs Finland 10 Km, Palermo, Sept. 6--1. Maurizio Damilano 41:13.9 2. Giorgio Damilano 52:51.9 3. Alessandro Pezzatini 42:51.9 4. Reima Salonen 44:13.3 Italian 10 Km Championship (track), Torino, June 24--1. Carlo Mattioli 40:5 2. Alessandro Pezzatini 41:17 3. Vittorio Visini 41:30 4. Antonio Lopezu 42:05 Women's 10 Km (road), Adelaide, Australia, Aug. 23--1. Lillian Harpur 50:22 Women's 5 Km (road), Adelaide, July 5--1. Lillian Harpur 24:39.8 Women's 10 Km (road), Adelaide May 17--1. Lillian Harpur 52:59 Women's 15 Km (road) Melbourne, July 13--1. Sue Cook 1:13:59 (24:24, 48:43)--World's Best 2. Lorraine Young 1:21:12 Women's 5 Km (road), Melbourne, July 19--1. Lorraine Young 24:04 2. Anne Miller 24:35 Women's 5 Km (road), Adelaide, July 27--1. Sue Cook 24:14 2. Lorraine Young 24:38 3. Lillian Harpur 24:53 4. Anne Ryan 25:16 5. Karen Iselin 25:39 6. Rachel Thompson 25:49 Women's 5 Km, Melbourne, Aug. 2--1. Sue Cook 24:06 Women's 5 Km (road), Sydney, Aug. 2--1. Rachel Thompson 24:56 Women's 5 Km, Melbourne, Aug. 27 (road)--1. Anne Miller 24:54 2. Louise Nicholson 25:42 Danish 20 Km Camp. (track) Sdr Omme, July 26--1. Leif Christensen 1:41:20 Dutch 20 Km Camp. (track) Sittard, Aug. 30--1. Tjabel Ras 1:41:40.6 Women's 10 Km (road), Yverdon,

Switz., July 13--1. Margot Vetterli 51:38 Polish 20 Km Champ., Lodz, Aug. 29--1. Bohdan Bulakowski 1:28:13 2. Grzegorz Iedzion 1:30:16 3. Jaroslaw Kasnierski 1:31:39 20 Km, Stargard, Pol., June 7--1. Bohdan Bulakowski 1:28:58.6 20 Km, Puck, Pol., July 6--1. Bohdan Bulakowski 1:24:58 2. Stanislaw Rola 1:25:38 3. Wieslaw Cieslak 1:28:12 French Women's 5 Km Champ. (track), Lille, June 28--1. Vignat 24:35.8 2. Reinling 24:49.2 3. Richard 25:12.7 4. Griesbach 25:34.6 French 20 Km Champ., Lille, June 28--1. Gerard Lelievre 1:27:09 (track) 2. Dominique Guebey 1:30:50 Women's 5 Km (track), Pana, Nor., June 6--1. Mia Kjolberg 24:38.8 Women's 10 Km (road), Oslo, Aug. 23 (Norwegian Champ.)--1. Thorill Gylder 50:16 2. Gerd Gylder 51:14 3. Mia Kjolberg 52:23 1 Mile, Lisleby, Nor. Aug. 26--1. Erling Andersen 5:49.9 (World's Best Performance) 20 Km, Trondheim, Nor. Aug. 30--1. Erling Andersen 1:23:56 2. Lars Ove Moen 1:29:40 10 Km (track) Uddevalla, Swed., Aug. 16--1. Maurizio Damilano 40:32 2. Bo Gustafsson 41:04 3. Giorgio Damilano 42:06 4. Martin Bermudez, Mex. 43:15 Women's 5 Km, Kisa, Swed., Aug. 31--1. Britt Holmquist 24:29 2. Ann-Marie Larsson 25:46 Swedish Championships, Vasteras: Women's 3 Km, Aug. 22--1. Britt Holmquist 13:42 2. Elisabet Olsson 13:44.3 3. Ann Jansson 13:52 4. Britt-Marie Carlsson 13:57 Women's Junior B 5 Km, Aug. 23--1. Monica Gunnarsson 24:49 2. Veronica Oquist 25:56 Women's Jr. A 5 Km--1. Britt-Marie Carlsson 25:02.8 2. Monica Gunnarsson 25:13.4 3. Brit Karlsson 25:36.6 4. Silva Isaksson 25:53.4 Women's 5 Km, Aug. 24--1. Ann Jansson 23:34.2 2. Elisabeth Olsson 23:37.2 3. Britt Holmquist 23:42.8 4. Monika Karlsson 24:17.2 5. Eva Gustavsson 24:29.6 6. Margaretha Olsson 24:56.8 7. Monica Gunnarsson 25:20 8. Marianne Ivarsson 25:31 9. Ann-Marie Larsson 25:35 10. Margareta Simu 25:49.8 (all 5 Km on track) 20 Km--1. Bo Gustafsson 1:29:22 2. Bengt Simonson 1:29:39 3. Owe Hemingsson 1:30:12 4. Leif Karlsson 1:30:33 5. Per Moller 1:30:53 6. Jan Staaf 1:31:18 Women's 5 Km, Edingborough, Sept. 13--1. Ann Jansson, Swed. 24:02.6 2. Carol Tyson, GB 24:05.1 3. Britt-Marie Carlsson, Swed. 24:05.6 4. Britt Holmquist 24:06.7 5. Irene Bateman, GB 24:27.8 10 Km (track), Karl-Marx Stadt, E.G., Aug. 2--1. Ralf Kowalsky 40:37.6 10 Km, Sao Paulo, Brazil, May 25--1. Waldemar Forencio da Silva 45:16.2 (South American record) 20 Km (track), Sao Paulo, April 24--1. da Silva 1:30:13.6 (South American record--obviously, he was faster for one 10 Km or the other than the record he set the next day) Czech 20 Km Champ., Prague, July 12--1. Stefan Petrik 1:27:00 2. Mackanic 1:28:06 3. Zimka 1:31:03

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Having introduced you to Edward Payson Weston in those bits of history from Tom Dooley, here is a bit more on him from the book The Sport of Race Walking, published by the Race Walking Association in England in 1962.

In 1879, Edward Payson Weston, an American, attempted the enormous task of walking 2,000 miles in 1000 hours on turnpike roads, undertaking at the same time to give fifty lectures on his walking experiences at certain towns. Weston accepted a wager of 500 pounds to 100 pounds laid by Sir John Astley who, however, with infinite cunning not only stipulated that Weston should not walk on Sundays but that the time spent in resting should be deducted from the 1000 hours, leaving only 856 hours walking time. Sir John was obviously one of the original villainous baronets of melodrama. However, Weston started from the Royal Exchange on January 18, his first day's walk being to Folkestone, 81½ miles, on terrible roads and in a snow storm. On February 14 he had fallen 171½ miles behind his average but during the next 11 days pegged it back 120 miles. As he approached the end of his walk, Weston made almost superhuman efforts; and after delivering a lecture would start off at midnight walking 30 miles before breakfast. In this way, 80½ miles were covered on the last day but one. With 31 hours left to cover 105 miles, Weston had an outside chance of success, but

with 12 hours to go, sleep claimed him and he lost three hours making two unavailing attempts to get started. When time was called at 4 p.m. he had completed all but 22½ miles of his attempted total; but he carried through and reached the Royal Exchange just before midnight. A stupendous effort over the ghastly roads of the period.

And from the same book:

On Boxing Day, 1815, Josiah Eaton completed a walk of 1,100 miles in 1,100 successive hours. In July of the following year he repeated the performance handicapping himself by commencing each mile within 20 minutes after hour. On December 5, 1816, he completed 1,998½ miles in a like number of successive half-hours, on Brixton Causeway at 46 years of age. In 1817, Eaton contested a match of walking 2,000 miles in 42 days on Wormwood Scrubs against an opponent named Baker. Baker led by 13 miles on the 24th day, but Eaton recovered to win his match. Later in the year, Eaton walked from Colchester to London in one day (51 miles) returning to Colchester the next day and so on for 20 successive days--a total of 1021 miles. They certainly liked to do the distance in those days!

The performances of Richard Monks (1,000 miles in 1,000 successive half-hours in 1851), William Gale (1,500 miles in 1,000 successive hours in 1877) and William Buckler in June 1898 (4,000 quarter miles in 4,000 successive periods of 9¼ minutes) and of many others that have followed, have not succeeded in attracting a hundredth part of the attention that was accorded to the gallant Captain Barclay in his day (we'll tell you about him some time), or capturing the public imagination as did Weston 70 years later.