

THE
AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION
OF AUSTRALIA

CONSTITUENT ASSOCIATIONS:

Amateur Athletic Association of New South Wales

Queensland Amateur Athletic Association

South Australian Amateur Athletic Association

Tasmanian Amateur Athletic Association

Victorian Amateur Athletic Association

Western Australian Amateur Athletic Association

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

of the

Twenty-Eighth Conference

of the Union

held at

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

on

MARCH 8th and 9th, 1956

A. J. HODSDON

Honorary Secretary-Treasurer

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FIRST SESSION - THURSDAY, MARCH 8th, 9.45 a.m. to
12.30 p.m.
SECOND SESSION - THURSDAY, MARCH 8th, 2.00 p.m. to
6.00 p.m.
THIRD SESSION - THURSDAY, MARCH 8th, 7.45 p.m. to
10.30 p.m.
FOURTH SESSION - FRIDAY, MARCH 9th, 9.15 a.m. to
12.30 p.m.
FIFTH SESSION - FRIDAY, MARCH 9th, 2.00 p.m. to
3.00 p.m.

The Third Session of the Conference was held in the Chamber of Manufacturers Building, Flinders Street, Melbourne. The remaining sessions were held at the Amateur Sports Club, 343 Little Collins Street, Melbourne.

F I R S T D A Y - M A R C H 8 t h

1. OPENING OF CONFERENCE

The Conference was declared open by the President, and the notice convening same was read by the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

2. ROLL-CALL OF OFFICERS AND DELEGATES

There were present:-

Officers: President - H.R. Weir, O.B.E., Vice-President - G.R. Aitken; Honorary Secretary-Treasurer - A.J. Hodsdon.

Delegates: A.A.A. of New South Wales - G. Soper, R.P.B. White; Queensland A.A.A. - E.C. Barnacle, W.J. Lightbody; South Australian A.A.A. - A.E. Beames, V.B. Sharp; Tasmanian A.A.A. - N.G. Hutton, C.A. Wise;

Victorian A.A.A. - S.A. Embling, O.L. Watt; Western Australian A.A.A. - D.C. Rapley, F.T. Treacy.

3. ADMISSION OF PRESS

It was decided to admit the representatives of the Press to the Conference, subject to their not reporting the substance of any discussion held in camera, and to submission for approval of any statement on highly controversial issues.

4. PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The President opened his address by extending a hearty welcome to the Officers of the Union and to the Delegates from the Constituent Associations. He expressed the hope that Messrs. Watt and White, who were attending an A.A.U. Conference for the first time would find the proceedings both interesting and instructive. He felt sure from his knowledge of their work that each would make a worthwhile contribution to the work of the Conference.

The year, he continued, had been a highly successful one, made notable by the coming of a world-renowned coach in Franz Stampfl to Australia, and by visits of Hungarian and American athletes. All of these ventures had been sponsored by the Victorian A.A.A. New South Wales had co-operated with that State in connection with the Hungarian tour, and it was a matter for regret that extension of the visits to other States had not been practicable.

The year had been rendered further noteworthy by the performances of such athletes as John Landy, David Stephens, Mervyn Lincoln, Hector Hogan and Ronald Clarke. Landy had made history by running the first sub - 4 minute mile in the Southern Hemisphere. The performances of Lincoln and Clarke were the fruit of the introduction of new ideas and of the inspiration given by Landy and Stephens. These are men who think for themselves. This has been much needed in Australia, and we should encourage others to do likewise rather than lean upon "trainers" with old-fashioned and out-moded ideas.

There had been a noticeable improvement in standards within all Associations. Victoria, and to a less extent New South Wales, had been fortunate in the new facilities which had been provided. However, South Australia has

high hopes that in the near future positive steps will be taken to provide modern facilities in that State, and Western Australia hopes soon to have a cinder track. No doubt Queensland and Tasmania would be similarly catered for within a reasonable time.

These developments have contributed to the awakening of public interest in Victoria and New South Wales especially, and this interest will be given great impetus by the Olympic Games. We must be prepared to capitalise upon this interest by studying the staging and presentation of our programmes so that the public will return for more. Whilst we appear to be developing along the right lines, there is still room for improvement. Owing to our dependence on honorary officials, this is not always easy... Interclub Athletics has become to some extent outmoded. The Feature event is what the majority of the public come to see. Therefore, whilst we cannot entirely discard Inter-Club Competitions, we must be prepared to stage Special Meetings at reasonable intervals. It is important that officials be uniformly dressed, that athletes wear correct costume, that programmes be conducted punctually, that the arena be not crowded with unnecessary people, and that the public address system be not abused by the dispensing of incessant and irrelevant chatter.

The year ahead, continued the President, would be the most historic period in the life of the Union. Particularly would it be a testing time for our officials. We carry a great responsibility, and we must justify in full the confidence reposed in us by the I.A.A.F. We will be under the critical eyes of all nations and of the Press. In the circumstances, only the best will be sufficient.

The President drew attention to a pleasing improvement in the membership of the Constituent Associations, and particularly to a marked increase in the numerical strength of the Tasmanian A.A.A.

One matter of very general concern at the moment, he said, was that of Amateur Status. Some National Governing Bodies displayed a disturbing lack of concern in preserving the Amateur Code. We in Australia must take all possible steps to maintain the highest standards and ideals of Amateurism.

Finally, the President reminded the Delegates, we will have the privilege in November 1956 of meeting the Officers and Members of the I.A.A.F. We must leave

no stone unturned to impress them favourably, and to let it be seen that we are playing our part as a National Governing Body.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 27th CONFERENCE

It was resolved that the Minutes of the 27th Conference held at Adelaide on February 3rd and 4th, 1955 be taken as read and confirmed as a true record.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 27th CONFERENCE

Matters arising from the Minutes of the 27th Conference are referred to under the appropriate headings.

7. REPORT ON REGISTRATIONS

The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer submitted a statement of Actual Registrations for the period of 9 months ended December 31st, 1955 and Estimated Additional Registrations for the period of 3 months ending March 31st 1956, together with Actual Registrations for each of the preceding eight years. These details are given below:-

| | <u>N.S.W.</u> | <u>Qld.</u> | <u>S.A.</u> | <u>Tas.</u> | <u>Vic.</u> | <u>W.A.</u> | <u>TOTAL</u> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 9 Months to 31/12/55 (Actual) | 1320 | 267 | 270 | 226 | 2771 | 502 | 5356 |
| 3 Months to 31/3/56 (Estimated) | <u>90</u> | <u>125</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>96</u> | <u>200</u> | <u>25</u> | <u>566</u> |
| 1955-56 (Part Estimated) | 1410 | 392 | 300 | 322 | 2971 | 527 | 5922 |
| 1954-55 | 1349 | 317 | 300 | 152 | 2649 | 474 | 5241 |
| 1953-54 | 1640 | 316 | 274 | 119 | 2424 | 500 | 5273 |
| 1952-53 | 1601 | 371 | 302 | 177 | 2541 | 548 | 5540 |
| 1951-52 | 1572 | 325 | 330 | 103 | 2446 | 495 | 5271 |
| 1950-51 | 1682 | 450 | 310 | 136 | 2491 | 500 | 5569 |
| 1949-50 | 1925 | 301 | 266 | 115 | 2864 | 485 | 5956 |
| 1948-49 | 1817 | 390 | 324 | 157 | 2885 | 461 | 6034 |
| 1947-48 | 1586 | 350 | 282 | 136 | 2637 | 391 | 5381 |

The Estimated Registrations for 1955-56 are equal to 113% of the 1954-55 Total.

8. EXECUTIVE REPORT

The report of the Executive Committee disclosed that Mrs. S.B. de la Hunty had been recommended to the Helms

Committee for Australasia for the Helms Foundation Australasian Award for 1955.

Other matters dealt with during the year by Mail Vote are referred to in these Minutes under the following headings:-

- (1) Amateur Status;
- (2) Australian Championships;
- (3) Australian Track & Field Championships;
- (4) Australian Cross-Country, Marathon and Walking Championships;
- (5) Observance of Union Rules.

9. INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR ATHLETIC
FEDERATION

Limiting Number of Competitors at Olympic Games;
The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer reported that the I.A.A.F. had been advised that the Union supported the suggestion that the number of competitors at an Olympic Games be restricted by allowing each country one competitor in each event as a right and up to two additional entries if competitors of a certain standard are available.

Appointment of Member to Women's Commission of I.A.A.F.: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer advised that Mrs. D.I. Magee had been recommended by the Australian Women's A.A.U. for re-appointment to the Women's Commission of the I.A.A.F. The latter body had been advised that she had been re-appointed to the Commission by the A.A.U.

Representation at I.A.A.F. Congresses: The Conference was advised that action had been deferred upon the instruction of the Adelaide Conference to seek Government financial assistance to enable the Union to be represented at Congresses of the I.A.A.F. held between Olympic Games. The President and the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer felt that the present was not an appropriate time to make such an approach.

Amateur Competitions at Professional Meetings: It was explained that the matter of Amateur Competitions at Professional Athletic Meetings had not been raised with the President of the I.A.A.F. as it was certain that the matter would be designated as one for each National Body to deal with according to the background and circumstances of each case. It was decided that the President and Honorary Secretary-Treasurer should seek an informal discussion on the subject with the

President and Honorary Secretary of the Federation at the time of the Olympic Games in Melbourne.

Entertainment and Hospitality for I.A.A.F. Officers and Delegates: The Conference was advised that the Olympic Games Organising Committee had decided to grant each Sport for the entertainment of visiting officials the sum of £200.

World Record Plaques: It was indicated that a total of 23 World Record Plaques due to Australian Women Athletes had been ordered from the I.A.A.F. in April 1955 but had still not been received. The A.W.A.A.U. had agreed to meet the cost thereof.

I.A.A.F. 20th Congress 1956: (1) Agenda Folders - The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer advised that the Olympic Games Organising Committee would arrange for the manufacture of an Agenda Folder suitable for the various International Congresses to be held at the time of the Games, and that an appropriate number of these would be available at cost to the Union. Suitable titling would be printed thereon. (2) Lapel Badges - Authority was given for the issue of one A.A.U. Lapel Badge to each I.A.A.F. Officer and each Congress Delegate (3) Lapel Name Cards - It was decided to have Name Cards written for issue to I.A.A.F. Officers and Congress Delegates. (4) Cocktail Party - It was decided to hold a Cocktail Party at a location convenient to the Congress Hall at conclusion of the Opening Session of the Congress. The arrangement of details was left in the hands of Messrs. Weir, Hodsdon, Donald and Watt (5) Matters for Agenda - In addition to the proposals considered at the 1955 Conference to amend I.A.A.F. Rules 11(2), 34(13) and 40(2), the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was directed to submit for consideration any other proposals that may be decided at the present Conference. (6) Congress Delegates - It was resolved, after discussion, that the Union's Delegates to the Congress would be the President, the Vice-President and the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer of the Union, one nominee of the A.W.A.A.U. and one other to be appointed by this Conference. Messrs. Curnow and Sharp were nominated for the latter position and Mr. Curnow was elected.

International Walking Judges: The I.A.A.F. had advised in a circular under date of January 5th, 1956 that the Walking Commission of the Federation invited nominations for its panel of International Walking Judges.

Constituent Associations had been asked to make any nominations desired to the Union. It was resolved to appoint Messrs. Rapley and Sharp a Sub-Committee to consider the 10 nominations received and to make a recommendation to the Conference at a later session.

10. AMATEUR STATUS

Executive Report: Arising from submissions by the Western Australian A.A.A. and the Tasmanian A.A.A. reinstatements as amateurs had been granted by the Executive Committee to G. Brockman (effective 31/5/55) and A. Sice (17/9/55). The report was received.

Review of A.A.U. Powers and Amateur Status Laws: The President at this stage placed before the Conference a legal opinion, which he had been prompted to seek by the controversial Santee Case in the United States, covering: (a) the powers of the Union as defined in Law 8 of the Constitution; (b) the machinery provided for the implementation of those powers; and (c) the Union's Amateur Status Laws. The text of the legal opinion prepared by Mr. D.K. Donald was read to the Conference, and - arising therefrom - it was resolved to appoint a Constitution and Rules Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs. Weir, Donald and Hodsdon to go fully into the questions raised, and thereafter to have submitted to a Mail Vote of Constituent Associations such amendments to the Constitution (if any) as may be deemed desirable.

The Conference resolved to record its appreciation of Mr. Donald's valuable legal advice in the matter.

Expense Allowances to Visiting Athletes: It was moved successfully by the Victorian A.A.A. that in view of reliable statements made that athletes taking part in International Competitions have been allowed 'pocket money', the I.A.A.F. be requested to define exactly the amount, if any, which may be paid in cash for out-of-pocket expenses."

(End of First Session of the Conference)

Permissible Games: The following proposal, moved by the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was lost: "That the second paragraph of Law 14 (a) of the Constitution of the Union be amended by adding the word 'basketball' after the word 'baseball'. . . Arising from the discussion prompted by this motion, it was decided to request that the Constitution and Rules Committee give careful

consideration to the concessions granted in Law 14(a).

11. COMPETITION RULES

Stations: It was moved successfully by the Victorian A.A.A. that General Rule 44(a) of the Union be amended by deleting the words "from the side of the track nearer to the centre of the ground" and substituting the words "from left to right facing the direction of running" . . . It was pointed out that this resolution would necessitate withdrawal of the proposal already submitted to the I.A.A.F. for amending its Rule 11(2). (See Minutes of 1955 Conference, page 21)

Records Made in Outer Lanes: It was resolved, on a motion by the Victorian A.A.A. that the I.A.A.F. be asked to rule on the admissibility of a record made on a properly constructed track using a lane other than the inside lane for an event not run in lanes, and to state further whether it is necessary that such a lane be flagged.

Timing of Races: It was unsuccessfully moved by the Victorian A.A.A. that it be recommended to the I.A.A.F. that Rule 9(4) of the Federation be amended to read: "For all races, timing to one tenth second shall be accepted."

12. AUSTRALIAN RECORDS

Confirmation of Records: It was resolved to confirm as Australian Records in the categories indicated the following performances which had already been adopted provisionally by the President and the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

(a) Australian Open and National Records:

RUNNING:

- 2 Miles: 8-55.2 by Leslie J. Perry (Victoria) on December 8, 1954 at Kardinia Park, Geelong, Victoria.
- 2 Miles: 8-52.0 by David J. Stephens (Victoria) on January 19, 1955 at St. Kilda Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria.
- 3 Miles: 13-31.8 by David J. Stephens (Victoria) on February 23, 1955 at St. Kilda Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria.

- 6 Miles: 28-38.0 by David J. Stephens (Victoria) on January 13, 1955 at Scotch College Oval, Glenferrie, Victoria.
- 5,000 Metres: 14-29.6 by David J. Stephens (Victoria) On March 23, 1955 at St. Kilda Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria.
- 10,000 Metres; 30-02.4 by David W. Power (New South Wales) on November 9, 1955 at Rushcutter Bay Oval, Sydney, N.S.W.

HURDLING:

- 3,000 Metres Steeplechase: 9-20.2 by Graham E. Thomas (New South Wales) on November 12, 1955 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, New South Wales.
- 3,000 Metres Steeplechase: 9-08.4 by Graham E. Thomas (New South Wales) on December 31, 1955 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

WALKING:

- 10 Miles: 1-11-09.4 by Edward J. Allsopp (Victoria) on July 10, 1955 at Royal Agricultural Society's Showgrounds, Flemington, Victoria.

THROWING:

- Shot Put: 49-10 by R. Peter Hanlin (New South Wales) on October 15, 1955 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

COMBINED:

- Decathlon: 5963 by Ian B. Bruce (South Australia) on December 27-28, 1954 at St. Peter's College, Adelaide, South Australia (100M-11.5, 756; L.J. - 23.0, 788; SP - 40-7 $\frac{1}{2}$, 615; H.J. - 6-1, 832; 400M - 52.9, 648; 110 M.H. - 16.4, 523; D.T. - 122-5 $\frac{1}{2}$, 552; P.V. - 10-6 $\frac{1}{2}$, 403; J.T. - 171-6 $\frac{1}{2}$, 571; 1500M. - 4-55.2, 295)

RELAY RUNNING:

- 4 Miles: 17-05.4 by Western Suburbs A.A.C., N.S.W. (A.P. Melhuish, G.E. Thomas, A.R. Henderson, V.J. Plummer) on December 6, 1955 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

(b) Australian National Records

RUNNING

880 Yards and 800 Metres: 1-51.9 by Donald R.T. Macmillan (Victoria) on February 7, 1955 at Kensington Oval, Adelaide, South Australia.

880 Yards and 800 Metres: 1-51.6 by Donald R.T. Macmillan (Victoria) on February 23, 1955 at 81 Kilda Cricket Ground, Melbourne, Victoria.

RELAY RUNNING:

2 Miles: 7-57.8 by Western Suburbs A.A.C., N.S.W. (D.L.Brodie, D.W.Power, V.J.Plummer, A.P. Melhuish) on January 29, 1955 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

(c) Australian Junior Records.

RUNNING

880 Yards and 800 Metres: 1-55.7 by Herbert J. Elliott (Western Australia) on February 5, 1955 at Kensington Oval, Adelaide, South Australia.

1500 Metres: 4-08.0 by Barry C. Toovey (New South Wales) on January 22, 1955 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

1500 Metres: 4-04.8 by Ronald W. Clarke (Victoria) on March 12, 1955 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

HURDLING:

220 Yards and 200 Metres; 24.2 by John Cann (New South Wales) on January 7, 1956 at E.S. Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

WALKING:

3000 Metres: 14-08.4 by Frank Leonard (South Australia) on June 5, 1954 at Adelaide Harriers Ground, Adelaide, South Australia.

JUMPING:

High Jump: 6-6 by Charles M. Porter (Queensland) on October 2, 1954 at Brisbane Exhibition Ground, Queensland.

RELAY RUNNING

1 Mile Medley: 3-37.4 by Botany H., N.S.W. (P.J.Hatcher, G.J.McCabe, G.V.Bromhead, P.J.Thomas) on December 13, 1955 at E.S.Marks Athletic Field, Sydney, N.S.W.

Rejection of Record: The action of the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was endorsed in withdrawing recognition of B.J. Dyke's Discus Throw of 130-8½ as an Australian Junior Record on the ground that the discus used was found subsequently to be a non-standard (junior) implement. . . The President ruled that the use of standard equipment was implied in all cases unless otherwise specified.

Procedure re Records at Olympic Games:- Permission was given to the Victorian A.A.A. to withdraw the following motion: "That the operation of General Rules 36 and 38 be suspended for the Olympic Games of 1956 and that Australian Records be granted on satisfactory evidence from the I.A.A.F. Records Committee. Provided that tapes and implements are certified correct by the I.A.A.F. Jury, the Victorian Weights and Measures Department or the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, they shall be accepted without re-weighing for the purpose of Australian Records."

Additional Junior Event: It was resolved, on a motion by the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer, to add the 2 Miles Relay to the list of events for which Australian Junior Records are recognised by the Union.

13. AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Executive Report: During the year, the Executive Committee resolved: (a) To grant permission to B.T. Oliver, formerly of N.S.W. and now resident in the Northern Territory, to contest the Long Jump and the Hop, Step & Jump at the Australian Championships of 1956, and to wear the athletic costume of the R.A.A.F.; and (b) to recommend to Constituent Associations that individual entrants in the 1956 Track and Field Championships be permitted to wear the colours and costume of their respective States, and to ask the Victorian A.A.A. to provide distinctive competitors numbers for such individual entrants. The Report was received.

Form and Content of Australian Championship Reports: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was asked to formulate a Pro-Forma Report to indicate what information should be incorporated in its Official Report by a Constituent Association controlling an Australian Championship event or meeting.

14. AUSTRALIAN TRACK AND FIELD
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 CHAMPIONSHIPS
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Executive Report: The following Executive Committee actions in relation to the 1956 Championships were approved: (a) Dates: Saturday, March 10th and Monday, March 12th were approved, (b) Supplementary Events:- 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, 880 yards and 1 mile Junior Championships of Victoria were authorised; (c) Jury: Messrs. F.E. Andrews (New South Wales), F.W. Humphreys (Western Australia) and C.H.F. Morgan (South Australia) were appointed.

Reports on 1955 Championships: The Reports of the South Australian A.A.A. and of the Jury on the 1955 Championships were tabled and received. . . The attention of the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was drawn to the fact that copies of the latter report had not been circulated to Constituent Associations.

Allocation of 1957 Championships: The allocation of the 1957 Championships to the Tasmanian A.A.A. was confirmed . . . The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was instructed to write to the Council of the City of Hobart indicating that when the Championships were held at North Hobart Oval in 1951 the arena had been below the standards required by the Union for the staging of an Australian Championship Meeting, and that it was essential that substantial improvement be effected for the 1957 Fixture.

Number of Entrants: The A.A.A. of New South Wales moved unsuccessfully that the following new General Rule 17A be adopted: "Notwithstanding the provisions of General Rule 17 it is permissible for each Constituent Association to enter additional competitors for an event, provided that each such additional entrant has reached a prescribed standard in the event concerned between September 1st of the year preceding the Championships and the date of closing of entries for the Championships, such standards to be prescribed by the Selection Committee of the Union and achieved in properly controlled conditions. Each additional entry shall be accredited by a certificate from the Constituent Association making the entry to the effect that the prescribed standard has been reached. Each Constituent Association shall be represented by a maximum of three team members in each event, and only the places

gained by such team members shall be considered in deciding the winner of the Richard Coombes Shield. All additional entrants shall compete as individuals."

Opening Ceremony: Permission was given to the Victorian A.A.A. to withdraw the following motion: "That the second sentence of Paragraph 2 of General Rule 13 (a) of the Union be amended by inserting, after the words "greeted by", the words "the first bars of".

Opening Ceremony: It was moved successfully by the Victorian A.A.A. that the last Paragraph of General Rule 13(a) be amended by deleting the words "The band shall play Advance Australia Fair and".

Closing Ceremony: It was decided to add the following at the end of General Rule 13(b): "The closing ceremony shall conclude with the playing of the National Anthem."

15. AUSTRALIAN CROSS-COUNTRY, MARATHON
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AND WALKING CHAMPIONSHIPS
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Executive Report: July 9th and August 27th respectively were approved by vote of the Executive Committee as the dates for the 1955 10,000 Metres Track Walking and the 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championships.

Reports on Championships: The reports of the Queensland A.A.A. on the 10,000 Metres Track Walking Championship and of the Tasmanian A.A.A. on the 10 Kilometres Cross-Country Championships were tabled and received.

Allocation of 1956 Championships: The allocation of the 1956 Marathon and 50 Kilometres Road Walking Championships to the Victorian A.A.A. was confirmed.

Plans of Courses: It was resolved, on a motion moved by the A.A.A. of New South Wales, to amend General Rule 26 by deleting the words "twenty-eight days" and substituting therefor the words "two calendar months".

16. BRITISH EMPIRE AND COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Travelling Expenses of Sectional Manager: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer advised that a statement had been obtained from Mr. Treacy in relation to the withholding of a portion of the amount contributed by the Union for the Athletics Sectional Manager of the 1954 Australian, British Empire Games Team, and indicated that this matter would be raised by the Union's Delegates at next meeting of the A.B.E. & C.G.A.

Report of Delegates: The Union's Delegates reported that no meeting of the Australian British Empire and Commonwealth Games Association had been held since the Adelaide Conference of the Union.

17. BRITISH EMPIRE AND COMMONWEALTH RECORDS

The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer reported that, pursuant to a resolution of the Union's Adelaide Conference the matter of more active administration had been raised with the Co-ordinator of British Empire and Commonwealth and Empire Records, Mr. W.H. Vogt of South Africa, but that no reply had been received.

18. AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S A.A.U.

Proportion of Affiliation Fees: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer advised that the A.W.A.A.U. had agreed to contribute annually one-third of the Union's Affiliation Fees to the I.A.A.F., A.O.F. and A.B.E. & C.G.A.

Information to be supplied to A.A.U.: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer raised the question of what information regarding their administration and activities should be furnished by the A.W.A.A.U. to the Union. It was agreed that the following should be submitted as a matter of routine: (a) The Constitutions of the A.W.A.A.U. and of its Constituent Associations and of amendments made thereto from time to time; (b) the Annual Reports of the A.W.A.A.U. and of its Constituent Associations; (c) an Annual Statement of the Registered Memberships of the Constituent Associations; (d) the Official Results of Australian Championship Meetings held by the A.W.A.A.U.; (e) a copy of the Application Form for each Australian Record adopted by the A.W.A.A.U.;

and (f) Annual Ranking Lists for Australia covering the Best Performances in each standard event.

19. COLOURS, BADGE & COSTUME
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Lapel Badge: The Conference was advised that the long-deferred Lapel Badge Project had been carried into effect and that badges had been made available to: (a) the Union's Officers and the members of its Executive Committee; (b) the members of the Olympic Games Co-ordinating Committee; (c) those Past Officers who were still living; (d) the members of the visiting Hungarian and American Teams; and (e) K. Ollerenshaw on the occasion of his visit to Japan. It was decided to issue a badge to each Delegate to the 1956 Conference and to each member of the 1956 Olympic Track and Field Team, including women. Each Olympic Team member would be allowed in addition a small number of badges at a cost of five shillings per badge.

Colours, Badge and Costume: The President reported, on behalf of the Sub-Committee appointed at the 1955 Conference (See Minutes, page 22), that the only action that could be taken in relation to the present Australian colours, badge and costume was to draw the attention of the A.O.F. and the A.B.E.G.A. to the desirability of adopting a more distinctive outfit. The Conference resolved that this should be done.

20. OBSERVANCE OF UNION RULES
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Executive Report: It was reported that the Tasmanian A.A.A. having incurred automatic suspension at June 30th by failure to pay Affiliation Fees and Registration Dues, had been reinstated upon application being made to the Union. The report was received.

Secretary's Report: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer reported that, as in previous years there had been some laxity in the observance of Union rules and requirements. The Constituent Associations were asked through the Delegates to endeavour to effect improvement in this regard.

Constitutions of Constituent Associations: It was successfully moved by the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer: (1) that each Constituent Association be required to furnish to the Union not later than the 31st October,

1956 a complete copy of its Constitution, including By-Laws and Rules made thereunder, as of that date; (2) that any Constituent Association failing to furnish such Constitution by the date indicated shall automatically incur a fine of £2; and (3) that, on and after the 1st November, 1956, Constituent Associations shall be required to conform strictly to the requirements of Law 5 of the Constitution of the Union.

21. UNION PUBLICATIONS

The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was authorised: (1) to continue publication of the Almanac of Records and Results; and (2) to publish the Minutes of the 1956 in the usual booklet form.

Appreciation was expressed of the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer's work in the compilation and publication of the 1955 editions of the Union's Handbook and Almanac.

22. FINANCE

Financial Statements for 1955: An audited Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended December 31st, 1955 and an audited Balance Sheet as at December 31st, 1955 were submitted to the Conference, and it was resolved that these be adopted. (The Statements referred to are printed as an appendix to these Minutes.)

The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was instructed to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. H.G. Carruthers for his work as auditor.

Financial Budget for 1956. A Budget of Income and Expenditure for 1956 was submitted to the Conference. Following are the details:-

| <u>Income</u> | <u>£</u> | <u>Expenditure</u> | <u>£</u> |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Affiliation Fees | 40 | Affiliation Fees | 26 |
| Registration Dues | 296 | Bank Charges | 4 |
| | <u>336</u> | Cables | 12 |
| Deficiency | 132 | Depreciation | 8 |
| | | Duplicating, Printing & Stationery | 120 |
| | | Entertainment Expenses | 20 |
| | | General Expenses | 45 |
| | | Honoraria | 63 |
| | | Insurance | 2 |
| | | Library | 10 |
| | | Officers' Expenses | |
| | | Reserve | 95 |
| | | Postages & Telegrams | 35 |
| | | Telephone | 20 |
| | | Trophies | 8 |
| | <u>£468</u> | | <u>£468</u> |
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The budget was adopted.

Affiliation Fees and Registration Dues: It was resolved, on motions by the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer (1) That Law 32 of the Constitution of the Union be amended by substituting the word "five for the word "four"; and (2) that Law 33 of the Constitution be amended by adding the words "and sixpence" after the word "shilling".

(End of Second Session of the Conference)

24. CORRESPONDENCE

Proposed Australia-New Zealand Meetings: A letter was tabled from the New Zealand A.A.A. suggesting the holding of Australia-New Zealand Meetings on the following basis: (1) That such meetings be held every two years with the first in Australia in 1957; (2) that each country be represented by two athletes in each event; (3) that the meetings be not necessarily a full programme of events; (4) that the Visiting Team pay external fares and that the Host Country be responsible for accommodation, allowances and internal fares; (5) that an additional meeting be held at another venue prior to the main meeting. The Conference decided that the Union was not at present prepared to undertake a venture of this character, but opportunity would be taken to discuss the matter with New Zealand Officials at the time of the Olympic Games in Melbourne.

Proposed Visit of N.Z. Cross-Country Team: It was decided to endorse the action of the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer in indicating, in reply to a letter from the New Zealand A.A.A., that the 1956 Cross-Country Season would not be a favourable one for the sending of a New Zealand Cross-Country Team to compete in Australia but that such a team would be welcomed if sent.

International Track and Field Clinic: It was resolved because of lack of finance regretfully to decline an invitation to send a representative to the First International Track and Field Clinic to be held under the auspices of the National Collegiate Track Coaches Association of the United States at Berkeley, California on June 11-20, 1956.

25. NOTICES OF MOTION

Motions submitted by Constituent Associations and not elsewhere recorded in these Minutes are set out hereunder:

Mail Votes of Executive Committee: It was resolved, on a motion by the A.A.A. of New South Wales, to amend Law 45 (d) of the Constitution by adding the following after the words "Executive Committee": "and the names of the members (if any) who fail to vote."

(See Page 24 for continuation).

26. INTERNATIONAL WALKING JUDGES

The Sub-Committee consisting of Messrs. Rapley and Sharp appointed at the first session of the Conference to examine the nominations received for the I.A.A.F. Panel of International Walking Judges recommended that the following be nominated to the Federation for appointment: J.J. Cummins (Victoria), J.A. Larkin (Victoria), P.S. McCavanagh (South Australia), M.J. Moroney (New South Wales) and V.B. Sharp (South Australia). It was resolved to adopt the Sub-Committees' recommendation.

27. OLYMPIC GAMES

Selection and Financing of Olympic Teams; The Conference was advised that the Honorary Secretary of the A.O.F. had indicated that the Report by Messrs. Grange, Metcalfe and Weir on the selection and financing of future Australian Olympic Teams for overseas was still

under consideration by the Federation and was not yet available for general circulation.

Medical Examination of Officials: Mr. Curnow expressed the view that the implementing of the resolution of the Adelaide Conference regarding the medical examination of Olympic Games Officials was likely to prove a delicate matter. It was resolved that Constituent Associations be reminded of the requirements as agreed at the Adelaide Conference and that appropriate action be taken by July 31 or as soon as practicable thereafter. It was further resolved that the expense (if any) of medical examination be the responsibility of the individual concerned.

Amateur Status of Officials: It was resolved to require all officials appointed to act at the Olympic Games in Melbourne to sign a declaration of Amateur Status.

Report of A.O.F. Delegates: The Union's Delegates to the A.O.F. (Messrs. L.B. Curnow and J.P. Metcalfe) reported that no meeting of the Federation had been held since the Union's Adelaide Conference.

Report of Olympic Games of 1956 Co-ordinating Committee: A comprehensive report from the Union's Olympic Games Co-ordinating Committee (Messrs. L.B. Curnow (Chairman), T.B. Dodds, S.A. Embling, C.W.H. Grant and F.H. Pizzezy) outlining activity and progress since the Union's 1955 Conference in the organisation of the Track and Field Section of the Olympic Games of 1956 was tabled and received.

Arising therefrom, the Committee was directed to define what in its view should be the duties and responsibilities of the proposed Reception/Farewell, Entertainment and Accommodation Committees.

The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was directed to send letters of thanks to the Postmaster General's Department and to Messrs. Pye Radio for co-operation in connection with communication facilities for the Olympic Games Road Events.

The Conference resolved to place on record its appreciation of the great amount of work done and the progress achieved by the Co-ordinating Committee. The resolution was carried with acclamation.

Olympic Games Torch Relay: Verbal reports, given by the Queensland, New South Wales and Victorian

Delegates, indicated that organisational work in connection with the Cairns-Melbourne Olympic Torch Relay was proceeding satisfactorily in each State.

British Commonwealth v. United States of America 1956:

The President reported verbally on behalf of the British Commonwealth v. United States Organising Committee. It was indicated that the Sydney City Council was undertaking extensive constructional work to make Sydney's E.S. Marks Athletic Field adequate for the occasion of the match. Some concern was felt that the A.A.U. of the United States had not yet finally indicated that the travel arrangements for its athletes could be adjusted to permit of their participation. It was anticipated that this difficulty would be eventually resolved. The Committee felt that it was imperative to obtain financial backing for the venture and appropriate steps to that end were contemplated. It was proposed to conduct the match under floodlights on Wednesday, December 5th.

The Committee was authorised to co-opt a replacement for Mr. J.P. Metcalfe who is currently located in Melbourne.

(End of Third Session of the Conference)

Pre-and Post Olympic Games Meetings: It was unsuccessfully moved that the Victorian A.A.A. be permitted to invite, after arrival in Australia, by direct request to Team Managers, a number of visiting athletes to compete in Victoria before or after the Olympic Games and that a similar concession be granted to other Constituent Associations . . . It was then resolved to appoint a Committee of six persons - one to represent each Constituent Association - to negotiate and co-ordinate Pre- and Post - Games appearances in Australia of visiting athletes. It was agreed that effective working would be facilitated if each Association nominated as its representative a person resident in Melbourne.

Report of Selection Committee: The Union's Selection Committee (Messrs. J.P. Metcalfe, R.C. Corish and C.H. Gardiner) submitted a comprehensive report on the various aspects of the problem of selection Australia's Track and Field Team for the men's events at the Olympic Games of 1956. The Report advised that the following selection standards had been set for the guidance of athletes aspiring to selection:

| | | | |
|---------------|---------|------------------|---------|
| 100 Yards | 9.8 | 20 Km. Walk | 1-40-00 |
| 220 Yards | 21.8 | 50 Km. Walk | 5-00-00 |
| 440 Yards | 48.8 | Long Jump | 23-6 |
| 880 Yards | 1-52.8 | Hop, Step & Jump | 48-9 |
| 1 Mile | 4-11.0 | High Jump | 6-3 |
| 3 Miles | 14-05.0 | Pole Vault | 13-3 |
| 6 Miles | 30-00.0 | Shot Put | 48-6 |
| Marathon | 2-35.00 | Discus Throw | 155-0 |
| 120 Yds.Hdles | 14.8 | Javelin Throw | 210-0 |
| 440 Yds.Hdles | 53.8 | Hammer Throw | 165-0 |
| Steeplechase | 9-30.0 | Decathlon | 5900 |

It was indicated that the following principles would be applied by the Committee in making its selections: (1) all available evidence, including all authenticated performances, to the date of selection would be considered; (2) performances near to the selection date would be regarded as of more significance than earlier efforts; (3) if General Selection Trials were not held, Special Trials would be requested where deemed necessary; (4) eligible Australian athletes overseas would be considered for selection on the basis of properly authenticated performances of adequate standard at a relevant time; and (4) the announcement of selections would, in general, be deferred to as late a date as possible . . . It was resolved to adopt the Report of the Committee and to record appreciation of its excellence.

Olympic Team Officials: It was resolved to invite Constituent Associations and the Australian Women's A.A.U. to submit by May 31st, 1956 nominations for the usual Olympic Team Officials (Manager, Manageress, Athletics Manager) and for such other relevant appointments as the A.O.F. may decide upon. It was further resolved to defer consideration of the appointment of Coaches and Masseurs to the Track and Field Team and to authorise the President and the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer jointly to take any action deemed necessary in relation thereto.

Olympic Games of 1956 Selection Trials: It was moved unsuccessfully by the A.A.A. of New South Wales:

- (a) That the decision of the Adelaide Conference of the Union not to hold full-scale Olympic Trials be and is hereby rescinded.

- (b) That the operation of General Rule 11 be suspended as regards the selection of the 1956 Olympic Track and Field Team.
- (c) That full-scale Olympic Trials embracing both men's and women's events other than the Marathon and the 50 Kilometres Road Walk be held on or about October 27th, 1956.
- (d) That each of the first three competitors in each event at the Australian Track and Field Championships for men at Melbourne in March 1956 and for women at Brisbane in March-April 1956 be automatically eligible for the corresponding event at the Olympic Trials.
- (e) That the Selection Committees of the A.A.U. and of the A.W.A.A.U. be each instructed to invite additional athletes considered by them to be worthy of inclusion in the Trials.
- (f) That, whilst performances in the Olympic Trials shall form the principal bases for Olympic Selection, other performances may be considered by the Selection Committees.
- (g) That 15% of the profits of the Trials be allocated to the A.A.U. of A. and that the remaining 85% be distributed in the ratio of 27% to the A.W.A.A.U. and 73% to the Union's Constituent Associations.
- (h) That the amount allocated by (g) to the Unions Constituent Associations be divided among them by application of a formula based on the number of athletes selected for the Olympic Team and the return air fares between the respective State Capital Cities, and the Capital of the State in which the Trials are held.

Pre-Olympic Games Overseas Tour: Mr. D.K. Donald of New South Wales was permitted to address the Conference for the purpose of elaborating upon his application to conduct a Pre-Olympic Games Overseas Tour for a Team of Selected Australian Athletes. It was resolved not to grant permission for the tour. Mr. Donald was thanked by the President on behalf of the Conference for his initiative in planning such a tour and for his preparatory work in relation thereto.

World Records at Olympic Games of 1956: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer was instructed to ascertain from the I.A.A.F. the detailed arrangements for the

granting of World Records that may be made at the Olympic Games in Melbourne.

Arena Manager at Olympic Games: At this stage the President sought leave to raise the question of whether Mr. L.B. Curnow, in view of his important and onerous position as Assistant Technical Director for the Olympic Games, could be spared for the post of Athletics Arena Manager. It was decided to invite Mr. Curnow to address the Conference on the matter.

28. NOTICES OF MOTION
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Jurisdiction: It was resolved, on a motion by the A.A.A. of New South Wales, to rescind Law 2 of the Constitution, and to substitute the following: "The Union shall consist of the Amateur Athletic Associations recognised from time to time by the Union in Conference as the bodies controlling Amateur Athletics in the respective States of the Commonwealth of Australia. Until otherwise determined by the Union in Conference, Norfolk Island and The Australian Capital Territory shall be considered to fall within the jurisdiction of the Amateur Athletic Association of New South Wales, Papua, New Guinea and Nauru within the jurisdiction of the Queensland Amateur Athletic Association, and the Northern Territory within the jurisdiction of the South Australian Amateur Athletic Association. One Association only shall be recognised by the Union in each State."

Amendments to Laws and Rules: It was moved successfully by the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer that Laws 69 and 71 of the Constitution be amended by adding, after the word "amended" where first appearing, the words "or the relevant portion of such paragraph."

Amendments to I.A.A.F. Rules: The Honorary Secretary-Treasurer successfully moved that a motion to submit to the I.A.A.F. a proposal to amend any of its rules shall be specific and shall refer to the rule and paragraph concerned, specifying the words to be deleted and the words (if any) to be added, and shall then quote the paragraph sought to be amended, or the relevant portion of such paragraph, as it would appear if amended.

(End of Fourth Session of the Conference)

29. GENERAL BUSINESS

Disqualification of G.V. Bromhead: The A.A.A. of New South Wales sought the opinion of the President on the question of whether the Referee was justified under Rule 18 of the I.A.A.F. in disqualifying G.V. Bromhead in the 220 Yards Championship of New South Wales on the 3rd March 1956. The President suggested that the matter should be submitted in writing to the Union setting forth the full facts.

British Commonwealth Games of 1962: Mr. Aitken reported to the Conference upon the intention of Adelaide to apply for the British Commonwealth Games of 1962. Preliminary plans had been prepared and forwarded to the Premier of South Australia. Arrangements would be made, if necessary, to fly interested British Commonwealth Games Officials who may be in Melbourne for the Olympic Games to Adelaide to view the city and the proposed sites.

Minutes of Conference: The Queensland A.A.A. requested that every effort be made to publish the Conference Minutes at an early date. This was agreed to.

Eligibility for Championships: It was resolved to allow D.M. Keane (temporarily resident in Victoria since November) and A.W. de Gruchy (since January) to represent Western Australia at the Championships. . . It was further resolved that J.G. Douglas, who had returned less than six months ago from a visit to Great Britain, would be eligible to represent Victoria.

Selection of Olympic Team: It was resolved to instruct the Union's Delegates to the A.O.F. to press for deferment of the selection of Australia's Olympic Track and Field Team to the latest practicable date.

Mail Votes: The President addressed the Conference on the subject of Mail Votes. These, he said, should be requested by Constituent Associations only in cases of absolute necessity. Often there was insufficient appreciation of the matters at issue, and unsound decisions could easily result.

Championship Officials: It was resolved to record the Union's keen appreciation of the unselfish action of the Victorian A.A.A. in utilising the services of a large number of Interstate Officials at the forthcoming Championships in order to give them additional

experience and training for the Olympic Games.

30. ELECTION OF OFFICERS, DELEGATES
AND COMMITTEES

Officers: Messrs. H.R. Weir (New South Wales), C.R. Aitken (South Australia), and A.J. Hodsdon (New South Wales) were re-elected unopposed to the offices of President, Vice-President and Honorary Secretary-Treasurer respectively.

In thanking delegates for their continued confidence in him, Mr. Weir announced that it was his intention not to seek re-election at the 1957 Conference.

Delegates: Messrs. L.B. Curnow (Victoria) and J.P. Metcalfe (New South Wales) were elected Delegates to the Australian Olympic Federation and Messrs. A.J. Hodsdon (New South Wales) and C.R. Aitken (South Australia) were appointed Delegates to the Australian British Empire and Commonwealth Games Association.

Executive Committee: The following were elected to the Executive Committee: Messrs. J.B. Barlow (Queensland), E.W. Barwick (Tasmania), L.B. Curnow (Victoria) C.H.F. Morgan (South Australia), D.C. Rapley (Western Australia) and G. Soper (New South Wales).

31. ELECTION OF AUDITOR AND TRUSTEES

Auditor: Mr. H.G. Carruthers was re-appointed Honorary Auditor.

Trustees: Messrs. H.R. Weir and A.J. Hodsdon were re-appointed Trustees to the Union.

32. ADDITIONAL CHEQUE SIGNATORY

Authority was given for Mr. G. Soper to act as additional cheque signatory in the absence of either the President or the Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

33. FIXING OF HEADQUARTERS

It was resolved that the Headquarters of the Union for the ensuing year be fixed at Sydney, New South Wales.

34. OLYMPIC GAMES ARENA MANAGER

The President advised the Conference that he had ascertained that Mr. L.B. Curnow had given a written undertaking to the Olympic Games Technical Director that if his duties as Athletics Arena Manager interfered in any way with the efficient discharge of his duties as Assistant Technical Director he will relinquish the first-named post. Mr. Curnow is confident that should the necessity arise, Mr. F.H. Pizzey will be fully competent to deputise for him. . . It was resolved to take no action regarding Mr. Curnow's position as Arena Manager, but Messrs. Weir and Aitken are to confer with him from time to time.

35. APPRECIATION

A vote of appreciation was moved to the President for the able and impartial manner in which the business of the Conference had been conducted.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Victorian A.A.A. for its arrangements for the Conference, and to the Amateur Sports Club of Victoria and the Chamber of Manufacturers for the provision of Meeting Rooms for the Conference.

36. CLOSURE

The President in closing the Conference thanked the Delegates for their concentration and for the cordial manner in which the matters at issue had been debated.

ARTHUR J. HODSDON,

Honorary Secretary-Treasurer

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1955

| <u>Expenditure</u> | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | <u>Income</u> | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
|--|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Affiliation Fees:- | | | Affiliation Fees: | | |
| International Amateur Athletic Federation | 18 16 8 | | Constituent Associations | 25 4 0 | |
| Australian Olympic Federation | 2 2 0 | | Australian Women's A.A.U. | 8 14 7 | 33 18 7 |
| Aust. British Empire Games Assn. | <u>5 5 0</u> | 26 3 8 | Registration Dues: | | |
| Bank Charges | | 2 9 3 | A.A.A. of New South Wales | 72 14 0 | |
| Cables | | 5 15 7 | Queensland A.A.A. | 17 1 0 | |
| Depreciation | | 7 10 0 | South Australian A.A.A. | 13 6 0 | |
| Duplicating Printing & Stationery:- | | | Tasmanian A.A.A. | 15 18 0 | |
| Minutes of 1955 Conference | 30 0 0 | | Victorian A.A.A. | 145 4 0 | |
| Sundries | <u>69 4 2</u> | 99 4 9 | Western Australian A.A.A. | <u>26 13 0</u> | 290 16 0 |
| Entertainment Expenses | | 2 2 3 | Sale of Union Publications | | |
| General Expenses | | | Almanac | 61 12 6 | |
| Publication Complimentary Issues | 9 14 0 | | Handbook | <u>18 4 0</u> | 79 16 6 |
| Almanac Complimentary Issues | 16 13 4 | | Sundry Receipts | | 24 1 0 |
| Handbook Complimentary Issues | 4 7 6 | | | | |
| Sundries | <u>14 2 1</u> | 44 16 11 | | | |
| Honoraria:- | | | | | |
| Typist | 12 12 0 | | | | |
| Secretary-Treasurer | <u>50 0 0</u> | 62 12 0 | | | |
| Insurance | | 1 5 0 | | | |
| Library | | 9 6 1 | | | |
| Postages & Telegrams | | 32 18 1 | | | |
| Publications: | | | | | |
| Almanac | 57 16 2 | | | | |
| Handbook | 25 16 2 | | | | |
| Telephone: Rental | <u>11 12 8</u> | | | | |
| Calls | <u>3 9 2</u> | 15 1 8 | | | |
| Trophies: | | | | | |
| World Record Plaques | 8 17 10 | | | | |
| Record Certificates | <u>3 5 7</u> | 12 3 5 | | | |
| Surplus for Year transferred to Accumulated Fund | | <u>23 11 1</u> | | | |
| | | <u>£428 12 1</u> | | | <u>£428 12 1</u> |

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st Decmber, 1955

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| <u>Liabilities</u> | | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | <u>Assets</u> | | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. | |
|---|--|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|--|-----------------------|----|----|----|------|-----|----|---|
| <u>Affiliation Fees Prepaid</u> | | | | | 6 | 6 | 0 | <u>Cash In Hand</u> | | 40 | 5 | 8 | | | | |
| <u>Officers Expenses Fund:-</u> | | | | | | | | Co-Ordinating Committee | | 5 | 0 | 0 | | | | |
| Balance as at Jan. 1, 1955 | | 77 | 1 | 7 | | | | C'wealth Trading Bank of Australia | | 80 | 4 | 4 | 125 | 10 | 0 | |
| Transfer from Accumulated Fund | | 85 | 0 | 0 | | | | <u>Debtors</u> Co-Ordinating Committee | | 1 | 6 | 3 | | | | |
| | | 162 | 1 | 7 | | | | Victorian A.A.A. | | 6 | 14 | 9 | 8 | 1 | 0 | |
| Loss Adelaide Conference Expenses | | 95 | 0 | 1 | 67 | 1 | 6 | <u>Accruements</u> Registration Dues | | | | | 267 | 16 | 0 | |
| <u>Sundry Creditor</u> | | | | | | | 15 | 0 | <u>Stocks</u> Badges | | 77 | 15 | 6 | | | |
| <u>Accumulated Fund</u> | | | | | | | | | Certificates | | 20 | 5 | 0 | | | |
| Balance as at January 1, 1955 | | 611 | 19 | 10 | | | | | Modallions | | 22 | 14 | 3 | | | |
| Transfer to Officers Expenses Fund | | 85 | 0 | 0 | | | | | Modallion Cases | | 26 | 4 | 11 | | | |
| | | 526 | 19 | 10 | | | | | Publications | | 13 | 11 | 3 | | | |
| Plus Surplus for Year as per Income & Expenditure Account | | 23 | 11 | 1 | 550 | 10 | 11 | | Stationery | | 32 | 5 | 6 | 192 | 16 | 5 |
| | | | | | | | | | <u>Equipment</u> | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Blacks - Certificates | | 15 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Dues Modallion | | 10 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Typewriter | | 5 | 10 | 0 | 30 | 10 | 0 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2624 | 13 | 5 | |
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A. J. HODSDON.
Honorary Treasurer

I have examined the Books of Account and relative documents of the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia and certify that the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account correctly set out the financial position of the Union as at the 31st December, 1955.

H. G. CARRUTHERS, F.A.S.A.
Honorary Auditors