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First Session	-	Wednesday, March 21st	9.34 am to 12.45 pm
Second Session	-	Wednesday, March 21st	2.00 pm to 5.45 pm
Third Session	-	Wednesday, March 21st	7.40 pm to 9.30 pm
Fourth Session	-	Thursday, March 22nd	9.17 am to 12.45 pm
Fifth Session	-	Thursday, March 22nd	2.00 pm to 6.00 pm

FIRST DAY - MARCH 21st

1. OPENING OF CONFERENCE

The Conference was declared open by the President who welcomed the Officers and Delegates.

The Conference resolved to admit Mr. Thomas Houghton of New South Wales as an observer for the duration of the proceedings.

2. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND DELEGATES

There were present:-

Officers: President - C.R. Aitken C.D.E.; Vice-Presidents - T.C. Blue and A.W. McDonald; Honorary Secretary-Treasurer - A.J. Hodsdon, M.D.E.; Honorary Assistant Secretary-Treasurer - C.D. Lee.

Delegates: A.A.A. of New South Wales - R.M. Durie, J.H. Hanman; Queensland A.A.A. - J.D. Bailey, T.C. Blue; South Australia - M.R. Aitken, E.R. Graham; Tasmania - E.W. Darwick, N.J. Ruddock; Victoria - L.B. Curnow, A.W. McDonald; Western Australia - U.W. Groom, F.T. Treacy.

3. IN MEMORIAM

The President referred to the deaths since last Conference of two prominent members of Member Associations. These were Mr. George Soper of the A.A.A. of New South Wales and Mr. Frederick A. Rose of the Tasmanian A.A.A. The sympathy of the Union had been already conveyed to the relatives, and the Conference stood in silence in their memory.

4. ADMISSION OF PRESS AND BROADCASTING REPRESENTATIVES

It was resolved to admit press and broadcasting representatives to the Conference, subject to their not reporting the substance of any discussion held in camera, and to submitting for approval any statement on controversial issues.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 44th CONFERENCE.

It was resolved that the printed Minutes of the Union's 44th Conference at Perth on March 20th and 21st 1972 be confirmed as a true record.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

United States Athletes (Page 7): The Secretary-Treasurer reported that he had written again on the matter to the A.A.U. of the United States, and had received advice that Mr. Lancaster was experiencing financial difficulties but would endeavour to make recompense in due course. It was agreed that, if no payment was received a further letter would be sent in a few months time.

Ministries of Sport (Page 7) It was agreed to defer this matter for full scale discussion under General Business.

Indemnity re Injury or Sickness (Page 31): It was decided to accept a recommendation from the Conference of Secretaries that action be taken to include on registration cards an indemnity clause in respect of injuries or sickness sustained whilst competing.

Australian Schoolboy Championships (Page 32): The Secretary-Treasurer reported that, as the anticipated sponsor was no longer interested the proposed Australian Schoolboy Championships were now no longer practicable.

Five Star Award Scheme (Page 32): Mr. Curnow in a brief report indicated that no conclusive progress had been made towards the launching of the Five Star Award Scheme. It appears that the National Fitness Council is considering in conjunction with

education authorities a not dissimilar scheme involving other sports in addition to Athletics, but no finality had been reached. It was decided to add to the A.A.U. Committee, Mr. J. K. Faulkner of South Australia who is operating, with assistance from the Shell Company of Australia, a similar scheme in that State.

Richard Coombes Shield (Page 93): It was decided that the State winning the Richard Coombes Shield at the 1973 Championships would have the trophy renovated and would submit the account to the Union for payment.

A.A.U. Singlet (Page 93): The Secretary-Treasurer informed the Conference that the Melbourne firm of Phillip Kyj & Co. could provide a singlet which conformed to the Union R and it was left to the Secretary-Treasurer and the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer to arrange for the manufacture and purchase of a suitable holding stock.

The Conference was informed that other matters arising from the Minutes of the 14th Conference were listed in the Agenda under the appropriate headings.

7. STOPWATCHES

Mr. J. H. Hanman reported to the Conference that he had directed to the Chronographer of each Member Association an enquiry as to the specifications for watches used to time sporting events accepted by him, and as to the method of testing normally followed. Some had not replied He recommended to the Conference that the Union adopt the standards promulgated for application in this field by the Horological Guild of Australia, and this was agreed to. The standards are printed as Appendix D of these Minutes.

Mr. Hanman was thanked for his valuable work in an important but not well understood sector of athletics administration.

8. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Secretary-Treasurer reported that seven Mail Votes of the Executive Committee had been conducted since the 1972 Conference, Voting Papers had in most cases been returned promptly and the results of each vote had been circulated to Member Associations..... Opportunity was taken to stress the need, in a case where an Executive Member is to be absent for an extended period, to inform the Union and to furnish a forwarding address. It was decided that the present Law should be examined before next Conference with a view to devising a simple method of appointing a proxy member where this became necessary..... Mr. Treacy expressed dissatis-

faction at the long delay in finalising the appeal by G.D. Wilson against a decision of the Western Australian A.A.A. Mr. McDonald, on behalf of the Appeals Committee, explained that much of the delay was occasioned by the unsatisfactory way in which the evidence was presented. It was agreed that the Appeals Committee would examine ways and means of streamlining present procedures.

9. OBSERVANCE OF UNION LAWS & RULES

Amendment to Laws & Rules: The Secretary-Treasurer stated that once again the Constitution & Rules Committee had found it necessary to reconstruct a number of crudely worded Notices of Motion.

Citations of Qualifications: It was stated that the standard form now in use had proved generally effective in improving the presentation of relevant factual information in connection with applications for positions.

Accreditations: Accreditations both from and to overseas continued to increase in number. An appreciable percentage of athletes proceeding overseas quite inexcusably postponed making the necessary application for accreditation until an inconveniently late moment.

Notification of Potential Records: The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the requirement of General Rule 247 to notify potential records was being reasonably observed, and the prescribed penalty had been applied in cases of failure to do so. Difficulties continued to occur however in connection with International Records made by members of Australian Teams. It was agreed that these should be a direct responsibility of Team Managers, and that this requirement should be incorporated in the duties listed in Appendix 7 of the A.A.U. Handbook. In the case of athletes travelling without a Manager or living overseas (including holders of scholarships) the responsibility was an individual one. It was suggested that the Secretary-Treasurer should examine the present Rule with a view to submitting a proposal for the substitution of a statistical List of Best Performances Overseas for the present List of International Records.

Overseas Invitations: The Secretary-Treasurer expressed his concern that, despite the decisions reached at Brisbane two years ago on the form of operation as between the Union and Athletics International, and despite the terms thereof had been conveyed to both Athletics International (N.S.W.) and Athletics International (Victoria), it had happened that on two occasions recently, Athletics International (N.S.W.) had made direct requests to the Union to invite overseas athletes to compete at the Track and Field Championships of Australia. These requests

had been refused until referred to, approved by and channeled through the A.S.A. of New South Wales.

Generally satisfactory performance by Member Associations in regard to the submission of Championship Reports and Record Applications, and the payment of Affiliation Fees and Registration Dues was reported by the Secretary-Treasurer, who added also that the Union's Olympic Team Manager had submitted a splendid Report on Australia's Munich Athletics Team.

10. CONFERENCE OF STATE SECRETARIES

Consideration of the Minutes of the 1972 Conference of State Secretaries was deferred to General Business.

11. REGISTRATIONS

The following Statement of Registrations for the year 1972-73 was tabled:-

	<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 31.12.72 (Actual)	4602	1205	665	726	5940	807	14225
3 Months to 31.3.73 (Estimated)	<u>145</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>135</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>177</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>659</u>
1972-73 (Part Estimated)	<u>4827</u>	<u>1260</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>816</u>	<u>6117</u>	<u>897</u>	<u>14884</u>
1971-72	<u>4618</u>	<u>1091</u>	<u>915</u>	<u>660</u>	<u>6055</u>	<u>909</u>	<u>14256</u>
Increase or Decrease of 1972-73 over 1971-72	<u>209</u>	<u>169</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>620</u>
% Increase or Decrease of 1972-73 over 1971-72	<u>4.5</u>	<u>15.5</u>	<u>9.3</u>	<u>22.2</u>	<u>0.5</u>	<u>1.30</u>	<u>4.4</u>
Percentages:							
1972-73	32.4	8.5	6.7	8.5	40.9	6.0	100
1971-72	32.4	7.7	6.4	7.7	42.5	6.4	100

- Notes: (1) Included in the Registrations for 1972-73 are 2109 (1971-72:1956) athletes aged under 12 years from the following States: N.S.W. 1275 (1394); Qld - 392 (293); S.A. - 125 (79); Tas - 270 (201); Vic - (-); W.A. - 47 (49)
- (2) Included also in the Registrations for 1972-73 are 1132 (1971-72 : 1126) Officials from the following States: NSW - 360 (393); Qld - 117 (114); S.A. - 60 (59); Tas - 66 (57); Vic - 409 (444); W.A. - 120 (119)

(Registration Statistics covering the years 1947-48 to 1972-73 are printed as Appendix D to these Minutes.)

Australian Women's A.A.U. Registrations by States for 1972 (to 31.12.72) were: N.S.W. - 2502 (2401); Qld - 317 (295); S.A. - 409 (423); Tas - 310 (390); Vic - 2104 (1905); W.A. - 371 (399); Total - 6113 (5914).

12. INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR ATHLETIC FEDERATION

Matters Arising from 1972 Conference: (1) Oceania Group Rules (page 10) - The Secretary-Treasurer reported that at the Munich Congress the draft Oceania Group Rules had been approved, thus becoming the first Group, other than the European Association, to complete this operation; (2) Financial Assistance to Council Members (page 11) - The Secretary-Treasurer stated that the principle of assisting Council Members who travelled long distances to Council Meetings had now been definitely accepted, and it was expected that in 1973 and thereafter (though not in Congress years) there would be such assistance, though the extent of same had yet to be determined.

Report of A.A.U. Delegates to I.A.A.F. 20th Congress and Minutes of Congress: A comprehensive Report by the Union's Delegates (Messrs A.J. Hodsdon and G.D. Stringer, and Mrs. D.J. Magee) on the 20th Congress of the I.A.A.F. at Munich on August 30th and September 10th and 11th 1972 was tabled and received, and the Delegates were thanked for their work. Also tabled was a single copy, only recently received of the Minutes of the Congress. The Secretary-Treasurer advised that he had ordered sufficient additional copies of the Minutes of Congress to be able to send one to each Association

A suggestion of the Secretary-Treasurer was accepted that the sections of the Delegates' Report - and of the Congress Minutes relating to Amateur Status, Competition Rules and the Olympic Games be considered by the Conference under those headings.

The Delegates Report mentioned that, in addition to Australia, only New Zealand and Papua New Guinea of the Oceania Group Countries were represented at the Congress.... The Veterans Pin of the Federation was awarded to Mrs. Magee, who is thus the fourth Australian to be so honoured.... Following a sometimes acrimonious debate, it was resolved to adopt a Council recommendation to maintain the present position of the South African member for a further two years.

Several Constitutional Amendments were agreed to, including a decision that all questions concerning Road Running shall be referred to the Technical Committee (Rule B (d)) a reframing of

Rule C (e) clarifying the nature and functioning of the Medical Committee, and a clarifying of Rule 12 relating to the qualifying of competitors for various types of International Competition.

29th Congress, Rome 1974: The Secretary-Treasurer was directed to submit to the I.A.A.F. for consideration at its 29th Congress at Rome in September 1974 any matters which might be resolved at this Conference.

Oceania Regional Group: The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the III Congress of the Oceania Regional Group would be held at Christchurch in January 1974 at the time of the British Commonwealth Games. He pointed out that Australia had an entitlement of three Delegates, and stated that he had advised the A.W.A.A.U. that one Delegate could be recommended to the Union by it. It was understood that Mrs. D. I. Magee had been named, and this nomination was endorsed by the Conference. Member Associations had been invited to submit nominations for the remaining two positions on the Delegation. The nominations received were those of Messrs. J. W. Cook (Queensland), L. D. Gurnow (Victoria) and G. D. Lee (New South Wales). Following a ballot, Messrs Gurnow and Lee were declared elected.

Walking Judges: The Secretary-Treasurer stated that Reports received from the New South Wales, Victorian and Western Australian Associations indicated a satisfactory level of activity on the part of International Walking Judges in those States. A verbal report by South Australia disclosed that, due to ill-health, Mr. P. S. McGavanagh had officiated on only three occasions, and that Mr. V. D. Sharp had been in attendance on only eight occasions. It was agreed that the South Australian A.A.A. should advise Mr. Sharp that concern was felt at the few occasions on which he had been active.

19. AMATEUR STATUS & OTHER ELIGIBILITY MATTERS

26th Congress of the I.A.A.F.: Attention was drawn to the adoption at the Munich Congress of the I.A.A.F. of the following new Eligibility Rule 53 (xiii): "(Any person who, since reaching the age of sixteen); (xiii) enters into a contract or agreement to compete as a professional athlete (is ineligible to take part in competitions under I.A.A.F. Rules)."

Scholarship Accreditations: The Secretary-Treasurer reported that happily the number of accreditations sought by Australian athletes to take up 'sporting scholarships' at American Universities were fewer than in other recent years.

Orienteering: A letter from the A.A.A. of New South Wales indicated the difficulties involved in following the procedure laid down in Law 116(a), which required the taking of a Statutory Declaration after each competition. The president ruled that the Orienteering Association should forward on the 1st October of each year a Statutory Declaration to its State Amateur Athletic Association to the effect that no money prizes were offered or given for its events during the preceding twelve months.

Money Prizes to Clubs: The President reiterated his ruling given in September 1972 that a competition carrying a money prize or prizes which could be won by a club or clubs but not by the competing athletes was not permissible under the Rules - a ruling in which the I.A.A.F. had expressed its concurrence..... A Sub-Committee of Messrs. M.J. Aitken, A.W. McDonald and N.J. Ruddock was appointed to draft a Rule for submission to the 1974 Conference relating to money prizes to Clubs.

Amateur Status Exceptions: It was successfully moved by the Tasmanian A.A.A. that Law 116 (i) be amended by the substitution of "expenses or fees" for "expenses (as distinct from fees and as limited by Law 115m)".

Reinstatement as a Non-Competing Amateur: It was resolved on a motion by the Secretary-Treasurer to amend Law 110(d) by altering the words "five years" to "three years".

Accreditations: It was resolved, on a motion by the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, "that, for the sake of administrative convenience, and in order to ensure a minimum of inconvenience to athletes affected by General Rules 257(b) and 259, there shall be appointed, pursuant to Law 109(s), a Committee of one nominated person from each State Association who shall be empowered to act individually to grant an athlete permission to compete under these Rules..... Having granted such permission, the Committee Member concerned shall immediately notify the Secretary-Treasurer of the Union and shall send all relative papers to him. Each State Association shall keep the Secretary-Treasurer advised of the person who is its nominee on such Committee."

Juvenile Athletics & Veteran Athletics: It was agreed, on a motion by the Secretary-Treasurer that the Union would recommend to the I.A.A.F. the issue of a "guide-line" statement to assist National Governing Bodies in policing the sport in the fields of both juvenile athletics and veteran athletics, with particular reference to a tendency to take liberties in those areas with the Laws of Amateur Status.

Amateur Status of Children: The Victorian A.A.A. requested that the Conference discuss the application, if any, of the Laws of the Union concerning Amateur Status, and the infringement of same by children under the age of 16 years. If it is considered that the Laws are not applicable to children under the age of 12 years, Victoria asked that the Conference consider whether the Union, or an Association, could properly deal with a club, officer or member, which or who counselled or sanctioned conduct by a club which, if the latter had been over 12 years, would have infringed his amateur status..... No final conclusion on the matter was reached by the Conference.

The Tasmanian A.A.A. Delegates raised the question of what constituted a schoolboy, schoolgirl or child, as in fact many boys and girls were still attending school at 17 and 18 years of age. It was agreed that this matter would be first further discussed by the Conference of Secretaries.

14. COMPETITION RULES

Matters Arising from 1972 Conference: (1) Proposed Amendments to I.A.A.F. Rules (Page 12) - The Secretary-Treasurer reported that nothing concrete had transpired arising from the items submitted in February 1971 to the I.A.A.F. for consideration at the Munich Congress, except that some modification of Rule 115 (Jury of Appeal) had been made; (2) Standard Time Tables for Games (page 13) - It appeared that as yet no action had been taken by the I.A.A.F. upon the proposal that a Special Committee be appointed to prepare recommended standard daily timetables for Athletics Games of three, four, five, six and nine days duration; (3) Walking Procedures (Page 14) - The Secretary-Treasurer reported that no action had yet been taken to revise (if found necessary) Circular Letter No. 15 of 1967 dealing with walking procedures; (4) Junior and Sub-Junior Scoring Tables (Page 28) - It was agreed that the matter of formulating Scoring Tables for Junior and Sub-Junior Events, referred at the 1972 Conference to the Technical Committee, be now transferred to the Scoring Tables and Standards Committee.

(End of First Session of the Conference)

20th Congress of the I.A.A.F.: It was noted that the Munich Congress had adopted a large number of amendments to the Federation's Athletic Rules, and that these would be effective on and from the 1st May 1973. The Union's Technical Committee is to investigate and report upon possible amendments to A.A.U. Competition Rules 301, 302 and 303 arising therefrom.

It was noted further that the Delegates' Report referred to a number of matters still under consideration by the I.A.A.F. including the standardisation of track markings (which is the subject of a notice of motion for consideration later at this Conference) and track tolerances. With regard to the latter the Conference felt that the Union's proposed amendment of Rule 161-6 should be submitted yet again to the Federation. The Conference noted also that Member Countries are asked to continue experiments with relay zones with a view to possible further changes in the Rules.

Technical Committee Report: A Report by the Technical Committee upon matters dealt with during 1972-73 was tabled and received and the Committee was thanked for its, as usual, excellent work.....The newly drafted Pentathlon/Decathlon Record Application Form had been carefully examined and amended, though it would now be further affected by rule alterations made at Munich..... A re-draft by the South Australian A.A.A. of the General Record Application Form into two separate forms, one for track events and one for field events is to be referred to the Committee..... The Committee requested that advice be sought from Mr. J.H. Hanman on the possible modernising of A.A.U. Competition Rule 312 (Testing of Watches) in view of present day electronic and quartz devices.

Officials Committee Report: The Convenor of the Officials Committee, Mr. L.C. Curnow, reported upon the Committee's first year of operation. After having made a careful survey of what was being done by State Associations in the training of officials, Mr. Curnow recommended that a meeting of the Committee be held at Union expense in order to lay down a firm basis for the carrying out of the Committee's charter. This was agreed to and it was suggested that the meeting be held at the time of the next Conference of Secretaries. Mr. Curnow was thanked for his valuable work.

Track Markings: The Victorian A.A.A. submitted a recommended set of track and plinth standard markings, to which some amendments were proposed by the A.A.A. of New South Wales. It is agreed to refer the matter to the Technical Committee for examination of the proposals already received and of any others that may be submitted.

15. COACHING

Matter Arising from 1972 Conference: The Secretary-Treasurer stated that there had been no further developments in the I.A.A.F. Scheme for the Appointment of Regional Coaches.

Plan for National Coach Under Rothman Sponsorship: Following discussions by the Secretary-Treasurer and the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer with Rothmans National Sport Foundation,

The Union's Coaching Co-ordinating Committee had been asked to prepare a draft submission as to how the appointment of a National Athletics Coach could be undertaken and how such a coach would operate. It was agreed to defer further consideration of the matter until the Report of the Special Meeting at Sydney on 20.9.73 came before the Conference.

16. SELECTION

Report of Selection Committee: A brief Selection Committee Report upon activities during 1972-73 was tabled..... Mr. C.H. Gardiner (Victoria), a member of the Selection Committee since 1953 and its Convenor in recent years, had indicated that for personal reasons he wished to retire before the expiry of his three years term. The Conference resolved to place on record its appreciation of his devoted work for the Union over a long period.

Selection Committee: A motion by the A.A.A. of New South Wales to delete Law 129 and substitute the following was lost: "(a) At the Annual Conference of the Union held in a year immediately following an Olympic Games or a British Commonwealth Games, there shall be elected a Selection Committee of five members. The members of this Committee shall hold office for a period of two years. Retiring members of the Committee shall be eligible for re-election. Nominations shall be in writing stating the qualifications of each nominee and shall close with the Secretary-Treasurer forty-two days prior to the date of the Annual Conference. Such nominations shall be mailed by him to each Association at least twenty-eight days before the date of the Annual Conference. No two members of the Committee shall be resident in the territory of the same Association; (b) in the event of a vacancy occurring, nominations in writing shall be invited from Member Associations and shall close twenty-one days prior to the election, which shall be conducted by a Mail Vote of Associations."

The Queensland A.A.A. moved unsuccessfully that the first four sentences of Law 129 be deleted and the following substituted: "There shall be elected at each Annual Conference held in an odd-numbered year a Selection Committee of three members, no two of whom shall be resident in the territory of the same Association. Such Committee shall continue in office until the second Annual Conference following its appointment or until a new Committee is appointed."

It was resolved on a motion by the Queensland A.A.A. that the last sentence of Law 129 be amended by adding "and at the same time to Member Associations" after "Selection Committee". It was further agreed that the policy referred to shall be defined each year.

17. AUSTRALIAN RECORDS

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

(A) Australian Open Records

<u>Running:</u>			
100 Metres	10.1	G.D. Lewis (V)	11.11.72 Melbourne
800 Metres	1-26.6	G.L. Rootham (N)	26. 3.72 Perth
<u>Hurdling:</u>			
400 Metres	49.4	G.J. Knoke (N)	19. 3.72 Melbourne
400 Metres	49.4	G.J. Knoke (N)	26. 3.72 Perth
<u>Jumping & Vaulting:</u>			
Pole Vault	(17' 1")	5.20 S. Caruthers (USA)	19. 3.72 Melbourne
<u>Relay Running:</u>			
4 x 1500 Metres	15-40.4	J. Hancock } P.A. Glucina } G.L. Rootham } J. Scott }	St. George District A.A.C. (N) 31. 1.72 Sydney

(B) Australian National Records

<u>Running:</u>			
100 Metres	10.1	G.D. Lewis (V)	11.11.72 Melbourne
800 Metres	1-26.6	G.L. Rootham (N)	26. 3.72 Perth
<u>Hurdling:</u>			
400 Metres	49.4	G.J. Knoke (N)	19. 3.72 Melbourne
400 Metres	49.4	G.J. Knoke (N)	26. 3.72 Melbourne
<u>Putting & Throwing:</u>			
Shot Put	(56' 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ")	17.34 R.E. Rigby (V)	26. 3.72 Perth
Shot Put	(56' 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ")	17.34 R.E. Rigby (V)	9.12.72 Melbourne
<u>Relay Running - National, Association & Club Teams:</u>			
4 x 1500 Metres	15-40.4	J. Hancock } P.A. Glucina } G.L. Rootham } J. Scott }	St. George District A.A.C. (N) 31. 1.72 Sydney
<u>Relay Running - Association Team:</u>			
4 x 100 Metres	40.1	G.D. Lewis } B.F. Minehan } G. Haskell } P.G. Norman }	Victorian A.A.A. (V) 11. 3.72 Melbourne

(C) Australian Junior Records

<u>Running:</u>			
1500 Metres	3-47.8	T.B. O'Shaughnessy (V)	27.2.72 Melbourne
<u>Relay Running - Club Team:</u>			
4 x 400 Metres	3-21.0	P. Souter } D.R. Catt } M.J. Darragh } P.J. Grant }	Box Hill A.A.C. (V) 5.3.72 Melbourne

(D) Australian Sub-Junior RecordsWalking:

3000 Metres 13-11.0 R.A. Miller(V) 20. 2.72 Melbourne

Putting & Throwing:

Hammer Throw (18'8") 56.90 G.D. Farmer (N) 28.11.72 Sydney

Records Disallowed: It was resolved, because of unsatisfactory watch test data, to disallow the following Australian Junior Records:

2 Miles 8-50.6 T.B. O'Shaughnessy (V) 8.2.72 Geelong

1500 Metres

Steeplechase 4-07.0 P.A. Larkins (V) 8.2.72 Geelong

Record in Abeyance: It was resolved that, subject to satisfactory completion of the required form by the Western Australian A.A.A. S.B. Stingemore's time of 8-21.4 on 4.11.72 at Perth, would be recognised as an Australian Junior Record.

18. AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Matter Arising from 1972 Conference: Distribution of Championship Profits (page 20): The Report of the Special Committee (of Messrs. Durie, Hanman and Lee) appointed to examine Western Australia's motion for distribution to Associations of a percentage of the profits of Australian Track & Field Championship Meetings on a formula related to travel costs was received. The Committee considered the proposal impractical, and submitted an alternative one. The latter was felt not to embody in any way the basic principles of the original proposal, and Mr. Lee was permitted to withdraw the notice of motion submitted by him on behalf of the Committee.

Reports on 1972 Championships: Reports by the Western Australian A.A.A. and by the Championships Technical Committee on the 1972 Track and Field Championships, by the same Association on the 1972 20 Kilometres Road Walk Championship, and by the A.A.A. of New South Wales on the 1972 Marathon Championship were tabled and received. It was resolved to record appreciation to the two Associations on the Successful conduct of these Meetings.

The attention of Conference was drawn to the fact that the Western Australian A.A.A. had conducted its Marathon Championship on the same date as the Australian title event in Sydney, and it was agreed that in future no Association would conduct a "clashing" championships on the date of an Australian event.

Jury of Appeal: Messrs. A.J. Hodsdon, A.W. McDonald and F.T. Treacy were appointed the Jury of Appeal for the 1973 Track and Field Championships, and the President

appointed Mr. L.B. Curnow to represent him at the drawing of lanes for semi-finals and finals.

Time-Table for 1973 Championships: Mr. M.R. Aitken raised the question of the way in which heats had been drawn for some events at the forthcoming Championships, allowing only two instead of three competitors to proceed to the next round. It was resolved to appoint a sub-Committee of Messrs Aitken and Durie to discuss with the Championship Organising Committee the possibility of having this matter reviewed.

Recapitulation of Venues for 1973 Championships: The following dates for the 1973 Championships had already been determined: Track and Field Championships, Sydney, March 3-25; 50 Kilometres Road Walk Championships, Brisbane, May 26; 10,000 Metres Cross-country Championships, Melbourne July 7; Marathon Championship, Perth September 8. The Queensland A.A.A. sought permission to transfer the 50 Kilometres Road Walk Championship to August 11, and this was granted.

19. BRITISH COMMONWEALTH GAMES SELECTION TRIALS

It was resolved at this stage to review trial arrangements for selection of the Team to represent Australia at the British Commonwealth Games in January-February 1974 at Christchurch. Dates previously arranged were: Marathon Championship Perth, September 8; 20 Miles Walk Trial, Canberra, September 22; and Track and Field Trials, Melbourne, October 25-27. (It was decided at the 1972 Conference that the latter would be held, if possible, in November, but alteration to October had become necessary to meet the requirements of the Australian British Commonwealth Games Association.)

20. AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Resumed)

Fixing of Dates for 1974 Championships: There was discussion as to whether the 1974 Track and Field Championships could be combined, as in 1972, with the Australian Women's Championships and it was agreed that the President with Messrs. Curnow and McDonald would approach the Australian Women's A.A.U. to discuss the matter. Subject to the outcome of such negotiations, the following allocation of the 1974 Championships was made: (1) Track and Field Championships, Melbourne, March 29-31; (2) Marathon Championship, Adelaide, September 14; (3) 20 Kilometres Road Walk Championship, Brisbane, with the date to be advised to the Union by June 30.

Allocation of 1975 Championships: The 1975 Championships were allocated as follows: (1) Track and Field Championships, Hobart provided adequate facilities are available,

- (2) 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championships, Adelaide;
- (3) 50 Kilometres Road Walk Championship, Perth.

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Cross-Country Championships: It was resolved, on a motion by the Queensland A.A.A. to amend Law 174 by adding after "The Marathon Championship of Australia", the words "and the 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championship of Australia", and by also adding, at the end, the following sentence: "A 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Junior Championship of Australia shall be held in conjunction with the 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championship of Australia."

The following consequential amendments were then resolved: (1) Law 175 - Delete "10,000 Metres Cross-Country" from the first sentence, and the whole of the second sentence ("A 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Junior Championship of Australia shall be held in conjunction with the Australian 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championship; (2) Law 176 - Delete "The 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championship and " from the first line, and alter "the same odd-numbered year" to "each odd-numbered year" in the third line, and "the alternate year" to "each even-numbered year" in the fourth line; (3) Law 177 - Add, before "The Marathon Championship" (in two places) the words "the 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championship (including the 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Junior Championship)".

The 1974 Cross-Country Championships of Australia were allocated to the Western Australian A.A.A., The Association undertaking to submit a proposed date within 30 days.

Victory Ceremonies at Track & Field Championships: The Assistant Secretary-Treasurer successfully moved, on behalf of the Conference of Secretaries, that General Rule 212(b) be rescinded and the following substituted: "The medallion for both open and junior Championships shall be presented as soon as possible after the event. The form of the presentation shall be at the discretion of the President of the Union. The competitors who have been judged first second and third shall take their places in competition costume on the Victory Dais, and the flag of the State of the winner shall be hoisted on the central flagpole. For open championships only, a fanfare shall be sounded".

Cross-Country Championships - Date: It was resolved, on a motion by the Victorian A.A.A. to adopt the following new General Rule 222A: "The 10,000 Metres Cross-Country Championship of Australia shall be held between the 15th July and the 15th August".

Cross-Country Championships - Additional Competitors:

It was resolved, on a motion by the Victorian A.A.A. to amend General Rule 224 by adding, after "Individual competitors", the words "not to exceed fourteen in number".

20 Kilometres Road Walk Championship - Date:

The Victorian A.A.A. moved successfully that the following new General Rule 236B be adopted: "The 20 Kilometres Road Walk Championship shall be held during the month of August."

Marathon Championship - Date:

The Victorian A.A.A. moved successfully that the following new General Rule 237A be adopted: "The Marathon Championship of Australia shall be held annually between the 15th August and the 15th September".

Marathon Championship - Additional Competitors:

It was resolved on a motion by the Victorian A.A.A. to amend General Rule 239 by adding, after "individual competitors", the words "not to exceed fourteen in number."

Marathon Championship - Entry Standard:

The Victorian A.A.A. was permitted to withdraw a motion that the second and subsequent sentences of General Rule 239 be deleted, and the following added to the first sentence: "which shall be the time of 2 hours 50 minutes, which performance shall be certified in writing by the relevant Association".

Marathon Championship - Venue Restriction:

The Victorian A.A.A. moved unsuccessfully that the following be added at the end of General Rule 241: "but shall not be held in either Western Australia or Queensland; however, a team consisting of a maximum of three members from each of such States, and who have all bettered the time of 2 hours 30 minutes for the event within the previous sixteen months, to participate in such Championship shall be subsidised by the Union by it paying tourist return air fare to the place in which the Championship is held, together with reasonable accommodation."

50 Kilometres Road Walk Championship - Date:

It was resolved, on a motion by the Victorian A.A.A. to adopt the following new General Rule 242A: "The 50 Kilometres Road Walk Championship of Australia shall be held during the first half of the month of August".

21. INTERNATIONAL TOURS

Matters Arising from 1972 Conference: (1) U.S.A. v

U.S.S.R. v World All Stars (Page 21) - As the 1971 Meeting at Berkeley was unlikely to be repeated, it was felt that no useful purpose would be served by discussing at this stage the need for warm-up competition; (2) Wills/Qantas Sponsored Tour

of 1972 (Page 22) - No full written Report had been prepared on the 1972 Wills/Qantas Tour of Australia by U.S.A. and Kenyan athletes. As the sponsors had indicated that a similar tour would not be undertaken in the immediate future it was decided that a detailed discussion thereon was not warranted;

(3) Proposed New Zealand Cross-Country Visit in 1973 - The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the New Zealand A.A.A. had apparently decided not to proceed with its plan to send a Cross-Country Team to Australia in 1973.

Athletes to Abroad: The Secretary-Treasurer reported that few Australian athletes had received overseas invitations during 1972. A. Harrison (replacing J. Farrington) had run creditably in San-Francisco's Bay-to-Breakers Race in May, A. Benson had competed very successfully during May-June in the U.S.A., and J. Farrington had won Czechoslovakia's Kosice Marathon in October, and had subsequently (in December) placed second in Japan's Fukuoka Marathon.... K. O'Brien, P. Fuller and G. Crouch had travelled to Europe during the Northern Hemisphere outdoor season, and had competed successfully. Fuller had had financial assistance from a Clarke Fund subsidy.

Athletes from Abroad: A New Zealander (J. Julian) and an American (B. Clark) had contested Sydney's City to Surf Race in August, but no other overseas athletes had been invited to Australia since the Track and Field Championships in Perth.

Team Officials: The Secretary-Treasurer reported briefly upon nominations received under A.A.U. Law 170 for Team Officials for overseas appointments during 1972.

International Tours (R.W. Clarke) Fund: The following motion by the Secretary-Treasurer was deferred pending examination by Mr. A.W. McDonald, on behalf of the Union, of the ways in which the income of the R.W. Clarke Foundation could be properly applied; "(1) That the Union enter into negotiations with the New Zealand A.A.A. for the inauguration, in the year following each British Commonwealth Games, of an Australia v New Zealand Track and Field Match involving both men and women athletes to a total of about 40 from each country, the match to be held alternately in New Zealand and Australia, and the first such match to be staged in New Zealand in 1975; (2) that, in each case, the visiting team be required to meet its internal travel costs within its own country and travel costs between Australia and New Zealand, and that the host country provide accommodation and internal costs in its country; (3) that I.A.A.F. daily allowance be not paid to members of either team; (4) that the Union consider whether the R.W. Clarke Foundation income, or part thereof, can be legitimately applied towards financing the Union's part of

the quadrennial venture; (5) that the discussions with the New Zealand A.A.A. include consideration of the possibility of inviting a small number - say 6 to 10 men and women athletes from the South Pacific Island Countries to compete in the Australia-New Zealand Match on a non-score basis, their travel costs to be charged against the Meeting".

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Australia v New Zealand Cross-Country Matches: It was resolved that a Victorian A.A.A. motion that the Union initiate regular Cross-Country matches between Australia and New Zealand be deferred for consideration when the matter of Track and Field Meetings between the two countries is discussed further.

International Cross-Country Championships: The Victorian A.A.A. was permitted to withdraw a motion that the Union send a team to represent Australia at the World Cross-Country Championships in alternate years, commencing in 1974.

22. PACIFIC CONFERENCE GAMES

Matters from 1972 Conference: (1) 11 Pacific Conference Games 1977 (Page 22) - It was agreed to defer further consideration of Australia's application to conduct the 11 Pacific Conference Games 1977 at Canberra pending the outcome of the endeavours of the President to arrange an audience with the Australian Prime Minister. (2) Fund Raising for 11 Pacific Conference Games Team (page 22) - The Secretary-Treasurer reported, on behalf of those entrusted at the 1972 Annual Conference with the appointment of a professional fund raiser for the requirements of the 1973 Pacific Conference Games Team, that it was felt that the fund target should be able to be reached without making such an appointment, and it was agreed to defer the matter for later consideration. (3) Pre-Games Competition for 11 Pacific Conference Games Team (Page 22) - The Secretary-Treasurer advised that a Pre-Games Australia v Japan meeting had been arranged to take place at Tokyo en route to Toronto, with the Japan Athletic Federation meeting costs in Tokyo as well as the fare differential of approximately \$40 per capita between Sydney-Toronto and Sydney-Tokyo-Toronto travel. This arrangement was approved by Conference.

Report of P.C.G. Permanent Council Delegates: The report of the Union's Delegates (Messrs A.J. Hodsdon and T.C. Blue) on a Meeting of the Pacific Conference Games Permanent Council held at Munich, Germany on August 25th 1972 was tabled and received. The Meeting had been concerned mainly with arrangements for the 11 Pacific Conference Games at Toronto on June 27th and 28th 1973. It was agreed that the programme of events

would be the same as in Tokyo in 1969, and that in the event of the Peoples Republic of China rejoining the I.A.A.F. before June 1973, Canada was authorised to invite participation by that nation..... The Meeting was informed that due to a pending general election in Australia, we could not at this date confirm our ability to conduct the III Pacific Conference Games in 1977 and it was agreed to defer a decision until next Meeting of the Permanent Council.

II Pacific Conference Games - Toronto 1973: (a) Selection of Team - It was resolved that the Australian Team for the II Pacific Conference Games would be named on the 26th March with a maximum number of twelve women in a team of thirty-five competitors. In the event of withdrawals, the Selectors would name replacements. (b) Team Officials - The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the Union's Officials Appointment Committee had named Mr. G.T. Briggs (Tasmania), Dr. W.H.G. Warr (Victoria) and Mr. J.W.E. Pross (New South Wales) as respectively General Manager, Assistant Manager and Co-ordinator of Training to the Team, and that Mrs. M. Cahill (South Australia) had been recommended by the Australian Women's A.A.U. as Assistant Manager - Women. This recommendation was endorsed..... The Fifth team official would be one of the Union's two Permanent Council Members, Messrs. Curnow and Hodsdon. Mr. Hodsdon explained that he was doubtful of being available as he would probably be moving home about the time of departure of the Team, and asked that Mr. Curnow be named for the remaining post, which was agreed to. He added that it was possible that he might make the trip to Toronto at his own expense. (3) Pre-Departure Training & Competition - It was resolved to ask the Universities whether it would be possible to fit into the programmes of their various meetings competition during April and May for Pacific Conference Games athletes. The Conference further requested that each State Association endeavour to ensure adequate competition for team members in the period prior to departure. (4) Finance - It was decided after discussion to reduce the fund raising target of \$20,000 decided at the 1971 Conference to \$12,000, and the Secretary-Treasurer was directed to promulgate the revised amount, plus a State Allocation based on the numbers (including officials) in the Team as finally selected. It was noted that New South Wales was the only State which appeared to have raised any funds to date, the amount in hand being upwards of \$1000.

23. OLYMPIC GAMES

Matters from 1972 Conference: (1) Pre-Olympic Games Competition (page 23) - The Secretary-Treasurer reported that efforts to arrange Pre-Games competition in Europe had finally resulted in the acceptance of invitations to compete

at Viareggio (Italy) and Warsaw (Poland). This had been done in consultation with the Union's Athletics Manager. He added that it was questionable whether either venture had proved worthwhile in terms of improved performance. (2) Women's Walk at Olympic Games (Page 23) - Mr. Hodsdon as leader of the Union's Congress Delegation, advised that because of the pending elimination of men's walking from the Olympic Games Programme, it would have been futile to seek the introduction of walking events for women to the Games. (3) A.O.F. Training Subsidy (page 24) - The Secretary-Treasurer reported that after consultation with the President of the Union, the Olympic Team Athletics Manager and the Olympic Team Chief Coach, he had submitted to the Australian Olympic Federation two projects, designated Project "Coach" and Project "Competition", involving subsidies of \$205 and \$325 respectively. These had been approved by the Federation, and Project "Coach" had been successfully carried out by visits to Melbourne and Brisbane by Mr. Steward to check upon the preparation work by athletes from those States, but due to a late alteration of the departure point from Sydney to Melbourne, Project "Competition", entailing a meeting at Sydney on August 2nd 1972 for all team members, had had to be abandoned.

28th Congress of the I.A.A.F.: The Conference noted that a new set of I.A.A.F. Olympic Games Rules, to replace those printed in the Handbook up to the 1967-68 edition, had been adopted at the Munich Congress, and these would no doubt be printed in future editions.

Report of A.O.F. Delegates: The Union's Delegates to the Australian Olympic Federation tabled a Report on Meetings of the Federation held on May 12 and 13, 1972 and on March 11, 1973 at Melbourne.... The Financial Statement presented at the later Meeting disclosed that at the 31st December 1972 the excess of assets over liabilities was \$296,812. There was a complete change of Office-Bearers with Sir Edgar Tanner, Mr. S.B. Grange and Mr. J.L. Patching replacing Sir Harold Alderson, Mr. H.R. Weir and Sir Edgar Tanner as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Hon. Secretary-Treasurer respectively. Mr. D.H. MacKenzie replaced Mr. Grange as New South Wales Executive Member. The Olympic Games Preparation Sub-Committee set up at the 1972 Meeting was re-appointed, and will receive and examine applications for individual Unions for allocations of finance from an amount to be set aside for use in the preparation of Teams for the 1976 Olympic Games. Such submissions must be made by Unions not later than 1.10.74, and it was resolved that the matter of an application by the Union for assistance be referred to the Coaching Co-ordinating Committee and the Selection Committee for recommendation..... Another matter of interest to the Union was a decision that the Federation may grant assistance to a maximum of \$500 to

a Union to ensure its representation at Congresses of its International Body,.... The Federation decided also to seek the co-operation of its affiliated bodies to place before the new Ministry of Tourism and Recreation a case for assistance to amateur sport,.... The Reports on Australia's participation in the Olympic Games of 1972 at Sapporo and Munich were adopted and will be printed and circulated.... It was resolved that the Union submit for consideration at next A.O.F. Meeting a proposal to amend Rule 7 of its Constitution by altering "Honorary Secretary-Treasurer" to "Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer".

Mr. Blue made an appeal to Delegates to urge their Associations to take greater interest in the activities of the Australian Olympic Federation.

Report of Australia's Participation in Athletics at the Olympic Games of 1972: A very comprehensive and highly interesting Report by Mr. A.H. McIvor, the Manager of the Union's Team to the Munich Olympic Games was tabled and received, as also supplementary reports by the Chief Co-ordinator of Training, Mr. K.G. Steward, and the Assistant Co-ordinator of Training, Mr. J.H. Schubert. All three gentlemen were thanked for the able handling of the Team.

Matters arising from the recommendations contained in the Reports above referred to and generally from the experiences of the Athletics Team prior to and at Munich are dealt with below in the recommendations emanating from a Special Meeting to consider policies for future Teams held at Sydney on 20.3.73.

Recommendations of Special Meeting at Sydney on 20.3.73: The Conference considered the recommendations of a Special Meeting held at Sydney on 20.3.73 at which all Member Associations, the Australian Women's A.A.U., the A.A.U. Selection Committee and the Munich Athletics Team Management were all represented. The following substantive recommendations were adopted for future guidance.

1. That all teams selected to represent the Union be selected as late as practicable, having regard to the closing date of entries set by the host country and that the A.O.F. and the A.B.C.G.A. be advised accordingly.

2. That the Union inform the A.B.C.G.A. that, in view of our responsibility to select the best possible team to represent Australia at the 1974 British Commonwealth Games, it is imperative that final trials for team selection be not held before the first week-end of December 1973.

3. That to facilitate selection and to provide athletes with more opportunity for interstate competition, Member

Associations be asked to consider arranging a circuit of combined championships for men and women.

4. That in the final selection of International Teams of men and women athletes, the Union Selection Committee confer with the Selection Committee of the Australian Women's A.A.U.

5. That the rule concerning selection policy be rigidly observed and forthwith promulgated.

6. That, where practicable, Pre-Embarkation Trials be held within two weeks before departure.

7(a) That the Union's Coaching Co-ordinating Committee be instructed to report upon the framing of a policy for coaches to work in better harmony and to exchange papers and relevant information.

(b) That a Special Committee of three persons be appointed to negotiate with and submit an application to Rothmans National Sport Foundation for the engagement of a full-time coach and following the acceptance of such application to seek Union endorsement by Mail Vote of the conditions and terms of the appointment..... It was resolved that the Special Committee would consist of Messrs C.D. Lee (Convenor), R.N. Durie and R.H. Weinberg.

8. That each Member Association approach its Sports Medicine Organisation with a view to enlistment of its help in the coaching of athletes, particularly in the field of physiological evaluation.

9. That an endeavour be made to arrange for a deputation to wait upon the Prime Minister to point out the great need for a large financial appropriation to help bring Australian standards in Athletics closer to World Standards, such appropriation to be expended in: (a) building and maintaining modern tracks and other facilities of international standard; (b) financing Australian representative Teams; and (c) improving standards by any other means.

10. That it is not essential for Australian Track and Field Teams proceeding overseas to travel all in one group, that individual athletes or small groups of athletes should be able to accept invitations for Pre-Games competition, and that the Olympic Federation and the Commonwealth Games Association should recognise that athletes in different events may have differing requirements for arrival dates at a Games venue.

11. That the Union's Coaching Co-ordinating Committee be requested to investigate ways and means of arranging for a coach to be sent overseas periodically.

12. That the Union give authority to the Selection Committee to nominate promising young athletes to go overseas assisted by subsidies from the income of the R.W. Clarke Foundation.

13. That Delegates from those States which have not completed their contributions to the R.W. Clarke Foundation remind their Councils accordingly and exhort them to do their utmost to achieve their quotas.

XXI Olympic Games - Montreal 1976: The Secretary-Treasurer stated that at this stage there was nothing of importance to report regarding the Olympic Games of 1976.

(End of 4th Session of Conference)

24. BRITISH COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Report of A.B.C.G.A. Delegates: The Union's Delegates to the Australian British Commonwealth Games Association tabled a Report on the Meeting of the Association held on November 4th 1972 at Sydney, to which was appended as an Addendum a Report on a Meeting of the Association's Executive Committee at Sydney on 26.2.73..... The main business of both Meetings centres round Australia's representation at the X British Commonwealth Games at Christchurch in January 1974. It was agreed that the policy of the Association should be to send a full Team to the Games, but that Constituent Unions should nominate only athletes felt by them to be fully of Commonwealth standard. Nominations for competitors and team officials would close with the Association on 31.10.73, with the Association reserving the right to review all nominations in respect of factors other than athletic ability. It was agreed to close nominations for Headquarters Staff positions on 30.6.73..... The Union's two Delegates were thanked for their Reports.

The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the Australian Women's A.A.U. had made application for direct affiliation to the A.B.C.G.A., and the Association had referred the matter to the Union. It was resolved that if such affiliation were found to be practicable, the Union's Delegates would frame a suitable motion for consideration at next Conference of the Union.

Arising from a letter to the Union by the Victorian A.A.A. it was resolved that the Union move to have the A.B.C.G.A. Constitution amended to provide for the representation of the Commonwealth Games State bodies on the Association.

X British Commonwealth Games - Christchurch 1974: It was noted that the following matters concerning the 1974 Games had already been dealt with, the first two at this Conference and

the third at the 1972 Conference: (1) Selection Trials; (2) Team Preparation; and (3) Team Officials.... The Victorian A.A.A. reminded Delegates that it planned to promote a Post-Commonwealth Games International Meeting featuring Games athletes at Melbourne on the 4th February, 1974.

Selection Standards for Trials: It was unsuccessfully moved by the Victorian A.A.A. that during the month of August 1973, there shall be fixed by the Selection Committee, standards which competitors shall have at least equalled during the preceding period of twelve months in order to be eligible to enter and participate in the Selection Trials for the British Commonwealth games, and that such Selection Trials shall be limited to such competitors.

Selection Policy: It was resolved, in connection with the Christchurch Games, that the Selection Committee be advised as follows: (1) that if the performances of the athletes so warrant, a full team shall be selected for each event; (2) that, as finance may be the final determinant, the Team so selected shall be graded; (3) that the Selection Trials shall be regarded as of primary importance when selecting the Team, but that the Selection Committee may take into account such other performances and factors as are considered appropriate; (4) that athletes who are overseas at the time of the Selection Trials shall nevertheless be eligible for selection; (5) that performances made overseas may be taken into account in selecting the Team; (6) that the Team shall be named as soon as possible after the Selection Trials.

25. ASIAN & SOUTH PACIFIC GAMES

The Secretary-Treasurer confirmed his report to the 1972 Conference that, despite considerable problems in both cases, it appeared that the Asian Games would be held at Teheran in 1974 and the South Pacific Games at Guam in 1975.

26. AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S A.A.U.

Matter from 1972 Conference: (1) Australian Records (Page 25): The Secretary-Treasurer advised that the Australian Women's A.A.U. had indicated its willingness to follow Union policy regarding Australian Records, including the development of a list of Australian International Records.

Team Managers: A letter from the Australian Women's A.A.U. was tabled in which the view was expressed that the designation "Assistant Manager - Women" was ambiguous and suggesting the title "Assistant Section Manager - Women". The letter continued: "It is recommended that she should have full responsibility and authority in all matters pertaining to competition and training". The suggestion was not approved by the Conference.

Handbook of Constitution Laws & General Rules: The biennial reprinting of the Union's Handbook of Constitution Laws and General Rules was approved. It was directed that a list of the recipients of Merit Awards be added and the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer was asked to prepare an Index.

Almanac of Records & Results: It was resolved to accept the offer of the Pollard Publishing Company to publish an enlarged Almanac of Records and Results, and the Secretary-Treasurer was authorised to negotiate details with the Company.

Minutes of Conference: It was agreed that the Minutes of the 1973 Conference would be published in the normal format. In addition, copies of the Draft Minutes, as prepared by the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer are to be circulated to Delegates and Associations as soon as possible after Conference, but with the understanding that such draft would be subject to correction.

28. FINANCE

Financial Statement for 1972: Audited Statements of Income and Expenditure covering, in addition to General Funds, the Ronald W. Clarke Foundation and the Pacific Conference Games Fund, for the year ended 31st December 1972 were submitted to the Conference. Also presented was a Consolidated Balance Sheet as at the 31st December 1972. It was resolved that these various statements be received and adopted.

(The Statements referred to are printed at the end of these Minutes as Appendix A)

Financial Budget for 1973: The following Budget of General Income and Expenditure for 1973 was adopted.

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Affiliation Fees	\$ 167	Affiliation Fees	\$ 324
Registration Dues	4471	Cables & Telegrams	90
Interest	950	Coaching Committee	25
Sundries	500	Depreciation	15
		Duplicating & Stationery	451
		Entertainment & Goodwill	
		Expenses	150
		General Expenses	400
		Honoraria	1250
		Insurance	35
		Library	95
		Officials Committee	618
		Postages	250
		Telephone	350
		Trophies	30
		Typing Service	572
		Officer's Expenses Fund	300
		Selector's Expenses Fund	350
		Congress Delegates Fund	400
			<u>5704</u>
C/fwd	<u>0088</u>	C/fwd	

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Brt/Fwd	\$ 6088	Brt/Fwd	\$ 5704
		Surplus	384
	<u>\$ 6088</u>		<u>\$ 6088</u>

In appreciation of their work during the year, the Secretary-Treasurer and the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer were granted honoraria of \$1000 and \$250 respectively.

29. REPORTS OF DELEGATES & STANDING COMMITTEES

Reports by the Union's Delegates to the 28th Congress of the I.A.A.F. and to the Pacific Conference Games Council (both held at Munich at the time of the Olympic Games) and to the N.O.F. and the A.B.C.G.A. had already been before the Conference.

Reports had been received also from the following Standing Committees: The Coaching Co-ordinating Committee, the Constitution & Rules Committee, the Officials Committee, the Selection Committee and the Technical Committee.

The Constitution and Rules Committee reported an intention to prepare a supplement to the Union Laws dealing with Appeals to expedite the handling of cases coming before it, and Presidential Rulings of recent years are to be collated by the Secretary-Treasurer and the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer and incorporated in the Handbook as an Appendix.

30. REPORTS OF MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

The Secretary-Treasurer reported that the Annual Reports for 1972-73 of all Member Associations had been received and were held on file.

31. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from the Victorian A.A.A. sought approval for the Victorian Veterans Club to conduct Australian Veterans Club Championships at Olympic Park, Melbourne on July 22 and 23, 1973. This was granted Mr. W. Sheppard, Organiser of the recent overseas tour by veteran athletes expressed appreciation of assistance given by the Union Secretary in connection with the venture.

32. NOTICES OF MOTION

Appointment of Team Officials: The Tasmanian A.A.A. sought and was granted permission to withdraw its motion to amend Law 170 by deleting the word 'Coaches' from the first sentence.

National Anthem: The Tasmanian A.A.A. successfully moved that the Union urge both the Australian Olympic Federation and the Australian British Commonwealth Games Association to recommend strongly to the Commonwealth Government that Australia adopt its own national anthem.

39. CONFERRING OF MERIT AWARDS

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that nominations had been received from the Queensland A.A.A. for the conferring of Merit Awards on Messrs J.W. Cook and W.W. Huxley. Secret ballots were held and the President then announced that Merit Awards had been conferred in both cases.

30. GENERAL BUSINESS

Ministries of Sport: Delegates from New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria reported upon the setting up of Ministries of Sport in their respective States, and it was stated that the Queensland A.A.A. had received a grant of \$500 towards the cost of sending its Team to the Australian Championships in Sydney. It was noted too, that the Commonwealth Government was entering the field of sport through its new Department of Tourism and Recreation. It was felt to be early to form a balanced judgement as to the precise directions in which the activities of these new agencies would develop.

Conference of State Secretaries: The Secretary-Treasurer apologised for the non-inclusion in Agenda Folders of the Minutes of the IV Conference of State Secretaries held at Melbourne in September 1972, but added that the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer had earlier forwarded a number of copies to each Association. Arising from the Minutes, the following matters were determined by Conference as indicated: (a) Accreditations - It was resolved that a form letter of accreditation for issue to athletes proceeding overseas be prepared, and that the relative rules be printed on the reverse side; (b) Record Application Forms - It was resolved that the Record Application Form for Combined Events (Decathlon, Pentathlon) prepared by the South Australian A.A.A. be adopted, and that separate Record Application Forms for Track Events and Field Events be prepared; (c) Photo-Finish Equipment - It was agreed that when photo-finish equipment is used at an Australian Championship Meeting, photo prints should be inspected before the announcement of results; (d) Programme - It was agreed that in the printed programme at an Australian Championship Meeting, the events should be numbered consecutively throughout; (e) Registration Numbers - It was resolved to seek national sponsorship for athletes' registration numbers, including women athletes, and

to send an information questionnaire to States to determine their requirements; (f) Presentation Plaques - It was resolved to investigate the possibility of manufacturing special plaques for presentation to leading overseas athletes and officials and other persons; (g) Metric System - It was agreed that in future only metric results be announced at Meetings; (h) Ceremonial Flags - It was agreed that the Union purchase Australian and Union Jack flags of the same dimensions as the present State Flags for ceremonial use at Championship Meetings; (i) Records - It was agreed that if any of the potential Australian records rejected at the 1972 Conference for various reasons had been accepted as State Records, such acceptance should be revoked.

It was agreed that the V Conference of State Secretaries be held at the time and place of the British Commonwealth Games Selection Trials - namely on the 26th October 1973 at Sydney.

Equipment: The Secretary-Treasurer invited Delegates to inspect samples of imported (from India) athletic equipment submitted by Overseas Indents Pty Ltd. of Sydney, which was prepared to deal with Associations at trade prices. The Company have an agent in each State.

35. ELECTION OF OFFICERS, DELEGATES & COMMITTEES

Officers: Messrs. C.R. Aitken (South Australia) and V.J. Chalwin (New South Wales) were nominees for the office of President, and Mr. Aitken was elected. Messrs T.C. Blue (Queensland), J.W. Faulkner (South Australia) and A.W. McDonald (Victoria) were nominees for Vice-President and Messrs Blue and McDonald were elected. Messrs. A.J. Hodsdon and C.D. Lee, both of New South Wales, were unopposed for the offices of Honorary Secretary-Treasurer and Honorary Assistant Secretary-Treasurer respectively.

A ballot to determine which Vice-President would act in place of the President if he should be unable to act in his executive capacity during any period of the year resulted in favour of Mr. McDonald.

Delegates: Messrs. L.B. Gurnow (Victoria) and A.J. Hodsdon (New South Wales) were re-elected Delegates to the Australian Olympic Federation and to the Pacific Conference Games Permanent Council. Mr. A.J. Hodsdon (New South Wales) was re-elected Delegate to the Australian British Commonwealth Games Association, with Mr. A.W. McDonald (Victoria) replacing Mr. F.T. Treacy (who did not re-nominate) as second Delegate to that body.

Executive Committee: The following were re-elected to the Executive Committee: Messrs E.W. Barwick (Tasmania), T.C. Blue (Queensland), L.B. Gurnow (Victoria), R.M. Duric

(New South Wales), E.R. Graham (South Australia) and F.T. Treacy (Western Australia).

Coaching Co-ordinating Committee: Messrs J.H. Schubert, B. Shaw and R.H. Weinberg, all of Victoria, were appointed to the Coaching Co-ordinating Committee; Convenor; Mr. Shaw.

Constitution & Rules Committee: Messrs. J.C. Draper, A.W. McDonald and A.L. Morrison, all of Victoria, were appointed to the Constitution & Rules Committee; Convenor; Mr. Morrison.

Scoring Tables & Standards Committee: Messrs. D. Hickman, R. Hood and R. Morris all of Tasmania, were appointed to the Scoring Tables and Standards Committee; Convenor; Mr. Hood.

Technical Committee: Messrs; L.D. Curnow, J.L. Patching and K.L. Taggart, all of Victoria were appointed to the Technical Committee. Convenor; Mr. Curnow.

Walking Committee: Messrs. S. Bray (Queensland) W. Ford (Tasmania); D.H. Keane (Western Australia), J.S. McDougall (New South Wales), A.E. Robinson (Victoria) and V.B. Sharp (South Australia) were appointed to the Walking Committee. Convenor; Mr. Sharp.

Officials Committee: Messrs. M.R. Witken (South Australia), G.T. Briggs (Tasmania), L.D. Curnow (Victoria), E. Goodwin (Queensland), T. King (Western Australia) and H. L. Ralph (New South Wales) were appointed to the Officials Committee, Convenor; Mr. Curnow

Selection Committee: Messrs. E.J. Digby (Queensland), F.J. Day (Western Australia), G.T. Briggs (Tasmania), P. Jenas (Victoria) and H.L. Ralph (New South Wales) were nominees for the vacancy on the Selection Committee caused by the expiration of Mr. Drigg's three-years term of office (Mr. Jenas of Victoria was accepted as a candidate for this vacancy because of the foreshadowed retirement of Mr. C.H. Gardiner, also of Victoria). After the holding of a secret ballot, Mr. Briggs was declared re-elected for a period of three years..... After a further Secret ballot to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Gardiner's retirement between Messrs. Bigby, Day, Jenas and Ralph, Mr. Jenas was declared elected for a period of one year. Convenor; Mr. Gardiner (to 30.6.73); Mr. Briggs (from 1.7.73).

The President ruled that Mr. Gardiner would continue in office under the Constitution until 30.6.73 when Mr. Jenas would replace him. If the Selection Committee so desired Mr. Jenas could attend meetings of the Committee as an Observer.

36. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR & TRUSTEES.

Auditor: Mr. V.J. Plummet (New South Wales) was re-appointed Honorary Auditor.

Trustees: Messrs. C.R. Aitken (South Australia) and A.J. Hodsdon (New South Wales) were re-appointed Trustees to the Union, including the Ronald W. Clarke Foundation and the Pacific Conference Games Fund.

37. ADDITIONAL CHEQUE SIGNATORY

Mr. C.D. Lee (New South Wales) was appointed to act as additional cheque signatory in the absence of either the President or the Secretary-Treasurer.

38. FIXING OF HEADQUARTERS

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

39. CLOSURE

Mr. Blue, on behalf of the Delegates, expressed appreciation to the President for the able manner in which the proceedings had been handled.

The President thanked the Delegates for their attention and forbearance and then expressed thanks to the President and Directors of the N.S.W. Masonic Club, and particularly to Mr. J.H. Hanman, for the excellent facilities provided for the Conference. Mr. C.T. Hansen of the Shell Company of Australia was thanked for the splendid setting and arrangements for the Special Meeting held on the 20th March.

A special vote of thanks was extended to the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer and to Mrs. M.S. Went for their hard work throughout the Conference.

The Conference closed at 6 p.m.

Arthur J. Hodsdon
Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 1972

(1) GENERAL FUND

<u>Liabilities</u>			<u>Assets</u>	
Sundry Creditors & Liabilities		220.00	Cash: In Hand	490.29
Congress Delegates' Expenses Fund:			Bank of NSW-Epping	<u>651.48</u>
Balance at 1.1.72	815.20		Sundry Debtors	108.99
Budget Allocation for 1972	<u>400.00</u>	1215.20	Accrueents:	
Officers' Conference Expenses Fund:			Registration Dues	4288.90
Balance at 1.1.72	765.40		Interest	<u>371.14</u>
Budget Allocation for 1972	<u>350.00</u>		Investments	18500.00
	1115.40		Stocks	2192.09
Perth Conference 1972	<u>553.09</u>	562.31	Equipment	50.00
Selectors' Expenses Fund:				
Balance at 1.1.72	1038.72			
Budget Allocation for 1972	<u>200.00</u>			
	1238.72			
Perth Meeting 1972	<u>655.50</u>	583.22		
Accumulated Fund:				
Balance at 1.1.72	22110.34			
Surplus for Year transferred from Income & Expenditure A/c	<u>1961.82</u>	<u>24072.16</u>		
		<u>\$26652.89</u>		<u>\$26652.89</u>

(2) PACIFIC CONFERENCE GAMES FUND

Sundry Creditors		460.14	Cash: Bank of NSW-Epping	424.39
Accumulated Fund:			Accrueents: Interest:	62.50
Balance at 1.1.72	1739.04		Investments	1800.00
Interest for Year	<u>91.65</u>			
	1830.69			

Bank Charge

1.00 1826.69
\$2286.83

\$2286.83

(3) RONALD W. CLARKE ATHLETIC FOUNDATION

International Tours Fund:

Balance at 1.1.72 4565.48
Interest for Year 1603.60
 6169.08

Subsidy- P.J.Fuller 400.00

Bank Charge 4.75 404.75

Trust Fund

5764.33
22433.66
\$28197.99

\$57137.71

Cash: Bank of NSW-Epping

1154.42

Accruements: Interest

543.57

Investments

26500.00

\$28197.99

\$57137.71

A.J. Hodsdon

Honorary Secretary-Treasurer

Having examined the Books of Account and Vouchers of the Amateur Athletic Union of Australia for the year Ended 31st December, 1972, I report that I have obtained all the information and explanations required by me. In my opinion the above Balance Sheet and supporting Income & Expenditure Accounts are properly drawn so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Union's Affairs.

V. John Plummer,
Chartered Accountant
Registered under the Public
Accountant Act 1945, as Amended.

THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF AUSTRALIA
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1972

<u>1971</u>	<u>Expenditures:</u>		
	<u>Affiliation Fees:</u>		
\$ 215	International Amateur Athletic Federation	215.09	
91	Pacific Conference Games Council	84.68	
4	Australian Olympic Federation	4.20	
11	Australian Commonwealth Games Association	10.50	314.47
	<u>I.A.A.F. Council Expenses:</u>		
1240	Air Travel	- -	
19	Sundries	92.22	92.22
	<u>I.A.A.F. Oceania Group Expenses:</u>		
40	Administration Levy	40.00	
512	Congress Delegates' Expenses	--	40.00
	<u>A.A.U. Special Funds:</u>		
400	I.A.A.F. Congress Delegates' Expenses	400.00	
250	Officers' Conference Expenses	350.00	
150	Selectors' Expenses	200.00	950.00
	<u>Team & Athletes Expenses:</u>		
-	Athletes from Overseas	11.13	
46	Athletes to Overseas	46.22	
	Olympic Team of 1972	427.33	484.68
	<u>General Administration:</u>		
76	Cables & Telegrams	65.68	
4	Coaching Committee Expenses	4.20	

<u>1971</u>	<u>Income</u>		
	<u>Affiliation Fees:</u>		
\$ 60	Member Associations	60.00	
107	Australian Women's AAU	104.82	164.82
	<u>Registration Dues:</u>		
1121	A.A.A. of N.S.W.	1299.70	
229	Queensland A.A.A.	318.85	
263	South Australian AAA	268.90	
142	Tasmanian A.A.A.	186.25	
1798	Victorian A.A.A.	2132.10	
274	Western Australian A.A.A.	299.40	4438.60
1000	Levy re I.A.A.F. Council Expenses	- -	- -
959	<u>Interest</u>		793.65
708	<u>Share of Profits of Australian Track & Field Championships 1972</u>		900.00
40	<u>Reinstatement Fees & Fines</u>		64.00
	<u>Publication Sales:</u>		
91	Almanac	146.58	
86	Handbook	1.20	
1954	Other	1326.03	1473.81
222	<u>Sundry Income</u>		254.05

15	Depreciation		15.00
	Duplicating, Typing & Stationery:		
80	Minutes of 1972		
	Conference	75.99	
468	Typing Service	520.00	
258	Sundries	<u>396.05</u>	992.04
110	Entertainment & Goodwill		
	Expenses		170.63
48	Five Star Award Scheme Expenses		--
	General Expenses:		
63	Almanac - Comp. Issues	65.25	
127	Sundries	<u>285.72</u>	350.97
1000	Honoraria		1000.00
10	Insurance		28.10
67	Library		79.53
197	Postages		202.39
	Publication Costs:		
122	Almanac	124.84	
97	Handbook	--	
1305	Other	<u>857.55</u>	982.39
231	Telephone		324.17
17	Trophies - Record Certificates		
	& Plaques		<u>30.64</u>
<u>7273</u>			<u>6127.11</u>
1781	Surplus for Year transferred		1961.82
	to Accumulated Fund.		
<u>\$9054</u>		<u>\$8088.93</u>	<u>\$9054</u>

\$8088.93

APPENDIX "B"
SUMMARY OF REGISTRATIONS
1947-48 to 1972-73

(a) ACTUAL NUMBERS:

	<u>N.S.W.</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>S.A.</u>	<u>TAS</u>	<u>VIC</u>	<u>W.A.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1947-48	1586	350	282	136	2637	391	5381
1948-49	1817	390	324	157	2885	461	6034
1949-50	1925	301	266	115	2864	485	5956
1950-51	1682	450	310	136	2491	500	5569
1951-52	1572	325	330	103	2446	495	5271
1952-53	1601	371	302	177	2541	548	5540
1953-54	1640	316	274	119	2424	500	5273
1954-55	1349	317	300	152	2649	474	5241
1955-56	1474	334	284	189	2967	572	5808
1956-57	1752	407	301	219	3471	449	6599
1957-58	1977	816	445	309	4264	689	8500
1958-59	1819	964	544	330	4190	779	8626
1959-60	1822	801	502	383	4190	817	8515
1960-61	2213	899	521	344	3696	787	8460
1961-62	2052	908	608	358	3607	860	8393
1962-63	2032	1042	639	501	3857	1082	9153
1963-64	2387	1041	888	456	3994	1054	9820
1964-65	3162	1038	850	627	4258	911	10846
1965-66	3283	1121	925	460	4281	747	10817
1966-67	3476	700	1064	503	4694	648	11085
1967-68	3847	1034	1120	687	5276	694	12658
1968-69	4725	964	1013	696	5990	879	14267
1969-70	4748	1180	1061	753	5837	880	14459
1970-71	4700	1085	1003	816	5650	873	14127
1971-72	4618	1091	915	668	6055	909	14256
1972-73	4808	1258	949	820	6117	927	14879

(b) PERCENTAGES

	<u>N.S.W.</u>	<u>OLD</u>	<u>S.A.</u>	<u>TAS</u>	<u>VIC</u>	<u>W.A.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1947-48	29.4	6.5	5.2	2.5	49.0	7.4	100.0
1948-49	32.3	5.1	4.5	1.9	48.1	8.1	100.0
1949-50	30.1	6.5	5.4	2.6	47.8	7.6	100.0
1950-51	30.1	8.6	5.4	2.3	44.6	9.0	100.0
1951-52	29.7	6.2	6.3	2.0	46.4	9.4	100.0
1952-53	28.8	6.7	5.5	3.2	45.9	9.9	100.0
1953-54	31.1	6.0	5.2	2.3	46.0	9.4	100.0
1954-55	25.6	6.1	5.7	2.9	50.6	9.1	100.0
1955-56	25.4	5.7	4.9	3.2	51.0	9.0	100.0
1956-57	26.6	6.2	4.6	3.2	52.6	6.8	100.0
1957-58	23.3	9.6	5.2	3.6	50.2	8.1	100.0
1958-59	21.1	11.2	6.3	3.8	48.6	9.0	100.0
1959-60	21.4	9.4	5.9	4.5	49.2	9.6	100.0
1960-61	26.1	10.6	6.1	4.2	43.7	9.3	100.0
1961-62	24.4	10.8	7.3	4.9	43.0	10.2	100.0
1962-63	22.2	11.4	7.0	5.5	42.1	11.8	100.0
1963-64	24.3	10.6	9.0	4.7	40.7	10.7	100.0
1964-65	29.1	9.6	7.8	5.0	39.3	8.4	100.0

APPENDIX "B" (Cont.)

(b) PERCENTAGES

	<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>
1965-66	30.4	10.4	8.5	4.2	39.6	6.9	100.0
1966-67	31.4	6.3	9.6	4.5	42.3	5.9	100.0
1967-68	30.4	8.2	8.8	5.4	41.7	5.5	100.0
1968-69	33.1	6.7	7.1	4.9	42.0	6.2	100.0
1969-70	32.8	8.2	7.3	5.2	40.4	6.1	100.0
1970-71	33.2	7.7	7.1	5.8	40.0	6.2	100.0
1971-72	32.4	7.7	6.4	4.7	42.5	6.4	100.0
1972-73	32.3	8.5	6.4	5.5	41.1	6.2	100.0

APPENDIX "C"

ANALYSIS OF REGISTRATIONS 1972-73

	<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>
<u>Athletes:</u>							
Senior (over 19 yrs)	1069	209	379	107	2099	247	4110
Junior (under 19 yrs & over 17 yrs)	336	247	103	44	1197	76	2003
Sub-Junior (Under 17 & over 12 yrs)	1753	297	310	337	2395	450	5552
	3168	753	792	488	5691	773	11665
<u>Officials</u>	363	121	53	65	426	118	1146
	3531	874	845	553	6117	891	12811
<u>Athletes</u>							
Juvenile (under 12 yrs)	1277	384	104	267	-	36	2068
<u>Total Registrations</u>	4808	1258	949	820	6117	927	14879
<u>Number of Clubs</u>	80	29	30	11	101	13	264
<u>Average Membership per Club</u>	60	43	32	75	61	71	56

APPENDIX "D"

Specifications for Stopwatches and for the Testing
of same as recommended by the Horological Guild of
Australia

1. The watch shall have a minimum of seven jewels with a jewelled lever escapement.
2. It shall be subject to initial testing on an electric timing machine to ensure that its potential error is within the limitations for obtaining satisfactory ratings; but a short period test on any type of electronic timing machine is not considered satisfactory for rating purposes.
3. It shall be tested for magnetism before rating.
4. It shall be tested for accuracy against a standard chronometer or other quality timepiece.
5. Its dial shall be centrally positioned and there shall be no zero error.
6. It shall be serviced and rated before commencing seasonal use.
7. Its testing shall begin approximately five minutes from full wound.
8. It shall be rated over a period of one hour, during which period it shall be rated for fifteen minutes in each of the following four positions: dial up, dial down, winder-crown up, and winder-crown down.
9. It should be wound and started at least two hours prior to actual use.
10. It shall be let run down after use, unless, of course, it is a constant running watch.