

At Wembley, a world record crowd watched the England V. Ireland Ladies Hockey International - and before thousands of schoolgirls could say "jolly hockeystick" - the Irish were swooping down on the attack. The English team (in white blouses) weathered this early storm - and then set about preserving that unbeaten Wembley record.

Monica Beattie scored - after fifteen minutes.

Led by high-jump champion Thalma Hopkins, Ireland often had the English defence rocking and its supporters rolling...

With a late goal by Cynthia Vincent, England won two-nothing. So the girls of St. Agatha's were "jolly pleased"

Coming down to earth, the Rugby teams of Wales and Ireland shared a mud-bath at Cardiff Arms Park.

Days of continuous rain ~~water~~ washed out all hopes of open, attacking Rugby - so the usual fiery encounter became a slogging forward battle

But it was two penalties that gave Wales victory - by six points to five...

Now an unusual Newsreel sports-topic, as Britain's Olympic champion, Miss Gillian Sheen, meets Miss Stafford in the Final of the National Foils Championship.

Victory went to Miss Sheen - her eighth title - and she received the trophy from fellow Olympic champion, Chris Brasher.

Finally, an Investiture at Buckingham Palace - where a large crowd endorsed Royal Recognition of one of Britain's finest sportsmen - Stanley Matthews...

Among the onlookers, Stanley's young son shared the proud tribute (the award of the C.B.E.) to the man whose matchless skill is only equalled by his outstanding service to Association Football.