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BRITISH HOPES LIMBER UP FOR OLYMPICS

At London's White City Stadium, Britain's top athletes held a pre-Olympic try-out. In the sprint, flying-streak MacDonald Bailey, was absent. Winner is Trinidad's R.A.F. Corporal Laing.

Scotland's 19 year old highjump champion, Alan Paterson clears 6ft 4 for his usual first place. He fails at another record attempt.

The big attraction in the 800 metres was the first clash between the British champion, Lincoln's Tom White No. 10, and the coloured R.A.F. ace, Arthur Wint from Jamaica.

At the end of the first lap the Jamaican lies comfortably second.

Halfway down the back straight and Wint puts on his challenging spurt. With giant strides, he comes way ahead and is an easy winner, 25 yards in front. His time of 1 min. 50 secs, is only one fifth of a second outside the Olympic record. It puts Wint (Britain's No.1 half miler) into world beating class. In the relay, Amateur Athletic Board meet the Combined Services.

Combined Services are the winners by 6 yards. As an Olympic trial, the selectors learnt nothing new.