

BRITISH SHINE IN A.A.A. MEET

At the White City, seven records are broken in the Amateur Athletic championships, including the half-mile in which Arthur Wint, Jamaican student, leads the field in the fastest time for twenty-four years. Excitement mounts as Wint maintains his lead the second time round, with a stride stretching to over eight feet when flat out.

One hundred yards from the finish, Roger Bennister sprints to overtake, but the Jamaican's stride carries him past the tape in one minute 51.6 seconds - a fine finish to a close race.

Closest duel of the day is the 120-yards hurdles, with Hildreth number 11 - fighting for inches with Barkway and Brackman.

Hildreth wins in 15.2 seconds, an effort typical of a meeting which allowed only five championships to go abroad.

Atherton, of Liverpool, fails to clear six feet two inches in a high-jump event which again equals best championship records. Pavitt - Polytechnic - clears one inch less than the winner, A. Patersen, of Scotland.

In the 100-yards, the holder, MacDonald Bailey took an early lead, with John Wilkinson of Herne Hill hot on his heels to finish three yards behind: a yard different from their finish in the 220. It's a fine double for MacDonald Bailey. No wonder Lord Burleigh smiles as he presents the Cup.