

PIRIE'S CROSS COUNTRY WIM.

Some of Britain's finest runners set off in quest of the Surrey County cross-country championship. Favourite for the race is Gordon Pirie who jumps into the lead rightaway and sets a hot pace on a bitterly cold day that makes conditions far from ideal. Fully recovered from his foot injury of some months ago, Pirie is well in the lead.

Maynard of the Herne Hill Harriers is in second place; the rest of the field plod gamely on. Pirie's father, a fine runner in his day, watches his son come racing up to the finish 120 yards ahead of them all. Pirie, who shows no sign of fatigue, covered the $7\frac{1}{2}$ mile course in 41 minutes, 20 seconds. This is the fourth successive time Gordon Pirie has taken the title.