

EYES ON OLYMPICS.

At Lilleshall Hall, once the home of the Duke of Sutherland, important eyes are on the next Olympic Games. It's now run by the Central Council of Physical Recreation, and some athletes of promise went there for a short coaching course, to see if they were up to Olympics standards. J.W. Lloyd-Alford, a Three A.s national coach, put them through the theory of long-jumping. Nowadays, without a thorough grasp of the know-how, even the best natural athletes would get nowhere against fierce international competition. Britain's been slow to realize that scientific coaching is a must, before we send teams to the Olympic Games in Rome, next year. Instruction is supervised by Chief National Coach, Geoff Dymon.

Bobbie Brightwell demonstrated the sprint start. He was a 220-yards Empire Games semi-finalists. A good start's half the battle to a sprinter. One way to build up essential strength is by the Dyna-meter which registers how much effort is put into it. Agony, isn't it? The party included girls. A long way to go to the Thelma Hopkins standard. Would-be champions have to be dedicated to athletes, judging by the limbering up exercise for hurdles. The track itself must have been a relief.

Experts at Lilleshall may be laying the foundations of big success at the Olympic Games.