

A bright and cheerful afternoon brought the crowds to Wembley to see Bishop Auckland kick off against Hendon in the Final of the Amateur Cup. It's Hendon wearing ~~dark shorts~~ white shorts. And here in the opening minutes of the match comes a Hendon attack ~~that was frustrated by the Bishop's goalie.~~ ^{and} it gave at least one spectator a nasty turn. ~~But it was frustrated by the Bishop's goalie - & Madam feels better~~

Now --- four times finalists in the last six years --- Bishop Auckland have a go. Here comes their No. 1 goal, from Derek Lewin ~~And Madam feels better~~

Bishop Auckland --- spurred on by their success --- now turned on the pressure

A shot at goal was saved by Hendon's goalkeeper, Ivey. But he fumbled it.

And Lewin scored No. 2. for the Bishops.

Now the match was safely in the bag --- but although Bishop Auckland kept on the offensive, the score stayed put at two goals to nil. But that was enough to give them the Amateur Cup for 1955 --- presented by Field Marshal Montgomery.

Another sporting event of ~~London~~ London was the National Road Relay Race from London to Brighton --- sponsored by the News of the World. Eleven relays, for a total of approximately fifty-five miles. And here is the first change-over --- at Clapham. The oldest competitor was forty-five-year-old Charlie Smart of Belgrave Harriers; and one of the world-famous, was Gordon Pirie, running for South London..... and leading the field on the long No. 7 stage of nearly seven miles.

The race was won in the record time of four hours twenty-nine minutes nineteen seconds --- giving victory to South London for second year in succession.

On the famous Downs in bright sunshine --- the first leg of the double in the Epsom Spring Meeting --- the Great Metropolitan Stakes --- and any moment now they will be --- off! Off to a good start with Woodcut, Flighty Eyes, Fredette and King's Scholarship well away.

Now --- out into the country. It's a stayers' race for three-year-olds and upwards, over a distance of two miles and a quarter.

Round Tattenham Corner the leaders are Blue Skin, Babylonian, Woodcut, Fullbrook, H.V.C., Fredette and ~~Woodcut~~; but as they come down into the straight it's Babylonian pulling away from the field, to show the way home to Blue Skin and Woodcut.

At eleven to two --- ;
A win by five lengths for Babylonian/--- one length between second and third. A fine victory ride for Johnny Mercer