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Takings at Wembley now equal to those of eight FA Cup Finals

10,000 ARE SHUT OUT

They wait outside to see Marathon

The runners begin to spread out

BRITAIN HAS HER FIRST WIN

Britain won the 4 x 100 metres relay at Wembley to-day after the U.S. team, who had finished first, had been disqualified. It was the first British win in a track event.

Evening Standard Reporter

Many thousands of people who went to Wembley this afternoon for the Olympic Games failed to get into the Stadium or the Empire Pool.

They turned instead to the great new Empire Way, and lined its 500 yards twenty deep to give a great send off to the Marathon runners. There were about 10,000 waiting.

They could hear the cheers rising from the vast auditorium with its 82,500 crowd, and an occasional fainter echo from the swimming pool.

Cheers-no charge

But for them, and thousands more stretching over the railway bridge and out on to the marathon route, the long-distance race was the grand finale of a wonderful week—and for them there were cheers without charge.

The race—26 miles, 385 yards started at 3.3 p.m., and was expected to finish at the Stadium at about 5.30 p.m.

The 41 runners from 22 nations ompleted one and three-quarter ps before leaving the Stadium!

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Up Olympic Way come the Marathon competitors, watched by some of the 10,000 who could not get into the Stadium.