



STYLIANOS KYRIAKIDES
WEARS VICTOR'S WREATH



AFTER THE START, veteran DeMar (No. 94) leads second half of field. He hoped to run race in three hours, took ten minutes longer, finished 32nd.

BOSTON MARATHON

Greek flies from Athens to win distance race

Last fortnight at Hopkinton, Mass. 116 long-distance runners started out to run the Boston Marathon, the world's toughest pavement race which runs 26 miles and 385 yards over hard road into the center of Boston. Among the starters were many old-timers because marathon running is a veteran's sport. There was Clarence DeMar, 57, who had won seven times since 1911. There was John Kelley, who had won twice before, and Gerard Cote, a French Canadian who had won three times. But of all the runners the most dramatic figure in the race was an emotional 35-year-old Greek named Stylianos Kyriakides.

Kyriakides is the marathon champion of Greece, the Balkans, Hungary and Egypt and holds the record for the classic Greek course from Marathon village to Athens. He flew from Athens to win the Boston Marathon, hoping thereby to publicize the cause of his starving country and raise a shipload of food. At the start he broke into eighth place and moved up slowly. Near the end of the course he was trailing John Kelley. He put on a sprint, passed Kelley and, shouting "For Greece," crossed the finish line to win in 2 hours, 29 minutes and 27 seconds.



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