



THE ITALIAN, DORANDO, FINISHES THE RACE SUPPORTED BY THE OFFICIALS. ONLY TO BE DISQUALIFIED AND DEPRIVED OF VICTORY



25TH MARCH 1896: THE GREEK, LOUES, WINS THE MARATHON AT THE FIRST OLYMPIC GAMES HELD IN ATHENS WHILE CROWN PRINCE CONSTANTINE AND PRINCE GEORGE RUN BESIDE HIM

FIFTY YEARS LATER IN 1946, STELIOS KYRIAKIDES WON THE MARATHON HELD AT BOSTON IN THE FINE TIME OF 2 HRS.29.27. AS HE BREASTED THE TAPE HE CRIED "MY VICTORY IS FOR GREECE!"



At left the sensationally dramatic finish of the Olympic Marathon Race in London in 1948. The photograph shows the road outside Wembley Stadium. The Belgian, Gaillie, is in front (3), followed by the Argentinian, Delfo Cambra (1), the Englishman, Tom Richards (2) and the South African, Z.L. Coleman. But a few moments later a hundred thousand spectators in the Wembley Stadium watched with bated breath the drama of the Belgian — completely exhausted — lose not only the first, but also the second place. The numbers in the photograph show the final placing of the runners.

PETERS (AT VANCOUVER IN 1954) FALLS AND LOSES THE RACE

