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Kyriakides Man to Defeat In B. A. A. Marathon Today

Expect 1,000,000 Will Line Course

By WILL CLONEY

Defending champion Stylianos Kyriakides of Greece is the man to beat in the 51st annual Boston Athletic Association marathon today, but the best field in the golden history of the event probably includes some one who can do it.

With the possible exception of the 1932 Olympic marathon at Los Angeles, no American road race ever has drawn so cosmopolitan a field. To the usual entries from the United States and Canada have been added two Greeks, two Finns, one Turk, three Koreans, four Hawaiians, three Guatemalans, and an Englishman.

Small wonder that Boston today

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Marathon's Finest Field Runs Today

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is the focal point of world athletic interest for an event that is the epitome of amateurism. Runners have traveled halfway around the world to punish themselves over 26 miles 385 yards for nothing more tangible than a gold medal and a place in the transitory headlines.

RACE FIGURES CLOSE

Lured by the most colorful of all fields, close to a million spectators will line the route from bucolic Hopkinton, where the race starts on the dot of noon, to bustling Boston, where it should finish on Exeter street shortly before 2:30.

The record of two hours, 26 minutes 51 1-5th seconds—which Milkman Joe Smith of Medford has come out of retirement to defend—may escape today if the "name" runners pay too much attention to each other. On the other hand, the race figures to be sensationally close, since at least 15 competitors may be under 2:32.

Choosing winners for the marathon is a favorite sport, yet this year selections for the most part are based on sentiment or black magic. Nine of the foreigners, ranging from the 1936 Olympic champion to the banana planters who flew in unexpectedly from Guatemala yesterday, have never run in this country.

Picking top competitors, however, is not quite so hard. Best men in the American contingent are Johnny Kelley, Charlie Robbins, Ted Vogel, John Kersnason, Don Heinicke and Lloyd Bairstow.

Heading the very strong Canadian contingent are three-time-winner Gerry Cote (whom The Herald's Bob Dunbar picked several weeks ago);

Ab Morton, Lloyd Evans, Scotty Rankine, and Eddie Lansdale.

KOREANS SHOULD BE AMONG FIRST 10

All three Koreans, whose names mean nothing but whose records speak loud, should finish in the first 10 if their feet hold out, while Athanasios Ragazos, Greek countryman of Kyriakides, is confident that he will dethrone his friend and counsellor. The Finns, a little old for top competition, are pessimistic about their chance but still must be figured. The Turk beat Kyriakides in Europe in a race won by Ragazos.

Seven former champions will be seeking the laurel wreath again, with only Clarence DeMar ruled completely out of contention. Kyriakides, Cote and Kehey are in good spots to repeat, while Smith, Walter Young of Verdun, P. Q., and Ellison "Tarzan" Brown of Westery, R. I., are long shots.

Oddly enough, in view of the foreign flavor of the field, this will be the first of three official tryouts for the 1948 United States Olympic team. Actually the showing of the foreign runners will help their nations lay plans for next year, too.

With slight consideration from the weatherman (fair and coolish is the forecast) today's race should set a new high for runners and spectators alike. All cars have been ruled off the course, with only two buses and a photographers' truck allowed on the roads. For the first time in years, therefore, spectators will get a look at the leaders as they sweep through the human canyons along Beacon street and Commonwealth avenue to the finish line.

Marathon Entries

- 1—Sevki Koru, Ankara, Turkey
- 2—John A. Kelley, Boston Edison
- 3—Gerard Cote, Canada
- 4—Clarence H. DeMar, Reading
- 5—Albert "Ab" Morton, Canada
- 6—John Kersnason, Millrose A. A.
- 7—Lloyd G. Evans, Montreal
- 8—Charles A. Robbins, Norfolk
- 9—Ted Vogel, Boston A. A.
- 10—Louis Young, Cambridge
- 11—Oswald Kissoon, Canada
- 12—Percy Such, Canada
- 13—Clovis Bourdelais, Brockton.
- 14—Fred Ward, Dover, N. J.
- 15—Arthur L. O'Sullivan, North Medford
- 16—Charles Regan, Norfolk
- 17—Leo E. Pelkey, Norfolk
- 18—Frederick W. Brown, Sr., North Medford
- 19—John R. Anderson, Amsean A. A.
- 20—George Waterhouse, North Medford
- 21—Alton F. Bradley, North Medford
- 22—Claude M. Gillis, Jr., North Medford
- 23—Charles B. Timpany, Boston Y. M. C. A.
- 24—Francis J. Monahan, Jr., Newton.
- 25—Donald A. Post, Rochester, N. Y.
- 26—Herbert Wiltshire, Canada.
- 27—Michael J. O'Hara, Millrose A. A.
- 28—Robert J. Gilchrist, Norfolk
- 29—William F. Lanigan, Boston
- 30—Robert V. Pace, North Medford
- 31—Mike Kish, Springfield
- 32—George B. Caldwell, Norfolk
- 33—Lucien J. Briere, Plainfield, Conn.
- 34—Athanasios Ragazos, Greece
- 35—Christos Vartzakis, Greece
- 36—William J. Dacey, Boston
- 37—Peter R. Gough, Canada
- 38—Cecil S. Eatnest, American Optical
- 39—Theodore R. Horne, Norfolk
- 40—George B. Dickson, Millrose A. A.
- 41—Wilfred L. Lawrence, Canada
- 42—Stephen G. Wool, Burlington, Vt.
- 43—Arnold G. Briggs, Syracuse
- 44—Frank J. McElroy, Boston
- 45—Harry F. Stimpson, Jr., Brookline
- 46—Robert C. Templeton, Burlington, Vt.
- 47—Henry Le Sage, North Medford
- 48—Paul A. Donato, Genl. Electric
- 49—James H. Montague, Washington, D. C.
- 90—William C. Morrell, New Bedford
- 91—Earl P. Wheeler, Jr., Minneapolis
- 92—Francis L. Stearns, Saranac Lake
- 93—Charles B. Brederson, Attleboro
- 94—Harry W. Murphy, N. Y. Pioneer Club
- 95—Haskell F. Clark, Washington, D. C.
- 96—Jimmy G. Kirkindall, Scott Field, Ill.
- 97—James Concill, Jr., Bradford, R. I.
- 98—T. Gordon Lennox, Goodwill A. C.
- 99—John P. Canney, North Medford
- 100—Martin Fitzpatrick, Carmen's Union
- 101—John H. Linscott, Needham
- 102—O. Gardner Spooner, New Bedford
- 103—Walter R. Gervais, Attleboro
- 104—William R. Smith, North Medford
- 105—Mike Dwyer, Staten Island
- 106—Ernest Crowell, Pawtucket, R. I.
- 107—Anthony Medeiros, North Medford
- 108—Graham Brown, Jamaica
- 109—Lionel F. Pinn, Reddish A. A.
- 110—Gordon M. Bourne, Suffolk
- 111—Nicholas F. Novak, Suffolk
- 112—John A. Barlog, Suffolk
- 113—Takeo Tukushi, Hawaii
- 114—Berton G. Hooper, Hawaii
- 115—Felciao Castilliano, Hawaii
- 116—Norman K. Tamanaka, Hawaii
- 117—George Daniel, Walpole
- 118—Pat Boulton, Montreal
- 119—Carl D. Lackey, North Medford
- 120—Louis F. Johnson, Jr., Harvard Medical
- 121—Nishan Barasadian, Thornton Club
- 122—Yun Bok Su, Korea
- 123—Seung Yong Nam, Korea
- 124—Ki Chung Sohm, Korea
- 125—William I. Hofer, Dedham
- 126—Walter V. Stranger, Georgetown
- 127—Robert A. Ryan, Dedham
- 128—George J. Gunning, Lynn
- 129—Robert L. Rehm, Roslindale
- 130—Fred Libbey, Framingham
- 131—Jimmy Carrick, Washington, D. C.
- 132—Tom Crane, North Medford
- 133—Herman H. McCutcheon, Waterville, Me.
- 134—John C. Chapple, Jr., Lake Placid
- 135—Edward E. Harmon, Jr., Norfolk
- 136—Jerome S. Bronitsky, New London, Conn.
- 137—Courtney S. Kennedy, Roxbury
- 138—Emery E. Kolesnikoff, Lowell
- 139—N. C. Schopf, Upper Darby, Pa.

- 50—John D. Semple, Boston A. A.
 51—Francis L. Austin, Boston A. A.
 52—Lloyd E. Bairstow, Boston A. A.
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 54—Warren Dupree, Boston A. A.
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 63—Joseph Kleinerman, Millrose A. A.
 64—Albert Bradle, Millrose A. A.
 65—Aido Scandura, Millrose A. A.
 65—William Connelly, Millrose A. A.
 67—Mikko Hietanen, Finland
 68—Vaino Muinonen, Finland
 69—John O. Spong, New York
 70—Bruno S. Mazzeo, South Portland, Me.
 71—Ray Fairman, Boston
 72—Thomas W. Radford, N. Y.
 73—Ellison Myers Brown, Charlestown, R. I.
 74—Walter H. Childs, North Medford
 75—Fred DeMar, Washington, D. C.
 76—Garrett "Denny" Long, Allston Moose
 77—Stylianios Kyriakides, Greece
 78—Robert W. Feeney, Shepard Club
 79—William Memmott, Canada
 80—Robert McCormick, Mahanoy City, Pa.
 81—Jacob Dyer, Providence
 82—Philip W. Bouchard, Brookline
 83—Douglas B. Buchanan, Brookline
 84—Amos Kujala, Boston A. A.
 85—William Paavo Wiklund, Millrose A. A.
 86—Herbert G. Dunphy, Jr., Newton
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 88—Kenneth H. H. Bailey, England
 89—Sherman Wilbur, Mendon, R. C.
- 140—Burton D. Kennedy, Roxbury
 141—Frederick B. Gerry, Malden
 142—John J. Kirrane, Brookline
 143—Arthur F. Annis, Boston
 144—Raymond E. Henderson, Newtonville
 145—Henry J. Brooks, Roxbury
 146—Robert Rankine, Canada
 147—Artin Black, Bronx, N. Y.
 148—Fred Johnson, North Medford
 149—Edward V. Moran, New Bedford
 150—Milton Kadish, Roxbury
 151—E. David Mazzeo, Rockland, Me.
 152—Donald E. Roberts, Emerson
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 179—Thomas J. Gildea, CMM, U. S. Navy
 180—Iggy Rusczyk, Buffalo
 181—Walter Young, Canada
 182—Doreto Flores, Guatemala
 183—Guillermo Rojas, Guatemala
 184—Ovidio Barillas, Guatemala