Athletics

LOVELOCK'S SURPRISE DEFEAT AT A.A.A. MEETING

STOTHARD'S TRIUMPH: FINEST HALF-MILE EVER SEEN

WONDERFUL EFFORT BY A YOUTH

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For some time past many of us have been saying that the standard of athletic performance in this country is higher than ever before, and the achievements of our home athletes at the A.A.A. Championships, which began at the White City Stadium on Friday evening and were concluded yesterday morning and afternoon, more than justify our optimism.

True, as ever, the majority of the field events were won by competitors from the Continent; but this is the usual procedure and calls for little comment.
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seven out of the eight field events went abroad; but of the 14 track events, England won ten and Scotland two. while Holland vere successful in the 220 yds., and a club from Budapest retained its title in the 440 rds. relay, in which event their only competitors, the Polytechnic Harriers, were mable to finish through their third man fulling a muscle in the actual race.

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We can, then, be justly proud, and not nduly so, with what our men accomplished n the track. But the matter goes even arther. So many of the performances were stoundingly good—all the races provided ne of the best crowds I have ever seen with terest, excitement, and cause for appre-

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It is difficult to say which was the best ce, but certainly the mile was the one nich caused the crowd most surprise.

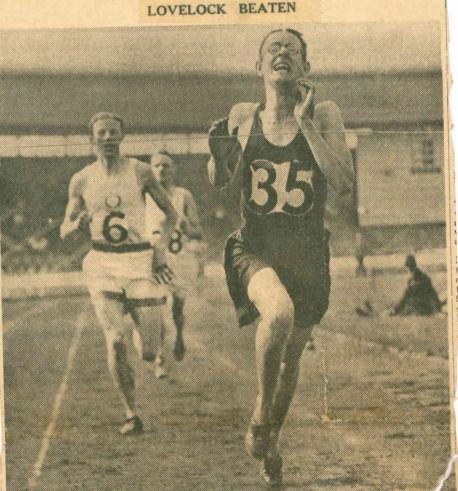
with Stothard and Scott in close attendance. Scott was in the lead down the back straight, Stothard at his shoulder, and Powell fast coming up into third position. Scott fought grimly, but Stothard got the lead and held it into straight. Scott fought hard to get on terms, and Powell came along splendidly on the outside. The order at the finish, with a stothar Powell, 1 min. 53.

53.9 sec.

Britain has never milers in one race Tommy Hampson ha time, and both were we not expect that carry our colours Scott is not yet no as these three perfe not believe we have they are capable.

Sweeney Wins

A. W. Sweeney ro J. Sir, of Hungary



The sensational feature of yesterday's A.A.A. Championship was Wooderson's triumph in the mile (Lovelock is No. 6)