

*After Helsinki...*

## **Flashbacks**

= Track and Field records were smashed on nearly 200 occasions in Helsinki. One worst mauled was the women's long jump; here the old record was surpassed 24 times. Britain's Shirley Cawley beat the old mark in the qualifying competition; less than a minute later Russia's Chudina capped that.

In the women putting the weight event the old record was eclipsed 22 times; in the steeplechase 16 times; in the hammer 12 times. Eight new world records were achieved, and previous world marks were surpassed on 17 occasions.

= In the Olympic Stadium in Helsinki 854 671 people watched the athletic events during the 16 days. Individual figures are giving following statistics: Opening Ceremony: 70 050; Marathon Day: 68 700; 5000 m. Day: 66 100; Soccer Cup final; 58 100.

Spectators in various sports:

Football: 174 372; Swimming: 78 176; Boxing and Wrestling: 64 278; Gymnastic and Weight lifting: 34 779; Cyclism: 9 062; Equestrian sports: 7 454; Rowing: 6 451; Basketball 5 658; Pentathlon: 4 808; Fencing: 4 256; Hockey on grass: 1 017. Total spectators at the Games: about 1 200 000.

The financial result of the Games corresponds to a small deficit, as the organisers were expecting 80 000 foreign visitors, when 55 000 only made the trip to Helsinki.

Two millions entrance cards have been printed, but 1,4 million only have been sold.