TABLE OF 1940 CHAMPIONS

Event	Winner	Time or distance	N.Z. record	World record
100 yards -	 J. Sutherland	- 10 3-5	9 4-5	9 2-5
120 hurdle •	 P. F. Sharpley	 15 4–5 	15	13 7-10
220 flat -	J. Ford -	• 22 3-5	21 3-5	20 3-5
220 hurdle -	 P. F. Sharpley	• 25	24 4-5	22 3-5
440 flat -	 H. J. Tyrie	• 49 4–5	48 4-5	46 2-5
440 hurdle -	 H. Ramsay	- 58	55	52 3-5
880 flat -	 V. P. Boot	 1 55 2-5 	1 53 4-5	1 49 3-5
Mile -	 W. A. Pullar	 4 18 1-5 	4 13 3-5	4 6 4-5
Mile walk -	 N. McCarthy	6 48 4-5	6 26 2-5	6 25 4-5
3-Mile walk	 N. McCarthy	 22 53 4-5 	21 36 3-5	
3 Mile flat -	 L. Dickison	• 14 30 3-5	14 7	13 50 3-5
Marathon -	 G. L. Austin		not comparable	
Discus -	 E. L. Todd	■ 124ft. 0½in.	144ft, 61/2in.	
Broad jump	 H. W. Wilkins	• 21 7	23 103/4	26 81/4
High jump	 L. Grev -	- 6	6 5	6 93/4
Pole vault .	 D. Weichart	• 12	12 3	14 11
		(American jump		
Shot put -	 J. Opie -	- 41ft. 93/4in.		•
Javelin +	 <u> </u>	• 187 4½	218 81/2	253 41/2
Hammer -	 M. Spillane	 151 53/4 	169 93/4	189 61/2
Hop step -	 C. A. Calvert	- 44 114	50 1	52 5 7-8
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of hard race that produces records. He will have to share the honour. Who is the other to be?

Dickison's effortless stride won him the three miles championship. The time was not remarkable. He won well ahead of the rest. Matthews in this race would obtained by any special forethought, have been forced to hurry. Pullar had run his race the day before, in the mile.

With the distance men more or less cancelled out in this manner it is hard to find among the rest any specially outstanding athlete. Weichart in the pole vault was undoubtedly in a class by himself. Compared with all other competitors in all other events his performances were best. But he is not a New Zealander and for the purposes of this survey we have to try to make some choice between the others. The 1940 champions are listed on the table on this page, which includes figures that may usefully be kept for future reference.

Not Very Imposing

That table is not, on paper, a very imposing list of times. But on the Basin Reserve all the performances were fair, many of them good, and a few very good. Among the few very good times were Sharpley's in the 120 and 220 hurdles. The weather on that day on the Basin Reserve was worth more than a second over that distance. In better conditions there is little doubt that Sharpley could have beaten both New Zealand records, which he holds himself. The track was not fast, and the wind took the edge off every competitor. For these two good performances. Sharpley's name must go down beside Boot's as Athlete No. 2 of the season. Not only were his times good, his style was first class. He was a well-trained and wellstyled athlete running in good form.

Through the whole meeting ran the same story-the Basin Reserve was too slow. In a period of extreme drought this ground might come up to the standards any other country would require of its national championship track. But it rains in Wellington as often as it blows, and there is no flat country for a sports ground that would not require miles of artificial drains to perfect it. It might, in fact, be said of nearly every sports

ground in New Zealand that it has at one time or another adversely affected our best athletes. None has been put down scientifically. Results everywhere depend on the season's climatic conditions. The notable exception is at Masterton, and even there the excellent result does not seem to have been

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