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EMPIRE GAMES - CHATAWAY'S 3 MILE TRIUMPH

At the great sports stadium in Vancouver where the British Empire Games are held, the field gets away for the 800 yards final. Three British boys, Derek Johnson, Brian Hewson and Ian Boyd are all well up rightaway, but Ferguson, a Canadian, gives the crowd a moment's thrill as he moves up. But the Englishmen have yet to challenge.

Johnson moves into second place. Boyd and Hewson keep close behind, 200 yards from home and Johnson's in the lead. Hewson's not far away, and Boyd's in third place.

And Johnson, four yards ahead of Hewson breaks the tape. Johnson's time of 1 minute, 50.7. seconds sets a new Empire Games record, and wins yet another gold medal for England. But the men haven't the games all their own way. In the ladies' high jump, Thelma Hopkins from Northern Ireland, jumps to glory by clearing five feet, six inches - and smashes the previous record.

In the men's three mile race attention focusses on England's Chris Chataway and Freddie Green, the man who beat him by an inch when they both cracked the three-mile world record recently. Chataway, keeps right at the back for the first lap. Two other English men, Frank Sando and Peter Driver, move into the leading bunch. Maiyore, the barefoot Kenyan is there. So are Green and Chataway.

A sudden burst takes Chataway into the lead. Green is after him. Third and fourth are Sando and Maiyore. Chataway pulls further away from them all as he races for the tapes. KHA A fifteen yard win for the 23 year old red-head. Green is two seconds behind him, with Sando third. Chataway whose time of 13 minutes 35.2. seconds sets a new Games record, shakes with his rival Freddie Green. Chris Chataway's magnificent performance sends another gold medal home to England.

