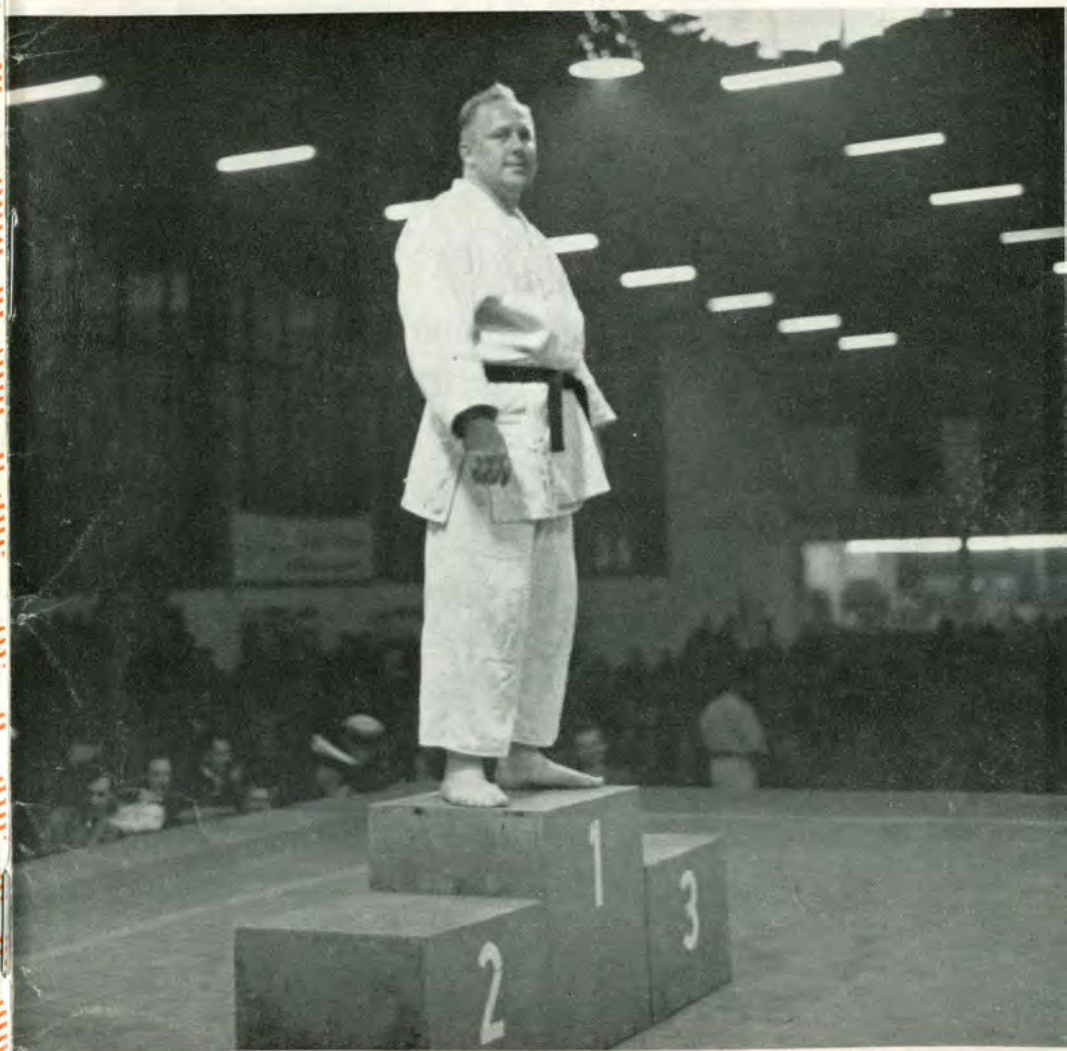
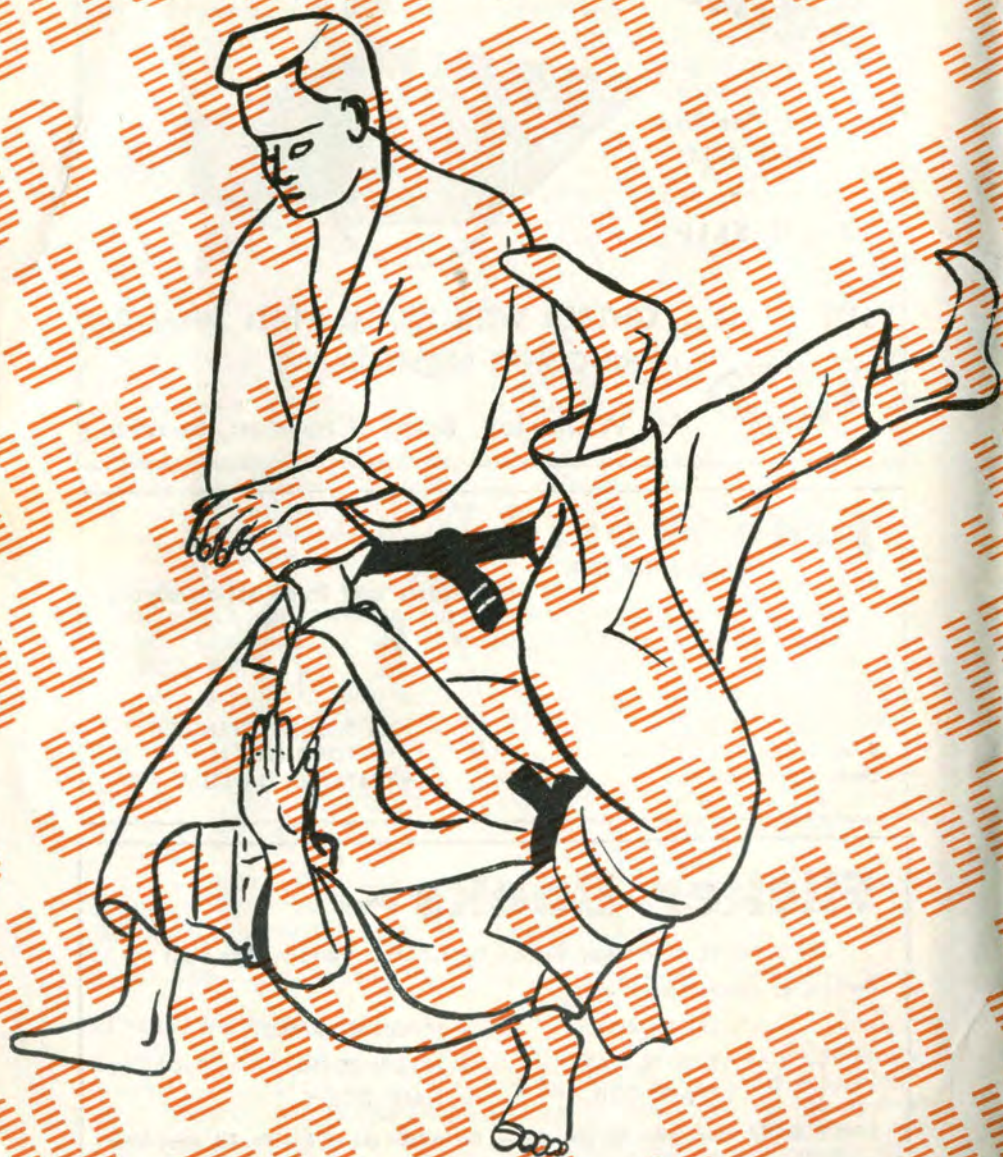


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KENDO FORUM

by Musashi of the Shinto Ryu.



The Shinto-Ryu Training Week, our second, took place from the 26th May to 3rd June amid the rolling hills and the long beaches of Charmouth in Dorset. Six members spent a most strenuous week—probably to the amazement of the local inhabitants to whom the sight of six well-armed gentlemen in full Kendo outfit must have come as something of a shock. Besides a full programme of kata, exercises, theory and keiko, we took the opportunity of shooting some of a 16 mm. film of Kendo—camera-men Peter Parsons and Roald Knutson. Since this week has proved such a success we intend to institute it as an annual event open to more members, the change of scenery seems to do everyone a great deal of good—despite being dragged out of bed at the crack of

dawn (5.45 a.m.) to do two hours hard fencing on a cold deserted beach!

The long-awaited consignment of shinai has now arrived from Japan for the information of members not in frequent contact with us. A further large order of equipment both personal and club is proposed for the end of July. Catalogues and price lists with the Secretary. (Members and Associates only.)

We left Musashi about to start his greatest and final fight with Sasaki Ganryu on the island of Nadajima off the coast of Buzen Province.

"Come, let's to it," said Musashi as he drew his swords. The fight commenced: but with two such wary fencers there was little action

at the first as they keenly scrutinised each other's movements. After a few minutes Ganryu aimed a cut at Musashi's head, this was received on the latter's crossed swords, and for a while the two men stood quite still; Ganryu being fully aware that if he withdrew his sword he would give his opponent the advantage. But Musashi saw no use in maintaining this attitude for long, so, removing his upper sword, he aimed a blow at Ganryu's head, which was instantly received. There followed a succession of cuts and parries, feints and flourishes, advances and retreats, both men acting with great coolness and caution. This continued for about an hour, when the combatants being somewhat fatigued, a drum sounded, and officers came and separated them by placing a long pole between them. They ate and drank a little water while doctors attended to the minor cuts sustained during this first half of the battle.

Musashi resolved to put into effect the secret teachings of the great Bokuden for he was aware that unless he did so he could not win. Consequently on the renewal of the contest Musashi, retreating to the further end of the area, approached Ganryu with flourishes of the sword and gestures that the latter had never before seen. Ganryu was forced unwittingly to retreat. When near the edge of the ring, Musashi dealt a blow at Ganryu's head. Avoiding this, Ganryu resorted to his famous somersault, the tsubame-gaeshi, and cut at Musashi's legs as he descended. This was a new technique to Musashi but his quick eye saw the sword coming and he just

The illustration depicts Ganryu cutting off a portion of Musashi's hakama. In the background sits Kuroda Nagamasa and his retainers. The spectators are confined to the moored boats.

managed to leap the cut; but even so a small portion of his hakama was cut off, so that he was within an inch or two of losing a leg. Ganryu was disheartened by the failure of the trick on which he had placed so much store. It is particularly in fencing that any slight depression of spirits in one of the combatants gives his adversary an immediate advantage. The failure of his somersault and the novelty and peculiarity of Musashi's new movements had produced loss of spirits in Ganryu. This was the embryo, as it were, of his defeat. The relaxation of his attention soon revealed itself in his failure to ward off a slashing stroke dealt at his forehead by Musashi with his left-hand sword. The gash inflicted brought the blood streaming into his eyes and prevented his seeing distinctly what his adversary was doing. Ganryu did his best up to the last, but presently he received a severe cut extending from the left shoulder to the centre of the chest: he fell, never more to rise.

Following ancient custom, Musashi stood across the fallen body and, as he thrust his sword through Ganryu's throat, said: "Witness, O spirit of Munisai, that I have slain your murderer!" Then deliberately cutting off his head, Musashi took it to the officials in charge, and said: "I beg that you will give me permission to take this head to the tomb of my deceased parent." The request was granted.

Kuroda Nagamasa despatched messengers to Kumamoto to inform Lord Kato of what had been done, and Buzayemon was immediately sent to Kokura to thank Nagamasa for the kindness shown to Kiyomasa's retainer.

Musashi now lost no time in taking the head to Hiroshima. While he was there he was invited to become a retainer of Mori Terumoto, but he respectfully declined

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THE BRITISH JUDO ASSOCIATION

OFFICIAL NOTES

Licence Scheme. There is little doubt that due to the support of Areas and members alike, the Individual Licence Scheme has been a great success, the target has been exceeded and it is felt that the objects in introducing such a system has been of benefit, not only to the Association's finances but to the individual licence holder as well.

However, as with all new schemes, there has been teething problems, such problems are not always apparent at the beginning despite the very careful research prior to the scheme being launched, and in order that the Association may resolve the difficulties that have arisen before the new financial year commences on the 1st September, a **Special General Meeting** will be held at Denison House, London, S.W.1, on July 15th at 2.30 p.m. At this meeting, the Executive Committee will make certain proposals which are designed to ensure that the second and subsequent years of working under this system will run smoothly. By the time these notes appear, all member clubs of the B.J.A. will have received Calling Notices and copies of the proposed Agenda.

National Federation of Judo Coaches

During the past month, the majority of member clubs will have received a circular proposing the formation of the above. Although the British Judo Association are mentioned in the text, we wish to state that this proposed Federation has absolutely no connection whatsoever with the B.J.A., nor has its institution been prompted or supported in any way by the Association.

The Executive Committee are distressed to see that yet another judo body is seeking to establish itself in Great Britain, and are of the opinion that this new formation will only succeed in making the unification of Judo in this country a step further away.

Licence Renewals

By now, Club secretaries will have received supplies of the renewal forms for individual licences from their Areas, and members are reminded that they may obtain their licences for the coming year in advance. This not only ensures that they have their current licence to hand on the 1st September, but in addition helps to allay some of the work at present undertaken by our Licencing Officers.

Marking of Ladies Belts

A Minute of the joint meeting between the Executive Committee and the Technical Board dated 8th October, 1961, resolves that women members of the Association shall wear a distinguishing mark on the belts of their judogi. The form that this should take was placed in the hands of the Ladies Committee, and any recommendations that they made would be forwarded to the Technical Board and finally the Executive Committee for approval.

At the time of writing these notes, no agreement whatsoever has been reached on this question, but it is noted that some women members are wearing a white stripe through their belt which is at present, not permitted.

All club secretaries are asked to ensure that their women members do not wear any form of distinguishing mark on their judogi until such times as official approval is given.

The Budokwai

The new instructional arrangements at the Budokwai are now in operation. The accent is on higher graded judoka, but we are not, of course, neglecting the lower grades.

The club will be open each weekday from 5.30 — 9.00 p.m. There are special training sessions for higher kyu grades and dan grades every evening from 8.00 to 9.00, and the instructors will be, on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, Kisaburo Watanabe, 5th dan, Tuesday, Charles Palmer, 5th dan, and Friday, Chikashi Nakanishi, 5th dan. To ensure that lower grades receive adequate instruction there will be dojo stewards in attendance. On Monday, Tony Sweeney, 3rd dan, Wednesday, Trevor Leggett, 6th dan, and Thursday, Chikashi Nakanishi, 5th dan. In addition, on Monday evenings from 8.00 to 9.00 Richard Bowen, 3rd dan, will hold a class for judoka of 5th kyu and below. To cater for 3rd and 4th kyu, Mr. Palmer will instruct these judoka from 7.00 to 8.00 on Wednesday evenings.

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ESSEN, MAY 11—12th 1962.

The British Team, just after the contest with the Russian side which defeated them in the Quarter Finals of the Team event. *From left to right, Alan Petherbridge, George Kerr, Anthony Sweeney, Vernon Maynard and John Ryan.*



The industrial town of Essen in the Ruhr Valley was the venue for the 12th European Championship. This was the last time the team events and grade categories, which so truly exemplify the spirit of Judo, as conceived by Jigoro Kano, would be held. In future all the events would be conducted on a weight basis, which will do nothing to irradiate the name of Judo, on the contrary in time it will tarnish the good name of the sport with dull, plodding contests after the style of wrestlers in judogi.

This year the number of categories had already been increased. There were the light, middle, heavyweight and open, junior categories, and the same for the seniors. The Dan grade categories

Report & Photographs

by A. R. MENZIES

for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and all-comers were still being run, as was the team event. New were the so-called Olympic categories. These were the three weight classes and an open event, as decided at the International Judo Federation Congress, held in Paris after the World Championship.

Great Britain, who have never entered the weight categories before, had entries in the middle, heavyweight and open categories of the Amateur or Olympic division. They also entered all the Dan categories, except the 4th Dan and, of course, the team event. This year saw British entries in more classes than ever before.

The Championship although being held on two days was, in fact, spread over three. On the Thursday the European Congress was held during the morning and afternoon, and in the evening the weigh-in and the draw for places was held in the vast hall in which the contests were to be held. Geoffrey Glesson (5th Dan, National Coach) the Team Manager and Charles Palmer (5th Dan, Chairman of the B.J.A.) the Congress Delegate, were both in attendance, with the members of the British contingent who were being weighed.

This occasion was the first get-together of the contestants, and little groups could be seen all over the Stadium, talking and chatting to each other and discussing the current tough men liable to be met in the Championship. Main topic of conversation were the Russians, with an astounding win over a French representative side in Russia. The U.S.S.R. men were the dark horses in this year's Championship. None of the team from Russia spoke anything but their own language, or at least they did not appear to during the preliminaries.

Prominent among the competitors was Anton Geesink (6th Dan), the World Champion, and the strong Dutch contingent, which included Van Ierland, 2nd Dan Champion of Europe, and contender for the 3rd Dan title this year. France had fielded the only 5th Dan in the Championship, with Bernard Pariset and Henri Courtine back in harness, and their side included Desailly, 3rd Dan Champion last year, contending for the 4th Dan title this time.

Other familiar figures were Tempesta, 4th Dan Champion, from Italy; Niemann, 1st Dan Champion 1961, from East Germany; Raymond and Grossain from

France, and many other international judoka.

The hall in which the Championship was held was a vast hangar-like building with glass sides, one of a series of halls making up the Gruga Park Stadia. Dressing accommodation was poor, a large hall off the side of the main one was roughly divided into sections with board and supplied with chairs, and these sectioned-off rooms without doors were the sole accommodation for the teams during the two days they spent at the Championship. The bitterly cold weather gave the whole building a refrigerated atmosphere, especially in the mornings when there were few spectators to add their warmth to the bare arena.

On Friday morning, the 11th May, at 9.30 p.m. the European Championship started with the eliminations for the junior classes and teams. Unfortunately, the organisation was poor, and the usual German efficiency missing. The bare concrete floor, some 50,000 square feet in area, had three mat areas in a line in the middle of it, the centre one on a 5ft. 6in. high platform, and the other two on the ground. Round these mats were some 4,000 wooden chairs, arranged in rows with the V.I.P. seats on a raised platform. As there was no barrier between the crowd and the mat areas the gangways and surrounds were always full of people trying to get a little closer to see a little better. Also, as the spectators could at the best see only two mat areas at once, every time there was an interesting contest on one of the end areas that could not be seen, the crowd rushed from one mat to the other. Fortunately these chaotic conditions did not continue during the main performance later in the evening. Then the two mat areas on the ground were taken up, leaving the one on the pedestal in the middle.

The mat areas were covered with heavy green canvas, with a red line on the inside indicating the limits of the area, but the mat areas were the wrong size. Apparently three canvases were ordered with a 30ft. x 30ft. area enclosed with a line 3ft. from the edge, but someone made a mistake and the overall area was 30ft. x 30ft. with the red line 3ft. inside this, so that the contestants had 350 square feet missing from their mat area. This mistake could have been rectified if the whole of the mat area had been used and the red line ignored, at least then the contestants would have been able to use the full international size as laid down in the rules of the E.J.U., but the powers that be decided that the area, although reduced, was satisfactory. They might have felt differently about it if they had had to use it themselves. The surround, outside the mat area was of heavy fibre matting which, far from being a protection, was a real hazard in the event of any uncovered part of the body coming into contact with it.

The lack of thought that went into the arrangements made at the hall eventually caused a complete stoppage on the second evening when all press correspondents and photographers were told to leave the edge of the mat as the spectators could not see, although the Championship officials had themselves suggested that the press could take up the positions they were in. It was difficulties such as these which caused a lack of coverage by several leading representatives who were present.

The first call that the British contingent had was for the Team event. Fortunate in being seeded and having drawn a bye in the first round, their luck ran out in meeting the Russian team first. So far, the only people who had seen the Russians in action were the French, on their disastrous tour of the

EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

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Soviet Union, where they lost three, ten-men-a-side, team matches by fairly high margins, and the first round match against Czechoslovakia which, as the Czechs have little judo experience, did not reveal the mettle of the U.S.S.R. side.

The Team Event at this juncture was as follows: East Germany had beaten Switzerland and then lost to France in the quarter finals; Italy had defeated Belgium and had had a fairly easy match with Portugal; Holland had had only one contest as there were only two teams in their pool, and they won easily over Austria; Russia had defeated Czechoslovakia and then met Britain.

The order of the British team was Petherbridge, Kerr (captain), Sweeney, Maynard and Ryan. The usual European referees and judges officiated.

Petherbridge started off quite aggressively against Kiknadze, a

very powerful Russian. Although the Russian did little in the way of attacking with any orthodox judo technique, he did fight hard right through the contest. The small mat area made it difficult for two such big men to move around at all easily. Constantly they were told to break as they stepped over the line, one foot placed outside the area, even momentarily, was enough for the referee to tell the two men to break and return to the middle of the mat. These constant interruptions upset nearly all the competitors. Petherbridge made a good O-soto-gari attack against his Russian opponent, but was too near the edge to make anything out of it. About halfway through, an attack by Petherbridge sent him and his opponent over the mat edge and, in anticipation of the referee's call to break, Petherbridge relaxed slightly, when the Russian picked him up in a sort of Ura-nage and hurled him down on to the canvas outside the area, the referee calling



break as Petherbridge was already well up in the air. The force of the fall left the big Welshman breathless for a moment or two, and it gave the spectators and competitors some idea of the Russian's strength and probable technique. Continuing after this unexpected set-back, Petherbridge attacked more frequently as the match wore on but with little result. At time the contest was declared a draw.

Kerr, with his usual ebullition, rushed out to meet his Russian opponent, Lukaschewich. The Russian had a decided jigotai and rather wrestled with his smaller and more aggressive opponent than attempting judo. In the first minute Kerr nearly had the Russian over with O-soto-gari twice, but the man from the U.S.S.R. was very strong, and difficult to get by or lead into a position where he could be taken. Then Kerr started to attack with Koshi-waza and made a very good Makikomi, but no score. The Russian tried a Tomoe-nage, which Kerr avoided and tried to get in for Ne-waza, but the Russian struggled away and they resumed standing. Another attack by Kerr had Lukaschewich hanging over his back, but he could not get the Russian over. The contest was nearing its end when the Russian tried another Tomoe-nage and Kerr went up in the air, but he quickly twisted so that he landed on his side and no score was made. At the bell a

Hikiwake was given by the referee. Kerr had made a good Makikomi earlier in the contest and would probably have won had not Lukaschewich made the good attack with Tomoe-nage near the end. Again in this contest the small mat area had made it difficult for the players, and the constant breaks tended to ruin any sort of successive waza that Kerr started.

Sweeney had an opponent much shorter than himself, although he was by any standards a very powerful man. Sweeney managed to have better luck than his two previous team mates, in keeping his opponent inside the mat area. He attacked very strongly from the start and quickly made a very good attack with Tai-otoshi, which stumbled the Russian badly. Beruzaschwili, the Russian, looked more dangerous against Sweeney than the first two had done against Petherbridge and Kerr. The short, powerful body seemed to hold some very dangerous tricks, and when he tried a sort of Soei-nage the way Beruzaschwili did it would have uprooted a tree. Sweeney, however, managed to get the Russian to go too far through and then he promptly tried to strangle him with Okuri-eri, but the mat edge stopped that and they resumed their position in the middle. Starting from there Sweeney made a very good Soei-otoshi which surely should have earned him at least a Waza-ari as the Russian was taken clear over Sweeney's leg and landed heavily on his side. A little later Sweeney again got the Russian over, although this time with less success. At time Hikiwake was given and the score was still even with the first three contests drawn.

Maynard had a very hard contest, most of the time he was kept in deep jigotai, the Russian pulling his head forward so that he could reach down his back on to his belt and then throw him over his head

OPPOSITE :

Above. The U.S.S.R. team which defeated Great Britain in the Quarter Finals of the Team event. *From left to right,* Schulz, Kibrozashwili, Beruzaschwili, Lukaschewich and Kiknadze. *Below.* Sweeney with his Russian opponent, Beruzaschwili, in mid air, twice Sweeney caught the Russian like this, but on neither occasion did the referee award any score.

backwards. Kibrozaschwili was probably the strongest opponent that Maynard has ever met, twice he rolled the big Englishman down and was just as aggressive on the ground as standing up. Maynard tried to make some impression on the shorter Kibrozaschwili, but he was always in danger of being countered, and the Russian was prepared to do almost anything to get his opponent down. The area crowded Maynard more than anyone else in the team as, being so tall, he only had to make two paces and he was not only over the line but nearly off the entire mat. On the one or two occasions he managed to get upright he made some hard attacks, but there never seemed to be any chance of the Russian going over and this contest also ended in a draw.

Ryan was the last British team member and he met Schulz in the contest which could decide who went on to the next round. The first minute or two was fairly quiet, neither seemed to be doing very much attacking, and they both managed to keep inside the mat area. Ryan was attacking much harder from about the third minute when, as he pushed the Russian backwards, he was accidentally butted in the head, just over the right eye. Blood poured out and made a small splattered pool on the green canvas cover. A first-aid man rushed up and immediately suggested that Ryan should retire, a sentiment that Ryan was by no means in harmony with. Then the Russian's medical man offered to help and administered some clotting agent to the profusely bleeding

John Ryan, kneeling, being attended to for the cut he sustained above his right eye, while the team members and officials crowd round.



George Kerr, the Captain of the British Side, throwing his Russian opponent in the Team contest, although no score was made.

eye. The official doctor to the Championship also arrived and, after examining the cut, decided that Ryan could continue. So, with a large piece of sticking plaster over the wound the contest recommenced, with Ryan now rather at a disadvantage. The blow, let alone the cut, was enough to have made lesser men feel like retiring, yet there he was attacking one of the enigmatic Russian players. It looked as though it would once again end in a draw and it nearly did when, just before the bell went for the end of the contest, the Russian launched himself into a strong Tomoe-nage that took Ryan over for Ippon. So the Russian team had defeated the British virtually without doing one recognised technique. A startling beginning to their subsequent performance.

Following the team event no other member of the British contingent was required until Bowen made his, and Britain's, debut in the weight categories. These were the Olympic categories divided into three weight classes, below 68 kilograms, between 68 and 80 kilograms, and over 80 kilograms, with the addition of an open class. In the lightweight class no one from the United Kingdom was entered. In the middleweight class John Bowen and Bill Bradbury were the British representatives. Although the eliminations had been going on since soon after lunch, it was nearly four o'clock in the afternoon before Bowen was called over the loudspeaker system to report to the mat area for his first contest and the first of the individual contests that the U.K. members were taking part in.

Bowen was unfortunate to have drawn Mackaay of Holland, one of the favourites for the title, and subsequently the runner-up for the Championship. Mackaay, an experienced player in the European Championship, was a little taken aback by Bowen's immediate aggressive attacks. Too old a hand to be beaten by the sudden onslaught, he was nevertheless fairly hard pressed in the opening seconds. From then on the contest became fairly even, with Bowen making most of the attacks and Mackaay waiting his chance. About halfway through the contest Mackaay caught Bowen with a good Ashi-waza to score Waza-ari, and followed into Osae-komi to win the contest.

Bradbury, the other contestant from Great Britain, also lost in the first round to Smirat of Germany. Smirat subsequently reached the semi-finals, where he lost to the eventual winner, Grossain of France.

Tony Sweeney, entered in the heavyweight class, had as his first opponent Gress of France. Sweeney had little difficulty with him, his aggressive attacking style had the Frenchman a little bewildered and Sweeney scored with Utsuri-goshi before the contest was half over.

David Barnard had a bye in the first round of the heavyweight and met Dadema of Holland in the second round. Dadema, a rather slow-moving man, has had a lot of experience in the European Championship, but Barnard neither cared or worried whether the Dutchman was good or not, he attacked with tremendous zest and had the Dutchman reeling in the first few seconds. Dadema made a couple of attempts with Harai-goshi, easily avoided by Barnard, then he walked into a very hard O-uchi-gari, which threw him partially out of the area. The size of the areas was, once again, the cause of much

dismay. Following this upset, the Dutchman attacked harder and more frequently than before. Barnard increased his attacks, using various Ashi-waza and Uchi-mata twice, although from then on to the end of the contest neither seemed able to get the better of the other until just before the bell Dadema managed to knock Barnard down with an Ashi-waza following an attempted Harai-goshi. Barnard retaliated immediately with Harai-makikomi but could not quite get the Dutchman over. At time the Dutchman was awarded the decision.

Sweeney followed Barnard in the same weight category and he also met a Dutchman, Smits. There were a lot of stoppages in this contest, both the contestants moved around a great deal and the mat area could hardly contain them. On the whole Sweeney attacked more than Smits, twice Sweeney nearly had the Dutchman over with left Koshi-waza, and a Seoi attempt only failed because they ran out of mat area. Neither could be said to have had a clear-cut advantage and a near decision went to the Dutchman at the conclusion. Smits made the semi-finals, losing to Niemann the eventual winner.

This completed the commitments of the British side on the first day. Shortly afterwards the afternoon session ended and the crowd dispersed until the evening show, due to start at 7.30 p.m.

In the team eliminations the French had succeeded in reaching the semi-finals via a bye in the first round and beating Germany in the quarter-finals. Holland also reached the semi-finals, having met Austria in the first round and then drawing a bye in the quarter-final.

The evening display due to commence at 7.30 p.m. started sometime after 8 p.m. The now familiar parade of the countries taking part



Alan Petherbridge attacking Kiknadze of Russia in the Team Contest.

was the opening item. Little boys holding sticks on which the name of the country they were leading was printed, led the contingents into the massive hall and on to the raised dias in the centre of the floor. As soon as all the countries were assembled the opening speech was made by the President of the German Judo Federation, Max Depke, and following him Andre

Ertel, Chairman of the European Judo Union, said a few words.

The organisers had decided on the Olympic system for presenting the prizes, a gold medal awarded to the winner, a silver to the runner-up and a bronze medal to each of the losing semi-finalists. A dias was carried on to the mat area and the winner stood on the highest plinth while the runner-up stood

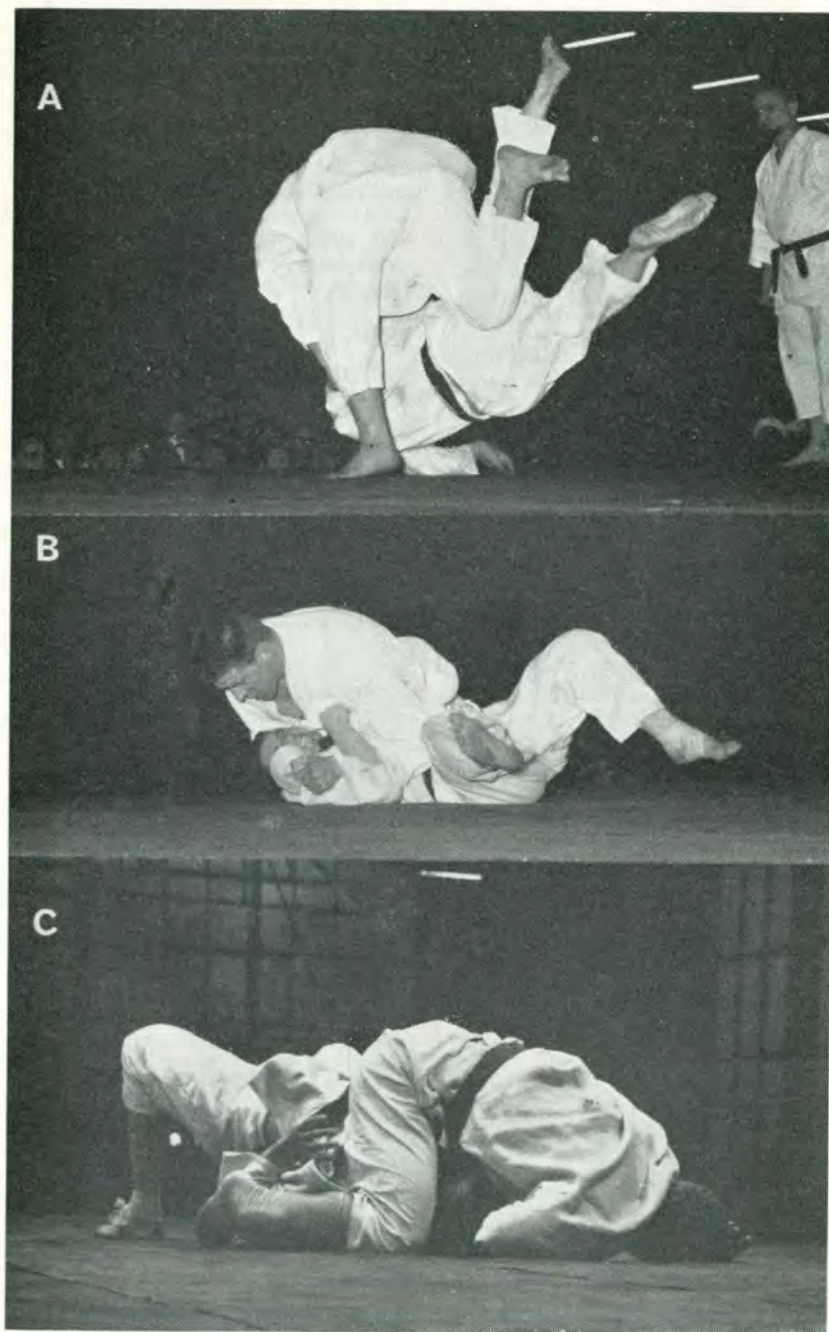
The Russians, although unorthodox were, nevertheless, the most eager fighters in the Stadium, in every contest they harried their opponents, forcing the Dutchmen to retreat and consequently go over the little red line which denoted the mat edge. As soon as the referee told them to break the Russian ran back into the centre to get to grips again, while the badly harassed Dutch team members were most reluctant to meet their opponents any sooner than they could help. On one occasion the Dutch supporters were making so much noise that the contestants were unable to hear the referee's commands and the Russian, not hearing the referee call "break", threw his opponent hard on to the mat. At this the Dutch contingent nearly swarmed on to the mat, shaking their fists and screaming at the tops of their voices. Fortunately, the Russian could only understand his own language and, since his opponent was not disabled the contest continued. It is a pity that Anton Geesink, the World Champion, was unable to control his team members better, and that he himself should have taken part in such a poor display of sportsmanship. The Dutch won the match, but by a narrow margin.

Great Britain's 1st Dan representative, John Bowen, had a bye in the first round, as did Bradbury the 2nd Dan entrant. Therefore, John Ryan in the 3rd Dan category was the first of the U.K. contingent to be called. He met Polak of Czechoslovakia, and proved too hard for

There was a short break before our next contest was called and, during this time we saw Charles Palmer (5th Dan) refereeing. This was the first time that a representative of Great Britain had refereed at the European Judo Championship. Geoffrey Gleeson qualified to referee at international level some years ago, but since he was an official of the British party at that time he was unable to take up the duties. Charles Palmer, however, was not connected with the team officially, being the Congress delegate, and was therefore eligible

Petherbridge now met Dadema, considered the best Dutch entry in this category, finalist in 1961, and in the heavyweight category of the evening before. Petherbridge opened with O-soto-gari which had the

Van Ierland	(Holland)	}	Van Ierland	}	}	}
Polverari	(Italy)					
Sinek	(Germany)	}	Sinek	}	}	}
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Polak	(Czech.)	}	Ryan	}	}	}
Ryan	(G. B.)					
Grossain	(France)	}	Grossain	}	}	}
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Petherbridge	(G. B.)	}	Petherbridge	}	}	}
Ohliger	(Germany)					
Dadema	(Holland)	}	Dadema	}	}	}
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Gisin	(Switzerland)	}	Gisin	}	}	}
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Franceschi	(France)	}	Franceschi	}	}	}
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Dutchman off the mat—most of the time the two men were outside the area, usually with Dadema on the ground. In the first minute Petherbridge threw Dadema cleanly, although outside the area and in the second minute the Welshman scored decisively in the middle of the mat to take him through to the semi-final.

The next contest, also in the same category, was John Ryan versus Van Ierland of Holland, the 2nd Dan champion in 1961. The first few seconds were quiet enough, then John Ryan started to open the contest up with attacks of ashi-waza, then a good O-soto-gari rocked the Dutchman. Van Ierland is a very heavy man and he certainly used his size and weight well. His attacks were very strong and once or twice he nearly scored, in particular he nearly had Ryan over with Sukue-nage, although he would have had to go outside the mat area to do it. Ryan, avoiding the Dutchman's attacks, kept up his own barrage and got in a very good Sasae-tsuri-komi-ashi, which brought the Dutchman to his knees. At time Van Ierland got the decision—a very close fought contest and one that must have been very difficult to decide.

Petherbridge was on again in the semi-final with Franceschi of France, the 1st Dan champion in 1960. Petherbridge attacked the Frenchman so hard from the commencement of the contest that there was little he could do except

OPPOSITE :

A. Etienne of Belgium scoring against Michtchenko of Russia to win the 1st Dan Championship of Europe.

B. Anton Geesink on top of George Kerr, after having just scored with an ashi-waza, in the final of the Open Category.

C. Bradbury of Great Britain being held in the elimination contests of the Middle Weight Olympic Category.

defend. Certainly he did not worry Petherbridge unduly, and the contest continued on rather unequal lines for most of the time. Near the finish, Petherbridge put Franceschi down with himself on top and unfortunately the Frenchman had to retire with a suspected rib injury. Petherbridge was now due to meet the winner of the other semi-final, Van Ierland, in the final at the evening performance.

John Bowen was the next of the British contingent to be called and he met Kyburz of Switzerland. Bowen looked much the slighter of the two men and did not appear to have the aggression of the Swiss until suddenly Kyburz attacked with Harai-goshi and Bowen had him high in the air with a neat Kaeshi-waza, unfortunately outside the area. A little later the Swiss made the same mistake again and this time Bowen made sure and put him down in the middle of the mat for Ippon.

Bradbury met Ehler of Germany in the quarter-final of the 2nd Dan class. Bradbury started particularly well against a strong, tall opponent. The obvious danger would be in going into groundwork as in the World Championship Ehler had proved quite experienced in this field. Bradbury had a slight edge on the German in the opening minutes until Ehler managed to get Bradbury down after an attack by the Englishman, and quickly got into an Osae-komi position. Valiant efforts by Bradbury failed to dislodge the German, who won the point. This was the last contest before lunch and the contestants retired to their hotels and the restaurants nearby to partake of the mid-day repast.

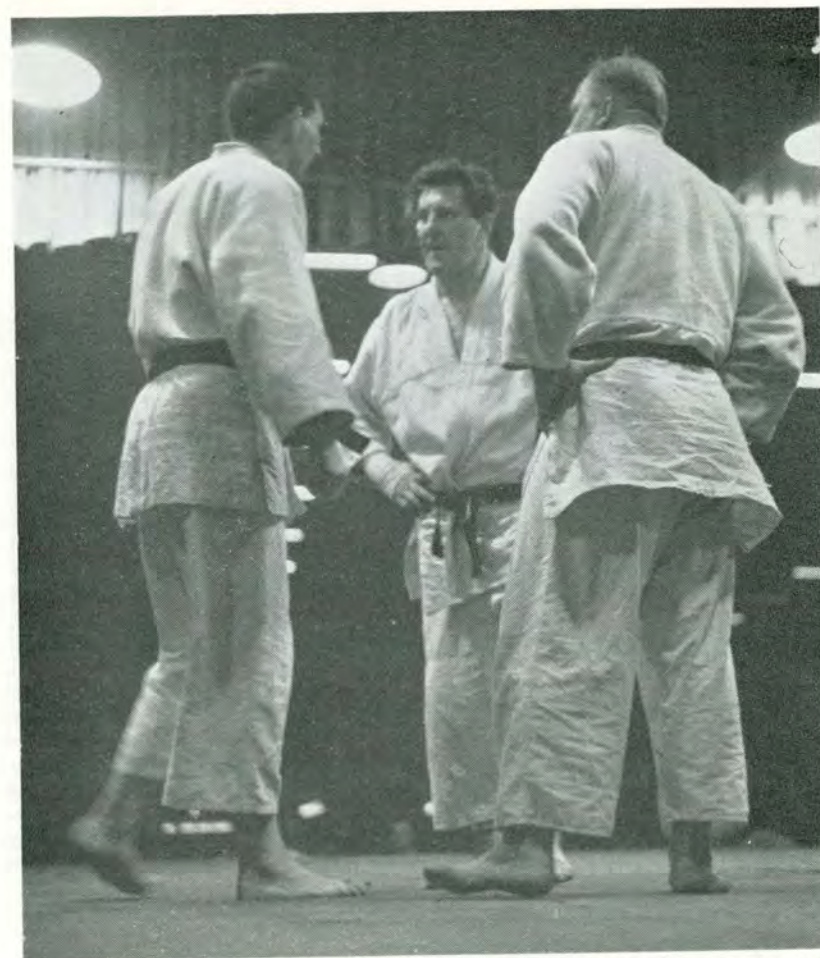
The next British contestant was Sweeney in the Amateur open class at 4.10 p.m. in the afternoon. His first opponent, after having a bye in the first round, was Jegust of Germany. The contest went to

time with both men attacking fairly frequently, but neither managed to get the other over inside the area. Sweeney knocked his opponent down in the last minute just outside the area, and this probably gave him the verdict at the conclusion.

At 5 p.m. Sweeney met the vast Russian power-house Kiknadze. From the start the Russian attacked with a bewildering variety of techniques, most of them unrecognizable. Sweeney kept as upright as he could and attacked with Seoi-nage on one side and Tai-otoshi on the other. With two such active fighters as these the mat hardly contained them for longer than a few seconds at a time, and the referee called "break" more times than could be remembered.

Since Kiknadze could not get anywhere with his counters, which included all sorts of variations of Ushiro-goshi, Ura-nage, etc., he decided to try one of the dropping arm locks much favoured by the U.S.S.R.'s representatives. Throwing himself on to his back, he wrapped his legs round Sweeney's trunk and arm, and carried him down to the mat. Sweeney managed to maintain his balance, although the weight of the Russian was rapidly drawing him into a position where he could get Juji-gatame on him. Making a mighty effort, Sweeney struggled to his feet with the Russian hanging from him, and lifted the mighty bulk of Kiknadze clear of the ground, although he was upside-down with

Members of the British contingent waiting in the airport lounge at Dusseldorf. *Left to right*, John Ryan, 3rd dan, George Kerr, 4th dan, Anthony Sweeney, 3rd dan, David Barnard, 3rd dan, Alan Petherbridge, 3rd dan.



Immediately after the end of the 3rd Dan Championship, John Ryan on the right talking to Van Ierland of Holland, *centre* and Alan Petherbridge, while waiting for the dais to be brought on to the mat area.

his legs wrapped round Sweeney's neck. Just as the Englishman straightened up the referee shouted "break" and Sweeney, unable to hold the Russian any longer, dropped him on the back of his neck, and knocked him completely unconscious. The crowd gasped as the enormous Russian crashed into the Tatami and lay breathing heavily on the canvas, then the Stadium came

alive with exclamations and comments from the people surrounding the area. The Commentator called for the official doctor, and the Soviet's own medical advisor had a look at the sleeping figure. A minute passed by and there was no sign that the Russian was recovering. Sweeney sat on his haunches waiting while Geoffrey Gleeson, the team manager, spoke to him quietly

OPEN GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP

Kerr	(G. B.)	}	Kerr	}	}
Burl	(Germany)				
Leclerq	(France)	}	Leclerq		
Tergouw	(Holland)				
Pariset	(France)	}	Maynard		
Maynard	(G. B.)				
Geesink	(Holland)	}	Geesink		
Steen	(Germany)				

from the mat edge. A second minute started and Kiknadze stirred, and by the time the next thirty seconds had gone by he was standing up and, although tottering, could be seen to be insisting that he carried on. At the start of the third minute he and Sweeney met again and the contest continued, in much the same way that it had in the first half before the Russian had been knocked out. Kiknadze managed to get Sweeney over with a couple of counters but neither was in the area and no score was called. At the conclusion Kiknadze was awarded the decision, whereupon he staggered off the mat and passed out on the chairs occupied by the Russian contingent. It was certainly the hardest contest he had the whole time he was in Essen.

Kerr, the British captain, met his first opponent in the open category when he stepped on to the mat to meet Burl of Germany. This contest did not last long, Kerr attacked hard once or twice and then threw Burl off the area with Tsurikomisoshi. As soon as he returned to the area Kerr threw him off again with the same throw then he caught him in the middle and made a good Ippon.

Maynard, the other British entry, met Pariset of France, 5th Dan, and one-time Open Champion of Europe. Pariset is very short com-

pared to Maynard and, of course, everyone expected to see the devastating Seoi-nage. They did see it, but Maynard was not going over the Frenchman's shoulder this time. Every time Pariset attacked Maynard seemed to droop over him, almost smothering him from sight. Maynard was very wary of attacking Pariset in the beginning but, subsequently, after the first burst by Pariset had died down Maynard came into the picture and put in a good deal of work himself. It goes without saying that with these two on the mat they spent as much time off it as on. Maynard tried a Harai-goshi then made a feint at another, Pariset started to defend and Maynard changed to Ashi-waza which sent the Frenchman up in the air a couple of feet and, although he tried to get his hands down and turn out he never made it and Maynard scored a good point.

The eliminations were taking longer than expected and Kerr was just meeting his second opponent at five past six in the evening. Leclerq, his opponent from France, did not last long, going over to a very fast Koshi-waza in the second minute of the match. Kerr had now reached the final of the European Open Category, the first representative from Britain to do so since Geoffrey Gleeson in 1951.



Henri Courtine, 5th Dan of France, being congratulated on winning the Middle Weight Championship of Europe, by Andre Ertel, Chairman of the E.J.U.

The last contest in the eliminations as far as Great Britain was concerned was Geesink versus Maynard in the other semi-final of the Open category. The contest lasted about one minute. Maynard made the most of a difficult job, he attacked as hard and as often as he could. Geesink made one abortive attempt to throw the Englishman and finding he had to put more into it than just a hack cracked in with an Ashi-waza and Maynard hit the mat for a point.

Eight o'clock saw the Parade of Teams for the second time in the two days covered by the Championships. An interesting innovation was a live choir which sang magnificently while the teams were parading, and then sang a special Russian folk song, in honour of the contestants. This time after the Parade a team of children gave a

demonstration, much appreciated by the audience.

The first of the finals were those of the European Weight categories. The middleweight category was won by Henri Courtine of France with a superb O-guruma, easily the best throw of the entire Championship. Courtine won the same category championship in 1952, so he made it a tenth anniversary present to himself.

In the heavyweight class, Geesink defeated Valluri to make his fourth successive win in this category.

Etienne of Belgium won the 1st Dan Championship defeating Michtchenko of Russia in the final, a most effective winner.

Kibrozaschwili of the U.S.S.R. won the 2nd Dan Championship.



Beruzaschwili trying to pick Sweeney up when the Englishman attacked him.

The 3rd Dan Championship final was between Petherbridge of Great Britain and Van Ierland of Holland, 2nd Dan Champion 1961, and the man who defeated Petherbridge in the World Championship in Paris in December last year. From the start of the contest Petherbridge dominated the fight, keeping very upright he quickly had the Dutchman on the defensive. Van Ierland seemed to lose more and more confidence as the time progressed. Since they are both big men the attacks were much more deliberate and stronger than those of the previous categories seen that evening. Petherbridge made the first attempt but, before any effect was seen, both men were

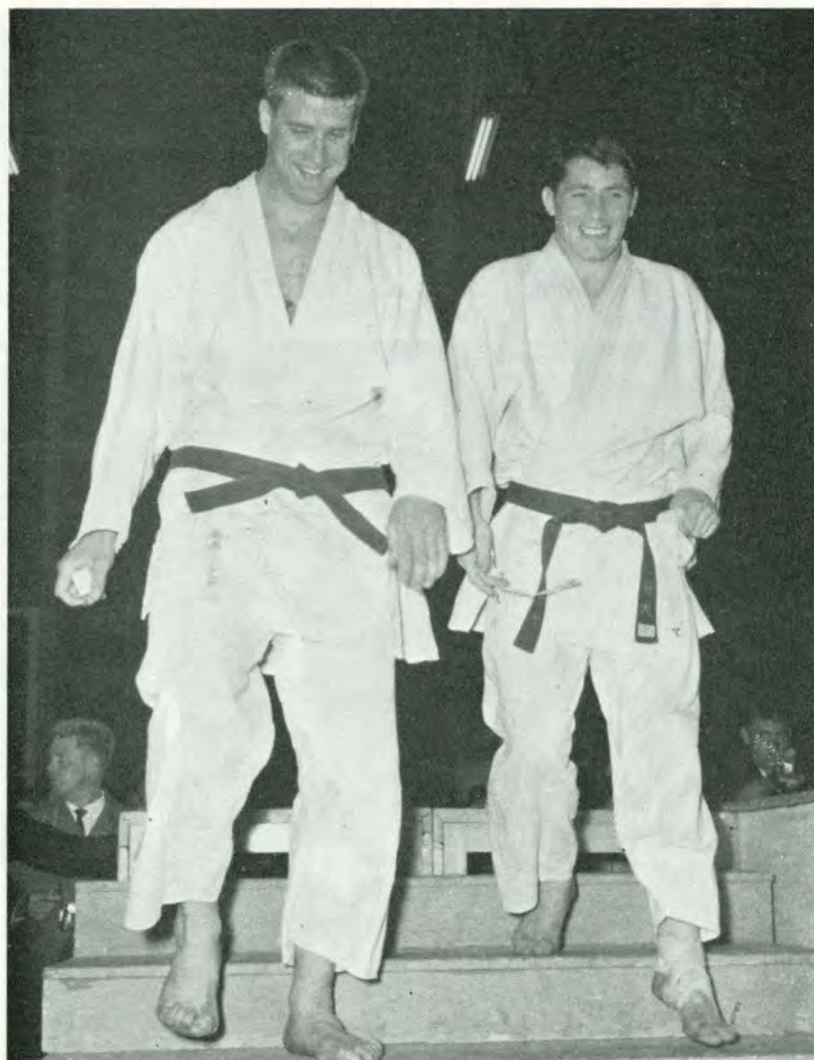
over the line and the referee made them break and return to the middle. They both seemed to court the edge, probably because any one large pace in any direction brought them almost on the red marginal line. The first five minutes produced little action, a tentative feeling-out of the other's defence and techniques seemed to be the order of the day. In the sixth minute Van Ierland tried his Sutemi-waza, a sort of Tsurikomi-ashi dropping on to his side. This was the throw which beat Petherbridge in the World Championship. Again the Welshman went over, but only sliding gently on to his side over the line, since the Dutchman was nearly outside the area before he

tried it. Resuming the middle again they almost immediately crossed the mat edge again, this time from an attack by Petherbridge. Van Ierland tried his Sutemi technique once more but this time Petherbridge merely slipped between his legs and remained standing,

although most of the Dutchman was outside the area. A little more attacking by both men as the time wore on, the Dutchman more and more worried. At 8 mins. 40 sec. Petherbridge got a leg across the Dutchman's body and crashed him over on to the mat area. No score

George Kerr of Great Britain, being congratulated by Andre Ertel, Chairman of the E.J.U., on winning the Silver Medal in the all comers Open Class. Next to him can be seen the Gold Medalist, Anton Geesink, and further over the Bronze Medalists, K. Maynard of Great Britain, and Leclercq of France.





Anton Geesink, 6th Dan, Gold Medalist in the all comers Open Class leaving the mat area with George Kerr, 4th Dan, the Silver Medalist.

was called, although everyone knew that if Petherbridge could stay ahead with that technique he must win. The clock hand wound on slowly, with the Dutchman still not making as much of an effort as expected. Petherbridge pushed a few attempts in, but stayed well in

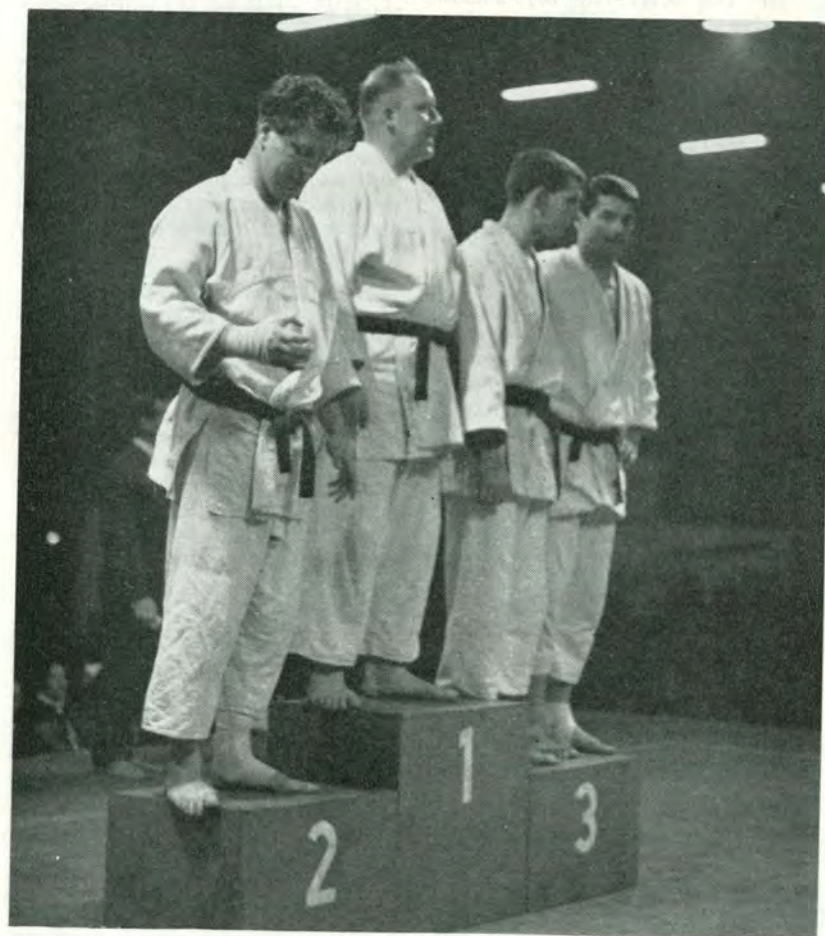
control of the situation until at last the bell sounded and the contest was over. The contestants returned to their places, facing each other, and the referee called "Hantei" for the two judges. There was a distinct hush as one raised the white baton for Petherbridge and the

other raised the red baton for Van Ierland. It was now up to the referee. Without hesitation he raised his hand in the Welshman's direction and Petherbridge had become the 3rd Dan Champion of Europe.

The dais was carried on to the mat area and Alan Petherbridge took the place of honour while a fanfare of trumpets sounded throughout the hall. Andre Ertel,

Chairman of the European Judo Union, assisted by Herr Depke, President of the German Judo Federation, presented the winner with his gold medal, the first gold medal for judo won by a participant from the British Isles. Van Ierland received the silver medal and John Ryan and Franceschi of France received bronze medals for third place. An excellent performance by the British members.

Alan Petherbridge, Gold Medalist in the 3rd Dan Class, with Van Ierland of Holland on his right, the Silver Medal winner, and Ryan of Great Britain with Franceschi of France, on his left the Bronze Medalists.



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The 4th Dan category was won by Desailly of France, who defeated the reigning champion, Tempesta of Italy in the final. Desailly has a tremendous record, 2nd Dan Champion in 1960, 3rd Dan Champion 1961 and now 4th Dan Champion 1962.

The last of the contests was the Open Championship with Kerr, 4th Dan of Great Britain, and Anton Geesink, 6th Dan, World Champion and holder of the Open Championship title on seven previous occasions. The referee started the contest and Kerr, in his usual aggressive style, immediately attacked the big Dutchman. Geesink shot his long leg out and caught Kerr's ankle and he went over with Geesink on top, for Ippon. A quick ending to the last contest of the day, nevertheless a fighting finish to the two days of the Championship. For the last time the dais was carried on to the mat and the trumpeters sounded their victory note. Geesink received the gold medal and Kerr the silver medal, the first time a British representative has reached so far for eleven years. Britain also has a bronze medallist with Vernon Maynard, who shared the honour with Leclercq of France.

Earlier in the evening the Russian, Kiknadze, had defeated his fellow countryman Lukaschewich to win the gold medal in the

Amateur Open Class. A fine start to the participation of the U.S.S.R. in the European Championship.

So ended the twelfth European Judo Championship and also the Championship as it has previously been known. The future Team Championship will consist of a team of six men, two lightweight, two middleweight and two heavyweight which means that the major title in the European Championship, fought for in the spirit and style of the true judo adherent, has given way to a system where to reach a certain weight will be more important than the ability to practice the principles of Judo. That the grade categories have also been discontinued is no surer sign that the emphasis will be on brute force and poundage rather than skill and technique. This, although the grade categories attracted sixty-eight entries compared with only twenty-three in the weight classes.

Now that the European Championship is to be conducted on limits of weight it seems that the smaller nations will be at a greater disadvantage than ever before, since their obvious lower grades will be well out-classed by the larger judo countries who can supply high grades at all weights. A poor picture for the future and one that does little credit to the organisers of the European Judo Union.

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FIRST DAY

Pre-contest favourites for this year's All-Japan were Shigematsu, Koga, Tanaka, Watanabe and Kawano, all 5th Dans, Kaminga and Inokuma did not enter due to injuries.

After the usual speeches and the National Anthem had been sung (the deep voices of the 48 participants booming through the Stadium) the contests got under way.

In **Group 1, Tanaka** was expected to win, but in his first contest with **Kuroda** he could not seem to get going and, after a very cautious contest on Kuroda's part, it was declared a draw.

Tanaka v. Sato. From the beginning Sato used left Uchi-mata, and very strong Ashi-waza. Tanaka seemed bewildered by his small opponent's attacks but replied with right Uchi-mata and Tai-otoshi. Sato threw Tanaka off the mat twice with Uchi-mata, and sat him down with Ko-soto-gari. Tanaka tried a succession of techniques, but Sato kept on his feet. At the bell Sato was awarded the decision. **Sato**, having drawn with **Kuroda** went on to the next day.

Group 2. Shirazaki v. Furuse.

Furuse is equally as powerful as Shirazaki, and it proved to be a very interesting contest. Shirazaki almost caught Furuse in the first minute with right O-soto-gari, and again with Sasae-tsurikomi-ashi. Furuse, using left Tai-otoshi and O-uchi-gari stumbled Shirazaki, but could not topple his towering opponent. To everyone's surprise the decision went to Furuse. **Shirazaki** then beat **Muto** with a very fast Sasae-tsurikomi-ashi in the first minute but, as **Furuse** had already beaten **Muto** with Sukui-nage, Furuse went on to the next round.

Group 3. Seki v. Nakano.

Seki, in his usual bouncing style, dragged Nakano all over the mat, attacking with O-uchi and Tai-otoshi every few seconds. He threw Nakano off the mat on several occasions. Nakano made one or two attempts at Uchi-mata but Seki grabbed the attacking leg each time and went into Ne-waza. At the bell the referee declared it a draw. There were many cat-calls from the audience. **Nakano** beat **Hosaka** on a decision in a very close contest and then **Hosaka** drew with **Seki**. In this contest Seki again did most of the

attacking, and I felt sure he would get the decision. Nakano, however, went forward to the next round.

Group 4. Kitagaki v. Kumamoto.

Kumamoto threw Kitagaki with his first attempt at a technique, left Uchi-mata, time 1 minute. **Kumamoto** then beat **Kamiya** on a decision after throwing Kamiya off the mat on several occasions. **Kamiya** lost to **Kitagaki** when Kitagaki threw him with a beautiful Sasae-tsurikomi-ashi. Kumamoto, having won his group went forward to the next day.

Group 5. Ota v. Murata.

Ota tried Sasae but Murata countered with the same throw, knocking Ota on to his side. Murata continued into Kami-shiho-gatame but after 12 seconds Ota broke free and they stood up. Ota tried Tomoe-nage and then, as Murata was still in the

air, secured a very strong Shime-waza. Murata twisted like an eel with Ota grimly hanging on and eventually, with eyes popping and his face a deep purple, he managed to break free. Many thought Ota would win, but it was a draw. **Murata** then beat **Ito** on a decision, after repeatedly trying to bring Ito into Ne-waza. Murata looked the stronger throughout the contest.

Ito v. Ota. Ito attacked from the start, giving Ota no chance to make an attack himself. After 1 min. 40 secs. Ito scored with left Harai-goshi. Murata therefore went forward to the next round.

Group 6. Tsujii v. Iwasaki. The giant Tsujii against the much smaller Iwasaki. Tsujii scored with a big left Harai-goshi. Time 36 secs. **Sakaguchi**, the tallest com-



Takeuchi countering an attempt at Uchi-mata by Hasegawa, no score was made but it decided the contest in Takeuchi's favour.



Koga scoring waza-ari against Hasegawa with a left O-soto-gari.

petitor, dwarfed **Iwasaki**, who almost scored with Seoi-nage in the first minute, and again with Ko-uchi-gari a few seconds later. Sakaguchi, using right O-soto and Harai-goshi suddenly changed to left Harai-goshi, taking Iwasaki up and over. Ippon time 2 mins. 50 secs.

Sakaguchi v. Tsujii. Tsujii although heavier than Sakaguchi was also dwarfed by his opponent's height. Sakaguchi resembled a long, bent beanstalk as he moved around the mat attacking constantly, but it all seemed to be in slow motion. Tsujii tried many Uchi-mata and Harai-goshi, but Sakaguchi was too tall. Sakaguchi threw Tsujii off the mat with Ko-soto-gari and came very near to scoring with the same throw many times. At time Sakaguchi got the decision, and the right to fight on the next day.

Group 7. Iwata v. Maeda. Iwata holding the sleeve tips prevented Maeda making any serious attacks while Iwata himself could attack with his Tsurikomi-goshi and Ko-uchi. Iwata threw Maeda off the mat with a lightning fast left Ippon Seoi. Maeda picked himself up and one could almost hear him saying "Where did that come from?" Maeda contented himself with playing a very cautious contest, while Iwata attacked repeatedly. Hikiwake.

Iwata v. Yamamoto. Iwata again attacked fiercely but he could not break through the rather fat Yamamoto's defence. Iwata looked superior throughout the contest, but at time the referee declared it a draw.

Maeda v. Yamamoto. In the first minute Maeda threw Yamamoto off the mat with left Tai-otoshi.

Maeda attacked all the time, giving Yamamoto no chance to reply with his own techniques. Yamamoto was warned for stepping off the mat to avoid throws. Maeda eventually scored with left Tai-otoshi, 4 mins. 40 secs. Maeda having won his group went forward to the next round.

Group 8. Takada v. Ishiguro. Takada, using Ashi-waza and Tai-otoshi almost scored with Okuri-ashi-barai in the first minute. Takada looked superior throughout the contest and at time was awarded the decision.

Ishiguro v. Takeuchi. Takeuchi easily blocked Ishiguro's attempts at Ippon Seoi and Tai-otoshi. At 5 mins. 10 secs. Takeuchi scored with left O-soto-Makikomi, after many near misses with Uchi-mata.

Takada v. Takeuchi. Takeuchi tried many Uchimata but he could not break through Takada's solid defence. Takada threw Takeuchi off the mat with Ippon Seoi on

one occasion. Hikiwake. Takeuchi had made the next round.

Group 9. Yoneda v. Higashide. After moving cautiously round the mat Yoneda tried O-uchi-gari. Higashide jumped out of the way and threw Yoneda with a hand throw—1 min. 20 secs.

Higashide v. Takahashi. Takahashi had one narrow miss with left Uchi-mata, and then scored with left Harai-goshi. 1 min. 42 secs.

Takahashi v. Yoneda. Takahashi appeared to be in fine condition. In the first minute he threw Yoneda on to his side with Sukui-nage. He then tried Ko-uchi, continued into Ippon Seoi, but Yoneda fell outside the contest area. Takahashi then tried Harai-goshi, and, as Yoneda brought his right foot forward to block the attack, Takahashi threw him with a big sweeping Okuri-ashi-barai. 4 mins. 50 secs. Takahashi went to the next round.



Hasegawa scoring with Uchi-mata against Matsunaga.



Hasegawa's De-ashi-barai against Koga.

Group 10. Taki v. Kai. Kai attacked hard right from the start, eventually scoring with left Harai-goshi, 1 min. 50 secs.

Kai v. Oda. Oda countered Kai's left Harai-goshi with Ko-soto at 1 min. 40 secs. A few seconds later Oda scored with Ko-soto-gake Ippon.

Oda v. Taki. Taki fought hard against his older and more experienced opponent, using Tai-otoshi and O-uchi-gari. Oda had some difficulty at first, but he eventually scored with right Harai-goshi. Time 4 mins. 50 secs. Oda, the winner, went forward to Sunday's contests.

Group 11. Eguchi v. Shigematsu. Shigematsu attacked very strongly with O-soto-gari immediately he

took hold. Eguchi just managed to escape. Shortly after Shigematsu scored with a powerful Tai-otoshi. Time 1 minute.

Shigematsu v. Kinoshita. In the first minute Shigematsu threw Kinoshita off the mat with O-soto-gari. Again he attacked with O-soto, coming very near to scoring. A strong attempt at O-uchi-gari by Shigematsu knocked Kinoshita on to his side. Shigematsu seized the opportunity and secured a very strong Kami-shiho-gatame. Ippon time 5.40 seconds.

Kinoshita v. Eguchi. Kinoshita scored with left Sode Tsurikomi-goshi, Waza-ari and then right Tsurikomi-goshi. Ippon. Time 1 min. 20 secs. Shigematsu having won both his contests went forward to the next round.

ALL JAPAN CHAMPIONSHIP 1962

1	A. Tanaka	5th Dan	Sato	}	Sato	}	Takeuchi
	M. Kuroda	5th Dan					
	K. Sato	5th Dan					
2	J. Shirasaki	4th Dan	Furuse	}	Sato		
	Y. Furuse	4th Dan					
	J. Muto	4th Dan					
3	K. Seki	4th Dan	Nakano	}	Nakano		
	K. Nakano	4th Dan					
	A. Hosaka	5th Dan					
4	T. Kitagaki	3rd Dan	Kumamoto	}	Kumamoto		
	S. Kumamoto	4th Dan					
	K. Kamiya	4th Dan					
5	S. Ota	5th Dan	Murata	}	Murata		
	T. Murata	4th Dan					
	T. Ito	5th Dan					
6	K. Tsujii	4th Dan	Sakaguchi	}	Sakaguchi		
	H. Iwasaki	3rd Dan					
	S. Sakaguchi	3rd Dan					
7	Y. Maeda	4th Dan	Maeda	}	Maeda		
	H. Iwata	5th Dan					
	Y. Yamamoto	4th Dan					
8	S. Takada	4th Dan	Takeuchi	}	Takeuchi		
	F. Ishiguro	5th Dan					
	Y. Takeuchi	5th Dan					
9	K. Yoneda	4th Dan	Takahashi	}	Takahashi		
	Y. Higashide	5th Dan					
	A. Takahashi	5th Dan					
10	E. Taki	4th Dan	Oda	}	Oda		
	F. Kai	4th Dan					
	Y. Oda	5th Dan					
11	K. Eguchi	3rd Dan	Shigematsu	}	Shigematsu		
	M. Shigematsu	5th Dan					
	E. Kinoshita	4th Dan					
12	S. Yamamoto	4th Dan	Matsunaga	}	Matsunaga		
	T. Ishida	4th Dan					
	M. Matsunaga	4th Dan					
13	K. Watanabe	5th Dan	Watanabe	}	Watanabe		
	Y. Ozaki	4th Dan					
	K. Ashida	4th Dan					
14	H. Hasegawa	5th Dan	Hasegawa	}	Hasegawa		
	I. Tanaka	5th Dan					
	M. Tsukuda	4th Dan					
15	T. Koga	5th Dan	Koga	}	Koga		
	O. Sato	4th Dan					
	T. Ikegami	4th Dan					
16	S. Miura	4th Dan	Kawano	}	Kawano		
	M. Kawano	5th Dan					
	T. Yamamoto	4th Dan					

Each member of the sixteen groups of three, fights each other member of the group, the winner going forward to the next round.

Group 12. Yamamoto v. Ishida. Yamamoto dominated the entire contest. First he threw Ishida off the mat with Tai-otoshi and then he tried Uchi-mata, missed and continued into Seo-i-nage which picked Ishida up and hurled him off the mat into the audience. Yamamoto was tremendously fit and active. At time he was awarded the decision.

Ishida v. Matsunaga. Ishida injured his shoulder in the first few seconds trying to escape from a big twisting Uchi-mata. He carried on, but in obvious pain. Matsunaga scored with Sasae-tsurikomi-ashi shortly after. Time 1 min. 25 secs.

Yamamoto v. Matsunaga. Yamamoto attacked from the start using Tai-otoshi Seo-i and O-uchi-gari in his usual energetic style. Matsunaga, who had the lead having

beaten Ishida with a full point, was content to attack occasionally and wait for the bell. Hikiwake. Matsunaga went forward to the second day.

Group 13. Watanabe v. Ozaki. Both attack left and right, Ozaki using Uchi-mata, Tai-otoshi, Hane-goshi, O-soto-gari and Ashi-waza. Watanabe is unbelievable, he does every throw. Ozaki is physically very strong (18in. upper arms) so it proved to be a very active contest. Watanabe never looked in any real danger, but, although he came close to scoring on many occasions, he could not turn his powerful opponent once the throw had started. At time Watanabe was awarded the decision.

Ozaki v. Ashida. Ozaki chased Ashida all over the mat, using a wide variety of techniques. He eventually scored a full point with a very big right Harai-goshi. Time 1 min. 5 secs.

Watanabe v. Ashida. Watanabe pranced around the mat, taking the most outrageous risks, and attacking with any throw he happened to think might look spectacular. He even tried Kata-guruma, much to Ashida's surprise. At the bell it was declared a draw, so Watanabe went forward to the next round.

Group 14. Hasegawa v. Tanaka. Hasegawa scored with left Uchi-mata in 40 seconds.

Tanaka v. Tsukuda. Tsukuda almost scored in the opening seconds with Ippon Seo-i, he continued into Ne-waza, but Tanaka escaped. Tanaka tried Uchi-mata, but he could not move Tsukuda, who seized every opportunity to bring Tanaka into Ne-waza. At time Tsukuda was awarded the decision.

Hasegawa v. Tsukuda. Hasegawa scored in the first minute with left Uchi-mata, Waza-ari. Tsukuda could not make any really dangerous attacks again Hasegawa who

stands in extreme left posture (Hidari Shizentai). Hasegawa scored again with Ko-soto-gari. Time 3 mins. 11 secs. Hasegawa went forward to the next day.

Group 15. Koga v. Sato. Koga, as usual, began attacking from the start. He threw Sato off the mat in the first seconds with left Uchi-mata. Both men attacked again and again. Sato caught Koga off guard and tossed him off the mat with left O-soto-gari. Inspired by this Sato tried a succession of Uchi-mata, O-soto and Ashi-waza techniques. One of Sato's Sasae-tsurikomi-ashi attacks brought Koga to his knees but Koga, agile as a cat, sprang to his feet and

threw Sato with left Uchi-mata all in the same movement. The crowd applauded loudly at this demonstration of real judo.

Sato v. Ikegami. Sato again attacked with unflagging spirit. He had the bear-like Ikegami in trouble on numerous occasions, but Ikegami managed to weather the storm and reply with Uchi-mata. Ikegami scored Ippon with Uchi-mata, but he was rather lucky, I think. Time 5 mins. 45 secs.

Koga v. Ikegami. Koga was in trouble on many occasions with his powerful opponent. Twice Ikegami picked Koga up as Koga

Takeuchi taking Ishiguro up but no score was made with this attempt.



Takahashi scoring against Higashide.





Koga scoring with Uchi-mata.

attempted Uchi-mata, but he could not turn the agile Koga. Koga eventually scored Waza-ari with left Uchi-mata, which gave him the decision at time. Koga did not seem to be in his usual condition.

Group 16. Miura v. Kawano. A very active contest but neither man could break through the other's defence. Hikiwake.

Kawano v. Yamamoto. Yamamoto towered above Kawano but despite the disparity in height it was Kawano who did all the attacking. Kawano tried many Tsuru-komi-goshi but Yamamoto successfully wrecked all Kawano's attempts. At 4 mins. 35 secs. Kawano scored Ippon with right O-soto-gari.

Miura v. Yamamoto. Miura uses

Tai-otoshi, O-soto and O-uchi-gari. He has skilful judo, dragging his opponent round the mat and attacking all the time. Against the big Yamamoto, however, he could not seem to get going. Hikiwake. Kawano therefore went forward to the next round.

Koga and Shigematsu remained the favourites after the first day but many people thought Matsunaga might just pull it off. In the evening newspapers that day there was a lot of criticism about Koga and Shigematsu. It said that they lacked fighting spirit. Koga, having just graduated from Nihon University and entered a company, must be finding the world a little topsy-turvy. After his showing on the first day I did, however, think that he would win the championship.

TO BE CONTINUED IN THE AUGUST ISSUE.

COACHING NOTES

By the Coaching Committee of the B.J.A

Preparations are well forward for the 1962 National Technical Conference. The date is already booked and it will be held in London on the same weekend as the Budokwai Show, 13th/14th October. Judomen from the provinces will therefore be able to attend both events to make it a worthwhile visit.

The theme of the conference will be "Modern Coaching Methods" and Albert Wilde, in co-partnership with Gerry Hicks, will give a practical demonstration with a class of boys of the Association's new method of introducing judo. Emlyn Jones, at present Technical Adviser to the Central Council of Physical Recreation but who will shortly be taking up his new appointment as Director of the new Crystal Palace National Recreation Centre, will give a lecture on modern coaching methods in other sports so that we can then judge our own advances alongside the progress in other physical activities.

It will be quite a weekend—so book the date—13/14th October.

Albert Wilde, by the way, is now teaching judo full time, not only around the Midlands but wandering, on request, to other areas as well—good luck. Albert. He deserves good fortune for he has put a considerable amount of original thinking into the teaching of the sport and has even developed a simple but ingenious practice for ukemi with a partner assisting. Don't you know what it is? Get with it, you proposed coaches—you're lagging behind!

Gerry Hicks gave the Coaching Committee a number of ideas for future conferences, once again showing much thought on what is required in this country and the Committee appreciated his comments. This, then, is the calibre of our Area Coaches—I only hope that members of the Association appreciate them and what they are doing as much as the Coaching Committee.

Whilst we are on personalities some of the more recent members of the Association do not know Iain Morris (2nd Dan) who is the new National Coaching Secretary. Iain became a member of the Budokwai just after the war and was one of the individuals who supported and assisted in the formation of the B.J.A. in 1948. After this he travelled to clubs up and down the country, coaching and grading in his free time until he took up an appointment in Nigeria in 1955. On returning to this country in 1959 he lived in Harrogate for a time and only came back into the judo picture when he came to live in London last year. At present he is an instructor at the Regent Street Polytechnic but undoubtedly you will be seeing him at various courses and conferences up and down the country before long—if you want to contact him his address is 17 West Eaton Place, S.W.1.

We welcome back John Newman after a three-year sojourn (hardly the right word!) in Japan—he returns as a 4th Dan and has been appointed manager of the Renshuden, taking over from "Pep" Stepto who has departed once more for the land of the cherry blossom.

John's first official engagement with the Association was to accompany T. P. Leggett to the Zadenkai at Lilleshall over the Whitsuntide weekend. This meeting of the Area Coaches was better off for having the enthusiasm of our newest 4th Dan and the wisdom of one of our most experienced advisers.

Are you still wondering if you are up to date in coaching techniques? If you are, you should be able to state the two introductory techniques off two feet—or don't you know anything about Group 2?

AREA NEWS

EASTERN SECTION. *Buckley Jones.*

May and June have seen the start of our display season. Demands for judo at all functions indoors and outdoors have increased considerably giving a larger number of players a chance to perform in public.

Arguments have been developing recently on the subject of self-defence in these displays. The purists, led of course by Reg Allum, have had to give in as the public looks for this item and they make the bookings.

An interesting piece of information came our way recently concerning Boston Judo Club. The latter have apparently managed to hide some considerable initiative under a bushel. For the past two years they have been liaising with a French club and they hope to visit France this year. This is a great idea that can be considered by other clubs. It's not so bad travelling across the channel and a wonderful chance to make new friends. Anybody interested, contact us and we will put you in touch.

Congratulations to R. W. Howes of Boston on his Shodan. We all appreciate it's no mean feat obtaining dan degree and Dick's effort makes a start of what we hope will be a steady pilgrimage.

By the way, any one hear how the quiet man Johnny Keith got on, or the Cambridge Canadian giant Frank Main?

This year there's a promise of area Christmas cards with the new area badge. The latter was introduced on the Souvenir Programme at the 1st Annual Dinner and incorporates the three silver crowns of the Anglian Kings. The committee sanctioned the go-ahead at the last meeting and we are looking forward to this innovation.

The course at Norwich, under Albert Wilde (2nd Dan), proved the complete model for the ten of us that presented ourselves. Ipswich, Norwich and Spalding were represented with a surprise visit from Boston's Dick Howes. Terry Buckingham, our area coach, made several visits in spite of flu.

The instruction emphasised the new method of movement based on three groups, with emphasis on moving in. The latter was a useful tip and constituted a little more than the usual entry methods. The idea is to drive in hard and as your feet hit the ground recoil out. It does away with pausing and adds considerable power to the throw.

Following on from this is body contact. Perhaps this point cannot be stressed too highly as in the rounds of the area it's this lack of unity with the opponent that's the glaring fault in many cases negates all that hard practise.

Mike Dimsdale (Ipswich J.C.) reports a wonderful week at Boston Hall, Torquay last month. The course under Geoff Gleeson, found good weather and some chaps managed sun tans. Mike says they all came away feeling they had learnt a great deal and with a host of memories of the social life. Geoff certainly kept them occupied as only he knows how. Mike concluded by wishing his new friends, happy landings and hopes he will see them next year.

WELSH SECTION. *G. Thomas.*

The brown to black promotion examinations were held, as advertised, the centres being the British Nylon Spinners J.C., Pontypool, and the Samurai,

Swansea. The examiners were G. Kerr (4th Dan) and D. A. Petherbridge (3rd Dan) with John Newman (4th Dan) also in attendance. Eighteen 1st Kyu entered and eight were recommended for 1st Dan. The response to this event was very encouraging and we wish to congratulate the successful candidates on their fine efforts.

The Area Coach, T. Edmunds (2nd Dan) and R. Lewis (2nd Dan) were members of the British Team which recently visited Antwerp with such marked success. Alan Petherbridge, who took part in the European Championships at Essen returned with the 3rd Dan Championship and a gold medal, the first Welshman to win this honour.

By the time these notes are published the 1962 Zadankai will have been held at Lilleshall under the auspices of the C.C.P.R. when it is hoped extensions will be made to the Coaching Award Scheme.

It is felt that not enough training is being done in the Area for the Coach Award or Shiai. We, therefore, intend to organise training sessions at regular intervals. The Shiai training will probably alternate between Pontypool and Swansea, whilst the coaching training will be organised over a wider field.

NORTH WEST SECTION. *Miss E. Davis.*

Area Courses. The Ju-no-kata Course held at the K.N.K., Manchester, proved to be extremely interesting and, I think, surprised some of the participants who were under the impression that this kata required little effort in performance.

The Area was fortunate in obtaining the services of A. Wilde (3rd Dan) to conduct a course for club instructors on Sunday, 24th June. Prior notice of this course was circulated to all clubs.

The date of the selection contests for the Area Team was the 1st July, and we hope to produce a strong team to represent the Area at the National Championships to be held in **Darlington** on the 27th October.

Area League. Many of you will be interested to have news of the teams in the league, organised by the Area Coach, P. Connor. The position of the teams is as follows:

	Matches pl'd	W	D	L	points
Cherry Leaf, Oldham	4	4	0	0	12
Spartans, Bacup	3	2	0	1	7
Burnley Bashers	2	1	0	1	4
Three Bamboos	3	0	0	3	3
Andys' Denton	1	0	0	1	1
Peters, Denton	1	0	0	1	1

We hope to give more news of the league as further matches take place.

KEARSLEY CUP. Complete results of the 1st round have not yet been received, but the following teams have won through to the second round. Pilkingtons; La Scala; Carrington; K. & M.; B.I.C.C.; Helsby; and Burnley District J.C.

La Scala, Runcorn, received a request through the C.C.P.R. to give a demonstration of judo at a general sports display for school leavers, which should provide good publicity for the sport.

A large-scale event called "Judo Cavalcade" will be staged by the Keido-kwai at the Tower Circus, **Blackpool**, on Saturday, 10th November at 8 p.m.,

when Mr. Senta Yamada will be demonstrating Kendo and Aikido. Some 1,800 seats will be available with good viewing from all parts. Prices of the seats will be published later, with reduced prices for block booking.

NORTHERN SECTION. *L. Cobb.*

Crinion J.C., Bedlington. The club announces with regret the resignation of D. Calwalander, 1st Kyu, Secretary and founder member, whose efforts will not easily be forgotten. Congratulations to G. Henderson, 1st Kyu, who has recently been appointed Chairman of the Northern Area. The club has stepped up its training programme and membership is rapidly increasing.

Ju-no-Kata, Blyth. At a recent examination held at this club by R. Harrison, 1st Dan, three members graded from Red to 4th Kyu and three more to 5th Kyu.

Cumko Judokwai, Workington. A successful weekend course was recently held in the Bessemer Gymnasium under H. Marr, 2nd Dan. Over sixty judomen attended the three two-hour sessions, with good results for the Judokwai.



GLASGOW

OSAKA J.C. *From S. Kingalis:*—We have now opened our new dojo for beginners, which is completely self-contained, with all facilities. An added attraction is the new shower room, and we are in the process of building lockers for each member, some seventy having been provided to date.

The club is situated in the city centre, a few minutes from all main line stations, and comprises three large dojo, with ample space for spectators. Mass gradings, coach award examinations, elimination contests for the area, and top class courses are available, and a welcome is extended to all judo players.

During the last few months a number of members have gone to London but the gaps are being effectively filled by those that remain.

SCUNTHORPE

SCUNTHORPE JUDO CLUB. *From W. F. Bell:*—Enthusiasts from all over the North East Area were present at a recent weekend course held at the Blue Bell Hotel, Scunthorpe, under G. Kerr, 4th Dan. Friends from Sheffield, Bradford, Hull, Leeds, Barnsley, Boston, Grimsby and Barton, attended and we had the record number of seven Dan grades present. Tucked

away in this corner of Lincolnshire we can't get to many courses, and the S.J.C. Committee wish to thank all those attending for making it such a success.

We should also like to send our good wishes to a good friend of everyone in the North East Area—Dennis Logan—training hard in Japan.

LONDON

LONDON JUDO SOCIETY. *E. Dominy writes:*—I would like to clarify the position regarding the Aikido and the Coaching Course.

Aikido. Our decision to stop the Aiki resulted in a strong protest, and we have changed our minds, therefore the Aiki beginners' class and the main club will be held on Thursday evening. I will be pleased to forward details.

Coaching Course. This was postponed because only three people applied, each of these was informed that the course was postponed. I assumed that anyone who intended to attend would have informed me, and apologise for not making this clear.

Festival of Judo 1962. I read the report of Alan Menzies in the June issue with great interest. I am aware that not many L.J.S. members were in the programme. In the past, however, our men have been prominent in the contests and display. It is not a L.J.S. show but a Festival of Judo.

I admit that a large proportion of the programme consisted of items other than Judo, but all these things are taught at the L.J.S. and some other clubs. Nevertheless, we are considering revising the plans for the 1963 Festival, and will advise readers accordingly.

The change in the first half of the programme was due to a misprint, which was overlooked, and caused quite a Festival of excitement in itself, we managed to cover up the break but with no discomfort to the audience, and I would like to thank the people who had to change their scheduled times.

At the moment the sunny weather has detracted our members to other things and the dojo are fairly quiet. This does not refer to the Senior Dojo where John Waite gets everyone down to really hard practice on a Monday evening.

THE RENSHUDEN. *W. E. Bradbury writes:*—In a club such as ours it is hard to single out events that take precedent over the others. One such event is the arrival of Kisaburo Watanabe, who will be teaching on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 6.30—9 p.m. This gives our members the benefit of four top judo styles—John Newman, the tall man, G. Kerr, the small man, K. Watanabe, quoted as the leading stylist in Japan, and last but not least, T. P. Leggett, the driving force at the club.

Six members of the Renshuden took part in the recent European Championships, and the 10-man British Team, which later visited Belgium, also contained six members of the Renshuden.

EXETER

EXETER JUDOKWAI. *From Tony Hellier:*—Exeter's visit to Rennes. Rennes, capital of Brittany and Exeter's twin city, were our hosts for the third time this year.

On arrival at Rennes Airport on Thursday evening we were met by the Rennes' club officials, M. Cheral and M. Villiman and several other members.

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The city of Rennes provided us with an excellent dinner which enabled us to meet other members of the club.

We met again at the Rennes Club the following morning and went sight-seeing and shopping, the afternoon we devoted to practice and many useful tips and opinions were passed during this period.

We arrived at the Paul-Bert Stadium at 8 o'clock and watched the Rennes junior section under the supervision of M. Gerard (1st Kyu) demonstrate Ukemi and exercises. When we had changed for our contest we were individually introduced to the Rennes City officials and exchanged medals with our French opponents.

The French team, consisting of six 1st Dans were captained by Alain Daisy, the referee being M. Villiman (3rd Dan). The first contest was marred by Mike Squance (3rd Kyu) breaking his arm. He had been fighting well and had caused his opponent many anxious moments with his strong attacking.

Exeter's best contest was the second in which G. Scovell (1st Kyu) beat B. Cheral (1st Dan) with a magnificent Hari-goshi.

In the third contest T. Hellier (2nd Kyu) was beaten decisively by J. Hirel with Hane-goshi and L. Ford (1st Kyu) suffered a similar fate though attacking hard with Seoi-nage. The fifth contest, K. Browse (1st Kyu) did well against a bigger opponent and deservedly drew.

The highlight was the contest between the two captains, Alain Daisy and Exeter's only 1st Dan, Peter Murphy. Peter stumbled Alain with several hard attacks one of which brought both to the ground. Murphy getting in quickly with Kami-shiho-gatame making, we thought, a point for Exeter, but surprise, while Murphy adjusted his hold, the Frenchman turned him reversing the position, holding him for a full point.

We had a second contest, fighting equivalent grades and Exeter won 4-2 with P. Murphy and G. Scovell scoring decisive wins to the delight of the French crowd.

It was with great surprise to the French when, at the finish Exeter's president, J. Bricknell (1st Kyu) made M. Villiman and M. Cheval, president and vice-president of the Exeter club.

Our remaining time was spent sightseeing and visiting all the local places of interest. The climax to the visit came on Sunday when all the Exeter sportsmen were given a civic dinner at the Guildhall with the Rennes city officials.

Our thoughts during the flight home must have been, without doubt, what a wonderful stay we had in Rennes and we sincerely thank our hosts for the excellent hospitality which was extended to us.

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and returned to Kumamoto in Kyushu. Later in his life he went on a further warrior-pilgrimage. The date of his death is given as 19th May, 1645, but as to the length of his life the authorities disagree, some affirming that he died

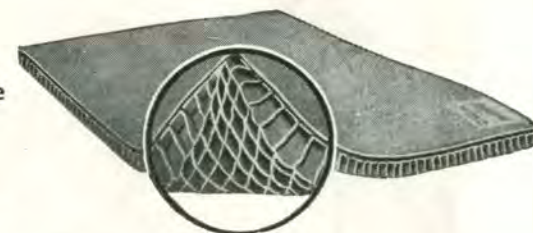
at the age of 94. As I said in the last issue, he is famed as an artist, greatly influenced by the applied teachings of Zen Buddhism; his nom-de-plume was "Niten". His remains lie in Kumamoto, in the Hommyoji Cemetery.

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