

116 ten-seater Canadians with young German sportsmen greet the Olympic guests.

Canoeing

For the first time at Olympic Games, canoeing contests took place in Berlin in 1936. Upon the application of the International Canoeing Federation, the IOC had agreed to these competitions at its meeting in Oslo in 1935. The rules and programme for the canoeing contests were set up by the International Federation.

The Organizing Committee fixed the canoe races to be held at the regatta course in Berlin-Grünau. For the canoe short distance course over 1,000 metres, the 2,000 metre course with its elevations was chosen. Contrary to the races being held in the former manner on a round course on which the start and finish were at the same place, the Olympic long distance races were also carried out on a straight course. For the 10 kilometre canoe regatta, the distance from start to finish was so well designed that it was impossible for any competitor to go wrong. In order to be able to let 20 boats start, a swimming pier 390 feet long was made fast by anchor. As the distance was too great, a starting-shot could not be given. Therefore the lowering of a flag was a signal for the start. All depths of the regatta course were indicated by buoys and pyramids, and the numerous inlets were closed by buoy-chains. Sport helpers were placed at all these points. It was their duty to see that all canoeists kept to the course.

Quite near the starting point for the long-distance regatta, an office of the regatta management was opened. Floating bridges stood by in order to take from the water any boats which were in need of repair. The start and finish were connected by telephone. A loud-speaker was provided for official announcements. The electric timing apparatus of the firm of Löbner was used for time-keeping. Photographs were taken at the finishing line. One hundred and fifty-eight canoeists from 19 nations took part in the canoe races. Fifty-eight boats participated in the long distance regatta and 39 in the short distance regatta. All nations had sent in their entries before the closing date. The only late entry came from Latvia, and as the official date for entry had passed, it could not be given consideration. Ten days before the beginning of the races, the drawing of lots for the start took place under the supervision of the President of the International Canoeing Federation.

During the short distance races, when 8 boats started on the 90 metres broad regatta course, the Austrian umpire had to disqualify the Swedish two-seater kayak for hindering the boat following. Aside from this one instance, neither the referees nor the Jury of Appeal had to interfere.

The programme of the canoe races was augmented by a German display of the four-seater kayak, a capsized display by 40 German canoe sportsmen, and a parade of 116 ten-seater Canadians.

The Canoe Racing was represented for the first time as an official sport at the Olympic Games of 1936, while races of one-seater Canadians, two-seater Canadians and four-seater Canadians already took place at the Olympic Games, Paris, 1924, in the form of a demonstration event

Entries and participation. Entered: 19 nations with 158 participants. Competed: 19 nations with 121 participants

Number of competitors who were entered for and who competed in the various competitions of the Canoe Racing and total numbers from each country

	1,000 metres								10,000 metres								Total Numbers			
	One-Seater Kajak		Two-Seater Kajak		One-Seater Canadian		Two-Seater Canadian		One-Seater Collapsible		Two-Seater Collapsible		One-Seater Kayak		Two-Seater Kayak				Two-Seater Canadian	
	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.	ent.	comp.
Belgium	1	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	2	2	1	1	3	2	—	—	10	9
Denmark	2	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	5	4
Finland	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	3	3
France	1	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	3	3
Great Britain	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	3
Holland	1	1	4	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	4	2	1	1	4	2	—	—	11	9
Italy	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
Yugoslavia	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	2	1	1	—	—	—	—	5	4
Canada	2	1	4	2	2	1	4	2	2	—	4	2	2	1	4	2	4	2	8	8
Luxemburg	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	2	1	3	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	3
Norway	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Austria	2	1	5	2	2	1	5	2	2	1	5	2	2	1	5	2	5	2	15	11
Poland	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—	—	2	2
Sweden	2	1	4	2	—	—	—	—	2	1	5	2	2	1	5	2	—	—	12	9
Switzerland	2	1	5	2	—	—	—	—	2	1	5	2	2	1	5	2	—	—	11	9
Czechoslovakia	2	1	6	2	2	1	6	2	2	1	6	2	2	1	6	2	6	2	18	13
Hungary	1	1	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	1	1	2	2	—	—	5	5
U.S.A.	1	1	2	2	1	1	4	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	10	10
Germany	2	1	5	2	2	1	4	2	2	1	4	2	2	1	4	2	4	2	29	14
Total:																				
Competitors	24	15	45	24	10	6	23	10	25	13	48	26	24	15	45	24	21	10	158	121
Countries	16	15	12	12	6	6	5	5	15	13	13	13	15	15	12	12	5	5	19	19

1) These total numbers were not obtained by addition of the singular figures referring to each competition. Several competitors were entered for and competed in more than one contest.

Maximum number of entries for the individual competitions: 2 per nation
Maximum number of competitors in the individual competitions: 1 per nation

Maximum number of entries for the team races: 2 teams per nation, with reserves not exceeding one half of the crew
Maximum number of competitors in the team races: 1 team per nation, with stated number of reserves

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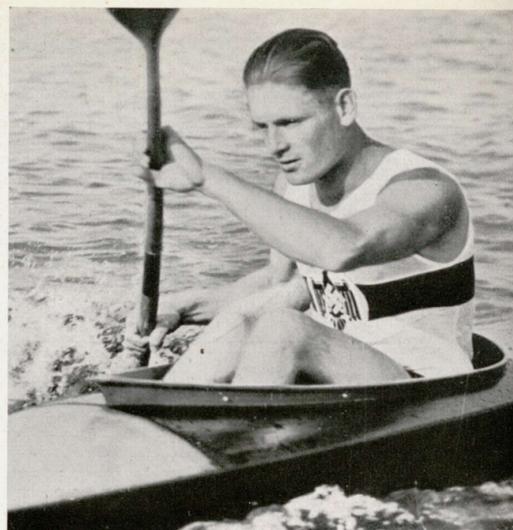
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RULES

The rules governing the Canoe Racing were those of the "Internationale Repräsentantschaft des Kanusports" (Fédération Internationale de Canoe). In the case of disagreement on the interpretation of these rules, the German text alone was authoritative.



Left: The outstanding Austrian canoeist, Gregor Hradetzky, who won first place in the races for one-seater kayaks and for collapsible canoes. He is shown here in a collapsible canoe.



Right: The winner of second place in the one-seater kayak race; Helmut Cämmerer (Germany.)

1,000 Metre Race ONE-SEATER KAYAK

OLYMPIC VICTOR: Gregor Hradetzky (Austria)

Second: Helmut Cämmerer (Germany)

Third: Jacob Kraaier (Holland)

Heats · August 8th · 9.30 a.m.

Weather: Overcast sky; temperature about 19° C.; slight side wind

1st Heat

1. Kraaier (Holland) 4:36.5	5. Sasso Sant (Italy) 4:50.2	1. Hradetzky (Austria) 4:25.9	5. Honsia (Belgium) 4:51.1
2. Ramquist (Sweden) 4:38.8	6. Botthof (Switzerland) 4:50.9	2. Cämmerer (Germany) 4:27.2	6. Larsen (Denmark) 4:56.0
3. Eberhardt (France) 4:41.1	7. Smatlák (Czechoslov.) 4:54.1	3. Riedel (U.S.A.) 4:40.8	7. Amyot (Canada) 5:17.0
4. Iversen (Norway) 4:44.3	8. Szitya (Hungary) 5:08.7	4. Johansson, B. (Finland) 4:47.0	

2nd Heat

FINAL · August 8th · 3.00 p.m.

Weather: Slightly overcast, sunny sky; temperature about 20° C.; wind coming diagonally in front and stirring water surface slightly

1. Hradetzky (Austria) 4:22.9	6. Eberhardt (France) 4:41.2
2. Cämmerer (Germany) 4:25.6	7. Johansson (Finland) 4:42.2
3. Kraaier (Holland) 4:35.1	8. Iversen (Norway) 4:44.2
4. Riedel (U.S.A.) 4:38.1	
5. Ramquist (Sweden) 4:39.5	

TWO-SEATER KAYAK

OLYMPIC VICTOR: Austria (Adolf Kainz, Alfons Dorfner)

Second: Germany (Ewald Tilker, Fritz Bondroit)

Third: Holland (Nicolaas Bates, Willem van der Kroft)

Heats · August 8th · Beginning at 11.15 a.m. · Grünau

Weather: Overcast, but finally clear sky; no rain; temperature about 17° C.; perceptible wind coming diagonally in front, stirring water slightly

1st Heat

1. Austria (Kainz, Dorfner) 4:10.0	1. Sweden (Jansson, Lundquist) 4:11.8
2. Holland (Tates, van der Kroft) 4:22.2	2. Germany (Tilker, Bondroit) 4:11.9
3. Czechoslovakia (Brzák, F., Dusil) 4:22.7	3. Switzerland (Vilim, Klingelfuss) 4:30.8
4. Denmark (Løvgreen, Svenden) 4:24.8	4. Canada (Deir, Willis) 4:32.0
5. U.S.A. (Riedel, Folks) 4:24.9	5. Belgium (de Blaes, Joris) 4:42.1
6. France (Lacelle, Mackowiack) 4:36.6	6. Hungary (Cseh, Gelle) 4:50.7

2nd Heat

FINAL · August 8th · 4.30 p.m.

Weather: Slightly overcast sky; temperature about 19° C.; slightly moved water

1. Austria (Kainz, Dorfner) 4:03.8	6. Canada (Deir, Willis) 4:24.5
2. Germany (Tilker, Bondroit) 4:08.9	7. Denmark (Løvgreen, Svenden) 4:26.6
3. Holland (Tates, van der Kroft) 4:12.2	Sweden (Jansson, Lundquist) disqualified
4. Czechoslovakia (Brzák, Dusil) 4:15.2	
5. Switzerland (Vilim, Klingelfuss) 4:22.8	



The Olympic victors in the two-seater kayak race: Adolf Kainz and Alfons Dorfner (Austria.)



Centre: The two-seater kayaks fight for the lead. Below: Winners of second place: Ewald Tilker and Fritz Bondroit (Germany.)



The Olympic victors in the two-seater Canadian race: Vladimír Syrovátka and Jan Brzák (Czechoslovakia.)



Canada wins the Canadian race! Francis Amyot is cheered by comrades.

August 8th

**ONE-SEATER CANADIAN
OLYMPIC VICTOR:** Francis Amyot (Canada)

5.00 p.m.

Second: Bohuslav Karlík (Czechoslovakia)

Third: Erich Koschik (Germany)

Weather: Slightly overcast sky; temperature about 18° C.; almost no wind

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| 1. Amyot (Canada) | 5:32.1 |
| 2. Karlík (Czechoslovakia) | 5:36.9 |
| 3. Koschik (Germany) | 5:39.0 |
| 4. Neumüller (Austria) | 5:47.0 |
| 5. Hasenfus, J. (U.S.A.) | 6:02.6 |
| 6. Treinen (Luxemburg) | 7:39.5 |

August 8th

TWO-SEATER CANADIAN

3.30 p.m.

OLYMPIC VICTOR: Czechoslovakia (Vladimír Syrovátka, Jan Brzák)

Second: Austria (Josef Kampfl, Alois Edletitsch)

Third: Canada (Frank Saker, Harvey Charters)

Weather: Same weather conditions as during Final of One-Seater Kayak

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| 1. Czechoslov. (Syrovátka, Brzák, J.) | 4:50.1 |
| 2. Austria (Kampfl, Edletitsch).... | 4:53.8 |
| 3. Canada (Saker, Charters)..... | 4:56.7 |
| 4. Germany (Wedemann, Sack) ... | 5:00.2 |
| 5. U.S.A. (McNutt, Graf) | 5:14.0 |



The victory ceremony in the Olympic Stadium for Francis Amyot (Canada), Bohuslav Karlík (Czechoslovakia) and Erich Koschik (Germany).



The Olympic victors in the one-seater collapsible canoe race: (left to right) Gregor Hradetzky (Austria), Henri Eberhardt (France), and Xaver Hörmann (Germany).

10,000 Metre Race

Weather during all competitions: Overcast sky; temperature between 20° and 22° C.; no rain; practically no wind and, therefore, smooth water. In so far as wind was at all perceptible, it blew in the racing direction

August 7th

ONE-SEATER COLLAPSIBLE OLYMPIC VICTOR: Gregor Hradetzky (Austria)

5.30 p.m.

Second: Henri Eberhardt (France)

Third: Xaver Hörmann (Germany)

1. Hradetzky (Austria)	50:01.2	
2. Eberhardt (France)	50:04.2	
3. Hörmann (Germany)	50:06.5	
4. Dozzi (Sweden)	51:23.8	7. Nordberg (Finland)
5. Svoboda (Czechoslovakia)	51:52.5	8. Lawton (Great Britain)
6. Mooser (Switzerland)	52:43.8	9. Vrolijk (Holland)
		10. Folks (U.S.A.)
		11. Vincens (Yugoslavia)
		12. Treinen (Luxemburg)
		13. Deneumoulin (Belgium)

August 7th

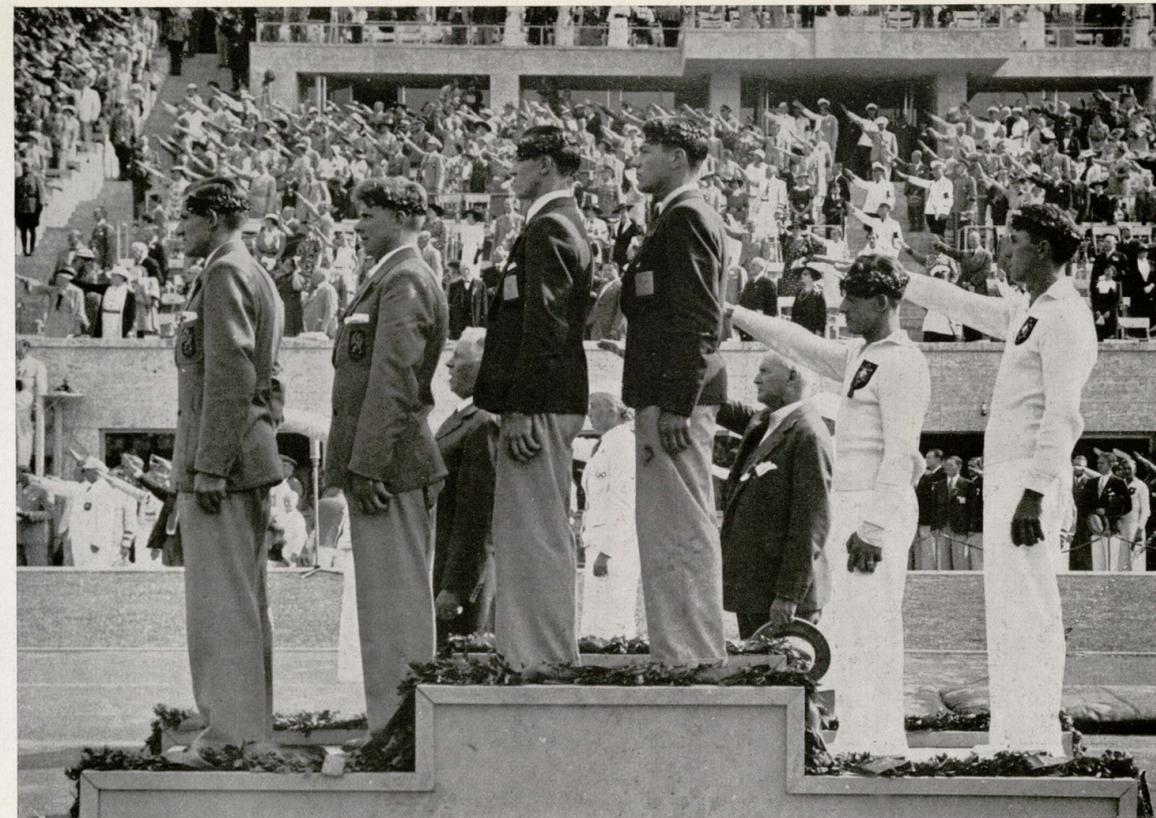
TWO-SEATER COLLAPSIBLE OLYMPIC VICTOR: Sweden (Sven Johansson, Eric Bladström)

4.50 p.m.

Second: Germany (Willi Horn, Erich Hanisch)

Third: Holland (Pieter Wijdekop, Cornelis Wijdekop)

1. Sweden (Johansson, Bladström)	45:48.9	
2. Germany (Horn, Hanisch)	45:49.2	
3. Holland (Wijdekop, P., Wijdekop, C.)	46:12.4	
4. Austria (Kainz, Dorfner)	46:26.1	8. Belgium (Pagnouille, Pasquier)
5. Czechoslovakia (Kouba, Klima)	47:46.2	9. Great Britain
6. Switzerl. (Knoblauch, Bottlang)	47:54.4	(Brearley, Dudderidge)
7. U.S.A. (Lysak, O'Rourke)	49:46.0	10. Canada (Potter, St., Willis)
		11. Yugoslavia (Gabršček, Saunig)
		12. Hungary (Kolnai, Poor)
		13. Luxemburg (Zimmer, Strauß)



The victors in the two-seater collapsible canoe race are honoured. Sven Johansson and Eric Bladström (Sweden), first place, Willi Horn and Erich Hansich (Germany), second place, and Pieter and Cornelis Wijdekop (Holland), third place.



The Olympic victors in the two-seater collapsible canoe event, Johansson and Bladstrom (Sweden), following a hard race with Germany.



Left: The Olympic victor in the one-seater kayak race: Ernst Krebs (Germany).



Right: The victory ceremony in the Olympic Stadium for Ernst Krebs (Germany), Fritz Landertinger (Austria) and Ernst Riedel (U.S.A.).



The two-seater kayak victors are honoured. Paul Wevers and Ludwig Landen (Germany), first place, Viktor Kalisch and Karl Steinhuber (Austria), second place, and Tage Fahlborg and Helge Larsson (Sweden), third place.



The victorious two-seater kayak team: Paul Wevers and Ludwig Landen (Germany).

August 7th

ONE-SEATER KAYAK

5.10 p.m.

OLYMPIC VICTOR: Ernst Krebs (Germany)

Second: Fritz Landertinger (Austria)

Third: Ernest Riedel (U.S.A.)

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| 1. Krebs (Germany) 46:01.6 | 8. Sasso Sant (Italy) 49:20.0 | 12. Szitya (Hungary) 52:16.8 |
| 2. Landertinger (Austria) 46:14.7 | 9. Vallin (Sweden) 49:48.7 | 13. Mackowiack (France) 52:56.0 |
| 3. Riedel (U.S.A.) 47:23.9 | 10. Zidarn (Yugoslavia) 50:31.0 | 14. Williamson (Canada) 54:05.7 |
| 4. van Tongeren (Holland) 47:31.0 | 11. Maes (Belgium) 51:31.8 | 15. Nielsen (Denmark) 56:43.9 |
| 5. Johansson, E. (Finland) 47:35.5 | | |
| 6. Brzák, F. (Czechoslovakia) 47:36.8 | | |
| 7. Lips (Switzerland) 48:01.2 | | |

August 7th

TWO-SEATER KAYAK

4.30 p.m.

OLYMPIC VICTOR: Germany (Paul Wevers, Ludwig Landen)

Second: Austria (Viktor Kalisch, Karl Steinhuber)

Third: Sweden (Tage Fahlborg, Helge Larsson)

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| 1. Germany (Wevers, Landen) . . . 41:45.0 | 7. U.S.A. (Gachler, Lofgren) . . . 45:15.4 | 10. Canada (Potter, G., Deir) 47:38.2 |
| 2. Austria (Kalisch, Steinhuber) . . 42:05.4 | 8. Czechoslov. (Cernicky, Humpál) 46:05.4 | 11. Poland (Kozłowski, Bazaniak) . . 47:49.8 |
| 3. Sweden (Fahlberg, Larsson) . . 43:06.1 | 9. Belgium (Brahm, Spiette) 47:26.1 | 12. Hungary (Cseh, Gelle) 48:47.5 |
| 4. Denmark (Løvgreen, Svendsen) 44:39.8 | | |
| 5. Holland (Starreveld, Siderius) . 45:12.5 | | |
| 6. Switzerl. (Zimmermann, Bach) . 45:14.6 | | |

August 7th

TWO-SEATER CANADIAN

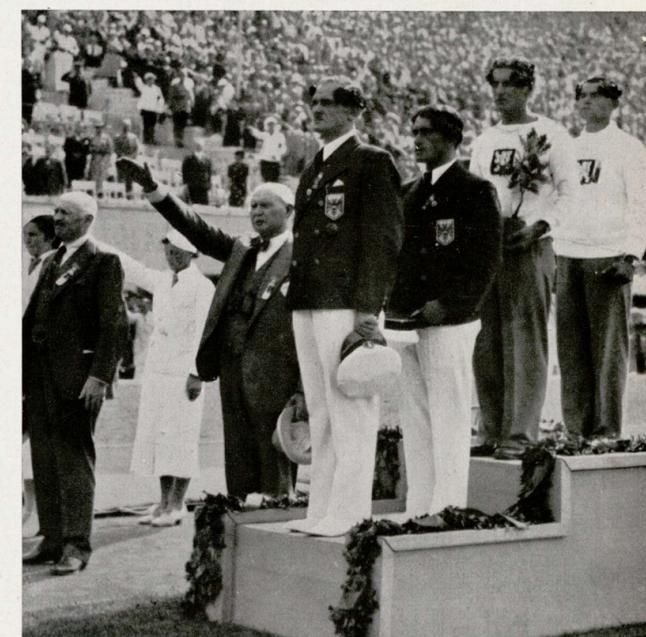
6.00 p.m.

OLYMPIC VICTOR: Czechoslovakia (Václav Mottl, Zdeněk Škrdlant)

Second: Canada (Frank Saker, Harvey Charters)

Third: Austria (Weinstabl Rupert, Karl Proisl)

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| 1. Czechoslov. (Mottl, Škrdlant) . . 50:33.5 | 5. U.S.A. 57:06.2 |
| 2. Canada (Saker, Charters) 51:15.8 | (Hasenfus, J., Hasenfus, W.) |
| 3. Austria (Weinstabl, Proisl) 51:28.0 | |
| 4. Germany 52:35.6 | (Schuur, Holzenberg) |



Victory ceremony for Václav Mottl and Zdeněk Škrdlant (Czechoslovakia), winners of the two-seater Canadian race, and Rupert Weinstabl and Karl Proisl (Austria), third place. The winner of second place, Canada, is absent.

Left: Václav Mottl and Zdeněk Škrdlant (Czechoslovakia), Olympic victors in the two-seater Canadian event.