

PATTY JOHNSON GETS WORLD RECORD 50yH

Toronto, Canada, February 4:-The 15,695 spectators who jammed the Toronto field house had hardly settled in their seats - and whamo, Lacy O'Neal equalled the world record for the 50y hurdles with a sparkling 6.5 win to edge Mamie Rallins in the first heat of the first event. Rallins also equalled the wr at 6.5. In the second heat, Patty Johnson cleared the record books as she sped to a 6.4 clocking to break the old record set by Chi Cheng, Republic of China, in 1970 and equalled by West Germany's Heide Rosendahl last year. Johnson came back to win the final over O'Neal with another 6.4 clocking.

Mattline Render continued her outstanding 1972 sprinting as she nipped a fine field in the 50y dash in 5.8s. Second was Pan Am 200m champion Stephanie Berto of Canada and third the Pan Am 100m champion, Iris Davis - both of whom also were timed in 5.8s. Alfreda Daniels who reportedly equalled the world 60y mark several weeks ago, finished 5th in 6.0s.

RESULTS: 50y, Heat 1, 1-Lacy O'Neal (SITC) 6.5, 2-Mamie Rallins (MDYF) 6.5, 3-Pat Hawkins (Atoms) 6.7, 4-Linda Wilson (Toronto Tigerettes) 6.8; Heat 2, 1-Patty Johnson (Angels) 6.4 wr, 2-LaVonne Neal (Philadelphia Hawks) 6.6, 3-Carol Thomson (Delaware Sports Club) 6.8, 4-Liz Damman (Canada) 6.8, 5-Marlene Peters (Canada) 6.9; Final, 1-Johnson 6.4, 2-O'Neal 6.6, 3-Rallins 6.6, 4-Neal 6.7, 5-Thomson 6.7, 6-Hawkins 6.9; 50y, Heat 1, 1-Mattline Render (NYPAL) 5.9, 2-Barbara Ferrell (IAM) 5.9, 3-Alfreda Daniels (Detroit PAL) 5.9, 4-Pat Henderson (TSU) 5.9, 5-Emily McMullen (Can) 6.1; Heat 2, 1-Stephanie Berto (Can) 5.9, 2-Iris Davis (TSU) 5.9, 3-Lacey O'Neal (SITC) 5.9, 4-Marg McGowan (Can) 5.9, 5-Pat Hawkins (Atoms) 6.0, 6-Gladys Jermison (NYPAL) 6.0; Final, 1-Render 5.8, 2-Berto 5.8, 3-Davis 5.8, 4-Ferrell 5.9, 5-Daniels 6.0, 6-O'Neal 6.2; 880, 1-Cheryl Toussaint (Atoms) 2:13.8, 2-Abby Hoffman (Can) 2:13.8, 3-Terry Crawford (Knoxville TC) 2:15.1, 4-Gayle Olinck (Can) 2:15.6, 5-Jarvis Scott (IAM) 2:18.1, 6-Galina Kuzmina (USSR) 2:19.9; HJ, 1-Debbie Van Kiekebelt (Can) 5'10, 2-Sue Turpin (Can) 5'8, 3-Connie Dorsey (Terre Haute TC) 5'6, 4-Sue Parke (Wolverines) 5'4.