

ACROSS-COUNTRY.

Big Field Over Six Miles of Hills.

A field of 74 runners representing Lancaster H. and A.C. (17), Leyland Motors A.C. (11), Preston H. (5), Clayton H. (30), and Rossendale H. (11), contested the second race in connection with the Mid-Lancashire Cross-Country League competition.

Trail was laid by C. Brownrigg, of the Clayton club, who organised the race, over about six miles of hilly country.

E. T. Shepherd, Lancaster, got away from the field soon after the start and held a winning lead about a mile from home when he failed and strayed from the course to loose ground that lost him the race, A. Haydock, the league individual champion of Clayton, winning by about four yards from his club-mate, J. Heyes.

A. Edmondson, Lancaster, was third, Shepherd was fourth, A. Blogg, Leyland Motors, fifth, J. Riley, Rossendale, sixth, C. J. Bryant, the 46-year-old veteran, was first home for Preston, eleventh, time 37½ min.

Clayton finished their six counters in the first 15 to beat Lancaster for team honours. Placings: First, Clayton H., 51; second, Lancaster H. and A.C., 55; third, Leyland Motors, 128; fourth, Rossendale H.; fifth, Preston H. and A.C.

Twenty youths contested a three miles race, won by H. Wood (Clayton H.), N. Bains (Lancaster) was second and R. Addison (Clayton) third.