

dealings with the three English girls." turned up at the police station an urgent message was flashed through Interpol—the international police organisation—to her relatives in Hull.

A Paris detective said to-

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BRITAIN CAN MAKE IT

LET'S talk about gold medals.

Not for running or hop, skip and jumping—but for industrial skill.

Perhaps you didn't know about this, but a kind of **INDUSTRIAL OLYMPICS** has just been held in Glasgow.

Apprentices from all over the world have been taking part in the International Apprentices Competition. Making things. Displaying skills. Wielding a welder's torch. Turning a lathe. Manipulating a cable.

The Japs were there. So were the Germans. And the Dutch. And many others.

Our British apprentices wiped the floor with the opposition. Against the cream of Japanese and European youth they collected no fewer than 19 medals—9 gold, 5 silver and 5 bronze.

One of the British gold medals was won with the highest-ever mark in this annual competition—97.4 per cent.

Urgent

Our youngsters **CAN** do it. In the middle of the current economic gloom they point the way towards increasing productivity and competitiveness. Britain's apprenticeship schemes are only now beginning to forge ahead. Our best lads and our best training are winning gold medals.

There should be no limit to our industrial advance when **ALL** the apprenticeship training is brought up to the level of the best.

The need is urgent.

Second place in the Apprentices Competition went to Japan. It was stressed that the Japanese craftsmen had shown complete mastery in radio and TV.

This should be a warning—and a spur.

Britain **CAN** make it. Her young technicians are raring to go. British industry must invest in the future, speed up apprentice training, and tap all the talent which is available.

There is certainly no need to be dispirited about the future when our young people are setting such a cracking pace.