

Cortina: As gripping as the ice belt that ~~covers~~ ^{HAS NOT} Europe has been the intense struggle for winter sport mastery at the Olympic Games. In the Men's Giant Slalom, (perhaps the most exciting event of all) - falls were frequent ~~as competitors went all-out - trying to save vital seconds.~~ And for the third time this winter, Toni Sailer of Austria skis his way into our newsreel - crowning a great season of triumphs with an Olympic Gold Medal. (2)

The Women's Event brought similar thrills, with dashing outdoor girls waltzing their way through the marker poles.

Here, one of the falls brought ~~tragedy~~ ^{DISASTER} to Miss Adeline Pryor, Captain of Britain's team - who broke a bone in her leg. ~~And to Miss~~ ^{To} Renée Colliard went the honour of winning Switzerland's first gold medal.

In the figure skating, sixteen year-old ~~Yvonne~~ Yvonne Sugden made a brave effort to gain our first success - she finished fourth.

Meanwhile, in the Austrian Tyrol, the European Toboggan Championships proved an exciting rival to Olympic sport. ~~In the single seat event, sixty-five competitors found it a down-hill struggle.~~

The one who kept his seat while all around him were losing theirs and blaming the snow, was Peppi Isser of Austria...

The Two-Man event - and now the odds are really stacking up. You watch - it's just two-to-one against their finishing the course. No wonder Bookmakers and jockeys are fond of winter sport holidays.

~~Fourteen teams from three countries competed: but Austria made it a~~
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~~clean sweep - filling the first four places.~~