

America: The Kentucky Derby and, away they go, seventeen thoroughbreds stretching out for top turf honours and £45,000 in prize money. ~~THE~~ A ten-furlong race, and last of the bunch is the red-hot favourite, ~~Needles~~ Needles. (2)

Up the home stretch, Fabius is out in front, But threading his way through that patchwork of beaten horses is Needles (No. 3)...

~~Needles~~ on the outside!

In a thrilling finish, Needles sews it up - just like his sire and grandsire - who also won the Kentucky Classic.

Another sports thrill - from Los Angeles - where the world's fastest miler, John Landy, is making his debut - and the fans are hoping to see America's first four-minute mile.

All the ingredients are there: a fast track and top-class competition - And already, Landy is making his bid. But wait - here comes a dash of spice - a challenge by fellow-Australian Jim Bailey...

Neck and neck - the two Aussies battle for supremacy - and it's this vital will-to-win that finally beats the clock.

Unleashing a terrific finishing-burst, Bailey forges ahead to crash through that time barrier with 3 minutes 58.6 seconds...consolidating Australia's hopes of Olympic triumph.