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MORE OLYMPIC UPS AND DOWNS

45 of the world's top horseman mounted on the finest thoroughbreds compete at Aldershot's central stadium for the equestrian crown to mark the closing stages of the 14th Olympiad. High spot in this three day riding event is the endurance - speed and cross country test. With time-limits set for each stage of the contest, a careful check is kept by stop-watch. Every five seconds over or under the time margins mean a loss of five points.

Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands - himself a keen and experienced horseman - is among the spectators, on the spot where the riders begin the stiffest of all tests - the cross-country. With 46 jumps to make over a twenty mile distance, with points gained or lost at every fence, the hazards of this rough country course seem at first almost insuperable.

The drop fence - a spectacular leap over a fence on to a sandy sheet - presents one of the toughest obstacles. The fact that nearly all riders come across cleanly testifies to the competitors high standard.

Gigolo - Col. Jousseaux's mount - is one of the few who come down. The horse loses a shoe and the rider 60 points. France's No. 2 Commandant Emanielli - also comes to grief. His horse - Tourtelle - balks an early jump and throws his rider at a second attempt.

The first few riders are nearing the finish of the grueling course. Switzerland's Capt. Blaser finishes at almost a steeplechasing speed. But top score goes to France's Capt. Chevallier, who, with a near faultless performance, wins the Olympic equestrian crown.

The crack Olympic riders fulfil the demands of the autograph hunters with that grace so characteristic of all good horsemen.

Leaving the Tor de Quinto we come to the Quint de Torse, the world's weightlifters go into action.

Ernie Roe of Great Britain leaves the field clear for those on heavier rations. Sakata of the U.S.A. attempts two hundred and fifty nine pounds.

All eyes focus on Lee, the Korean champion. Now for it.....

But as the weight goes up to two hundred and eighty six pounds...only one of the light-heavyweights remain - Stanczyk of the U.S.A.

He breaks the Olympic record and ends another day of ups and downs.