

THE DERBY 1951

It's the Festival Derby, Pathe News servicing C.E.A. Members in Conference at Bournemouth with a special report. Pick the winner of the richest race ever run in England, and walk away smothered in pearls (if you put enough on). Don't know which? Ask the Prince -- he's got a lulu to beat the favourite. Lunch is running late, but there's just time to have a basinful if you shovel it in quick, mister! You can't beat a picnic on the downs on Derby day, but already the bookies are putting their cards up ... and here comes the crowd, every man-jack dead sure he's got the winner. If they're all right, it'll be the biggest dead-heat ever known! Well, why not? Half the experts say this year anything can hat-pin!

And here they come - 33 of them. There's so much money on Mr. Ley ON's KI MING that the bookies would like to lay off! For once Garden on STOKES is a bit of an outsider ... Parade over, it's across the downs to the start.

The starter has them under orders - one less than record, but still a big field to get off in a line. But they oughtn't to be long now. The Aga Khan's FRAISE DU BOIS is badly left as the field gets away in a bunch. MYSTERY 9, KI MING and MALKA'S BOY lead as they stern up the hill towards the bushes.

Along the top it's still MYSTERY 9, KI MING and MALKA'S BOY well there as they swing towards Tattenham Corner. ARCTIC PRINCE is well placed and the Frenchmen are lying handy. The big test is coming up for the giant KI MING. Will he be able to take the sharp downward bend? There'll be tears in the chop-suey if he doesn't! Round Tattenham it's still MYSTERY 9, but ARCTIC PRINCE has moved up. LE TYROL, KI MING, SYBIL'S NEPHEW and SIGNAL BOX are well up. And ARCTIC PRINCE is challenging on the inside.

ARCTIC PRINCE is skating it! The almost unconsidered Irish colt is slamming his field, but there's a terrific fight for places, as SYBIL'S NEPHEW comes with a run to tackle KI MING, SIGNAL BOX and a French horse. But there's no doubt who's won. It's one of the easiest Derby victories in recent years as ARCTIC PRINCE skates to the winning post six lengths ahead to give Charlie Spares his first Derby winner, and set half Ireland cheering ... And here's the Festival Derby winner, Mr. J. McGrath's ARCTIC PRINCE.