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It's the start of the 5,000 metres, the most dramatic race to date in the Olympics. For Britain, Chris Chataway takes the lead from Schade of Germany, Reiff of Belgium(the holder) and Mimoun of France. After two Lops of the 3-and-a-bit miles, Schade is in front, Chataway second, Reiff third, Mimoun fourth and the amazing Zatopek (who won the ten thousand metres) fifth.

Now Extepok's going into the load, followed by Schade, Reiff and Piric. Tenth Lap and the battle is really beginning. Zatopek is in the load and Chataway has come up. But here comes Schade; he's passed Chataway and he's just passing Zatopek. Now comes Chris Chataway. He's going beautifully; He's passed Extepok and he's after Swhade. Six times the lead has changed in this circuit!

Chatamay still leading, followed by Schade, Minous and Estopek.

Now here comes Zatepek with a devastating challenge. He's shot into the lead and Mimoun passes Chatamay too. The last bend. Chatamay is beginning to move - no, He's down! But he's getting up again! An accidental brush forced him onto the verge! Meantime, Satepek has his race won, with Mimoun running a gallant second as usual, and there goes Satepek across the line! Without a hepe, Chatamay plugged on to finish a very gallant fifth and then colleges. But for Zatepek, it completes a wonderful double!