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Britain's Geoff Duke, number one, is among an international field that gets away for the Dutch Grand Prix, 500 c.c. class. The Duke quickly takes the lead on his Italian Gilera and sets a cracking pace.

Fergus Anderson of Great Britain, Italy's Bandirola and Rod Coleman of New Zealand are Duke's nearest challengers. But he's holding his lead. Geoff had his first classic win of the year in Belgium only a few days before - and yes, he's going to make it a double. Duke set a new lap record on his way round with a speed of 105.4 miles an hour. Victory puts him one step nearer retaining his 500 c.c. world championship. Back to Britain and another record-breaker, Eileen Sheridan, who cycled from Land's End to John O'Greaves, then goes on to complete 1,000 miles - and sets new records for both rides. Still keeping in the world of eyes, lets move on to Horn Hill for the twelve hour marathon. Tandems act as pacemakers for the riders.

John Smith, number seven, moves up to pass some of his rivals. He's been going hard at it all the way, and that sponge is more than welcome.

Up comes the field towards the previous 12 hour-record mark, and here's Smith storming in. The twelve hours are nearly up. Four riders Smith, Palmer, Spanton and Kaskell break the track record, but it's John Smith who takes home the winner's trophy. On now to the White City and the start of the three-miles, the high-spot of the three A's meeting.

Racing into the lead goes Maiyere, from Kenya, who runs barefoot. Content to keep just behind him are Chris Chataway, number 8 and Fred Green, number 12. But now as the Kenyan begins to tire, Chataway moves up with Green.

Fred Green is a shade in front of Chataway as they race up to the finish. Chataway gives all he's got, but Green hangs on grimly. Only inches ahead he crosses the line first. But their times are the same - 13 minutes, 32.2 seconds: one-fifth of a second better than the previous world record. Chataway's great friend, Roger Bannister is in the field for the one-mile. In the early stages he takes second place - that's him wearing number one.

The half-way mark and Bannister begins to close up on Mulligan. Now watch him gradually open up. His beautiful style makes him perhaps the most perfect athlete to watch in action - just look at him go -

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And Bannister's set another record - he's run the fastest last lap in mile history. His time for the race of 4 minutes, 7.6 seconds, although far from a world record, indicates a great duel between Bannister and John Landy when they meet in the Empire Games.
