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NEWS FLASHES

Over fifty riders roar away at the start of the Ulster Senior Grand Prix. High winds and frequent rain make the twisting Dundrod circuit trickier than ever.

Reg Armstrong on a Gilera keeps well up among the leaders. There's T.H. Turner, on a privately-entered Norton, and not far behind is M. Brennan, B.S.A. But first over the line is 22-year-old John Hartle, of the Norton team, who has lapped all but six of the field! He receives his well-earned laurels from the Governor-General of Northern Ireland, Lord Wakefield.

Siberia is tiger country - and this particular one lives near the river Ob. Most of the time he lives in it, for tigers, unlike most cats, are strong swimmers. He causes a certain amount of alarm and despondency among the local inhabitants - except for Margarita Nazareva, who happens to know that he's as friendly as they come.

It all goes to show that even with Tigers, you can't judge by appearance; for as the Sergeant said to the Naafi girl - "Just because I've got some stripes, it doesn't mean I haven't got a heart!"