

PIGGOTT WINS GERMAN DERBY:

Hamburg, and the 88th German Derby is off to a clean start. The young British wonder-jockey, Lester Piggott, is riding No.5. Orzini. This he is, on the rails, biding his time. Orzini's owned by multi-millionaire industrialist Baron von Thyssen; two weeks before the race, the colt threw and injured the leading German jockey, Walter Held. Lester took over - and if he can win this mile-and-a-half tussle, he'll have added a foreign classic to the three British ones he's already bagged this year.

Into the straight, and Orzini's in the middle of the field. You can pick out his white noseband, as Piggott brings him away from the rails and onto the outside, and starts putting on the pressure. Marxismus and Thila (the leaders up to now) are dropping back, and it's developing into a battle between Utrillo, the favourite Windfang ridden by Eicky Starosta, and Orzini. And it's going to be mighty close!

Orzini's taken the lead - Windfang and Utrillo are inches behind him - but Piggott's holding him off - here comes the post - and it's Orzini by a neck from Windfang, with Utrillo third!

Yes, Lester Piggott's done it again - and when he brings Orzini into the enclosure, the first to congratulate him are Baron von Thyssen and his British wife, Fiona. No wonder owners like Lester - he's won them about £100,000 in prize money this season!