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READY FOR THE WORLD'S GREATEST STEEPLECHASE.

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As the day of the Grand National approaches, Mrs Topham of Aintree is out, as always, supervising the building of the jumps. And the nameplates on the ~~stables~~ stables recall to mind the famous winners of the past..... the gallant band of thoroughbreds who have galloped to victory in the greatest steeplechase in the world.

Over at Leopardstown, in Ireland, let's have a look at some of the fancied candidates for 1956. This is "No Response".

And here is Mr Linnett

At Naas, we find the 1954 winner, veteran Royd Tan --- who is being trained again by Vincent O'Brien.

Training on the sands at Rhyl is Mr Parker's Pippykin.

And --- back at Aintree --- this is the new stand built by the cinema newsreels --- from which a finer record of the race will be obtained than ever before. The newsreel pictures of the Grand National are the year's No.1. sporting spectacle.