

Queen Elizabeth and Princess Margaret were among the crowds of horse-lovers who splashed through the bad weather at Stockholm to watch the Equestrian Olympic Games. Great Britain had already established a first-day lead of seventeen point two points, over her nearest rivals --- Germany --- when the second part of the competition began. This was the endurance test --- over a tough course of twenty-one and three-quarter miles, ~~made appearance~~

Here's trouble --- ~~and a penalty of six points~~ --- for Koechlin of Switzerland at jumps 24/25.

Here's Cavaleiro of Portugal.

As well as a ducking, this was a penalty of sixty points, and Portugal failed to qualify.

Here's Lt.-Col. Weldon, of Great Britain, riding Kilbarry in an almost faultless display. Queen Elizabeth was taking pictures with her cine-camera --- but having, like other photographers, a little trouble from heads in the way.

This is Gmür of Switzerland. Switzerland qualified in eighth place.

And here's James Elder of Canada making easy work of it.

Here's a rider from the Argentine in serious trouble. He is Carlos de la Serna. No extra penalties are incurred when a horse is helped after a fall.

Switzerland again; --- Roland Perret clears the first fence but his mount refuses the second. He tries again.

A nasty fall. But although badly shaken both horse and rider are prepared to go on.

The British team was completed by Major Rook on Wild Venture, and Mr Hill on the Queen's horse Countryman, who also finished the course in splendid style. Great Britain, in the endurance test, increased her lead, and found herself in a winning position before tackling the third and last day of the competition.

There was a spot of off-stage drama when the fire - alarm was sounded at the Olympic ~~Stables~~ Stables, opposite the Stadium.

It turned out that the fire actually occurred in the stables of the Royal Mounted Guard, in which many of the competing horses were housed. They were not in any great danger, but some of them were led out, to be on the safe side.

The last day's competition was for show-jumping --- and here there were many fine performances, by the world's most expert horsemen. Valerian Kouibychev of Russia lost a rein --- but ~~regain~~ regained it with masterly skill.

Here goes Countryman --- another fine round, with only one fault and a quarter time penalty.

And here's Lt.-Col. Weldon on Kilbarry. He had a great chance to win the individual Gold Medal. But though he failed at that, he made sure of the Gold Medal for the British team.

His individual third place won Col. Weldon the Bronze Medal.

And for the British team --- the Gold Medal for a ~~magnificent~~ ~~victorious~~ proud victory.