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In Germany - indoor sport drew the crowds. They call it "bicycle ball". - ~~where~~ the defence ^{white} back-pedals the forwards whizz down into the attack. But imagine having to pay £30,000 for a leading goal-scorer & then having to buy his bike, too...

Over to Vienna now - where, tired of waltzing in slow time, the Ladies are knitting in quick time. Yes, a knitting competition for housewives... and they've all got the same amount of wool to knit. But wait - some-one's pulling the wool over the judge's eyes. That's double-timing - ^{if you like} ~~or~~ sweating on a sweater.

Keep on, Ladies. Knit one - Pearl one - Knit one - Pearl One. and here's the winner - with a jumper in a jiffy.

^{LADIES IN} Sunny South Africa celebrated the ^{SEASON} ~~season~~ with a Festival of Bowls. Long before Sir Francis Drake tarried on the green before the threat of the Armada, Bowls was banned under Edward the Third as a "lewd game". See what we mean! () () (3)

In more recent times - (well, earlier this century) - Ladies were dressed for the game.

Though they could never leave behind the habits of the previous century when a woman's place was in the home! To-day, ^{THEY'VE} ~~men~~ have firmly established their place - on the ^{GREEN} ~~green~~.

Johannesburg, a record South African ~~crowd~~ crowd of 38,000, watched the ~~fight~~ fight, between Vic Towseel, (the local boy) - and Jimmy Carruthers of Australia - the taller of the two...

Last November, Carruthers took the world bantam-weight title from Towseel by a first-round ^{K.O.} ~~knock out~~. This is the return fight...

Slowly, the hard-punching Aussie wore down his opponent, and then, (in the tenth) knocked out the game ex-champion, to retain his title. The count over - Carruthers picked up his beaten opponent - a true sportsman wearing the world crown.

Lastly, we go to America - where disaster stalked the little village of Lewis, Indiana. ~~A~~ goods train, (which included three ammunition cars) jumped the rails... The explosion which followed levelled everything in a wide radius; but miraculously, only eight people were hurt.