

OLYMPIC HORSE TRAINING.

29/3/56.

This was the first day of collective training for the riders and horses who will represent Britain in the Olympic Games. Most famous among them is Colonel Harry Llewellyn --- but his mount is Aberlow. The old champion Foxhunter has been retired from the big competitions. For the moment, Pat Smythe was a spectator --- but another woman rider who may get a place in the team was Mrs Marshall, the wife of the famous steeplechase rider, Bryan Marshall. Another possible is Susan Whitehead.

And here is Pat Smythe --- riding Flanagan. But these are early trials --- so the horses for Olympic honours have yet to be chosen. Anyway --- whoever they ~~xxx~~ may be --- here's wishing ~~xxx~~ them good training --- and good luck.

H.M.S. HARDY.

In Chatham Dockyard --- receiving an extra polish before the visits of the crowds on ^{NAVY} ~~NAVY~~ Day --- is H.M.S. Hardy. She is one of the latest type of frigates accepted into service with the Royal Navy. Her main duties are anti-submarine work; and among the armament are two anti-submarine mortars --- with three barrels each.

VALENCIA CARNIVAL.

Valencia, in Spain, has one of the most original ideas for a Carnival. The poor of different districts construct figures which poke fun at their neighbours who are not so poor. In the evening the figures go up in a mass of flame and smoke and fireworks. It's a patron saint festival, called "The Follies of St Joseph".