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LEAD IN.....as you please...(something about re-creating famous races.)

NORMAL SPEED:

Good afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen:

We're speaking to you this afternoon from the roof of the grandstand at old Pimlico in Baltimore, Maryland.

The date is November 3, 1937. The weather is clear, the track is fast.

There was an overnight threat of rain but that cleared up and there is a capacity crowd present which has overflowed into the infield.

The race coming up is to be the first running of the Pimlico Special carrying an added value of \$7,500 and in it Glen Riddle Farm's War Admiral will defend his crown as the champion three-year-old of 1937.

SLIGHTLY FASTER - TENSENESS (BACKGROUND OF BUGLE CALLING "FIRST CALL".)

The bugle has just sounded calling the horses postward and as I glance down to my right toward the paddock gate I see that War Admiral is the first to step onto the racing strip. He is followed by Masked General and here comes Bottle Cap - with War Minstrel bringing up the rear.

There were ten horses in the overnight entries but six refused the issue. The scratches included Rex Flag, Burning Star, Unfailing, Sun Phantom, Dark-Beau and Regal Lady.

The fans seem to be playing War Admiral right off the board. Right now he is listed at 1-to-20. Since there is both straight and place betting on this race there will undoubtedly be what is known as a minus mutuel pool. The Maryland tracks return a minimum of 5 cents on each dollar bet and they will certainly be called upon to add money to the betting pool so as to pay off at even those short odds should War Admiral prove the winner.

Bottle Cap is second choice in the wagering at 20-to-1 and both Masked General and War Minstrel are going begging at 25-to-1.

(BURST OF APPLAUSE.)

The race, over the one-mile and three-sixteenths distance, will start from the head of the stretch. War Admiral received a tremendous ovation as he passed in parade on his way to the post. Starter Milton is on the track greeting the contestants, talking to the riders and issuing last minute instructions to the ground crew as the horses are being brought up to the Bahr Starting Gate.

Charlie Kurtsinger, "The Flying Dutchman" is up on War Admiral and he is taking the horse into the Number 1 post position. As you know, War Admiral comes up to this race without a single defeat on his three-year-old record.