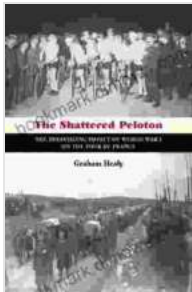


The Devastating Impact of World War on the Tour de France: A Cyclist's Saga of Survival and Resilience

The Tour de France, one of the world's most prestigious and grueling sporting events, has a long and storied history. But what many people don't know is that the Tour was profoundly impacted by the two World Wars.

World War I

The first World War broke out in 1914, and the Tour de France was immediately suspended. Many of the cyclists who would have competed in the Tour were instead called up to fight in the war. Some of these cyclists were killed in action, while others were wounded.



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The war had a devastating impact on the Tour de France. The race was not held again until 1919, and even then, it was a much smaller and more subdued event. The war had taken a heavy toll on the sport of cycling, and it would take years for the Tour de France to recover.

World War II

The second World War broke out in 1939, and the Tour de France was once again suspended. This time, the war lasted for six years, and the Tour was not held again until 1947.

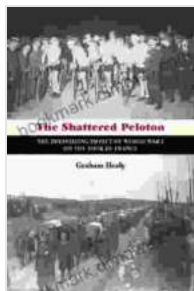
The second World War had an even more devastating impact on the Tour de France than the first. The war destroyed much of the infrastructure that was necessary for the race to be held. Many of the roads that the cyclists would have ridden on were bombed, and many of the towns and cities that they would have visited were destroyed.

The war also took a heavy toll on the cyclists themselves. Many of them were killed in action, while others were wounded or imprisoned. The war left a generation of cyclists scarred, and it would take years for the Tour de France to recover.

The Tour de France Today

The Tour de France is now one of the most popular sporting events in the world. It is a symbol of French national pride, and it attracts millions of spectators each year. But the Tour de France would not be what it is today without the sacrifices that were made by the cyclists who competed in the race during the two World Wars.

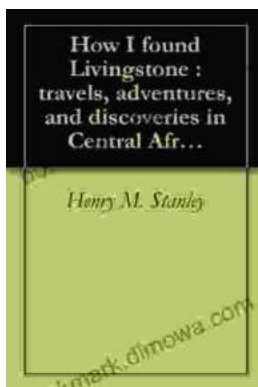
The story of the Tour de France during the World Wars is a story of survival and resilience. It is a story of how the human spirit can triumph over even the most difficult challenges. The Tour de France is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope.



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