

Aintree racing

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Aintree, where Mrs Topham presented the trophy for a Massed Start Cycle Race - the first to be held on the famous circuit. Leading riders competed in the race, which covered eight laps (about twenty five miles)...

And here's the winner, Ray Booty - being decorated by champion Reg Harris.

~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ Motor-cycle racing, too, with World Champion Geoff Duke, riding his Gilera, <sup>No. 21</sup> ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ in the 500 c.c. scratch race.

Run over twenty laps of the three-mile circuit - the race brought another exciting duel between Duke and young John Surtees...

Victory went to ~~Geoff Duke~~ <sup>the world champion -</sup> ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ - who covered the course at an average speed of 82.54 miles per hour.

Congratulations for Geoff Duke - the champion "handlebar jockey" of Aintree....