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A modern rival for a century-old tradition - Aintree stages its first European Grand Prix.

A racing classic with its own fearless riders, Peter Collins and Juan Fangio. ~~Mike Hawthorne~~ <sup>And a screen</sup> ~~Mike Hawthorne~~ <sup>CHATS</sup> "hell driver" ~~Stanley Baker~~ WITH MIKE HAWTHORNE.

Ace driver Stirling Moss who turned down top Continental racers to drive the "British Vanwall" - the sentimental favourite for the "big race?" (2)

For years, in his factories, Mr Vandervell has directed home craftsmen in the costly task of producing a world-beater - to carry British prestige on the international circuits. (2)

Now - Aintree salutes the two Vanwalls as they roar away at the head of the field - by virtue of their faster lap-times...

But Grand Prix racing brings fierce rivalry. Could the Vanwalls <sup>beat</sup> ~~beat~~ the top-speed Italian teams over ninety gruelling laps - and so add to Britain's recent Le Mans triumph?

From the start, Jean Behra (in a Maserati No. 4) led the challenge to Stirling Moss (No 18) as he raced away in front.

In another Vanwall, Lewis-Evans moved steadily through the field - ~~and~~ <sup>TO</sup> held third place...

For lap after lap, Moss stayed in front; then, in the 22nd lap, fuel-trouble caused dismay in the Vanwall camp.

Coming into the pits, Moss took over car No. 20 (the Vanwall of Tony Brooks, still suffering from that Le Mans crash).....

Moss was back in the race: but the delay had put him in ninth place - ~~sixth~~

Behra (in the Maserati) now led the field as Moss set off in pursuit. <sup>one by one, he</sup> ~~overhauled~~ <sup>overhauled</sup> his rivals and (shattering <sup>THE</sup> ~~his own~~ lap record <sup>FOUR</sup> ~~times~~ times) finally <sup>went to the heart once more!</sup> ~~reached the top...~~

Setting up a commanding lead - Moss came in to take on ten gallons of fuel - (and a bottle of pep) - in twenty-seven seconds. Some going!

Then, back for those final laps - and a place in motor-racing history.

So, with the Ferraris and Maseratis trailing behind - Stirling Moss and the Vanwall came home alone. Victory - at an average speed of 86.8 miles per hour.

Congratulations from Aintree Chief Mrs Topham for Stirling Moss - who had shared a great British triumph with the Vanwall...  
After thirty-four years - a British team had won a major Grand Prix - thanks to two world beaters. ~~Stirling Moss and the Vanwall Special~~