

MOTOR RACING REPORTS

SILVERSTONE AND GERMANY

At Silverstone, some of the world's greatest drivers take part in the sixth British Grand Prix at a meeting organised by the Daily Express. Ascari quickly takes his Ferrari into the lead, with Juan Fangio (number 23) driving a Maserati coming up hard behind him. With the Italians already taking command of the race, a lot depends on Britisher Mike Hawthorn, number 8 - who, in the second lap skids out of control!

A lucky escape, but Hawthorn cooly drives back into the race. But he hasn't a hope of catching Ascari who has lapped the whole field except Fangio.

Towards the end of the 263 mile race, the rain comes pelting down, but here's Ascari, still lapping at well over ninety, crossing the line to win. Italian cars take the first six places at Silverstone. A high spot of Germany's racing season is the Berlin Avusrennen. Britain's John Cooper (driving a Cooper) is soon up with the leaders of the International field of thirty three.

Tricky corners take their toll of some of the field - there's one out of it, but the driver gets away unhurt. Plenty of German aces are in the race, but Cooper is way out in front and going steadily. Here comes another pile up.

Into the last of the fifteen laps and John Cooper is in the lead. At over ninety miles an hour he flashes past the flag to score a magnificent racing victory for Britain.