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With death riding at their shoulder, thirty-three drivers follow the pace car toward the starting line in the five-hundred-mile Indianapolis Speedway have - America's traditional auto racing elassis. Banger lurks along every straightaway and disaster hides at every turn as the daredevils scoreh the brick and asphalt eval at up to

one hundred seventy miles an hour.

Twelve cars careen out of control in the tailet-spattered race - but their drivers miraculously escape serious injury.

Although leading for the last three hundred miles, Pat Flaherty is only thirty seconds ahead as he gets the checkered flag and rolls down "Vietery Lane" with a winning average of more than one hundred twenty-eight miles an hour. Gellecting seventy-five thousand dellars in prize money -- plus a benus from Virginia Mayo -- it's a great day for Irishman Pat Flahertyi