

BRITAIN SWEEPS THE BOARD AT LE MANS.

The Le Mans 24-hour sports car race is a real battle of nations this year - and Italy and Britain are expected to provide most of the excitement. The factory teams of Ferrari and Maserati are a powerful force; main British hope lies with the Jaguars, all privately owned. Last year was a Jaguar victory for Flockhart and Sanderson - and they're both driving today, in separate Jaguars.

There's Stirling Moss's Maserati, No.1., battling with a Ferrari - and the leading Jaguar, driven by Ron Flockhart, last year's winner, and Ivor Bueb, winner in '55.

Tony Brooks' Aston-Martin comes to grief, but no one's seriously injured. Mike Hawthorn drives Ferrari No.7. In the small car classes, the British Lotus team is doing fine. Throughout the night the gruelling laps mount up - there's Flockhart's Jaguar, now well in the lead. Where's the great Italian challenge? One by one the Ferraris and Maseratis have been dropping out - in spite of all the resources of their big factory organizations - and it's the British cars which are proving their stamina! More stamina, in fact, than some of the spectators.

Dawn is beginning to break - and open-air Mass in the trackside woods reminds us that this is Sunday. But there's no rest for the weary drivers - least of all the winning Jaguars, first and second by the Scottish team Ecurie Ecosse. Winners Flockhart and Bueb head a fantastic list - Jaguars first, second, third, fourth, and sixth; ten British cars in the first twelve; and class victories for Lotus, and Aston-Martin. One of the biggest national triumphs in car racing history!