

24-hours LE MANS RACE.

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British Jaguar yesterday made a record-breaking one-two-three-four sweep of the grueling Le Mans 24-hours sports car endurance race.

Ivor Bued and Ron Flockhart in a dark-green Scots team Jaguar won with an unofficial record average of 114 miles per hour and the four British cars all covered the equivalent of five consecutive Indianapolis 500-miles races.

The D-type Jaguars were all privately entered. The Scots team also took second place with Ninian Sanderson and Jan Lawrence. A French team of Jean Lucas and Jean Mary was third and the Belgian racing team of Paul Frere and Freddy Rouselle took fourth.

The big 3.5-liter Jaguars had most of the race to themselves after the proud Italian teams of Maserati and Ferrari early saw their sleek cars run in and out of the repair pits. The best the Italians could do was push a 12-cylinder two-liter Ferrari - driven by Lewis Evans of Britain, and Martino Severi of Italy into fifth position.

The winning sweep continued a victory string the Jaguars started in 1955 when the German Mercedes team withdrew after the tragic Mercedes crash at Le Mans, that cost 90 lives; only one serious-looking smash-up took place at a corner ~~when~~ when an Aston-Martin skidded off the track and was hit by a Porsche as it careened back. However the Aston Martin driver, Tony Brooks suffered only bruises and Umberto Maglioli of Italy walked away from the wrecked Porsche.

As the race drew to a finish, there was little doubt of the outcome. At the 18th hour BUED AND FLOCKHART's Jaguar was leading, as it had been for most of the race. Their average speed at that time was identical with their final average. Sanderson and Lawrence were seven laps behind, followed by Lucassary 11 laps back. The Frere-Rouselle Jaguar was 16 laps behind.

The outcome of the race was just as had been predicted earlier in the week at the time trials. The way was cleared for the British-made cars when the confident Maserati and Ferrari stables, expecting victory despite the predictions, watched their cars head to the pits time after time with engine troubles of varying sorts.

The Jaguar teams were all unofficial entries as was the case in last year's competition. The Jaguar Company has no official team competing.

The privately entered Porsche driven by the American Edwards Bugas of Pittsburgh got into trouble and had to make a long pit stop. After that, he was never a serious contender and was 34 laps behind at the end of the 18th hour.

In the smaller car category, it was also a British success, with the LOTUS, which won the prize for endurance. It was driven by the team KEITH-ALLISON.

On our coverage various phases of the race. Mr. 58 pushing his stalled car is a STANGUELLINI, 740 ccm. driven by F. SIGRAND  
the accidented car is Mr. 52, PORSCHE, U. MAGLIOLI,