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BASTIAN WINS FLORIDA TITLE

Singles Play at West Palm Beach.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., March 6.—Fritz Bostien of Indianapolis, holder

bles ranking, won the singles tennis title of Florida here on the clay courts of

The Royal Poinciana Hotel, St. Pauli won the doubles title. Bastian won the singles title. Carleton Shafer, Philadelphia, winner of the Bahama Islands singles, doubles and mixed doubles championships. Shafer has held the indoor doubles title for the past three years. He was once runner-up for the national indoor title. Bastian played many spectacular backhand shots, scoring many of his points by the use of the backhand.

Both players took things easy in the first set, but when the games in the second set stood three to one in favor of Bastian, Shafer increased the pace of play. He was able to keep the ball in play, but he was unable to hit the ball as hard as Bastian. Bastian, however, was able to meet his opponent's speed. He was also effective with his forehand drives and slammed the ball into the net. Bastian's backhand ball play was able to draw him to the net.

for the first time upon the large silver and gold cup which was presented by the late Mrs. J. H. Williams of the K. O. Polonica trophy. It was won in 1917 by Craig Blidde, in 1919 by F. Harris, in 1920 by Ichiji Kumagai and in 1921 by R. Norris Williams.

Milton Wins Coast Auto Race in Fast Time; Murphy Second

LOS ANGELES, March 6.—Tommy Milton won the 200-mile automobile race at the Beverly Hills speedway Sunday. His time was 2 hours, 15 minutes and 29 seconds. Jimmy Murphy was second and Harry Hartz third.

Milton's average yesterday was 110.3 miles an hour. Murphy's was 101.3.

Ralph De Palma was averaging 112 miles an hour when he was forced out of the race by a broken piston. Jimmy Murphy finished second in 2 hours 17 minutes and 4.85 seconds; Harry Harts third, 2 hours 17 minutes and 03.95 seconds.

This was the opening race for the 1922 national speedway championship and Milton, who won it, was the 1921 national speed champion.

Milton took the lead from the start and kept it throughout except for ten or twelve laps when De Palma led him.



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