

# ROAD RACING IS TOPS OVER THERE, JOE HEARS

## Wealthy Men Have Regular Auto Stables

Continental Fans Like Their Bike Marathons, Too; Riders Are Heroes.

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KUNNEL JOE WILLIAMS, Bound for Berlin.

My Dear Kunnel: So you're off for Europe, eh? And Stephen Jerome O'Hannagan, no less, piloted you down to the big boat, babbled of racing autos all the way. Well, he was giving the right steer, at that. You will find some strange sports-to you when you begin rambling around what they call THE continent. I guess the one we live on is just a lower case continent. THE continent is where you absorb culture and exude American money, not always in equal parts.

But about these strange sports, one of them is auto racing. Not that we don't have our Indianapolis Speedway merry-go-round on Memorial Day. We do, with gestures. And we have George Marshall, the well-dressed man about to break open a bundle of freshly starched auto racing somewhere on Long Island this fall as Mr. O'Hannagan was loudly saying. But what you will find on the continent is that the tropics from the United nobility down to the unlettered peasants have been dallying dilly about this auto racing game ever since they put the first knock in a two-cycle internal combustion engine. Townspeople and rustics regularly get ecstatically exhilarated on gasoline fumes at the begoggled drivers at the wheel go zooming over the European roads.

They race from town to town and back again—annual road races like our Vanderbilt Cup used to be in the linen-duster days on Long Island. Only they probably have 100 in a season where we had one a year. I've lost my old Baeckler and I can't tell you where the rippling road-rollers will be taking the turns on one wheel at any given moment when you are footloose in Europe, but you'll see them three-sheeted when you are within 100 kilometers of the excited area.

SPRINGS of nobility and rich young toffs over yonder have their stables of specially designed and built racing cars, the way the Wieders and Whitneys and what-nots have their turf strings on this side of the water. They have their "stable jockeys" of continental nobility who sit behind the wheel and how the darn things hold together when taking figure-eight turns at too many kilometers per hour. In Zurich and Florence and Bordeaux and Strasbourg the crowds turn out by the millions—to see these road races and the effluvia from the exhaust pipes is afar of roses to them. If a car happens to turn over it means just that much more fun for the dear little kiddies.

I don't want to go into this too deeply, because there is more to come on other sports, but there is one thing you can do for me. I got the general hang of that road racing over there except in the matter of something they called "chicanery," which I never could unravel. I suspect it has something to do with extra wrinkles they put in the roadway. Just as we add a few deep traps to a golf course for a championship tournament. But my Dear Kunnel, would you kindly look into this "chicanery" and report back? The fans want to know.

In addition to the daffiness over auto racing in 'dromes and on open roads on the continent, you probably will be surprised by the furor over bicycle road races. Listen, they have cross-country bike races for men, women and children, where eager contestants ford rivers with their bikes on their backs, shinning over fences, ride over plowed ground and climb trees on wheels, for all I know. I never stayed to watch. Some two great events of the year in France and Italy are the Tour De France and the Giro D'Italia, which are both done on wheels. When the French had Seraphim Martin, the Olympic runner; Georges Carpenter of pugilistic memory and Lacoste and Cochet on the tennis courts, they had a popularity contest for a national athletic hero and first place went to some bike rider, which just gives you the general idea.

YOU will find them wild about football over there, but don't be trapped, Kunnel Williams. It is what we call soccer over here and I know you can take your soccer sparingly, if at all. And be careful if you go to such swanky Parisian race tracks as Longchamps and Auteuil in the delightful Bois De Boulogne. Better wear your asbestos suit because if the French turf followers don't like the way a jockey rides the horse carrying their centimes their first hint of protest consists of setting fire to the grandstand.

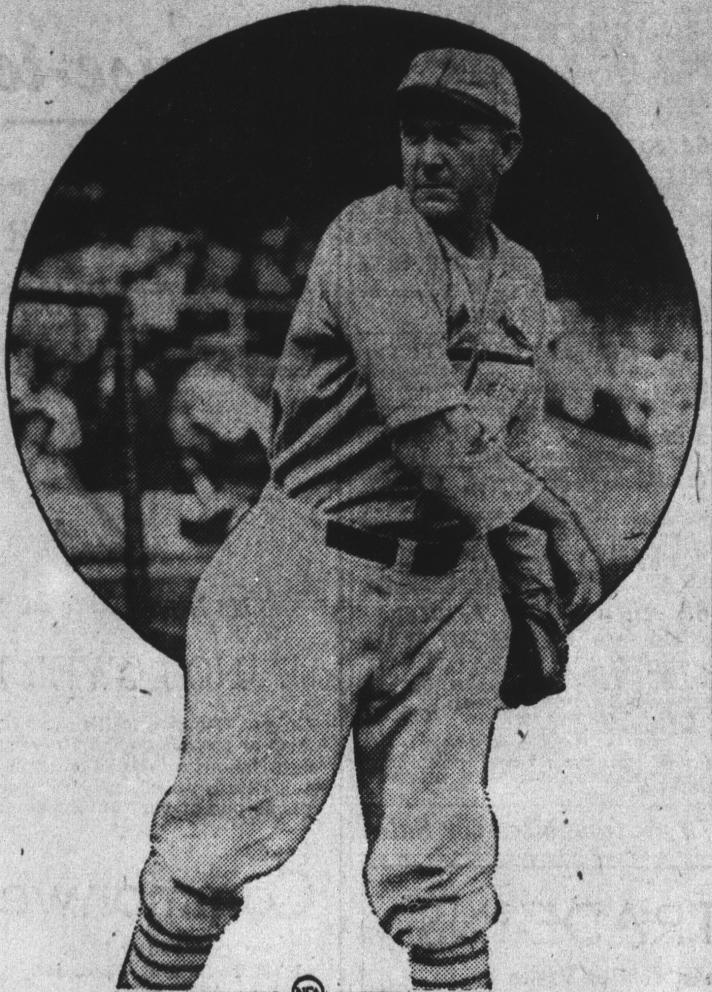
And if you hit London, pop into the underground, ride out to Putney and have a look at the famous Putney-to-Hammersmith rowing course. It has more curves than Dizzy Dean will throw in a full season. They'll never make fast time on that stretch of the river, but it's a great turn. If you happen to run across a couple of fellows over there, I wish you would give them a message from me. One is Sparrow Robertson and the other is Herr Hitler. Tell Sparrow to take it easy and tell Hitler to jump in the lake.

So, no more at present from an old woodman.

GERCUS PALUSTRI.

(Until the Olympic ship, the S. S. Manhattan, docks in Europe this space will be filled by contributions and columns prepared in advance by Joe Williams of the New York World-Telegram.)

## Celebrates in Big Way



INSTEAD of attempting to play indifferent to the fact that he is becoming an "ancient" insofar as baseball players are concerned, "Pop" Haines stepped out and had himself a celebration for his forty-third birthday yesterday. Then, out to prove to the fans that a man's as old as he feels, the veteran St. Louis Cardinal pitcher, pictured above, relieved Flint Rhem and held the Boston Bees to one hit in six and two-thirds innings. Haines got credit for his two hundred and fifth victory since joining the Cards in 1920.

## Injured Drivers' Condition Better

Rex Mays, Vernon Orendorf Hurt; Johnson Dies.

Times Special

BOSTON, July 20.—The conditions of Rex Mays and Vernon Orendorf, two auto racing drivers who were injured in an accident Saturday at the Readville track, were said to be improved today by physicians at the Forest Hills Hospital.

The pilots were injured when their cars crashed into the one driven by Wesley Johnson of Lansdale, Pa., who was fatally injured. Mays, 23-year-old Californian, who held the pole position at Indianapolis the last two years, suffered a crushed chest and cuts and bruises. Orendorf received lacerations and bruises.

The accident occurred when Johnson's car struck a post during the 25-mile feature race and careened into the path of Mays. Orendorf and Harry Angelou were unable to avoid the wreckage in the track and piled into the heap.

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Rockwood will play Paddle Club tomorrow night at 9 at Longacre Park, Indianapolis Machinery Wednesday at 5:30 at Willard, and Salvage Equipment Thursday night at Softball Stadium.

## Softball

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Proud Papa Martin Celebrates With Bat

By United Press

ST. LOUIS, July 20.—Popper Martin, outsider for the St. Louis Cardinals, was the proud father of a six-pound daughter today, his third child, all girls.

The baby was born Sunday during the second game against Boston. In high glee over the news, Martin led the Cardinals in two ripples, getting a double and a triple in his three remaining times at bat.

SUTTER WINS TITLE

Times Special

SAGINAW, Mich., July 20.—Cliff Sutter of Detroit holds the Michigan State Open tennis title today after winning the four-set final match from Carl Mischer, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-1, here yesterday.

WERNER, VENEZIA WIN MOTORBOAT CONTESTS

Times Special

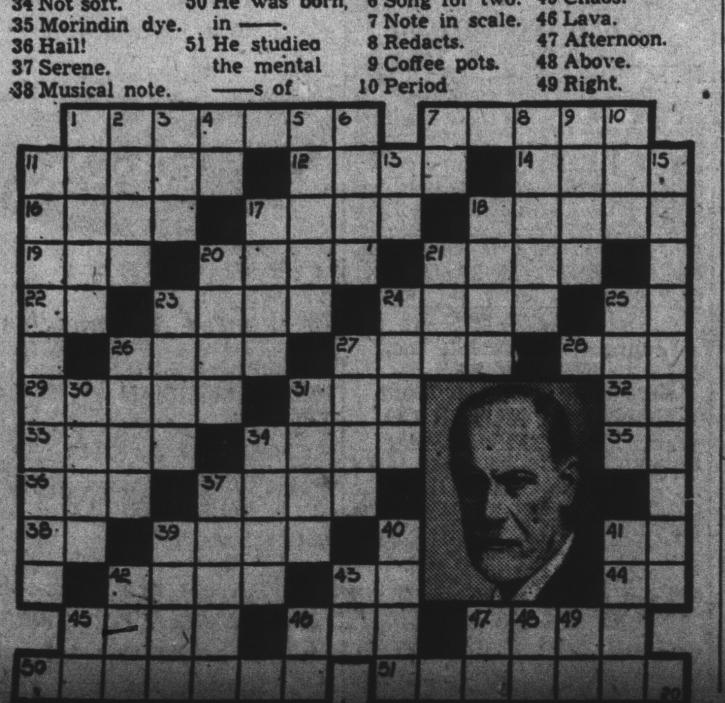
GREENSBURG, Ind., July 20.—Two motorboat pilots from Indianapolis and another from Muncie, grabbed all honors yesterday in the outboard racing at Lake McCoy, here.

Art Werner of Indianapolis won the Class A event and Tony Venezia, also of the Capital City, was second. The latter driver captured honors in the Class C match, being followed to the finish line by Werner. Harold Hurst of Muncie was the winner in Class B, ahead of Venezia.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Answer to Previous Puzzle

BEETLE FOUR	11 He added several words to our
ALAR HALLS	13 Road
DICED HAD C BEETLE	15 His science.
G HART T LA	17 Ages.
EM TARS TAM	18 Throes.
RID MANDATE VIM	20 Tree.
PIPE PRIES PAIR	21 Majes.
ICONS TED HANS	23 Minute object.
C TEAS D LAND	24 Fat.
NA TRET FANS A	25 Giant.
I DE GEARING PIE	26 Fermented juice.
GOLEOPTERA HARDE	27 Cultivated land.
	30 Hub.
	31 Sphere.
	34 Entrance room
VERTICAL	37 Hues.
	39 Saucy.
1 Gartent.	40 Not so much.
2 Frosted.	41 Pole.
3 Cotton.	42 Affirmative.
4 Machine.	43 Third note.
5 Mother.	45 Chaos.
6 Nude.	46 Lava.
7 Song for two.	47 Afternoon.
8 Notes in scale.	48 Above.
9 Redacts.	49 Right.
10 Period.	



## Chiso Wreck League Rivals on Road Trip

Dykes' Sluggers Head Home Only Two Games Out of Second Place.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, July 20.—The revival of the Chicago White Sox, under the dynamic leadership of Jimmy Dykes, ranked as baseball's outstanding mid-season accomplishment today.

Since the "Black Sox" were banished from baseball late in 1920, no White Sox team has swept through the East with a record to equal the one posted by the team piloted by the hustling Pale Hose.

They won 11 out of 13 games, took every series and were on their way home today to open a 13-game stand at Comiskey Park with a winning streak of eight straight intact.

The Cleveland Indians also played at a dizzy clip during their Eastern tour, winning 10 out of 12 games, but Steve O'Neill's club has long been recognized as a team of power and potentialities whereas the White Sox have been looked upon as a gang of misfits.

The White Sox were tied with the World Champion Tigers, today for fourth place, but only two games back of the second-place Clevelanders. They were 11 games behind the league-leading Yankees, but not entirely out of the pennant race.

The White Sox blasted out a twin victory over the Philadelphia Athletics yesterday, 11-5 and 8-2, running their winning streak to eight in a row.

After winning the first game from Washington, 11-3, to run their winning streak to nine straight, the Indians dropped the second game, 9-5.

Lou Gehrig hit homers No. 27 and 28 as the New York Yanks divided a double-header with the St. Louis Browns, thereby falling to win a single series during their home stand against the Western club. Red Ruffing fanned 10 men and hit a Homer at the Yanks won the opener, 10-3. The Browns beat Lou Gehrig in the second game, 5-4.

The Boston Red Sox battered Schoolboy Rowe and two other Detroit pitchers for 16 hits and three triumphs.

The St. Louis Cardinals took a double-header from the Boston Bees, 1 and 2, and 7-2, and trimmed the Chicago Cubs' lead in the National League to one game. Joe Medwick had a perfect day at bat, getting seven hits in seven trips in the two games.

After winning the first game in 11 innings, 2-1, the Chicago Cubs bowed to the Phillies in the afterpiece, 4-1. The New York Giants divided a double-header with the Cincinnati Reds, and moved within one point of third place. The Giants won the opener. A two-run rally in the ninth won the second game for the Reds, 3-2.

Brooklyn made it three straight over Pittsburgh, 4-2, with two of the Dodgers' runs scoring on one of Cy Blanton's wild pitches.

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