

Bryan Winner in Death-Marred 500-Mile Race at Indianapolis

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 Indianapolis—(UPI)—Speedway winner Jimmy Bryan Saturday night took home an all-time record \$105,564, his principal loot for coming home first in the 42nd annual 500-mile Memorial Day auto race.

The previous record was \$300,252 last year, of which winner Sam Hanks got \$103,844.

This year's total jackpot included \$193,667 from the Speedway, \$53,550 in accessory awards, \$30,000 lap prizes and \$28,000 in entry fees.

Bryan's total included \$60,849 from the management and \$20,850 in lap prizes, he led 139 of the 200 laps.

Indianapolis, Ind.—(UPI)—The worst start in "500" history preceded the worst smashup the event has ever had, and national driving champion Jimmy Bryan rode the middle of the whirlwind through both of them to win the richest race of them all.

Bryan's victory came because of his relentless pace, mostly over 140 miles per hour, for the last 180 laps after the field was slowed to 107 miles per hour for 20 laps due

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to a 16-car collision in which eight cars were eliminated and driver Pat O'Connor was killed.

Bryan will receive his reward for his daredevil driving tonight at the annual victory banquet and he'll probably pick up about \$110,000 to exceed the previous record purse for the winner.

Bryan rode home in front in the same car in which Sam Hanks won last year. It was the fourth time a vehicle has triumphed two years in a row.

Had Fierce Competition
 Bryan led the race for 139 of its 200 laps, including the final 75 despite a hard chase by runner-up George Amick, Venice, Calif., and Johnny Boyd, Fresno, Calif. Boyd trailed by less than a second at one point, but a 24-second pit stop for a tire and fuel left him too far behind.

Bryan averaged 133.791 miles per hour, Amick 133.517 and Boyd 133.099.

Every one of the leading sextet was involved in the 16-car crash, which came on the northeast turn on the first lap. None of them was a factor in the race.

The start was horrible. The field had been scheduled to make two pace tours of the 2½-mile oval track before the signal to race. Instead, Dick Rathmann, Ed Elisian, and Jimmy Reece, ran away from the field on the first lap.

Start Was Ragged
 Before the pack was even together to start, the three front-runners had gone around four times and the 30 other cars three times. They got away to a ragged start with hardly any alignment.

Rathmann said he was leading into the turn when Elisian moved inside of them, then spun outward to whip both cars against the wall.

The combined wreckage rebounded onto the track as Reece whacked into it. O'Connor, riding in the second row, zoomed over the pileup into the wall, then bounced back upside down and skidded down the track in flames.

The 29-year-old North Vernon, Ind., driver, who last year won the pole position for the race, was dead when he was removed from the car, the 11th driver to die in the 500-mile race.

He was the first fatality during the race since 1955 when Vukovich, who has won the previous two years, was killed in a similar crash.

Tony Bettenhausen, Tinley Park, Ill., was fourth, Rathmann, Miami, Fla., finished fifth.

Sports Bulletin
 Modesto, Calif.—(UPI)—University of California's sprint medley relay team, anchored by the great Don Bowden, set a new national record Saturday night in the sprint medley relay with a time of 3:18.8 at the California relays.

Webb Gets Split Nod
 Miami Beach, Fla.—(UPI)—Middleweight contender Spider Webb, who won a split decision over Jimmy Beecham Friday night, said today he would go through with a London fight June 24 despite a more attractive offer.

Webb's manager, Hector Knowles, rejected an offer to meet second-ranking Joey Giardello at San Francisco, June 30, in order to carry out the Spider's London contract for a fight with Nigerian Dick Tiger.

Trouble Seen On Park Site
 NEW YORK—(UPI)—A Los Angeles civic official who is one of the prime movers in inducing the Dodgers to move to California was quoted Saturday as saying that Walter O'Malley faces "nothing but grief" in his efforts to acquire Chavez ravine as a ballpark site.

The New York Daily News, in a dispatch from Los Angeles by baseball writer Dick Young, quoted Kenneth Hahn, a member of the county board of supervisors, as saying that even if the Chavez ravine referendum is approved in next Tuesday's voting, further obstacles lie ahead for O'Malley.

The 15-man Los Angeles council passed a proposal last year to turn over 300 acres of Chavez ravine to O'Malley in exchange for Wrigley Field and other future concessions in the ravine. However, public opposition developed and now the proposal is up for referendum on June 3.

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GAME MAN RETIRES—Bert Peck, above, retired Saturday after 17 years with the Oregon State Game commission. He has been a foreman of the commission's fish screen construction plant at Central Point for eight years and is shown here inspecting a screen at the plant. Peck has been a resident of Central Point since 1917.

Camp White Baseballers Down Riddle Semi-Pros; Clash at Prospect Today

Memorial Stadium, Camp White—Camp White, tuning for rivalry in the Rogue Valley Baseball league, disposed of one member of the circuit in Friday night exhibition and played another league entry in a practice game on Sunday.

The Veterans Administration domiciliary sponsored crew blanketed the newly-organized Riddle aggregation 12 to 0 in the fracas here. It will travel to Prospect for the 2 p.m. Sunday tussle. Formal league play begins next Sunday.

Pitcher Don Sanford twirled a 15-strikeout five-hitter and yielded only one walk in tossing the VAD victory on Friday. His teammates went errorless in eight of nine innings in the field manager Pete Hale slapped three hits, two of them doubles in five times up and scored three runs for Camp White. Don Wendt and Clyde Smith each hit two for three and Smith crossed for four runs. Chuck Mairchant and Don Sanford also had two hits apiece.

Almost Homer
 Wendt smashed the ball to deep left field for what would have been a home run had he not stumbled on his way between third base and home plate. He was tagged out as he lay on the ground.

Camp White started off with three runs in the first

Preps Can Open Gridiron Drill On August 25
 Corvallis—(UPI)—Oregon high school football practice will start one week earlier this year, on Aug. 25, as a result of an unanimous vote here Friday by the delegate assembly of the Oregon School Activities Association.

Schools may play their first game this year on Sept. 12.

The assembly also set sites for the state basketball tournaments next year. The A-1 tourney will be held again at MacArthur Court in Eugene while the A-2 contests will be held at South Salem. The assembly will decide the locale of the B tournament at its meeting today. Both Bend and Baker want the meet.

Bend, Redmond and Prineville will form a new subdivision from District 8, A-1, into District 7.

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Pete Groce Driver for Thrill Show

Leaping motorcycles through space, crashing them through flaming board walls at 60 miles an hour, and driving cars at high speed in two wheel ramp races, is all in a day's work for Pete Groce, one of the dozen stunt-stars of the Joe Chitwood Thrill Show, which will appear at Valley View Speedway at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3.

Pete, who calls Columbus, Ohio, his home, is a veteran of 10 years with eastern thrill shows, and this year is making his debut with the world famed Chitwood organization.

Formerly a top A.M.A. champion, he still holds many track records for motorcycle racing. He was the first rider to leap a cycle from ramp to ramp through a flaming loop.

Manages, Also
 As though performing in the show were not enough, Groce also acts as track manager, seeing that the show moves along at just the right pace, that the ramps and other equipment is set in its right place, and that the drivers and stuntmen work together as a team.

In addition to all this, he trains new members of the troupe in the art of "hell driving." The fact that the two hour long Chitwood program is performed as though by clock-work, without a lull part due to the work of Pete Groce.

Twenty-seven action-packed events, ranging from the "Slide for Life" to the featured 100-foot ramp to ramp leap of a new 1958 car, performed by Miss Pat Jones, should make up a thrilling package for spectators Wednesday.

Bear Hurls No-Hitter

By United Press International
 The Yakima Bears are glad Charlie Drummond has come to town.

Drummond, a big fast-baller recently sent to Yakima by Pacific Coast League Vancouver, fashioned a no-hit, no-run game Friday night as the Bears won a 2-0 victory over Lewiston in the second game of a Northwest league double-header.

Drummond fanned nine in the nightcap after Yakima had lost the first game 6-5 to the league-leading Broncs. He walked four.

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Sales Manager Favorite In British Golf Tourney

St. Andrews, Scotland—(UPI)—Tim Holland, a 27-year-old sales manager from Rockville Centre, N.Y., was listed as the favorite today for the British amateur golf championship which gets underway in this home of golf on Monday.

Holland, one of the 16 seeded players, drew a first-round bye.

He later confided to his playing partners, Jimmy McHale of Philadelphia and Robert Roos of San Francisco, that "it was the best round of golf I have ever played."

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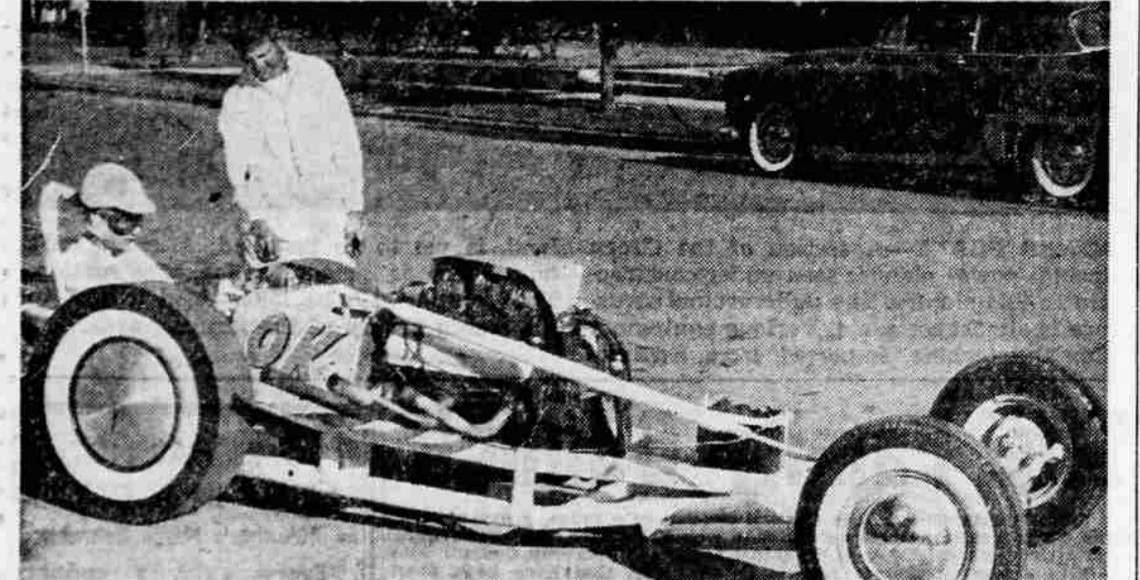
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IN DRAG RACES TODAY—Gerald Fanger, in the driver's seat, and Noel Black are shown with the Swiftens' dragster which they operate under sponsorship of OK Rubber Welders. The speedy machine will be among entrants today in the Southern Oregon Timing association drag races at the SOTA strip in west Camp White. The dragster turned better than 132 miles per hour at Redding, Calif., recently and exceeded 128 mph last Sunday in a practice run. Time trials today start at 10 a.m. and first race is to be around 12:30 p.m.

SOTA Drag Race Today

Drivers under 21 years of age who plan to enter the drag races at Camp White strip today are reminded that they must have waivers with them which release Southern Oregon Timing association from financial responsibility in case of accident.

Statements to the effect, signed by parents or guardians, will be sufficient.

SOTA's first drags of the season are scheduled with time trials between 10 a.m. and noon and the first race a short while later.

Races are open to the public for an admission fee. A concessions stand will be in operation.

The strip is seven miles from Medford in west Camp White. Signs will mark the way from the highway "Y" in the north part of Medford.

Race Driver Charged With Bad Judgment

Indianapolis, Ind.—(UPI)—Driver Ed Elisian was suspended from competition in the United States Auto club sanctioned races today for "bad judgment" in connection with a 16-car collision which killed Pat O'Connor during the first lap of the 500-mile race which Jimmy Bryan won.

Duane Carter, director of competition for the USAC, announced Elisian's suspension pending action of the board of directors. Carter said in his opinion Elisian was "guilty of bad judgment" at the race's start. The suspension implied that Elisian was responsible for the crash, at least in Carter's eyes.

Elisian said he was not informed of the suspension. He said the wreck "could have happened to anybody."

U.W. Crew Sprints to Clow Win

Seattle—(UPI)—The University of Washington varsity crew, stroked by John Sayre, edged out the University of British Columbia in a thrilling 2,000 meter duel on Lake Washington today with a time of 6:05.6.

Winning over the sprint distance meant the Huskies will travel to England to compete in the Royal Henley regatta against some of the world's finest racing crews. Husky Coach Al Ulbricksen has promised to take his varsity to England if they were victorious in all regular season contests. Ulbricksen has tabbed this year's crew as among the best in Washington's long rowing history, and he wanted to take his rowers to England because Washington is ineligible for NCAA competition.

The Oregon State College shell, stroked by Carl Mohr who was flipped from the boat when he caught a "crab" near the end of the varsity race, finished well back of the two pace-setters.

Oregonian Top Skipper

Victoria, B.C.—(UPI)—The 47-foot sloop Buccaneer of Vancouver, B.C. took an early lead today in the annual International Swiftness Yacht race.

R. W. Baker sailed the sloop up the Strait of Juan de Fuca Friday night and was widening her lead by the house.

The Buccaneer's closest rivals were the Seattle yacht Strada, followed by Kate Tw and Diamond Head.

The boats were expected to round the Swiftness light ship this morning and return to the finish line here late this afternoon.

Last year's winner, the Seattle yawl Maruffa, which had been favored to repeat, made a poor start and was far behind the leaders.

Oregon Boat Wins Race

Provo—(UPI)—Rocky Stone of Willamina, skipped his hydroplane and runabout over choppy waters of Utah lake here Friday to take three first places in the annual Memorial Day regatta.

The event is sponsored by the Provo Boat club.

Hundreds of spectators lined the shore along the racing course despite threatening weather, which unleashed a rain and wind storm midway through the seven-event regatta.

Weather also forced officials to exchange the mile-long plotted course for a quieter one within the Provo harbor.

Other first places went to Harold Hurley, Idaho Falls, Idaho, crackerbox class; William Wallace, Seattle, Wash., D runabouts; and D hydroplanes stock; Gary Peterson, Salt Lake City, B hydroplanes.

Pilots Capture Tennis Diadem

Portland—(UPI)—University of Portland won the District 2 NAA tennis championship here Friday by posting a straight set win over Oregon College. Lewis and Clark and Portland State failed to send teams to the meet.

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