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From Left to Right: Harry Martin, Mrs. Merz, Mrs. McManahan, Charles Merz

The accompanying photograph is of Charlie Merz, the winning member of the Stutz team, and his nervy mechanic, Harry Martin, receiving congratulations for having gone through fire to "get in on the money" by crossing the tape in third place, a remarkable performance, in view of the difficulties they encountered. The faces beaming through the wire fence

adjoining the Stutz pits are those of Mrs. Merz and her guest, Mrs. E. W. McManahan, of Los Angeles.

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The crowd arose, gasped and waited for what seemed a certain disaster for Merz and Martin. Instead of being balked by the shock of flame that shot from under the car, the boys gritted their teeth and, on a flaming speedometer going around a seven miles an hour, they pushed around the south turn, then into the east stretch, each moment with death at their fore. The Stutz was going fully seventy-five miles an hour when it struck the

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## REPORTERS ARE HANDICAPPED

The crowd that saw the big race yesterday was the largest in the history of motor racing, estimates fixing the number at between ninety thousand and one hundred thousand. Both citizens and visitors have been lavish in expressing commendation of the system in handling the big crowd. The

pany did a capacity business in handling the crowd, running every trailer the power could move.

The most marked complaint came from the local and visiting newspaper men. Correspondents and photographers from Boston, New York, Chicago, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and other cities were here for the big race, all willing to extend good words for Indianapolis and the motor speedway, but most of them left the city with a grievance against the speedway officials, and particularly the police. The correspondents say they were freighted with badges of various kinds, but when they went to make use of them found them valueless. This resulted in many inconveniences in the handling of the stogy of the big race for outside newsmen.

### Military Passes Useless.

Newspaper men were equipped with so-called military passes, signed by Captain Carpenter, ordering all guards to admit the bearer to all parts of the grounds without restriction. These yellow tickets became a joke with the visiting newspaper men before the day was over. Once when a Chicago newspaper man remarked that he was going to buy a glass of lemonade, another member

and told the reporters they would have to stay out.

### Insulted by Guards.

When Tower and his mechanic, Gunn, were taken to the hospital the newspaper men tried to learn the extent of their injuries and were barred from the hospital inclosure. At the same time a relative of Mrs. Tower who was a spectator, tried to get into the inclosure to learn the extent of the husband's injuries. She was repulsed by a speedway guard.

"Nobody gets in here," one of the guards barked.

At that moment two little boys stood looking in the hospital window, watching the doctors and nurses remove the clothing of the two injured men. Three or four women stood nearby laughing and talking. On the roof of the hospital a crowd was watching the race. The relative of Mrs. Tower pointed to these facts, but still admission to the hospital was refused. Members of the Mason racing crew tried to find out how badly their mares were hurt, but they too could not gain entrance at the hospital gate.

## A. A. BATTING AVERAGE

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	AB	R	H	TB
Koke, Toledo	4	1	1	1
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Chapelle, Milwaukee	43	17	24	41
Waters, Toledo	11	2	4	4
Johnson, Louisville	11	2	4	4
Hennrich, St. Paul	11	2	4	4
W. Hinchman, Columbus	11	2	4	4
Knappick, Milwaukee	11	2	4	4
Redding, Toledo	11	2	4	4
PELLEY, Indianapolis	11	2	4	4
J. DeBarde, Minneapolis	11	2	4	4
Rosman, Minneapolis	11	2	4	4
Brown, Minneapolis	11	2	4	4
Autrey, St. Paul	11	2	4	4
Both, Louisville	11	2	4	4
Reed, St. Paul	11	2	4	4
Miller, Columbus	11	2	4	4
Pyatt, St. Paul	11	2	4	4
Igerman, Louisville	11	2	4	4
Kriebell, Kansas City	11	2	4	4
S. CHAPPEL, Indianapolis	11	2	4	4
Lewis, Milwaukee	11	2	4	4
C. Jones, Toledo	11	2	4	4
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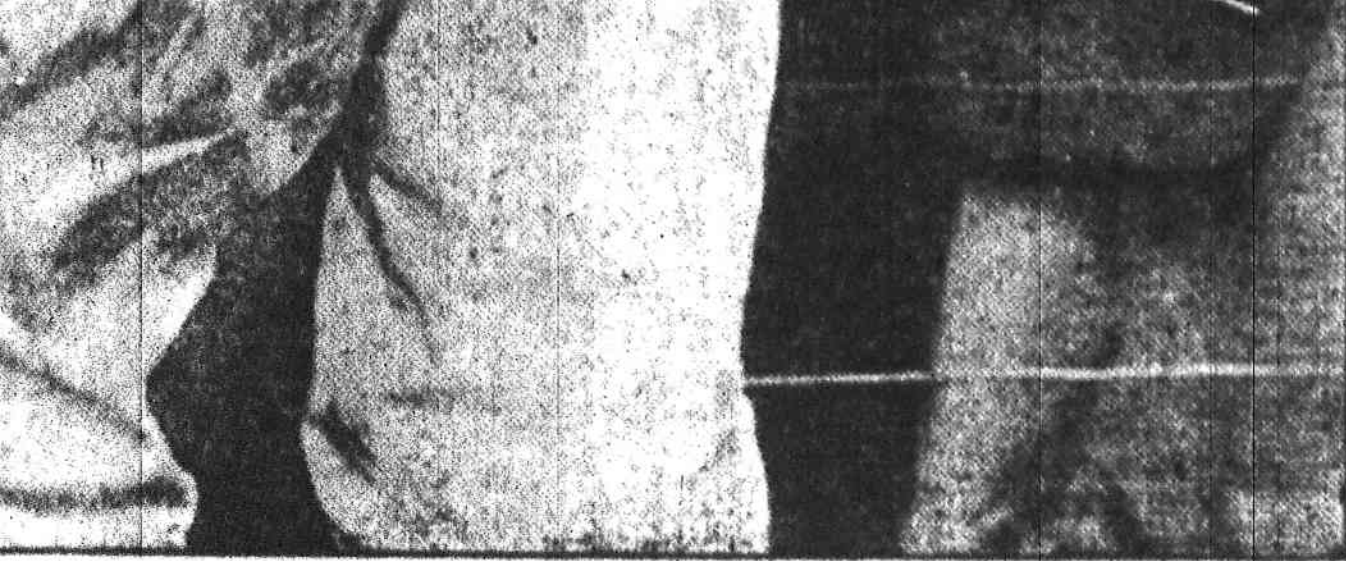
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Chappelle, Milwaukee	43	174	28	61
Warren, Toledo	15	57	6	20
Osborn, Louisville	41	165	32	57
Hemphill, St. Paul	35	146	24	50
W. Hinchman, Columbus	36	127	27	43
Slapnicka, Milwaukee	14	30	5	10
Eddington, Toledo	21	62	8	17
REILLY, Indianapolis	38	135	20	44
J. Delahanty, Minneapolis	40	155	21	50
Rossmann, Minneapolis	40	152	19	49
Browne, Minneapolis	20	47	8	15
Autrey, St. Paul	37	135	13	43
Roth, Louisville	17	44	3	14
Scott, St. Paul	37	142	20	45
Miller, Columbus	32	112	14	35
Flynn, St. Paul	16	42	8	13
Ingerton, Louisville	21	52	10	16
Kritchell, Kansas City	24	72	8	22