

The 50-Mile Race

Of the two main events this afternoon, the 50-mile perhaps was the more exciting. Eleven cars started, these being: Lewis' Hoskins, Vail's Hudson, Dutton's Stutz, Chevrolet's Frontenac, Henderson's Duesenberg, Milton's Duesenberg, Mulford's Hudson, MacBride's Olsen special, Mason's Ogren, Toft's Omar, and Taylor's Hudson, lining up in the order named with Lewis at the pole. Louis Chevrolet took the lead and held it for 8 miles, then slowed down and went out at the end of 12 miles. The Hoskins only lasted three laps, which cut the field to ten. The order at 10 miles, with ten cars running was: Dutton, Vail, Chevrolet, Mulford, Milton, Henderson, Taylor, Toft, Cadwell and MacBride. The proverbial blanket would have covered the four leaders. Up to 20 miles Dutton and Vail still worked on a fifty-fifty basis, Vail sometimes being a foot or two ahead on the backstretch, Dutton forging a little ahead at the tape. Mulford moved up to third when Chevrolet dropped out and Dutton, Vail and Mulford ran one-two-three from the twelfth to the thirtieth mile, when Mulford stepped up to second, Vail coming to the pits with smoke rolling from his brakes at the end of 34 miles. Vail dropped from second to fifth place when he stopped to cool his brakes but at 46 miles was back in third, where he finished. Dutton did not make a stop and finished 1 min. and 42 sec. ahead of Mulford. Only 31 sec. separated the three Hudsons, which finished second, third and fourth.