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BALANCE OF
1946 SEASON

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6	C. C. Bobo, Tacoma.....	Bobby Britton
8	George Odalovich, Seattle.....	Red Pugh
10	Byron Smith
16	Ken DeRango, Seattle.....	Ken DeRango .....	.....
18	Gordon Fish, Seattle.....
20	Frank Rentz, Seattle.....
22	Arney Strom, Tacoma.....	Red Anderson
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30	Jimmie Brown, Seattle.....	Jimmie Brown
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34	Mark Sullivan, Seattle.....	Mark Sullivan
36	Harvey Johnson, Yakima.....
38	Ida Crenshaw, Seattle.....
40	Mel Anthony, Seattle.....	.....	.....
44	Tom Carstens, Tacoma.....	Chick Barbo .....	.....
46	Otto Rude, Seattle.....	Ken DeRango.....	.....
48	Glen Bailey, Seattle.....	Howard Shelly .....	.....
50	C. King, Seattle.....	Mel Anthony .....	.....
52	Duke Claire, Bremerton.....	.....	.....
54	Bob Britton, Seattle.....	.....	.....
56	Bill Stribling, Bremerton.....	.....	.....
58	K. Hutchins, Seattle.....	Ernie Spaulding .....	.....
60	Clyde Giesy, Olympia.....	.....	.....

ENTRIES

Car No.	Owner	Driver	Time
62	Walter Moore	Walter Moore .....	.....
64	W. Wilson, Tacoma.....	.....	.....
66	Tommy Martin, Puyallup.....	.....	.....
68	Don George	Don George .....	.....
70	Raymond Bassett, Des Moines .....	.....	.....
72	Vic Walters	Vic Walters .....	.....
74	John Adams	John Adams .....	.....
76	Lt. Col. Tex Roberts, Tacoma.....	Gordon Livingston .....	.....
88	.....	.....	.....
96	Earl Legge	Earl Legge .....	.....
1	L. Macumber	Frenchy DuBois .....	.....
3	Clarence Smith, Vancouver, Wn.....	Bill Gelhar .....	.....
5	Stocky Stockwell	Stocky Stockwell .....	.....
7	Frank Nelson, Oregon.....	Louie Sherman .....	.....
9	Bill Gelhar	Bill Gelhar .....	.....
11	Art Henges, Vancouver, Wn.....	Leo Wahl .....	.....
15	Dominic Morman, Oregon .....	.....	.....
19	Ed Johns, Oregon .....	.....	.....
21	J. Garrison, Oregon.....	Bob Gregg .....	.....
23	.....	Chuck Johnson .....	.....
25	Clarence Smith, Vancouver, Wn.....	Ronnie Odne .....	.....
35	.....	.....	.....
45	Randolph Kirkwood, Oregon.....	.....	.....
53	Jack Allan	Jack Turner .....	.....
63	D. E. Wilson, Oregon.....	.....	.....
100	Ed Brennan, Vancouver, B. C.....	.....	.....
101	Jim Boyd, Vancouver, B. C.....	Jim Boyd .....	.....
103	Armstrong, Vancouver, B. C.....	Walter Armstrong .....	.....
106	Frank Bernard, Vanc'ver, B. C.....	.....	.....
107	Ernie King, Vancouver, B. C.....	Ernie King .....	.....



SPEED

MERCHANTS

GORDON OWNED HIS OWN BODY AND FENDER SHOP IN '38 AND '39 UNTIL A FRIEND GAVE HIM A PASS TO A MIDGET AUTO RACE.... HE'S BEEN RACING EVER SINCE HE FIRST "TRIED OUT" A CAR HE BUILT A HOOD FOR IN 1940

GET AWAY FROM HERE! WITH THOSE PEANUTS, KID!



LIKE MOST RACERS GORDY IS A BUG ON SUPERSTITIONS ...

WE WON THE FIRST RACE HE EVER DROVE - A CLASS B MAIN EVENT ON A DIRT TRACK AT PORTLAND, ORE., IN 1940...

AT YAKIMA HE DROVE HIS FIRST BIG CAR RACE. HE LOST AN OUTSIDE FRONT WHEEL RIDING FAST INTO A TURN BUT ESCAPED UNHARMED....

GORDON LIVINGSTON

WINNER OF THE 1946 100 LAP CLASS "A" MAIN AT PLAYLAND STADIUM.

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OOPS! SORRY!

IN A 1941 RACE AT PLAYLAND HE SPUN ON THE SOUTH TURN AND CRASHED INTO A PARKED AMBULANCE, BOUNCED OFF AND SPUN BACK ONTO THE TRACK UNINJURED....

AT PORTLAND, IN A RECENT ROADSTER RACE, HE WAS 4TH FASTEST IN THE TIME TRIALS. IN THE 1ST HEAT RACE, IN THE MAIN EVENT.

LADIES! HE IS 32 AND AN ELIGIBLE BACHELOR

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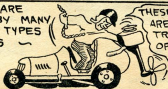
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MIDGETS ARE POWERED BY MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF MOTORS — FAVORITES ARE FORD V8-60'S,



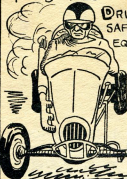
THESE OUTBOARDS ARE PRETTY TRICKY TO OPERATE PROPERLY

WILLYS, BEACON CONTINENTALS, MOTORCYCLE AND OUTBOARD MOTOR ENGINES —

SOME MIDGETS COST UP TO 4000 DOLLARS...

HOW MANY ?

THE AVERAGE MIDGET GETS 4 OR 5 MILES TO A GALLON OF GASOLINE



DRIVERS' SAFETY EQUIPMENT

CONSISTS OF CRASH HELMETS, SAFETY GOGGLES, SAFETY BELT AND DRIVING SKILL —

THE AVERAGE LIFE OF A MIDGET AUTO RACING TIRE IS FROM ONE TO FIVE RACES

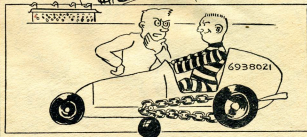


SOME MIDGETS HAVE GONE AS FAST AS 90 MPH IN THE BACKSTRETCH AT PLAYLAND STADIUM....
(TOO FAST TO DRAW)



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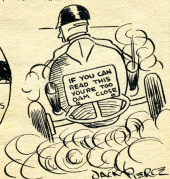
POWER PLANTS



I NOTICE IT'S A CHAIN DRIVE MIDGET, BUT WHAT ASSOCIATION DID YOU SAY YOU RACE FOR?



TWO, PLEASE.





SPEED MERCHANTS

BY - JACK PIERCE

STOCKY DID SOME EFFECTIVE ISLAND HOPPING FOR THREE YEARS RECENTLY AS A COMBAT ENGINEER WITH THE FAMED 3RD MARINE DIVISION.



BOUGAINVILLE

SAIPAN



HERE TODAY - GUAM TOMORROW

WHEN HE STARTED RACING MIDGETS IN 1938 HE BUILT HIS OWN STAR SPEEDSTER.

A WHEEL OR A TOOTH?



HE HAS A HABIT OF LOOSING HIS REAR WHEELS IN RACES



AN ACE MECHANIC BY TRADE, HE GAVE UP HIS OWN GARAGE IN ELLENSBURG, WASH. TO RACE FULL TIME



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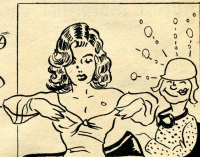
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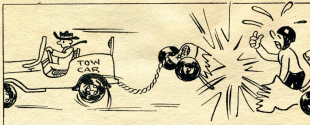
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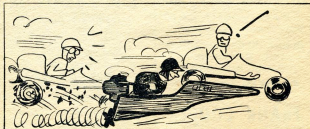
THAT GUY WILL
DRIVE ANYTHING
WITH WHEELS..



THE WAY SOME OF YOU TROPHY-
DASH WINNERS KISS A GAL YOU'D
THINK YOU'D JUST WON THE
INDIANAPOLIS CLASSIC



HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU NOT TO
START WITH A JERK, YOU JERK !



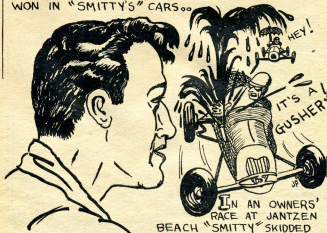
JACK HARRIS



SPEED MERCHANTS

BY JACK PIERCE

CLARENCE GOT THE SPEED BUG EARLY WHEN HE STARTED BUILDING ROADSTERS IN CALIF... MOVING TO VANCOUVER, WASH, HE SET UP HIS OWN GARAGE IN 1936 AND HAS BEEN BUILDING MIDGET CARS EVER SINCE... THE OREGON CIRCUIT CHAMPIONSHIPS OF 1940 AND 1941 WERE WON IN "SMITTY'S" CARS...



IN AN OWNERS' RACE AT JANTZEN BEACH "SMITTY" SKIDDED IN HIS OWN OIL WHEN HE LOST AN OIL-PLUG...

CLARENCE SMITH

VANCOUVER BUILDER—
OWNER OF CHAMPIONSHIP
MIDGET RACING CARS WHO
PUT TOGETHER THE FAST
NUMBER **25** AND NUMBER **3**
FORD V-8 SIXTIES...



HE PLANS TO BUILD ANOTHER CAR THIS WINTER

"DOODLE-BUGS"

BY JACK
PIERCE



"IT'S POWERED
WITH AN INTERNATIONAL
HARVESTER MOTOR
AND SOMETIMES
BACKFIRES"



HE SITS LOW
IN HIS CAR,
DOESN'T HE?



LOOK GUYS - SIDE-SADDLE!



HURRY UP WITH THAT FLAG, FELLAS,
THIS IS THE LAST LAP!



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First Car No.

Time.....

Second Car No.

Third Car No.

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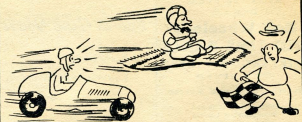


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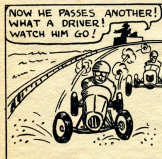
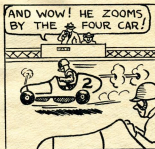
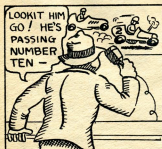
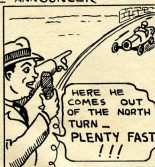
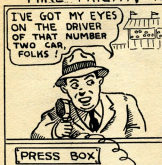
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STALLS & SPINS



MIKE FRIGHT, THE ANNOUNCER





SPEED MERCHANTS

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1933 NORTHWEST BIG CAR CHAMPION WHO HOLDS A RECORD AT YAKIMA FOR WINNING 3 MAIN EVENTS IN A ROW... RODE AS MECHANIC IN BIG CARS AND DROVE HIS OWN IN '34 AND '35.. WAS A STAR AUTO-POLO PLAYER AT COUNTY FAIRS IN '26



FISHING IS HIS HOBBY



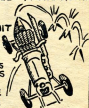
DEVON SMITH

FORMER BIG CAR RACER, WHO IS NOW PIT AND LAP CHECKER FOR WASH. MIDGET RACING ASSN.

THE TRACK IS UP HERE, DEE



IN 1933, IN AN AUSTRALIAN PURSUIT RACE AT OLYMPIC VIEW TRACK HIS BIG CAR FLIPPED 4 TIMES, HE WAS THROWN WHEN HIS SAFETY BELT SNAPPED, AND HE SLID 40 YARDS



IN 12 YRS OF RACING HE WAS ONLY KNOCKED OUT ONCE IN A SPILL OVER A BANK AT GRESHAM, ORE., SPEEDWAY.

INTO A GUARD RAIL WHERE HE PICKED UP A 2 X 2 SPLINTER IN HIS RIGHT SHOULDER



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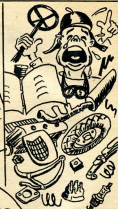
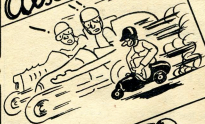
THIRD HEAT RACE

First Car No. Time

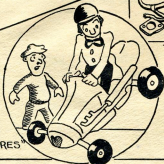
Second Car No. Third Car No.



Also Rans



TOW CAR !!



"YA GOT TOO MUCH AIR IN YOUR REAR TIRES"

BY JACK PIERCE



HE'S TAKING MY PLACE IN THE AUSTRALIAN PURSUIT

'Blow-outs'

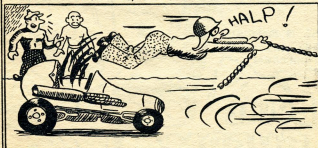
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LUCKY CHARM
OR NOT YOU
STILL HAVE TO
WEAR A
REGULATION
HELMET ON
THIS TRACK!



LADY, WILL YOU PLEASE MOVE TO ANOTHER
SEAT AWAY FROM THE FINISH LINE....



SOMEDAY HE'LL LEARN TO WRAP THAT TOW-ROPE
AROUND HIS FRONT AXLE

SPEED-MERCHANTS

THIS 28 YR OLD PORTLAND
DRIVER STARTED RACING
MOTORCYCLES IN 1938
BEFORE SWITCHING TO MIDGETS

GERONIMO!



MIDGETS
OFFER MORE
THRILLS



HE SAW ACTION
IN AND OVER
GERMANY AS
A PARATROOPER

HIS GREATEST THRILL ~

IN A 500 MILE RACE AT OAKLAND
IN 1940 HE LOST A LEFT FRONT

WHEEL WHILE GOING DOWN THE STRECH AT

106 MPH! HE SKIDDED FOR 200 YARDS

BUT DID NOT SPILL.



FLYIN'
LOW

OTHER HOBBIES
ARE BOWLING,
GOLF, RACING
BIG CARS AND
STOCK CARS.

HE IS MARRIED
AND HAS TWO
CHILDREN

I CAN'T
LOOK



LOUIE
SHERMAN

BY
JACK
PIERCE
C

FOURTH HEAT RACE

First Car No. Time

Second Car No. Third Car No.



CLASS "B" MAIN

15 Laps

Time

1. 2. 3.

4. 5. 6.



CLASS "A" MAIN

25 Laps

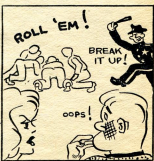
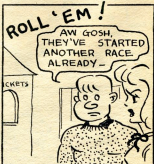
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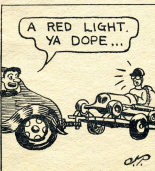
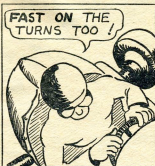
2. 3. 4.

5. 6. 7.

JOE FAN



LEADFOOT LOOIE





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BILL GAYLOR, BORN AND EDUCATED IN WENATCHEE, BEGAN RACING BIG CARS IN 1932. HE HAS BEEN LEADFOOTING MIDGETS SINCE '35. CURRENTLY, HE IS LEADING IN POINT SCORE AT PORTLAND'S UNION AVE SPEEDWAY.

IN A MIXUP AT PORTLAND HE KNOCKED OUT 30 FEET OF FENCE -



BUILT HIS OWN V-8 60 WHICH HE HOPES TO RACE SOON

BILL IS 32.

ONCE AN ACE BAKER. HE STILL LIKES MAKING CAKE

I WON'T LET YOU RACE... EVEN IN A SOAP BOX DERBY!

AW GEE, POP



BILL'S HOBBIES ARE FISHING, DUCK-HUNTING AND HIS 12 YR OLD SON.



1942
OREGON
ASSOCIATION
CHAMPION

BILL GAYLOR

JACK
PIERCE



SPEED MERCHANTS

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SEEMS TO BE
OVERWEIGHT

I LIKE THE WAY THIS
ONE ISN'T BALANCED

THIS HAS JUST
ONE GEAR SPEED

FAST!



MIDGETS ARE
BALANCED TO
SUIT DRIVER'S
TASTE.

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IS **6** FEET... MAX WIDTH AT
REAR WHEELS IS **4** FEET..

NO CLOCK!
NO RADIO!

A 1-WHEEL
BRAKE!
A SMOOTH
TIRE!

DISPLACEMENT
IS 140
CUBIC INCHES.
OVERHEAD
VALVES ARE
90 CUBIC
INCHES

NO BATTERY

DON'T
SCRATCH
IT!

SAFETY
HUB CAPS!

SR

PIT PASSES

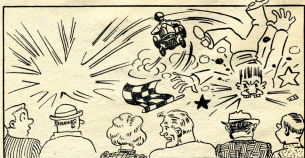
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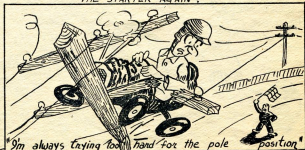
"THIS IS ONE PLACE
MY WIFE CAN'T DO ANY
BACK-SEAT DRIVING"



STREAMLINED?
THAT'S THE BEAUTY
OF 'ER



WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THE DRIVERS ARE MAD AT
THE STARTER AGAIN?



"I'm always trying too hard for the pole position"

'Rain Checks'



SAVE THAT ONE-ARMED DRIVING FOR YOUR MIDGET CAR, FELLA!

"YA BETTER DUCK, JOE, YOUR INSURANCE MAN, IS IN THE AUDIENCE."

BY
JACK
PIERCE

"I REFUSE TO RACE AGAINST THAT ROCKET CAR AGAIN..."





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SETH IS SUPERSTITIOUS ABOUT HIS RED HAT FULL OF PIT PASSES AND NEVER ATTENDS A RACE WITHOUT IT.

KEEPING HIS CAR IN FIRST RATE RUNNING CONDITION FOR RACES 5 NIGHTS A WEEK ASSURES HIM OF STEADY WORK...

SETH REINNING

SEATTLE OWNER-BUILDER OF THE SPEEDY NO. 2 WHITE FORD V8-60



SETH RACED BIG CARS 4 YEARS AND ONCE IN 1930 HUNG ONE UP IN A TREE AT SILVER LAKE TRACK



WE SERVED WITH THE ARMY TRANSPORTATION CORPS THRU THE HOLLANDIA AND LEYTE CAMPAIGNS IN THE PHILIPPINES

I NEVER GOT THIS DIZZY IN A RACIN' CAR

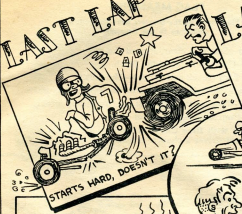


LAST SEASON THE NORTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIP WAS WON IN SETH'S NUMBER 2 CAR

LAST LAP

LAFFS

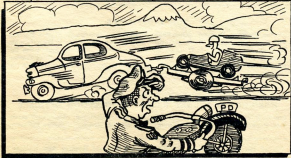
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HE'S ONE OF THE
CLEANEST DRIVERS
IN THE GAME...
GOT HIS START IN
A SOAP BOX DERBY.



"and just when did you qualify for this heat race?"



FLAG MEANINGS

The Flags used by the Starters have the following meanings to the Drivers:

Green Flag—Course is clear, start of the race.

Blue Flag—One lap to go to the finish.

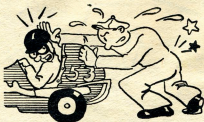
Checkered Flag (Black and White)—The finish.

Yellow Flag—Slow down, hold position, stop if necessary.

White Flag—Stop at the pits next lap, something wrong.

Red Flag—Stop at once, danger on track.

Orange Flag with Blue Circle in Center—Move over and give other driver a chance to pass.



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CheckerDevon Smith
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