



Hangar turned over to the entrants was a scene of busy activity during Saturday night. Kimberly's van and new 4.5 Ferrari at far end.



BERGSTROM AFB RACES

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Braniff's 4.5 Ferrari needed a new pinion.

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Jim Kimberly continued showing the boys how to win races by taking two overall firsts at the recent Lone Star Sports Car Races held at Bergstrom A.F.B. in Texas. For Kimberly and his new 4.5 Ferrari, the S.C.C.A.-S.A.C. program has been a personal playground thus far in 1954. The Chicago driver started the year by winning the first S.A.C. event at MacDill A.F.B., moved on to first place honors at Georgia's Hunter A.F.B. and at the most recent meet at Bergstrom, Kimberly took the 50 mile race for modified sports cars and the 100 mile race for production cars over 1500 cc. (The 4.5 is a production car?)

In the first race of the day for production sports cars, Ridelle Gregory of Austin, Texas romped home the winner in his XK-120M. Second spot went to Springer Jones and third to Ted McGrade, also with 120Ms.

Interesting entry in this event was Francois Crouzet's Deutsch-Bonnet Panhard which took a first in the Class H modified division, with a winning average almost 7 mph faster than the second place Nardi, driven by B. Whitehead. Spectators were amazed at the speed and cornering ability of the little French buzzbomb.

In the second race for 50 miles Jim Kimberly took his first victory and Ridelle Gregory rolled in to second spot in another Jaguar, this time his C model. Third spot went to Dale Duncan of Kansas City in another 4.5 Ferrari. Gregory's average speed was within 1 mph of the winning car.

The third event, the first 100 mile race, for production cars under 1500 cc went to Arthur Bunker driving a Porsche with an average speed of 69.16 mph, second was taken by J. I. Staley in another Porsche with



Jim Kimberly showed the way to the checkered flag in the big car event of the meet.

the same average and third went to the Frenchman, Crouzet in his blue D-B with an average of 68.0 mph. Crouzet's flat twin also took the class H modified section of this event, nosing out a second place Giaur and a third place Siata, both Crosley powered.

The main event of 100 miles was all Jim Kimberly right from the start and the 4.5 Ferrari driven by Mexico's Carlos Braniff finished in second spot a good 8 mph slower than the Kimberly car. Third was taken by Carrol Shelby in a Jaguar.

Spectators were also treated to a race between a man, a horse and a car. The distance was 100 yards and Ridelle Gregory in his XKC beat the quarter horse by a nose. Dashman Allen Lawler came in a poor third. Winning time was 6.8 seconds.

Two other "novelty" events were set up for hot rods and dragsters. Over all of this activity presided a beautiful Texas sports car queen, ably "assisted" by General Curtis LeMay and movie star Colonel James Stewart. The crowd brought picnic baskets and it was a bright, sunny day for all.

LONE STAR SPORTS CAR RACES RESULTS

1st race—50 miles, production cars all classes, modified under 1100cc

O.A.	DRIVER	CAR	CLASS	AVG.
1.	R. Gregory	XKM	Cs	71.39
4.	W. Banes	A-H	Ds	66.96
7.	I. Staley	Pors.	Fs	64.80
8.	F. Crouzet	D.B.	Hm	64.80

2nd race, 50 miles, modified cars, over 1100cc

1.	J. Kimberly	Ferr.	Cm	80.82
4.	W. Jarnigan	Ferr.	Dm	75.38
5.	W. Gray	Alld.	Bm	74.70
7.	von Neumann	Pors.	Fm	73.30

3rd race—100 miles, production cars under 1500cc, modified under 1100cc

1.	A. Bunker	Pors.	Fs	69.16
3.	F. Crouzet	D.B.	Hm	68.00

4th race, 100 miles, production cars over 1500cc, modified under 1100cc

1.	J. Kimberly	Ferr.	Cm	88.43
2.	C. Braniff	Ferr.	Cm	79.49
3.	C. Shelby	XKC	Cm	78.73
4.	W. Jarnigan	Ferr.	Dm	76.46
5.	von Neumann	Pors.	Fm	73.37
6.	C. Attaway	XKM	Cs	72.07
7.	T. McGrade	XKM	Cs	71.71
8.	N. Scott	MG	Fm	69.62
9.	F. Fenner	XKM	Cs	69.44
10.	W. Gray	Alld.	Bm	66.20
11.	J. Joerns	Alld.	Bm	65.81
12.	W. Banes	A-H	Dm	64.04



This mean-looking 2 litre Ferrari was driven by Ignacio Lozano. It took third in class.



A 5.5 litre Chrysler special was entered by K. G. Peebles. It practiced but did not run. Healey driver Banes (below) follows procedure by indicating he will not move after spinout.

