PRIVATE HOUSTON DUEL

# Sports Car Races On in Fort Worth

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A private duel between Houston sports car dealers Jim Hall and Norman J. Scott Jr, promises to add some additional flavor to the national championship sports car races to be run at the Eagle Mountain National Guard Base near Fort Worth Sunday.

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Although the racing card will include six events which have attracted a record field of more than 125 entries to the Sports Car Club of America sanctioned contest, major interest for Houston area spectators will be created in the "under 1500 modified" races in which Scott's Germanbuilt Porsche Spyder will be trying for a win over the potent Italian-built OSCA owned and driven by Jim Hall.

BOTH MEN HAVE had a lifetime interest in racing and have participated in some of the major sports car events throughout the nation.

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hit he ever saw—in majors or minors. "It was off Bill Henry, Jerry grins, "and I wasn't conscious of hitting the ball hard. That's the way it happens, when you really get ahold of one."

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ONE OF WITTE'S favorite baseball recollections involves a little girl (Jerry is father of three girls himself, Mary Ann, age 5, Monica, 3, and Jenifer, 1) who approached him before a game in Buff Stadium in 1951, saying "Jerry, last night you hit a home run and the ball went through the windshield of my girl friend's daddy's car and she got to keep the baseball. Well, I got my daddy to park in the same place tonight, so would you please hit one through our windshield so I can have a baseball too?"

"There were a lot of good times in baseball but when

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The Porsche Spyder will be making its second competition appearance under the experienced hands of Norman Scott, since he drove the car to a class victory at the SCCA races at Mansfield, La, early in May.

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AT THE FIRST Mansfield race, in February, Scott was driving a brand-new 2-litre Maserati, but was unable to score a victory. Again in March, he tried for a win at the Sebring, Fla, Grand Prix of Endurance, but was again denied, although he was driving a more powerful 3-litre Maserati.

Two outside threats are posed for the Houston entries, however, since Jack McAfee of Sherman Oakes, Calif, is expected to be on hand with his recently acquired factory-tuned Porsche Spyder.

Carroll Shelby of Dallas, a widely known international competitor, who drove at Sebring on the Maserati factory team, is expected to compete at Fort Worth with a new factory tuned OSCA. This car is almost identical to the Jim Hall OSCA.

HOUSTON'S BOB Stonedale will be competing against the big cars in the D-Jaguar and Ferrari category with his 1956 Chevrolet Corvette. According to a report he gave The Houston Post, the Chevrolet factory has given him a great deal of assistance in preparing his car for this event.

In the unlimited classes, as well as the feature event at Fort Worth, it is likely that one of the five D-Jaguars or of the numerous Ferrari cars will score a win. Phil Hill of Santa Monica, Calif, will be driving to victory at Sebring. Sherwood Johnston of Rye, NY, will represent the Briggs Cunningham racing stable in a D-Jaguar.

AT ANY RATE, the program will get underway at 10 AM with the first of four 15-lap races. One 25-lap event and a final feature race of 35-laps in the afternoon will round out the program. A drag race between some superpowered hot rods and a cranking contest for antique cars will be provided during the noon intermission. A crowd of 30,000 is expected for the program, sponsored by the Fort Worth Lions Club in behalf of children's charities.

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