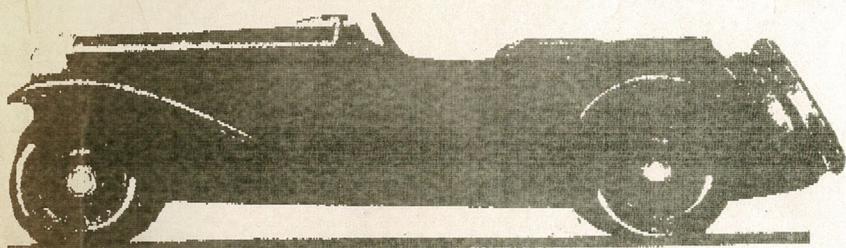


September 18th, 1931.

The Autocar

the distance we are going to look for
the best car we can find in
England.

MANUFACTURERS of the 750 c.c. doing
better than ever in the re-
sults and at the moment of
writing have brought the



Austin 7 model Fiat—an attractive open body on a lowered 2½ litre six cylinder chassis, referred to in "The Autocar" last week.

water Austin into the proud
position of the best machine of this
size in the world, though any moment
now a single-seater M.G. 8, with 160 h.p.
and a 2½ litre engine, may

well come along. A wonderful
size for 750 c.c. in general and a
good Austin in particular. It is far
indeed the most frequently associated

with the Austin name. The progress
has been logical. First, we could
do well with a young volcano blowing

its head off, and now, the overheating
is under better control. But, as a
class, the cars this year stand out
as the best in the world's records.

For instance, 1½ hours, 109.95
m.p.h. for ten kilometres, and 108.95
m.p.h. for ten miles.

Mr. S. C. Chapman, racing ex-
pert, has a very interesting article
gives promise of continuing right up
to the end of the year, and, maybe,
Lord Nuffield's machine will take
a hand again. — more the merrier
from the dry-as-dust view.

Just above, we see Mr. Tracy
and his Austin 7, the 1½ hours, 109.95
m.p.h. for ten kilometres record up to
109.01 m.p.h. for ten kilometres to
the simple record with the three
men and the machine, to 98.18
m.p.h. for ten miles in a hectic
moment when a wild motor-cyclist
came straight across back
another in the wreckage of the
machine, rolling down in me-
dium in the road path. Later he
broke the six miles record at 99.66
m.p.h. and the 10 miles at 99.76.
Whichever way you look at it
it is extraordinarily good, as

THE SPORT

(continued)

this unsupercharged car is going as
fast as the supercharged machine of a
year or so ago, and, what is more, is

Grand Prix on February 28th next
year. I have a collection of regulations
in English. The race will be run over
a 50-kilometre circuit, with £1,000 as
first prize, £600 for second prize, and
£400 for the third. Ordinary
sports cars will do provided they are
not built too low, speed stability are
essential, and some sort of mechanism
is needed to keep off the wind
screen. It is quite certain that an
English entrant would have the time
of his life, though he may have to dig
out of four feet of snow at any
moment.

Southport Again

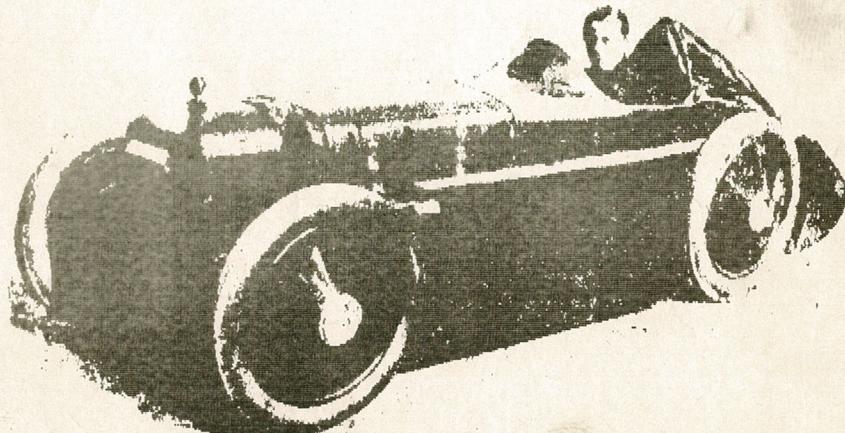
THE MOTORISTS of the Southport people
hold high regard for the Open
Championship Meeting on the sands,
and expect a record entry, while in the
south the Kent and Sussex Clubs per-
form with vigour on Aug. 11th,
Lewes.

Anybody belonging to the Hill
Car Club should look the time of his
life on September 20th, when that club
has organised a trial boldly including
Alms Hill and Moors Grove, starting
from the Stonor Arms Hotel at
3.30 p.m. In the present state of the
weather, I should imagine that the
surface of Alms Hill will resemble an
unpleasant form of porridge mixed
with wet chalk, in which case I should
think that three circuits of the course
will be more than enough for most

Cars will be required to
make of finding themselves in record-
breaking class, and, secondly, because
the postponement of the race,
according to the rules, was regarded
as a certainty by everybody. How
one wishes, when the rain is coming
down by the bucketful, that it would
be equally easy to postpone a car race.

Gold but Good

BY the way, venturesome people,
whose circulation is beyond criticism, might try the Swedish Winter



Mrs. Stewart in the little Austin with which she secured records of over 109 m.p.h.