



**CRACK-UP MARS SPEEDWAY CLASSIC**—As a wrecking crew removed the smashed car of Paul Russo (left) from the Indianapolis track the auto driven by Mauri Rose crashed into the retaining wall of the northeast turn Thursday. Russo suffered a fractured leg and cuts and Rose was slightly burned.

## L. A. Driver Leading Race

INDIANAPOLIS, May 30. (AP)—George Robson of Los Angeles clung doggedly to his lead at the 300-mile mark of the 500-mile Memorial day automobile race at the Indianapolis Speedway.

Jimmy Jackson of Dearborn, Mich., was in second place and the team of Russell Snowberger and Duke Nalon third.

Robson held the lead virtually through most of the third 100-mile grind. It was strictly a two-car duel, with a bare five seconds separating the cars at one time.

Midway through the third section of the race Ralph Hepburn, the pre-event favorite, appeared ready to move up on the two leaders. He averaged a dazzling 124 miles an hour for 118 laps, but then ran into mechanical trouble that thwarted his chances of taking over the lead.

When in a strategic position to regain the lead and averaging 124 miles per hour for 118 laps, Hepburn experienced trouble again. On the back stretch he began to have trouble with his steering mechanism and pulled off the track.