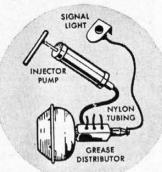
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# letters

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Dear Editor,

Since I started reading your magazine I've found that it contains some of the most comprehensive information and articles I've yet read. I particularly appreciate the fine technical articles and photography as well as the detailed drawing you feature.

In your September issue you state that the HWM owned by Tom Carstens is the car that was used for the crash sequence in "The Racers." I've seen the movie three times, and believe that you are in error. I could well be wrong, but I think the car used was a Le Mans Replica Frazer Nash, although it wasn't exactly like other FN's I've seen. What about it?

I'll be looking forward to reading your mag every month. It's truly a different and refreshing one after reading some of the other junk now in print.

John H. Case, Loring AFB, Maine

Sorry, John; you're wrong. It's an honest mistake, though - there are a number of outward similarities and the movie people are noted for disguising automobiles. - Ed.

#### accidental bash

Dear Editor,

Speaking of the "bash" in your August issue drew a silent chuckle from my wife and I as we had our "cross country sprint" quite by accident while touring through southern Arizona.



A sixty mile shortcut turned into an 'English Trial" for our '54 TF when we discovered our new route included irrigation ditches, gravel pits and a variety of livestock wanting to "bash"

And my wife played real "navigator" when the desert road markings became so dull that she had to depend upon the sun's position for our directions.

Fred Williams,

Coronado, California

#### license bracket

Dear Sir:

We read with interest John Christy's "Very Sincerely Yours" column in the September issue of Sports Cars Illustrated and our sympathy goes to the hundreds of sports car owners who have been stopped by a Highway Patrolman, not for speeding, but for the omission of that front license plate. Unfortunately, most of the sports cars on the road today have no provision for such a plate. This is to inform you that we are able to offer the sports car owner a new item called "Holda Plate." Custom designed for the individual car, this holder permits the mounting of license plates to meet law specifications.

> Vilem B. Haan, Beverly Hills, California

#### engine swap

Dear Sir:

I have recently bought your magazine and find that it contains countless items of interest to me. Keep up the good work. And now a question:

I have recently purchased a '32 Ford street roadster and would like to give it a moderately-priced but efficient V8 mill. Can you specify one for me? Thanks.

> William Perry, Johnstown, Pa.

The Chevrolet V-8 would undoubtedly be your best bet. It is easily adapted and weighs very little. — Ed.

#### learning fast

Dear Sir:

I have just finished reading your fine June issue and my congratulations go to Doug Gardner of Las Vegas for his pertinent letter on sports and Detroit cars. They are both designed for different purposes . . and let's keep it that way.

I also want to congratulate your Editorial Chairman, Ken Purdy, on his outstanding book "Kings of the Road." Before reading it, I hadn't even known sports cars existed. In my book, Ken's tops in this field.

Final bouquets for your exciting road tests and your technical reports. The road tests are so well done that I feel I'm sitting right next to the driver; the technical reports are a little over my head but perfectly clear after my mechanic father explains them to me.

Johnny Brulhart, Ponoka, Alberta, Canada

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