

Slot-Car Racing Replaces Hula Hoop as Sports Craze

By REYNOLDS KNIGHT
Remember the hula hoop? Much fun, and not much of an investment. The latest craze is also a lot of fun, but a lot more expensive.

Who would have suspected that slot-car racing would become a multimillion-dollar hobby sport? One of the fastest-growing businesses in America is that of supplying the seemingly insatiable demands of slot-car racing fans. Some estimate that this year's sales will reach \$200 million,

on top of the 1965 total of \$150 million.

For those who haven't heard of the sport, it's one in which remotely controlled plastic miniature cars whoosh around an electrified plastic track at high speeds.

The first man to open a slot-car racing layout for the public spent \$1,000 to do it. But the hobby sport is growing more sophisticated and today it is estimated that it takes a minimum of \$12,000 to open a "parlor," with some opera-

tors known to have spent as much as \$100,000. At such racing centers, slot-car enthusiasts pay \$1 an hour to enjoy their pastime.

ROLLING ALONG — That new auto tire with the radial plies is rolling — which, after all, is what it's supposed to do. B. F. Goodrich, which introduced it last November in Dallas, says the response has been so "excellent" that it has just extended its distribution throughout all of Texas, part

of Louisiana, and most of Oklahoma.

The company said distribution will continue to expand as rapidly as new production facilities are put into operation.

The radial tire is radically different from tires now on American cars. Their cords run radially from bead to bead, at right angles to the centerline of the tread. Cords in conventional tires run diagonally. With radials, the driver gets up to 50 per cent

more wear and slightly better gas mileage, the tire company finds.

BFG says that since radial tire's design and performance differs from that of conventional tires, it should not be mixed with other tires on the same car. The company is selling radials in complete sets of five.

THINGS TO COME — An electronic, self-checking system or monitoring hospital patients' condition. Gives con-

tinuous, dependable checks on temperature, respiration and heart beat. Sounds visual, auditory, or both, alarms if any of the functions exceeds certain pre-set limits. . . . Elliptical, inflatable invalid cushion, also usable wherever raised seating is desired, or with small children who need a booster seat. . . . A color-grading lamp, suitable for classifying quality of cotton, apples, tobacco and other farm products, but also applicable to color-matching in the

textile and paint industries. . . . For the do-it-yourselfer, a new knife for linoleum, vinyl tile, leather, cardboard, canvas, roofing and building paper, film, foil, etc., features a hook-type blade that is completely retractable. The hook blade is said to cut more quickly and easily than regular straight blades.

BEAUTY IN STONE — Have you noticed the emphasis on stone in architecture recently? Where once stone was used mainly for public buildings and monuments, today granite, marble and limestone grace skyscrapers, plazas and homes throughout the United States.

One reason for stone's new prominence is that diamond-edged cutting blades cut stone quickly and economically, in contrast with days of old when workers had to hand-chip blocks of stone, said John D. Gray, president of Omak Industries, Inc., a leading manufacturer of cutting and fastening systems. "You can probably see some stone blocks in the walls of churches in your city or town. The work was beautiful, but a long and costly process," Gray added.

Gross sales of building stone are expected to exceed \$360 million in 1966, up some \$10 million from 1965, according to an industry estimate.

SCIENCE NEWS — From Canada comes word of two new vaccines for treatment of

textiles. Researchers at the University of Toronto's Connaught Medical Research Laboratories have produced a new "live" vaccine for animals that already is licensed for sale. However, the "killed" vaccine for humans has to undergo further tests, although the researchers believe the human vaccine promises to be far more satisfactory than those now being used. . . . In spite of all modern technologies, the "Farmer's Almanac method" of predicting climate worked so well for the Cotton Research Committee in Dallas in 1965 that farmers in Jones County, Texas, produced a record crop. Some 1,500 cotton farmers participated in the experiment.

BITS O' BUSINESS — The big early March antique shows in both New York and Chicago made two points your better half set out for an afternoon's antique hunt — be it on Manhattan's East Side or in a small Midwestern city — you'll find prices are up from 10 to 15 per cent from last year and that the heavy emphasis of offerings is "buy American," from elegant Duncan Phyfe to simple New England primitive. . . . If you feel you should have the latest in auto safety devices built into the family chariot before the big spring and summer driving season commences, shoulder harnesses are now available for many U.S. cars. Many dealers will equip cars with the harnesses for \$40 and up.

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GREEN AND WHITE SALAD

1 pkg. lime flavored gelatin
1 C. boiling water
3 Tbsp. lemon juice
1/4 tsp. salt
1 C. well-drained pineapple wedges

1 1/2 C. diced apples
3/4 C. thinly sliced celery
1/2 C. shredded almonds

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add pineapple juice, lemon juice and salt. Cool until slightly syrupy. Combine fruit, celery and almonds and put into salad mold. Pour gelatin over fruit mixture. Chill until firm. To serve, unmold on platter lined with curly endive.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS MILANAISE

1 lb. Brussels Sprouts
4 Tbsp. butter
1/4 C. dry bread crumbs
2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped

1/4 C. grated Parmesan cheese
2 Tbsp. minced parsley
Salt and pepper to taste.

Wash sprouts and remove wilted leaves. Cook in a small amount of boiling salted water until just tender. Drain. Heat butter in a frying pan. Add crumbs and fry realistic.

to a golden brown. Put in drained sprouts and other ingredients. Toss lightly to mix and serve piping hot.

PIQUANT VEGETABLE SALAD

1 Tbsp. gelatin
1/4 C. cold water
1/2 C. boiling water
1 Tbsp. lemon juice
1 tsp. Worcestershire
1/4 C. sugar
1/2 tsp. salt
1 C. cabbage, finely shredded

1/2 C. celery, finely diced
1 C. cooked peas
1 C. cooked green beans
1/2 C. mayonnaise
4 Tbsp. pimiento, chopped

Soften gelatin in cold water. Dissolve in boiling water. Add lemon juice, Worcestershire, sugar and salt. Cool slightly. Add remaining ingredients. (If desired, mix in a touch of green food coloring to enhance green color.)

Turn into mold. Chill until firm. Unfold on crisp lettuce. Garnish with additional mayonnaise.

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In January 1965, the research group, with Gildemeister as president, reorganized as the Oregon Homeowners Association.

WITHOUT reviewing the Oregon financial picture, I cannot say whether I personally would favor the 1 1/2 per cent tax limit now being proposed there. I have always contended that the property tax is a legitimate source of tax revenue and that any limits put on it should be realistic.

Science Shrinks Piles New Way Without Surgery Stops Itch—Relieves Pain

New York, N. Y. (Special) — For the first time science has found a new healing substance with the astonishing ability to shrink hemorrhoids, stop itching, and relieve pain — without surgery.

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