"John Fitch was a protagonist in the most romantic—and most dangerous—era of motors ports. He recounts in fascinating detail what it was like to compete against many of the heroes of my youth in the classic sports car races of all time. His ultimate legacy will be that of a passionate champion of highway safety, whose innovative designs have saved thousands of lives around the world. "—Mario Andretti

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"John Fitch, a fine gentleman and an outstanding driver, has given us a new insight into what made the Mercedes-Benz teams of the fifties such winners. John was right in the middle of it all and always gave them a solid drive. This book makes excellent reading and the photographs are wonderful." —Sir Jack Brabham

"Having competed with John in the early days of sports car racing, I call John a driver for all seasons. Add inspired writing to his many other talents." —Jack McAfee

"I raced against John Fitch at Le Mans and other great races. He was, and remains, an outstanding gentleman and has always been one of the leaders of our sport. His book brings back some wonderful memories of those times we shared."

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"John Fitch was a great driver who accomplished much to develop sports car racing. He and I were at Mercedes-Benz together and, indeed, he won the touring class in the 1955 Mille Miglia while I was winning overall. His book recounts those times and gives insight as to how things were during those 'Glory Years.'"—Sir Stirling Moss

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"Through John Fitch's uncanny memory coupled with extraordinary writing skills, we relive his experiences as a member of the Mercedes team as it emerged after WWII, culminating in a year of total dominance on the international sports car scene." —John Morton, IMSA champion

"No man was more influential in elevating American professional road racing to the international level than John Fitch."

—Brock Yates, author and journalist

"This is one of the greatest first-person descriptions of racing I have ever read. I have "John Fitch is one of those great drivers of the fifties that I came along too late to race against. His tenure with Mercedes-Benz was during that great time when racing was done, for the most part, on open roads. I think it must have been terribly exciting, especially with the cast of characters Mercedes assembled. John's book brings this all to life and makes me really wish I had been there." —**Dan Gurney** 

"John is a natural storyteller. The account of his 1955 season with Mercedes is historically significant and reads like an adventure story. He was a player in some very important racing history. The book has insights into personalities of the day, and is told with candor and rich with vivid detail. (Did you know that Mercedes had vermouth and brandy available in the pits?) But best of all, it is about John himself, one of the most fascinating men ever to race."

—Sam Posey

"I have been a fan of John Fitch for almost 50 years and have great respect, not only for his racing ability, but also his technical accomplishments. John is a consummate gentleman and an outstanding innovator."

## —Dick Guldstrand

"The works Mercedes-Benz sports car campaigns in 1952 and 1955 were important chapters in motor-racing history. John Fitch was part of both, and 50 year later his crystal-clear recall from a team driver's viewpoint adds a wealth of fascinating anecdotes and personal experiences, as well as many significant new insights.

—**Simon Taylor**, dean of British motor-sports journalists