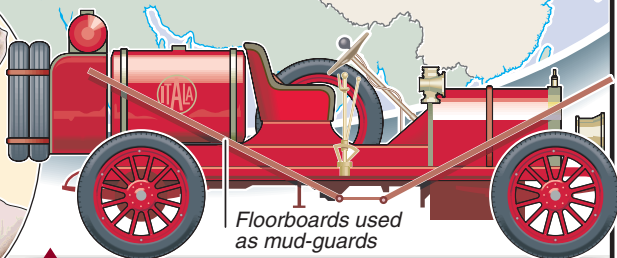
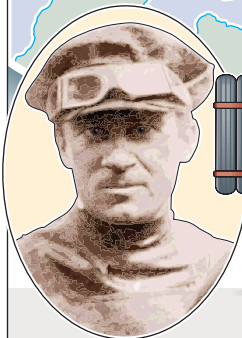


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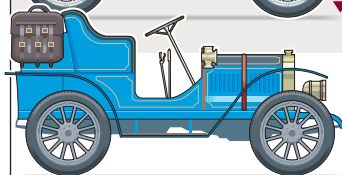
Eleven drivers in five cars took part in the original 1907 Peking to Paris motor race – the first trans-continental motor-marathon – driving through countries where there were no roads or road-maps. Today, 134 classic cars are bidding to retrace the 13,000-km race to Paris in just five weeks



▲ **Itala (ITA):** 4-cylinder, 7-litre, 40hp with Pirelli tyres.  
**Prince Scipione Borghese** and **Ettore Guizzardi** reached Paris after 62-day journey on August 10, 1907



◀ **Spyker (NED):** 4-cylinder, 15hp fitted with Michelin tyres, and driven by **Charles Goddard** with **Jean du Taillis**, came second



▼ **Two de Dion-Boutons (FRA):** 2-cylinder, 10hp, Factory entries fitted with Dunlop tyres

▶ **Contal tri-car (FRA):** 1-cylinder, 6hp, driven by **Auguste Pons** lost in Gobi Desert

