

AUTOMOBILES

OBSTACLE RACES ARE LIKED BY AUTOISTS

Much Originality Is Shown in Prominent Feature of Auto Show Week Program.

LARGE CROWD SEES CONTESTS

About Three Thousand Devotees of Motor-Propelled Vehicle Line Scene of Action.

OFFICIAL RESULTS OF THE OBSTACLE RACES.

First event—Obstacle race, stock runabouts.

Car.	Driver.
Pope-Waverly	Bixby
Autocar	Chilson

Second event—Obstacle race, touring cars.

Cartercar	Hicks
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Third event—Egg cracking contest, open to any stock car.

Premier	Hammond
Ford	Gibson

Fourth event—Low speed on high gear, open to any stock car.

White Steamer..	Staley.	Time, 2:56 3-5
Premier.....	Hammond.	Time, 1:47 4-5

COLUMBIAS BAG TWO

MARIONS IN BITTER BATTLE

Indianapolis Bowling League Topnotchers Roll Well and Post High Team Score.

Fighting to the end, the Columbias last night managed to down the Marion leaders of the Indianapolis Bowling League, in two games in one of the most exciting and brilliant series of the season. The Marions second division was in form and posted the high team score of the evening, 1,025. Try as hard they could the Imperials were unable to do better than break even with the Nationals.

Rolling in poor form the Turners and the North Sides contributed five to their respective opponents, the Crescents and the Washingtons. Forty-five 200 scores featured the bowling.

Coffin of the Columbias was the shining light with 241. Seay of the Crescents broke into the charmed circle with 200 which was the second best total to hang up. He was also good for an even 200. Knox, one of the Marion reliable and Randall of the North Sides tied for third honors with scores of 234. The former did the most consistent work of the two, getting 203 and 201 in his other games. The latter also smashed the pipe for 220.

Bob Bryson was in old-time form and had high average, 216. His counts were 203, 227 and 219. Scores:

TURNER ALLEYS.

Crescents.	Turners.
Michaells 182 165 156/Bumb.....	165 180

The most original, interesting and amusing automobile contest ever held in this city took place on Capitol avenue yesterday when the four so-called obstacle races were held by the Indianapolis Automobile Trade Association. A crowd of about 3,000 people witnessed the contests. Each driver was greeted with cheers, and, if he hit an obstacle, with laughter.

The idea in the first two races was for the driver of each machine to drive his car between barrels that had been set at intervals in the street. There were about 200 barrels, and between some there was hardly room for a car to pass. Should a driver hit a barrel it counted against his score. The contestant had to drive his car one block one direction and then turn around and drive back to the point from where he started. There were only two cars that did not hit any barrels, the Pope-Waverley and Autocar being the lucky machines. The former completed the course in the shortest time. Bixby, the driver of the winning machine, showed himself to have perfect control of his car.

Cartercar a Victor.

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Michaells	182	185	156	Bumb	165	180	2
Seay	187	236	200	Field	165	186	2
Berner	174	206	226	Schmidt	180	193	2
Byers	213	162	157	Wands	180	189	1
Fox	211	203	176	A. Seid	190	206	1

Totals	967	972	915	Totals	860	954	9
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—Second Division.—

Crescents.				Turners.			
Keeter	167	183	177	G. Seid	187	171	2
M'Gulogh	146	181	140	Weschler	179	187	1
Taylor	211	180	172	Fehren	182	177	1
Brooke	149	128	156	Grinst	148	132	1
Comstock	163	177	201	Yorger	133	143	1

Totals	836	799	846	Totals	779	760	80
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MARION ALLEYS.

Marions.				Columbias.			
Meyer	202	172	167	Coffin	181	191	24
Crusoe	167	188	145	Garstang	165	191	18
Knox	234	203	201	Mueller	225	221	17
Quill	191	175	201	Goodwin	215	187	17
Cooper	180	211	173	Dollman	176	182	19

Totals	974	949	873	Totals	962	972	97
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Caster	182	189	178	Kahle	137	160	16
L. Coopr	137	219	130	C. Griffith	185	193	15
Emerich	174	175	153	Budnam	156	195	17
Heller	150	215	186	Vinson	143	132	...
Bryson	203	227	219	Pfafflin	185	163	...
				Eller	15

Totals	846	1023	861	Totals	756	848	82
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WASHINGTON ALLEYS.

Washingtons.				North Sides.			
Randall	220	234	153	Ross	150	184	17
Meyer	176	146	179	Hopkins	231	182	15
Cray	168	212	168	Burton	168
M'Elwain	182	143	204	Randall	181	189	16
Budd	182	213	233	Evans	203	180	17
				Leap	...	172	18

Totals	928	948	937	Totals	933	907	85
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Hardie	173	162	175	Taylor	166	137	15
Blume	165	187	176	M' Bride	127	...	13
Landers	177	165	198	Zim	183	188	15
Kirkhoff	166	127	173	Rice	180	134	19
Baron	205	168	149	Schmidt	180
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Nationals.				Imperials.			
Baker	170	127	181	Decker	177	186	15
Peterson	147	135	153	Coval	198	170	15
Goebel	174	193	139	Parworth	205	160	16
Armstrong	142	160	202	O. Seid	122	165	19
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Horan	202	159	168	Cobler	167	173	16
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The fourth contest was the low speed on high gear, open to any stock car. Staley covered the distance of one block in 2:56 3-5, the mark being longer than any other driver, and therefore he won first place. Staley drove a White Steamer. Hammond, in a Premier, took second, being best of the gasoline cars.

The automobilists will end their week of celebration with a smoker at the Grand Hotel tonight. A great many tickets have been sold and a large crowd will be present.

DE PAUW'S CHANCES BRIGHT.

Methodist Baseball Nine Should Be One of Strongest in Years.

GREENCASTLE, Ind., March 27.—Coach Brown took his numerous baseball candidates through a stiff workout on McKeen Field this afternoon, and if the early practice bespeaks anything the Methodist nine this season will be one of the strongest De Pauw has had for many years.

On the pitching staff Capt. Wiley, Rhodes and Wilkinson showed up exceptionally strong this afternoon, and but few colleges in the state have a better twirling trio, according to the students here. Behind the bat Chester Jewett, an old Shortridge star, did fine work and looks good for the position. Ex-Capt. Tucker at first, Dea at second.

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AMATEUR BILLIARD TITLE IS WON BY DEMAREST

Chicago Expert Trounces Wright in Match in Which He Establishes New High-Run Record, Scoring 202.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Calvin Demarest of Chicago tonight won the national amateur 14.2 billiard championship and at the same time established a new record for the high run, making 202 in his tenth inning. His opponent was H. A. Wright of San Francisco, who was only able to collect twenty-two in his twelve trials. Demarest's average was 30 10-13 and Wright's 10-12.

C. F. Conklin of Chicago took second place in the tournament and E. A. Wright third. Tonight's game was the final one in the triple tie which Demarest, Wright and Conklin were compelled to play off after the close of the national amateur tournament last Monday night, each of the three players having won four games and lost one.

In the playoff Demarest defeated Conklin, who in turn won from Wright, and Demarest was the victor in tonight's deciding game. Demarest not only won the championship for the second time but received the prizes for the high run—202—which is the world's record for the 14.2 style, and the high grand average of the tournament—21 19-88. The