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## PREPARATIONS MADE FOR BALLOON RACE

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**BIG EVENT NEXT MONTH EXPECTED TO ATTRACT MANY.**

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### CARPENTERS BUILD STANDS

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Preparations for the annual championship balloon race of the Aero Club of America, to be started at the Indianapolis motor speedway grounds Saturday afternoon, June 5, are nearing completion. Carpenters are now completing stands that will accommodate 6,000 people. Thousands of spectators are expected to witness the start of the race at 4:30 o'clock. The gates will be opened at noon. Big Four trains will be run every twenty minutes. The new speedway is four miles west of Indianapolis, on the Crawfordsville interurban line. The entry list is still open and it is announced that twelve starters are now assured. The balloon races of the Aero Club of America at St. Louis last year attracted more attention than any other event ever held in that city. The club's instructions to pilots, which are of general interest, follow:

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A special cup has been offered by Carl G. Fisher to the pilot who remains in the air the longest.

Each pilot in the race can enter for the Lahm cup by sending \$1 as entry fee to the Aero Club of America.

Only certified pilots of the Aero Club of America are eligible, and each pilot is to have an aid with him. He can take any instruments he wishes. The capacity of each balloon is limited to 80,000 cubic feet, with a 5 per cent. allowance for error.

The gas and sand will be furnished by the Aero Club of Indiana gratis. Each contestant will furnish his own ground cloth, sand bags, and twelve meters of hose pipe for filling.

Each contestant will furnish the contest committee with such data as is asked for as to place of landing, witnesses, time, etc.

It is understood that a landing is made where the balloon basket first touches the ground. If a balloon lands in the water the pilot is disqualified, and the balloon is out of the race.

Each contestant will have a motor car and driver at his disposal while in Indianapolis.

The Claypool Hotel will be official headquarters.

Contest Committee—A. Holland Forbes, chairman; J. C. McCoy, Charles M. Manly.

Special Assisting Committee—J. Parke Channing, Charles Jerome Edwards, Augustus Post, Jefferson DeMont Thompson, Alan R. Hawley.

Timekeeper and Starter—Charles J. Glidden.

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