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# SPEEDWAY NOW ALMOST READY FOR RACING CARS

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# BRICKLAYERS NEAR FINISH

[By Carburstar.]

The Indianapolis motor speedway is almost completed. The bricklayers are now on the last lap and they are expected to be through in plenty of time for the attempts against all existing automobile records scheduled for December 12. A cement wall, three feet high and one foot wide has been built around the outside of the course and it is expected to keep any car from jumping the track. James J. Jeffries and members of his company took several practice spins on the speedway yesterday afternoon and the writer, who was in one of the cars, never experienced such a smooth or easy ride. There was absolutely no jar, although the cars were running close to fifty miles an hour. The cars were turned around on one of the high banked turns, which are about as steep as the roof of a house. Jeffries enjoyed the experience immensely and he expressed the hope of being enabled to witness a race met on the speedway at a future date.

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### Two Sites for Detroit Track.

Two sites are under consideration for the location of the proposed Detroit (Mich.) motordrome, upon the construction of which it is planned to expend \$500,000, and options have been secured on both plots, pending the final selection. If the present specifications are adopted, the circuit will be five miles long, and will be paved with either brick or creosote blocks. While the backers have not as yet seen fit to reveal their identity, it is said that five carmakers of Detroit are interested in the project.

### Ft. Wayne Wants Cobe Cup Race.

A movement is said to be on foot among automobilists at Ft. Wayne to land the Cobe cup race, the Chicago Automobile Club's annual speed event, for Allen county. There is said to be a stretch of road west of Ft. Wayne which would afford an ideal eighteen-mile course. No railroads would be encountered, it is said, and all but one curve could be taken at the rate of sixty miles an hour. Two right angle turns would test the skill of drivers. The movement is said to be headed by Larry Randall, Edward White, E. W. Dodez, O. N. Guidlin, J. Ross McCulloch and William M. Griffin, all prominent motor enthusiasts.

### Henry Now Heads Own Company.

Dave Henry, formerly sales manager of the Interstate Automobile Company, of Muncie, has organized a new automobile manufacturing company in Muskegon, Mich. It will be known as the Henry Motor Car Company, and will "lift the curtain" on its product about the time of the New York shows.

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