

WHERE AUTO SPEED RECORDS WERE MADE



RALPH DE PALMA
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THE TIDE "IRONING OUT" THE FAMOUS FLORIDA BEACH.
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[By the Associated Press.]

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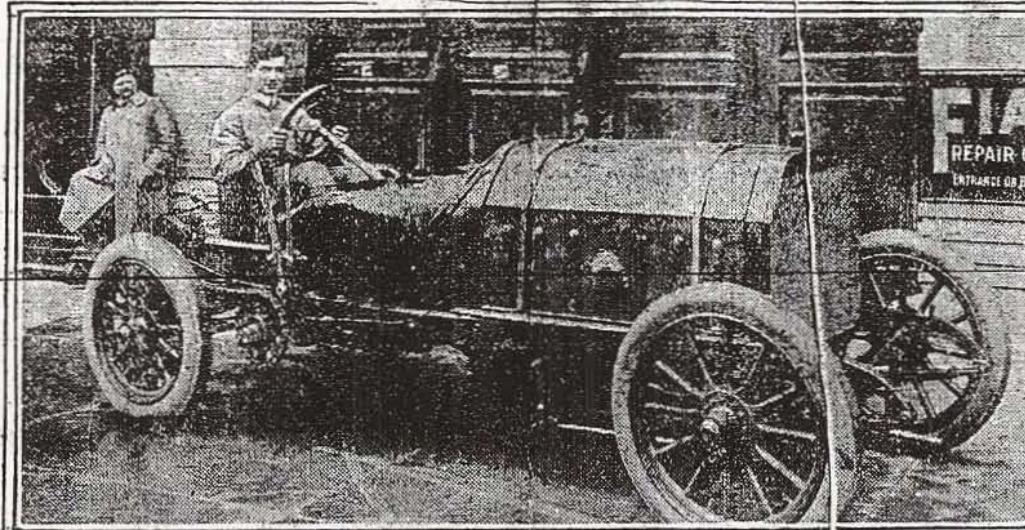
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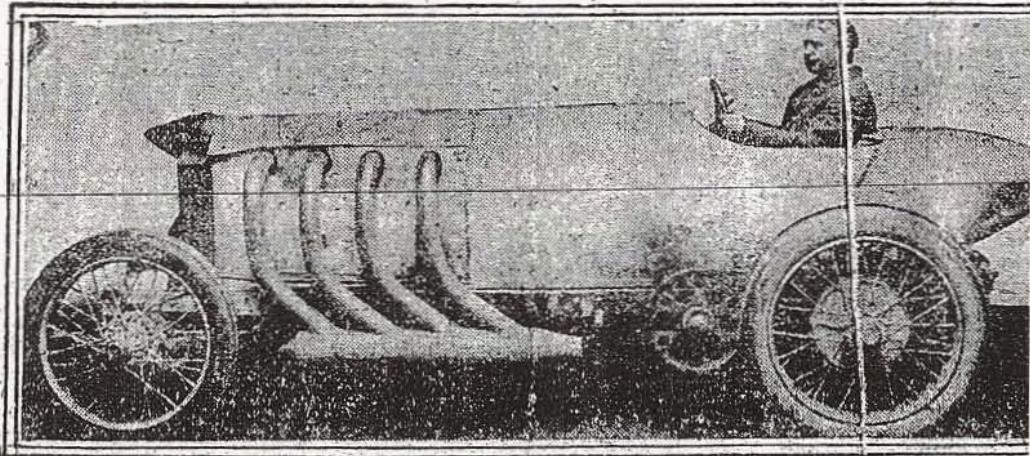
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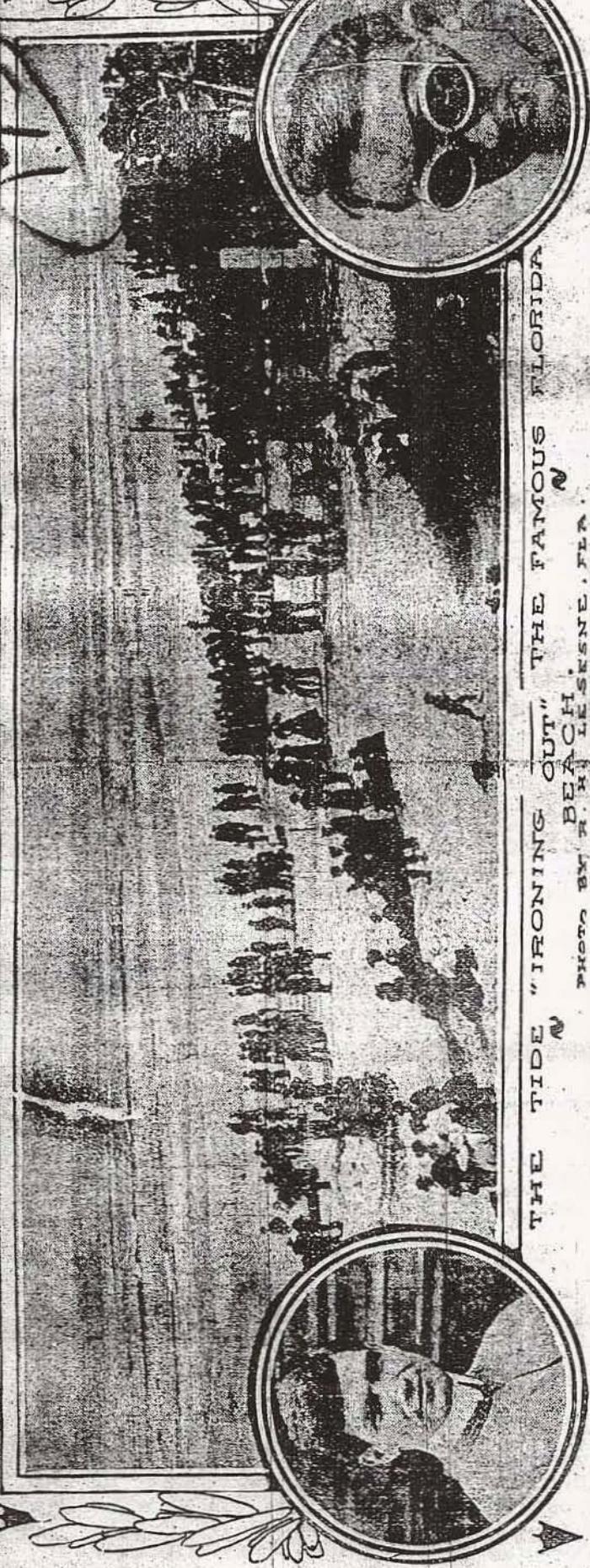


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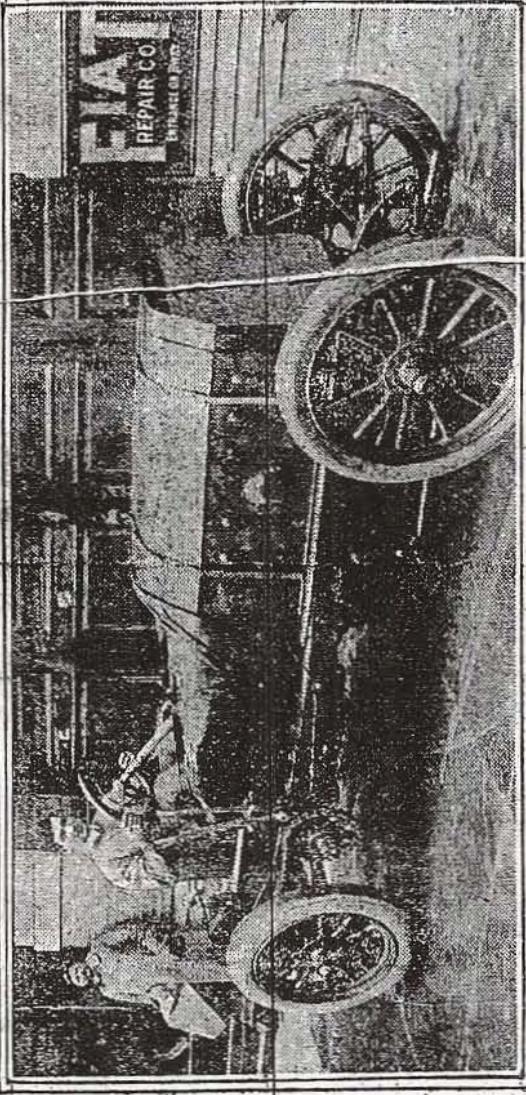
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LIVINGSTON SW MOTORDROME

BARNEY OLDFIELD

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Al Livingston met with the on the new Motordrome tra afternoon, when the steering his Corbin broke as he was sp rate of 70 miles an hour and trol of the car. The machine made a dash for the outst struck the steel guard rail force. Instead of tearing through the car glanced off and w toward the ground, landing w ble on the dirt track, wh stopped. Aside from the bro the car was not materially d was apparent to those able to

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Sits Beside Oldfield at Motor-drome When Barney Slips Into "High"

Jimmy Coffroth, holder of the world's record between London and San Francisco, and some speed king on his own account, yesterday afternoon furnished the excuse for Barney Oldfield to smash several stock car records over the new motor-drome board circle.

Coffroth came into the city quietly to have a look at Oldfield's wonderful Blitzen Benz with which the champion fractured all world's records for speed over the Florida beach two weeks ago, and rode to the track with Barney in the latter's six cylinder Knox car.

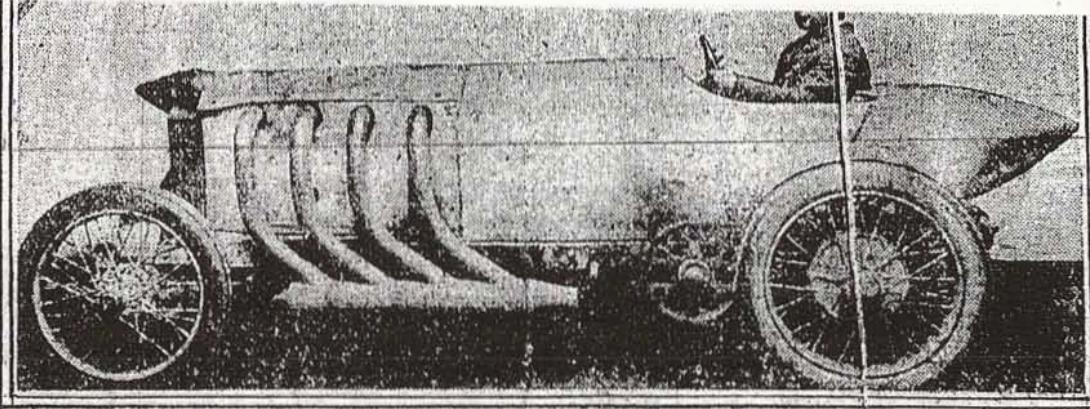
Jimmy borrowed a pair of goggles from George Robertson, buttoned up the pocket containing his wallet and told Barney to cut loose. Barney is awfully sensitive about such instructions and soon slipped into "high." Five miles were traveled which were the fastest ever driven with a stock car, a ninety mile an hour speed being reached. Coffroth was holding on as tenaciously as a wearied fighter in the forty-fourth round.

As the pair pulled up in front of the crowd Jack Kipper queried: "How fast do you think you were going?" Coffroth was there with the rapid fire repartee, "Well, I am not much of a judge of that speed thing, but I don't believe any of Stanley Ketchel's bank rolls ever went any faster." All of which went to prove that they were traveling some.

"The track is a peach," was Coffroth's comment, "and I believe that automobile racing will be one of the great national pastimes before year passes. Such tracks cannot help but produce great speed and exciting contests and that is all that is needed in any sport to draw a good gate."

"Good old Barney is still there with his old-time speed and daring and I look to him to keep the records and championship in America."

Coffroth will leave tonight for San Francisco.



THE BENZ; OLDFIELD AT THE WHEEL
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Oldfield-De Palma Auto Race Is Declared Off

Breaking of Piston on Fiat Car
Causes Abandonment of World
Speed Dash

The widely heralded match race between Barney Oldfield, and his world record Benz, and Ralph DePalma, and the 200 horse power Fiat, is off. The announcement was made at midnight by officials of the Motordrome, the reason being given that De Palma had again smashed a piston of his car.

The calling off of the match will mean a keen disappointment to automobilists throughout the country, as the event has been the chief topic in motoring circles for the past four months. The cars were originally matched to compete in a three heat race on the Daytona, Florida, beach course March 15, but De Palma announced three days before the date that his engine was disabled. New articles were then signed for the contest to be held in Los Angeles.

The 200 horsepower Fiat was brought to this country by Edward Arnold, a young millionaire of New York, and Lewis Strang was selected to drive the monster. Strang had great success with the car, winning every race in which he drove, and breaking all American speed records and world's track marks with it. The combination proved the speed sensation of the latter part of the past racing season. Then De Palma was engaged to pilot the car and his career since that time has been a succession of accidents. His fortune seemed to pursue the nervy youngster, and now his chance to defeat speed king Oldfield seems to have gone glimmering.

Even the kaiser takes off his hat to Barney Oldfield. It is reported that he cabled congratulations to Barney on his breaking the Florida Beach record.

AUTO RECORDS ARE SMASHED AGAIN

Barney Oldfield Lowers Bragg's Mark for New Track
by Driving Benz Car a Mile in 36.33.

Los Angeles, April 9.—World's records went glimmering at the opening of the motordrome at Playa Del Rey beach yesterday afternoon. Barney Oldfield, in his powerful Benz machine, smashed the figures for a mile.

This beats the world's record by 40 seconds. Nickrent (Buick) was second and Hampton (Ford) third. In a ten-mile race, class C, Oldfield in a Knox won; time, 7m 40 2-5s. Hanahue was second in an Apperson and Marquis with an Isotta was third. The free-for-all five-mile race was won by DePalma in 3m 16.31s, driving a Fiat. Robertson (Simplex) was second and Kerscher (Darracq) third.

In the 100-mile race the Marmion car, driven by Harroun, won in the record time of 1h 25m and 27s. The former record, 1:38:08:30, was made on the Atlanta track. The Dorris car, driven by Siebert, led up to a few miles of the finish, but Harroun drew out and won by three-quarters of a mile. Just before the Dorris reached the finish line Siebert lost control of the car and it turned turtle, pinning him underneath. The car was finally righted and shoved across the line in second place. Siebert was slightly bruised. The Corbin car, driven by Livingstone, had trouble with its engine and did not finish.

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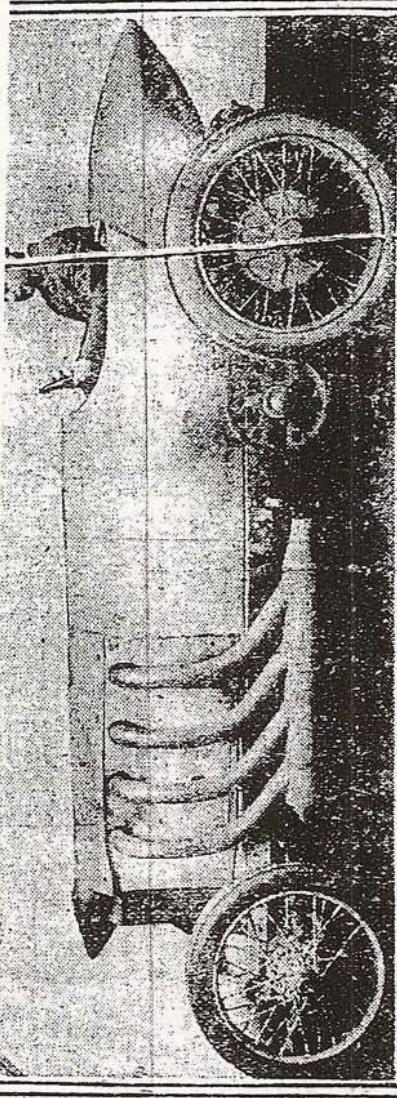
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bio on the wire stopped. Aside from the broken knuckle the car was not materially damaged. It was apparent to those able to see the accident that the speed at which the wheels were revolving had much to do with holding the car down. The Corbin's accident afforded another proof of the claims made for the Motor-drome track by its builders—that there is little danger from any accident where a collision with another car can be avoided. The Corbin will be repaired in time for the races in which it is entered. Later in the afternoon Livingston took the Motor-drome track out for several fast miles. George Robertson, the road champion and winner of the Vanderbilt cup, reached Los Angeles yesterday afternoon and went to the Motordrome after an inspection of the Slingshot. He will have his Slingshot up Sunday. He will have his Slingshot up Sunday.

and is queer to see. We never had a race like it before," said Caleb Brueggs, who made the fastest time yesterday afternoon. He made a mile in 38.5 seconds—another in 38.5—and third in 38.5 seconds. De Palma took the first, "Pinto" around for a mile in 38.5 seconds and two miles in 1 minute, 17.2 seconds. Kerscher sped around with the same time. In 39.5 seconds and hit the 41-second mark several times. Barney Oldfield took Trille Anderson, the champion bicyclist, rider, in his known for several miles.

SOUVENIR FROM OLDFIELD
Roger Imhoff, undoubtedly the cleverest Celtic comedian in burlesque, and this week at the head of Fads and Follies, is a great friend and admirer of Barney Oldfield. Yes, and the latter sent his friend Imhoff an unique souvenir of the "fastest mile ever ridden by a living thing," made by Oldfield a couple of weeks ago at Daytona, Fla., when he drove his 26-horsepower machine a mile in 26.3 seconds.



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