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The machinery is all modern and is well suited to the manufacture of a runabout to sell between \$650 and \$750—the exact price could not be ascertained vesterday.

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The product will be marketed by the Studebaker Automobile Company and the car will be known as the Studebaker-Flanders 20.

BUICK WANTS AN OPEN RACE.

Would Allow Fereign Cars to Compete in Big Road Events.

The Quaker City Motor Club of Philadelphia, which last fall promoted the successful Fairmont Park road race, has sent out a circular letter addressed to the American automobile manufacturers, requesting an expression from the different makers as to whether foreign-made cars should be permitted in the contest, which is scheduled for next October over the same course. The club officials are inclined to believe that foreign cars should be barred, and if the race was closed to machines, except those of American manufacture, the number of entries would be much greater than if the foreigners were allowed to compete.

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William J. Mead of the Buick Motor Company, however, takes a different view of the matter and has written the Philadelphia organization that his company, which will probably have three cars in the proposed race, will welcome competition with as many foreign cars as can be secured as entries. It is Mr. Mead's contention that the speed of Buick cars is greater than that of any stock car made in any part of the

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