

# ENTRIES COMING IN FOR SPEEDWAY AUTO RACES

**MANUFACTURERS EAGER TO  
ENTER BIG EVENTS IN JULY.**

## **A. A. A. SANCTIONS MEET**

[By Carburator.]

Automobile manufacturers are making applications for entry blanks for the first automobile races scheduled for the new Indianapolis motor speedway races, July 19, 20 and 21. Manager E. A. Moross, of the speedway, today received the sanction of the contest committee of the A. A. A. for the meet, and he will send entry blanks to all the leading manufacturers of the country the first of next week.

Indications are that there will be a record number of entries for the opening Indianapolis races, as all the manufacturers in the racing game seem to have a desire to try out their cars over the new course. On each of the three days of the meeting there will be four or five short races and one long race.

Barney Oldfield, who is now in the city, will drive National stock cars in all the long events and will match his National Old Glory against all the foreign and American cars in the shorter dashes. The short races will be from one to fifty miles, including handicap and free-for-all contests.

The Buick team, composed of Chevrolet, Strang and Burman, will probably have nine cars in the meet. The stock cars will be driven in the long-distance events and special racers will be built for the short contests. The Apperson officials have asked when they can send their team to the course, and the Marion Company, of Indianapolis, has signified its intention of competing. The Chalmers-Detroit Company will send five cars. A. W. Greiner, of Chicago, has written for entry blanks. Altogether the coming meeting is expected to be the biggest and most sensational ever held in this country.

Fine Glidden Tour Trophy



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### French Autos on Decline.

A great overproduction of motor cars, hundreds of cars in storage, manufacturers literally begging dealers to dispose of their stock, and American automobiles rapidly cutting into their sales, is in brief the status of the foreign motor car industry, as told by A. E. Schwartz, of Paris, foreign representative of the American Motor Car Manufacturers' Association, who arrived in New York last week.

"I am very agreeably surprised to see the enormous difference between the conditions in the automobile trade over here and abroad," says Schwartz. "Everybody here seems to be as busy and busier than we would dream of on the other side of the ocean. In fact, the conditions over here reported briefly to any European manufacturer or dealer would seem incredible and would be marked as 'a bluff.'"

"But it is not only in the car business that this slowing down is to be noticed. It is the same in the accessory lines.

"In some of the stores that are still open you can see sporting goods, such as tennis rackets, boxing gloves, etc., and also bicycles, to help pay the rent. In one of the big stores bicycles are now being manufactured and in another wrenches are being made.

### Police Quick to Arrest.

"The reason why this wonderful business has come to almost a standstill in France is partly because of the police, who arrest one as often as they can for the most trifling offense. If your motor emitted a little bit of smoke, such as any ordinary pipe smoker would leave behind him, this would cause the taking of your name and number (on which occasion the policeman tries his best to find something else against you) and a fine of 50 francs. If there was only one bicycle policeman in Paris conditions would not be so bad, but, unfortunately, there are more, and a driver is liable to be stopped by each, and therefore one can imagine how much a ride costs in Paris with a smoky motor.

"Secondly, there is a taxation on each horse power and every seat in the car—5 francs each seat and 5 francs for every horse power. Now if one buys a thirty-horse power automobile with four seats, it means 170 francs taxation. One hundred and seventy francs to the city and the same amount to the state totals 340 francs.

One of the handsomest and most elaborate trophies ever offered for any automobile event is the Detroit cup, which will go to the car with a miniature tonneau that makes the best score in the Glidden tour that starts from Detroit, Mich., July 12. This trophy is a remarkable one in the first place because \$200 to purchase it was appropriated from the funds of the city of Detroit, and Mayor Brewster, finding this insufficient to get what he wanted, added \$200 personally.

The trophy is a porcelain urn resting upon a square pedestal in which there is a clock. The whole piece stands about three feet in height, is hand-painted and ornate. It is considerably out of the usual as a trophy, and is altogether desirable.

## Semi-Pros and Amateurs

The Boys' Club team will play the first game of the season to the Trotter League game Sunday at the Capital City park. The Indians play. Tickets will be the club team's best of parents. The game will be called at 1:30.

At Garfield park district No. 1 Sunday afternoon the Shannon Park and the Green team will play. The Carnegie team will have a meeting tonight at the drug store.

The Highland Reserves have changed their name and will hereafter be known as the Highlanders. All members are requested to attend the meeting tonight at the regular meeting place at 7:30.

The Young Stars defeated the Express 10 to 9. The winners would like to arrange games with any eleven-year-old teams. Address David Madakowsky, 113 West New street.

The Indianapolis Merits have an open air for Sunday and would like to hear from some fast out of town teams. Address W. Hart, 2017 Madison Avenue, or call phone 911.

The Young Blakes will hold a meeting tonight at the corner of California and Maryland streets. All members are requested to be present at 7:30. For games address Jim Hunt, 2627 Jackson street.

The Pathfinders will play the Climax League Sunday. All members of the Pathfinders are requested to be present at the meeting tonight at 435 Virginia Avenue at 7:30.

The Hayes Reserves will hold a meeting tonight at the corner of East and Iowa streets. For games with the Reserves call Fred at 405 between 6 and 6:30 and ask for Chris Harmoning.

The Indianapolis Club team will play the Plainfield Yorks Saturday afternoon at Plainfield, and the Greensburg team at Greensburg Sunday. A meeting will be held tonight and all members are requested to be present. The Club team will play at 7:30.