

RECORDS FALL IN SPEEDWAY RACES

Twenty-Four New American Stock
Car Marks Hung Up at
Meeting.

OLDFIELD MAKES HIGH SPEED

Breaks American Mile Record—
Buick, National, Marmon and
Knox Machines Win.

By H. G. Deupree.

Barney Oldfield, king of the speed demons, brought forth the lightning Benz and wrecked the records for the kilometer and mile sprints on the fast Indianapolis Motor Speedway yesterday afternoon as a fitting climax to a three-day speed carnival, which produced a total of twenty-four new American stock car and four free-for-all marks. The great German craft, under the skillful pilotage of the veteran driver, hurtled past the grand stand like a streak of lightning, establishing a mark of 21:45 seconds for the kilometer and reeling off the mile, also with a flying start, in 25.06 seconds.

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Oldfield and his big Knox furnished the other new mark of Monday's magnificent races, when Barney unleashed the "six-sixty" and clipped a couple of seconds off the mark he established on Saturday with the same craft for the five-mile event, open to stock/chassis cars of from 450 to 600 cubic inches piston displacement. Oldfield averaged 74.26 miles per hour in this event and was forced all the way by the National "forties." The speedy four-cylinder Indianapolis-made cars really belong to the 301-450 class and were going out of their class to compete against the cars of the famed figure in the motor racing world.

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Oldfield's performances in the big Benz, about which so much had been written, appeased the crowds and sent them away satisfied. After all Barney is an idol of the worshippers of speed. And why not? He invented automobile track racing and has kept it alive when few would lend their support. And when they speed themselves from the track, they are usually accompanied by the big crowd of spectators who have gathered to watch the race.

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While not adding to the records produced Caleb Bragg, in his great Fiat car, nosed out the speedy old 1906 model Darracq in what proved to be one of the most spectacular races ever witnessed on a track. Bragg opened the throttle and burned the track to the tune of 85.5 miles per hour with the battle-scarred French car wheeling along at a terrific rate a few yards behind. Bragg's time was

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