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September 14, 1916

the steering arm on the right wheel of the

Peugeot broke and Rick began to walk

away from Aitken as if the latter were

tied. Pit attendants signalled Rick to

watch his right rear wheel, which was wob-

bling considerably and proved his undoing

just when victory seemed within his reach. for Aitken was in serious trouble. With

but little more than 5 miles to go and when

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he was leading Aitken by almost

a mile, Rick came out of the west

turn into the homestretch at high

speed and his right rear wheel

dished and this caused the left

rear tire to go. Much credit is

due Rickenbacher for his masterly

control of the Maxwell under

Peugeot, Hoskins, Sunbeam, Dusenberg. Premier. Hughie Hughes, Louis Chevrolet, Charley Merz, Tom Rooney, D'Alene, Eddie Rickehbacker.



Aitken and Hughes finishing 50-mile race. Hughes was only .27 second behind the winner. Insert shows Hughes and Aitken just after their sensational finish

# Aitken Sweeps Indianapolis Card All Three Events Closely Contested-Winner Drives 8 Miles with Broken Steering Arm post. It was on the next lap after this that

NDIANAPOLIS SPEEDWAY, Sept. 9-Fate was good to Johnny Aitken today. Going into the 100-mile event, the third on the card, after having taken both the 20mile and 50-mile dashes, his Peugeot showed the way, and with the confidence gained in his two earlier wins, Aitken jumped into the lead. However, Rickenbacher had kept his Maxwell out of the first two races, purposely to save it for

the one in which points towards the season's championship were to be awarded. Aitken found Rick crowding him hard and it was a battle royal between the . two, who paced the field and kept well in the lead most of the time throughout the race.

## By William K. Gibbs

Aitken led, but never for more than 100 feet, up to the end of the twenty-third lap, when Rick plunged out in front for one circuit of the track, Aitken heading him on the next circuit. Johnny held the lead until the thirty-third lap, then Rick lead for one circuit, Aitken going into the lead again for two laps, or up to the 90-mile

#### TIMES FOR THE 20-MILE EVENT

Car	Driver	10 mi.	20 ml.	Speed	1
eugeot		6:26.54	12:37.35	95.08	
remier		6:26.94	-12:37.68	95.03	
	Chevrolet	6:41.65	13:12.88	90.82	
oskins		6:55.36	13:36.90	88.04	
remier		7:09.80	14:03.85	85.33	
eugeot	De Palma	7:16.00	14:04.62	85.24	
uesenberg		7:10.90	14:11.34	84.58	
stewig	McNey	7:32.96	15:52.18	75.60	

Henderson and Klein both out early.

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### TIMES EVERY 10 MILES IN THE 100-MILE EVENT

Car Driver	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	Speed	Prize
Peugeot Aitken	6:29.92	13:04.37	19:47.75	26:31.93	33:16.90	39:59.40	46:39.99	53:25.25	59:51.84	1:07:05	89.44	\$3,500
Hoskins Hughes	6:43.69	13:27.15	20:14.17	27:17.80	33:58.45	40:38.54	47:22.20	54:08.60	1:00:50.24	1:07:24	\$9.01	2,000
Duesenberg D'Alene	6:45.54	13:34.96	20:12.72	26:52.89	33:35.53	40:13.47	46:52.28	53:40.88	1:00:40.73	1:07:43	88,60	1,200
Duesenberg Buzane	7:02.21	13:57.45	21:07.62	27:59.80	34:44.50	41:32.28	48:21.45	55:06.66	1:01:47.54	1:08:37	87.44	1.000
Premier Lewis	7:01.31	13:47.76	20:33.71	27:17.34	34:01.39	40:50.44	48:49.89	55:31.21	1:02:17.71	1:09:07	86.81	600
Omar	7:16.90	14:28,15	21:59.34	29:16.93	36:30.75	43:48.13	51:07.40	58:24.30	1:05:35.19	1:12:40	82.56	400
Maxwell Henderson	7:06.88	14:11.75	21:3:521	28:58.89	36:18.78	42:42.84	51:03.57	58:22.70	1:05:36.41	1:12:43	82,51	300
Peugeot De Palma		13:56.60	21:06.65	27:58.17	34:43.30	*******	49:21.83	56:26.54	1:05:49.61	1:13:12	S1.96	
MaxwellRickenbacher	6:30.37	13:04.93	19:48.56	26:32.36	33:17.44	39:59.72	46:40.59	53:25.85	59:52.27	Wrecked	3Sth lag	3.
Ostewig McNey	7:49.17	15:49.76	23:51.30	31:57.30	39:42.68	47:45.68	55:36.35	1:03:37.7	I Flagged 3	36th lap.	Carlos Corres	
Premler Wilcox	6:56.48	15:22.58	21:59.62	29:50.90	Out Sth h	ap. Quit.						
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Hoskins	4	3.75	6.75	298.2	Miller	Rajah	ŝ	16	Side	Silvertown	35x5	106 Aluminum	Monog'm
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All used Moto-Meters and all cars were equipped with Hartford shock absorbers. All used Bosch ignition, except Chevrolet, who was Thomson equipped. R.-W. wheels for all except Ostewig, Rickenbacher and Henderson, who used Houk.

these conditions. His car careened first right, then left, then right again, and just when four cars seemed about to hit him broadside, for he was directly across the track, Maxwell began sliding backwards and just in the nick o' time gave the right of way to the cars bearing down upon it. Rick and his mechanic, George Henderson, were in their seats when the car came to a standstill and the cheers that greeted them as they walked to the pits was equal to that usually accorded any winner. Aitken drove the last 8 miles with only one front wheel attached to his steering apparatus.

Indianapolis appeared to have been surfeited with entertainment, the state fair having closed vesterday, for there did not seem to be over 10,000 to 12,000 present at the races, which were the fastest ever seen on the Indianapolis track up to the time Aitken broke his steering arm and had to slow down. At that the 100-mile dash was considerably faster than the 300-mile event last Memorial day and nearly equaled de Palma's speed when he won last year. The 20- and 50-mile events were won at 95.08 and 91.83 miles per hour, respectively.

The 100-mile race was characterized by two battles, that of Rickenbacher and Aitken and one between D'Alene and Hughes. From the thirtieth to the ninetieth mile Hughes had been fighting D'Alene for third place and when Rickenbacher wrecked, Hughes jumped into Rick's place, passing D'Alene in the home stretch.

Buzane Moves Up

George Buzane, one of the surprises of the Cincinnati derby, where he won fourth place, repeated today in the 100-mile event. He had the pole position at the start, having drawn No. 1, but was soon in eighth place after the race started. However, at the end of 20 miles Milton docked his Duesenberg with ignition trouble and Buzane jumped into seventh place just inside the prize money. De Palma's and Lewis' stops for tires at the 72-mile point gave Buzane fifth position and the falling of Rickenbacher put him in fourth where he finished.

In the 20-mile event Aitken took the lead from the start and won at 95.08 miles per hour, although Wilcox gave him a hard battle, finishing only .33 second behind.

PLOSE FLOUSH IN SO MILLER

Chevrolet drove the Sunbeam that Galvin cars semed to want to climb over the outtook third money in at Cincinnati last Mon- is side rail all the time. It seemed odd to see day and finished third. J

led the field for six laps, then gave way too badly broken at Cincinnati last Monto Aitken. Hughes led the field in the fifteenth lap but relinquished it to Aitken N not start, his Sunbeam having broken the after one circuit of the track but crowded & crankshaft in practice. All finishing in-

It was an afternoon of spectacular fin- 2 in the 100-mile race. ishes for each race. Not more than a car 🗧 length decided between first and second dianapolis race last Memorial Day when places in the 20- and 50-mile events and his Premier overturned, watched the race then in the 100-mile race Aitken stopped at from a car immediately back of Aitken's the first pit on his last lap, coasting across 2 pit. It was his first day out of the hosthe line as he got the checkered flag. Ralph pital. He has had his left leg rebroken de Palma, who drove Merz's Peugeot, kept twice in an effort to get the bones to knit running, but said after the race that the

Driver

Hughes Chevrolet D'Alene

Aitken

Lewis Wilcox

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de Palma in the Peugeot blue; it made In the 50-mile dash Wilcox in a Premier a one lonesome for the Mercedes, which was day to participate here. Christiaens did after one circuit of the track but crowned side the money made no tire changes except behind Aitken.

> Tom Rooney, who was injured in the Inproperly.

#### TIMES FOR 50-MILE EVENT

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6:36.92	13:11.19	19:42.45	26:12.91	32:40.33	91.83	\$700	
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6:37.26	13:12.58	19:44.95	26:15.03	32:41.10	91.79	400	
6:38.38	13:19.33	20:00.40	26:38.57	33:25.85	89.75	300	
6:57.92	13:43.96	20:31.52	27:12.70	34:05.46	\$7.99	100	
6:36.55	13:11.19	20:55.68	28:44.00	35:24.89	85.12		
7:14.60	14:15.67	21:25.55	28:25.68	35:32.87	84.44		
Out-Dirty	plugs-7th	lap.					
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Start of the 100-mile race. Carl G. Fisher paced the field for one lap

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