AUTO SHOW EXCITES INTEREST OF STATE

Many Dealers, Express Intention of Taking Part in Parade on Opening Day.

CONTESTS ARE ALSO POPULAR

Entries in Hill-Climbing Contest and Obstacle Race Promise to Be Numerous.

Automobile dealers throughout the state are evincing great interest in the automobile show to be held in this city the week beginning March 16. P. D. Stubbs, secretary of the committee, reports that over 100 have written regarding it.

The parade on Monday promises to be a great success. Several dealers in the state have expressed an intention of calling meetings of the automobile men in their section. They express a keen desire to compete for the prize offered by The Star for the city or club outside of Indianapolis having the most cars in line.

The obstacle race and the hill-climbing contest are also exciting much attention not only at home, but throughout the state.

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entrant, desired to enter this car in the hill-climbing contest. He will probably enter one of the stock American cars, however, so that the factory will not be

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Among the purchasers of 1908 Oldsmobiles since Jan. 1 are: Frank E. Dell of this city, Frank Shreve of Muncie, Charles Colerick of Ft. Wayne and Mr. Fralich of Elwood.

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Jacksonville to Miami Road Run Will Be Held on March 9. NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The Florida East

Coast Automobils Association has made the

date for the Jacksonville to Miami road run March 9, instead of Feb. 18. This change has been made at the earnest request of a number of competitors who wanted more time to prepare for the run. Newspaper reprecentatives who journey to Florida to see the Ormond-Daytona Beach automobile and the Paim Beach motor boat races also urged the F. E. C. A. A. to set the new date. Entries for the Jacksonville-Miami run of

366 miles will probably number about fifteen or twenty. A New York to Cuba road run is planned for the winter of 1909. The route would practically follow that taken last winter by Ralph Owen from New York to Florida. The run through Florida would end at Miami, where the railroad to Key would be taken. Then would come the boat to Havana.

PREPARING FOR SHOW WEEK.

Indiana Automobile Company Looking Forward to Spiendid Franklin Season.

The Indiana Automobile Company is already making preparations for show week. Two 1908 Franklins arrived recently and have since attracted a great deal of atten-These models have the new Franklin concentric valves and dome-head cylinders, one being the Model G touring car and the other a light roadster. Mr. Ellston is looking forward to a splendid Franklin season.

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