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They will locate at the hotels, but all express the hope that next year they will be able to obtain space under one roof with the Automobile Show.

PENNSY AND YALE DIP SWEEPS INTO REAL WATER

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Several of the local dealers have been trying out their cars on Michigan hill this week, and all report that the hill itself is in very fair condition, and if the present weather holds up it will be really first class by the 24th; but the approaches to the hill are still in a very bad state, especially the upper part of Northwestern avenue and Thirty-eighth street. Some very fast time has been made despite the somewhat unfavorable conditions, and it is believed that all previous records for the hill will be broken.

E. L. Robbins of the Model Auto Company of Peru, Ind., was in the city on Thursday, making arrangements for the exhibition of two Model cars which his company is building at Peru. Its first model is a two-cylinder, five-passenger, twenty-four-horse-

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Harry Hearsey has been delegated to procure the prize cups, nine in number, to be awarded to the victors in the different automobile contests during Automobile Show week. He announces that he has placed the order for these cups and that they are all identical and particularly handsome in design.

The Overland Automobile Company has made arrangements to hire a circus tent for its final assembling, the present plant having proven entirely too small to take care of the orders. It has shipped three cars per day during the last week and will reach its estimated output of five per day next week.

The Finch & Freyman Auto Company has completed the arrangement of its new quar-