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ATLANTA, GA., Nov. 9.—Louis Chevrolet, the sturdy Swiss pilot of Buick cars, annexed a hard earned victory today when he captured the 200-mile stock chassis race, averaging about 72 miles an hour. Chevrolet's victory came as a climax in a record-breaking contest in which Atlanta's new two-mile speedway was opened.

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At this time Stillman seemed certain to beat the Chalmers-Detroit drivers for second honors, having worked to the fore of these machines while one was replacing a tire and the other was renewing its fuel.

Stillman's withdrawal left the two Chalmers-Detroit to fight it out for second place. Charles Basle's Renault stayed hopelessly to the finish many miles behind, but the other cars had gradually been eliminated. Both Nationals, the Cluquette Renault, and the Ranier had quit. Summary:

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Ten mile stock chassis, 451 to 600 cubic inches piston displacement—First, National (Alken), 8:27.32; second, National (Klinck), 8:27.71; third, Apperson (Harding), 8:50.65. Also ran, Renault, Flat, Stearns.

Ten-mile race for light cars—First, Chalmers-Detroit (Malson), 9:49.40; second, Chalmers-Detroit (Knipper), 9:49.84; third, Buick (Nelson), 9:50.18. Also ran, White, Gasolene, Fuller.

Ten-mile free-for-all handicap—First, Marmon (Stillman), 8:54.96; second, Marmon (Harroun), 8:55; third, National (Alken), 9:12.41. Also ran, Renault, Freres, Ranier, Knox.

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Barney Oldfield in a mile dash against time made the distance in 55 seconds, five seconds faster than any ever before made on a 3-1 mile loop.

In the ten mile event a Burman car won, and a Jackson, driven by Clark, was second. The time was 9:42 for the ten miles which was another record.

CALL OF THE DOLLARS LURES BARNEY BACK TO HIS OLD DAREDEVIL WAYS



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"Daredevil Barney" Oldfield is to return to the golden oval again. Haven't heard much of the auto speed king of late, but it's hard to curb a restless spirit, and an offer of \$10,000 for five open races in as

many cities has, it is said, lured Barney back to the game. In his races Oldfield will drive an auto built especially for track racing under a contract calling for miles in 50 seconds.

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BITS OF SPORT

Fred Clarke says he will play Hans Wagner at first if that will win the pennant for Pittsburg. Otherwise he will not, no matter what the fans think.

Indianapolis is lavishly decorated for the opening of its big motor speedway Friday and Saturday. Oldfield, Christie and others of national fame are there.

Alexander and Hackett, America's premier tennis duo, defeated the Pacific coast pair, Jones and McLaughlin, yesterday, 6-1 and 6-2. The westerners were touted as world beaters.

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Special Telegram to The Blade.

Findlay, August 10.—Barney Oldfield will attempt to lower the world's record for a half mile in this city, at Riverside, Wednesday, August 26. The papers were signed yesterday afternoon. Oldfield will use a 150-horsepower French car Benz, said to be the fastest speed car ever built. When Oldfield passed through here, several days ago, en route from Lima to Detroit, he examined the track, and was very loud in praising it to be one of the finest he has ever seen to try breaking a world's record. It is the half mile track of the Hancock County Fair company, adjoining Riverside park.

OLDFIELD WAS HERE.

**The Famous Barney Accompanies
Reliability Contest.**

Ravenna people were given the treat of seeing the celebrated Barney Oldfield, Thursday morning, one of the best of the world's automobile drivers, who arrived in his racing car in which the officers of the reliability contest rode with him from Cleveland that morning. They were Chairman W. F. Bonnell,

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RUNNING RACE RESULTS.

OAKLAND.

- 1-Distributor, San Gil, Berryessa.
- 2-Mabel Hollander, Miss Delaney, Marion Rose.
- 3-Gilbert Rose, Indian Maid, Old Mexico.
- 4-Booger Red, Roach, Bellwether.
- 5-Yankee Daughter, Daisy Belle, Katie Powers.
- 6-Burling, Deutschland, Tom Reid.

LOS ANGELES.

- 1-Procia, Jane Laura, Joe Galena.
- 2-Donau, Kid, Sepulveda.
- 3-Halket, Sir Edward, Rapid Water.
- 4-Animus, Merlingo, Oldway.
- 5-Financier, Uncle Henry, Barney Oldfield.
- 6-Mary F., Grande Dame, Giovanni.

SAVANNAH.

- 1-Baby Willie, San Gil, Salvaterra.
- 2-Prince of Wales, Jiggs, Charles G. Gates.
- 3-Anna Smith, Spring Frog, Whiskbroom.
- 4-Miss F. O. M., Bacon, Friend, Away.
- 5-Euripides, Ben Double, Polar Star.

Mrs. Beatrice Oates

Beatrice Loretta Oldfield Oates, who was the former wife of Barney Oldfield, the famous automobile racer, died Monday afternoon at St. Vincent's hospital, where she underwent an operation recently for tuberculosis of the glands of the neck. She was thirty-three years old and is survived by her mother, Mrs. Mary Oates.

The remains were taken to the home of her mother, 431 Avondale avenue, Monday night.

Mrs. Oates was a member of Ideal Hive, L. O. M., and the members will meet at the residence Thursday morning at 8 o'clock to attend the funeral, which will take place at that hour at the residence, and at 2:30 o'clock from St. Patrick's church. Interment will be in Calvary.

OATES-BEATRICE LORETTA OLD-FIELD, aged 33 years, Monday, Jan. 15, 1906.

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Indianapolis, Dec. 15.—Racing against a freezing wind, Johnny Aitken, in a National, yesterday broke all world's records for distances of from one to 20 miles at the Indianapolis motor speedway. So severe was the cold that lubricating oil on some of the racing machines froze and finally forced the contestants to quit the races against time. It is probable that no attempt will be made to run the scheduled events today because of the cold weather. Aitken's dash was in the 10-mile time event. He covered the 20 miles in 16:15.4. Aitken's time for five miles was 4:36.56. He went 10 miles in 8:12.10, and 15 miles in 12:17.01.

Walter Christie, with his freak racer, and Louis Strang, with a 200-horsepower Fiat, were unable to lower records because of the low temperature. Christie, however, ran a quarter mile in 8.78, thereby setting a new American record for the distance. This was at the rate of 103 miles an hour.

Strang established a new record for the Indianapolis motor speedway by driving one mile in 40.51. The previous record for the speedway was 43.5, established by Barney Oldfield last August.

Strang declares he can lower his mile record of 37.75 made at Atlanta on the newly paved Indianapolis course, and he may attempt to do so this afternoon. Gov. Thomas H. Marshall presided at

the ceremonies incident to the rededication of the speedway, laying a gold plated brick to complete the track pavement.

Christie and Strang Today.
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 15.—Although compelled by the cold blasts to give up their races with time at the Indianapolis motor speedway yesterday, Walter Christie and Louis Strang, with their giant cars, will today make another effort to lower world's records.

The regular events for today's meet were called off last night because of the extreme cold weather, but it was decided last night that Christie and Strang should run a series of special speed tests, beginning at noon today. The records which they will attempt to lower will be those for the quarter and half mile. Should the weather permit, they may run distances up to five miles.

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Barney Oldfield Will Enter His New Racing Cars in Contests on Motor Speedway.

Barney Oldfield, the champion track driver of the world and holder of all circular track records from two to fifty miles, has signed a contract to pilot National racing cars instead of Thomas during the coming season. Oldfield has agreed with the Indianapolis motor speedway management to enter his racing cars in many of the events during 1906 that will be held on this famous course, which he has pronounced as the fastest and safest in the world and over which he figures that a speed of two miles a minute is possible.

Barney has been in Cleveland the past few days closing several of his business affairs, after which he will return to Indianapolis to superintend the construction of his cars.

BARNEY OLDFIELD CLEANED UP A BUNDLE

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 15.—Barney Oldfield had all the boys jealous yesterday when he showed winning tickets on five of the six races. These winning tickets were so regular that Barney was regarded as a sort of wizard at handicapping the mudhens, and while his companions were contributing to the support of the bookies, Barney was buying condolences for his companions at the track.

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