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INDIANAPOLIS DRIVER SETS VANDERBILT MARK

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RECORDS EXPECTED TO FALL

[By Carbureter.]

Johnny Aitken, of Indianapolis, in a 40-horse power National, and Lewis Strang, in an Isotta racing car, this morning set a new record on the Vanderbilt cup race course, according to a telegram. Both covered a lap of 12.64 miles in eleven minutes flat, which is at the rate of sixty-nine miles an hour. Yesterday in the mud Aitken drove his National a lap in twelve minutes, which is at the rate of sixty-three miles an hour.

The Vanderbilt course is wonderfully fast and the predictions are that all road race records will be smashed in the big road classic next Saturday. Autolsts throughout the country are greatly interested in this race and many from Indianapolis will be among the thousands of spectators that will line the course.

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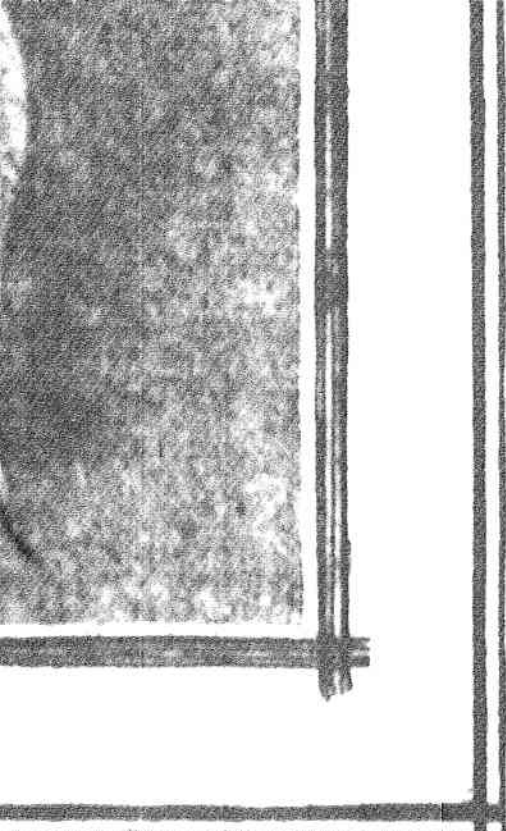
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