

APPERSON VANDERBILT CUP RACER IS WRECKED

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IT STRIKES TELEGRAPH POLE

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]

KOKOMO, Ind., September 12.—Word has just been received here that the Apperson Vanderbilt cup racer went off the road on the cup course on Long Island this morning, struck a telegraph pole on the hairpin turn and was completely wrecked. The driver, George Robertson, and his mechanic, Frank Warren, were thrown out. Robertson's shoulder and arm were broken, and Warren had both arms broken. Both are internally injured, but it is believed they will recover.

The car was demolished beyond possibility of repair in time to enter the elimination race Saturday. The Apperson car has been the sensation of the racing course, having been repeatedly driven thirty miles in thirty minutes, and once in twenty-nine minutes. It was picked for the winner of the elimination race. It was an eighty-horse-power, chain-driven machine.

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ROBERTSON, DARING DRIVER.

Apperson Car Had Made Best Showing in Trials.

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NEW YORK, September 19.—George Robertson, with the "eighty" Apperson, built by the Apperson Automobile Company, of Kokomo, Ind., which was wrecked this morning, was one of the strongest favorites for the Vanderbilt cup eliminatory race on Saturday next. Following up his record performance the first time out with his cup car, Robertson had made two more rounds of the Vanderbilt circuit in time so far unapproached by any other team contestant.

Robertson yesterday twice traveled the circuit of 29.7 miles in thirty-one minutes, his time not varying a fraction of a second on the two rounds. This time was taken by a score of early morning "clockers."

Herbert Lytle, the Pope-Toledo driver, caught Robertson's time at thirty minutes, equaling his record performance of the morning before.

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matter, but every one would
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a cracked "E."

The News today gives the
picture of the half-mile race. It
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As Robertson was the most dashing, so "Doc" Tracy is the most calculating of the American team contestants. Barring an accident from some cause not contributed to by driver or machine, the "sleazy" Locomobile is assured of a place as American representative in the current. Tracy is cautious and he saves his machine. For this reason his practice times have not been so fast as Robertson's, though the Locomobile has attained higher speed on the straights than has the Apperson.

WATKINS SIGNS PLAYERS.

Two Pitchers and a Fielder Are Obtained from Wichita.

Three new players have been signed by the management of the Indianapolis club since last Saturday. Every effort is being made to strengthen the team and when spring comes there will be a good bunch of material from which to pick. The newest Indians are pitchers Becker and Spear and left-fielder Milan, all from the Wichita team, in the Western Asso-

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BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Sept. 10.—In answer to Coach Sheldon's first practice of the year, five skin scrappers reported for workout on Jordan field yesterday noon. Only seven "T" men—Tight, Steele, Mendenhall, Bloom—were out.

While twenty men were catching the oval at one end Sheldon ordered Hare and W other goal post, where "Mag" leather to "Boney," who beat the bar repeatedly at a distance five and forty yards. After satisfied with Waugh's position drop kicking, he started the lining, and the captain's side mirrors were exercised to the ball sixty yards.

After giving the men some in tossing and catching the the entire squad turned to team, sprinting up and down practicing the forward pass. men experienced difficulty with their throws, as well as both oval while running, but Sheldon seemed pleased with which they handled themselves.

Signal Practice

Two teams were formed extremely fast signal practice ball was fumbled frequently when the two "divisions" were to face, and the "scrums" had test the varsity's defense. On regulars were allowed on the line, the other five being on five yards. Not once did make the required distance.

Yesterday's practice shows