

### SPEED KINGS WILL TUNE AUTOS SOON FOR ANNUAL RACE

Early Entries Indicate Record Field for Indianapolis Classic — New Record Is Expected This Year

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INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. —(UP)— The roar of powerful motors soon will be heard at the Indianapolis motor speedway again as drivers and mechanics start preparations for the 23d annual 500-mile Memorial day automobile race.

Early entries indicate a record field will compete for the 33 places in the starting lineup.

**Veteran First In**  
Deacon Litz, Dubois, Pa., veteran, was the first to mail his entry blank to the speedway office.

Others whose entries have been announced officially are Geo. D. (Doc) McKenzie, Eldington, Pa., and Gilbert R. Pirrung, Clayton, Mo.

Pirring graduated from Tufts university in 1924 and has entered two races.

When the entry list closes most of the country's foremost drivers will be included.

**Cumulative Totaling**  
"Wild Bill" Cummings, 1934 AAA national racing champion and winner of last year's 500-mile race, is training for the grand. Stuart Ross, Dayton, O., who finished in second place last year just 27 seconds behind Cummings, is another sure to compete.

Speedway officials are attempting to line up some foreign entries, but it is likely that only American drivers will participate.

Foreign speed cars use superchargers while such equipment is not permitted in the Indianapolis event. This fact has made it impractical for foreign manufacturers, or drivers, to enter their own cars.

**New Record Expected**  
Barring accidents or inclement weather, a new record for the 500-mile race probably will be established this year. The present record of 1:48:00 was set by Cummings last year. He would have made a still better average had not an accident forced the cars to slow down for several laps while wreckage was cleared from the track.

The only major change in the rules governing this year's race is a further reduction in the gasoline limit.

### PORCELAIN GIVES ISRAELITE RECORD 3000 YEARS OLD

Southern Palestine Find Confirms Biblical Stories of Pre Solomon Era — Rich Documents in Mound

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(Spl.) Drop-pers of tea cups might think porcelain fragile, but the early Israelites thought it durable enough to write their records on it. That their faith was not misplaced is proved by the discovery of porcelain "archives" almost 3,000 years old, which have recently been unearthed in Palestine. The find is said to confirm Biblical stories of the pre-Solomon era.

"It is appropriate that these documents should have been discovered at Tell-el-Hesi (Tel ad-Duweiir), in southern Palestine," says a bulletin from the Washington, D. C., headquarters of the National Geographic society. "To previous excavations on the same site we owe the beginning of our knowledge of Palestine's earliest pottery."

"From Dan to Beer-sheba" "Tell-el-Hesi, a mound about 100 feet high, is a rich field for archaeologists. As the site of the ancient city of Lachish, it was once an important fortress between Palestine and Egypt. Occupying such an exposed position, it belonged first to one country and then to the other. Among its many basements are Sennacherib and Nebuchadnezzar. Excavations of town walls, houses, and clay vessels show that Lachish was destroyed and rebuilt at least eight times before it was finally abandoned.

"Tell-el-Hesi is not many miles from Beer-sheba. From Dan to Beer-sheba is an allusion often used to indicate a vast sweep of things. But the distance from Dan, in the north of Palestine, to Beer-sheba, in the south, is only about 155 miles, or less than the distance from New York to Baltimore.

"At Beer-sheba the cultivated land ends and the desert begins. In the spring, Beer-sheba is green, but the rest of the year it is parched and desolate looking. Its famous wells were important to the Israelites. Once much larger, Beer-sheba is now but a small town of about 1,000 inhabitants.

**Industry Stopped by Cactus**  
"Sixteen miles from Tell-el-Hesi is Gaza, at present Palestine's most important southern outpost, with a population of about 17,000. It serves as a depot for barley, wheat, and durra. Its caravansaries (inns) are usually housing with incoming or outgoing caravans, bringing from a hundred miles away flock to Gaza to replenish their supplies, buying in the city's spacious bazaars figs, olives, dates and almonds. To Gaza they also come for new weapons, pottery and cloth. One of Gaza's chief industries is the weaving of yarn, sent from England, into cloth for Bedouin cloaks.

"Gaza is beautifully situated on the southwest coast of Palestine about three miles from the Mediterranean. On one side, yellow sand-hills stretch to the sea; on the other side spread extensive olive groves and gardens. Abundantly watered by a dozen wells, the gardens contain a variety of fruits and vegetables.

"Separating Gaza holdings, and practically surrounding Gaza, grow thick hedges of cactus and thorns. As formidable as barbed-wire fences, these played a dramatic part in the World war by making it difficult for British infantry to attack the Parks holding Gaza.

**Gaza Labeled With Success**  
"Gaza is prosperous, housing not only a small garrison, mosque and churches, but several schools and a

hospitals. Mail and transport planes leave weekly for Egypt and for Iraq. The city's present prosperity, however, cannot be compared to the wealth it possessed in Biblical times.

"Gaza has shrunk not only in commercial importance, but in actual size. Mounds that mark the site of ancient forts lie on the outskirts of the present city. It is probable that Gaza once extended to the sea. In the 17th century, when capital of Palestine, Gaza had elaborate pal-

aces, elegant baths, and luxurious palaces.

"According to the Bible, Gaza played a prominent part in the lives of the early Israelites. It is associated with strong-man Samson. It is here that Samson is reputed to have sent

the pillars crashing down, and his alleged tomb is pointed out to visitors.

"Gaza has always been important commercially, not because of its proximity to the sea, or because of its fertile gardens, but because it occu-

pled a strategic position on the caravan route and military road between Egypt and Babylonia. For centuries, pilgrims trooped through the city, armies tramped by, and traders stopped to rest and reload their camels. Assyrians and Jews, Egyptians and

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SAMS VALLEY, May 9.—(Spl.)—The last demonstration of the Sams Valley Extension unit was the bread making of sweet rolls, conducted in a thorough manner by Mrs. Glenn Spurlin, assisted by Mrs. Steve Wilson. After the demonstration Mrs. Spurlin distributed recipe books to 25 ladies, which she had selected from several different flour mill samples.

Senior class high school play, "Haunted," given April 24 was well attended and with the sale of ice cream brought substantial receipts to the student body. Members of the cast were Misses Elaine Kusch, Ruth Galloway, and Betty Wilson, and Misses South, Marie Surstrom, Jerry Fitzgerald and Merrill Martin.

Table Rock, Antioch and Pankey schools will join Sams Valley school Friday, May 10, in an all-day festival. Among other features of entertainment will be a free exhibition of the senior class play, "Haunted," and a basket dinner at noon, in which all members of the above-mentioned district are invited to join.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tom, who formerly resided on the Hughes farm, are now located at Central Point.

The M. H. club leaders are sponsoring a magician show at the school house Wednesday evening to raise funds for students' fare to summer school at Astoria.

Friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Rose Sage of Table Rock were deeply sorrowed to learn of her death early Saturday morning. Mrs. Sage, known as a devoted wife and mother, was held in high esteem by all who knew her.

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