

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT AND RECREATION

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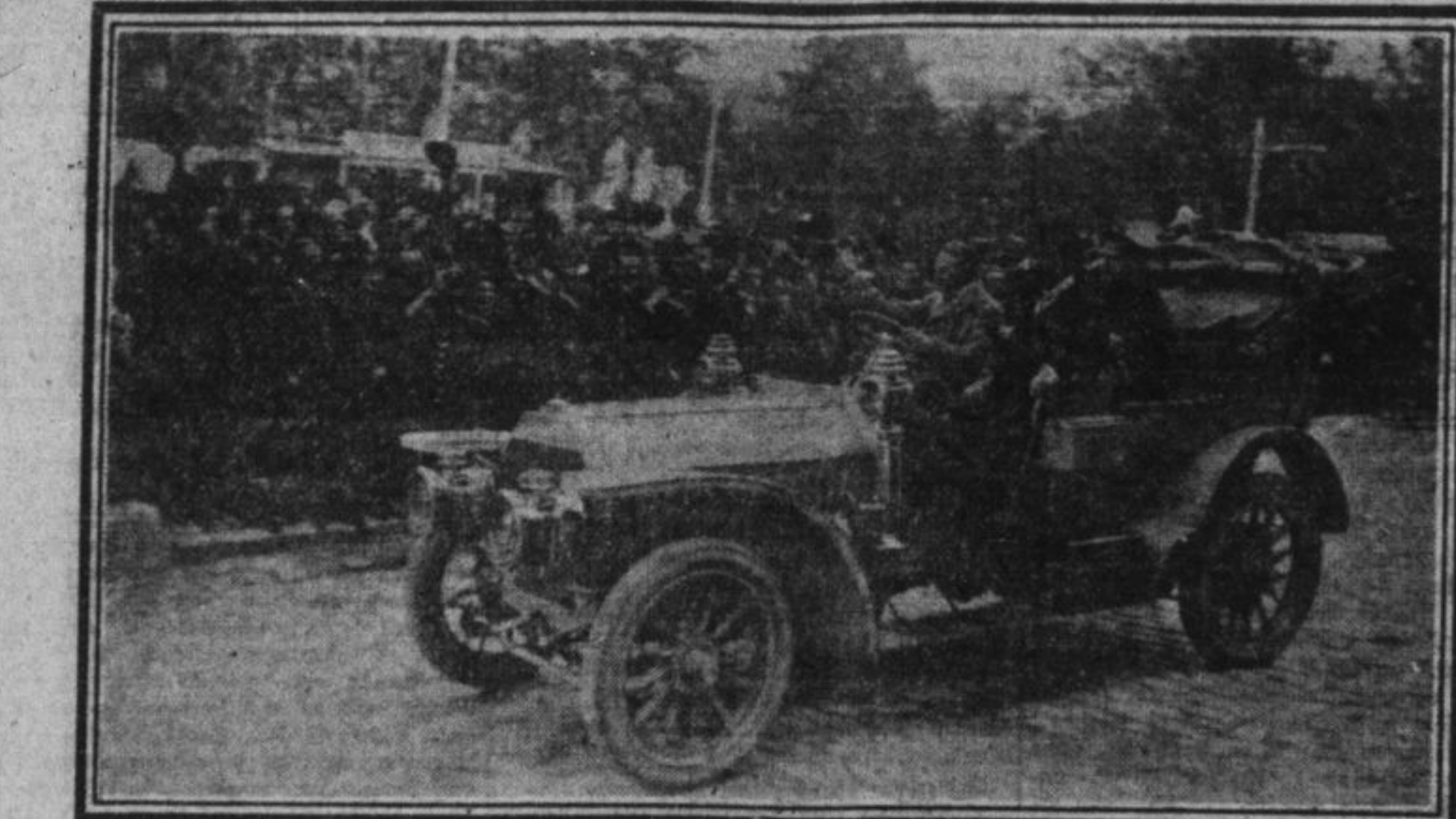
With the baseball teams working their way northward that they may be near the season in their respective leagues the middle of this month, the thoroughbred racing at Bowning for a few weeks preparatory to the opening of the racing season on the tracks around New York, acknowledged to be the scene of the "real racing interest" in this country; an automobile carnival in New York city to last for one week and include parades, hill climbs, illuminations and open house by clubs and dealers in the metropolis; Eustace H. Miles, the premier English court tennis player, already in this country training for his matches with Jay Gould, scheduled for April 5th; the various billiard stars, both professionals and amateurs, ending the series of championship matches, which have made the month of March so notable, and the college swimmers setting for the year their championships, as are the college fencing experts—even to the casual observer it must be evident that the season of 1908 in sport and recreation is coming into its own in most aggressive fashion. The real start, of course, has preceded this month by several weeks, for example, when on the sands of the world-famous Ormond beach course, Bernin and Cedrino made notable the meet of 1908, which had been anticipated as certain to score a very pronounced failure. The mile and the 100-mile records, deemed unbeatable, and the 300-mile mark likewise, fell before the determined onslaughts of these plucky speed merchants. Think of it! averaging seventy-seven miles an hour for almost four hours, which was what Cedrino did, beating, hands down, the best previous average of seventy miles an hour scored in the famous Grand Prix on a circular track in France. The performance of this Italian, who has long raced in this country, and that of Bernin, also well-known, formed a most effective beginning of the season for the automobile enthusiasts who have so much to anticipate in

the way of sport in the ensuing nine months in this country and abroad.

Simplifying The Golf Rules.

While no changes in the actual playing rules of the ancient Scottish game were expected by the followers of the sport in this country or abroad as a result of the plea made by the United States Golf Association to the St. Andrew's Golf Club last fall, a revised code, which has for its object a simplification of the wording of the rules, was sought and obtained. Recently, the action of the Scotch head of the game was made known by the United States Golf Association, and it was thereby learned that much more intelligent definitions have been incorporated in the playing rules, so that there will not be the doubt and uncertainty in regard to the right or wrong of points that have been much debated by contending players in the past. Changes in the rules were not needed, all golf players know that, the general revision in 1897 having settled for all time much-mooted points, and the changes in minor details which the action of the American players in their appeal to St. Andrew's brought about are really hardly worthy of notice.

At this time it is rather amusing to comment on the attitude of the English "pros." in the matter of competing in the United States' open tournament, scheduled for Myopia next August. No one had extended an invitation to the quartette named—Arthur Massey, present open champion of Great Britain; James Braid, twice title holder of the same; Harry Vardon, four-time winner of the honor; and J. H. Taylor, who has been champion three times—and their announced disinclination to accept an invitation which has not been given to them is rather amusing. Not that they would not be welcomed, for they would, but certainly it is rejected. The English open championship is slated for Prestwick, Scotland, next June, so there would be ample time



King Alfonso, the Spanish King, in his automobile, bowing to the subjects on the sidewalk. He is one of the best sportsmen among the royalty of Europe, driving a motor car, riding, driving, shooting, sailing a yacht and otherwise showing his ability, as an all-round sportsman.

for the best players from the other side to compete in both the English and the American championships. Interest in professional golf in this country increased most remarkably last season, more tournaments being held for professionals than ever before. The public has become elevated to a proper appreciation of the playing of the best men of the game, and the large galleries at open tournaments for four-ball contests follow the strokes and the general playing of the men engaged with an intelligence not to be found a few years ago among the spectators.

Murphy, Olympic Trainer

One of the best things yet done by the committee in whose hands rests the control of the American Olympic games team was the selection of Mike Murphy, the University of Pennsylvania trainer, to look after the athletes who go to London in June. Murphy is one of the best trainers in this country, and for years has developed athletes at Yale and the University of Pennsylvania. He knows more about getting the latent ability out of a man and converting the novice into a point winner and, perhaps, a champion than any other man in this country today. In addition, he can look after the physical side of the men in his charge, so that when the demand on them comes they are in prime condition to do their best. I knew him for many years in New Haven and know that he is a splendid trainer. One reason for the selection of a man like Murphy by this American committee is the social protest which arose after the meet at Athens, where the athletes claimed they were given virtually no care at all, the manager and so-called trainer, Halpin, who was re-elected for the same position with this year's team, being objected to on other grounds. No attention was paid to these protests, but Murphy was selected as trainer that there might be no repetition of the trouble

of two years ago. It has been decided that winners of first place in the contests to try out Olympic candidates in this country will not necessarily compose the team, the committee reserving the right of final selection, even after these meetings.

Olympic Games Stadium.

While the temporary stadium in which the Olympic games of 1908 are held in England will not compare in beauty with the permanent stadium at Athens, where the 1906 Olympics were held when the American team won the important honors, the English structure at Shepherd's Bush, London, will be most imposing. Seventy thousand spectators will be accommodated. There are also rooms for the competitors, for the officials and the public and a lot of floor space for the exhibition of sporting implements. A turf arena 700 feet long by 300 feet wide will occupy the centre of the building, around this oval being a running track of three laps to the mile, and outside of this a cycle track two and three-quarter laps to the mile. These two tracks have been ready for some time and have been declared the best in all England. Alongside of the inner track is a big swimming pool for the diving and swimming contests. Events which cannot be held in the stadium will be held on the grounds of clubs near London. The preliminary games, really a sort of introduction to the real meeting in July, will be started with the raquet club championship at the Queen's club April 27th, being followed by other events that will fill up the time until the great struggle in the stadium for athletic honors takes place. Twenty nations will compete in the July events.

Hereditary Cleverness.

It is encouraging to women to learn that the young son of the first woman senior wrangler, Miss Agneta Ramsay, who afterwards married the Marquis of Trinity, Cambridge, has achieved the great distinction of winning the Porson scholarship at the university of which his father and mother are alumni. Having won the highest honors possible, the same, in fact, as those won by her husband, Miss Ramsay conclusively proved that it is quite possible to be a great classical scholar, a fine mathematician, and an excellent mother to boot. The "senior wrangler" married and devoted herself to her babies, one of whom has just reaped the benefit of having two clever parents.

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Spain's Sportsman King.

Of all the crowned heads of Europe who are sportsmen, and most of them do indulge in recreation in one form or another, there is none more indefatigable or a better all-around enthusiast than King Alfonso, who has been so much in the public eye in the past few weeks through the threatened assassination of the Spanish king on the occasion of his recent visit to Barcelona. This visit he did not postpone, despite the threats against him and the advice of his counselors advocating a postponement of the same. He showed in that determination to go to Barcelona and carry through his plans the same spirit he has displayed in his sports. He is an ardent motorist, and before his marriage was one of the most reckless speeders in all Spain. He shoots splendidly, sails a yacht with skill, as he showed when the American Sonderknecht boats visited Spain last year, rides horseback and drives in daring fashion, besides doing many other things that make him the well-rounded sportsman that he is.

Rowing At Princeton.

Inasmuch as this spring for the first time Princeton will have a real crew, owing to the kindness of Andrew Carnegie in donating a pond on which to row, there is quite naturally a lot of interest in what the Princetonian fledglings do. If they finally decide to take up rowing this spring—that is, compete outside of their own backwash—they will probably make their debut at the American Rowing Association regatta, on the Schuylkill, May 23rd. There is practically no chance of the orange and black being represented at the Poughkeepsie races or at New London, the efforts of those in control of Princeton's athletics being rather to develop four good strong class crews for the college regatta in June. Princeton alumni already approached will, doubtless, aid the cause by contributing money for four eight-oared shells, one for each class. Next year will probably first witness Princeton's invasion of the intercollegiate rowing contests.

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International Horse Show.

Last year when the Olympia horse show was held in London, really the first of the international shows, being followed by another exhibition in Paris, several of the best known American owners and breeders exhibited there. This coming June will witness an even greater international competition in London for nine days, \$150,000 being offered in prizes to entice leading American exhibitors to take part. That many will do so is already assured. Americans will be conspicuous among the judges as well as the exhibitors, and many classes have been added, bringing the total number up to 149 entries in all for horses and ponies, of all approved breeds and types. Alfred Vanderbilt, who will be in England driving his coach from London to Brighton and back, will judge appointments; James G. Marshall, in saddle and harness classes; Alfred H. Macley, the trotters; F. D. Jordan, of Boston, the hackneys; R. McGrann, of Lancaster, the draught horses; Walter MacIntyre, the polo ponies, and Adam Beck, of London, Ont., the hunters. Messrs. Vanderbilt, Clarence Mackay, Lawrence Jones, Jordan McGrann, Fred Pabst, Stoeberly, Beck and James T. Hyde have all donated cups for various competitions. The show will cover nine days, from June 18th to 27th, ending on closing May 20th. James T. Hyde, of our National Horse Show, is the American manager of what will be the finest international show yet held.

Dancing As An Exercise.

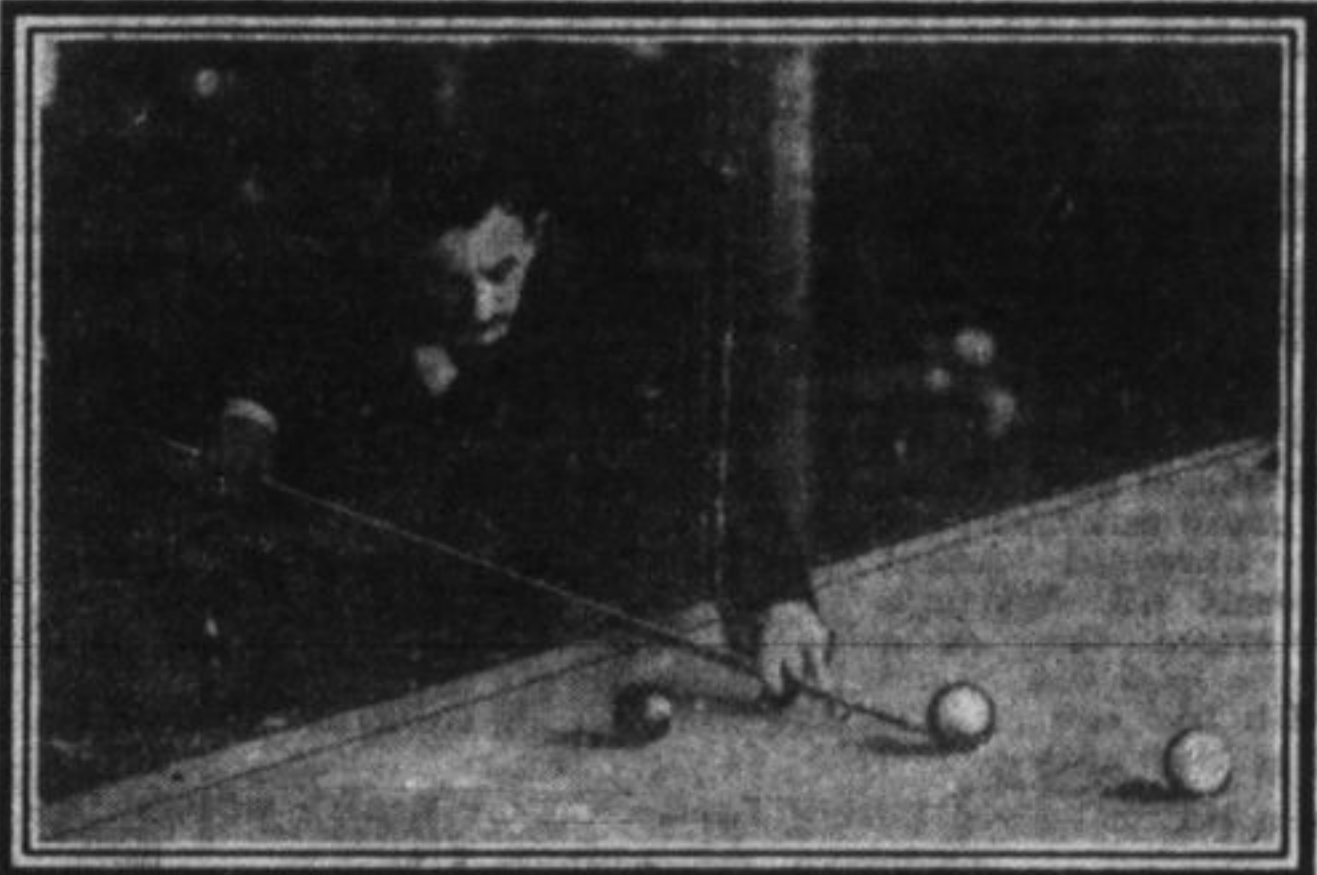
An American doctor has recently made the announcement that for many reasons he regards dancing as one of the most healthful of amusements, and one which he frequently recommends to his patients. Although this statement may come as a surprise and stimulus to some dancers, it is to be feared that if the truth were known, there are a great number of men and women who romp about ball rooms for very much the same reason that others take an early morning car round the park, or a Turkish bath.

Passenger trains would be more apt to run on schedule time if brakemen didn't have to pry so many kissing females apart at stations. It is all that some men can do to keep from being done.

Schaefer's Last Championship Billiard Match.

After being before the public for 35 years as one of the best players of billiards in this country, Jacob Schaefer has finished his career—at least, that is his fond delusion, though it is more than probable that he will be seen again next year, if not this. His final match, theoretically, was against one of the youngest members of the fraternity, Willie Hoppe, even as he himself is the oldest champion player, having made his debut as a public player on July 25th, 1873, at Indian-

apolis. This match he won. Schaefer gives as his reason for his resignation of the championship competition the long, exciting course of preparation for championship matches, the matches themselves for the title being comparatively easy to go through with. He is ambitious to still play in private the game he loves, and in playing which he has evidenced the followers of billiards in this country and abroad, but not for the title he has so well defended and now resigns.



Jake Schaefer, thirty-five years before the public as a billiard champion. He says he has played his last match for the championship title, but those who know expect to see him perform with his wonderful skill on the green cloth for some years to come.

Preparing for Automobiling.

Despite the money stringency there is every indication that this season will witness an unusual amount of automobile touring. Garages have been very busy during the past month getting cars into shape, so that good auto mechanics are very scarce. The sales agencies have contracted for more cars than they had last year at this time. Everybody except the men who have been using his car all through the winter months, impatient to snow or wintry winds, is busy now getting ready for the real season of the more or less silent steel.

A large proportion of American motorists will go abroad to enjoy the sights and experiences of touring in a strange country. For those who have decided upon the British Isles, or Europe it may be of interest to learn that they will have the benefit of a new organization's efforts in their behalf. This body, with English headquarters at 166 Piccadilly, London, under the management of Lord Mon-

tagu, of Beaulieu, the well-known English motorist, will have agents meet American automobilists at the point of arrival and, if needed, conduct them over any one of the scores of carefully selected routes. If the tourists desire to cross to the continent the troubles heretofore encountered with the customs officials of each country will be obviated and every aid to a smooth, comfortable tour afforded. A membership fee of \$25, in addition, of course, to the charges of \$12.50 maximum in France and in other countries maximum \$2, will provide for everything, a decidedly reasonable rate, when the innumerable charges to be met with are considered. Motoring is by far the best way to see any country, and at reasonable costs that are now to be met with bring it within the reach of almost every tourist who can afford to go abroad. Bringing a car on the other side will serve as well as taking one over if one is not fortunate enough to possess such an asset in this country.

The Kaiser As A Motorist.

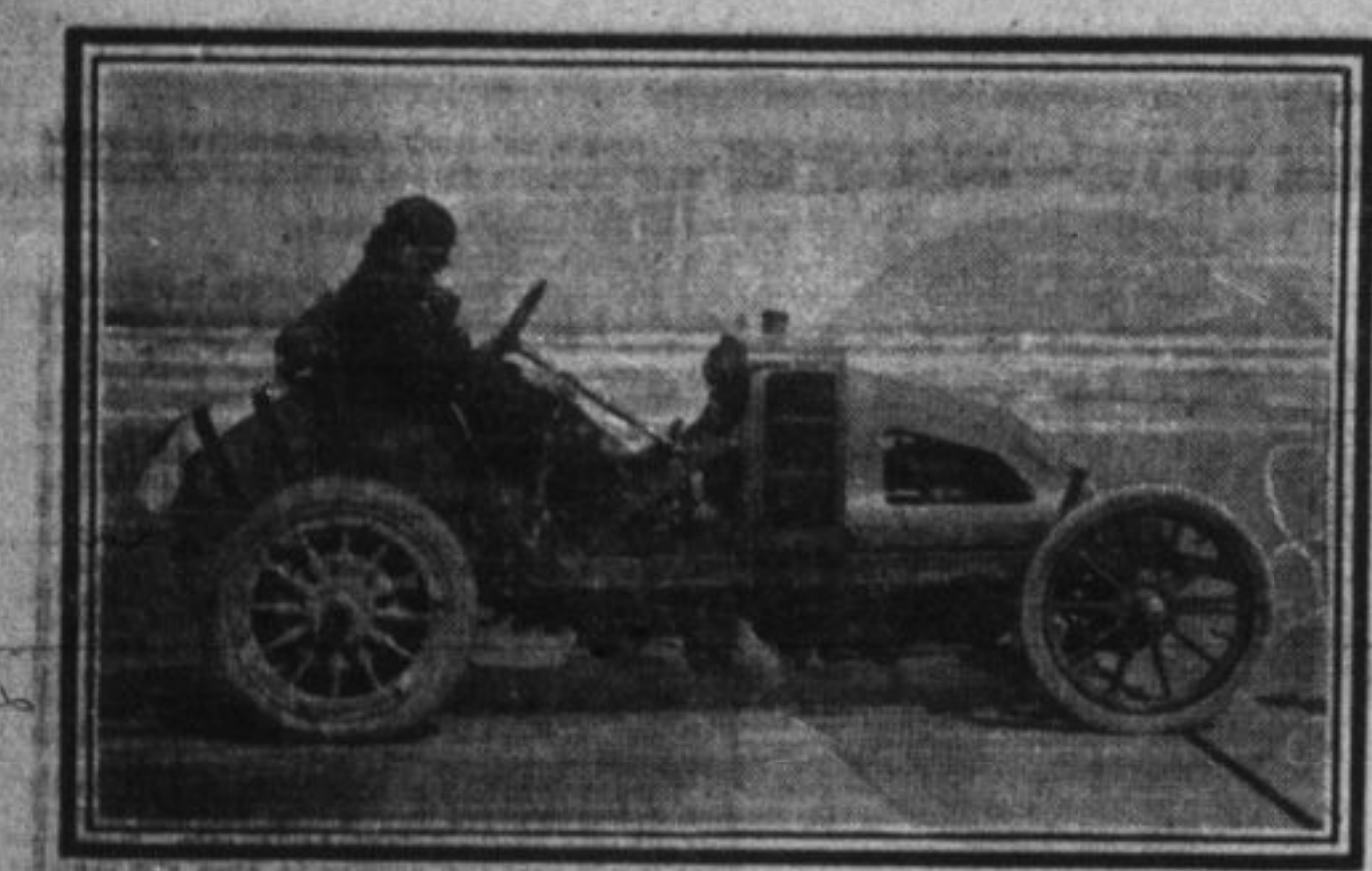
The Emperor of Germany has long been a most ardent motorist, primarily, because of its economy. He found he could reach certain places where his duties called him, by automobile and thus do away with the great expense of a private railway train. Then he took up the sport for his own sake, and his cars with the imperial crest serving in the place of a number having long been conspicuous in the streets of Berlin. Recently he visited the Automobile Club in that city and talked at length on the desirability of pushing forward Germany's automobile interests as manufacturers and as sportsmen. He has always followed with keen interest the big international contests, attending in person when possible races in Germany and seconding in every way the enthusiasm and support accorded the sport by his brother, Prince Henry, who will be remembered as visiting this country on the occasion of the launching of the American built Meteor, the Kaiser's yacht.

The Choice.

From the March Bohemian:
A young man stood before the mirror completing the finishing touches to a toilet of which he felt justly proud.
He was going to call upon the girl's widowed mother to ask her daughter's hand in marriage.
At last, everything was complete except his cravat. Before him, on the dressing table, were two cravats between which his choice rested. One, a neat black with a narrow white stripe which he had bought himself. The other, a cravat which the girl had given him for a present—a tie such as only women purchase.
"If I wear the black and white one I'll look my best," he mused. "On the other hand, if I wear the one she gave me I'll please her immensely, but will look like a fright."
Then he whistled, walked around the room and carefully tied his cravat.
The mother said "yes," although there were tears in her eyes, and the girl thought he was the handsomest and best dressed man in the world. Which cravat did he wear?



Mike Murphy, the University of Pennsylvania track and field team trainer, who will look after the physical welfare of the Americans who represent this country at the Olympic games in London next July.



M. G. Bernin, the French driver, who drove a Renault car at Ormond at the rate of eighty-two miles an hour, winning the one hundred mile race. This has prompted his prophecy that in the near future one hundred miles an hour will easily be attained.

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A well-known local druggist, who is in a position to know, asserts that this prescription, wherever it becomes known, always ruins the sale of the numerous patent medicine rheumatism cures, kidney cures, etc. It is a recipe which the majority of patent medicine manufacturers, and even certain physicians dislike to see published. Few cases, indeed, which will fail to fully yield to its peculiarly soothing and healing influence. Being composed of common every-day ingredients, which can be had from any druggist, it

Colors Tell Story.

One Shade Displaces Another As She Grows Older.

There is a candor about Japanese women to which few English women would have courage to aspire, and presenting in fact a "walking canvas" by limiting herself to a particular range of colors according to her age would be considered a preposterous idea in this country. And yet such is said to be the fashion in Japan, a girl's attire merging like the colors in a prism from one shade to the other as the years speed on.

Midway between the early twenties and the next decade purple, chestnut and pink, where the kimono is concerned, are made to take the place of the pale shades of silver gray or blue which which up till then have represented her color card. White, in addition, is relinquished practically at twenty-five, a ruling which would seem arbitrary in England in those days when white toilettes are regarded as almost grandmotherly.

When in her twenty-seventh year, a Japanese woman acquires a new dignity when she takes her first step into the important realm of striped fabrics which give such an added status to their wearer. As the years go on the wide stripes which proclaimed her initial plunge into a different category to that of her younger friends, and companions narrow with each succeeding year, until the finest hair line announces with almost offensive honesty that she has reached the age of thirty.

Pale mauve shades, as well as cinnamon and blue, are her choice as re-

Storm Greeted Her.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton's Dramatic Attack on Legislature.

From a little girl Elizabeth Cady Stanton was imbued with the idea of bettering the social status of woman. She soon saw that her most powerful weapon was political and for years waited for the opportunity to strike her blow through the New York state legislature.

When the crucial moment came, says Helen Christine Bennett in the April Deliberator, Mrs. Stanton forgot to be nervous. The talks of woe and sufferings which had rung in that oft-repeated call, "Go to Albany!" sounded in her ears. Her moment had come. If she could make the men who sat in their chairs before her see those women as she had seen them! She painted the change in position from the maiden widow on benched knee to the wife who might own nothing, sell nothing, whose time and earning power were wholly at the disposal of her husband. She painted the widow in her first hours of grief, subject to the derisive remarks of the men who had cheated her possession so that it might be satisfied. She pictured a mother, suffering under that law which gave in any event the custody of a child to its father.

When the speech was completed there followed a storm. One senator rose to his place and declared that its object was "to set at defiance the divine law which declares man and wife to be one, and to establish legalized adultery." The press of the day was openly divided. Many of the papers called the claims disgraceful and preposterous. Mrs. Stanton, a happy wife and mother, was called an "old woman." It was 1860 when the bill passed. It gave every married woman the right to receive and collect

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The average woman would worry a lot more than she does if she listened to everything she says. Even a rich girl may make a poor wife.

Curious Things In Numbers.

They Give Quiser Results When Multiplied.

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Some very curious facts have been discovered about numbers, which may be to a professor of mathematics might seem simple enough, but to the average person certainly appear remarkable.

Nine is perhaps one of the most mysterious numbers. If we multiply 9 by any number under 30, except 11, the sum of the digits in the products will always be 9. Thus:

9x2 equals 18, and 8 plus 1 equals 9.
9x3 equals 27, and 7 plus 2 equals 9.
9x4 equals 36, and 6 plus 3 equals 9, and so on.

Another queer number is 37. If 37 be multiplied by 3 or any number of three up to 27, the three digits in each product will be alike. For instance:

3x37 equals 111.
6x37 equals 222.
9x37 equals 333.
12x37 equals 444.
15x37 equals 555, and so on up to 27.

Any one who chooses to try some of these mathematical experiments no doubt will find out other interesting ones for himself.

Theory And Experience. Chicago Tribune.

Mrs. Lottakids, who has been invited to attend the opening session of the mothers' congress, was sending her regrets over the telephone.

"It's awfully kind of you to ask me, Mrs. Onelogo," she said, "but I can't come. I'm too busy looking after the children."

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