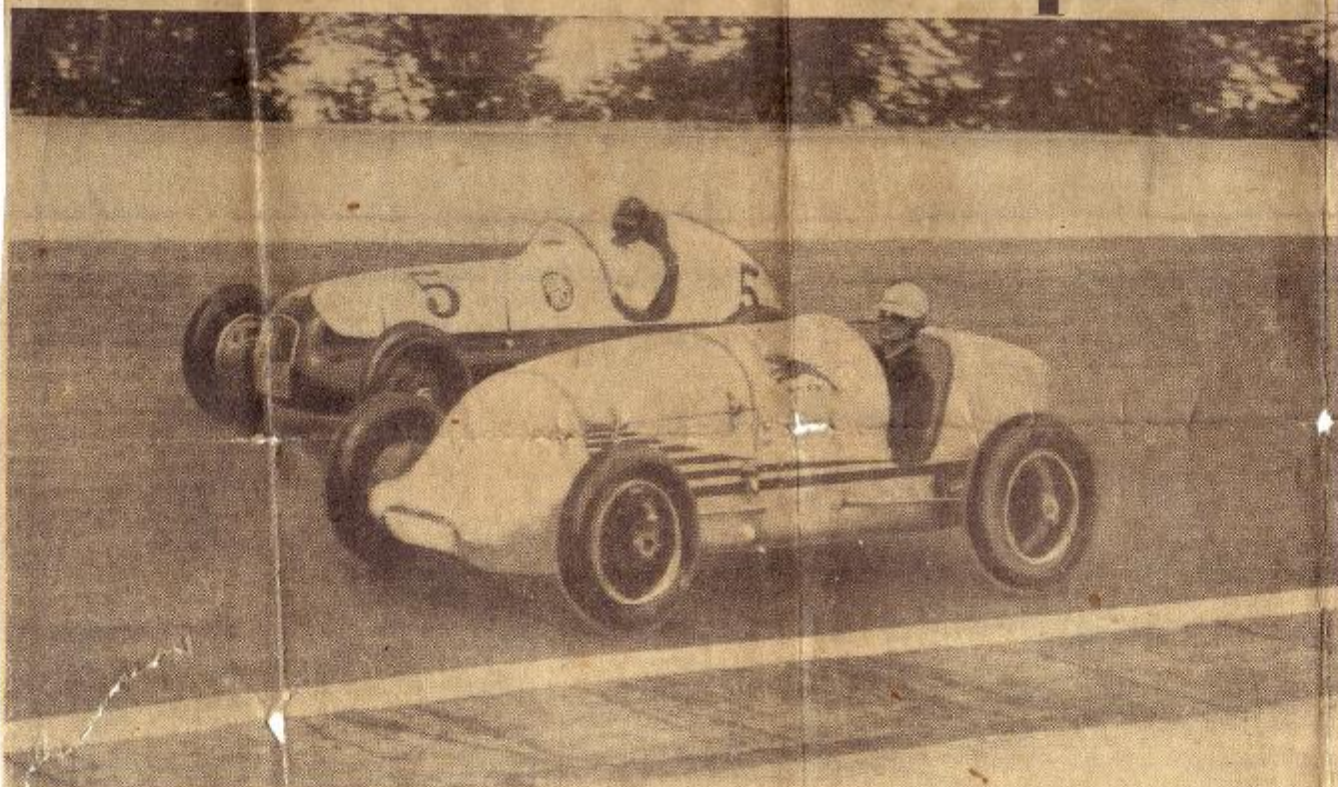


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# 50,000 TO SEE AUTO CLASSIC

## A Double Case of Speed



**SPEED DEMONS**—Wilbur Shaw, nearest camera, and Lou Meyer, three-time winner of the Indianapolis 500-mile classic which will be run Memorial Day, take a spin around the two and one-half-mile brick speedway. Shaw

set a record last year and this mark is expected to fall this year because of new rules which make for greater speed. More than 150,000 fans are expected to witness the race.

International News photo.

### SPEED DEMONS LIKELY TO SET NEW MARK IN RACE MONDAY

#### Meyer and Shaw Head List of Entrants

**INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 28.**—Automobile race fans, 150,000 strong, are gathering here for the classic 500-mile speed classic over the ancient two and one-half-mile brick speedway, next Monday, Memorial Day.

Approximately thirty drivers are expected to cross the line as the green flag is waved. Included are Wilbur Shaw, who last year set a new record for the grind; Lou Meyer, three-time winner of the event; Rex Mays, Mauri Rose, Babe Stapp and Tony Gulotta.

#### **COSTLIEST RACE.**

Speedway officials today forecast one of the costliest races in years, estimating that approximately \$1,000,000 had been spent in construction of the new cars, racing "stables" and other preparations for the event.

Expenditure of this amount for the twenty-sixth annual race far

the twenty-sixth annual race far exceeds outlays for recent races and is coupled with the oft-heard superlative prediction that this year's event would be the fastest ever run.

### **ADOPT NEW RULES.**

Speedway experts attributed the increased expenditures to the adoption of the "international racing rules" for a three-year period at the two and one-half mile brick oval.

The new rules, which govern the size of motors, weight of the cars and the fuel that may be used, opened the way for the return of one-man cars and brought about construction of almost a score of new racing automobiles.

Lou Meyer will drive a new Bowes Seal-Fast Special this year, costing about \$25,000.

Rich prizes are offered by the Speedway and various manufacturing firms. The speedway has put up more than \$60,000 in prize money and about \$40,000 is expected from other sources.

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