

NEW AUTO RECORDS IN HILL CLIMBING

**Walter White's Steam Car Makes
Best Time Up Giant's De-
spair at Wilkesbarre.**

STEARNS GETS TWO FIRSTS

**Ryall's Matheson Car Talks Free-for-
All Race in Fastest Time for
Gasoline Machines.**

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WILKESBARRE, Penn., May 30.—Perfect weather, over ninety contestants, a road in admirable condition, and new records all contributed to make the hill-climbing competition held to-day up "Giant's Despair" Hill, under the auspices of the Wilkesbarre Automobile Club, the most successful motor event of this character that has ever been held in America. The ten events were run off without a hitch, and among the competing cars and drivers were many from New York, Philadelphia, and other Eastern cities.

While all of the regular events were limited to gasoline cars, two steam cars succeeded by special dispensation in trying for records, and as both of them did much better than their gasoline rivals, the good times made by the latter cars were relegated to second place so far as the record breaking features of the day were concerned. The best time was made by Walter C. White in an exhibition run with his thirty horse power White steamer against last year's record. Mr. White climbed the 6,000-foot hill, with its grades varying from 12 to 20 per cent., in the admirable time of 1:49 4-5, beating the best time of a year ago by 0:14 3-5.

The second best time was made by a 20 horse power Stanley steam car in the special event for runabouts restricted to cars from the Quaker City Motor Club, Philadelphia. The car was allowed to run by special permission of the club, and, driven by D. Walter Harper, it won in 1:56 4-5, Thomas Berger's Oldsmobile coming second, nearly 50 seconds behind. A touring car event for Quaker City Club cars was won by Charles W. Hoffman's 30 horse power Stearns in 2:13 2-5. These two events were put on the programme in deference to the abandoning of its projected hill climb by the Quaker City Club, and the members made a special club run to Wilkesbarre on the preceding day to co-operate with the local motorists.

The best time by a gasoline car was made by a 60 horse power Matheson, driven by J. B. Ryall of Newark, winning the free-for-all race in 1:59 2-5. In addition to winning the Quaker City Club event, Mr. Hoffman's Stearns also took first in the race for stock touring cars for all prices and horse powers. This was one of the close contests of the day, and Hoffman had for his rival Guy Vaughn of New York, who drove a similar car. Hoffman won in 2:16 4-5 to 2:19 2-5 for Vaughn. These victories gave the Stearns two firsts and one second in the meet.

Summary:

Motor Cycles, Free for All.—Won by Simplex-Peugeot, ridden by William Wray. Time—1:40. Indian twin cylinder, ridden by Oscar Hedstrom, second. Time—2:01. Indian twin cylinder, ridden by McLaughlin, third. Time—2:18.

Stock Cars Costing \$1.00 and Under.—Won by 14 horse power Maxwell, driven by H. N. Grant. Time—2:07. 14 horse power Maxwell, C. A. Fleming, second. Time—3:07. 22 horse power Buick, H. J. Keebler, third. Time—3:18 3-5.

Quaker City Runabout Class.—Won by 20 horse power Stanley runabout, driven by D. Walter Harper. Time—1:56 4-5. 35-40 horse power Oldsmobile, Thomas W. Berger, second. Time—2:47 4-5. 30-35 horse power Stoddard-Dayton, G. S. Smith, third. Time—2:52 8-5; 14 horse power Maxwell, C. A. Fleming, fourth. Time—3:18 2-5.

Stock Cars Costing \$2,500 and Under.—Won by 24 h. p. Corbin, Guy Hutchinson, 2:31 8-5; 14 h. p. Maxwell, H. N. Grant, 2:39; 30 h. p. Knox, William Bourque, 2:41 1-5; 30-35 Stoddard-Dayton, G. S. Smith, 2:45 4-5; 30-35 Stoddard-Dayton, E. L. Leimbach, 2:47 4-5; 80-85 Stoddard-Dayton, Harold Headly, 2:51 1-5; 22 h. p. Buick, H. J. Koehler, 3:06; 35 h. p. Mitchell, H. F. Greenawatt, 4:14; 24 h. p. Dragon, J. W. Haynes, 4:43 4-5; 24 h. p. Jackson, J. H. Boswell, 5:42 2-5.

Stock Cars Costing \$4,000 and Under.—Won by 25 h. p. Pope-Hartford, J. P. Hardy, 2:05 4-5; 60 h. p. Thomas Flier, M. Roberts, 2:06 8-5; 30 h. p. Knox, William Bourque, 2:37 2-5; 35 h. p. Pennsylvania, Len Zengie, 2:46 2-5; 35 h. p. Stoddard-Dayton, E. L. Leimbach, 2:47 4-5; 30-35 h. p. Stoddard-Dayton, Harold Headly, 2:57 8-5; 22 h. p. Buick, H. J. Koehler, 3:01 4-5; 35-40 h. p. Rambler, William Bittner, 3:07 3-5; 30 h. p. Autocar, J. F. Brown, 3:22 2-5; 36-40 h. p. Oldsmobile, T. W. Berger, 3:44.

Stock Touring Cars, All Prices and Horse Powers.—Won by 30 h. p. Stearns, C. W. Hoffman, 2:16 4-5; 30 h. p. Stearns, Guy Vaughn, 2:19 2-5; 25 h. p. Pope-Hartford, J. P. Grady, 2:39 4-5; 35 h. p. Fiat, George Kesler, 2:49.

Quaker City Touring Car Class.—Won by 30 h. p. Stearns, C. W. Hoffman, 2:13 2-5; 20 h. p. Stanley, D. Walter Harper, 2:31; 30 h. p. Autocar, J. F. Brown, 3:10; 35 h. p. Mitchell, F. F. Greenawatt, 4:24.

Stock Cars, Costing \$5,500 and Under.—Won by 50 h. p. Great Chadwick, 6-cylinder, W. M. Haupt, 2:02 3-5; 60 h. p. Thomas Flier, M. Roberts, 2:05 2-5.

Stock Cars, Costing Over \$5,500.—Won by 50 h. p. Great Chadwick, 6-cylinder, William Haupt, 2:07; 60 h. p. Matheson, Charles Ward, 2:19; 40-50 h. p. Matheson, Ross Anderson, 2:24 4-5; 35 h. p. Fiat, George Kessler, 2:35 2-5.

Free-for-All Racing and Stripped Cars.—Won by 60 h. p. Matheson, J. B. Ryall, 1:59 2-5; 60 h. p. Thomas Flier, M. Roberts, 2:01 1-5; 50 h. p. Great Chadwick, 6-cylinder, William Haupt, 2:05 3/4; 25 h. p. Pope, Hartford, J. P. Grady, 2:06 4-5; 60 h. p. Matheson, Charles Ward, 2:18 4-5; 45-50 h. p. Matheson, Ross Anderson, 2:28 1-5; 35 h. p. Fiat, George Kessler, 3:03 2-5.