IRISH-AMERICAN JIMMY MURPHY WON THE RACE IN A car he called the Murphy Special. It had a Duesenberg body with a straight-8 Miller engine, and was the fastest car on the track that year, setting a race speed record of 94.484 mph.

Before he became a driver, Murphy rode along as a mechanic for Tommy Milton and other drivers. His driving career came to an end in 1924 when he died in a race in New York.

Although the Murphy Special didn't really count as a Duesenberg, seven of the top-10 finishers were. German brothers Fred and Augie Duesenberg started their carbuilding business in Iowa and moved to Indianapolis in the winter of 1920-21, opening a factory at 1501 W. Washington St.



"JIMMY'S" ONLY REGRET IS -RUBBER CUSHION "BUSTED"

Winner of 500-Mile Classic, Tired but Happy, Limps From Car to Garage and Demands Seat



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94.48 MILES AN HOUR NATION BOWS AT PADIO FANS HEAR DISTINCT REPORTS ON SOO-MILE RACE SURFEIT OF RACING THRILLS

in 1922. Star/News Archives

OPPOSITE: The 27-car field is lined up on the main straightaway for the start of the 1922 race in this aerial view of the Speedway, Star/News Archives



