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Mr. Russ Catlin
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Dear Russ:

This I consider my greatest record I ever made September 13, 1929 six round trips Pikes Peak course the boys drive each year on Labor Day. I drove in second and low gear without a stop 150.25 miles in 4 hours 25 min. averaged 34.4 m.p.h 205 turns both ways atotal of 2460 turns in that run and I mean they are turns.

Started at night 9 P.M.finished 1.25 A.M.next morning, snow 2 miles from top axle deep, temperature at bottom 48 at top 7 above zero, the nite in the dark of the moon, car weight 4500 lbs. an AIR COOLED FRANKLIN which I consider the greatest car I ever drove in my life, still holds numerous records I made with the car.

Russ may I repeat I consider this the greatest run I ever made, I want to mention it maintained an average speed within 10 seconds up to Pikes Peak and return.

This being the sum and substance of it you can dress it up as you see fit.

Sincerely yours,

Cannon Ball Baker

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Bake to you