

DIRT TRACK RACE SUNDAY

Three Events Are Listed for
the Hawthorne Speedway;
Will Break Records.

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What undoubtedly will be the greatest collection of dirt track stars assembled on a single track in many years will roll to the tape in the final event Sunday at Hawthorne for the championship of the country. Every dirt track star of the first magnitude who has shone brightly on tracks where dirt track racing has flourished in recent years has been offered a chance to enter these title events. All who consider they have a chance have responded and the result will be three of the most thrilling dirt track races in history.

Arthur Chevrolet, master motor builder and intrepid racer, has entered Fuzzy Davidson, a racer he has been grooming for many months on various dirt tracks of the country. Davidson will drive one of the latest motor creations from the Chevrolet factory against the mid-west champions — Esthan Wenneston and Cliff Woodbury — and a long string of stars who have won meets and smashed records throughout the United States and Canada this year.

From Iowa comes a driver who has made dirt track history in recent months in the person of Gus Schrader of Cedar Rapids, a motorcycle daredevil and auto racer who looms as a dark horse of the meet.

Schrader undoubtedly is one of the dirt racers of the country who must be conceded a chance for the national title. He recently smashed the track record at Fort Dodge, Ia. The record was supposed to be unbeatable but Schrader in a thrilling race that the spectators will long remember rounded the oval for a new mark.

That Schrader is a veritable "scorcher" on the tracks was proved at Crown Point when he showed he is a "streak" on the tracks and brought great surprise even to the Chevrolet brothers who watched his performance. "Speed" as he is called in Iowa was nearly killed on Labor Day at Kansas City in a smashup on a turn when he was hurled head first over his motorcycle. He has recovered and has begun his old tricks of smashing track records.

Of great interest to the racing fans is the entrance of the Ormsby boys—Ralph and Homer—with De Laurel specials carrying four carburetors on each car. Ralph recently set a world record for a half mile in one of these cars on the Winchester track in Indiana. The Ormsby boys are known far and wide as intrepid drivers and if their cars stand up with the terrific speed shown at Winchester they will be formidable contenders for the national championship.

Ted Smith who won the 100 mile race at the fair grounds in Detroit last Sunday annexing the state championship, also looms as a dangerous contender for the title. Smith, like Wenneston, the mid-west champion, drives a Rajo Special.

Cliff Woodbury, the Illinois and mid-west champion, will have his work cut out for him in this race. Woodbury has won all his races handily and now comes to the supreme test of his career. Two Chicago drivers — George Beck and Percy Ford—are out after his scalp in this race. Beck in his "green devil" airplane motored car with which he broke the Hawthorne track record, has entered and will go after the championship in a car that has the speed if he can hold it to the track. Ford is entering the race in a fast car specially built for this race. He is a fearless driver who has yet to reach the pinnacle of his fame as a racer.

Schrader, Frank Czaplowski, Homer Ormsby, Al Cotey and Jimmy Kraft are some of the drivers

Woodbury will have to defeat in this meet to win the championship.

Esthan Wenneston, mid-west champion, also has a tough path ahead of him. Wenneston in his famous Nelson Brothers special will have three famous opponents from one state alone. Wisconsin is sending Stanley Nowicki, Eddie Czaplowski and Lloyd Graves, all record breakers and champions. Ralph Ormsby, a world record holder comes from Indiana. Ted Smith, champion of Michigan; Fuzzy Davidson, protege of Arthur Chevrolet; Roy Nonneman, Chicago dare devil; Joe Giunta of Iowa, the Italian "flash" and Eddie Gallivan from the Chanute flying field at Rantoul are a few of the stars Wenneston will have to defeat to win the national title.