

# CHEVROLET IS WORKING HARD ON SPEED CAR

## French Driver Has Hopes of Defeating De Palma Saturday.

Gaston Chevrolet, great French racer, on Monday afternoon joined the colony of automobile drivers who will compete in the ten, twenty and fifty mile invitation events which are to be staged on the State Fair track Saturday.

In less than two hours after his arrival in the city Gaston had on his working clothes and with Johnny Bresnahan, his mechanic of this city, he was going over his green speed car with which he hopes to carry off the honors in the races in which he will have Ralph De Palma, Jimmy Murphy, Ralph Mulford, Eddie O'Donnell, Bennett Hill and possibly Ira Vail as opponents.

### Will See Great Sport.

Chevrolet predicts that the Central New York lovers of sport will see great races. When asked whether he would be able to take Ralph De Palma into camp he shrugged his shoulders and remarked that he hoped for good luck and that he would be out there to down the famous Italian racer.

More than two days of hard work is ahead of Chevrolet and Bresnahan for upon taking the car to pieces they discovered several parts broken and a telegram had to be rushed off to Louis Chevrolet for new parts. They will probably be here Wednesday and Gaston says that he will have his machine ready to do better than 100 miles an hour by the time he takes his Monroe Special on the track.

At the same garage where Chevrolet and Bresnahan are overhauling their machine are the two Duesenberg speeders which are to be driven by Eddie O'Donnell and Jimmy Murphy, the two Californians, and the Frontenac which is to be shot around the track by Bennett Hill, one of the most promising young drivers of the country. The Duesenbergs are about ready to be put on the track as O'Donnell and Murphy have been working overtime getting their speed busses ready for the gruelling races. Hill's machine is also about ready to put on the race course and this young driver says that he will make the others step to keep ahead of him. He has the Frontenac which Gaston Chevrolet used when he broke the dirt track record at Columbus, O.

### De Palma's Car Ready.

At a W. Genesee st. garage De Palma and his three mechanics have been going over the Ballot car which De Palma is to drive and it is now nearly ready to take to the race course.

It is not likely that the speed cars will get on the State Fair track before Friday afternoon. Chevrolet, O'Donnell, Murphy and Hill are anxious to try out the course late Friday afternoon and it is likely that they will then take a fling over the course.

Besides the three auto races there will be three motorcycle events in which the best motorcycle drivers in this neck of the woods will compete. It is also likely that several of the big motorcycle factories will send some of their crack riders to compete in the events which are as follows:

Event No. 1—10-mile open, limit 30.50 cu. in. Single cylinder event. First prize \$40, second prize \$25, third prize \$15.

Event No. 2—10-mile side car, limit 61.00 cu. in. First prize \$20, second prize \$15, third prize \$10.

Event No. 3—10-mile open, limit 61.00 cu. in. Twin cylinder event. First prize \$50, second prize \$30, third prize \$20.