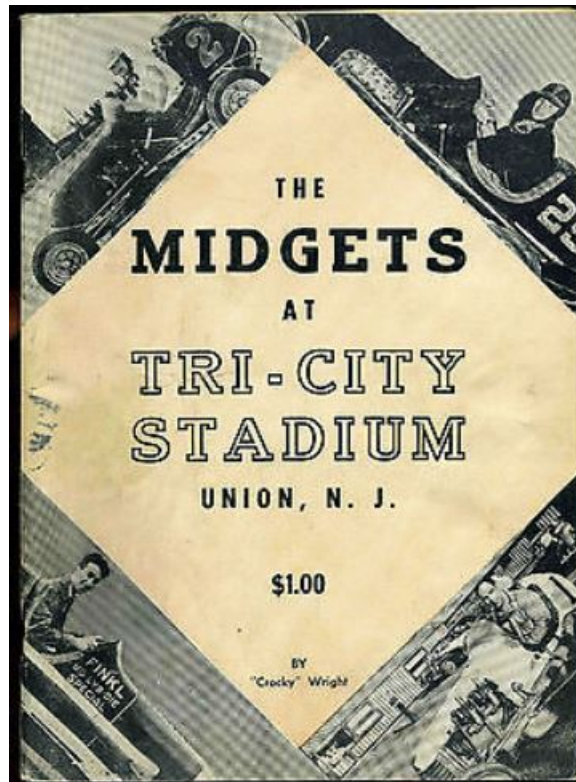


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The opening racing program at the new Tri-City Stadium at Union, N. J., will be next Wednesday at 8:30 P. M. The stadium is located at Mill Road and Union avenue on the outskirts of Newark. Many of the New Jersey riders, including Dan Carlin, Joe Tomas, William Ott and Palmer Tamburro will be among the contestants. The races will be under the auspices of the Metropolitan Motorcycle Racing Association.

7/15/1933

Auto Racer Dies After Crash.

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

UNION, N. J., June 29.—Robert (Bobby) Schweit, New York motor cycle racer, who was injured during the feature race at Tri-City Stadium Wednesday night, died of his injuries today in Irving General Hospital. Schweit suffered a punctured lung, fractured ribs and concussion of the brain when his machine skidded into the wooden fence at "dead man's curve." Schweit's home was at 409 East Ninetieth Street, New York. He is survived by his widow. 6/30/1935

Successful Promoter



6/6/1937

Andy Watts

Rapidly assuming the role of outstanding New Jersey promoter of motorized racing, Watts, former Newark professional bicycle racer, is manager of Tri-City Stadium in Union, leading motorcycle racing track in the East. Andy also manages the Stapleton motorcycle track in Staten Island and the Union Speedway auto racing track. His next meet will be this afternoon, at Union, with an A. A. A. program. Trenton fans know Watts as a referee of amateur boxing bouts.

Motor Cycle Mark to Kaufman

UNION, N. J., Aug. 25 (AP).—

Benny Kaufman of New York set a new motor cycle race record at Tri-City Stadium tonight to beat Jimmy Gibb of California and Crocky Rawding of Bloomfield in a three-lap flying start contest. Kaufman's time of 49 1-5 seconds bettered Bo Lisman's record by a second.

8/26/1937

KAUFMAN CAPTURES MOTORCYCLE TITLE

New Yorker Has Perfect Score of 20 Points in 5 Events for National Crown

10/7/1937

UNION, N. J., Oct. 6 (AP).—Benny Kaufman of New York won the national speedway motorcycle racing championship of the American Motorcycle Association tonight at Tri-City Stadium with a perfect score of 20 points in five starts. Earl Farrand of Glendale, Calif., was second with 17 points, and Crocky Rawding of Bloomfield, N. J., third with 16.

American high point scorer for 1937, despite a nine-week lay-off with a broken leg, Kaufman was pressed throughout by Farrand, who arrived from England Monday and never had raced in the East before the national meet.

Farrand entered the final heat tied with Kaufman, each having 16 points by virtue of four straight victories. Farrand had the lead in the first lap but a damaged front hub and wheel cost him the race. Kaufman meanwhile fought off Don Smith of Denison, Texas, and then moved past Farrand. Rawding, the other starter, finished second in the heat.

The final point standing:

Benny Kaufman, New York.....	20
Earl Farrand, Glendale, Calif.....	17
Crocky Rawding, Bloomfield.....	16
Don Smith, Denison, Texas.....	15
Palmer Tamburro, Cliffside, N. J.....	15
Bo Lisman, Long Beach, Calif.....	14
Pee Wee Cullem, Los Angeles.....	13
Woodie Castonguay, Springfield, Mass..	13
Field Helgason, Seattle.....	13
Walt Nazar, Hicksville, L. I.....	12
Ray Grant, Portland, Ore.....	12
Mutt Kelly, Portland, Ore.....	10
Ed Hinkle, Bell, Calif.....	9
Al Lauer, Sacramento.....	8
George Matheson, Paterson.....	8
Dutch Mueller, Pasadena, Calif.....	3

Midget Automobiles Race At Union, N. J., Tonight

Some of the leading drivers in the country are entered in a program of midget automobile races at the **Tri-City Stadium**, Union, N. J., tonight, according to Victor Brunzell, track manager.

The track, operated by Victory Enterprises, Inc., will not be used for motorcycle racing, as was announced last week, but will be continued as a speedway for midget automobiles on Thursday nights.

6/9/1938

MOTORCYCLE RACES AT UNION TRACK

The feud that long has enlivened the motorcycle racing sport, the clash of Eastern racers against Westerners, will feature the twilight Speedway Motorcycle Races at Tri-City Stadium, at Union. Races will be staged bi-weekly, each Wednesday and Sunday, until late fall.

Bronco Bo Lisman of Long Beach, California, and "Lazy Lou" Wilson of Pasadena, California, will represent the boys from the Pacific coast. Opposing them will be the No. 1 Eastern rider, Walt Nazar of Hicksville, L. I., and the veteran Palmer Tamburro of Cliffside.

6/6/1939



5/22/1940

Carter and Hanks to Drive

Duane Carter and Sam Hanks of Los Angeles will be among the starters when the midget auto racing season opens at the Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J., tonight.

Races at Union Tonight

Frankie Bailey, veteran ace from Paterson, N. J., and Babe Bower, Philadelphia star, top the list of drivers who will see action tonight in the midget auto races at the Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J. The program will be the first of the semi-weekly cards to be run at the New Jersey track this season.

5/29/1940

Bill Tucker

Critically Hurt

5/30/1940

UNION CITY, N. J.—Bill Tucker, 28-year-old midget auto racing driver from Freeport, is in a critical condition at Irvington General Hospital as a result of being pinned under his car last night at the **Tri-City Stadium**.

At the hospital, doctors said that Tucker suffered a fractured skull, brain concussion, internal injuries and shock when his car overturned just at the start of the 25-mile feature race. Tucker's machine hooked the wheels of two other cars and he couldn't escape because of being strapped in behind the wheel.

Tucker, Midget Racer, In Critical Condition

Bill Tucker, 28, of Freeport, L. I., was injured seriously last night at the start of the twenty-five-lap feature midget automobile race at **Tri-City Stadium**, Union City, N. J., when his car overturned, pinning him beneath.

At Irvington General Hospital, attendants said Tucker's condition was critical, and added he had suffered a possible skull fracture, a brain concussion, internal injuries and shock.

Tucker's machine hooked the wheels of two other cars at the start of the feature event and overturned. Tucker was strapped in the racer.

5/30/1940

DRIVER CRITICALLY HURT

Tucker Pinned Beneath Overturned Midget Auto at Union

5/30/1940

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Midget Cars Busy On Two Fronts

6/5/1940

Midget car drivers will be seen in action at the **Tri-City Stadium** in Union, N. J., every Wednesday and Sunday night this season. Time trials, preceding the races, launch each meet to qualify the drivers for their positions. First qualifying heat starts at 8:30 o'clock.

The entry list for tonight's meet includes Red Redmond, Lee Wal-lard, Bill Morrissey, Ted Hartley, Ray Nester, Wes Saegesser, Henry Banks and Frankie Bailey.

MIDGET AUTO RACES

START AT UNION

6/14/1940

When midget auto racers resume speed warfare at the Union, N. J. Tri-City Stadium in the next meet on that track Sunday night, powerful starting lineups will whirl around the speedy oval in quest of the prize money luring these daredevils into action.

Babe Bower, smiling Philadelphian; Dee Toran, West Coast star; Joe Garson, Long Island driver; Red Redmond of Atlanta, Ga.; Bill Morrissey of Newark, Lyle Dickey of Los Angeles, Harry Hart of Denver, Colorado; Frankie Bailey of Paterson, N. J., and Henry Banks of Royal Oak, Mich., will be among the speed aces in the field at Union in the next meet.

All of them will constitute formidable opposition for the many auto racing chauffeurs who will gather at the Tri-City Stadium in the speed programs scheduled for Sunday night, aiming for the heavy slice of the honors and prize money. The field gathered together by the promoters is prepared for the gruelling tests ahead on the Union track.

Toran, the Los Angeles driver who showed up to such excellent advantage in marking up a victory in the opening races of the midget car season at Union, looms as one of the leading threats in the field now pointing for these next two meets. But he will have difficult opposition to hurdle as he seeks to annex the victory in the feature 25-lap main event headlining the next meet.

Semi-weekly (Wednesday) auto races at Union will be presented throughout the season with time trials preceding the actual race events, set to start at 8:30 o'clock.

Pride and joy of Tulsa, Okla., Dee Toran, who set the most blistering pace of any driver in speed competition during the past ten days, will seek to fatten his point total tomorrow night at Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J., as he races it out with a crack field in the midget automobile meet on that fifth-of-a-mile track. 6/15/1940

Hough Tops Midget Card at Union City

One of the most successful drivers this season, Roscoe Hough of Fort Wayne, Ind., will be among the standout threats in the midget auto racing field at the Union, N. J., Tri-City Stadium, tonight.

Main event victor in early competition, Hough will be aiming for another of the twenty-five-lap feature race triumphs as he faces a strong field on the fifth-of-a-mile track.

6/19/1940

With two consecutive feature victories at **Tri-City Stadium**, Union, N. J., Lyle Dickey, hard-driving Californian, will attempt to annex a third tomorrow night. Forming the competition at this fast track are Bill Morrissey, Charley Miller, George Fonder, Jimmy Jackson, Red Redmond, Henry Banks, Harry Sheeler, Roscoe Hough, Chet Gibbons and others.

7/2/1940

Records of long standing are slated to fall by the wayside when midget auto racing stars, hailing from all parts of the U. S. throw caution to the winds in battling it out in the running of the New Jersey State AAA Championships scheduled for the **Tri-City Stadium** in Union, N. J. on Sunday night, September 8th.

With the Tri-City strip being recently revamped with long straightaways, greater speed than ever before will be attained by such noted doodlebug pilots as Lyle Dickey, Johnny Ritter, Rex Records, Red Redmond, Charlie Miller, Louie Foy and other notables of small car ranks as they wheel their "buzz wagons" around the newly surfaced oval.

On Wednesday night, September 11th, at the Union Speedway, Union, N. J., one of the greatest aggregations of nationally known big car auto racing daredevils ever to assemble at one meet, will roll their bullet nosed racers to the starting line, with the running of the fifth annual Interstate AAA Championship program of speed events. This titular card of thrills that yearly attracts the "Whose Who" of the racing world, will see the ace kingpins of the raceways on hand seeking the coveted crown and the juicy prize money that goes with the annexing of the night's feature grind of 50 laps.

Among the early entrants who will roar away when the "go" flag is dropped sending the field on their way in quest of the card's cash and glory are: Everett Saylor, of Dayton, Ohio; Tony Willman of Milwaukee, and Tommy Hinerschitz of Laureldale, Pa. The dynamic Dayton lead-foot has been going great guns over the mid-West tracks of late and close followers of the speed sport look for Saylor to blast his way to another victory in snagging the Interstate title race.

8/20/1940

TITLE AT STAKE ON MIDGET TRACK

Jersey Crown to Be Decided at Tri-City Stadium.

9/7/1940

With the New Jersey state championship to be run tomorrow night at Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J., plus tonight's series of midget sprints at the Cedarhurst Speedway, midget auto racing fans are sure to witness plenty of excitement as a hundred or more daredevils vie for honors and prize money. Races at both of these Doodlebug strips begin at 8:30.

The card of midget races tonight at Cedarhurst, L. I., Speedway will feature the hot fight for seasonal point leadership between Bill Schindler, Ted Tappett and Ernie Gesell. Tappett looms as the favorite to win the thirty-lap feature event. Many other noted midgeteers will compete, including Wes Saegesser, Mike Josephs, Len Duncan, Bill Holmes and George Rice.

Charlie Miller, present leader in the Eastern A. A. A. point standing, is looked upon by the majority of fans to take the fifty-lap title event tomorrow night at Tri-City. Entering the championship program at this track, Miller will have to be at his best because to date such noted raceway jockeys as Red Redmond, Johnny Ritter, Lyle Dickey, Henry Banks, Joe Garson, Lou Foy, George Fonder and a host of others will take a crack at this long grind.

Injured in Midget Car Race.

Johnny Jars of Philadelphia received a broken shoulder and several cracked ribs yesterday when his car locked wheels with one driven by Hal Burdette of Newark on the fourth lap of a qualifying heat for midget automobiles at Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J. The cars went through the fence and Jars's turned over. Both drivers were taken to Irvington General Hospital. Burdette was only shaken up but remained for observation.

9/23/1940

Three Midget Meets for Metropolitan Tracks

Local midget speedways offer three Doodlebug meets to fans this week end. This afternoon the American Race Drivers Club will present a championship card of events at the Mineola Fair Grounds on the half-mile track. Tonight the boys run on the smaller strip at Cedarhurst.

9/28/1940

Afternoon racing starts at 2 P. M. Tomorrow evening Red Redmond defends his slight point leadership against Charlie Miller at the **Tri-City Stadium** in Union, N. J.

Outdoor Midget Races Begin in New Jersey

Charlie Miller, 1940 National A. A. A. champion midget race driver, will compete in the season's first outdoor doodlebug meet at the **Tri-City Stadium** in Union, N. J., tonight under the floodlights.

Three-A stars scheduled to drive on the Jersey strip are Bill Morrissey, Johnny Ritter, Frankie Bailey, Tony Willman, Lee Wal-lard, Red Redmond and many others. The first race gets underway at 8:30.

5/1/1941

Breslin Wins Auto Race

UNION, N. J., May 1 (AP)—Charles Breslin of Philadelphia won the twenty-five-lap feature race tonight at the opening of the midget auto racing season in Tri-City Stadium. Breslin was clocked in 6:10, followed by Art Cross, New Haven.

5/2/1941

Breaks Stadium Speed Mark

UNION, N. J., May 9 (AP).—George Fonder, Philadelphia, broke

the **Tri-City Stadium** record as he drove his midget car to victory in the 25-lap feature race Thursday night in 5:47.32.

5/9/1941

Fonder Wins Twice In Midget Races

Union, N. J., May 9.—George Fonder, Philadelphia scored his second consecutive victory at Tri-city Stadium last night when he won the 25-lap main event of the semi-weekly midget automobile race meet here.

Fonder who captured the feature race at Tri-city last Sunday night was in brilliant form and followed his semi-final win with first place in the main event. Charley Miller, Linden, N. J. finished behind him with Johnny Ritter, Detroit third. 5/9/1941

Fonder Sets Two Marks On Union Midget Track

George Fonder of Philadelphia broke two of his own records as he won the feature twenty-five-lap midget automobile race at the **Tri-City Stadium** in Union, N. J., last night. His time of 5:42.92 in the final lowered his previous track mark of 5:47.32.

In the second semi-final he posted a new record for fifteen laps, lowering his time from 3:27.65 to 3:24.78.

5/16/1941

Fonder Annexes Auto Race

UNION, N. J., May 15 (AP)—

George Fonder, Philadelphia, pounded home the winner tonight in the twenty-five-lap feature race for midget cars at Tri-City Stadium. His time was 5:42.93. Red Redmond, Paterson, was second; John Ritter, Detroit, third, and John Jars, Philadelphia, fourth. 5/16/1941

RECORDS TOPPLE AT MIDGET AUTO TRACK

5/23/1941

Those limbs of the law with a penchant for stopping drivers in haste and writing out those tickets for exceeding the speed limit, would have a field day at the **Tri-City Stadium** in Union. Because, records at that track have been smashed with regularity since the start of the midget auto racing season.

In the first meet of the new campaign, Charley Breslin set a new mark for the 25-lap main-event distance. Next time out, there were two marks posted when Johnny Ritter blazed around 12 laps in record time and two races later, George Fonder went the Detroit star one better by lowering his time. And in the third show, Fonder did it again, this time bettering Breslin's opening-meet performance.

The fourth meet spelled the assault on the records but next time out, the red-hot Mr. Fonder renewed the attack. He improved on the two marks he had previously set in winning the 15-lap semi-final and the feature-event distance of 25 laps.

The records will be in further jeopardy in the next two meets at the **Tri-City Stadium** Sunday and Thursday night when the midget car chauffeurs gather for another of the semi-weekly meets scheduled at Union by Promoter Albert Santo. All of them are anxious to join in the assault on time and with the surface slick and fast, additional marks are expected to topple.

Midget Race Won By Johnny Ritter

UNION, N. J., (AP)—Johnny Ritter of Detroit won a 25-lap feature race for midget automobiles last night at **Tri-City Stadium**, driving the distance in 5:47.23.

Art Gassel of Philadelphia and Joe Garson of Great Neck, N. Y., finished second and third, respectively.

Lee Wallard of Schenectady, N. Y., received a fractured hip in a crackup on the first lap of a semi-final heat. He was taken to Irvington General Hospital.

5/26/1941

Crackup Mars Union Midget Races

Union, N. J., May 26 (A. P.).—Johnny Ritter of Detroit won the 25-lap feature race for midget automobiles last night at Tri-city Stadium, driving the distance in 5:47.23.

Art Gessel of Philadelphia and Joe Garson of Great Neck, N. Y., finished second and third, respectively.

Lee Wallard of Schenectady, N. Y., received a fractured hip in a crackup on the first lap of a semi-final heat.

5/26/1941

Ritter Captures Midget Auto Race

Unlon, N. J. ^{5/26/1941} (71) — Johnny Ritter of Detroit won a 25-lap feature race for Midget automobiles last night at **Tri-City Stadium**, driving the distance in 5:47.23.

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Wallard Injured In Auto Smashup

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Art Gassel of Philadelphia and Joe Garson of Great Neck, finished second and third respectively.

Lee Wallard of Schenectady received a fractured hip in a crack-up on the first lap of a semi-final heat. He was taken to Irvington General Hospital. 5/26/1941

Fonder First in Auto Race

UNION, N. J., May 29 (AP)—

George Fonder, Philadelphia, won the twenty-five-lap feature midget car race at Tri-City Stadium tonight. His time was 5:29.7. Dee Toran, Mexico City, was second; Dave Randolph, Freeport, N. Y., third, and Rex Records, Philadelphia, fourth.

5/30/1941

Gossip Heard in Gasoline Alley

The Doodlebug meet at Tri-City last Sunday looked more like a thrill show than one of racing show. There were five accidents and four pilots flipped. Eddie Wendt's car turned end-over-end three times, but he escaped injury. In one of the mishaps, Lee Wallard suffered a fractured hip which will probably keep him on the inactive list for the remainder of the season. . . . 100-mile big car championship is on tap for Langhorne Sunday, June 15. . . . Frankie Bailey has contracted to drive Red Crise's new Offy. . . . Bill Holmes has scored two out of three features at the Cedarhurst strip.

One of the trickiest tracks in the East is the Danbury Speedway. A driver's ability and a car's maneuverability are far more important than speed, consequently the fast Offys do not always lord it over the Fords and cycle jobs. . . . The Freeport Stadium will open Tuesday eve-

ning, June 10, and run semi-weekly each Tuesday and Friday. Jack Kochman is to be the race director. . . . The Three-A-Drivers' school has been resumed on a weekly basis. Every Sunday afternoon the speed students go through their paces at the Tri-City Stadium. . . . Buffalo, N. Y., opened this last Thursday and the Hershey (Pa.) strip yesterday. In past years both of these tracks have drawn close to 15,000 fans per night. . . . Chet Gibbons will be back in action shortly.

Cowboy O'Rourke is recovering from serious injuries sustained at Thawville, Ill., when his Miller rolled over rounding a turn. O'Rourke's foot was trapped in such a manner that it took mechanics fifteen minutes to extract it. . . . Duane Carter, Sam Hanks and Mel Hansen are expected to ride the local A. A. A. circuit now that Indianapolis is over. . . . When Harry Sheeler was burned recently at Castle Hill the first thing he said was, "Oh, doctor, has any one got a shot?" 5/31/1941 E. N. H.

Fonder's Midget Auto First

UNION, N. J., June 1 (AP)—Joe Fonder of Philadelphia won the feature 25-lap race for midget automobiles in 5:45.74 tonight at Tri-City Stadium. Finishing next in order were Joe Garson of Great Neck, L. I.; Johnny Ritter of Detroit and Dave Randolph of Freeport, L. I. The New Jersey 100-lap championship, originally carded for tonight, was postponed until next Sunday because of the threatening weather.

6/2/1941

Midget Car Championship Race —

POSTPONED because of threatening weather, the 100-lap New Jersey State Midget Car Championship will be run this Sunday night over the quarter-mile track at **Tri-City Stadium**, Union. The event, greatest big or small car race in the metropolitan area so far this season, was to have been conducted last Sunday at Tri-City.

Sunday's race will be the second annual presentation of the classic. The Title was snared in 1940 by Charlie Miller, of Linden. The championship feature will be preceded by two 20-lap qualifying heats, and one 15-lap consolation. The first race will start at 8 P. M.

The regular races at Tri-City will only be presented on Sunday nights. The regular Thursday night racing card will be discontinued until further notice.

6/6/1941

SANTO IS APPOINTED AUTO RACE DIRECTOR

Will Manage Midget Auto Racing
At Freeport Municipal

6/7/1941 Stadium

Midget auto racing will return Tuesday night, June 10 when the season will open at the Freeport stadium, one of the East's outstanding speed centers. Sanctioned by the American Automobile association, the meets will be presented every Tuesday and Friday night under the lights.

Nine races will feature the opening meet, topped by the 25-lap main event. The racing will be presented under the reversed-start system which places the fastest cars in the rear of the starting lineups. Meets will get under way at 8:30 o'clock.

Promoter Jack Kochman has appointed Albert Santo general manager of the midget car series at the Freeport stadium. A veteran figure in race ranks, Mr. Santo also serves in a similar capacity at the Tri-City stadium in Union, N. J., and Long Island fans remember him for his successful operation of the Cross Bay Speedway, the track which fell casualty to the building of a New York state highway.

Over 40 cars will appear in the opening meet.

Midget Auto Pilots 6/14/1941 Seek Change of Luck

Dave Randolph and George Fonder will be seeking a change of luck tomorrow night when they compete in another in a series of weekly midget auto racing programs at Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J.

Randolph and Fonder took turns at occupying second place in last week's 100-lap championship, but both were forced out of the race by motor trouble.

Midgets Resume Sunday

At **Tri-City Stadium** 7/9/1941

UNION TOWNSHIP, N. J.—The greatest gathering of midget auto pilots on the American Automobile Association's Eastern Circuit hope to return to the racing wars again Sunday night at the fast **Tri-City Stadium** track here after two weeks of forced idleness.

The last two meets at **Tri-City**, in addition to nearly all other midget programs on the Eastern circle, had to be cancelled because of heavy rainstorms.

Midget Drivers to Race At Union Track

UNION, N. J., July 28.—The midget cars will roll again in a mid-week program when a seven event card is staged on the semi-banked asphalt Tri-City Stadium track here Wednesday night.

The card will consist of three qualifying events at 12 laps, a pair of 15-lap semi-finals, and a 15-lap consolation, these preceding the final event of 25 laps,

7/29/1941

100-LAP RACE 7/31/1941

AT UNION TRACK

With the east's leading mid-get drivers ready, General Manager Albert Santo has booked the classic of Tri-City Stadium when more than thirty throttle pushers get in to race for gold and glory in the second annual 100-lap Eastern States championship on the semi-banked asphalt track Sunday night. This is strictly AAA competition.

The majority of the boys who roar around the saucer at breakneck speed are well primed with the semi-weekly cards being presented on Wednesday and Sunday night. The

Tri-City track got back into full swing when it resumed mid-week racing a week ago.

Chasing after fame and fortune are the following drivers, just a short list: Johnnie Ritter, Charles Willer, George Fonder, Bullet Joe Garson, Dave Randolph, Harry (Three Wheeler, Scheeler, Red Redmond, Charles Breslin, Johnny Jars, Baby Face Pierson and Johnny (Hot Shot) Peterson.

George Fonder Is Top Driver

8/1/1941

UNION CITY, N. J.—General Manager Albert Santo is busy arranging things for the running of the second annual Eastern States championship race, over the 100-lap route, on the semi-banked asphalt track at Tri-City Stadium, Sunday night.

Santo reports that there will be many more drivers than on regular meets as he has applications from drivers throughout the East in his safe for the last couple of weeks. The top man in the midget auto industry will be seen in action Sunday.

The latest point standing of the top 10 men as released by the Three A officials is: George Fonder, 2,421. Charley Miller, 2,293, Dave Randolph 1,698, Johnny Ritter 1,666½, Joe Garson 1,577½, Charles Breslin, 1,504, John Peterson 1,363½, Johnny Pierson 1,359½, Johnny Jars 1,359½.

Ritter Wins Midget Auto Race.

Johnnie Ritter of Detroit won the 25-lap midget auto feature at Tri-City Stadium in Union, N. J., last night. He beat out Johnnie Peterson of Great Neck and Dee Toran of Los Angeles. George Fonder of Philadelphia and Joe Garson of Port Washington, N. Y., crossed the tape in a dead heat for fourth place. . 8/7/1941

Christopher Leads Midget Racers

UNION, N. J., Aug. 10 (AP)—

Lloyd Christopher of Miami, Fla., paced the field in the twenty-five-lap feature midget auto race at Tri-City Stadium tonight, winning in 5:47.85.

8/11/1941

Union, N. J., Aug. 25 (A. P.).--
Red Redmond chalked up his
first feature midget auto triumph
at the **Tri-City Stadium** last night
when he won the twenty-five-lap
contest by a quarter of a lap.
Lee Wallard of Schenectady, N.
Y., was second and Charley Bres-
lin of Philadelphia, third.

8/16/1941

MIDGET RACERS

CONTINUE SPEED

8/21/1941

Muffled or unmuffled the midget race drivers continue to attain terrific speed in the semi-weekly programs at Tri-City Stadium in Union.

When Union Township officials passed an ordinance whereby the cars must put on mufflers to lessen the noise from the roaring motors it was feared that slower times would be the result. For a time the thought of the fans seemed justified, but a glance at the times in recent competition shows that with each week the driver's speed is picked up and it won't be long before a new record may be established.

Two Midget Courses Schedule Race Meets

Scoring his first feature event victory of this season at Cedarhurst Speedway, Wednesday, Bill Schindler, popular midget-car ace, will be out seeking a repeat victory in tonight's card of midget automobile races at this quarter-mile speedway.

8/26/1941

Lloyd Christopher and Johnny Pierson, who have been burning up the tracks in Eastern competition in recent weeks, will be on hand at **Tri City Stadium**, Union, N. J., tomorrow night

Fonder Wins Midget Race.

George Fonder of Philadelphia won the twenty-five lap feature midget automobile race at the Tri-city Stadium in Union, N. J., last night. Behind him were Charley Miller of Linden, N. J., Johnny Jars of New York, Red Redmond of Paterson and Dave Randolph of Freeport, N. Y.

8/28/1941

AUTO DRIVERS ARE SURE THEY'LL RACE

Don't Expect to Be Stopped by Gas Shortage.

8/30/1941

EDWIN N. HOMER.

Since the curfew on gasoline went into effect members of the auto racing fraternity have wondered if the gasoline sport would be curtailed in any way.

Speculation was intensified this week when a reliable source in Washington reported that automobile racing was on Secretary Ickes's list of items which will be hit by the drive to conserve fuel. Then on Tuesday Thomas P. Henry, president of the A. A. A., demanded a congressional investigation to determine whether a gasoline shortage really exists on the Eastern seaboard.

So Gasoline Alley has a deep concern about the fuel needed for roaring racers.

Regardless of all the rumors, predictions and conjecture, veteran observers in the Alley contend that the possibility of racing being banned is slim and that even a cut in gasoline deliveries to filling stations will have no visible effect on the attendance at tracks.

Dave Randolph is back from his jaunt through the Middle West and, according to him, it was most successful. His driving earned him an offer to pilot a big car in the 200-miler at Dayton, Ohio, a week from tomorrow, but he turned it down in preference to the 150-lap National A. A. A. midget race at **Tri-City Stadium** in Union, N. J., August 7.

Henry Banks continues his record-shattering pace on the A. R. D. C. circuit. Appended are the point standings of the top six pilots on the entire A. R. D. C. circuit, plus the leaders at three local tracks.

A. R. D. C. Circuit	Danbury Speedway
Henry Banks.....3358	Len Duncan..... 561
Ted Tappett.....2757	Ted Tappett..... 513
Mike Joseph.....2743	Mike Joseph..... 507
Len Duncan.....2631	George Rice..... 397
Ernie Gessell.....2595	Bill Schindler..... 376
Bill Schindler.....2017	Bill Holmes..... 301
Castle Hill Sp'dway	Cedarhurst Speedw'y
Henry Banks..... 576	Henry Banks.....1155
Bill Morrissey.....575	Ted Tappett..... 849
Dutch Schaeffer.....469	Len Duncan..... 805
Ray Nester..... 438	Ernie Gessell..... 704
Johnny Swier..... 409	Bill Schindler..... 675
Rex Records..... 291	Johnny Swier..... 673

Garson Moves To New Jersey

9/3/1941

UNION, N. J.—Union Township has a new citizen who is prominent in the midget auto racing field. His name—Joe Garson, formerly of Great Neck, L. I. Joe put his furniture on a truck a week ago and moved over to Union to be close to the Tri-City Stadium.

Bullet Joe, as he is commonly known among the midgeteers, has been a twice-a-week competitor in the midget machine derbies at Tri-City for the last couple of years. He has been operating as a driver in auto racing competition since 1934 and only through a miraculous piece of surgery is he able to continue.

Back in 1935, Bullet Joe's steering shaft parted and through the fence he went. The next thing he knew he had come through a successful operation. Doctors were busy removing the pieces of timber and morsels of metal that lodged into his body. The steering wheel shattered.

The physicians weren't able to clear Bullet Joe's system and pieces of metal still lie in between his ribs, too delicate to operate the medicos have said and as long as Joe feels alright, "let them stay there" seems to be the midget star's opinion.

Last year he brought home the national midget championship on a half mile track over the 200-lap route. This year he has eyes on winning the 150-lap national title run on a quarter of a lap track, which is Tri-City Stadium. "From dead man to national champ in five years," is what they say about Garson around the auto industry.

He Takes Orders From the Wife and Likes It!

9/4/1941



Mrs. Leo McAndrews of Allentown, Pa., tells her husband to "go out and get the mob." McAndrews, better known as "Shorty" to the midget auto racing fraternity, is preparing for the most important races of the year, the national 150-lap championship at **Tri-City Stadium**, Union, N. J., on Sunday and the 100-lap championship at Freeport Stadium on Tuesday night.

Miller First in Midget Auto

UNION, N. J., Sept. 3 (AP)—

Charlie Miller of Linden won the twenty-five-lap feature midget automobile race at Tri-City Stadium tonight in 5:55.38, roaring home half a lap ahead of Hawley Kight of Philadelphia. 9/4/1941

The American Racing Drivers club will conduct their second national championship within a month here on Saturday night when the boys compete for the quarter mile title at the Cedarhurst speedway . . . drivers from both the ARDC and the AAA are more than mildly interested in the plan for an Open championship at the end of the season. The event would be conducted by the drivers and not under the supervision of any promoter . . . Joe Garson, long a favorite with North Shore midget auto racing fans is now a resident of Union City, N. J., and lives not far from the Tri-City stadium where oddly enough he accounted for most of his triumphs this year. 9/8/1941

Tri-City Speedway to Open Only on Sundays

UNION, N. J.—The midget automobile racers will go back on a once-a-week schedule with the next card slated for Sunday night on the semi-banked asphalt track at **Tri-City Stadium** here. That announcement was made yesterday by General Manager Albert Sante. Heretofore, the midgeteers had been operating on Wednesday and Sunday nights.

9/10/1941

200-Lap Midget Race Set for Tri-City

The longest midget auto race ever attempted on a small track anywhere in the United States, a 200-lap marathan, was given the Three A's official blessing today and the event will climax the Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J. season on Sunday night, Oct. 5.

The event will be titled the National Grand Prix and Manager Al Santo expects that drivers from all over the country will be on hand. Santo made a special trip to Washington a week ago and not until last night was the sanction in his hands in letter form from Ted Allen, secretary of the AAA contest board.

9/18/1941

SEVEN EVENTS AT UNION OVAL

This Sunday night

Sanction for the running of the 200-lap U. S. Grand Prize race on October 5 expected momentarily, Manager Albert Santo will continue his weekly run of midget auto race programs on the **Tri-City Stadium** saucer at Union this coming

Sunday night with a seven event program.

Such noted stars as: Bullet Joe Garson, new national small track champion; Johnny Ritter, George Fonder, Charley Miller, Johnny Pierson, Johnny Peterson, Harry Sheeler, Lloyd Christopher, Johnny Jars, Pete McAndrews, Lee Wallard, Eddy Wendt, and Dave Randolph will be amid the starters. 9/18/1941

Pierson Wins Auto Race

UNION, N. J., Sept. 21 (AP)—
John Pierson of Wilmington, Del.,
won the five-mile midget automomo-
bile feature at Tri-City Stadium
tonight.

9/22/1941

Tri-City Midget Season Ends Sunday Night

Albert Santo, general manager of the Tri-City Stadium, Union, N. J., having made trips to Cleveland, Chicago and Pittsburgh for drivers to compete in his 200-lap U. S. Grand Prix Classic midget auto race at his saucer Sunday night, left for New England States today to sign some of the talent in that area.

The Tri-City Stadium season will come to a close with the double-century run.

10/2/1941

Union Speedway Cards

Season's Final Tonight

10/5/1941

A successful midget auto racing season will come to a close at Tri-City Stadium, Union, tonight, with the staging of a 200-lap race, titled the U. S. Grand Prix classic.

Minus tonight's crowd, the attendance mark for the Union season already has passed 200,000. That takes in 29 meets that have been run for an average of 7,000 fans per meet. This also has made for the biggest prize monies paid out for a saucer operating weekly and also is the reason for General Manager Albert Santo being granted sanctions to run big races. This year he staged a couple of 100-lap events, more recently the 150-lap national midget championship and tonight the double-century grind.

Of course, Joe Garson, a resident of Union, winner of the national midget crown, will be in the starting lineup. He is currently engaged in a battle with Johnny Ritter, of Detroit, for the track point championship. Garson, with 1,120, is 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ points behind Ritter. If Garson is able to come through tonight, he will score a double triumph.

Two 20-lap semi-finals and a 20-lap consolation will precede the 200-lap feature. This means that a driver must compete at least 220 laps and possibly 240, in order to finish the big race. Eight cars will qualify from each of the semi-finals, and four from the consolation. If a driver qualifies in the semi, he'll only have to drive 220 laps to finish. If he finishes out of the running in the semi, he'll be allowed to try for a position in the consolation race.