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COVER: For Darrell Waltrip, the first half of the '85 Winston Cup season was lackluster. Yes, he managed a third-place finish at Daytona, a track that hadn't been kind to him in recent years. And yes, he was among the point leaders. But he had yet to win a race, and like most other drivers, he felt as if he were only competing for second place behind Bill Elliott—until Charlotte, that is. With back-to-back wins in The Winston and the Coca-Cola World 600, Waltrip's spirits came alive, as captured by Jimmy Morrison as Darrell motored toward victory lane. Equally dominant was Danny Sullivan in taking the Indy 500 after a near-disastrous spin in turn one. Gray Baskerville froze Sullivan in motion for our cover.

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