

# WALT FAULKNER'S DEATH, TWO INJURIES OUT ENTRY LIST FOR GARDENA STOCK GO

A big field of name drivers led by three of the first six winners of last year's "500" as a pair of former Indianapolis winners will take part in today night's 180-lap USA model stock car race at Gardena Stadium.

Walt Faulkner scratched three entries from Saturday's Gardena model stock races when Walt Kuhnler, Indianapolis vet, was injured and Bill Homeier and George Amick, both injured in accidents here, and at Vallejo over the week end.

Faulkner, who finished fifth in last year's "500," died in a crash shortly after the start of the race while qualifying for a stock race at Vallejo and rolled over on him. He was strapped to the car but apparently fell partially outside. The Long Beach veteran was 35.

Amick was injured in the Vallejo race. He suffered a fractured wrist when his car rolled over, while Homeier, who appeared in his first Indianapolis race in 1955, received cuts and a broken arm when his midge auto flipped during J. C. Agajanian's 100-lap feature Saturday night at Gardena.

The final race before the Indianapolis drivers leave for the Speedway and their chance to drive down Victory Lane has drawn a top field that includes Tony Bettenhausen, who finished second in last year's "500," Jimmy Davies (third), and An-

dy Linden (6th). Also set for 133-laps of racing at the 134th and Western oval are Johnnie Parsons and Troy Ruttman, who captured the Memorial Day classics in 1950 and 1952 respectively.

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## BLUEBIRDS WIN; FACE MYSTERY 9

The Torrance Bluebirds opened the 1956 season in a winning way last Sunday at Torrance Park with a 6-5 victory over the Los Angeles White Sox. Left fielder Larry Roy's home run in the fifth inning proved to be the Bluebirds winning margin.

Three runs in the third inning gave pitcher Charlie Camou the edge he needed for the win although LA worked up a short-lived rally in the seventh.

Roy's homer topped a pair of doubles in the earlier innings, giving him the team batting lead with 3 hits in 4 at bats. Vic Ordez aided the local cause with 2 hits in 5 times at the plate.

Next outing for the Torrance club will be against the Los Angeles Mystery 9 in Torrance Park, Sunday at 2 p.m.

Torrance (6)

|               | A  | B | R | H | E |
|---------------|----|---|---|---|---|
| Kuhn, cf      | 2  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Nady, 1b      | 5  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Ordez, ss, 3b | 5  | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Cater, rf     | 2  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Johnson, cf   | 2  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Roy, lf       | 4  | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Murphy, 3b    | 3  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Crawford, ss  | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Strong, 2b    | 4  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Urbie, c      | 3  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Camou, p      | 2  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vanderpool, p | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|               | 34 | 6 | 9 | 0 | 0 |

Los Angeles (5)

|               | A  | B | R | H | E |
|---------------|----|---|---|---|---|
| Jipson, cf    | 4  | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Lane, 2b      | 0  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Wilson, 2b    | 3  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Brook, 3b     | 4  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Tanner, 1b    | 4  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Williams, rf  | 2  | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Black, p      | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Ramney, p, rf | 4  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Jones, lf     | 2  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jankins, lf   | 2  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Caldwell, c   | 2  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Dickson, c    | 2  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Small, ss     | 2  | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|               | 32 | 5 | 8 | 4 | 0 |

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Black, Ramney and Caldwell.  
Dickson, Camou, Vanderpool and Urbie. WP: Camou; LP: Ramney.

## Lindell Talks To Rotarians

Seven-Up's meandering minstrel of good will, former major and Coast League great John Lindell, will address members of the Torrance Rotary Club tonight at 6:30 p.m. in the Torrance Women's Clubhouse.

Lindell will talk on baseball for youngsters, specifically the Little League program for boys. Lindell was signed by the New York Yankees off the SC campus and spent nearly 10 years with the Yanks as pitcher and outfielder.

Qualifying will start at 7, while the trophy dash, the first race on the card, goes at 8:30 o'clock.

## NEW GULBRANSEN SPINET PIANOS

A surprise entry driving all the way out from his home in Bloomington, Ill., is Lee Snow, who was runner-up last year for the National stock car title.

Also going are Dempsey Wilson, who won a 200-lapper this season at Gardena, Clyde Palmer, who also won a 200-lapper at the 134th and Western smoke path, Bill Stammer, Tiger Nick Valenta, Scotty Cain, Fred Steinbroner, Danny Hawk, Ken Seibel, Al Kelly, Jim Preston and Jim Lamport among others.

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Besides the 24 car main event, the program will consist of three 10-lap heat races and a 3-lap trophy dash for the four fastest qualifiers. All starts but the feature, will be inverted with the fastest cars in the rear.

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Final swim meet scores are as follows: Long Beach CC, 104; Santa Monica, 80; El Camino, 42; Bakersfield College, 19; Los Angeles Valley JC, 0.

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