

# Midland Rubber Cops Annual Herald Trophy

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## American Legion Takes Slo-Pitch Honors by Beating Midland Twice

The American Legion Slo-Pitch softball champs subdued the Blue Streak winners, Midland Rubber, in two straight games Thursday and Friday nights at Torrance Park by scores of 11-2 and 5-4 to take the overall slo-pitch softball championship for 1953.

### Tony's British Car Rambblings



Tony Rowe

The tuning of a sports car to many is the prime interest in owning one. Some happy owners spend their week-ends in their garage or yard fiddling with points, tappets and carburetion. To these people, the essential part of being a sports car owner is to be able to do their own tuning.

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Thursday night Legion twirler Gordon Arnold held Midland to five scattered hits while his teammates were garnering 14 off Midlander John Beggary. Bob Ernst, the first man up for the Legion in the first, started the ball sailing with a triple to right. He was followed by hits by Rolfe Grover, Arvol Smith, Bill Johns, and Dewey Goodman, scoring four runs.

Big Bruno Giacomi gave Midland trouble all night, blasting a home run in the third with none on, and a single in the seventh with Grover and M. Bradley on the pads. Friday night the Legion wouldn't even pitch to Giacomi, after their terrible experience the night before—they walked him purposely each time he was up—a total of three times.

Perhaps the strategy "Walk Giacomi" paid off at that for Midland, since the game Friday night was a much closer one. The teams took turns scoring solo runs until the fourth, when the Legion exploded for three tallies on three hits, a walk and an error.

Bob O'Caïn started it with a single to left and was followed by a double by Danny Maine. PITCHER Gordon Arnold then proceeded to step up and clean the sacks with a sharp single to center and he scored later on a fielder's choice.

Midland almost succeeded in catching the Legion boys in the last frame, when Bill Farrish got on base on an error and John Hart rapped a triple, scoring Farrish, and then Hart scored himself on a fly to left to make the score 5-4.



THE SPOILS . . . Herald City Editor Reid Bundy hands the Herald Perpetual trophy to Carl Mimms, manager of the champion Midland Rubber team, after Friday night's game, won by Midland 15-9. Midland will keep the trophy for a year, unless they win it again next season.

## Take Home Loan In 2 Straight Games 4-0, 15-9

Midland Rubber's Class "A" champs toyed with Home Loan Realty, "B" winners, in two softball games Thursday and Friday nights at Torrance Park to win the Herald Perpetual trophy for the best softball team in these parts.

The scores were 4-0 Thursday, and 15-9 Friday, in favor, of course, of Midland Rubber.

Herald City Editor Reid Bundy presented the perpetual trophy to Midland Manager Carl Mimms following Friday's game.

It was the second time that a team from Midland had won the trophy. Goodyear Rubber, now Midland, copped it in 1948.

The city playoff started off with a good game on Thursday, but deteriorated into a farce by Friday night.

In the first game of the series Midland used three pitchers to subdue the Home Loan boys. Veteran Sam Suseri started on the hill, was relieved by Charlie Camou in the fourth, and Camou deferred to Dick Guy in the sixth.

Even though the Realtors managed to push only two hits, singles by Ralph George and Larry Roy, they kept the game close up to the end. Midland did not score off Home Loan pitcher Al Ferra until the fourth, when they picked up three runs on two hits, two walks, and two errors.

Ferra was working on a no-hitter until Jerry Jackson blooped a lazy single to center in the fourth to break it up. He was sent to third on an almost identical loop to left by Dick Guy, then scored on a passed ball. Guy going to third.

Ferra then walked Vic Ordaz, who proceeded to steel second and catcher Chuck Striesel, in an attempt to catch him, hustled the ball into center field and both runners scored.

In the sixth, Ordaz bashed a double to right and scored on two passed balls, ending the scoring for the night.

The Friday night game could be called one-sided. Midland scored 12 runs in the first two innings on four hits, the big one being a grand slam round tripper by right fielder Coy Black, who stepped up with the bases full in the first and laced a homer down the right field line.

After that, it was only a matter of time. In the second inning Vic Ordaz led off for the second time with a single. Ron



THE CHAMPS . . . The city champion Midland Rubber softball team, shown following the deciding game of a three-game series between them and the Class "B" champs Home Loan Realty. In the front row, left to right, they are Coy Black, Ray Armenta, bat boy Jimmy Whitmire, holding Herald trophy; Ron Rowlin, Vic Ordaz, and Jerry Jackson. Standing, second row, umpire Roy Kulp, Charlie Camou, Earl Nelson, Hank Camou, Dick Guy, Jerry Jacobson, manager Carl Mimms, and umpire Freddie Montgomery.

## Standings

JUNIOR SOFTBALL		W	L
Chamber of Commerce	Monday, Aug. 17, 1953	0	0
Perry Braves	.....	4	4
Optimist Juniors	.....	4	4
Pueblo Astros	.....	3	4
Walteria Methodists	.....	1	6

## Crowley Lake Hosts Record Season Crowd

Crowley Lake, the famous lair of the "tackle-busters" in the Eastern High Sierras, was host to a record-breaking total of 27,126 anglers and 4622 other visitors during its 1953 season, which began on May 2 and ended July 31, it was announced this week by the Los Angeles City Recreation and Park Department.

According to a report submitted to the Recreation and Park Department by George Marks, who manages the "home of the big trout," Crowley's 1953 Isak Walton attendance figure exceeded that for 1952 by 2389.

Indicating the effectiveness of the California State Division of Fish and Game's Crowley Lake planting program, Marks' report states that the average weight of the 60,000 to 70,000 trout taken during the huge reservoir's 1953 season was approximately one and three-fourths pounds, which means that 65 tons of fighting Loch Leven, Rainbow and Black Spotted Tahoe were boated.

Possessor of Crowley's 1953 "big fish" crown is Mrs. Gladys Walker, 2253 El Sol Street, Alhambra, who hauled in an 18-pound, 6-ounce, 32 1/2-inch Loch Leven while trolling on July 8.

El Monte angler Burke Vinke-mulder's 19-pound 5-ounce Loch, caught in June, 1950, remains the all-time record-holder.

## Hamilton Hurls Harvey to First Place League Tie

Behind the sterling one-hit pitching of Teddy Hamilton, the Harveys topped the Lomita Lassies 3-0 Tuesday night at Walteria to leap into a tie for first place in Girls Softball standings.

It was the Harvey team's last chance to grab honors and they took advantage of it to hand the Lassies their first defeat of the season. The two girls' teams held a playoff game yesterday afternoon at Walteria for the championship—too late for the Herald deadline.

Today at Walteria an All-Star squad composed of two members from each of the runner-up teams will play the winner of yesterday's playoff to close the '53 girls' season. A watermelon feed for all teams in the league

will be held at 1 p.m. and the game should get under way by 2 p.m.

Members of the All-Star squad already chosen include Martha Williams and Mary Lou Sasa, from the MGs; Marilyn Edwards and Janice Desmond, Rookies; and Carol Gooler and Joyce Bryant, Walteria. Two girls from Enterprise will be chosen later and two girls from yesterday's losers will also engage in the tilt.

Dorothy Searles spoiled Teddy Hamilton's no-hitter Tuesday with a single in the fifth and last frame. The Harvey chucker whiffed 18 Lassies and walked three. Lassie pitcher Lily Cor-dray gave up nine hits, fanned three and passed seven.

Harvey vs. Enterprise

## Little Leagues

STANDINGS (Final)		W	L
Elks Cards	.....	10	0
Builders Guild	.....	8	0
Harvey Braves	.....	8	7
Harvey Cubs	.....	8	7
Police Pirates	.....	6	9
Kiwanis Dodgers	.....	5	10

## Standings

GIRLS SOFTBALL		W	L
Lomita Lassies	.....	7	1
Harvey Machine	.....	7	1
Rookies	.....	5	3
Enterprise	.....	4	4
MGs	.....	4	4
Walteria	.....	2	6
Miss Fitz	.....	0	8



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**Soldier Assigned to 2nd Infantry Division, Korea** Pvt. Donald R. Donaldson, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darle E. Donaldson, of 1544 W. 222nd St., recently joined the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea, according to an Army report.

Donaldson graduated from Polytechnic High School in Long Beach and was later employed by the National Supply Company, prior to his entry into the Army in November, 1952. He completed basic training at Fort Ord, Calif.

**Dave Daniels Says:** (Bacon Sales) Howdy Folks: Studebaker owners should have their batteries checked periodically, and at Bacon Sales, that is one of our regular services. Batteries accounted for 40 per cent of all car failures last year, according to a report received by AAA. Your battery is located where it can't be seen so most of us just take it for granted. Until one morning we get into the old bus and she won't start. That is when we yell for help. So why not prevent that trouble by dropping into the Bacon's Service Dept., 1200 Pacific Coast Highway, and let us check your complete electrical system.

I sure feel good after that few days of rest last week. I was so busy resting I didn't even get to go fishing!

See Ya Soon! DAVE