

# Benny Little Keys Hoskins Triumph Over Tigers



**MIDGET CHAMPS**

Front row left to right are Kelvin White, Robert Moore, Russell Harris and Winston Cliette. Back row left to right are Roger Burton, Anthony McCaskill, Wilson Ford and Coach Frento Burton.

"I have never seen him pitch better," Hoskins' manager Sonny Berry said Monday of lefthander Benny Little, the southpaw ace of the Giants' mound staff.

Berry's appraisal may have been the understatement of the year. Little, a veteran of many campaigns in the Mecklenburg County Semi-Pro League who is now in his second year in the Triple County Loop allowed the Charlotte Tigers only one hit in pitching the Giants to a run-away 22-1 victory Saturday afternoon.

It was his third straight win of the year. It was also one in which he had to share hero honors with Lawrence Cousins, who was the team's designated hitter. Cousins

turned in a tremendous performance, including a home-run, pair of triples, a single and six runs batted in.

"This is not a two-man team," cautions Berry, who pointed out that Carl Nance, Victor White, Hal Dawkins, Pete Spears and Tom Withers also hit well for the victors.

Dawkins contributed three single, a double and 4 rbi's to the 22-hit total the Giants amassed against four Tiger

pitchers. Nance, White, Spears and Withers each added two bingles to the assault. Nance drove in three teammates and White sent two runners scurrying across home plate.

"We're showing improvement each week," continued

Berry. The Hoskins skipper was especially pleased with Little's performance. "He did not give up a hit until the eighth inning," he pointed out, "and the run they scored against him was unearned."

"Yes Sir, I've never seen him (Little) better - pitch

better," concluded Berry.

The Giants will return to action Sunday afternoon when they encounter New London Cardinals on their home diamond on Belhaven Blvd. Berry plans to pitch Willie Dixon, another top southpaw of his strong pitching staff.

## Charlotte Hawks

### Edge Kings Mountain

The Charlotte Hawks picked up their third straight and their fifth win in nine starts this season when they edged the Kings Mountain A's 8-7 in an important Triple County Semi-Pro Baseball League contest here.

John Isaac Jackson was the winning pitcher and Bobby Davis was the loser.

Willie Boyton, who drove in the winning run with a double, was the Hawks' leading hitter. Randy Jones drove in three runs for the losers to notch offensive honors.



Sonny Berry...Hoskins manager

## Salvation Army Wins Fourth

### Straight Track Championship

By Deborah Gates  
Post Staff Writer

The Salvation Army West Trade Street Midgets recently won their fourth straight divisional track and field championship at Winston-Salem State University.

For the first time in four years, the West Trade Street Boys club finished second in total-over-all points, behind Durham who had 117 points to their 112 points.

Anderson, South Carolina with 70 points and Gastonia

with 68 points, finished third and fourth, respectively. The Midgets team however (twelve and under) turned in a great come from behind performance, as they out scored the Gastonia Midgets by a score of 49 to 38.

Anthony McCaskill scored 16½ points and was named the most valuable player, winning the 50 yard dash, the 220 dash, and set a new record in the 100 yard dash with a time of 12.4 seconds.

## Morris Field

### Stretches Win Streak

The surging Morris Field Rangers registered two victories last weekend to charge into a deadlock with surprising Town and Country Ford for first place in the Triple County Semi-Pro Baseball League. Each team is undefeated with nine straight triumphs.

Manager Herman Thomas blended heady baserunning with the crafty pitching of Fauch Davis and Londell McClary to edge the Royal Bums, 2-1, before an overflow crowd at West Charlotte's athletic field Saturday afternoon.

Robert Moore broke the 100 yard dash first in the trails with a time of 12.6 seconds, and was second in the 220 yard dash.

Leon Forte set a new record in the 440 yard dash with a time of 60 seconds.

Anthony McCaskill, Leon Forte, Robert Moore, and Russell Harris, who was second in the 50 yard dash, set a new 440 relay record with a time of 56.4 seconds.

Davis and McClary combined for a six-hitter while their teammates were getting to Jim Foster for nine safeties. McClary, who held the Bums scoreless over the last five and one-third innings, allowing two hits and striking out five, was the winning hurler. His record is now 3-0.

McClary started the landslide when he beat out a bunt to open the seventh inning. Bobby Reynolds doubled McClary home and, after Lawrence Izzard fanned, Tim Morris hit a single to plate Reynolds and cross home plate himself on a double by Ricky Summers. Fauch Davis brought home the fourth run of the inning when he singled, stole second, went to third on a throwing error and scored on another miscue.

Other members of the Midget Team who were outstanding were, Wilson Ford, Roger Burton, Kelvin White, Glenn Blackmen and Winston Cliette.

Johnny Edwards was outstanding for the Intermediate team, scoring 10 out of their 27 points, placing second in the triple and high jump and third in broad jump and discus.

The Rangers will encounter the Norwood Pirates in a benefit contest at Griffith Park Saturday afternoon. They will return to Griffith Park Sunday afternoon for a first-place showdown with Town and Country Ford. Both games will start at 3:30 o'clock.

Morris Field blew it open in their half of the eighth with five runs that featured a single by Randy Falls, and McClary, a triple by Tim Morris and a homerun by Reynolds.

Sylvester Sarratt and Ricky Wilks were outstanding for the Senior Team who finished in second place, as they both scored 10½ points each.

The Rangers took the lead in the first frame when Charley Houston singled, stole second and third, and hurried home on a throwing error by the Bums' shortstop. Harris tripled and scored on a sacrifice fly by Moore to knot the count in the third, but Morris Field went ahead for good in the top of the ninth on two singles and as many fielder's choices.

Rudy Falls had three singles

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