

Hard Ball Team Gets Ready For Summer Season

Ray Townsend, manager last year of the Lomita Merchants, a team known far and wide in Southern California as one of the best semi-pro outfits, is taking the field again this spring with a new team to be known as the Torrance Merchants.

Townsend has made arrangements to use the grounds at the new park now being laid out on Arlington avenue, and in addition to some of the stars of his last year's team he will have some Torrance boys who are well equipped to appear in fast baseball company.

Spring practice will begin next Sunday when the Torrance Merchants meet the Wilmington Merchants on the latter's grounds. The line-up for this game will include Howe, catcher; S. Venable, first base; Whittie, second base; Mann, shortstop; Kaufman, third base; J. Venable, left field; Montgomery, center field; Johnson, right field; Nelson, Moudy and Davenport will be the pitching string, with either Nelson or Moudy or both getting the call for Sunday's game. Davenport, who pitched for the Lomita Merchants last year, is laid up at present but will be in shape to take the mound in a few weeks.

Townsend expects to take his boys visiting for the next few weeks until the home grounds at the new park are ready, but after that they will play at home practically every week, as Manager Townsend is of the opinion that there is more advertising value to a good fast ball team playing at home to draw visitors from outside points, than there would be to have them go visiting all the time.

The extra games played will put the team in first class trim for an opener on the home grounds. It will give Townsend a chance to correct any defects and fill any weak spots, so that when the new Torrance Merchants appear before their home fans they will be in the pink.

Torrance has not had a hard ball team for several seasons since the Torrance Blues disbanded, and the local fans will welcome the return of the Sunday afternoon pastime, especially since they will be assured of seeing a winning team in action. Considering the success Townsend had last year and in other seasons, there seems to be no reason to be doubtful of the caliber of the new team.

76 Girls In "Kid From Spain" Chosen From 8,855 Applicants



Eddie Cantor, Lyda Roberti and Ruth Hall in 'The Kid from Spain'

Narbonne Takes Third In Meet At Leuzinger

Opening Event of Marine Track Season Held March 10

Narbonne placed third in the triangular meet with Leuzinger and South Gate at Leuzinger, March 10. The outstanding point winners for the Gauchos were Holman and Tidwell, who tied for first in the pole vault. Other Gauchos point winners were: Coward, second in 440; Irvine, second in 880; Moto Tawa, second in high jump and third in broad jump; Hede Watanabe, third in 220 low hurdles and fourth in the broad jump. Narbonne made 29 points to South Gate's 64 and Leuzinger's 36.

South Gate also took the Class C meet, with Leuzinger second, and Narbonne third. Point winners for Narbonne were: Powers, first in 660; Nance, first in pole vault and third in 100-yard dash; Watanabe, second in 220 low hurdles; and Hirata, third in 660-yard run.

With beauty a glut upon the Hollywood market, one would naturally conclude that the assembling of a chorus for a picture would require about a week's work. That is, one would so conclude if one knew nothing of the requirements. But it took Samuel Goldwyn and members of his staff more than four and a half months to select the 76 girls who appear with Eddie Cantor in "The Kid from Spain," which comes to the Torrance Theatre tonight, Friday and Saturday.

Anyone who saw "Whoopie" and "Palmy Days" is aware that Samuel Goldwyn is not satisfied with ordinary beauty in his choruses. Each girl who appeared in those pictures was hand-picked, and the result more than repaid the painstaking effort. But in "The Kid from Spain" the 76 members of the chorus were chosen as are the pearls for a fabulous necklace, with Mr. Goldwyn himself acting the role of the lapidary.

A fair idea of the care and time put into their selection may be gained from the announcement that 8,855 young women were interviewed for the 76 parts and that 646 screen tests were made in New York and Hollywood. Besides, one test was made in London and another in Paris.

GLIDER PILOT HURT
Wallace Nugent, 169 W. Manor, Altadena, glider pilot, crashed Sunday during a meet at Hollywood Riviera and was taken to the Redondo-Hermosa hospital with a broken leg and back injuries. Nugent's glider fell near White's Point.

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The Texaco station is one of the oldest service stations in Torrance, and has been taken over by one of this city's oldest residents in association with his son-in-law, who for the past six years has been in the Navy, assigned to duty on the U. S. S. Arizona.

Colman Great In "Cynara"; Critics Call Film His Best



Ronald Colman in "Cynara" with Kay Francis

Ronald Colman, star of a long line of Samuel Goldwyn screen successes, comes to the Torrance Theatre on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 28, 29, 30, in "Cynara," his latest and, in the opinion of his friends, his best United Artists picture. The film is presented by Mr. Goldwyn and was directed by King Vidor.

As was the case with "Arrow-smith," his last picture, Colman finds new ground in "Cynara." It was largely because of the sense of contrast, as a matter of fact, that Mr. Goldwyn selected the story, and it was just as much

Jack Fuller Hurt In L. B. Disaster

Jack Fuller, former resident of Torrance, where he was employed by the Kern Creamery and later the Mayfair Creamery, was among those injured in the quake at Long Beach. Fuller received a gash in his temple which severed an artery. Two men working with him at the Western Food Supply were also severely hurt as they ran out of the building. Fuller stopped at the doorway and was struck by a piece of glass, while his companions were trapped in falling brick.

Mrs. Edna Stone has been visiting friends in Torrance for the past two weeks.

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