

# 'Night of Champions' Legion Stag Dinner Program Set for March 21

## 14 SPORTS LUMINARIES TO ATTEND

Outstanding athletes, a number of whom are of national interest, are scheduled to appear next Tuesday night, March 21, when the Torrance American Legion post holds its second annual Night of Champions at the clubhouse on Carson street. Robert Lewellen, ardent sports fan and walking encyclopedia of athletics, will be in charge of the program that will be given following a stag dinner at 7 o'clock.

(Because Bob Lewellen objected to the descriptive phrase following his name above, concerned best readers thought he wrote this report. The Herald's city editor assumes full responsibility for the descriptive matter obtained from Modest Bob Lewellen.)

Lewellen has spent most of his free time during the past several weeks contacting talent for the show and he promises to present a galaxy of men whose accomplishments on gridirons, courts and tracks are well-known to all sports readers. All men of the community are cordially invited to attend the event. James Wilkes and James R. Scott are in charge of the "be-man" dinner that will precede the parade of huskies from U.S.C., Loyola and Torrance.

Those who have definitely accepted Lewellen's invitation to attend the Night of Champions are:

**LOUIS ZAMPERINI**, who may run a four-minute mile this year, holder of the inter-collegiate mile record, Olympic team member and potential Olympian next year;

**AL KRIGER**, star U.S.C. end who caught the pass from Don Nave that gave the Trojans their narrow win over Duke at the Rose Bowl last New Year's Day; **DOYLE NAVE**, hero of that game, the man who pitched three perfect passes in 58 seconds to the S.C. victory; one of the best broadjumpers on the Trojan track team;

**BOB HOFFMAN**, famed S.C. blocking back and a collegiate champion gymnast;

**BOB PEOPLES**, Trojan full-back and a notable javelin thrower, claimed by many critics to be the best in the U.S.;

**PATTON JORDAN**, U. S. C. track captain, outstanding sprinter and member of the relay team holding a world's record;

**BARNEY WILLIS**, Dean Cromwell's new sophomore sprint find who will be watched with interest this season;

**JOHN McFADDEN**, Torrance glider who became Loyola's star end last season;

**LEO ROSSETT**, another home product, Fresh guard on the Loyola eleven who was rated as the "most valuable Freshman player" last fall, present Fresh track captain;

**BOB LINK**, 225-pound Loyola football luminary and outstanding guard on the Lions' basketball team;

**BERNIE FLAHERTY**, Loyola sophomore from the east whose backfield work was notable last fall;

**STEVE NYLAND**, well-known Torrance resident and ring artist.

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# The Herald's Sport Page

## Defends His Award Saturday at L. B.



Louis Zamperini of Torrance, now one of U. S. C.'s principal candidates for the 1940 Olympic Games at Finland, displays the huge trophy he will be defending against all comers in the national mile event at the Long Beach Relays at Stephens Field, next Saturday afternoon 2:30 o'clock. The Trojan flash won the cup in comparative ease in 4:23.2 last year. An exceptionally strong field is in sight for his opposition this year.

Pete Zamperini, coach at Torrance high school, had planned to run in the Long Beach meet for the Southern California Athletic Association and would have been a contender in the same relay event as his brother but yesterday he announced he was withdrawing. An ulcerated tooth has been giving him considerable trouble and he was advised by his physician to forego participation in the meet.

# SPORT SHOTS

By BOB LEWELLEN

**Coach Pete Zamperini Elected Captain of S. C. A. A.**

Last year A. L. Monteverde, former walking champion of the United States, conceived the idea of organizing an athletic club for former university and college athletes who want to keep in shape for Olympic games. The club is now in its first year of competition. This week your correspondent was notified that Coach Pete Zamperini of Torrance high, and the athletic club's best middle distance runner was chosen to act as the first captain of this fast growing organization. They have many Pacific Coast track and field stars on their team, along with a few eastern boys who have made names for themselves during their university days. The club is known as the Southern California Athletic Association.

Compton's Wilbur Miller

Locked in Fast, Early Time... Last week in a dual track and field meet, between Compton Jr. College and the Southern California Athletic Association team, little Wilbur Miller, Negro star sprinter of the Tartars raced down the field to tie the National Jr. College record of the 100 yard dash, in the fast, early season time of 9.6 seconds. In winning this event Miller beat San Pedro high school's Poy Draper, formerly of U.S.C. by two yards. Miller also won the furlong a few minutes later, at 21 seconds flat, tying the school record in this event. Clark Crane, former Trojan star, took second place by four yards. Crane, who is well known in this city, won the broad jump by a heap of 23 ft. 9 in. The newly organized Southern California A. A. won the meet by a score of 69-62, showing the young men of Compton that the "old men" are still good enough to keep the "young upstarts" off the coming Olympic team.

Here and There with The Athletes

If I were Mr. Chuck Crowell, and took the beating that Buddy Daer handed him last week in Los Angeles, I would hang up my gloves forever. A couple more punches like the "boom" that "me brudder" hung on (Continued on Page 6-B)

# Tartars Blanked by Banning Nine

By clubbing out nine runs. Banning high school's baseball team scored a 9 to 0 shutout win over the Torrance high Tartars in a Marine League contest at the city park diamond here last Friday. Tomorrow afternoon the local team is scheduled to go to Narbonne for a game but the contest will probably be held at the city park because Narbonne's field is undergoing extensive improvements.

Other Marine games this week-end are: San Pedro at Gardena, and Banning at El Segundo.

# SAN PEDRO BLANKS NARBONNE NINE

A two-hit pitching performance by Tadashi Kishishita gave the San Pedro high school baseball team its second straight shut-out triumph at the port city last Friday, the Pirates downing Narbonne's nine 4 to 0. The game, originally set for the Narbonne field was shifted to San Pedro because of construction work on the Gaucha playground.

The Pirates were never headed in the game from the time two runs were scored in the first inning. Wheelchel, Narbonne lead-off man, hit two bases to open the tilt but died on second. The only other Narbonne safety came after two were out in the seventh. Kishishita fanned 14 men while walking but two-and-a-half only two blows. San Pedro collected seven hits off Wheelchel.

# Alvarez Reviving Bear Ball Club

Seeking to revive his Torrance Bears, a Mexican ball club that flourished here several years ago, Manuel Alvarez asked the city council Tuesday night to improve the diamond at the Pueblo. His request was referred to the city Recreation department for recommendation.

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Al Coast had the lumbermen in hand until the ninth when he weakened to allow six tallies. In addition to his pitching, Coast was the bat star of the game, getting a homer, double and two singles in five trips to the plate. Eggers also rapped out four hits in six tries.

Paul Angelich donned mask and mitt for the first time and turned in a remarkable performance—so good, in fact, that Manager Davidson will probably give him the catching assignment regularly.

Toledo to Enlarge Zoo  
TOLEDO, O. (U.P.)—City council has appropriated \$83,100 for new construction at Toledo's zoo.

# Marine Track Dates Fixed for Spring Meets

A tentative track schedule was released this week for high schools in the Marine League, with the first meet being the L. A. City Relays on Saturday, March 25. The schedule is:

March 25—L. A. City Relays.  
March 31—Practice meets.

April 14—El Segundo at Torrance; Narbonne at Gardena; San Pedro at Banning.

April 21—Torrance at Narbonne; El Segundo at San Pedro; Banning at Gardena.

April 28—Torrance at Banning; Gardena at San Pedro; El Segundo at Narbonne.

May 5—San Pedro at Torrance; Banning at Narbonne; Gardena at El Segundo.

May 12—Torrance at Gardena; Narbonne at San Pedro; Banning at El Segundo.

May 16—Marine League preliminaries at Narbonne.  
May 19—Marine League finals at Narbonne.

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# Buffalo's Cagers Stage Come-back, Defeat Inglewood

Manager Jack Buffalo's Torrance Merchants' basketball team, which has had tough going in recent weeks due to loss of players, came out of its slump Monday night to beat Gardena 38 to 16 in the Inglewood league. Tonight they engage the L. A. Young Businessmen at Inglewood high school's court.

The Cliffo club won the first round in the Torrance league and now will play the winners of the Inglewood league for the trophy.

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