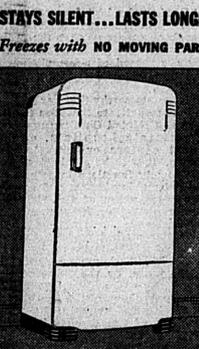


Tartar Varsity Wins Practice Track Meet

Coach Pete Zamperini's 1941 Torrance varsity track team won its first practice meet of the season Tuesday, defeating Redondo's Class A team 64 7-12 to 38 5-12. The Tartar Class C squad also made the win column, the point totals being 44 to 33. Redondo's Class B team defeated the Torrance B's 65 to 20.

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Pistol, Rifle Scores Told

Scores made by members of the Torrance Police Revolver Club and junior rifle marksmen for the week ending March 30 were as follows, according to F. A. Tiffany, range officer:

.22 Cal. Police Course		Strings Average	
Berry	1	290.0	
Ashton	1	287.0	
Medicus	3	285.0	
Mpore, A.	4	278.5	
Moore, B.	2	275.0	
Moore, Mrs. R. W.	1	256.0	
March	1	254.0	
.38 Calibre			
Eckersley, H. R.	2	281.0	
Berry	2	277.5	
Ashton	6	269.0	
Travilo	2	267.5	
Moore, B.	2	266.0	
VanGorder	2	265.5	
March	1	263.0	
Moore, A.	1	257.0	
Moore, R. W.	1	252.0	
Ferry	4	247.5	
Colier	1	228.6	
Haslam	3	219.0	
Tidwell	3	211.3	
Stroh	3	209.0	
.45 Calibre			
Berry	1	287.0	
March	1	220.0	
.22 Cal. N.R.A. Course			
Moore, A.	1	264.0	
Juniors—.22 Cal. Rifle			
Mosher	5	93.6	
Murr	5	90.2	

Torrance Hi News Notes

VAUDEVILLE... Last Friday the Junior high staged one of the biggest shows that has ever been sponsored at that school. The vaudeville show was composed of Junior high students only under direction of three boys—Jimmy Post, Bobby Leech, and Donnie Robinson. There were all kinds of skits, songs and dances. This isn't the only show to be presented this term. In a very few weeks another is due—the Senior High vaudeville. There will be two performances, Wednesday afternoon, April 23, and Thursday evening, April 24.

WRITER... Even those with the longest faces couldn't help but burst into peals of laughter when Miss Ann Bird Steward spoke on writing last week. While a lot of good sound advice and information was obtained from her talk it was added by her broad sense of humor and wit.

SHORTS... Last week the Commercial club traveled to the Los Angeles Times building and then had dinner in Chinatown. Each semester the club takes a jaunt to some place of educational and general interest. Tonight is the night the Madrigal Singers are to make their public appearance at the Grand theatre... They are going to sing Easter hymns.

NEW AUTOS BANNED
Trinidad has banned new automobiles from the United States.

If Rain Permits H.S. Ball Play to End Friday

Weather permitting, the Marine League baseball season is due to end Friday. But the Marine horsehiders have been rained out so much they wouldn't be surprised to see the games drag out until graduation time.

Torrance and Narbonne were scheduled for a game this afternoon at Lomita. Tomorrow the Tartars are booked for a double-header with Earning and Saturday the Torrance club is again scheduled to play Dorsey High for the Dorsey invitational baseball tourney title. Last Saturday the field at Rancho Cienega playground at La Brea and Exposition blvd. was inches deep in water and so the crucial tilt was postponed for the second or third time. It may be played Saturday at the Torrance city park diamond.

Playing in a pouring rain, Torrance lost to Gardena 3 to 2 last Friday. The afternoon rainstorm didn't bother the Tartar and Mohican horsehiders. Torrance got five hits off Gardena while the latter nicked Clair Johnson for three bingles. San Pedro blanked the Tartars, 6 to 0 in a one-hit game pitched by the Pirates' Nottingham. San Pedro batters collected five hits off Joe Hicks.

School Costs Per Capita Show Continued Gain

Los Angeles city elementary school district (which includes Torrance and Lomita) spent \$190.75 per pupil in average daily attendance for current purposes in 1939-1940, an increase over the \$123.94 spent the year before, according to a study of per pupil costs of the 201 larger elementary school districts in California, just completed by California Taxpayers' association.

Comparison of the costs per pupil of the Los Angeles City district with expenditures of other districts in the same size group shows that the district's \$190.75 total current expenditure per pupil in average daily attendance for 1939-40 was higher than the median or midpoint expenditure of \$105.35 per pupil for districts in this size group.

The district's expenditure per pupil for teachers' salaries of \$88.52 was an increase over the \$87.72 spent for this purpose in 1938-39, but, the association pointed out, the median or midpoint expenditure for this purpose for similar-size districts for 1939-40 was \$74.42. Other current expenditures per pupil by this district were \$36.22 in 1938-39 and \$41.93 in 1939-40; median or midpoint expenditures for other current purposes for the districts in this size group in 1939-40 were \$29.78, the association stated.

Over the state as a whole, current expenditures per pupil in average daily attendance in the elementary schools have shown a steady increase since 1933-34, going from \$85.17 in that year to \$106.17 in 1939-40, an increase of \$20 per pupil in six years.

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G-Men On Prowl For Charles Monazym, Public Enemy No. 1

WASHINGTON (U.P.)—G-men throughout the nation are "on the prowl" for Charles Monazym, 28-year-old hoodlum sought in connection with the \$64,740 robbery of a Detroit branch bank. The official record of the bank robber is "the object of an extensive investigation." This means that he is high on the list of public enemies sought by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

G-men say that Monazym has been identified positively as a participant in the holdup of the Oakland and Woodlawn branch of the Detroit Bank on May 1, 1936. He was indicted by a federal grand jury on June 26, 1936.

The local bank, located near the Chrysler automobile plant, had an unusually large amount of cash on hand to meet payroll checks of workers.

Machine Gun Carried
Four men, all carrying sidearms, entered the bank and a fifth remained outside in the get-away car. One man identified as Monazym, carried a machine gun.

The robbers commanded 40 patrons and six employees in the bank at the time of the holdup to lie on the floor. One of the robbers punctuated the command with a shot into the bank fixtures.

The bank's funds were scooped into a white cotton sack and the robbers ran to their waiting automobile. Investigation led to the identification of John Carl Conley and Rudolph "Dutch" Brant as companions of Monazym in the holdup.

Brant was apprehended in Detroit at the home of an underworld character upon whom he had called to solicit aid in filling out a parole from the Michigan state prison, where he had served 11 years of a 15-30 year sentence for second degree murder.

Detroit Underworld Figure
Conley was arrested on July 29, 1936 by Detroit police, and the search then was centered upon Monazym, who was widely known among Detroit underworld characters.

FBI sources described Monazym as 5 feet, 9 1/2 inches tall, of medium-slender build, weighing 128 pounds; black hair; brown eyes; dark complexion; and of Syrian descent.

TROUT KNOWS FRIENDS
BEALESVILLE, Australia (U. P.)—The family of A. Leeder here has trained an English trout in the Graceburn river to come to the surface when called where it is fed meat.

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Indians Tie Night Cap of Double-Header

After running up a string of eight straight victories, the Torrance Indians last Sunday were held in place by U. S. Rubber Co. the score being 0-0 for the nine innings. Due to time shortage, the game was not played out but it is already arranged for the U. S. Rubber Co. club to return next Sunday and finish the nine inning tie.

Ambrose Palica held the Rubber Co. to four hits, while Ely, pitching for the opposing nine, allowed but seven hits to the Indians. In the second game with Gaffers and Sattler, the Indians showed gas house tactics as they bowled over their opposition with a 13-4 score.

Honors of the day went to Clint "Kali" Conatser, who in his last two times at bat in the second game, hit two line drive homers over the right-center-field wall. Conatser is leaving for Carthage, Missouri, spring training camp of the Cedar Rapids baseball club (farm club of the Cleveland Indians).

After the boys' now on the Torrance nine leave for their respective training camps, the team will be composed of young prospects from the high schools and colleges in surrounding communities. Next Sunday will be the last game for eight Indians and will be done up right by playing a double-header. The first game, a return engagement with U. S. Rubber Co. at 1 o'clock and the second will be played at 3 o'clock with a team yet to be scheduled.

NEW TUNGSTEN MINE
PORTERVILLE, Cal. —(U.P.)—A new tungsten mine has been developed in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains in the San Joaquin valley.

STATE'S "BLUE LAWS" MAY GO
CONCORD, N. H.—The legislature is considering the repeal of obsolete statutes dating from pre-Revolutionary days. A special legislative commission investigated the state's "blue laws" and recommended the changes. One old law provides a maximum sentence of six months for "vagabonds, a common fiddler, a stubborn child or a stubborn servant."

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Local Boys Take Second in Field Day at Pomona

That Torrance Future Farmers have a broad knowledge of agriculture was demonstrated last Saturday at a Vocational Agricultural Field Day at the Kellogg Arabian Horse Ranch, Pomona. A team composed of Don Thompson, Tsutomu Shiotsu, Marvin Maddy and Blair Moore placed second in competition with boys from 20 Southern California schools.

Professor Howell, who is now in charge of the Arabian Horse Ranch, recognizes that an individual must be a specialist and become proficient in one field to attain the best results. But a "specialist" should also have general information in a broad field to become the most efficient executive, as well as for the enjoyment of life, he told the Torrance boys' instructor, Harry H. Stone.

Most contests measure only the ability of the specialist in poultry, or dairy cattle, or other livestock. The "A" part of this contest consisted of judging of Jersey cows, swine, Percheron horses and Arabian horses. In the "B" part, the boys judged poultry and nursery trees, and identified a variety of crop plants, farm tools and equipment. All boys in the team were required to take part in all of the events. The Torrance team brought home fourth ribbon in both A and B contests, but their average was so high that in the entire contest, they placed second.

Now Torrance Future Farmers are looking forward to other Saturday contests to take place this spring.

Life Too Dull, So Co-eds Pay Cost of Dates

CEDAR FALLS, Ia. —(U.P.)—With co-eds footling the bills, social life is flourishing again at Iowa State Teachers College. For several months dating languished at the school, where there are two women students for every man. The men just didn't seem interested.

Finally, the women threw coyness to the winds, and invited the men to a "Femme's Fancy" dance—all expenses paid. It worked, and the process was repeated at the college's Valentine day dance. Now the girls are saving their spending money and lining up dates for the Mardi Gras ball.

Shepherd, 89, Plays Volleyball

GREAT FALLS, Mont. —(U.P.)—H. Hamilton of Great Falls, approaching 90, probably is the nation's oldest active volleyball player. Three times a week Hamilton plays the game at the YMCA here. His fellow players say that despite his 89 years he still plays a good game.

NAME CORRECTED
In last week's issue it was reported that Charles H. Quandt had submitted an offer to pump out flood water near Walters to the city council. The offer was made by Louis C. H. Quandt. No action was taken on the offer by the council.

Steel Bowlers End Season

Final standings of teams that ended their season with the Columbia Steel Bowling league Tuesday night here are as follows:

DEPARTMENT	WON	LOST
Open Hearth	57	31
Order	53	35
Warehouse	50	38
Ind. Rel.	48	40
Laboratory	48	45
Poundry	45	43
Electro Mechs	42	46
Mighty Midgets	39	49
Fly Champs	41	47
Rolling Mill	41	47
Machine Shop	38	50
12' Mill	30	58

Presentation of various trophies will be made at a stag dinner to be held by the bowlers at La Venta Inn in Palos Verdes Saturday night.

SEQUOIA IS WINNER IN FOREST WAR

BERKELEY—Over the past twenty-five years in Whittaker Forest, the University of California's experimental forestry tract in Tulare County, the various tree species have been carrying on a war of their own with the big tree, Sequoia gigantea, gradually emerging as the winner, according to Woodbridge Metcalf, specialist in the Agricultural Extension Service.

In 1915, s a y s Metcalf, five permanent sample plots were laid out for the purpose of following the growth of sequoias growing side by side with white fir, incense cedar, black oak, and sugar pine. At that time the stands were approximately 35 years old and there was fierce competition among species, particularly between incense cedars and white firs.

Up to the present time an average of 58 per cent of these trees have been eliminated through natural thinning. The big trees are predominant. In three of the plots they have increased an average of 1.9 feet in height each year, occasional trees now towering 180 feet. None of the other trees have kept pace although there are some excellent specimens of white fir and sugar pine. The incense cedars proved unable to stand the competition and have virtually disappeared.

While well over fifty per cent of the original trees have died, says Metcalf, trees in the dominant and co-dominant classes now have a basal area greater by 8.5 percent than all the trees did in 1915. Thus the volume of wood lost through natural decrease in the number of trees is more than made up by growth in size of the more valuable trees which have survived.

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