

Final Round of Baseball Tourney Starts Saturday; Five Clubs in Race

UNDEFEATED ELLBEES AND LOCKHEED CLASH FRIDAY

Bringing the fourth round of the California Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament to an end, two undefeated teams will clash in what may be the deciding game at Torrance city park tomorrow (Friday) night. They are the Long Beach Ellbees and Lockheed Aircraft, each with three wins in the Torrance series, which continues through August 4 or 5.

Tonight Cafer Food Centers and Vulture Vulturians meet at 8 o'clock, the loser to be eliminated from the series. In addition to the unbeaten Ellbees and Lockheed, there are only three other clubs remaining in the race for the state semi-professional championship. National Baseball Congress gold trophy and a \$500 award that will enable the winner to compete in the national tournament next month in Wichita, Kansas.

Dale Riley, state semi-professional commissioner in charge of the local tourney, will announce the personnel of the "All State" team during tonight's game. This honor squad is being selected by an anonymous committee of veteran players, officials and managers from among the ranks of amateur players who have not "been up" with any major or minor league club.

U. S. O. Benefit Planned
Arrangements have been made for a post-Tournament game Saturday night, August 9, at 8 o'clock between the "All State" team and an "All-Star" club. This latter aggregation is being picked by Pete Sanchez, president of the Southern California Baseball Managers' Association, from among the remaining players who have seen action in the Torrance series. All proceeds from this game will be turned over to the United Service Organization fund.

Tournament games will continue every night next week until the winning team is decided. The schedule is now being made out just one night in advance because of elimination of clubs that have lost two games since the series got under way July 12.

The Lockheed-Ellbee game should be another thriller for the fans. Both are strong clubs, boasting some of the heaviest hitters in the entire series. Lockheed is hoping for another win and the chance to again represent California in the Wichita national games.

Games of the Week
"Pop" Hughes' Ellbees are mostly youngsters who have demonstrated they know baseball. Lockheed defeated North American Aviation 2-1, Kelman

Electric 13-3 and Atascadero N. Y. A. 11-8. The Ellbees have triumphed over Wilmington Merchants 8-6, Calers Food Centers 11-1 and Torrance Indians 14-2.

Brief reports on games during the past week follow:
PEPSIS OUT . . . Calers Foods eliminated Pepsi Cola from the tournament last Thursday night, 2 to 1. George Sawyer's single scored J. Donovan, who walked in the seventh, to give Calers the game. El Hume held Pepsi to seven scattered hits while Martin Chapman gave up only four bingles to the Calerites.

SEGUNDO SCORES . . . Wilmington Merchants were knocked out of the race by El Segundo last Friday night, 7 to 0. It was the first shut-out of the series. Nick Schroeder getting credit for his mound work. Segundo shelled Harrison Clark from the mound early in the first inning after he gave up four runs off two hits and made two errors.

ELLBEES WIN . . . Pounding four Torrance Indians pitchers for 18 hits, L. B. Ellbees won 14 to 2 last Saturday night. Ed Cook was retired in the first after giving up six runs and four hits. Muri Brown was credited with Ellbees' win. George Brown, young Pete Sanchez and Jimmy Daniels couldn't stop the Ellbees powerhouse.

RAMBLERS ROUTED . . . An altercation between Arico, Northrup third sacker, at bat and Buzz Bachtelle, L. B. Rambler pitcher, in the sixth didn't do the latter any good because Bachtelle was rapped for four runs, three hits and four walks as the Northrup Bombers blitzed the Ramblers out of the series 9 to 4 Sunday afternoon. Jim Crandall scattered the Ramblers nine hits, was credited with the win.

LOCKHEED LEADS . . . By defeating Atascadero N. Y. A. 11 to 8 in a sensational free-hitting game Sunday night, Lockheed Aircraft advanced to tourney leadership with three straight wins. Pat Aherne tried Walter Shafer and Cecil Keough

How Teams Stand in Series

THURSDAY NIGHT, JULY 24:
Pepsi Cola 001 000 000—1 7 3
Calers Foods 000 010 10x—2 4 3
Chapman and Roussin; Hume and Hoyle.

FRIDAY NIGHT, JULY 25:
Will Merch. 000 000 000—0 3 6
El Seg. 400 110 10x—7 10 0
Clark, Crab and Miller; Schroeder and McCabe.

SATURDAY NIGHT, JULY 26:
L. B. Ellbees 011 105 000—14 15 4
Tor. Indians 010 001 000—2 6 7
Brown and Brightman; Cook, Geo. Brown, Sanchez, Daniels and Kinnannon.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 27:
Northrup 010 001 310—9 10 1
L. H. Rambs. 000 000 000—1 8 2
Crandall and Lorenz; B. Bachtelle and Stansbury.

SUNDAY NIGHT, JULY 27:
Lockheed 005 020 112—11 11 1
N. Y. A. 100 200 401—8 16 3
Briggs, Houston and Arbelbide; Krolovich, Schaefer, Keough and Milican.

MONDAY NIGHT, JULY 28:
Kelman 000 020 000—3 5 3
Vulture 320 00 10x—6 7 2
Hart and Kennedy; Blackwell and Danning.

TUESDAY NIGHT, JULY 29:
El Segundo 011 000 000—2 7 1
Northrup 220 010 000—5 11 1
Nelson and McCabe; White, Crandall and Lorenz.

on the mound after Joe Krolovich had allowed five hits, five runs and two walks in the third but the Aircrafters were not to be stopped. Red Bridges was credited with the win. Hill and Schaefer got homeruns for N. Y. A., while Ramsey and Arbelbide did the same for Lockheed. Kubiak, Lockheed second sacker, got three for three—two of them doubles—to lead in batting honors.

VULTURE VICTORS . . . By holding the Kelman Electrics to five scattered hits, Blackwell, pitcher for the Vulture Vulturians enabled the Aircrafters to knock the Kelmen out of the tournament by a score of 6 to 3 Monday night.

BOMBERS BLITZ . . . Northrup Bombers blasted El Segundo out of the tourney Tuesday night 5 to 2 with Bob White and Jim Crandall sharing credit for the pitching honors. Features of the game: Berkowitz, Northrup shortstop, was credited with a triple in the first inning when his hard hit ball bounced over the left field fence, 345 feet from home plate, scoring Arico and Rhine; El Segundo third

Stewart Named Athlete-of-Month by Helms Board

Named "Southern California Athlete-of-the-Month," William (Bill) Stewart, Torrance high jumper, winner of the National A. A. U. Senior and Junior championships this summer, was presented with a gold plaque, emblematic of this honor, at the dinner-meeting of the Kiwanis club Monday night. The presentation was made by Bill Schroeder, managing director of the Helms Athletic Foundation on behalf of the S. C. Athlete-of-the-Month Board, composed of Los Angeles sports editors.

Stewart won the National A. A. U. Junior high jump championship at Philadelphia June 28, establishing a new meet record of 6 ft. 3 3/8 inches. On the following day he defeated the world high jump record holder, Steers of Ore., annexing the national senior title at a new meet record height. Steers actually tied Stewart at 6 ft. 9 1/2 in.—equaling the listed world record—but Stewart cleared the bar with fewer misses.

The Torrance leaper was the proud possessor of the world high jump record himself for an hour of so in April. At Provo, Utah he established a new world mark of 6 ft. 10 1/2 in. only to learn a short time later that Steers in Seattle on the same afternoon had bettered his mark, jumping 6 ft. 10 25/32 in.

Second Torrance Winner
Bill Stewart was born in Wilmington, North Carolina August 9, 1921. He will be 20 next month. Bill attended Torrance high school, taking part in football and track. He played football under Coach Bernie Donahue and high-jumped for Coach Pete Zamperini, whose brother, Louis, won the "Athlete-of-the-Month" award in February, '40.

In 1939 Stewart won the L. A. City High School and California State meet high jump championships, setting a record of 6 ft. 4 1/2 in. in the city competition. He then represented Torrance in the National A. A. U. meet at Lincoln, Nebraska and took second in both the senior and junior competitions there. He did not compete in the National A. A. U. meet last year. Stewart entered U. S. C. last year as a Freshman but has since left school to earn money to return. He is now working for a Long Beach concern and has been competing for the Southern Athletic Association this season.

Redondo A. C. Boxing Shows Open Tuesday

With eight all star bouts on the opening card, the Redondo Athletic Club is opening a new fight arena in the remodeled Mandarin Ballroom, next Tuesday night. Matches will be presented there weekly by E. J. Griffith, promoter, and E. J. Farrell, matchmaker. Only the best fighters in the amateur class will be signed for the bouts.

The ballroom, long a popular night spot, offers the maximum in comfortable seating and lighting, with a capacity of 1,500 fans. Griffith has arranged for eight bouts each Tuesday evening and many stars of the A. A. U. tournament already have been signed. Glenn Lee, the Nebraska Wildcat is now training a new sensational heavy weight, Harold Benham for the first show.

The arena provides 240 ring-side seats, priced at 85 cents, including tax; 646 reserved at 65 cents, and the balance at general admission, which is 40 cents. In the main event Tuesday night, Jimmy Martin, light-heavyweight champion in the A. A. U. Tournament will meet Ernie Zacho, Intermountain light heavy weight champion.

Di Maggio's Lucky Number Exclusively His

The suggestion comes from an eminent sportswriter that Joe Di Maggio be assigned the number 56 to wear on his uniform as a special tribute to his record-breaking batting spree.

Certainly 56 is the California boy's lucky number. Not only did he hit in 56 consecutive games to establish an all-time world record, he also drove in 56 runs, and scored 56 times himself—perhaps the most amazing triple-threat performance in the history of baseball.

The total number of planes in both the U. S. Army and navy is said to be between 8,500 and 10,500.

Caught Off Base . . . At the Tourney

HOTTER N' HOTTER . . . With the fourth round of the California State Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament scheduled for tomorrow night, the 1941 series is drawing to a close with mounting interest. The games, attracting record crowds, have sent the fans home talking to themselves every night—and coming back for more!

SHORT COURSE . . . Just about every play except a triple out has been seen on the Torrance city park diamond during the games. They really amount to a short course in the Art of Baseball. Why, even that rarity in the national pastime, a double steal was staged by Watson and Arbelbide of Lockheed in the fifth inning of the game with Atascadero N. Y. A. Sunday night. Arbelbide scored on it. There is one hoary play that has not been witnessed to date, though. That is the old "hidden ball" embarrassment.

LIGHT OUT . . . Only one of the score of more of huge floodlights that turn the diamond into a pool of light has been a casualty of the series. It "died" during the Pepsi Cola-Calers Food game last Thursday night during the seventh frame. Not a globe has been shattered yet by a hit ball.

SINGER . . . Jack Hubert, a Nebraska boy recently arrived in Torrance, added a musical note to the Torrance Indians-L. B. Ellbees game Saturday night. His fine baritone voice drew much applause as he sang two numbers—but his entry to "Foot,

root, root for the home team" in his "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" failed didn't do the Indians any good—they suffered their first loss, 14 to 2.

STEVENSON STARS . . . In making 10 of the 14 assists for El Segundo in the game with Wilmington Merchants Friday night, Shortstop Stevenson was hotter than the proverbial firecracker.

BATTLE ROYAL . . . That Lockheed-N. Y. A. scrap Sunday night was a thriller for every fan from Jess Hill's home run in the first to the last strike in the ninth. Lockheed pounded three N. Y. A. pitchers for 11 hits but the boys from Atascadero picked four bingles and "Tiny Tim" Houston for 16 binges during the tussling contest. There were four home runs and five doubles clouted during the melee.

TOO HOT . . . Even the cars parked around the city park get all "hot up" during the games. Bill Tolson's ran such a fever during the Indians-Ellbee game Saturday night that it required city firemen to cool it off. Seems as though someone tossed a cigarette in the back seat while the former mayor was attending the game.

SUNDAY SHOW . . . To open the Northrup Bomber-L. B. Rambler fracas Sunday afternoon, the Long Beach Sons of Legion color guard entered the field while Robert Lovell of Torrance sang "The Colors." Attended the San

Petro drum and bugle corps, led by two enthusiastic Indian maids and a little girl prancer, paraded about the diamond.

TIGHTEST GAME . . . It remained for Pepsi Cola and Calers Foods to stage the tightest game of the tourney to date when the Calers defeated the Pepsis 2 to 1 last Thursday night. Only one substitution was made during the battle.

DON'T MISS 'EM! . . . With games every night and Sunday afternoon, the series should end early next week. It may run thru August 5 or 6—depending on how Dale Riley, state commissioner, can work out the schedule so that every remaining club gets a chance at the money.

PETE'S IDEA . . . Last year Pete Sanchez, veteran player-manager-coach, and Riley worked out arrangements for the Red Cross benefit game between the All-State team picked by experts from Torney players who had been up for professional play and an "All-Star" aggregation selected from all the remaining players. That benefit netted nearly \$200. This year Sanchez, now president of the Southern California Baseball Managers' Assoc., comes through with a plan for a similar game for the benefit of the U. S. O. That contest will be held immediately following the close of the tournament.

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Scores made by junior marksmen last Saturday from a prone position were:

Jack Beauchamp	5 198x250
Lloyd Warthan	8 153x400
Ted McDermaid	5 132x250
Richard Honrath	6 167x300
Edward McCall	10 218x500
Roger Scherif	8 288x400
Janet Lewellen	4 68x200
Bobbie Lewellen Jr.,	11 258x500
scored:	

OCEAN FISHING GOOD
All local boats are bringing in very good catches of big Barracuda, also some Yellowtail and White Sea Bass. The afternoon trips to Catalina Island waters are producing excellent catches of Tuna, Yellowtail, Bass and Barracuda.

MAMMOTH FLY FISHING
Fly fishing conditions in the shallows of Mammoth Lakes is very good. Trails to Duck, Purple, Muir and Pika lakes are now open from this area and good catches are reported. The road to Devil's Post Hole and San Joaquin river is not in very good condition.

About 14 per cent of all persons gainfully employed in the United States before advent of defense program were women.

sacker's unassisted double play when he caught Arico's hard line smash and tagged Crandall coming into third in the third inning.