

## Group To Select 16 Clubs For Tournament Play

Dale Riley, superintendent of recreation, announced yesterday that 26 baseball clubs have filed application in his office for the forthcoming Southern California baseball tournament to be held in Torrance city park beginning Aug. 3. Riley said that 16 of these clubs would be selected Friday night by a committee from the Torrance American Legion, sponsors of the tournament, the Southern California Baseball Association and himself as tournament coordinator. Many cities will be represented by clubs chosen to play in the tournament, which will have nightly games here during the 30-day eliminations, Riley said.

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SECTION C

## Pat Williams To Meet Rudy Divala In Bowl Friday

Pat Williams, sailor stationed at Terminal Island Navy Base, whose terrific punch has drawn attention from many fight managers in Southern California, will engage Rudy Divala, of Los Angeles, in the main event of the amateur boxing show at the Wilmington Bowl tomorrow (Friday) night.

Williams, a junior middleweight, is rated one of the most promising amateurs to hit the Harbor area in many moons. Joe Villalobos of Wilmington, a popular and crowd-pleasing bantamweight, meets Felix Ayala of Main street gym; Duke Chronister of Bellflower squares off against Bill Freeman, and Elmer Buckner of San Pedro draws Al Mays of Los Angeles in other feature bouts.

Pete Negrete, a clever little Filipino, will appear in one of the preliminaries, the first of which begins at 8:30 p.m.

## Boys Club Here Will Seek New Sponsor—Weber

Howard L. Weber, secretary of the Torrance Boys Club, announced yesterday that the club is seeking better equipment, leadership and financial backing. He said the business men of the city would be asked to serve on the board of directors under the new plan.

Weber reported club functions were continuing with new members being added daily to the band along with greater numbers turning out for the Friday night swimming classes held at the Long Beach Municipal plunge. The Rotary Club of Torrance has furnished a bus for these occasions, he said. Many of the boys turned out for the two-day air show here, adding funds to their organization through selling soft drinks to the thirsty onlookers. The group also participated in the rodeo at the July 4th parade. The boys are now seeking transportation to the Walteria ball diamond for their inter-league ball games, which have been interrupted due to heavy schedules at the Torrance park.

**JOB WELL DONE**  
Honorable discharged from their war-time errands of mercy, 20 hospital railroad cars located at Camp Haan, Riverside, Calif., are waiting to be assigned to a more cheerful job.

## Four-Way Tie In Church League Softball Play

A 4-way tie for first place exists in the boys' division of the "Y" Church Softball League. Saint Joseph (Black Widows), Evangelical, Saint Andrews and Saint Joseph (Flying Tigers). Each has won 2 games and lost 2. The Methodist-Christian team holds the cellar with 2 losses. This league plays every Monday evening at Torrance high school at 5:45.

In the girls' division of the "Y" Church League, Saint Andrews in a batting duel defeated Evangelical 29-15. The Baptists won 21-15, against a strong Methodist team. Saint Joseph won a 14-12 thriller from the Christian team. All the girls' games are played Tuesday evening at 5:45 on the Torrance high school field. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Free Flying Is Offered In Big Contest Here

"It seems that everyone around here wants to learn to fly an airplane," was the statement made yesterday by Cliff Bantel, local Luscombe Aircraft dealer and airplane operator at Community Airports, Inc. "And what's more, prospective students include as many women as men," he continued.

Bantel, along with other Luscombe dealers in this area, is sponsoring the contest now in progress that is designed to demonstrate the safety features in today's light airplanes and to heighten interest in local private flying.

Awards for winners of the contest, which will close midnight Wednesday, July 31, include ten first prizes of eight hours' free flying instruction each, which is the average length of time it takes a student to qualify for his first solo flight, 200 second prizes of one hour flying instruction and 292 third prizes of one half hour flying lessons.

No special technical knowledge or skill is required to win a prize, according to Bantel. Contestants merely have to complete a sentence appearing on the contest application blank and winners will be selected purely on the basis of originality. Blanks may be obtained at the Community Airport here and each contestant may submit as many answers as he pleases.

## Goodyear Grabs First Half Of Softball Crown

The Goodyear softball team defeated the Sports Club 2-1 in a game played Monday night at the City park to decide the 1946 first half championship of the Torrance Softball League.

The Sports Club broke into the scoring column first in the fourth inning when Nordquist, first up, singled, went to second on Muehler's sacrifice bunt, reached third on a passed ball and scored on Cottle's long fly to right field. Going into the last of the 7th, pitcher Ross of the Sports Club enjoyed a 1-0 lead, had a hit game under his belt and a victory in sight when Goodyear third baseman Wentzel stepped up and drove one over Herron's head in right for a homer that tied up the game and pushed the contest into extra innings.

With one out in the last of the ninth, Goodyear's right fielder, Bristow, led the game with a towering homer over left field. Nordquist became the fair haired boy with the Goodyear crowd.

Both pitchers, Shockley of Goodyear and Ross of Sports Club, each allowed 5 hits and walked none.

The second game of the evening proved a big letdown for the crowd attending, as the Shell Chemical outfit buried the Columbia Steel and their new uniforms under 17 runs in the first inning and went on to a final score of 24-3.

## PUEBLO TOPICS

By AGNES FLADUNG

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hernandez will give a christening at Pueblo center Saturday night. There will be an orchestra and refreshments will be served.

Dolores Valentin spent last week in Hollywood visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Gonzalez are proud parents of a son who was born Sunday at the Torrance Memorial hospital.

Fifty-six boys and girls enjoyed Cabrillo Beach last Wednesday. The chaperons were Mesdames P. Olvera, R. Ordaz, A. Molinar, E. Montejano and Virginia Grajeda.

Last week the Saint Joseph girls team won the game (13-12) from the Christian girls team in the "Y" Church League. The girls that played were Josephine Reyes, captain; Dora Duran, Margaret Duran, Gloria Flores, Luisa Rodriguez, Nellie Rios, Dora Grajeda, Sadie Velasquez, Virginia Camou, Irene Hermenegildo and Pearl Olloque.

Ruben Ordaz and Robert Olvera spent a pleasant vacation from their work at Columbia Steel and Soule Steel.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Antencio spent last week in and near San Francisco visiting friends.

Luisa Rodriguez, president of the Lucky Star club, is spending three weeks with her father in Pasadena.

The 203rd club of Pueblo center conducted a Mexican food stand during the Fourth of July celebration. The girls who assisted are Jessie Ordaz, Josephine Reyes, Alice Duarte, Gloria Flores, Dora Grajeda, Conchita Grajeda and Pearl Olloque. The mothers who helped were Mrs. J. Olloque, Mrs. R. Ordaz and Mrs. A. Ordaz.

## PERSONNEL COVERED

Returns from a recent Oil Producers Agency questionnaire indicate that not less than 80% of all employees of the oil industry in California are covered by voluntary medical and hospitalization plans.

## Jackson Slams Two Home Runs In Eastside Game

The Eastside Beer barons ran afoul of Hal Jackson's big bat Sunday in Torrance ball park and lost the game to the locals by a score of 5 to 0. Jackson found pitcher Busby's range in the 8th inning and bounded the horseshoe over right field fence for the first tally in the game.

The mighty Torrance American Legion's first baseman took another reading on another Eastside pitcher in the sixth inning and again connected for his second home run of the day, which also marked the second tally for the home crowd.

Gay Johnson on the mound for TAL throughout the game allowed only one scratch single to Eastside and struck out five. Busby, who started for the brewers, took a shower in the fifth after allowing five hits and one run. He was relieved by Al Cantly, former Cardinal hurler, who gave up three hits and four runs.

Three big league double plays went to TAL's infield, H. Faulkenbury, Clair Johnson, L. Brant and Hal Jackson.

Manager Ray C. Jackson, who returned to the local club last week, says his team is in top form for the forthcoming Southern California Baseball Tournament.

Score by innings: R H E  
Eastside.....000 000 0 1  
TAL.....000 101 30x 5 8  
Next Sunday TAL plays San Diego at 2:15 p.m.

Requested a return match with Torrance after their 1 to 0 defeat three weeks ago. This rematch game with the powerful waterfront club should fill the Torrance stands as their first meeting was undoubtedly the fastest ball game ever played here in many years. Play begins at 2:15 p.m.

## Hot Rod Deal Turned Down By Planning Body

The Torrance city planning commission has rejected an application from a San Pedro woman who asked permission to build a "hot rod" race track for hopped-up cars at Hawthorne ave. and 230th st. Eleven residents of Walteria, who live near the proposed track, submitted written protests, according to Glenn M. Jain, city engineer and secretary of the planning commission. Seeking the permit was Ellen M. Wright of 101 Bandini st., San Pedro, who said operation of the track would take many "hot rod" cars off the highway, thus relieving a traffic hazard.

## Baptist Vacation Bible School To Close Here Friday

Vacation Bible school at the Torrance Baptist church, which has been attended by an estimated 300 children during its tenure here, will close Friday. The majority of the teachers, who have contributed their efforts for the success of the school, are of the Lockman Foundation, a Christian organization working among children. The founder expects to be present for the Friday night program, which was announced.

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# STRIPTEEES

By John P. Stripling

"With, or without an Orchid to friend or foe, I'll Tee an opinion wherever it may go"

**OFF THE DIAMOND**... When San Diego played Los Angeles at Wrigley field recently, we had our first opportunity in many years to have a little "bull-session" with baseball's one-time bad-boy-of-the-diamond, Pepper Martin. The San Diego Padres' manager, who is either in a rage or splitting the sides of those around him with his natural flare for comedy, reminded us of the time his fighter, Jack Monroe, and our fighter, Cookie Cook, squared off for an eight-round semi-windup at the old fight garden in Oklahoma City.



Pepper had just recently obtained a contract on Monroe, who had a good scrip book of his previous endeavors, but his future was settled that night in the fourth round, or, as Pepper puts it: "Monroe had pitched a good game up until the fourth inning, and then, the first thing I knew he'd been knocked clean from the mound by that eager-beaver of yours."

The St. Louis Cardinals star once worked out daily with the pugs in the gym and raced cars on the side in addition to coaching a fair sand-lot baseball team. This was during the winter months, of course, when the guy worried the Cardinal bosses the most.

Just before spring training, Pepper once suggested we go with him to purchase a new guitar so that he could get in and shape to annoy his team mates at the Florida camp. And he wasn't kidding, fellows, because there is nothing the Padre boss like more than to hear the echo of a heckle.

**AT LAST, A LINE OF PRAISE**... Charles Cook, who was perhaps the first of many to fight under the name of Young Corbett, and who fought Battling Nelson among other ring greats at the time automobiles were looked upon as P-80's, has written us that he is in complete accord with the Strip- opinion of Jack Dempsey's best fight. He writes:

"I have never witnessed a Dempsey fight since the day Fireman Jim Flynn cooled him in short order, and I have never called his best fight when you tabbed it with Georges Carpentier. I would also like to say that I have never bet against Dempsey in any of his scraps and only twice have I been worried as to the outcome of these fights. Once, when Firpo awkwardly outslugged him for a round, and the other when the fancy little Frenchman stepped around the champ and struck him with one of the hardest punches Jack had received since Gunboat Smith hung on his beached chin."

Thanks, Charlie. We do agree on this one.

**GIRLS SOFTBALL**  
Girls softball goes "big time" and inter-state at the Lakewood Stadium in Long Beach Sunday night, when the Buena Park Lynx Southern California champions for the past three years, engage the Phoenix Queens, quarterfinalists in the 1945 National championships. Game time is 8 p.m.

**BANK OF AMERICA**  
The Bank of America's baseball club, winner of the 1941 Southern California Baseball Tournament here, plays the Signal Oil club tonight at 8 p.m. in Torrance ball park. Fans may remember that Signal Oil ran into hard luck early in last year's tournament here and was eliminated during the first round.

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## First Annual Bud Oakley Tourney At Palos Verdes

Next major attraction lined up for the Palos Verdes golf course is the first annual Bud Oakley tournament, to be held July 13 and 14. Prizes will be awarded in several classes, including women and for those annual members not having established handicaps. It will be an 18-hole medal play tournament with all prizes awarded on net scores. Complete organization of women's club will be effected at the meeting July 18, with permanent officers being installed. The club membership now has passed the 40 mark and is expected to reach 100 by Aug. 1, it was said.

**DECATUR COUNTY**  
All former residents of Decatur County, Iowa, are invited to attend the annual picnic Sunday, July 14th, at Mc Arthur park, formerly Westlake park in Los Angeles.

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