



**A suggestion about Long Distance holiday calls**

Our long distance lines are still carrying peak loads. Even though we have been adding to our long distance facilities all year long, the huge volume of everyday calls keeps our equipment working at top capacity. So delays in completing those friendly holiday-greeting calls will be unavoidable. We suggest that if you call, you do so on days other than December 24 or 25. Thank you.

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**BOWLING NEWS**

EVA "Toots" YARBROUGH

Torrance Bowl retained the lead in the 875 Traveling league by winning all three games from X. X. Mitchells Sunday night at Hawthorne club.

Lomita Auto Parts won three points from Bellflower Bowling Center in Hermosa.

The Torrance boys still are two points up on the Lomita team as they approach the big game Sunday night, Dec. 22, to be bowled at Pacific Bowling Center in San Pedro. Both teams are expecting a lot of support from the spectators, so let's not let them down.

Monday night, in Torrance Bowl, el Prado Furniture opened up to let Furgitt Bridge and Iron in for a tie for first place. Mayfair Creamery is in second place.

Higgins Brick is leading the league on Tuesday night with S. and K. Market and Torrance Bowl in a tie for second place.

The Wednesday night mixed doubles still is led by Lander and Morris. Bukeros are holding down the No. 2 spot.

Hamburger Hut leads the 850 Scratch on Thursday night. Walt's Cafe and Vurrp's Cocktail are tied for second place.

The Columbia Steel league is led by Rolling Mill. Foundry moved ahead of the Kilroys to go into second position.

Honors for converting splits are: A. G. Miller, E. Carlinger, M. Yarbrough, E. Carlin, L. Buckley, E. Vaughan, C. Waring, G. Strapp, J. Nady, J. Wallace and E. Needham 3-10. E. Yarbrough, E. Shaner and K. Pedersen 4-5, J. Faust 4-7-9-10, B. Heston 3-9-10, A. Benedict 5-6, D. Pedersen 8-9, P. Shaner 4-5-7, J. Pierce 9-10, J. Bassett 5-8-10, and H. Chrisp 2-7-8.

In the spotlight for shooting 200 and over are T. McNeil 243-222, A. Holgerson 226-210, D. Merritt 221, J. Nady 215, F. Meinke 217, H. Buck 213, M. Yarbrough 212-204, L. Sommers

**Santa Anita Park Season Opens Dec. 28**

Beautiful Santa Anita Park has everything in readiness to open its greatest winter season of racing on Saturday, Dec. 28, and extending 50 days through March 8. It will be the tenth anniversary meeting with the richest program in the 500-odd years' history of the sport to be offered.

The opening feature presents the California Breeders' Champion stakes at a mile for an estimated purse of \$72,000, greatest value ever recorded for state horses. The \$7,500 Monrovia Cup race is also billed the same day. There will be a three-day lay-off until Wednesday, Jan. 1, when the \$50,000 San Carlos handicap will be staged before the banner holiday crowd.

Each Saturday thereafter until the Santa Anita handicap, \$100,000 guaranteed the winner on March 1, and the \$100,000 added Santa Anita derby on March 8, an outstanding \$50,000 stakes will be offered. Racing, after the first week, will be on Tuesdays through Saturdays starting at 1 p.m.

Horses from all parts of the state are now at Santa Anita park and others are being flown in. The Santa Anita handicap attracted 125 nominations. In addition, 20 star horses imported from Europe and South America; Champions Assault and Armed with the winners of 23 stakes this season, and filly stakes Busher with 17 stakes winners in 1945 and 1944. It represents a great international turf line-up. The derby drew 96 eligibles with six British stars and American juvenile champions.

211-210, R. Reese 209-202, E. Needham 208, K. Pedersen 208, J. Bassett 207, J. Faust 205, S. Tidland 203, H. W. Slover 201.

**HEADY TARTARS TRAP PIRATE ELEVEN HERE TO BECOME 1946 MARINE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS**

Torrance Field (13 letters) Friday the 13th, during the 18th week of school, the Tartars a 13-13 deadlock with the San Pedro Pirates, with but two seconds to go, to win the 1946 Marine League Championship 20-13 before more than 4,000 screaming football fans.

With this pat hand of five thirteens, (Torrance field is the "wild" card in the deck—which no one will deny) the local champion blasted the way theory by fighting all the way to give their school its first clear-out grid title since 1934. Unraveling like a movie plot dreamed up during the mid-twenties, the game was packed with breath-taking thrills to mark it as the most outstanding sports event ever to be played here.

No fiction writer would dare plot his yarn so far from the goal line with but seconds left to play for a championship. It's difficult to single out one player in this football classic—all worked their positions as though life itself depended upon the execution of each play.

A breakaway run early in the game by San Pedro back, George Barich, might have changed the picture of the event had it not been for fleet-footed Jack Hood, who stoked his boilers to full steam and made a flying tackle that dropped his heavy opponent flat. Hood raced after the Pirate ball packer while the Tartars fans held their breath. His desperate leap for Barich's heels was an uncertain moment for the locals, and when both dropped like dominoes the cheers were deafening as they met with San Pedro, broke the ice in the second quarter after Barich fumbled on the Bucs 20. Darrell Comstock made a brilliant recovery which six plays later brought the Tartars to pay dirt.

Bill Morgan, who has distinguished himself well during the past three games and who threw his first pass of the season Friday, tossed a sure-shot right into the arms of Comstock, waiting in the end zone for the day's first tally.

LeRoy Schwenk's conversion attempt was wide and the score stood at 6-0 in favor of Torrance.

The Pirates came back roaring mad and lunged to the Torrance 22 but were halted and Barich bunted into the end zone. The Tartars were stopped on the 22 and Jack Taylor quick-kicked to the Pirates 38, where the Bucs beat their way to Torrance's 7-yard line. Barich and High drove to the Tartar 1-yard line on two downs. A high pass from center was recovered by Torrance on the 10 stripe with the half ending shortly afterward.

Comstock again figured in a touchdown and brought the crowds to their feet by taking Barich's kick-off on the Torrance 17 and racing like a demon for 83 yards to mark his second touchdown of the day. Blocking led by Jack Hood paved the way for Comstock's objective.

Schwenk sent his conversion kick right through the middle of the uprights to put Torrance out front 13-0.

The Pirates set out for their first touchdown after Taylor punted out to the 32 with big Joe Aguilera pounding off the last 18 yards on an off tackle slant. Barich kicked the extra marker and the score stood 13-7.

Following an exchange of punts San Pedro marched to the Tartar 9 where Barich plunged over. Head Linesman Marty Martinelli voided the counter, charging the Bucs with holding.

which put them back to the 13. A pass into the end zone missed connection and Torrance took over.

With five minutes left in the ball game, the Pirates drove 48 yards for the tying score, 13-13, after Barich's try for the conversion went wild.

Two minutes remained in the classic when High kicked off to Comstock, who was downed on the Torrance 31.

The Tartars then took to the air with Ralph George launching the assault.

He fired passes for three completions to the Bucs 47. A pass followed to Jarrett that was incomplete, but interference was ruled and Torrance had the ball on the 32. George's next pass was knocked down on the goal line.

History books were opened wide for recording the next pass George threw.

George raced back with but two seconds to go and flipped his destined pigskin to Tom Faren, who was surrounded by pirates, but who scrambled with his hands outstretched, dripping with glue, and caught the ball with six points.

It mattered not that Captain LeRoy Schwenk made good the extra point.

Torrance high school has had no greater champion than their 1946 squad. No team has ever fought harder in the face of overwhelming odds. Every player on the field can well be proud in making his efforts pay dividends.

**San Pedro (13)** LE (AC) Schwenk, Moshik, LT Sterling, Grgich, LG Malin, Miller, C Forlin, Felando, RG Donatoni, Lovarov, RT Strich, Morales, RE Hood, Wallace, QB Smith, Aguilera, LH George, Matulich, RH Comstock, Barich (AC) FB Faren, San Pedro 0 0 7 6-13

**Torrance (20)** Touchdowns, Aguilera, Ostrich, Point after touchdown, Barich, Torrance scoring: Touchdowns, Comstock 2, Faren. Points after touchdowns, Schwenk 2.

San Pedro subs—Ostrich, Olgun, High, Hayes, Micoz, Burin, Derrick, Torrance subs—Woods, Morgan, Turner, Jarrett, Oefinger, Taylor, Long, Woolever, Stephenson, Sullivan, McGray.

Officials—Referee, Harry Brubaker, Umpire, Marty Martinelli, Head linesman, Russel Striff.

Touchdowns: Comstock, 2; Faren, 1—Aguilera, 1; Ostrich, 1. Extra points: Schwenk, 2—Barich, 1.

**YARDSTICK**  
Torrance-San Pedro yardstick for Friday's game:

	T. S.P.
First downs	8 11
Yards gained rushing	101 256
Yards lost rushing	9 12
Passes attempted	14 2
Passes completed	3 0
Yards gained passing	138 0
Net yards gained	220 269
Fumbles	0 5
Recovered	0 2
Number of kickoffs	3 3
Return kickoff	104 81
Penalties, yards	40 35

**STRIPTEEES**

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geles City School football champion. The winner could be matched with the CIF champ for top honors."

How, may we ask, can a playoff between Fremont and Franklin decide a Los Angeles City School champion?

Despite their size and reserve, did they look superior to San Pedro and Torrance on the Coliseum gridiron during the Pearl Harbor day civil war?

Do you think perhaps they did? Well, we think they didn't, and with these conflicting opinions, contests to prove the better have been born. We refuse to be yelled at by these guys, who attempt to prove to us on paper that neither the Pirates nor the Tartars would stand a chance. We would scream to high heaven if either Fremont or Franklin were declared champion without first grappling with the locals.

We're not interested in figures that tell us that one high school team is better than the other. The dope sheets have transferred a lot of sure to the holders of a \$2 track ticket.

No sir, we refuse to hold still for any dope sheet champions battling to become our betters.

Alley Data . . . The American Bowling Congress, which had its inception back in 1895 and is recognized as the Supreme Court of bowling, this week brings your scribe up to date with more facts and figures on bowling—a sport enjoyed by millions of Americans in more than 75,000 individual bowling alleys throughout the land.

These alleys laid end to end, the ABC tells us, would measure 955 miles in length and to meet specifications of the Congress, the alleys must be built to within forty thousandths of an inch and pins not to vary more than 1/64th of an inch.

Last year's ABC Tournament at Buffalo, N. Y., lured 5,744 five-man teams, with one aggregation coming from as far away as Hawaii. The Tournament lasted 62 days.

America is said to boast 6,500,000 keggers who have passed the life-begin-at-forty mark, and numbers some 2,000,000 under voting age; also teams of blind bowlers and those otherwise handicapped. Trusting the ABC is not steering us wrong with the above figures, which appear pretty high, we pass on to an even greater figure of 10,000,000 said to include us who boast of being under forty but still eligible to vote.

A highlight in the \$221,000,000 annual business is that the first 300 game bowled in league competition was rolled 44 years ago by a 19-year-old named Ernest Fosberg, who now lives in Seattle, Wash. Fosberg has bowled a great deal since but has failed to repeat the perfect marker.

Beginners luck? Could be. Our first game netted us 150, which was nearly three years ago—since that time, with at least a dozen games under our belt, we have failed to score more than a 100. We have found out in the company of fair bowlers during these tiffs who rarely have been able to make a strike but consistently tally around 185. On the other hand, we have failed to play a game without hanging up at least three strikes and once scored six. It is all or nothing in the case of our bowling—miss one complete set of strikes in a row, occurs once in every 700,000 games!

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