

SPORT SCENE

TOUGH 'BREAK' FOR DODOS NEEDN'T BE

By JACK BALDWIN

Note from Brad Atwood P. R.O. for the Hollywood Stars. . . "Stripper Charlie Root of the Billings farm club in the Pioneer League has performed a major operation on his pitching staff and infield. Newcomers to the mound include John Yelovich, former Seattle (and Torrance Police Nine) hurler. . . Joe Craig, matchmaker at the Wilmington Bowl points out a fact that indicates something or other is afoot in boxing circles other than in the square one. . . he says, "One year ago there were 14 amateur arenas operating in Southern California. Today, there are four. . . Wilmington remains No. 1 with the State Commission both for number and quality of the fights and for attendance." . . . Watch for the Pico Arena to fold next week. . . Craig gives as the reason for the epidemic of dark nights at amateur houses a lack of good fight-for-free boxers. . . Somehow Craig has managed to keep his head above the red ink mark by providing some top cards like the one he has slated for Friday night. . . Contrasts against the dusky-husky Crawford. . . Last week Wednesday night Pete Dodos, second sacker for the Torrance Police Nine played one inning before the largest turn-out in the 1948 Semi-pro tournament. . . It is likely

to be the biggest crowd he will play before for sometime. . . someone yelled "SPIKES," but a second too late and as a result Pete wound up with a triple break of the left ankle and leg. . . Insurance carried by the Southern California Baseball Association will handle up to \$300 of the medical bills. . . what's on Pete's mind is where his income on which he supports his mother and himself will be forthcoming during the next three months he is likely to be laid up. . . Well, it could come from the fans, it COULD, that is, if someone were to get before the crowd at tonight's game and remind those who saw last week's Yugoslav-American vs Torrance game that they saw a lot more baseball than four-bits worth. . . how much more than four-bits worth they think it is, could go to Dodos. . . a half-a-buck here and half-a-buck there won't go too far at today's two-for-one prices, but it will sure as. . . will help. . . here is another from the Fan's Suggestion Box. . . Could Swayze Johnson, manager of the Torrance Police Nine contact "Red" Zar, the Yugo-Amer. manager for a post tournament tilt that should be a natural. . . after expenses, the rest of the gate could go to Dodos. . . Comment! . . . good suggestion.



SAFE, TEMPORARILY—Marty Winberger, Alloy's shortstop, was wild on the throw and consequently Burbank's Catcher, C. Beck, was safe at first. Alloy won the opener of the semi-pro tournament, 5-0. Burbank was beaten again in the second round by the Dedeaux Trojans to become the first team to be eliminated in the '48 tournament. Dutch Fisher is the first baseman. — Photo by Rubin Hernandez

FEUDIN'

Kiwanis Club Bows Over Opposition

Argued for a long time, the question of which service club is the best was settled temporarily at least, last Thursday night in the alley.

The Torrance Kiwanis Club had its hand raised in victory and was presented with a permanent trophy by Dr. Don Moskos in brief ceremonies held at the Torrance Bowling Academy.

After competing in the Service Club Bowling League for the past 14 weeks the local club topped two Lions Club's teams and a Rotary Club team from Torrance as well as the Lomita Optimist Club and the Dominguez Rotary Club.

Led by Les King as captain, the team was composed of Short Yarbrough, John Oursler, Angus McVicar, Bob Jerould, Parke Montague, Homer Trueblood, John Strub, Harry Groves, Wood, Dave Colville, and Keith Jones.

Tournament Schedule

Thursday, Aug. 19—Torrance Police vs. Hollywood Ddgers.
Friday, Aug. 20—Yugoslav-American Club vs. Hawthorne American Legion (Elimination game).

Saturday, Aug. 21—Burke's Service vs. Los Angeles Police.
Sunday, Aug. 22—Cressey Park vs. Wilmington Athletic Club. (Elimination game).

Monday, Aug. 23—Alloy Diecraft vs. Long Beach Rocketts.
Tuesday, Aug. 24—Arcadia vs. Eastside Beer. (Elimination game).

All games start at 8:15 at the Torrance City Park, Arlington and Lincoln avenues.

WORKMAN'S LEAGUE
Thursday, Aug. 19, Optimist Club vs. Johns Club, Diamond No. 1. G. P. Meter Shop vs. Navy Annex, Diamond No. 2, 5:30 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 20, American Standard vs. Keystone Oilers.
Sunday, Aug. 22, Navy Annex vs. Ideco Ramblers.

Local Speedway Passes Official Investigation

Having successfully withstood an official investigation, and now operating under a three-point code voluntarily laid down by Managing Director J. C. Agaganian, Carrell Speedway bounces right back with another major midget auto racing show Saturday night, and offers road-type motorcycles in a two-wheel program next Wednesday.

The investigation was held by Coroner Ben H. Brown following the fatal accident which took the life of Fred Luce during the hot rod racing show a week ago Wednesday.

With Coroner Brown were Sheriff's Detectives Clyde Wilke, Frank Aviani and Ray Hopkinson, along with Deputy Coroner Ira Nance. Wilke was to turn his report to Coroner Brown late this week.

However, Agaganian announced a three-point directive to Tom Sloan, president of the California Roadster Association, which was in vogue during last night's hot rod racing show at Carrell, and it was understood that plans are now in formation for midget car owners to reduce the compression in their high-speed Offenhauser motors from 15 to 1 down to 8 to 1, thus reducing the horsepower.

The three-point hot rod order was: (1) cars can use only one carburetor, (2) cars must use stock gasoline instead of alcohol fuels, and (3) chassis on all cars must be reinforced with special emphasis on the driver's compartment.

One of the finest midget auto racing fields of the season will be in action Saturday night, topped by Troy Ruttman, hood boy of the ranks, but still one of the fans' favorites; Jimmy Davies, four-time winner at Carrell, who's now setting the point pace; Chuck Leighton and a host of others.

Qualifying trials will begin at 7 p.m., with the first race booked for 8:30 on each the Saturday and Wednesday night shows.

Local 'Series' to Be Decided by Two Clubs

Featuring the "World Series of Torrance" the Rotary Red Sox and Kiwanis Bobby Sox will meet on the field of battle Thursday night at Torrance City Park when the two clubs hold their annual picnic.

Following the game which will begin at 8 p.m., will be group singing, games and general horseplay, according to Dave Colville, Kiwanis president.

George L. Johnson, president of the Rotary Club, reminded all members of both clubs that the picnic was a family affair and urged all members to come prepared for an evening of fun.

STRICKEN ON STREET

Stricken at Engracia and Manuel avenues late yesterday, Thomas M. Angelides, of San Pedro, returned home after receiving emergency treatment at the Harbor General Hospital, according to Captain Frank Shoemaker and Officer Don Clark of the Torrance Police Department. Police said he was suffering from epilepsy.

ROLLING HILLS HOME BOOM IN FULL SWING

That sound you have been hearing from the Palos Verdes Hills is not the clatter of a sheriff's posse; it is the staccato beat of a building boom.

In the 30-month period since Jan. 1, 1946, the number of dwellings, completed and under construction in the current residential developments of the Palos Verdes Corporation and in the city of Palos Verdes Estates, has jumped from 403 to 720. . . an increase of 78.5 percent.

These figures, released by Kelvin C. Vanderlip, president of the Palos Verdes Corporation are based on a building activity survey just completed by the corporation in conjunction with the County Regional Planning Commission and officials of Palos Verdes Estates.

In the corporation's developments alone there has been an increase in the number of homes of from 107 to 271, the report stated, a rise of 154.3 percent.

Thirty months ago there were 78 homes in the Rolling Hills area, the oldest of the eight Rancho Palos Verdes residential districts currently under corporation development. Today there are 122, an increase of more than 60 percent.

This does not include the 87 new homes in Dapplegray Lane and Strawberry Lane, nor the 10 more new homes, completed and nearing completion, in other corporation homesteads bordering Crenshaw boulevard and Palos Verdes Drive North, all contiguous to the Rolling Hills perimeter.

In the corporation's present rancho developments the survey shows the following new homes and developments in which situated: Rolling Hills, 19; Flying Triangle, 7; Mid-

deridge, 2; Crest Hill, 6; Eastfield, 10; Strawberry Lane, 2; Dapplegray Lane, 85; Portuguese Bend, 5; other areas, 28.

In the city of Palos Verdes Estates the building activity has shown a comparable rise. On Jan. 1, 1946, the city had approximately 396 dwellings. Since then and up to Aug. 1 of this year a total of 260 permits had been issued to new home builders, representing an increase in dwellings of 61 percent.

The report notes that on the original Rancho Palos Verdes land, as described at the time of the Vanderlip purchase 36 years ago, there are today approximately 1,302 dwellings and an estimated population of 4,018 persons.

AAF Opens Enlistment Gates Wide

The Torrance Army and Air Force Recruiting Station, 1337 El Prado, announced today that the Air Force has again opened the gates wide for enlistments, both for veterans and original applicants.

Married veterans may enlist only, however, if they are in the upper three enlisted grades or if they are reenlisting within 90 days of their last discharge, according to current Air Force policy.

Babies Should Bring Parents to This Event

This one is assured of being a howling success. The Torrance City School Recreation Commission will hold a contest Friday at 1 p.m. to pick the Mr. and Mrs. Torrance from among the one and two year old babies in the city.

There will also be a costume, beauty, freckle, and smile contest, according to Eddie Cole, summertime director of the recreation program. Open to the public, the affair will be staged in the Civic Auditorium.

Cole suggested that all babies who intend to enter the contest should be accompanied by someone.

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