

# Sports

'Strip Tees' Author

## John Stripling Tells Feelings As He Gets Air Force Medal

John P. Stripling, who used to write a Herald Sport Column, "Strip Tees" which he headed with the quip, "With or without an orchid, I'll tee an opinion wherever I go," was in the news this week in his own right.

Writing from Yreka, California, where he is now a lumber salesman—trying to hit the magazines with fiction and articles on the side—he told Lute Fraser, Herald mentor and confidante, he was at Hamilton Field last week.

"Where I was awarded the Air Medal for anti-submarine patrol. Squeezed my slender self into the old 'Girl-Catcher' and with my lovely wife, walked right up to the center of attraction, smiled, saluted, grabbed the award, shook hands with Col. George Usher, 75th Fighter Squadron commander, and then dogged near fainted from the ordeal of listening to my heroic deeds during those dark days of '42 and '43."

"(Just between you and me, Harry Truman made a mistake signing that citation.) Those dark days which the commanding officer so dramatically read to some three thousand disinterested listeners were actually the most happy of my life. "What I should have received an award for was the battle of the International Hotel El Jardin at Palm Springs where I was stationed. Sneaked in and out, morning and evening—couldn't pay the freight. Shot snipes from the sanded cigar receptacles in the hotel hallways. Ate on the average of five times a week during my first five months there. Owed everybody. Everybody owed everybody else. First pay came Dec. 23, 1942. Had been there since July 9. But got smart like the rest of the boys—started dating waitresses. They knew we had no money and had to be fed. . . .

"Anyway the medal was the first thing the Air Force gave me for free and I am proud of it. Proud, despite the fact they gave the same medal to guys



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who flew their planes right into the enemy's big mouth. A Gold Star Mother received one for her dead son who got that way by flying his P-38 smack into the Germans at Normandy, allowing the landing of some 800 allied troops. She stood to my left and I could hear her heart breaking in every sob.

"I knew I was next and something in me wanted to yell out: 'Who? Me? Hell, no, brother. I'm in the wrong crowd.' "But monkeys act like people and people try to act like human beings and I'm no exception; I have it now and am bragging all over the place telling things that are even too exciting to happen in fiction."

## Tartars Win First Varsity Tennis Meet in Two Years

The Tartar tennis team won its first varsity competition in two years this week when they took Banning 7-2 on the Banning courts.

The Tartars also traveled to Narbonne and Huntington Beach to drop two other practice matches, 6-3 and 4-3 respectively. Bay League play starts today with a trip to Inglewood.

### Singles

Chuck Mumford vs. Nichols—6-2, 6-1—Banning.  
Jim Smith vs. J. Eves—6-1, 6-2—Eaton.  
Gary Groves vs. R. Gregg—6-4, default—Tartars.  
Lyle Turner vs. L. Littlejohn, 7-5, 6-3, 6-2—Tartars.  
Ronnie Selover vs. D. Golch—6-2, 6-4—Tartars.

### Doubles

Fryor and Bourne vs. Wood and Lane—6-7, 6-0—Tartars.  
Whitler and Wright vs. Fitzgerald and Dicozin—4-6, 6-2, 6-1—Tartars.

### Scores at Narbonne:

Mumford vs. Keys—6-0, 6-2—Narbonne.  
Smith vs. Crow—6-3, 6-6—Narbonne.  
Selover vs. Hatfield—6-4, 0-6, 6-0—Tartars.  
McNeely vs. Watkins—6-3, 6-3—Narbonne.  
Lewis vs. Elofsan—6-4, 6-3—Narbonne.

### Doubles

Fryor and Bourne vs. Elofsan and Hawley—6-2, 7-5—Tartars.  
Whitler and Wright vs. Kline and Meiler—3-6, 6-4—Narbonne.  
Whitler and Wright vs. Martiny and Ward—6-3, 6-2—Tartars.

Fryor and Bourne met their first defeat in four sets this season at Huntington Beach, which has, according to Tennis Coach Charles Wallace, the best courts in Southern California.

### Scores at Huntington Beach:

Groves vs. Krebs—5-2, 6-1—Huntington Beach.  
Mumford vs. Tamplin—6-0, 9-7—Huntington Beach.  
Smith vs. Westmoreland—6-3, 6-4—Huntington Beach.  
Turner vs. Wada—9-7, 5-7, 6-4—Tartars.  
Selover vs. Hays—6-4, 6-3—Tartars.

### Doubles

Fryor and Bourne vs. Longworth and Crozier—2-6, 6-4—Huntington Beach.  
Whitler and Wright vs. Biscailuz and Miller—10-8, 6-4—Tartars.

### Season schedule:

March 23 at Inglewood  
March 28 at Gardena  
March 30 at Santa Monica  
April 13 at Beverly Hills  
April 12 at Lynwood  
April 20 at Leuzinger  
April 27 at El Segundo  
May 4 at Redondo  
May 11 at Long Beach Jordan

## Trespassing Laws Delineated

A pocket size handbook of the laws regarding trespassing for hunters and fishermen has been issued by the Santa Anita Sportsmen's Club of Monrovia and copies can be obtained from the club secretary at 257 South Spring street, Los Angeles, according to Al Seymour, club president.

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