

THS Track Coach Vern Wolfe Submits Resignation

LITTLE LEAGUER HURLS NO-HITTER

No-Hitter by Mearing Aids Pirate Cause

Righthander Steve Mearing pitched a no-hit game Saturday as the Pirates took the second game of a doubleheader from the Dodgers, 4 to 1.

Mearing walked only six men, while striking out 11. He also pitched a two-run homer in the second inning to assure his team of the victory.

The Dodgers' only score came in the bottom of the second when shortstop George Downing received one of Mearing's free passes, then proceeded to steal both second and third base, finally coming home when Donald Christian grounded out.

Yanks Out of Cellar
In the opener, the Yankees climbed out of The Southern Association cellar with a 4-to-2 triumph over the Cards.



YOU'RE IN THERE . . . Steve Ramirez of the Police Pirates slides safely into home plate as Catcher Milton Bowden of the Kiwanis Dodgers grabs the ball too late to put on the tag. Umpire is Fred Montgomery. The Pirates won the Saturday game 4-1 as Pitcher Steve Mearing fired up a no-hitter and whiffed 11 Dodgers. Notice the smoke from the huge oil fire in San Pedro still rising in left background. It started Friday.

Babe Ruth League

Minor Leagues Open Saturday

W. F. Pearsey announced today that the Babe Ruth Minor League will officially open Saturday, July 3 at Torrance Park.

Pearsey stated that this league will be open to all boys between the ages of 13 through 15. After the number wishing to play is determined, then teams will be formed and games scheduled.

At the present time there are several openings on the Major teams, due to some of the boys moving out of the city. These vacancies will be filled from boys in the junior circuit.

Weekend Games
The Babe Ruth League got into full swing this last weekend with double headers being played on both Saturday and Sunday.

The Angels and Seals both managed to win and remained in a tie for first place with perfect 3-0 records. The Seals took the second game on Saturday from the Stars 9 to 3, while the Angels eased by the Solons in the opener Sunday 10 to 7.

The Beavers managed to salvage one of the two games they played, topping the Solons 13 to 11, but dropping the second one to the Rainiers, 9 to 3.

Score by Innings:
Beavers . . . 5 3 0 1 0 0-13
Solons . . . 0 2 1 0 0 0-11
WP Cannon; LP Vanderpool
Stars . . . 1 0 0 2 0 0-3
Seals . . . 0 0 3 0 2 0-9
WP Crenshaw; LP Pette
Solons . . . 2 2 0 1 2 0-7
Angels . . . 0 0 3 3 0 0-10
WP Fittinger; LP Moore
Beavers . . . 1 0 1 0 1 0-3
Rainiers . . . 3 0 0 0 1 0-9
WP Mills; LP Cannon

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ROD and GUN Chatter

By DONNA BARKDULL
Local sport fishing took a nosedive over the week-end, owing to choppy seas and to many boats solidly covering the horseshoe kelp and around Catalina making the fish sound. Up until then, log barracuda and yellowtail had kept the water churning and anglers had little trouble bagging their limits of barries, the yellows have remained on the tricky side with only random catches taken. The thinning of octanarine vessels Monday had barries returning to the top, giving promise to another active week.

Fourth of July Carnival Stated At Normont Park
Normont Torrance Playground will be turned into a gala fairgrounds Sunday for a Fourth of July Carnival featuring booths, games, races and prizes for youngsters.

Weekend Games
A baseball game between two all-star midwest league teams will get the carnival underway at 4 p.m. and games will begin at 6:30 to get the youths into the carnival spirit, according to Harry Holden, recreation director.

Relay races, games and contests will lead up to the start of the carnival at 6:30 p.m. Hot dogs and refreshments will abound, Holden said. Game booths will be set up and will award prizes to winners.

Fished Off Horseshoe
Out of Joe Martin's 22nd St. landing, on the Star Angler last Thursday, Paul Smith, Al Coast, Bill Johnson, Gary and Dean Barkdull, Floyd DeVore and myself fished the horseshoe, landing barracuda, Spanish mackerel and bass. With the help of Al, we all just about filled our limits with the top barrie snagged by Dean, 8 1/2 pounds.

Divers Find Jap Ship
Sydney, Australia—Divers of an Australian syndicate, which has disposed rights to all ships in Rabaul and Bougainville Harbor, reported a big prize at the very outset—a Japanese aircraft carrier, with twenty planes intact on its flight deck. The salvagers estimated it to be worth around \$175,000 for scrap.

Gardena Rod and Gun members walked away with all the prizes, except one Sunday at Paradise Cove in a derby sponsored by them. Fishing was actually pretty slow, but enough halibut and bass were boated to lend a little excitement. First prize in the halibut division went to Jim Terween, a Gardena member, for his 18 pound, fat-tie Torrance Rod and Gun president Harry Seeman, was the only representative, from another club, taking a prize, coming in first in the bass division with a dandy going 7 lbs. 2 ozs. All in all, \$75 worth of fishing equipment was awarded besides a good size jackpot, split between the winners of the two groups.

Hate to admit it, but I guess there are a few fishermen in the Gardena club after all, on

Watson Has Barrie
Saturday on the Patsy Lee, skippered by Ernie Strong, Porter Watson and six members of his crowd bounced aboard 21 logs, 15 halibut and a smattering of bass. Papa Watson kept his standing in his family by boating the top catch, a barrie going over the 13-pound mark. Sunday, same boat, same skipper, only with Roy and Leon Smith, John Whitman, Gene Guggold, A. Brady and Jim Sides fishing the horseshoe, only four barries, 29 bass and five flyswatters were boated. Roy took the jackpot with his top barrie going 8 lbs. 2 ozs.

Maybe it's just their stinger fishing that could do with a little improvement.

Weekly High Scratch
Team Series . . . Team No. 4
Team Game . . . Team No. 4
Ind. Series . . . V. Daniels
Ind. Game . . . V. Daniels

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MIXED FIVE-OH
9th Week
No. Team Name Won Lost
1. Allen Jewelers 23 12
2. Carson Liquor Store 23 12
3. Team No. 3 16 20
4. Team No. 2 16 20
5. Team No. 1 16 20
6. Team No. 4 16 20
7. South Shore Motors 11 17
8. Liberty Hardware 12 26

Weekly High Scratch
Team Series . . . Team No. 8
Team Game . . . Team No. 8
Ind. Series . . . R. Gefford
Ind. Game . . . R. Means

TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED FOURSOME
9th Week
No. Team Name Won Lost
1. Team No. 2 23 13
2. Team No. 7 23 13
3. Team No. 1 23 13
4. Team No. 4 23 13
5. Team No. 3 16 20
6. Team No. 8 16 20
7. Team No. 5 16 20
8. Team No. 6 16 20

2nd Stringer Blasts Game Winning Hit

Substitute Ronnie Shopper's line single in the top of the ninth with two away drove in the winning run to give the league leading Seven-Up Tigers an 8-to-7 extra inning victory over the Giants last Sunday.

Jim Hester came in to relieve Jerry Schipper in the seventh inning and received credit for the victory. Although Hester and Schipper allowed the Giants only five hits, they walked ten to be in trouble most of the way.

Hawkins Grooves One
Jim Hawkins seemed to have the Bengals under control as the ninth frame started. Hawkins struck out the hard-hitting Hester and Gomez in succession, but then grooved the fatal pitch to Shopper.

In the second contest of the afternoon, Pete Kemp boomed out a grand slam home run in the third inning to pull the Cubs up from a two-run deficit and start them on their way to an 8-4 win over the Harvey Braves. Kemp had been to bat some 30 times this season and had not been able to collect a single hit, until his round tripper Sunday.

Pirates Challenge Tigers for Lead

The Police Pirates moved closer to the league-leading Tigers by handing the Giants a 13-to-10 defeat Tuesday.

The victory gave the pirates a 10-8 record, while the first-place Bengals sport a 9-5 mark.

Steve Mearing led the winners at the plate with a grand slam home run. Ricky Bucher was the winning pitcher.

Clerks Keep Hot Pace, Win 16-1

The Marine Clerks maintained their hot pace in the City Softball League as they trampled the Harbor Hornets 16 to 1 in the second game at Torrance Park Monday night.

The victory shot the Clerks far out in front of the rest of the field with a perfect 8 record, while the defeat pushed the Hornets deeper into the cellar.

Shortstop Sam Cappelle was the potent power at the plate for the Marines as he went for the circuit twice and doubled in his other appearance. Third sacker Jim Jackson also went for another homer, while Dee Burgess got a triple and Mel Cowart a double to aid in the rout.

Dea Whiffs Seven
Burgess went all the way for the Clerks, allowing only three hits and striking out seven in posting his win. He also piled a sharp single to left field plus his three-bagger for a creditable performance at the plate.

The Hornet's only score came in the second inning. Sidney Garrison led off with a single to center, raced to second when Buckley Kuhn nudged a fly ball in left center and scooted home on M. D. Everett's line to right.

Clerks Bat Around
Meanwhile, the Clerks got off to a big start, batting around in the first frame, scoring six runs on three singles and a couple of walks. They came right back in the second to score three and countered for seven more in the next frame.

They maintained this 16-run lead for the next two frames and the game was called on a league ruling stating that when a team is leading by 14 runs or more after five innings of play, the game will be called.

Booth, Peebles Face Dow
The timely hitting of catcher Vern Booth and the strong right arm of Bill Peebles led Dow

16-Event at Culver City

Big wheels from the AMA clash for fame and fortune tomorrow night at the Culver City Stadium as a 16-event big bike motorcycle classic rolls onto the clay speedway at 8:30 p.m.

A three way battle for the checkerered flag is expected in the 20-lap feature when Chuck "Bacon" Johnny Gibson and Tex Lucey collide.

Sports

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Hardball Gets Underway at Playgrounds

Activity in nearby Normandale and Normont Playgrounds hit its peak this past week when hardball schedules got underway.

The playgrounds have just finished softball play, with Normandale winning the Harbor District Championship. Gerald Hughes was their top pitcher with a nifty 13-1 record, while Ken Trainer led all hitters with a .592 average.

The Normandale baseball team will see action tomorrow when they meet Anderson Memorial of San Pedro at 6:15 p.m. So far Normandale has a perfect 2-0 mark.

At Normont Terrace Playground, 101 Hwy. and Vermont Ave., play is just about set to start in a midweek hardball league for boys 8-13 years old.

Team captains will be elected Tuesday and the captains will choose their teams Thursday. The five-team league will play games on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at 4:40 p.m. during the summer. Each team has an adult manager.

Pheasants Liberated

A total of 500 Chinese pheasants from the Brawley game farm were liberated near Bishop by the Department of Fish and Game during the month of June.

Only Mentor to Coach Title Team to Move to Phoenix Hi



VERN WOLFE . . . To Leave Torrance High

HERE'S THE Pitch!

Little League
July 1, Thursday—Dodgers at Tigers.
July 2, Friday—Braves at Yankees.
July 3, Saturday—Pirates at Pirates.
Cards at Braves.
July 4, Sunday—Yankees at Cubs.
Giants at Dodgers.
July 5, Monday—Cubs at Braves.
July 6, Tuesday—Cubs at Braves.
July 7, Wednesday—Giants at Tigers.

Softball
July 1, Thursday—Marine Clerks vs. Watteria BMA, Torrance Park.
July 2, Friday—Optimist vs. Moose; Rotary vs. IIR Sportsman, Torrance Park.
July 3, Saturday—Pirates at Pirates.
July 4, Sunday—Stars at Angels.
July 5, Monday—Watteria BMA vs. Lions Legion vs. Jr. C. of C., Watteria Park.

Blue Streak
July 1, Thursday—Luthers Men vs. National High, Watteria BMA vs. Local 1135, Watteria Park.
July 2, Friday—Pro Dept. B vs. Midland Rubber at Torrance Park.
Torrance Gardens vs. Fire Dept. A, at Torrance Park.

Babe Ruth
July 1, Thursday—Solons at Beavers.
July 2, Friday—Solons at Angels.
July 3, Saturday—Stars at Stars; Angels at Rainiers.
July 4, Sunday—Solons at Stars.
Beavers at Seals.
July 5, Wednesday—Stars at Angels.
July 6, Thursday—Stars at Seals.
Girls' Softball
July 1, Thursday—Watteria vs. Flamingo, McMaster Park.
July 2, Tuesday—MGA vs. Rookies; Lomita vs. Watteria, at Watteria Park.
Recreation
July 5 to July 10—will be Pet Week in the Torrance Recreation Summer Program.

Head Coach Cliff Graybell said yesterday, "I don't know how well ever replace him, or Coach Welch, either." Basketball Coach Rex Welch submitted his resignation a few weeks ago and will resume coaching next season at Rosemead High School.

Hard to Replace
In Arizona, Wolfe will take over as head track coach and line coach on the football team. The Phoenix school has taken the state championship in both track and football for the past two years and is a real powerhouse. It has an enrollment of 2700, including ninth graders.

Undeclared in League
Wolfe's cross-country teams were undeclared in Bay League competition during the two years he coached them.

The Bay League crowns won by the two teams were the first varsity championships ever won by a Torrance team since the school entered the league in 1947.

Torrance was Wolfe's first coaching assignment out of college. He started as varsity baseball, Bee basketball and Bee football coach, and worked up to head track coach and backfield coach in football.

The popular coach specialized in the pole vault while attending USC, cracked the 14-ft. mark. He resides in Gardena with his wife, Marilyn, and son Corey, 1. They will move to Arizona on about Aug. 15.

Wolfe spent three and one-half years in the Paratroops during the last war.

Determine at Holly Park

Although comparatively few Southern California racing fans had the privilege of seeing Andrew J. Crevolin's Determine win the Kentucky Derby last month, approximately 60,000 of them are expected to be at Hollywood Park Saturday when the little gray champion goes the Derby distance and carries the Derby weight in the \$50,000 added Westerner.

In the Kentucky classic Determine packed 126 pounds to defeat the country's leading 3-year-olds at the Derby distance of a mile and a quarter. In the Westerner, which is Hollywood Park's 2-year-old championship race at the same route and which up to 1948 was known as the Hollywood Derby, Determine will have another good field of sophomores to beat with Calumet Farm's filly, Miz Clementine, and Mrs. A. W. Ryan's Fault Free heading the list of contenders.

Not the Weaker Sex

Knoxville, Tenn.—Mack Garrett, 14, is convinced that the female is not necessarily the weaker sex. Recently, he and his 11-year-old sister, Anna, decided to imitate a pair of wrestlers they had been watching on television. Anna applied an armlock on Mack and he went flying over her shoulder. He ended the tussle in a hospital with a broken left arm.



MEET THE BALL . . . Part of the City Recreation program, being carried on during the summer on schools and playgrounds, is illustrated above at Seaside School where Recreation Director Jeff Olsen is tutoring a boys' softball team for competition with teams from other schools and playgrounds in the area. Olsen needs help in transporting his team from game to game. Any parent who can offer aid is asked to get in touch with him at Seaside School any weekday afternoon.