Three Coaches Get NTHS Posts

Coaching assignments at the new North Torrance High School, which opens this fall, were announced this week by Torrance school officials.

The present coaching staff at Torrance High School was split down the middle by the announcement with Cliff Graybehl, football mentor and head of the department, Track boss Willard Morgan, and newcomer Del Nuzum, who handles Tartar baseball fortunes, ticketed for the trip to the new prep school.

Their assignment to NTHS leaves only two of the original six-man coaching staff that started the year at Torrance High for next year.

Don Porter, who will take over Varsity football, and Jack Miller, who handled basketball this year, will remain at THS.

George Stanich, who is in his freshman year of coaching, quit the staff earlier by announcing he will go to El Camino College next year to handle basketball.

Graybehl Was Grid Star

Graybehl is a [illegible] the Santa Monica schools system. He prepped at Samohi and enrolled at Santa Monica City College before he was graduated from the University of California's Santa Barbara branch.

He was a stand out in football while in high school and college. He also played service football for the Fort MacArthur team, during a stretch in the Army. He was a lineman.

In addition to his assignment of coaching Varsity football at THS, he has coached the Tartar "B" grid squad and also coached Varsity basketball and Varsity and Jayvee baseball, during his stay at Torrance.

Morgan From Whittier

Morgan prepped at Whittier High School and Whittier College, before entering the coaching field.

He was a stand out half back on the Poets' grid squad, and miler and sprinter, while attending the Whittier schools.

Before coming to Torrance High, Morgan coached a his alma mater, Whittier High, and also coached at Vista High School.

Since his stay at Tartarville, he has handled "B" football and basketball. This year, he was head man of the cross-country and track and field squads at THS.

Former Bruin Athlete

Nuzum, who is fresh out of UCLA, was a star outfielder on the Bruin nine. He finished his undergraduate work in 1953 and assisted with the Bruin baseball nine last year, while taking graduate work at Westwood.

His Tartar nine this year has run into a series of tough breaks that include three straight extra-inning losses on the road. The Tarts have been beaten only once at home, however, and that time by Morningside in a practice tilt.

Pepperdine Product

A product of George Pepperdine College, Porter was an aspiring football and track star, until he came up with knee trouble and had to give up the grid sport. He concentrated on track instead and was an ace shot putter for the Waves.

He prepped at Washington High School and Compton College, before going into the Air Force. He now is working for a master's degree in physical education at SC.

Porter is in his fourth year of coaching at Torrance. During that time, he has coached "B" football and track and field.

A graduate of Hamilton High School in Los Angeles, Miller graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara. He has coached all sports, serving five years as mentor of teams at Arroyo Grande High School.

He came to Torrance High last year, where he has guided the hoopsters and coached other sports. He served in the Coast Guard and the Navy.

HARBOR JC TAKES METRO TRACK CROWN

Coach Joe Berry's Los Angeles Harbor Junior College trackmen scored 101 3-5 points last Friday at East Los Angeles Junior College Stadium to carry off the Metropolitan Conference Track and Field championship for 1955.

It was the first Conference championship for the Harbor Seahawks since the school first opened in 1949.

The Harborites had previously won the 1955 dual meet championship.

In winning the Conference title, Harbor JC qualified twelve men and the four-men one mile relay team for the Southern California Junior College Meet to be held at Santa Monica City College tomorrow night.

As antitcipated, several Metropolitan Conference records fell by the wayside. Dick Dorsey, of Santa Monica City College, ran the 220 in 20.7 to eclipse the previous record of 21.4 held by Long Beach's Harry Nelson. Dorsey, earlier in the meet, tied the 100 mark of 9.8, also held by Nelson and established in 1954.

Warren Eisenberg of Harbor ran a 9.6 (wind) century in Tuesday's prelims that will go for a new Metropolitan Conference record in this event.

Duane Novak of Santa Monica City College, chalked up the best discus throw in junior college history with a toss of 161 feet ½ inch. Novak's performance also broke the Metropolitan Conference record of 149 feet set by East Los Angeles J. C.'s Sherwin Sosnovsky in 1953.

Chuck Schroeder of Valley J. C., a double Conference winner in the mile and 880, set a new record in the mile of 4:25.3 to better Joe Leach's record by 2.5 seconds.

Harbor's Everett Jackson bettered the 220 low hurdle by clipping off the lows in 23.8. The previous record of 24 flat set by Bakersfield's Al Wise in 1951 was one of the oldest on the books.

FINAL TOTALS: Harbor JC, 101 3-5; Long Beach CC, 92; Santa Monica CC, 82; Valley JC, 73 3-5; East LAJC, 43 3-5; Bakersfield, 20 3-5; San Diego JC, 15 3-5; El Camino, 5.

Bay League Meet Tomorrow

Tartars Topple Pirates, 7-1; Host Redondo

Lefty Tom Vanderpool threw a three-hitter Tuesday afternoon as the Torrance Tartar nine headed into the Bay League home stretch with a 7-1 win over Paramount at Torrance Park.

Today, Del Nuzum's Tartars meet Redondo in another league game, at Torrance Park. Game time is 3 p.m. George Stanich's Jayvee nine meets Redondo's Juniors at the same time at Redondo.

The Tartars scored all seven runs in the home-half of the second inning, as Vanderpool, Ron Anderson, Bill Drazkowski, George Hurley and Mike Bertolet all contributed hits. Vanderpool led off the inning with a triple.

Hurley and Bertolet continued their fine stick work, as the former hit safely three times in four trips and Bertolet had two for three. Vanderpool and Tom Mills also hit two for three.

Vanderpool walked four and struck out as many as he mastered the Pirates. The losers hold an early-season, 5-4 win over the locals, in a 10-inning affair.

Torrance (7)	AB	R	H	E
Todd,rf	3	1	0	0
Hackanson,1b	3	1	0	0
Hurley,ss	4	1	3	0
Bertolet,lf	3	1	2	0
Vanderpool,p	3	1	2	0
Lee,3b	4	0	0	0
Anderson,2b	2	1	1	0
Drazkowski,cf	3	1	1	0
Mills,c	3	0	2	0
TOTAL	28	7	11	0

Paramount (1)	AB	R	H	E
Dena,2b	3	0	0	0
Fox,ss	1	0	1	0
Shackleford,p	3	0	0	0
Habbenfelter,lf	3	0	1	0
Davis,cf	1	1	1	0
Hodges,1b	2	0	0	0
O'Toole,c	3	0	0	1
Jenkins,rf	3	0	0	0
Hombs,3b	2	0	0	0
TOTAL	21	1	3	1

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(Herald Photo)

ACE FIELDER . . . Mike Bertolet, Tartar outfielder, has taken command of the outfield since joining the Varsity nine from the Jayvees. The smooth sophomore has been hitting at a steady pace, too. He has the second-best average on the Tartar club, a .333 mark.

HESTER, RAINWATER LEAD LOCALS

Fifteen Torrance thinclads trek to Inglewood tomorrow for the Bay League track and field finals. Qualifiers will be in line for a shot at subsequent CIF meets, while those who fail to place, will turn in their suits.

Coaches Willard Morgan and Don Porter hope to have enough individual strength to gain third place in the Varsity competition. First and second places have already been conceded to Centennial's powerful crew and Santa Monica respectively.

Varsity entrants for Torrance and their best times, are Skip Smith, shot put, 50'6"; Al Rainwater, 100, 10.0 and 180-hurdles, 20.3; Dennis Hester, 880, 2:00.5, and high jump, 6'2½"; Bob Boss, high jump, 5'10"; John Trenary, mile, 4:50.3, and Dave Campbell, mile, 4:53.1.

Five Tartarbees are entered in the Class B meet.

Mickey Boskovich, 100, 10.6; Bill Meacham, 660, 1:30.8, Roy Baligad, 660, 1:34.0; Richard Rubeo, 70-low hurdles, 9.7, and Dick Bentwood, 120-low hurdles, 14.7, will represent the Tartarbees.

Dennis Lupin, Carlos Acosta, Len Ehlers and Mark Eubank are the only Tartarcees who qualified last week for the Bay League trackfest.

Lupin's best time in the 120-low hurdles is 15.0. Acosta has run the 660 in a 1:33.9 best effort, Ehlers has a 1:33.6 clocking in the 660, and Eubank has a fine 10.8 best in the 100-yard dash.

COAL OUTPUT

About 200 mining firms in the U.S. produce more than a million tons each year, on a basis of each unit. Daily output is said to be in excess of one million tons.

Optimists to Fete Kids at Annual Meet

Future Torrance High track greats take to the cinder path at the THS oval Saturday as the seventh annual Torrance Optimist Relays are scheduled for elementary students in the area.

Ribbons will go to the first five finishers in each event, courtesy of the Optimist Club. Cliff Graybehl, THS head coach and Optimist Club member, will be chairman of the annual trackfest.

The top three youngsters from each grammar school will compete in the following events: football throw, broad jump, high jump, shot put, 100-yard dash, 180-yard dash, 440-yard run and 70-yard hurdles.

Youngsters in attendance will be treated by the club to refreshments, as has been the custom in the past. The relays are slated to begin at 9:30 a.m. and should wind up, according to Graybehl, around noon.

THS track stars George Boscon and Dick Bentwood are among some of the athletes who hold event records for the Optimist Relays.

Leuzinger Tips Tartar Golfers By Two Strokes

Leuzinger High's Olympians, who are riding atop the Bay League golf standings, had to go all out to beat Torrance Monday, as the Tartars dropped a two-stroke match, 255-257.

Tomorrow, the Tartars play Redondo in a league match at Palos Verdes Country Club.

Jerry Slaten, Leuzinger hotshot, toured the Western Avenue Course in a blazing 35 to lead the Olympians. Wayne Whiles had a 37 for the winners.

Ronnie Hase led the Torrance linksmen, with a 37. Dennis Hester, who took time out from his track duties, shot a 38 to get second-low honors for Torrance.

The Tartars are now tied with Inglewood for second place in the Bay League. Both squads have dropped two matches, while the front-running Leuzinger team has yet to be beaten.

Other Tartars checked in Monday with scores in the 40s. Richard Komonyi and Mike Sampson had 43s, while Dave Scott had a 47 and Steve Crowell, the only freshman on the first team, shot a 49.

Coach Joe Stuart's Tartar linksmen have four matches remaining on their slate, after tomorrow's go with Redondo. They meet Santa Monica's squad twice, Leuzinger again, and Paramount, before closing out the Bay League season.

C. JOHNSON LEADS 'BIRD HITTERS

Needless to say, Sunday's scheduled game between the Torrance Bluebirds and North American Aviation at Inglewood was a complete wash-out, as the locals stayed in from the deluge and rested for their next tilt.

This Sunday, the 'Birds tackle the Eastside Beer nine at Torrance Park.

Manager Jack French released current statistics on the squad this week. The averages show Jack Schlarb as the top Bluebird pitcher, and Swayne Johnson as the leading sticker.

Johnson is hitting the ball at a .384 clip.

1955 AVERAGES

	AB	H	RBI	PCT.
S. Johnson	39	15	10	.384
D. Beckett	6	2	0	.333
C. Johnson	41	13	11	.317
Murphy	19	6	6	.315
French	35	11	5	.310
Titchener	36	11	4	.305
M. Beckett	33	9	3	.272
Kuhn	30	8	3	.266
Strong	8	2	0	.250
Camou	39	9	2	.230
Taylor	24	4	3	.166
Armstrong	2	0	0	.000

PITCHERS

	IP	SO	BB	ERA
Schlarb	4	10	1	0.00
Robinson	34	25	23	6.57
Bishop	23	24	11	12.87
Franklin	3	0	5	14.94

WARRIOR NETTERS PLAY IN TOURNEY

Stan Ellis and Bill Lewis of El Camino College will take to the clay courts when the Metropolitan Conference tennis tournament gets under way at Long Beach tomorrow.

San Diego's netmen, who outsmashed the Warrior netters in the finals of the recent Ojai open tournament to take first place, are the favorites to repeat their dominance over other conference teams again.

Ellis and Lewis will compete in the championship singles and doubles division, while Lee Adams and Douglas Burt will volley in the "B" division for El Camino.

Camino Nine, Bakersfield In Loop Fray

El Camino's baseball squad, showing a vast improvement since its shaky start early this season, takes on the Renegades from Bakersfield tomorrow on the Warrior's diamond.

Coach Doug Essick will probably send his ace south-paw Jerry Tully against the Renegades who have beaten the Caminomen twice this season.

In the first round of the Metropolitan conference, the Renegades blasted out a 12-4 victory. Then in the championship finals of the Azusa tournament, they pulled out a 12-9 win.

Bobby Weiss, whose thumb has been giving him trouble since he injured it in the Long Beach clash, is expected to regain his power-batting swing in this important tussle.

With the Long Beach squad showing signs of collapsing in the second round of league play after a 4-3 beating by second place East Los Angeles and a 10-9 licking by Essick's crew, there is now a three-way race for the Metro crown between Warriors.

ICE STAR . . . Blonde Helen Davidsan, talented skater, will perform when Ice Capades open Los Angeles run on May 5. Show will run for 18 days and is scheduled for Pan Pacific.

Midgets Return To Gardena

High powered midget autos open their regular weekly schedule of Saturday night racing this Saturday at Gardena Stadium, with nearly 100 URA leadfoots ready to see action on the fast quarter-mile clay oval.

The mighty thunderbugs figure to lure a capacity throng, based on packed houses attending this type of competition early this season. Time trials get under way at 7 p.m. followed by a full racing program at 8:30, Director Bill McKay announced.

Some of the sport's greatest stars will cavort at the 139th and Western oval, which also features its usual Sunday afternoon slate of CJA jalopy racing.

Fish and Game Department Says Storm Benefits Trout

Department of Fish and Game officials sympathize with those anglers who were washed out of opening day trout fishing or those whose favorite streams were high and roily, but recent storms were worth plenty for the state's fish life.

Although it is too early to evaluate the increase in stream runoff which will result, there will be plenty of benefits for trout.

Division of Water Resources estimates that there will be a ten per cent increase in runoff, which on some streams means the difference between thousands of trout and young steelhead dying in dried up pools, or living to be creeled by the angler another day.

In some areas it will mean a postponement of fish rescue operations by the Department, and a better chance of survival for thousands of fish.

In other areas the storm will mean that streams which already had dropped to mid-summer levels will be alive for another two or three months.

Reservoirs which had reached ten-year low levels are slowly climbing. More water means better fishing and more fishing opportunities.

Also highly important, in some areas of the state, the storm will mean a postponement of fire closures which every year cut off many miles of streams and scores of lakes from the angling list.

So if opening day turns out to be a disappointment to some, anglers are advised to keep in mind that the storm was the best thing that could happen to California fish, and in turn, to California fishermen.

Police Group Backs Little Loop Pirates

The Torrance Police Officers' Assn. announced this week they are backing the Pirates club in the National Little League, which opens play next week.

Tommy Thompson has been named manager of the Pirates.

It will be the third year in a row that the local Police group has sponsored a squad in Little League competition.

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