

# Torrance '9' Enters 2nd Round of Anaheim Legion Tournament

## Wehrhan in 3-3 Bid At Plate

Seeking its second straight tournament win, Torrance's American Legion Post 170 baseballers lock horns with Wilmington today in the second round of the 15th annual Anaheim Legion classic.

Game time at La Palma Park is 4 p.m. Torrance—recently crowned champs of the Bay League—will probably go with either Tommy Richardson or Ray Wilson, both lefties, on the mound as half of the original 76 teams are still alive in the sudden death tourney.

SOUTH TORRANCE Post 170 bowed out Thursday evening, 4-0 to West Covina as the locals could collect only four hits in the seven inning encounter. Losing pitcher was Bob Wehrhan, who was nicked for six hits, but he nonetheless put in a staunch bid for the tourney's all-star team by banging out three of his team's four safeties.

The winner of this afternoon's hook-up in Anaheim will duel the winner of a game preceding at 12 noon. The survivors will meet in the third round at Anaheim on Aug. 19.

SHOULD Richardson—a June graduate of Torrance High—hurl today, he'll be shooting for his 10th straight win against Legion competition, which is geared to 16 and 17-year-old boys.

West Covina, 4-0  
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Covina ... 200 101 0-4 6 2  
Torrance 000 000 0-0 4 4  
Merritt and Rowles; Wehrhan and Czarske.

## McMaster Park Parents Meet to Plan '60 Kids' Football Season

A meeting of fathers to discuss plans for the forthcoming football program at McMaster Park is slated for 7:30 p.m. on August 15.

The session will be in the park's community building at 3624 W. Artesia Blvd. L. E. Breitenfeldt, director of the park, said registrations are being accepted from boys wishing to play on any of the pigskin squads.

He said over 300 boys participated in a 10-team softball league at the park this summer.

In recent playoffs, games were won by the Yankees, Skyline All-Stars and Rocky Mountain All-Stars.

## Anglers 'Discover' Smallmouth Bass

It took them a while, but Colorado River fishermen in the Blythe area have just discovered that they have some of the West's finest smallmouth bass fishing.

Fishing from a boat immediately below the Palo Verde Valley Diversion Dam on the river above Blythe, anglers with the know-how are taking good catches of smallmouths ranging all the way from 6-inches up to 4½-pounders.

## DFG Seeks Importation Ban On Vicious Piranha Fish

Alarmed at an increase of popularity among home aquarium hobbyists of the vicious South American piranha fish, the Department of Fish and Game plans to ask the next session of the Legislature to ban its importation.

There are various sub-species of this fish, some of which, in large groups or schools, are capable of stripping all the flesh from a man or animal in a matter of minutes. It is feared that if some sub-species were released into Central California rivers they might be able to survive and reproduce.

Brazilian fishery experts think the chance is too great to take and California Department of Fish and Game Inland Fisheries personnel agree.

The fish are so voracious that in some South American streams they will strip the tongue from an animal daring to drink from the stream. In many instances, if a herd of cattle must be forded across one of these streams, one animal is taken downstream, where it is attacked by a school of piranha, which is thus distracted from the rest of the herd.

In addition to the danger to bathers, water-skiers and boaters, it is feared that piranha, if they became established in California waters, might decimate other fish populations.

Although only eight to 10 inches long at maturity, piranha have razor-sharp teeth and jaws as strong as steel traps.

Very much a rarity in home aquariums only a few years ago, the price has now been reduced so greatly that they are frequently to be found and this fact has increased the potential danger.

A bill to ban importation of piranha throughout the United States has been introduced in Congress. The bill has passed the House and is now scheduled for hearing by the Senate judiciary Committee.



## OFF AND RUNNING by John I. Dey

### No Speed Limit



Plutarch, who is much better known as a biographer than a reporter of chariot or horse races, once said: "Be ruled by time, the greatest counselor of all," advice which might be invaluable in catching a train, but is open to debate in racing circles. Someone else, probably John E. Madden, America's leading breeder of Thoroughbreds from 1918 through 1927 and known as a maxim

maker, said: "Records are made to be broken."

When, on August 28, 1890, the immortal Salvator pounded out a mile in one minute, thirty-five and a half seconds at old Monmouth Park in New Jersey, it was held likely that such speed would be equalled for some time. And it was not until August 21, 1918 that Roamer, running against time, did equal it; he covered eight furlongs in 1:34 4/5.

## A's Tighten Grip on First Place in Girls' Softball

The A Team took a tighter hold on first place in the Girls' Softball League Wednesday by bumping the Esabs 4-1 in a tight one at WALTERIA Park.

The A's pushed across two runs on one hit, three walks, and an infield out to sew it up.

IN OTHER feminine action around the circuit, the Spartettes avenged a former loss to the Southwest Park nine, 18-5 as Catcher Leda Davis and shortstop Judy Motoyasu had three hits each.

Last week the Chargers came from behind to defeat the Rebels, 3-2 as the winners clinched it in the 6th on two singles, an infield out, and a wild pitch.

IN A ROMP, the Esabs could do no wrong in clobbering Southwest Park, 25-6. The winners pounded three homers, a triple, three doubles, and 9 singles.

Leading hitters were Barbara Jones and Cynthia Pedersen, who had 4 hits in 4 trips.

Standings  
W L GBL  
A Team ..... 9 1 —

Chargers	8	3	1 1/2
Rebels	6	3	2 1/2
Esabs	6	4	3
Spartettes	1	9	8
Southwest Park	1	10	8 1/2

## Softball Standings

INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	GBL
Independent Bldrs.	5	1	—
SB Church of God	5	1	—
T. Post Office	5	1	—
Ryan Aeros	5	1	—
Aeronca Mfg.	3	4	2 1/2
Maur's Cafe	2	3	2 1/2
Harvey Aluminum	2	4	3
Harbor Hornets	2	4	3
Border Markets	0	6	5
Lucy's Lambs	0	6	5

SLO-PITCH Service League			
	W	L	GBL
Elks Club	11	2	—
Torrance Kiwanis	10	3	1
Merchants	10	3	1
Walteria Kiwanis	8	5	3
Optimist Club	5	8	6
Sportsmen's Club	4	9	7
Torrance Herald	3	10	8
Lions Club	1	12	10

RED LEAGUE			
	W	L	GBL
Tappa Keggas	14	0	—
Fire Dept. B	7	7	7
City Employees	7	7	7
Old Pros	6	8	8
RB Post Office	4	10	10
Torrance Tigers	4	10	10

BLUE LEAGUE			
	W	L	GBL
Walt. Kiwanis 9, Lions 6			
Merchants 10, Sportsmen 6			
Torr. Kiwanis 5, Optimists 4			
Herald 5, Elks 4			

RED LEAGUE			
	W	L	GBL
Just For Fun	11	1	—
Ron's Landscaping	9	3	2
Inglewood Farms	7	5	4
St. James Church	7	5	4
Columbia ERA	4	8	7
St. Lawrence Church	4	8	7
Pacific Perforating	3	9	8
SB Church of God	3	9	8

RED LEAGUE			
	W	L	GBL
Pacific 9, St. Lawrence 1			
St. James 4, Church of God 3 (11 innings)			
Landscapers 12, Farms 0			
Just for Fun 5, Columbia 2			

## POP WARNER MEETING CALLED IN TORRANCE

Officials of the Torrance Pop Warner Football Association have called a general meeting for parents for Wednesday evening at 8 at the YMCA building, 2080 Washington Ave.

Meanwhile, second day tryouts will be conducted this morning at Torrance Park from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Parents may register their sons at the tryouts.

Association spokesmen said that the general meeting Wednesday has been called to explain the safety of tackle football for the youngsters.

Pop Warner films of former games will be shown, and guest speakers will explain the program.

## Industrial League Bottled Up With Four Teams Tied for Lead

A rare four team tie for first place exists in the Torrance Industrial Softball League today after the previously unbeaten Independent Builders suffered a forfeit loss Friday night to Aeronca. The Builders' only other loss of the season was via the forfeiture route in the first round, but they survived that by winning a playoff for the first half title.

However, the second round forfeit put a howling end to the topsy-turvy week of city softball, bottling up the top half of the standings.

Ryan Aeros, one of the four pace setters with a 5-1 record, barely outlasted the lowly Harbor Hornets, 5-4, then the South Bay Church of God—another of the crowded quartet in the top division—blasted Lucy's winless Lambs for a 17-0 setback. The winners pounded 12

hits, including two—both for home runs—by winning pitcher Jim Reynolds. Teammate Roger Newman went 3-3, Reynolds fanned 14 batters and allowed but three hits.

The Torrance Post Office kept pace with the pack by slapping a 7-4 loss on Aeronca, but was dealt a jolt by the losers as they tallied all their runs in the last three innings after the winners had built up an early 6-0 lead.

Ernie Paculba, Clarence Rivali, and Jerry Duval all had two hits each for the Postmen, but Bo Steele, Aeronca third

baseman, led the bat parade with 3-4.

The week's activity was topped off Friday night with the Independent's forfeit, followed by a double forfeit from Border Markets and Harvey Aluminum.

BASE BURGLAR  
Maury Wills stole 25 bases (in 29 attempts)—in his 48 games at Spokane last year, but he was thrown out on his first two theft attempts as a Dodger. However, Maury then reeled off seven in a row in the stretch and also stole one base in the World Series.

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