

# "LOOKING 'EM OVER"

With Mike Calias Jr.

## IMAGINARY HELP

Since the advent of major league baseball, ball players, almost the man, believe in some sort of luck charm or superstition to carry them through the season.

Most members of the Los Angeles Dodgers possess rabbit ears, four-leaf clover coins and other types of bric-a-brac—things that these gimmicks would sharpen their play.

The Dodger coaches are also victims of imaginary "help." Greg Mulleavy, first base coach, never fails to touch the initial sack three times prior to the Dodgers' turn at bat. To our knowledge and Greg's he has never missed this part of his work-day procedure. If he did I'm sure that the famous "hospital" in Norwalk would claim him as a patient for some time to come.

On Wednesday last a foreign coin charm turned the trick for Don Drysdale!



DRYSDALE

## LOYAL DRYSDALE SUPPORTER

On the sports staff of this newspaper is a photographer-reporter who grunts, growls, and sweats with each Drysdale pitch. During the length of the season Sid Gans has watched his Dodgers and their ace righthander in numerous games—extremely upset each time the boys dropped one. And doubly so when his hero, Drysdale, lost his sixth straight last Sunday against the Cubs.

In fact Sid got so ornery in the office the next day that all talk directed at him got the sarcastic "what the heck do you want?" bit.

Last Wednesday we dispatched our ace to cover the Dodger-Phil game with instructions to interview his idol or look for another situation elsewhere.

Enroute to the Coliseum he kept thinking of how he could help Don. After all, he thought, hadn't Joe Becker and Walt Aiston done everything possible to help their ace twirler? What could a reporter do to aid Don's speedy return to mid-season form?

## PRESS-PHOTOGRAPHER THE KEY

Our baseball correspondent reached into his pocket for a Turkish and Domestic after entering the Dodger bullpen before the game and came up with the "solution" to Drysdale's problems. In his hand he found an Australian coin given him by his wife many years ago—a coin that had been his good luck charm on many pressing "who knows how it will come out" situations.

With his lucky piece the Dodger die-hard approached Don and Joe Becker, who were in a huddle. He flipped the coin several times while he explained to Don what the oversized penny had done for him in the past and followed with "Put this in your hip pocket, Don—with your skill and this good luck charm you'll pitch a winning game."

"What the heck," Don probably thought to himself, "I haven't anything to lose." So the ailing Dodger hurler placed the "mysterious magic" in his pants pocket, thanked Sid, and strolled to the mound with added confidence.

## COIN A MAINSTAY NOW

The 1-0 game that Drysdale pitched that night is now history! He showed none of the ills that had belittled him for the past five weeks.

As the 16 game winner was besieged by reporters, he turned to Sid and shouted to newsmen about him—"That's the guy who won for me tonight!" When the "why" was asked Don produced the coin and explained its significance.

Drysdale then proceeded to pocket the coin and head for a radio interview. Before he could climb the steps leading to the radio booth our Dodger fan remarked "Where's my luck piece, Don?"

The surprised Drysdale asked if he could keep the coin that brought his control back. The worried Sid explained that he could not drive home without it. However, he told the tall righthander "that he would 'loan' it to him prior to every game he pitched.

Did Don Drysdale just shake himself free from his slump, or did the odd coin play an important role in Don's return to form? Perhaps the answer can be found by dialing Republic Studios—home of Walt Disney Productions.



GOLF CHAMPIONS — Winners of Torrance Memorial Hospital's annual golf tournament gather on the 19th hole to go over their game. From left (standing): Dr. Jerry Eastham, second place winner; Dean Sears, member of board of

directors; Judge Donald Armstrong, board winner; (seated) Leonard Ensminger, administrator; Dr. Philip Holloran, chief of staff; Dr. Sid Patton, winner, guests; Dr. William Casey, first-place winner.

## Casey, Armstrong Doctors' Tee Champs

A total of 75 doctors and friends took part in the second annual golf-outing and dinner of the Torrance Memorial Hospital Medical Staff held at Palos Verdes Country Club Wednesday.

Judge Donald Armstrong won first prize for low gross for members of the hospital's Board of Directors. Runner up was Dean Sears, winner of "Torrance Citizen of Year" award.

Dr. William C. Casey of Torrance turned in the low gross score among the staff doctors and was awarded with an engraved trophy.

Dr. Gerald M. Eastham of Torrance had second best low gross and Dr. Richard C. Schaeffer of Redondo Beach the third low gross. They also received trophies. Last year Dr. Clifford E. Easley of Torrance shot the best score.

Among the guests, the best golf card was turned in by Dr. Sid Patton, Redondo Beach dentist. Numerous prizes were furnished by local pharmacies and drug firms. A cocktail hour followed the golf tournament.

Doctor Eastham acted as master of ceremonies at the award dinner. He introduced Dr. Philip Holloran, hospital chief of staff.

## FISHING REPORTS

REDONDO—Five boats, 156 anglers, 76 yellowtail, 28 bonito, 133 barracuda, 237 rockfish. Barge fishermen were catching mackerel, bonito, and a few yellowtail and barracuda.

LONG BEACH (Pacific)—Six boats, 204 anglers, 688 barracuda, 189 yellowtail, 1 white sea bass, 392 bonito, 12 calico bass and 2 halibut.

LONG BEACH (Belmont)—One boat, 36 passengers, 18 yellowtail, 154 barracuda, and 20 bonito. Barge fishermen were catching bonito and barracuda.

SAN PEDRO (Norm's)—Seven boats, 242 passengers, fishing Catalina and Horsehoe Kelp; 241 barracuda, 134 yellowtail, 1205 bonito, 4 white sea bass, 4 halibut, 24 calico bass and 3 miscellaneous fish.

(2nd St.)—Six boats, 153 passengers, 208 yellowtail, 295 barracuda, 3 tuna, 85 bass, 740 bonito. The jackpot is \$275.

LONG BEACH (Pierpoint)—Ten boats, 442 anglers, fishing local and Catalina; 402 yellowtail, 616 barracuda, 1403 bonito, 10 calico bass, 7 halibut and 5 miscellaneous.

and the many guests. Entertainment, including Bill and Mary Chaudet, magicians, followed the steak dinner.

The same committee handled the affair this year as last year. Members included Doctors Casey, Eastham, John Nursall and Rodney Stetson.

## Gardena Has Twin Derby Bill Today

One of the most spectacular programs in the history of Gardena Stadium is carded again today when a big double header is set at the plant at 139th and Western Ave.

Tonight it's the big Destruction Derby, featuring the wrecking of more than 60 cars in front of the grandstand. A seven event program of races is carded with 15 cars being demolished in each event of this thrill-packed program. The show has been moved up to 7:30 p.m. so that every one can be out of the stadium at an early hour.

Heading the destruction Derby will be a race for girl drivers. The women will have a chance to show their own ability in crashing a car, which they do with determination and a high spirit of competition.

The list of girl drivers includes Joyce Elliott of Compton, who won last week's race for women, Hila Paulson, Jill St. James, June Lewis and 10 others. Bozo the Clown and Uncle Luther will be on hand to care for kids.

The afternoon races will see such drivers as Bob Hogle, Buena Park; Art Atkinson, Pasadena; Ed Van Eyk, Gardena; Jack Austin, El Monte; Bill Mangold and Audie Madron, Compton; Bill Cantrell, Norm Malone and Jack Kelly, Riverside; Paul Jones, Torrance, competing with some 30 others who will be on hand for the action.

## BOARD TO MEET

Torrance Board of Education will meet at the Administrative office, 2335 Plaza del Amo, Sept. 15 at 8 p.m. A committee meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m.

## Businessmen Aid Youth Program

Volunteer businessmen from Coleman Engineering, California Bank, Pacific Telephone and Douglas aircraft are attending training sessions for Junior Achievement Advisers this month in Hawthorne.

They are among 47 advisers representing over 23 businesses in the South Bay area attending the center program at 831 N. Prairie Ave.

"The businessmen will learn the proven methods of success in aiding teen-agers to operate a miniature business," says Warren Tamblin, Junior Achievement program manager.

## Touch Football Leagues Begin Season Thursday

The Torrance recreation department touch football leagues are beginning their season with a general meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, at McMaster Park.

Everyone interested in entering a team, coaching or officiating for the forthcoming event should attend.

Team entries and individual sign-ups will be taken during the football clinics, scheduled at Torrance and McMaster parks on Saturday, Sept. 19, and Walteria and El Nido parks, Saturday, Sept. 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

These clinics will review such procedures as passing and blocking fundamentals, ball carrying and kicking, playing strategy and rules.

Leagues will be organized for boys between seven and eighteen years of age.

Ivy League—boys 9 years old and under.

Skyline—10 and 11 year olds.

Rocky Mt.—12 and 13 year olds.

Big Ten—High School boys, 18 and under.

Entry forms, schedules and rules may be picked up during the clinics, recreation office, or your nearest park. The leagues will officially begin play Oct. 3rd.

Jimmy Gene Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene K. Walker, 2232 W. 231st Street, Torrance, left Wednesday to return to San Diego to complete his final year at California Western University.

When he arrives on the University campus he will assume three new elected offices.

In the elections of the executive council of the Associated Students, Walker was chosen by the Class of 1960 as senior class representative to the council. He served on the council last year as Social Activities Chairman. The Council in June appointed Walker to be elections chairman. In this capacity he will organize the new freshman class.

Selected last year with four others as a cheer leader, Walker will take over as Head Cheer Leader.

Active on the Point Loma Campus, he has held such offices as secretary-treasurer of the Associated Mens Students, president of the Rally Club, and chairman of Parents Day. He is a scholarship student and will graduate in June with a B.A. degree in human relations.

# PRESS Sports

## Five Lettermen Bolster South High Hopes

Returning to action this year for South High are Dennis Pintner, Bob Wehrhan, Bill Hargrove and Joe Austin to bolster Dave Tollefson's eleven at the south Torrance high school.

For over a week now the squad has been practicing from the single wing and straight T and doing quite well accordingly to Coach Tollefson.

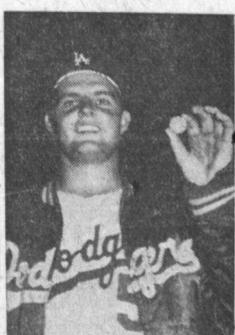
Along with Torrance High, South High is now a member of the Pioneer League and looms as the team to beat for the title. South was in the now defunct

## Art Baker Appears at Insurance Meeting

Art Baker, host of the television show "You Asked for It," will be the principal speaker at the annual installation dinner-meeting of the San Pedro-Wilmington Insurance Association Thursday evening at the San Pedro Hacienda, the association office announced today.

To be installed in a brief ceremony conducted by Lyle Huggins, state director, will be Denver Bullock, president and Fred Singer, vice president.

Crescent League last year. The Spartans make their 1959 debut Sept. 25th against Artesia at Tartar Field.



MAGIC COIN—Dodger pitcher Don Drysdale displays coin that won game for him. (See Looking 'Em Over.)

Philatelists Invited  
A stamp guessing game will be featured at Monday's meeting of the Torrance Stamp Club. Prizes will be awarded the winners. The meeting will be held at 1115 Hickory Ave. at 7:30 p.m. with all philatelists invited to attend.

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