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With Mike Callas Jr.

Leahy Takes a Chance

Oh my! What few friends Sid Gillman had have really been whooping it up since the ex-Ram coach was signed to a L. A. Charger contract.

Noted as a shrewd judge of mentors, Leahy is really taking a chance with the dethroned coach.

It is our judgement that the Ram brass got rid of Gillman for one big reason. Not so much the lousy season, nor his inability to handle men but because the Rams were afraid of their 1960 gate. Yes sir! The NFL club felt that competition was heading their way and wanted no part of a loser. They sensed public opinion.

Now Frank Leahy and the Chargers feel that "Gillman's experience with the pros and his knowledge of pro players" is just what the new AFL club ordered. They reason also that Sid is important to them because of "his origin in the L. A. community."

It is apparent to us that the Chargers could not find another "good" coach in time for the opening of the '60 season.

Good Man for College Ball

I do not believe Sid Gillman is right for the L. A. junior organization. He proved little with the Rams. In fact much dissention among the players was due directly or indirectly to Sid.

The most important factor here is that Gillman could not handle seasoned veterans of the professional game of football. His college training, as coach, depicted this man as just right for that type of coaching. But certainly not with men in the NFL.

Perhaps because the Chargers will be made up mostly with fresh college players and not pros is chief reason for the Chargers hiring Sid. Boys probably will take to Sid when he begins training his youth for the hard games ahead.

With this thought in mind I reconcile myself to seeing Sid Gillman still about in Los Angeles. He didn't prove he could handle men but I agree with Hilton and Leahy, Sid may be able to take a bunch of boys and round them into professionals. However, once they become men I doubt seriously that Sid is the man to direct them.

Dodger Doings

From the Dodger publicist, Red Patterson, we are told that the World Champions will play a total of 64 night games. A record number, surpassing the mark set in '59 by the Dodgers when they played 63 under the lights.

Red also informs us that the remaining 13 games will be day contests with 11 scheduled for Sundays. A wise move for L. A. fans proved they were not for sunlight baseball in '58 and '59.

The opening game of the 1960 schedule will also be at night. It's set for Tuesday, April 12. The Cubs, headed by the League's most valuable player, Ernie Banks, will be the Dodger opponents.

Interesting to note also is that the Dodgers will finish up their 1960 season at the Coliseum. Last year they spent them away and most of us played hookey from work to watch the thrilling stretch drive on television.

Gehrig Award to Hodges

Sometime during the season and before a home game Gil Hodges will be presented with the Lou Gehrig Memorial Award. This distinction is won by a Major Leaguer who best typifys the spirit of the New York Yankee Hall of Famer. Since the award began a first baseman has never won. Hodges is the first.

George Trautman, head of the minor leagues and chairman of the award committee will make the presentation to Hodges. In paying tribute to Hodges, Trautman said, "Gil resembles the late Gehrig as a player, a family man and a gentleman."

We have never been more in agreement!

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Pony League Holds Meet

Central PONY League (franchise area of Torrance National and Central Little Leagues) will hold its registration for the 1960 season on Tuesday, Jan. 12th, from 7 to 9 p.m., at the Greenwood School, Room 1.

Boys born between the dates of Aug. 1, 1945 and July 31, 1947, are eligible for registration. Parents must accompany boys for registration, and the boy's birth certificate is required.

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PRESS Sports

Torrance Recreation Department 1959 - 1960 Basketball OPEN LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Excepting for games as noted for TWO MONDAY NIGHTS, all games to be played TUESDAY NIGHTS, in South High School's gymnasium, 4801 Pacific Coast Hwy.

Note: Use West Parking lot. Enter gym by main front door. First Game, 7 p.m.; Second Game, 8 p.m.; Third Game, 9 p.m.

FIRST ROUND

JANUARY 12

Newland's Electric	vs	Little
David Dawes Realty	vs	Kenny's Shoe Repair
Chandler's Sand & Gr.	vs	Bryant

JANUARY 19

Little	vs	Chandler's Sand & Gr.
Kenny's Shoe Repair	vs	Bryant
David Dawes Realty	vs	Newland's Electric

JANUARY 26

David Dawes Realty	vs	Bryant
Chandler's Sand & Gr.	vs	Newland's Electric
Kenny's Shoe Repair	vs	Little

(MONDAY) FEBRUARY 1

Kenny's Shoe Repair	vs	Newland's Electric
Little	vs	Bryant
David Dawes Realty	vs	Chandler's Sand & Gr.

SECOND ROUND

FEBRUARY 9

David Dawes Realty	vs	Little
Newland's Electric	vs	Bryant
Chandler's Sand & Gr.	vs	Kenny's Shoe Repair

FEBRUARY 16

Kenny's Shoe Repair	vs	David Dawes Realty
Byrant	vs	Chandler's Sand & Gr.
Little	vs	Newland's Electric

FEBRUARY 23

Bryant	vs	Kenny's Shoe Repair
Newland's Electric	vs	David Dawes Realty
Chandler's Sand & Gr.	vs	Little

(MONDAY) FEBRUARY 29

Newland's Electric	vs	Chandler's Sand & Gr.
Little	vs	Kenny's Shoe Repair
Bryant	vs	David Dawes Realty

MARCH 8

Bryant	vs	Little
Chandler's Sand & Gr.	vs	David Dawes Realty
Newland's Electric	vs	Kenny's Shoe Repair

Open League Cage Results Announced

Torrance Recreation Department's Open League basketball teams winning their league inaugeral games, played in South High Schools new gymnasium Monday night, were Kenny's team, last year's Torrance City Champs, coasted to a 42-37 win over the Chandler's Sand and Gravel quintet following a 32-32 halftime lead. The sandmen blanked the winning shoe cobblers in the final quarter. Gary Little's five outscored David Dawes Realtors, 16-6 in the third period to break up a very evenly contested match. The final score reading 52-44, Newland's Electricians sporting an impressive list of names from last year's National L.D.S. Championship team, auwed Avery Bryant's team during the first half of the night cap game and coasted to a 50-35 victory.

Kenny's Shoe 42		Chandler's Sand 37
F—14	Moon	Gazely 4
F—16	Peterson	Gimlnez C. 2
C— 0	Gartrell	Freserous 14
G— 0	Spessard	Jackson 10
G— 0	Stevens	Jeffery 2

Kennys Shoe Repair	16	16	10	0	—42
Chandlers Sand	14	8	5	10	—37

Reserves: Kenny's Shoe: Jim Smith 6. Chandler's Sand: R. Vanderpool 5.

Little 52		David Dawes Realty 44
F—17	Vickers	Carni 19
F— 5	Mance	Fitzgerald 12
C—13	Little	Herring 7
G— 5	Seminick	Dawes, D. 2
G— 4	Clark	Greco 2

Little	13	10	16	13	—52
David Dawes Realty	13	11	6	14	—44

Reserves: Little: Tremain, Hunt, Anderson, Boyd 8. David Dawes Realty: Carmichael, Dills, Nethercott 2.

Bryant 35		Newland's Electric 50
F— 3	Garrett	Burton 11
F— 3	Steiner	Hansen 13
C— 7	Portis	Comstock 6
G— 7	Combs	Hasvold 9
G— 4	Braden	Newland 6

Bryant	2	5	10	18	—35
Newlands Electric	8	13	11	18	—50

Reserves: Bryant: Burket, Bryant 7, Andrews 4, Lauder. Newland's Electric: Valgardson 3, Rasmussen 2.

Open League Schedule — Tuesday, Jan. 12 (at South High School) 7 p.m. Newland's Electric vs. Little, 8 p.m. David Dawes Realty vs. Kenny's Shoe Repair, 9 p.m. Chandler's Sand & Gravel vs. Bryant.

Cold Weather Exercise

SANDHOFEN, Germany — Army Privates First Class Welan C. Lairson, 25, and Dalton J. Karsten, 23, of Torrance, recently participated with the 8th Division's 18th Infantry in a field training exercise in Germany.

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Saxons Win Over Morningside, 50-49

Behind the high scoring efforts of Combs and Jacobs the Saxons managed to edge by Morningside Friday night in a Bay League contest 50-49.

North Torrance and host Morningside were deadlocked at the end of the third quarter 42-42. However, the Saxons scored one more in the final period to take the game.

50 North Torrance		Morningside 49
F—12	Jacobs	Caugh 22
F— 9	Edwards	Austin 7
C— 1	Davidson	Brown 13
G—14	Combs	Hinsche 3
G— 0	Herbert	Jacobs 2

North Torrance	10	19	13	8	—50
Morningside	15	14	13	7	—49

Scoring Subs: North Torrance — Mance 5, Golphenee 9. Morningside — Price 2.

Gauchos Slam Gardena, 73-51

Ken Ellsworth's 28 points were instrumental in Narbonne's victory over Gardena Friday night, 73-51.

Narbonne stayed close behind league leader Jordan with the win. Next week the Gauchos tangle with Jordan to decide the top spot leader. At present the Lomita five is just one-half of a game behind.

51 Gardena		Narbonne 73
F— 4	Lock	Ellsworth 28
F—14	Ackenberg	O'Brien 2
C— 7	Gray	Gregerson 23
G—19	Isaacs	Rozich 0
G— 4	Trinkle	Perales 4

Gardena	12	13	14	12	—51
Narbonne	20	20	16	17	—73

Scoring Subs: Gardena — Szilagyi 3. Narbonne — Halverson 2, Godfrey 2, Hoppes 2, Fukazaki 11.
JV Score: Narbonne, 61; Gardena, 33.

Tartars Lose to Eagles, 67-58

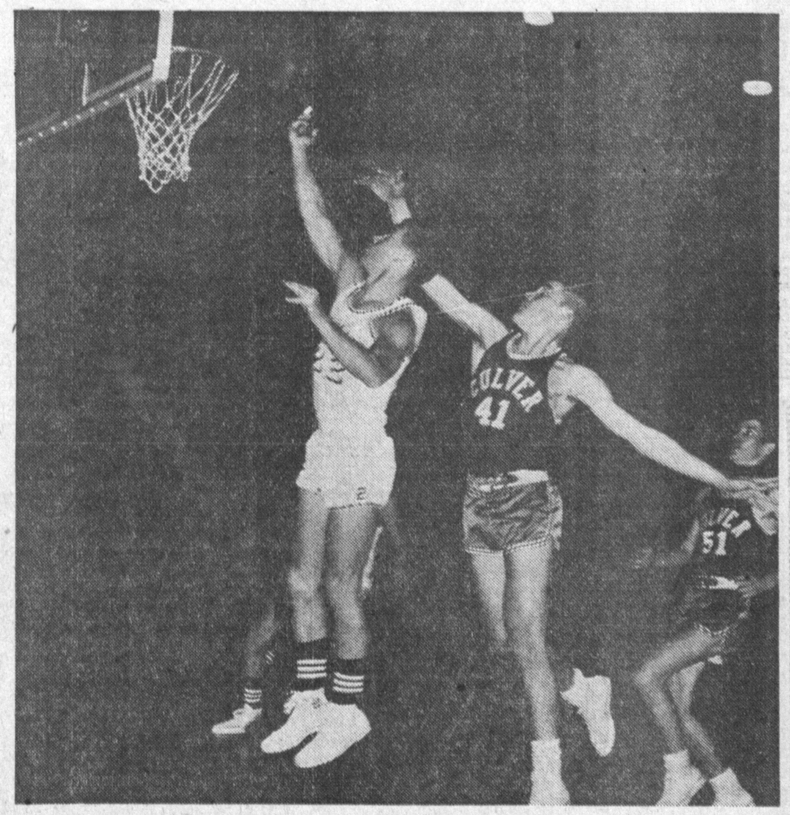
Although Pete Weister and Bill Reinert connected for a total of 45 points, it was not enough for the Tartars as the Torrance team went down to defeat for the second time this week to El Segundo 67-58 in a Pioneer League contest Friday night.

Making good with over 50% of their shots the Eagles played strongly in the first half to lead the Tartars 35-24. Torrance came back in the second half with more scoring but not enough to overcome the Eagles early lead.

58 Torrance		El Segundo 67
F—22	Weister	Kula 5
F— 0	Roberts, R.	Matlock 8
C—10	Keller	Jones 15
G— 0	Taylor	Duble 12
G—23	Reinert	Fascia 13

Torrance	8	16	17	17	—58
El Segundo	20	15	13	19	—67

Scoring Subs: Torrance — Williams 3. El Segundo — Traweek 14.
JV score — Torrance, 33; El Segundo, 32.



WEISTER, 22, taps one in during Pioneer League contest between Torrance and Culver City earlier in the week. Along with Bill Reinert, Weister was high scorer for the Tartars Friday night when the Eagles clipped the Torrance five, 67-57.
—Press Photo by Art Willey

AMBLE Cage Game Results

Wednesday League

Torrance Press (Intra-Team Game) Shirts 8, Skins 6. (Mike, of the Skins & Gil, of the Shirts scored four points apiece to tie for high scoring honors).

Hollywood Riviera Sportsmen's Club 17, Christian Men 8. (Bill Clary scored six for the winners).

Redondo Hawks 15, Sheriff's Men 7. Bob Connick, of the winners, was game high scorer netting nine points.

Thursday League

South Bay Church of God 20, Torrance Post Office 11. Frank Christie accounted for 15 of the winner's total points. Manager Bill Hammond garnered four for the losers.

California Bank 10, Torrance Lions Club 5. Don Moyer and Ken Miller both went on a scoring spree, scoring four points each for the winning bankers. Manager Mott Farrell and team mate Dale Harder, of the Lions Club, were close behind the top scorers with two counters apiece.

Old Pros 14, Tappa Keggas 12. (Overtime game, following a 12-12 tie). Erv Palica collected six of the Old Pros counters. Chuck Schoendienst, Dick Steiner and Manager Chuck Ryan hit four apiece, to account for all of the Keggas's scoring.

Watson Finishes School

FORT BELVOIR, Va. — Army Pvt. Thomas J. Watson, son of Mrs. Hazel E. Moesser, 22041 Island Ave., Torrance, recently completed the eight-week water supply course at The Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Va.

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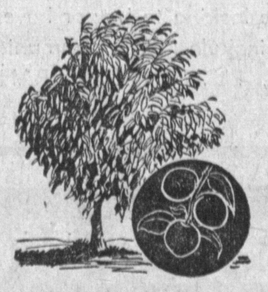
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