

"LOOKING 'EM OVER"

With Mike Callos Jr.

Braves First?

A noted sports writing acquaintance of mine recently proclaimed in a metropolitan daily, that the Milwaukee Braves will finish in the top spot in the National League ahead of the Dodgers.

The experienced pro, who travels with the Dodgers and is in Vero Beach, wrote that the Braves will forge ahead because (1) Charlie Dressen is a darn good manager and will not have to contend with injuries that beset Covington, Bruton, Roach, and Johnny Logan. And because (2) Dressen's first pitching line is superb. Spahn and Burdette are not too old to fling as yet and Carlton Willey, Bob Buhl and Juan Pizarro are just right to back up last year's 20-game winners. Other points of Braves merit are highlighted by the scribe but the aforementioned are the main reasons the brewery town will be flying the champion flag in October.

Scribe Too Premature

It is a well-known fact that those who try to predict the winner before the loop begins play are seldom right. Too many things must be considered and we feel that our "friend" is being just a little premature. Also our vanity, on the Torrance level of course, urges us to do a little pre-mature guessing at this point.

The Dodgers will repeat their feat of '59 because their pitching staff is improved. Alston has three left-handers and four righthanders who have more on the ball than all of Dressen's moundsmen. Other scribes in Florida tell us that the Dodgers are the feared ones and not Milwaukee.

Dodger hitting this year does not promise to improve much. Old pros, Snider and Furillo, may be over the hill after the gruelling grind of spring training. However, youngsters like Don Demeter and Ron Fairly, from present indications, look as they can fill the gap. Their average should come up thirty points apiece with more play.

A Better Hodges

Backing up Gil Hodges at first is big but still awkward Frank Howard. The boy who could probably hit one and break the Los Angeles Museum windows way back over the left field bleachers in the Coliseum, will no doubt end up in Spokane once the season starts. Regardless of his play in the Grapefruit circuit he's still green and about one year removed from major-league play.

However, I do not expect Hodges to fold up as many others do. Gil will be stronger and hit over .300 in '60. His first year was miserable in Los Angeles but was followed by a second that saw his batting average climb 25 points. There is nothing wrong with Hodges including his 35 years. He's got more pep than the average youngsters of 20-25.

Outside of Charley Neal the Dodgers infield including the catchers are really nothing to brag about. However, they'll do the job required behind the effective pitching of Drysdale, Podres, Sherry, McDevitt, Klippstein, Labine and the rest of the world champion flingers.

As much as I like and respect the noted writer mentioned earlier in this piece I'll have to go along with the Los Angeles club. Dressen is in reality a transfer to Milwaukee but I'm sure he didn't take the National League flag, perched atop the Coliseum, with him.

Redondo Chamber to Sponsor Marine Show

The Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce will sponsor Southern California's most complete marine events program, June 17-26, according to the Neptune Days "1960 Marinarama" chairman, Neal Howard.

Neptune Days has been operated by the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce as a local water celebration for the past six years. This year many new events have been added as the 1960 Neptune Days Marinarama makes its bid for regional prominence. Howard also stated that the Neptune Days activities change of scope is directly tied to the beginning of final construction in Redondo's King Harbor.

Family water enthusiasts can expect 10 full days of activities, according to Howard. "We will feature events for every boating

and water interest." Some of the events included as part of the 10-day program are an Over-the-Water Marine Show, Seventh Running of the Neptune Days Outboard and Water Ski Races, Western Regional Penguin Sailboat Races, Skin Diving Treasure Hunt, Iron Man Races, Fishing Derby, In-the-Water Boat Parade, Art Show, Nautical Dance, and a carnival.

Demonstrations will be the key word in the Over-the-Water Marine Show. Constructed on the Horseshoe Pier over the Pacific Ocean, the Marine Show will spotlight a central water area as a demonstration arena for exhibitors.

"Members of the marine minded public will be invited to test exhibitor's equipment in its natural environment, King Harbor and Santa Monica Bay. A boat land-

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PRESS Sports

Fifty Drivers Go at Gardena

Over fifty cars will be on hand for today's CJA Hot Rod races at Gardena Stadium. Four drivers are favored to take top honors in the days 30 lap feature.

Leading drivers are, Ed Van Eyk, Bell Gardens; Bob Hogle, Buena Park; Ron Garriott, Gardena; and Jack Austin, Downey. All have captured main event wins already this season, and are looking for their second triumph.

Several new comers could break into the winners circle, including: Donnie Harrison, Gardena; Wayne Page the Colton flash; Arkie Moore, Fontana; Ray Bunch, Bell Gardens; Bud Astry, Lakewood; Chuck Townsend, Gardena; Bill Mangold, Compton; Bob Simmons, South Gate; Audie Madron, Compton; Termit Snyder, Los Angeles; Bucky Stoner, El Monte; Freddie Thompson, Downey; and Norm Malone, Riverside.

Expected back in action for the days feature, is Art Atkinson, Pasadena who had a spectacular accident at the stadium two weeks ago. Atkinson flipped his machine, six times, and was catapulted out of the car on the final roll, when his seat belt let go. Atkinson was confined to the hospital for several days, but expects to have a doctors release, to return to action Sunday.

A nine event racing program is on the days card, topped by the 30 lap feature. Racing begins at 2:30 p.m., time trials will start at 1 p.m.

AMBLE Cage Results

With more than half the season over Amble Cage League resumes play this week with the following games on tap: Wednesday; Torrance Press vs. Sheriff's Men at 7 p.m., Hollywood Riviera Sportsmen vs. Redondo Hawks at 8 p.m., and the Torrance Recs. vs. Christian Men. Thursday: Old Pros vs. Post Office at 7 p.m., Calif Bank vs. Tappa Keggas at 8 p.m. and the South Bay Church of God vs. Vagabonds at 9 p.m.

Last weeks results were as follows: Torrance Recs. 24, Redondo Hawks 22; Torrance Press 24, Christian Men 13; HRSportsmen 22, Sheriff's Men 12; Post Office 8, SBorGod 41; Calif Bank forfeit to Vagabonds and Old Pros 23, Tappa Keggas 14.

STANDINGS

Table with columns for Team, W, L. Rows include Torrance Recs, Old Pros, SBorGod, Redondo Hawks, Torrance Press, HRSportsmen, Post Office, Tappa Keggas, Christian Men, Calif. Bank, Vagabonds, Sheriff's Men.

ing will be located within 200 feet of the Marine Shows entrance.

Howard concluded by saying that this year the entire communities' efforts will be for the water interested family. "While the father and son race their boat, fish or skin dive; mother and daughter can enjoy the beach, art show, etc. The exhibitor will enjoy it because he will be where the marine minded family decides on their second or third largest purchase."



DENNIS HOGUE, Saxon pitcher, crosses home plate after connecting with a homer in third inning of North-South game won by the Saxons Tuesday 7-1.

Big 'Fishing Sweepstakes' Offered by Rubber Firm

Here's a chance for you to go on a seven-day fishing vacation with all expenses paid, including all entry arrangements if it's a foreign country, accommodations, guide service, equipment and transportation. And you can take a fishing companion along too, free.

United States Rubber Company is offering 24 such trips for two as part of a \$100,000 "fishing sweepstakes" designed to attract the attention of the nation's 36,000,000 fishermen. There are 210 additional prizes, namely, ten 1960-model 7.5 outboard motors worth \$260 each; 100 gift certificates for \$100 each to a leading sporting goods store, and 100 spin casting kits worth \$71.50 each, which include rod, reel, line, lures and other accessories.

Entry blanks for the sweepstakes are available at all U.S. Royal tire dealers. There are no jingles to complete, no puzzles to solve, nothing to buy and nothing to do except fill in your name and address, check off the fishing spot you prefer and mail your entry to U.S. Royal Sweepstakes, P. O. Box 237, Mount Vernon 10, N.Y.

Perhaps some of the most interesting fishing may be found at Tarpon Lodge, Lake Nicaragua. This lake is a unique body of fresh water containing such salt water fish as shark, snook, sawfish and tarpon.

Arctic Lodge on Reindeer Lake in northeastern Saskatchewan lies within the arctic watershed. Here all waters drain toward the Arctic Ocean. It is a wild, remote region accessible only by float plane and famous for grayling.

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Tartars' Five in Fifth Whips North High, 8 to 6

By John Whitacre A five run outburst in the fifth inning enabled the Tartars to dump their cross-town rivals, North, 8-6, in a hard-fought battle Thursday afternoon. The Torrance High nine blasted Saxon

pitcher Carey Hubert for the hits and runs in the big inning. Coach Kasten's crew added two insurance runs in the sixth after scoring one in the second for a total of eight on 10 hits.

Leading the victory parade for the Tartars were Jim Armstrong, Steve Parker, Eleazar Ybarra and Bill Williams, all with two hits apiece. Williams upped his season's average to .400 with a neat 12 for 30.

Shoup's Saxons jumped to a 1-0 lead in the first inning on a pair of walks and a single by Dwayne Merrill. In the second the Saxons scored two when Jack Golphnee doubled with the bases loaded.

Tom Richardson went all the way for the Tartars, giving up six runs on nine hits. He was unusually wild, walking nine, but striking out seven.

The game was a complete reversal of the Tartar's earlier loss to the Saxons. In that fray Torrance lost a close one 2-1. Thursday's battle saw the teams scoring 14 runs on 19 hits and with a combined total of six errors.

During the coming week Torrance hosts Culver City Tuesday; North hosts Mira Costa and South journeys to Aviation. All teams beginning league play with North in the Bay League and the other locals in competition in the Pioneer League.

Score by innings: THIS ... 0 1 0 0 5 2-8 10 3 North ... 1 2 0 0 0 1-6 9 3 Batteries: Tartars, Richardson and McQuire; North, Hubert, Dotson (5), Hogue (7) and Marsden.

Bowling News

Vurp's Cafe edged 1/2 game past Pacific Athletic to claim the top slot in Bowl-O-Drome's high-powered Friday night 900 Scratch. With only about six weeks remaining of their winter schedule, looks like a toss-up between the two squads as the Torrance Elks, X-Ello Shade Co. and United Plumbing & Heating are vying for third, nine back of the league leaders, Vurp's Cafe ten-pin addict, Bob Nugent heads the list of high scorers on the series scoreboard with his impressive 704 tally as Al Varotti, representing the X-Ello Shade Co. claims the individual high game mark with his powerful 279 pitch.

Monday Harvey Swing completed the 25th week of their winter loop with Sandy's hurlers heading the pack 23 games in front of the second place Standbys. Misfits ride in third, one out of second followed by the What 4, Noisy Four and the We Are mob. League leading member, C. Mathers whipped up a whopping 631&42-673 set to take over the top notch for the mens individual series honors as teammate, B. Mathers produced the female high, scoring with a powerful 600&96-696. P. Sena, What 4 kegler, uncorked a nifty 231&26-257 for the lead for the loops individual high game award with B. Lee, going the route for Team No. 4, connected for the gals high of 196&40-236.

Inlaws & 1 Mo top the Monday nights Men Industrial Handicap with Cliff's Shell Service listed in second, six back of the league leaders. American Plant Growers rest in third, followed by Clark's Cleaners, Burg Tool, Zing Bros. Auto and the Vel's Ford quintet. D. Burnham reared up a powerful 670&42-712 three game effort to claim the seasons individual series high as G. Marchese scattered Bowl-O-Drome wood for a towering 256&11-267 single effort for the top notch in the high game column.

Sammy Tanner, the "Flying Flea" who was the sensation of the 1959 season, is the first rider to file for the 1960 motorcycle racing opener at Ascot Stadium, Friday night, April 1.

Tanner won more main events during the past campaign. However, he lost the season championship to Troy Lee in a tight struggle.

The 5-4 "Flying Flea" had a tremendous win streak going during the first half of the campaign, during which time he was virtually unbeatable.

Tanner's big accomplishment was winning the 8-mile National Championship race at Ascot in July.

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1960 TORRANCE AREA

Baseball Directory

The baseball aggregation statistics listed below have been compiled by staffers of the PRESS to better acquaint readers with the make-up of Little PONY and Babe Ruth Leagues of the Greater Torrance Area. If your team is not listed write to Sports Editor, Torrance Press, 1406 Cravens Ave., with information.

LITTLE LEAGUE

Little League baseball is for boys born between July 31, 1945 and Aug. 1, 1947.

TORRANCE CENTRAL LITTLE LEAGUE President—Russell Hayes (FA 8-3162). Players Asst.—Jim Wray (FA 8-0176). Boundaries—Hawthorne Blvd. on the west; 190th St. on the north; Crenshaw Blvd. on the east; and Carson St. on the south.

LOMITA LITTLE LEAGUE President—Tec Coggins (DA 6-2735). Players Asst.—Mrs. Bill Stowell (DA 6-5921). Boundaries—Torrance city limits on the north; Walnut to the end of Ocean View Ave. on the east; end of Ocean Ave. to back of Pennsylvania Dr. on the south; Pennsylvania to Pacific Coast Hwy. to Crenshaw to 241st St. on the west.

NORTH TORRANCE LITTLE LEAGUE President—Bob Simons (DA 9-1363). Players Asst.—Sam Johnson (FR 9-2577); John Miller (881) DA 4-8349. League Boundaries—(west league) Hawthorne Blvd. on the west between Redondo Beach Blvd. and 190th; north boundary Redondo Beach Blvd.; south boundary 190th St.; east and west bisected by Glenburn; 122nd; Falder; (east league) east city limits form boundary between Redondo Beach Blvd. and 190th.

RIVIERA LITTLE LEAGUE President—Jack Holmes (FR 5-3915). Players Asst.—Fran Andrews (FR 5-4955). Boundaries—Pacific Coast Hwy. on the north; Torrance city limits on the south; Nancy Lee through the center of Via El Sereno on the east and the Pacific Ocean on the west.

ROLLING HILLS LITTLE LEAGUE President—Jack Palmer (FR 7-2522). Players Asst.—Jack Rathwell (FR 3-7344). Boundaries—Mirafloste area, Rolling Hills area, Delmarway area, Larga Vista area; City of Rolling Hills, Silverberry Lane area, Westfield area.

SOUTHWOOD LITTLE LEAGUE President—Walter Virgil (FR 5-4648). Players Asst.—Paul Halbach (FR 4-5368). Boundaries—Hawthorne Blvd. on the east; Sepulveda Blvd. on the south; Torrance city limits to Del Amo on the west; Del Amo to Hawthorne Blvd. on the north.

TORRANCE AMERICAN LITTLE LEAGUE President—Carl Binford (FR 5-5159). Players Asst.—John Schnepf (FR 5-6653). Boundaries—Redondo city limits on the west; Sepulveda Blvd. on the north; Madrona Ave.; Lomita Blvd.; Hawthorne Blvd. on the east; Pacific Coast Hwy. on the south.

LITTLE LEAGUE (Cont.)

TORRANCE NATIONAL LITTLE LEAGUE President—George Cota (FR 5-5079). Players Asst.—Ralph Schaefer (FA 8-3500). Boundaries—Carson St. on the north; Western Ave. on the east; southern Torrance city limits to Crenshaw to Sepulveda to Hawthorne to Carson on the south on the west.

PONY LEAGUE PONY League is a baseball program for 13 and 14-year-old boys born between the dates Aug. 1, 1945 and July 31, 1948.

PACIFIC RIVIERA PONY LEAGUE President—John Minceh (FR 5-2225). Players Asst.—Leo La Perle (FR 5-7973). Boundaries—Starting at the ocean, Torrance city limits on the south to Torrance city limits on the east; North on Crenshaw to Lomita; west on Lomita to Hawthorne; south on Hawthorne to Pacific Coast Hwy.; west on Pacific Coast Hwy. to Avenue 1; south to Camino del Campo and west to the ocean.

NORTH TORRANCE PONY LEAGUE President—Ronald Hiner (FR 5-9131). Players Asst.—Elin Wheeler (DA 4-0879). Boundaries—Redondo Beach Blvd. on the north; Torrance city boundaries on the east; 190th St. and the south; Hawthorne Blvd. on the west.

WEST TORRANCE PONY LEAGUE President—Bob Myers (FR 5-4571). Players Asst.—Bob Wilfong (FR 4-8321). League Boundaries—Redondo city limits of the west between Torrance Blvd. and Pacific Coast Hwy.; north boundary follows Torrance Blvd.; Henrietta, Del Amo; past boundary follows Hawthorne Blvd.; Sepulveda, Crenshaw, Lomita Blvd.; Hawthorne to south boundary along Pacific Coast Hwy.

WEST TORRANCE PONY LEAGUE President—Richard Aasen (DA 9-2734). Players Asst.—Ves Foth (DA 3-5241). Boundaries—City limits of Torrance north of 190th St.

NORTH TORRANCE BABE RUTH President—Richard Aasen (DA 9-2734). Players Asst.—Ves Foth (DA 3-5241). Boundaries—City limits of Torrance north of 190th St.

PACIFIC AMERICAN BABE RUTH President—Ralph Brodian (FR 5-1955). Players Asst.—Joe Burden (FR 5-0958). Boundaries—Torrance city limits on the Pacific Coast Hwy., bounded by Redondo city limits on the west; Sepulveda Blvd. on the north; Madrona Ave., Lomita Blvd. and Hawthorne Blvd. on the east; including Hollywood F. Viera.

PONY LEAGUE (Cont.)

ROLLING HILLS PONY LEAGUE President—Will Harrington (FR 4-5457). Boundaries—Palos Verdes Estates school district. Registration—13 and 14 year old boys can contact league president.

WEST TORRANCE PONY LEAGUE President—Bob Myers (FR 5-4571). Players Asst.—Bob Wilfong (FR 4-8321). League Boundaries—Redondo city limits of the west between Torrance Blvd. and Pacific Coast Hwy.; north boundary follows Torrance Blvd.; Henrietta, Del Amo; past boundary follows Hawthorne Blvd.; Sepulveda, Crenshaw, Lomita Blvd.; Hawthorne to south boundary along Pacific Coast Hwy.

BABE RUTH LEAGUE Babe Ruth League baseball is for 13, 14 and 15-year-old boys born since Sept. 1, 1944.

TORRANCE BABE RUTH LEAGUE President—Korenchensky (FA 8-1211). Players Asst.—Foster Kelly (FA 8-2965). Boundaries—Rolling Hills area, Torrance.

NORTH TORRANCE BABE RUTH President—Richard Aasen (DA 9-2734). Players Asst.—Ves Foth (DA 3-5241). Boundaries—City limits of Torrance north of 190th St.

PACIFIC AMERICAN BABE RUTH President—Ralph Brodian (FR 5-1955). Players Asst.—Joe Burden (FR 5-0958). Boundaries—Torrance city limits on the Pacific Coast Hwy., bounded by Redondo city limits on the west; Sepulveda Blvd. on the north; Madrona Ave., Lomita Blvd. and Hawthorne Blvd. on the east; including Hollywood F. Viera.

TORDONDO LITTLE LEAGUE President—Leo Fischer (FR 2-1536). Players Asst.—Frank Harvey (FR 9-2240). Boundaries—Rolling Hills area, North, Hawthorne Blvd. on East, Del Amo on South, Flaxier St. on West.