

"LOOKING 'EM OVER"

With Mike Callas Jr.

Stan the Has-Been?

He took a cut in salary this year. The year before he was asked to sign a contract by filling in, in blank space provided, his own desired amount.

To many Stan Musial is St. Louis baseball. Without the almost legendary first baseman the Busch's of Budweiser might have been the club to move out of town some years ago instead of the St. Louis Browns.

In 1959 Stan found the going rough. Known as the player with the best set of eyes in the game, Musial discovered that age played no favorites. A once mighty pair of legs became burdensome and tired each time he played first. The St. Louis skipper was forced to bench him consistently to give him the extra rest older ball players need.

Although he was clobbering the ball of yore during spring training, many observers feel that the great Musial is but a has-been. Predictions are that he won't last the year out. A feeling shared by this reporter.

Baseball "Funny Game"

To illustrate perfectly what Stan Musial once represented, especially to opposing pitchers, we recommend a new book titled "Baseball Is A Funny Game." Written by former major league catcher Joe Garagiola, who handles the broadcasting for the Cardinals, the book is loaded with amusing and humorous anecdotes.

Once while Joe was catching Musial came to bat. The pitcher on the mound for Garagiola's team was a rookie. Joe signaled for the fast ball and was immediately shook off. The catcher then went into his routine and called for the curve ball and change up. The twirler shook these off also. Irritated, Joe went to the mound and told his pitcher "I gave you the sign—the fast ball like we agreed to before the game for Musial. You shook this off and every sign I gave you—what's up, what do you want to do?"

After a long pause the pitcher whispered to Joe, "Nothing. I want to hold the ball as long as I can."

No need to worry about Stan today. He's got plenty of loot. However, if this is his last year we rather see him bow out of the game with a fat batting average.

Musial, who contributed much to South Bay Community Chest drives last year, and the St. Louis Cardinals open a three-game series with the Champions tonight at the Coliseum.

Dodger Ducats

Johnny Angelides, popular owner of the Buccaneer Restaurant in Manhattan Beach, informs this corner that a Dodger Bus Party will leave his establishment Friday night, April 29, for the Dodger-Giant game at the Coliseum. Good ducats are available, just call Johnny at FR 4-2236.

Hundreds of Skin Divers to Vie for Treasure at Sea

Redondo will be the sight for the assembly of hundreds of skin divers June 18 and 19 according to 1960 Neptune Days Marina Skin Diving Treasure Hunt Chairman, Bob Meistrell. Eighty-five Southland skin diving clubs and all non-affiliated skin divers are being invited to participate in the two day Skin Diving Treasure Hunt.

The divers will retrieve marked chips from the middle of the Horseshoe Pier. The diver with the most chips wins place. Each day is a new contest. Meistrell went on to say that an hours time will be allowed for the divers to retrieve the chips. The contest is open to any diver over sixteen years of age. Those under 21 years of age must have written approval from their parent or guardian. The entry fee is \$1 (One Dollar).

Prizes will be skin and scuba diving equipment including underwater watches, special skin diving boards, etc.

Participants may secure entry blanks from the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce, 101 W. Diamond St., Redondo Beach, California, FRontier 6-0446, or Bob Meistrell, Dive 'N' Surf, 504 N. Broadway, Redondo Beach, California.

Cardinals Open Series Tonight at Coliseum

By BRUCE ALLYSON Press Baseball Writer Stan Musial and the St. Louis Cardinals come to town tonight and take on the World Champions in the first of a three-game series.

Alston has indicated that he will start lefthander Sandy Koufax or righthander Roger Craig against the vastly improved Cardinals. Solly Hemus of the Red Birds is expected to start either Ronnie Kline or Bob Blaylock, both right handed flingers.

Although the Cardinals finish-

ed next to last in '59 play, Hemus promises that his team will make the first division this year.

Probable starting lineup: game time 8 p.m. Los Angeles Coliseum.

CARDS Cunningham, rf Gilliam, 3b Spencer, ss White, cf Boyer, 3b Musial, 1b Wagner, lf Smith, c Grammas, 2b Kline or Blaylock, p

DOGERS Neal, 2b Moon, lf Snider, rf Hodges, 1b Roseboro, c Demeter, cf Wills, ss Koufax or Craig, p

Crowds Attend Opening of Gable House; NBL Plans Set

A large crowd witnessed the opening of Gable House bowling emporium at Sepulveda on Hawthorne Blvd. last week. Mayor Albert Isen threw the first ball which went down the gutter. He turned to the crowd and said, "It is good luck to miss the first ball."

Twenty of the 40 alleys are at present in full swing. Formal grand opening has been set for May with trophies to mark the first day's winners. Any adult male bowler shooting 250 high game will be eligible for a coveted prize while 200 is the target for a woman. Any teenager who hits the maples for 200 will receive a trophy.

Jerry Homel and his staff handled the crowd in a smooth and efficient manner despite the many problems that are attendant on opening night. One of the reasons is the fact that most of the help are pinsters themselves. Dan Gurnick assistant manager, holds a 190 average as does Norm Belt, bar manager. Office

Manager is Dal Quay. Cole McDonald, is the restaurant manager.

Teams are signing up for the regular league season which begins in May. Scheduled already are the following:

Independent Order of Foresters, of Palos Verdes; St. Laurence Church, American Missile, Horkey-Moore Co., Johnson Construction, Fraternal Order of Eagles, W. A. McLaughlin Co., and Harbor City Nesei.

House leagues will be rolling every night in the week. There are openings in these circuits, Homel pointed out.

Gable House will be given national prestige when the new National professional bowling league of which Leonard Homel, brother of Jerry, is president, opens in 1961. Practice and tune-up games to the league preparatory to the league title will be staged by the Los Angeles and its opponents a Gable House besides Jefferson alleys in Culver City. A new stadium will be

PALOS VERDES GIVES BOWLING INSTRUCTION

Palos Verdes Bowling lanes, on Crenshaw Blvd., just north of Pacific Coast Highway, has employed two professional instructors to improve the bowling deliveries of the patrons.

They are Marge Fox and Glenn Hydeku, members of the United States All-Star Women's pin team. Instruction is given daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LIKE FISHING? See "Outdoors with Mel" Page C-3

Local Teams are Idle During Easter; Heavy Schedule Looms

By JOE DIXON Press Baseball Writer

All three Torrance teams are idle this week because of the Easter holidays. However, next week promises local baseball enthusiasts lots of action.

North High, behind the capable leadership of Bob Shoup, is perched atop the Bay League. Sharing this honor with Mira Costa and Santa Monica, the Saxons could easily be knocked off the top when they come back Tuesday to face Santa Monica. If they get by the coast team Bob Shoup must then send his chargers against Mira Costa. The latter game is away while the former is at home.

After blanking a hapless Lennox nine, 6-0, the Tartars from Torrance High will journey to Aviation and Culver City next week for the two game stint. The Tartars are presently tied with the Spartans from South Torrance in the Pioneer League. El Segundo, the league leader was beaten once and the Tartars did it earlier in the season.

Meanwhile, South High is

asked to combat El Segundo Tuesday on the latter's field. Boasting the hottest hitter the Spartans have ever had, Joe Austin, South later in the week is scheduled for a contest with Aviation.

BAY LEAGUE		
	W	L
North	4	1
Mira Costa	4	2
Santa Monica	4	2
Inglewood	4	2
Morningside	3	3
Hawthorne	2	4
Redondo	2	4
Leuzinger	1	5

No games scheduled, holidays.

PIONEER LEAGUE		
	W	L
El Segundo	4	1
Aviation	4	1
Torrance	3	2
South	3	2
Culver City	3	2
Lennox	1	4
Beverly Hills	0	6

No games scheduled, holidays.

Bowling News

Southland keglers addicts commenced their invasion of Bowl-O-Drome over the week-end, to vie in competition for the \$2000 guaranteed prize pot set up for the 'Drome's Third Anniversary Doubles Sweeper. Dottie Holmes stole the openers lime-light lashing out with games of 233-192-223 for a blistering 648 scratch to take over the top slot in the women's singles with a huge 716 tally. Going through her paces with other-half, Howard, who scored with an impressive 605 on the scoreboard, latched onto the lead in the mixed division with a pretty potent 1321.

The W. and W. Bates two-some came up with a powerful 1302 to claim second in the mixed doubles, followed by B. and E. Hodsen with 1195, B. Boulden and D. Mitchell with 1159, H. and H. Abrams with 1157, K. Lilley and S. Ebert with 1153 and the S. and A. Darcy pair with 1145.

G. Mathers and H. Abrams who connected their duel efforts for a towering 1345 on the scoreboard, as K. Border and B. Palton came up with a potent 1305 tally for second, R. Bendtsen and B. Maedlene ride in third with 1259 followed by C. Paul and B. Nugent and their 1250 set, and H. Holmes and B. Hodgson with 1247.

G. Mathers tops the men's singles efforts connecting his three for a sizzling 682 package Bowl-O-Drome's popular kegling event running daily until the finale squad takes to the lanes in the wee hours of May 2. \$100 guaranteed to the bowling enthusiast placing in the first ten of the mens doubles and the first ten of the mixed. Singles optional. Handicap 2/3 of 200 with an entry fee of \$3.50.

Pretty fancy shooting in Bowl-O-Drome's fast moving 900 Scratch Friday night. One of the 'Drome's long time regulars, Bob Hibbard rolling with the A & W Root Beer quintet, tore the place apart as he connected his three game set for a blistering 701 tally—his first.

'500' Vets Head Entries for USAC Race at Gardena

A pair of Indianapolis veterans named John . . . Johnnie Tolan of Norwalk and Johnny Boyd of Fresno, head the early entries for J. C. Agajanian's 100-lap USAC National Championship midget auto race, Saturday night, April 23, at Gardena Stadium.

The eight event card marks the first appearance this season of the powerful USAC Offy midgets at the 139th and Western Avenue, one-third mile dirt oval, as well as being the final local appearance of the Indianapolis drivers before they leave for the Indiana capital and the Memorial Day 500-mile Classic.

Agajanian has posted a purse of \$2,000 against 40% of the gate to insure a top field loaded with Indianapolis drivers for the third race of the local season. The first two, both thrillers, were held at the Ascot Stadium half-mile. They were won by Indianapolis veteran A. J. Foyt and the late Davie Moses. Tony Bettenhausen, a veteran of 13 500-milers, captured the last USAC midget race at Gardena, last year's 150-lap Thanksgiving night Grand Prix.

Besides Tolan and Boyd, other early entries include Earl Motter, Dempsey Wilson, Johnny Moorhouse, Billy Cantrell, Chuck Booth, "Iron" Mike McGreevy and a whole host of others.

A 100-lapper for the fastest 18 cars will be the feature race. There will also be a 3-

Jones T-Bird Set for Ascot

Parnelli Jones, Torrance lead foot is the top entry for Saturday night's Modified-Sportsman car races at the New Ascot Stadium. Jones will wheel his Thunderbird powered racer in which he set the 40 lap track record in a previous appearance.

Jones will come up against many top drivers including: Bob Hogle, Buena Park; "Irish" Jack Kelly, Long Beach; Ed Van Eyk, Bell Gardens; Jack Brunner, Gardena; Jack McCoy, San Diego; Art Pratt, Escondido; Hank Henry, Tucson, Arizona; and Don Johns, Santa Ana.

Another threat for a win is Don Edmunds, Anaheim, 1957 Rookie of the Year at the Indianapolis 500 mile race. Edmunds will gun a Corvette powered machine in which he holds the one lap track record at San Diego.

The Sportsman cars are full sized race cars, powered by unlimited size engines such as Thunderbirds, Corvettes, Buicks, Oldsmobiles, Chryslers, Mercury, Dodge, and Pontiacs. They have small narrow coupe bodies over the top of the driver, and are able to obtain speeds over 100 miles per hour at Ascot.

Time trials are set for 7 p.m. while the first race will go at 8:15 p.m.

Admission for adults is just \$1.75, with juniors \$1 and kids free.

lap trophy dash for the four fastest qualifiers; four 6-lap heat races and a 15-lap semi-main.

Markel Heads Racing Field

Bart Markel, sensational young Michigan invader, will remain in the Southland to head the field for Friday evening's, April 15, AMA motorcycle racing chase at Ascot Stadium.

Proceedings get rolling with time trials at 7; the first race on the 12-event card is at 8:30. There's good news for the Sammy (Flying Flea) Tanner fans. Tanner suffered no fracture in his spectacular spill last week and hopes to return to action Friday night.

Markel, who looks like he may be the Tanner of the 1960 season, stopped Al Gunter's win streak last week. The impressive manner in which he did so, indicates Bart is going to be a rough boy to whip.

The Michigan rider appears to possess all the ingredients that go into the make-up of a champion—great skill, headwork, excess courage and desire.

New Chemical to Aid Sports Car Racers

Dowgard cooling system fluid, a premium year-around all-weather automotive coolant, was introduced to Southern California this week by Dow Chemical Company.

This will leave Southern California motorists free to travel at will either to the hot desert country or frigid mountain areas during any time of the year, it is pointed out by Dow scientists. "What's more," they predict, "this should have special appeal to Southland sports car racers, whose vehicles are vulnerable to over-heating during speed runs."

Available only at service stations, Dowgard is designed to give automotive engine cooling systems protection against rust and corrosion, and freezing and overheating from minus 40° F. to plus 240° F. for one full year. It is a highly effective heat transfer agent which maintains optimum cooling system efficiency at all driving loads and speeds within that temperature range.



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