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Hard Ball Team Asks City to Aid In Promoting Sunday Games

Tommy Bowker's Torrance Merchants which moved to San Pedro a couple of weeks ago to use the Trona Field, are planning to come back to the home roost in a short time if they can get a little support from the Chamber of Commerce and city dads here.

Inasmuch as the night league team has been equipped with new uniforms, the hard ball boys believe they should also be given some recognition, and are asking that they be supplied with uniforms to enable them to take care of the weekly expense for bats, balls, umpires and so on.

Seemingly it is no more than fair for the boys to expect a little boost. Fans here want Sunday afternoon baseball, but are not very liberal in their contributions. As the ball park is city owned they seem to think that they should be no charge for admission and maybe they are right. However, a manager can not depend entirely on donations, especially when pennies are dropped into the hat instead of nickels, dimes or two-bit pieces.

The Merchants have a corking good team. They have won 12 straight games in their league and are pretty fast company for any hard ball outfit to tangle with. The team is made up as follows: Olsen, right field; Stamper, left

Tartar Squad Beats North Long Beach

Carl Paxman's pitching turned in a victory for the Tartar baseball squad Tuesday afternoon, when the high school nine defeated Jordan of North Long Beach, 9-2. Pax fanned 15 men and allowed two hits.

field; Vegher, third base; Crook, first base; Mann, second base; Richards, shortstop; Joe Storti, pitcher; McCowan, catcher, and Grant, center field. Utility players are Augeberry, Carpenter, Griffin and Tucker.

Next Sunday they will play on the home grounds, meeting the Long Beach Juarez club. A good turnout is desired, as all depends on the support of the fans, whether the team can win the financial aid they need to come back home.

Louie Cracks State Record

DISTANCE RUNNER SETS NEW ALL-TIME MARK FOR MARINE

Torrance Places Five Out of Eight Men to Capture Fourth Place in Finals at South Gate; Hubert Luck First in 440, Third in 100; Three Class C Men Place

Five out of the eight qualifiers for Torrance high school placed in the Marine League finals held at South Gate Thursday afternoon for a total of 19 points, and landed as predicted in fourth place, a feat that has not been duplicated by a Torrance track team in many seasons.

Second place in the relay gave them a grand total of 23 points. South Gate's squad of 14 finished in first place, with Jacob Riss second and Jordan third. All of these teams had more than twice as many qualifiers as Torrance, but what the Tartars lacked in numbers they made up in class, and made an excellent record for themselves.

For the first time in history, the Red and Gray have a Marine League record to brag about. Louis Zamperini, undefeated distance runner, brought home the bacon with a mark of 4:28.9 in the mile, which not only bettered the Marine League record held for six years by Willoughby of Gardena, but clips three-tenths of a second off the state mark held by Earl Hooper of Antelope Valley. Louie's time will stand for many a year, no doubt unless some other phenomenon springs up to crack it.

Louis might have bettered this mark, but he played along in the first lap, strolling along behind the leaders, until the crowd in the stands began to roar for a record. The Iron Man heard the clamor, waved his hand to the crowd and let out his stride. He passed up the pack as if they were tied to a post and finished so far ahead of the rest of the Marine Leaguers that the real race of the event fell to Ingraham of South Gate and Alfred Bunje of Torrance who finished a half a yard apart for second and third.

Bunje ran a great race, and gained on the flying Ingraham but was not quite able to cut down all of his lead.

Hubert Luck was high-point man for Torrance, with third place in the 100 and first in the 440. Hubert lacked one-tenth of a second to tie the Marine League record of 52.2 held by Ralph of Dover, former member of the league.

Hubert flashed over the finish line in 52.3, his best mark for this season. Luck was so close behind the leader in the 100 that a big argument developed among the officials as to whether he had placed second or third, but the final rating placed him in third position. Time in this event was 10 flat, won by Hoehn of South Gate with his teammate, Budinetch, second.

Bob Wertz had a battle in the 220 and placed fifth, which was a good showing considering the company he was in. This event was run in the fast time of 22.3. Bob's best time in this event this season was 22.5.

Ishikawa placed fourth in the low hurdles, and ran the second lap of the relay. In this event Wertz started, Ishikawa ran second, McFadden third and Luck, who had already run two races, finished. Lucky made up considerable distance in his heat to win second place for Torrance.

Wood and Waugh, entered in the high jump, failed to place. Wood has cleared 5 feet 7 1/2 inches this season, but could not hold the pace set by the other contestants.

Summary: CLASS A 100-yard dash—Won by Hoehn (SG), Budinetch (SG), Luck (T), Gerlach (SG), Young (R); time 10.5. 220-yard dash—Won by Hoehn (SG), Gerlach (SG), Gibson (ES), Belcher (J), Wertz (T); time 22.34. 440-yard dash—Won by Luck (T), Henderson (G), Brunson (J), Conrad (N), Payne (SG); time 52.34. 880-yard run—Won by Norris (Bell), Barrera (ES), Taylor (L).

Final scores—South Gate, 461-5; Riss, 311-5; Jordan, 301-5; Torrance, 23; El Segundo, 111-5; Leuzinger, 10; Hill, 8; Gardena, 7; Banning, 7; Narbonne, 61-5. Final Class C scores—Jordan, 44%; Leuzinger, 21%; Narbonne, 16%; Banning, 16%; Gardena, 10%; Bell, 9%; South Gate, 7; Torrance, 5%; Riss, 2%.

With only three men entered in the Class C events of the Marine League finals, Torrance picked up 5% points. Piper ran third in the 120 low hurdles, Speed fourth in the 560 and Hatake tied with three others for third place in the pole vault. These boys have been regular point winners for their division all season and are looked upon as valuable material for higher classes next season.

One Way to Hunt Deer



Next fall buck fever may be a thing of the past among Oroville, Cal., sportsmen after practicing all spring on these pastboard brules in the Feather River Red and Gun Club's running deer shoots. Jay Packard and Jack Reid, club members, are pictured above with two deer they "bagged" as the bucks sped down a hillside on a pulley and wire arrangement.

Iron Man Faces Big Battle In Socal Finals On May 19

Louis Zamperini, flash miler of the Torrance high school squad, will probably have the hardest battle of his career on his hands during the next two weeks when he enters the Southern California preliminary and finals to be held May 12 and May 19.

Preliminary events will be run off next Saturday, May 12, and the finals on May 19.

Louis now stands third in the list of "greats" in this section of the state, with a recognized mark of 4:28.9 in the mile. He is topped so far by Hooper of Antelope Valley, holder of last year's state record of 4:29.2, who has run the distance this year in 4:24, and a Jordan of Whittier, who has run a mark of 4:28.3. Other good milers are Mercer, of Glendale, 4:32; Graves of Hollywood, 4:33; Vian, of San Diego, and Seja, of Long Beach, 4:39.

This race will be the big event of the meet, and Louis is expected to win, barring accidents, as so far he has never met an opponent who could give him a battle.

In the 440 Hubert Luck will have a classy field to run against. Hammond, of Hollywood, is low man in this event with a mark of 50.38. Bonbrake, of Orange, is second with 50.99; McNamry, of San Pedro, runs in 50.98, and Gilbons, of Burbank, in 51.8, flat.

Hubert's best time this season is 52.34, made in the Marine League meet last week. Hubert had already run the 100 in this meet, and as the program was run off in an hour and a half he did not have much time to rest between events. Lucky will not run the 100 in the Socal event, consequently he should be in better trim to place in the 440.

Ishikawa, if he survives the preliminary, will go against Kirkpatrick of El Centro, holder of the national interscholastic low hurdle record of 23.18; Hayward, of Glendale; Stalmack, of San Pedro; Walker, of Jacob Riss; Flood, of Jefferson, who run in 25 flat; LaFond, of Manual Arts, 25.18; Berkeley, of Fullerton, 25.24; B. McWhinney, of Los Angeles high, 25.34.

Ishikawa's best time this season is 25.45. Wertz will be entered in the 220, which he has run in 22.56. He will have for competition, Morgan, of Huntington Park, 21.64; Steadman, of Fullerton, 21.74; Fox, of Hoover, San Diego, 21.94; Sims, of Santa Monica; Hoehn, of South Gate, and Taggart, of Glendale, all 22-second men.

Western Rowers Challenge East PORTLAND, Ore. (U.P.)—Another challenge to Eastern inter-collegiate rowing has been issued by the Far West today by crews from the universities of Washington and California.

Both shells probably will be at the starting line of the famous Poughkeepsie race on the Hudson. Washington last summer won the title of national sprint champions. Most of that crew is again seated in the Husky shell. Ed Argeringer and Harvey Love, veteran stroke and coxswain respectively, will lead the Washington boatload. Recently the Huskies defeated California by a scant half length to set a new three-mile course record on Lake Washington of 16:33.4.

Fishing Said to Be Good at Camp Baldy With 15,000 trout of edible size planted in San Antonio stream at Camp Baldy just last week, fishing prospects for the 1934 season, which started May 1, look very bright in that vicinity, reports the touring department of the National Automobile Club. The planting was done by the fish and game commission.

To reach Camp Baldy, go via Foothill boulevard to Claremont, thence north ten miles over excellent paved road which winds through San Antonio at an easy grade along the rushing San Antonio stream.

JOCKEY CLUB PLANS TRACK COLUMBUS, Ohio. (U.P.)—The Beulah Park Jockey Club will spend \$25,000 this summer on construction of a new mile track at Grove City, Ohio. The club expects to have the track completed in time for a meeting from September 1 to 30.

Bluebirds Travel to Anaheim Tonight to Play Colton Team

Tonight, fans, the Bluebirds, and Spud says they will be THE Bluebirds, will travel to Anaheim to meet Colton in the last practice game before the start of the league series on May 15.

Spud hands out his line-up as follows: Red Moon, If; Paul Vonderhale, ss; Louis Neva, rf; Hal Forney, lb; Dan Leonard, 3b; Paul Neva, cf; Meta, 2b; Poncho Fabregat, c; Pete Hargis, utility players; are Harry (Rook) Atwood, Lorenzi, Tony Alesso and Freddy Montgomery. All of these boys are good and can play any position, with the exception of the pitcher's box. Atwood will help with the coaching and handle the infield practice before the games. Rook is a veteran of many baseball seasons and is a handy man to have on a team as he is good on first or third and can handle the infield position in a pinch. Lorenzi is a crack first baseman but a little young yet and apt to get rattled. Tony was a regular last season and is just as good now as he was last year, and Freddy Montgomery is showing up nicely in practice.

Bowker's Boys Will Play At Home On Sun.

The Torrance (now San Pedro) Merchants, who were forced by lack of patronage here to move to Trona Field, will play on the home diamond once more next Sunday when they meet the fast Juarez Athletic Club, which defeated Lomita a couple of weeks ago by the score of 11-2.

The Long Beach Mexican aggregation is coming to Torrance all primed to give the local boys a lacing but Tommy Bowker's lads who are now leading the league, are determined to put the shoe on the other foot.

Since moving down to San Pedro the local team has not lost a game and are roosting on top of the heap.

Last Sunday the Merchants played the Richfield Oilers to a 3-2 draw. The game was called at the end of the tenth.

Next Sunday's game will start at 2:15 and all Torrance fans are invited to sit in.

Tommy says that if the fans turn out for this game that he will bring the team back to Torrance at the start of the second half of the league schedule.

McCormick Winner of Harding Trophy Leads W. A. Flight

Bruce McCormick, member of the Western Avenue Golf club, is leading the flight of golfers who are after the championship cup to be presented to the winner of the tournament now in progress at this popular course. McCormick should be well known to golf fans in this district, as he has taken part in many of the Western avenue golf course contests, and last year was one of a four-man team which won the National Amateur Open at Portland, Oregon, and brought home the Harding trophy.

The tournament now going on at Western avenue has been in progress for a month and still has three weeks to go. Many promising golfers have been eliminated in that time and the field is narrowing down, with McCormick leading, followed by Don Erickson, Walter Johnson, Bill Scheurman, Merle Jordan, Bill Brickley, M. M. Smet and others.

Ten beautiful loving cups will be distributed at the close of play. Golfers of all ages and various handicaps entered, and enthusiasm mounts higher and higher each week as one by one the ambitious golfers are put out.

Western avenue golf course is popular with Torrance golfers as it has the advantage of easy accessibility, being located at 121st street, not far from this city.

Torrance high school golfers are regular guests, as they are given the run of the course one day a week at no charge.

NEW BOWLING RECORD ST. LOUIS, (U.P.)—Ray Holmes established a new three-game bowling record in a match here. He totaled 853, an average of 2841.3 a game, compared to the old mark of 847.

At the close of the fifth when the sports editor walked out on the pasture, the score was 3-0 in favor of the visitors. Paul laid down on the mound and beat it to first and Poncho got one hit that sailed far out into the dark shadows beyond third base. That was all the Birds did up to the time we left.

Otherwise it was a good game for the Dyers.

Sparrows Are Mauled By Harbor Dye Works A handful of fans occupied the stands last Friday night to watch the Bluebirds in a practice game with the Harbor Dye Works, but the game turned out to be a match between the Sparrows and the Dyers, as only three of the regular Bird line-up turned out to play. Dangerous Dan McGraw Leonard pitched for the Sparrows, and was nipped plenty. Dan is a pretty good pitcher too, but the Dyers liked the way he served up the slants and mauled him plenty. Poncho Fabregat played in the outer garden, and only Paul Vonderhale was in his regular position at short.

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