

# First American

## To Cross Finish Line in 5000 Meter Final Is Zamperini of Torrance.

For the first time in his career as a distance man, Louis Zamperini failed to finish in the money, in the 5000 meter race at Berlin last Friday, but Louie is to be honored for making a great showing against the speediest competition he has ever met. Louie, as everyone knows, finished eighth in a field of 15 of the greatest distance men in the world, and has nothing to apologize for and no alibis for his performance.

The Torrance boy stayed out of the pack to run his own race for ten laps and came strong on the last two rounds to pull up from 12th place to finish in 8th position, passing four men on his way. Louie was about to pass the seventh man when the finish line was reached.

Don Lash, the college runner, who led for the early rounds, was badly punished by the elbows of the Finlanders who ganged up on him, and he dropped back to finish 14th, in next to last position.

**He Ran Faster**

Louie, in a telegram to the Herald from New York, said: "I'll run faster in Berlin" and he did—8.2 seconds faster. His time for his race in the finals

was the fastest he has ever done, 14:46.8. His best previous time was 14:55.

Considering the fact that this is Louie's first year of major competition, and that his race in Berlin was only the sixth time out in the 5000 meter distance, his showing against the pick of European competitors was remarkably good.

Here is Louie's record for the six races this year, a record that any runner might be proud of: Second by decision of the judges at Compton invitational meet; first at Stanford University meet; second at the Los Angeles Coliseum when he was running with a bruised leg; tied with Don Lash of Indiana at the Olympic finals in New York; fifth in his preliminary heat at Berlin against the Finnish champion of 1932 Olympic games and other European stars; eighth place and the first American to cross the finish line, in the finals, in a race in which the Olympic record was lowered by nearly eight seconds.

**Should Be Proud**

The city of Torrance has every reason to be proud of having a representative like Louis, as he has given his best in every race and has brought world-wide renown to his home town.

The Olympic team is expected to sail for home on August 28, after the conclusion of the Games at Berlin and a dual meet between Great Britain and the United States to be held in London, in which Louis has been invited to take part. The Torrance Tornado will probably arrive home early in September.

On the basis of his showing in the Olympic finals, Louis is now considered the No. 1 distance man in the United States, eighth greatest 5000 meter man in the world. This is quite a load for a 19-year-old boy to carry, but Zamperini is the boy who can handle it.

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## Organization Meeting Planned For Next Week

### All Those Interested in Launching Athletic Club Are Invited

Plans for organizing a Torrance Athletic Club seem to have caught on to public favor. Judging from the number of inquiries regarding it, and the promoters are moved to go on to the next stage of the game, which is to call a meeting.

All those who are interested in forming a Torrance Athletic Club, which shall have jurisdiction over the promotion of amateur and semi-pro sports events, for pleasure or profit (to the club), are invited to attend a meeting to be held Thursday evening, Aug. 20, at 7:30 o'clock, at the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

The proposition will be explained, a temporary organization effected, and a committee appointed to draw up the by-laws.

As was explained last week, the plan is to organize under a set of officers and board of directors, to be elected by the members. Cost of membership is suggested to be \$1.00 a year, the object being to make the dues low and the membership as large as possible.

The club is being sponsored for the purpose of promoting amateur boxing and wrestling shows, football, baseball and basketball games, and such other athletic events as may meet the popular fancy.

Coach Bernard J. Donahue of the Torrance high school has offered his services as football coach. Pete Zamperini has offered to oversee the work of a small track squad, and Carmen (Tony) Tuzzolini, former Olympic team boxer and Golden Gloves champion, will handle the match-making for boxing bouts, while Art Hodge is being sounded on the subject of promoting wrestling.

Torrance has any number of good coaches in the various departments, a world of good material for teams, and even a licensed referee, none other than Steve Nyland, who is constantly in demand for ring work.

The promoters of the Athletic Club hope to see the organization start out on a small but substantial scale and increase in membership and activity as its financial condition improves.

As the club membership will be open to women as well as men, it is hoped that a number of sports-minded women will attend the meeting and take part in the discussion of plans. The club will promote athletic events in which the girls and women of the city may compete, when and if it is successfully launched.

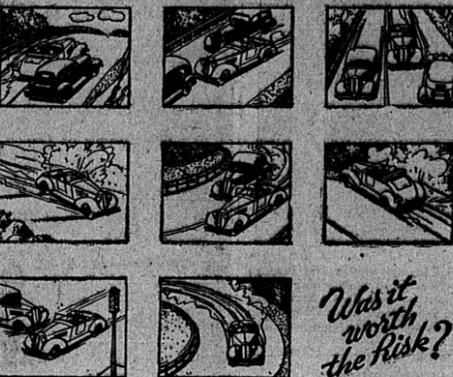
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## What's the Big Hurry?



...and here are some of the things he DID on the way up!



Was it worth the risk?

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Last year there were nearly 180,000 automobile accidents which happened on rural highways which resulted in close to 14,000 deaths.

Many of these deaths happened because drivers took chances and drove too fast for conditions, as illustrated above. That speed is a more serious factor in deaths on highways than on city streets is indicated by the fact that at city street intersections last year deaths from almost 300,000 accidents numbered only 6,000, less than half the fatalities from accidents on highways. This information carries a warning about the danger of driving too fast, no matter how good a driver a person regards himself.

## Twin Bill Is Split

### Merchants Win and Lose Against San Pedro Knights In Sunday Games

Walt Morris's Lomita Merchants divided a twin bill with the San Pedro Knights of Pythias Sunday afternoon, winning the first, 5-4, and losing the second, 9-5. Morris started in the box for the Merchants in the first game and shut the Knights out in the first five stanzas. In the sixth the visitors pushed over one

the left field fence was the feature of this game which was called at the end of the seventh.

Next Sunday afternoon, only one game will be played, with the Santa Monica Air Engineers as the opposition. The games are drawing big crowds every Sunday, and the Merchants are putting on a high class entertainment.

Prentice turned in the only homer of the game.

In the second game, Jerry Angelich, former Narbonne high school ace, started for the Knights and lasted three innings. He started for the show-ers when the Merchants found him for four hits and three runs to put them only two runs behind. Paxman went in again and held out nicely against the Merchants' attack. The Knights were one up off Patalano in the second frame and Manager Morris put in Hamilton again, but the big fellow turned out to be easy meat.

The Knights batted around in the third, scoring five runs and added three more in the fourth, but after that were blanked.

Shirley Venable's long hit over

spent over \$25 for films and developing pictures of the games; Has sent over 170 letters and postcards home to friends and relatives; Will run tomorrow, Friday, August 14, against the British Empire team, London, England, in either the 1500 meters or 5000 meter run, or maybe the 3000 meter steeplechase.

Meadows, Trojan pole vaulter, and winner of this Olympic event, expects to soar to a new world mark of 14 feet 8 inches, before returning to America.

First game, nine innings.

Box score:

SAN PEDRO-K. P.			
	AB	R	H
Scrubbe, cf.	5	1	2
Woods, ss.	4	0	1
Van Tress, 2b.	4	0	1
Ceell, 1b.	4	1	1
Bryan, c.	4	0	1
Johnson, 3b.	5	0	1
Prentice, lf.	3	1	1
Angelich, rf.	4	1	1
Paxman, p.	4	0	0
Sickinger, p.	0	0	0
Totals	37	4	10

LOMITA

	AB	R	H
Weddle, ss.	4	1	0
Palica, cf.	4	1	0
S. Venable, 1b.	3	0	1
League, c.	4	0	2
Rowe, 3b.	4	0	0
J. Venable, rf.	4	1	2
Correll, lf.	3	1	1
Markham, 2b.	2	1	1
Morris, p.	0	0	0
Hamilton, p.	1	0	0
Totals	29	5	9

Summary: Home run—Prentice. Two-base hits—Weddle, League, Woods, Ceell. Sacrifice hits—Morris, 2. Bases on balls—Off Paxman, 2; off Sickinger, 3; off Morris, 1. Struck out—By Paxman, 8; by Morris, 4; by Hamilton, 2. Hit by pitched ball—Palica.

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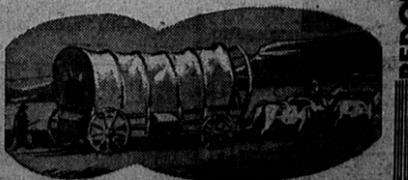
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## Summer Race Track

### Permit Granted Hollywood Turf Club; Plant Near Santa Monica

Revamping of the original corporate set-up for the new summer racing plant for West Los Angeles was declared by its officials to be complete today, with arrangements completed for additional financing.

Decision to change the name to the Hollywood Turf Club gave rise to reports that one or two of the men in the group recently turned down had joined with the group granted a summer racing permit late last week by the California Horse Racing Board.

This belief was strengthened by the fact that the plant now is to represent an investment of \$1,500,000 instead of \$1,250,000 as originally announced. The state board in granting the permit laid down several conditions, one of which was adequate financing.

Losing no time, in the reported desire to start construction of its plant before any protest should gain ground in the West Los Angeles area, it was announced by Maurice McLoughlin of Pasadena, secretary-treasurer of the organization, that a site of 228 acres had been decided upon near the intersection of Sawtele and National boulevards. The location is one mile east of the Santa Monica municipal airport and golf course, one mile south of Pico boulevard and a quarter-mile west of Sepulveda boulevard.

At the county clerk's office, it was learned that the name of Earl Gilmore, oil man, is among the five directors listed in the articles granted to the original company, the Golden State Jockey Club, on February 25, 1935. Others are Alfred E. Green, president of the group; J. Dale Gentry of San Bernardino, Al J. Unlaek and Carroll A. Low of Los Angeles.

Green, a motion picture director, at Warner Brothers, owns his own stables just north of the Santa Anita track, in Arcadia.

Reports that a large newspaper publisher was financially interested in the new racing plant could not be confirmed.

With work on the grandstand and the track slated to start at once, the first racing meeting has been tentatively scheduled for June 15 to July 15, 1937.

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