

LUDIKER EQUALS SUNSERI'S MARK

Seventh Inning Walk Ruins Pitcher's Perfect Shut-Out

By "RED" MOON

Bill Ludiker, Columbia Steel's ace pitcher, struck out 20 YMCA batters in tossing a near-perfect game in Monday's first game in the Torrance Industrial League play at the Torrance City Park.

A walk issued to little Vaughn Stokes, first baseman, in the seventh inning spoiled the dream of every pitcher—a no-hit, no-run game, with no runner reaching first base. Ludiker's 20 strikeouts tied the league record of Sammy Sunseri, of Goodyear, who set his record against the same "Y" team in the first round of league play.

Darrell Brkxy pitched a fine game for the losers. Three of the six hits he allowed were bunched in the third inning and accounted for the two-run margin of victory. Second baseman Shorty Lazzerato, of the winners, was the hitting star, getting three for four including a double.

The Ideco-National Supply game, which followed, produced another great pitchers battle as Don Moser, who learned his pitching while serving as bat boy for the famous Torrance Bluebirds in the days of Louie Neva and Pete Hargis, squared off against the teasing slants of Ideco's equally efficient pug, Thomas Moser. In giving up two hits, shaded the three blows allowed by Thomas and the "Nat's" two runs shaded Ideco's lone tally for the margin of victory.

Second sacker Bill Dietlin hit two for four, and scored the winning run for National in the last of the seventh. He reached first on a bunt, went to second on a passed ball, stole third, and came home on another passed ball.

Line score: R H E
Ideco 002 000 0-2 0 4
National 010 001-2 3 1
Batteries: Ludiker and Clayton, Brkxy and Bennett.

Hotrods, Bikes to Go at Local Half-Mile Oval
Carroll Speedway will settle down to only two nights of racing this week.

On Wednesday night the 32 fastest qualifiers will churn up the dirt on the local half-mile oval during another night of heavy motorcycle racing. A 20-lap main event will feature the competition between the 70-100 riders who attempt to qualify each week.

Saturday night the speedy Hot-Rods will return with their drivers battling for first prize money in the 25-lap main event.

FISH AND GAME MEET
The California Fish and Game Commission will meet in the State Building in Los Angeles June 24th and 25th, stated Harvey Hastain, president of the Commission.

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SO FAR A PERFECT RECORD—has been set by the boys pictured above who are members of the Torrance Police Ball Club. They have played six games and have won all as they prep for the "Thirty Nights of Baseball Tournament" here in August. Top row, left to right: Swayne Johnson, Tom Aker, Jerry McIlvaine, Gil Bennett, Charles Lawrence, Eddie Roberts. Middle row: Elmer Muehler, Sam Snyder, Gar Johnson, Paul Smith, Bucky Kuhn. Bottom row: Pete Dodos, Bob Chambers, Fred Harris, Clair Osman and Bob McNeal.

SNYDER, HARRIS LEAD SUNDAY CLUB TO SIXTH STRAIGHT WIN

Still undefeated, the Torrance Sunday Ball Club, now called the Police Ball Club, nabbed their sixth win last Sunday by whipping Eastside Beer of Los Angeles, 5-3.

Bob McNeal, local first baseman, improved with each of three double-plays during the contest. First two-outer was from Roberts to Dodos to McNeal. Second play was from Roberts to McNeal, and the final double-play McNeal handled all alone.

For the first four innings under the pitching of Sam Snyder of the locals, it was three up, and three down until the fifth when he allowed a run across the plate. He allowed two hits during his five innings on the mound.

Fred Harris was sent in by manager Swayne Johnson to replace Snyder, not because of wild pitching on the part of Snyder, but merely to give Harris practice. He heaved three innings and allowed four hits and fanned five batters.

This Sunday's game will be against the Inglewood Juniors. The following Sunday is against the San Pedro Merchants.

TORRANCE POLICE CLUB

Player	AB	R	H	E
Pete Dodos, 2b	4	1	2	0
Clair Osman, ss	4	1	2	0
Bob McNeal, 1b	4	1	1	0
Eddie Roberts, 3b	4	1	1	0
Gar Johnson, c	3	0	1	0
Gil Bennett, cf	3	0	1	0
Bill Johnson, rf	4	0	1	0
Elmer Muehler, lf	4	0	1	0
Paul Smith, if	3	1	1	0
Sam Snyder, p	1	0	0	0
Fred Harris, p	2	0	0	0
Total	37	5	11	1

Line scores: R H E
Eastside 000 012 000-2 0 4
Police 000 041 000-5 11 1
Batteries: East, Eckman and Haines, Torrance, Snyder, Harris and Muehler, Bennett.

FELKERS TAKE LOMITA PARK 1ST ROUND TITLE

Felkers of Torrance, with six wins and a single loss, won the first round of the Lomita Park softball league, which ended last Friday night.

Pitcher Clarence Richardson of Lomita Auto Parts won his own game, driving in the winning run, then scoring himself Friday as the L.A.P. edged Harbor Tire 6-5.

In the other game of the evening Normont Terrace downed Torrance Nazarene 7 to 1, featuring Terrace homers by Cox and Chavez.

Line scores: Harbor Tire 021 000 0-4 5 3
L.A.P. 021 200 x-6 0 4
Batteries: Garmon, Richardson and Fulton.
Nazarene 010 000 0-7 7 1
Normont 000 040 3-1 2 2
Batteries: Tuttle and Lonn; Forbes and Garrison.

Final First Round Standings

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Felkers	6	1	.857
Circle	5	2	.714
Shamrock	4	3	.571
Normont	3	4	.428
Lomita Auto	3	4	.428
Harbor Tire	3	4	.428
Nazarene	1	6	.143
Good Luck	0	7	.000

Local Net Stars Win Tournament
Jack Clayton and Tony Prodan pounded their way to the Redondo Beach Men's Doubles Championship last Sunday by defeating Foote and Woodard, 5-7, 7-5, and 12-10.

Youth Softball Teams Forming for Summer Play

Under the direction of Elmer "Red" Moon, of the Torrance Recreation Department, local youths are forming teams in preparation for an extensive season of play in softball this summer.

League play is to be offered in four age divisions for boys, with January 1, 1948 as the age effective date; The Pee Wee group will consist of boys 11 years of age and under, Midgets, 12 and 13 years, Juniors, 14 and 15 years, and the Seniors, which includes all boys from 16 to 18 years of age.

Prospects for a twilight league for girls are exceptionally bright as five team captains have expressed a desire to enter their teams in such a league. One of these teams is a group from the flight strip, sponsored by Miss Helen Lockwood, of the local YWCA. Another team, composed of older girls, is captained by Billie Levesque and is being sponsored by Howard's Realty Co. Pat Tibbitts has formed a team of Narbonne High girls; Jo Ann McWald captains one team and two others are to be formed from Torrance High School girls.

All games will be scheduled to fit in with the City-School joint recreation program which is being set up by, and will be under the supervision of, Coach Eddie Cole, of the Torrance High staff. Youths who are working in the daytime will have an opportunity to participate as their games will be scheduled for the twilight hours. The bulk of play will be held on the Fern Avenue Park field where the construction of a second ball diamond is being considered to take care of the increased play expected this summer.

YESTERYEAR IN SPORTS

10 YEARS AGO
The 20-30 Club was leading the Industrial Softball League with wins over Tool Crib, Derickmen, Tool Room, Field Shop, and Apprentices. . . . Wait Morris, manager of the Torrance Lomita Merchants furnished equipment for a free baseball school. Roy Chambers was the instructor. . . . The Olympic fishing barge was reporting record catches. . . . Billy Stewart gave Torrance High its only two points in the Los Angeles city-wide track finals at the Coliseum with his second place mark of 6 foot 2 1/2 inch high jump. Tally of L.A. High was first with a jump of 6 foot 4 inches. Billy (Jack) Dillon of Narbonne placed third in the 180 yd. low hurdles. . . . Louis Zamperini entrained for Minneapolis for the NCAA meet.

PHASANTS INCREASING

Since the start of the egg-laying season Chinese Ringneck Pheasants have laid 99,736 eggs, and the Mongolian species 27,581, stated J. S. Hunter, Chief, Bureau of Game Conservation. Eggs are being incubated as fast as possible, in fact, 103,789, and the chicks hatched have been transferred to the rearing pens in many localities. With continued success, many thousands of these game birds will be released for hunting this coming fall.

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