

## American Loses Title Game

The Meter Shop softball team, of the Torrance General Petroleum refinery, captured the first half championship of the Torrance Recreation Workman's League by defeating the American-Standard Radiator nine, 7-5, in a playoff game staged under the arc lights at the city park on Wednesday evening of last week.

The teams, previous to this game, were in a deadlock for the first round title, each having won six while losing but one.

First Baseman Orell Kehrer led the winners' hitting attack with two hits in three attempts, while Teammate and Catcher Jack

Wilson collected a mighty homer in the second inning. Pitcher Frank Brissenger and Centerfielder Jimmy Sullivan each hit two for three for the losers. Shortstop Don Merrill homered to right to start the futile three-run bid by the Americans in the final inning.

Line score: RHE  
Amstan 000 101 3-5 7 3  
G.P. Mtr. Shop 113 200 X-7 6 3  
Batteries: Brissenger and Bob Turner, Perry and Edwards.

"Have fun, because when you're my age, you'll regret every day you didn't." — Pres. Dwight Eisenhower, Columbia U., to student group.

## SPORT SCENE

By JACK BALDWIN

In answer to a note sent to Mickey Colmer during the recent Brooklyn Dodger vs. L. A. Dons game at the Coliseum we learned that Mickey would not be able to bring Bob Chappius to Torrance High as planned earlier in the season . . . he was leaving at 9 a.m. the morning following the game and stated he would not be able to prep our local boys with a few pointers on how to win the coming Southern California Kicking and Passing Tournament. . . . The recent Yugoslav-American Club vs. the Torrance Police Nine netted \$144. We are told, for the benefit of Pete Dodds who broke his leg in the Police's opening tournament game. . . . we see by the papers that the Yugoslav Club whipped the Long Beach Rockets in a recent game in Long Beach. . . . the Rockets won the recent Semi-Pro Tournament. . . . since Torrance defeated the Yugoslav Club, who defeated the Rockets, it should make Torrance the unofficial Southern Semi-Pro champion. . . . In an inner-city, inner-club Donkey Baseball game between the Optimists Clubs of Torrance and Lomita, the Torrance club, outscored the Lomitans, 7-6. . . . A return game is planned after the Factory Frolic. . . . "Red" Moon informs us that the Oxnard Merchants, a boys softball team, was unable to make the trip to Torrance for their game against the Junior Optimists because of transportation difficulties. . . . since school has started, it appears the annual affair will have to be skipped for this year. . . . Hal and Jerry Jackson were back in town after completing a hitch "down on the farm" in the Texas Long Horn League and the Far West League, respectively. . . . Hal, playing for Sweetwater, was second in his league with 17 homers to his credit and led the league in doubles. . . . all this was in spite of a 26-day benching that followed an attack of appendicitis, malaria, and bronchial pneumonia, all of which Jackson contracted in one week. . . . he will report to Shreveport, La. for spring drills. . . . brother Jerry will report to the Three-I League which includes teams from Iowa, Indiana and Illinois. . . . He was with Redding this year.

It has been suggested, "Why doesn't somebody start a Monday morning quarterback breakfast club?" . . . I don't know, why doesn't someone. . . . the suggestion was that fathers of the players and anyone else interested in the Tartar football squad could meet early Monday morning at some local breakfast serving restaurant and chew the bacon and the fat about pig-skinning. . . .

Among the non-lettermen are these: Elton Russell and Richard Wright, both third string left ends of last year; Tommy Giattas, who will make it "three's a crowd" at the left end spot; Joe Clevenger, right end, will be crowding Dougherty, but good; Jim Leech and Willard Irwin, third stringers last year will be vying for the wide open tackle spots along with Calvin Brown, up from junior high.

Richard Perez at guard is rated by the coach as his fastest lineman; Dick Richhart looks so strong at center with Maddock that the Bee mentor may move one to another line spot, depending upon who shines from here on in; Don Zerschmidt, a straight "A" quarterback candidate transferred from Ohio, hard hitter; Frank Thompson, fast third string last year; Rudy Flores and Irwin Kasten, quarterbacks, both "cut" last year but speed and growth in both have improved.

George Whitting, at right half last year, could have made his

letter except for a knee injury; Billy Kudlmeyer, also at right half, looks hot; Billy Crawford, left half shows promise as a freshman passer; Jack Faren, also at left half, was a transfer late last season and was outstanding material during spring practice; MacQuillan will have to look out for two fullback candidates, Ronnie Higgins, whose only football attributes are that he can run, pass and kick, and speedy Bobby Voss, who runs 10.7 in the century.

Looking the situation over, Graybehl figures that the only way they can get beaten is for another team to score more points and that won't be easy in the face of the talent named above without considering the "unknown" that may pop up out of the following list of boys who are now suited-up. . . . Gary Barksdull, Bill Bourne, Tom Burchfield, John Carlisle, Harold Chapman, Michael Daniels, Jim Dunmyer, Wade Fisk, John Ford, James Gates, Bill Gray, Gary Groves, Walter Hatfield, Bill Irwin, Howard Intermill, James Johnson, Jack King, Billy Johnson, Bill Leetz, Claude Mackey, William McNeely, James Miller, Howard Mimura, Charles Munford, Jack O'Call, Joe O'Toole, Eugene Pasfov, Floyd Polston, Ken Roberts, Ronnie Solover, Wayne Scholl, Frank Schmidt, Jim Smith, Johnny Spiller, Don Stevenson, Vaughan Stokoe, David Summers, Lokey Takai, Daniel Villa, Harry Walker, Bill Wernet, Charlie Williamson, Charles Wilson.

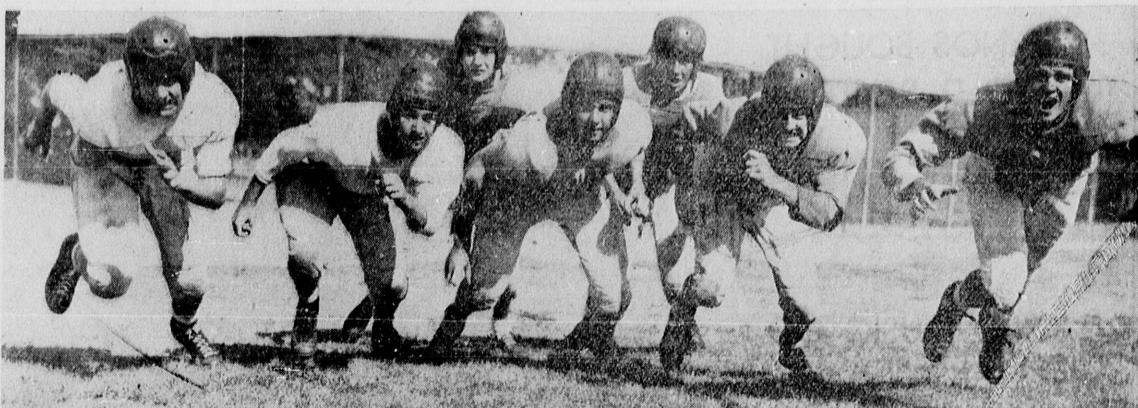
With 72 grid hopefuls out for Class Bee fall practice the outlook for a successful season is a little brighter for the Tarbabes than for their big brothers, the Tartar Varsity. Among the turnout, which is more than twice the size of the varsity's, Coach Cliff Graybehl has nine returning lettermen around whom he hopes to mold his '48 Bay League title-contenders.

Last year, with one returning letterman, the Bees whipped Inglewood 7-0 (Inglewood won the league championship), had more first downs than all other teams except Long Beach Jordan, and only wound up in fourth place.

With inner squad competition much keener this year, the Tarbabes should wind-up a notch or two from the top. With the right kind of drive they could even cop the crown, not easily, but a picture of the Bees wearing the olive leaf of the victor is not too difficult to imagine.

For nuclear material Graybehl has these nine "T" men from last year: Dave Dougherty, right end, pass snagger extraordinary; Bob LeBlanc, end, lettered in 1946 but out in '47 with injuries, captained last year's basketball team, good athlete; Dickie Ferguson, tackle, tackles like a tackle should tackle; Charlie Begue Willburn, guard, will have a tough battle holding ground against Gordon MacQuillan and Don Bingham, both guards; Ray Maddock, center, had the most player time last year; LeRoy Swigart, left half, perhaps the big "wheel" on the squad unless he gets to believing it himself; and Dave Baker, right half, for a Bee he is a Class "A" powerhouse.

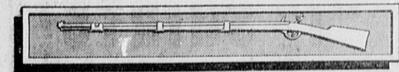
RESULTS  
Results of Workman's league games played last week were:  
Johns Club 18, Oilers 1.  
Mayfair 5, Optimist 15.  
Amstan 8, Longren 2.  
Ideco Ramblers 0, Optimist 7 (Forfeit).



TARBABE POWERHOUSE . . . Seven of Coach Cliff Graybehl's Class Bee returning lettermen will be the backbone of Torrance High's bid for the Bay League crown this year. Left to right, backfield: Dave Baker, Right half; LeRoy Swigart,

left half; on the line, Dave Dougherty, right end; Dickie Ferguson, right tackle; Don Bingham, right guard; Gordie MacQuillan, left guard; and Bob LeBlanc, left end.

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### Kicking, Passing Tournament Set for Sept. 25th

Coach Eddie Cole announced yesterday that the Southern California Kicking and Passing Tournament, postponed last July until after the opening of school, has been set for Sept. 25th at the Torrance City Park.

Cole sent out entry blanks to schools and playgrounds throughout Southern California inviting all youths who can qualify under C. I. F. rules to participate in the event.

Originally scheduled for July 30, the event was postponed due to the number of requests and suggestions from coaches who had boys that would not be able to enter because they were working during the "hot" summer.

A special division for boys 12-14 years of age will be provided for, Cole stated.

The event is co-sponsored by the Torrance Kiwanis Club and the City of Torrance Recreation department.

Any boy wishing to enter is urged to contact Coach Cole at Torrance High school. Deadline for the entries is Sept. 22. All entrants must have entry blanks signed by their coach or authorized representative of the school which the contestant is attending.

Preliminaries will be held at 1 p.m. with the finals being staged at 8 p.m. under the auspices of the city park.

### DEER KILLING UP

Reports of successful deer kills by California hunters are running ten per cent higher than at this time last year, says the Bureau of Game Conservation, Division of Fish and Game.

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### Reports on Deer Hunting Season

A total of 496 deer were killed in Los Angeles county during the 1948 fall season which ended Labor Day, the U. S. Forest Service reported recently.

Of these, 103 were taken in the Valleyermo hunting area. They averaged between 120-25 pounds. Most of these were in velvet, foresters said.

Only seven deer were killed in the Mount Baldy area. The largest seated 150 pounds. Although few in number they were all fat and had taken on winter coats of fur indicating they had been feeding in the higher altitudes.

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