

# SERVICE CLUB BATTLE SLATED

## Trout Outlook Good As Season Begins

California's most severe winter in many years will have a variety of effects on the hopes of nearly half-a-million anglers who will flock to the mountain pools and streams when the State's trout season opens Saturday.

The recent heavy rain and snow in many northern California areas means muddy waters and fussy fish. But water conditions in some Southern California areas are the best in years. However, important fish planting was delayed because of the storms.

Up Crowley Lake way, the weatherman brought weather conditions to the Eastern High Sierras which resulted in a break-up of the ice covering the lake, and the opening is slated to get under way as per usual.

Some 4000 sportsmen and sportswomen are expected for the starting day at Crowley, some of "the big ones."

Official starting time for trout season, according to California Game Wardens, is one hour before sunrise, May 3, and lasts for 185 days. But in a number of counties, trout angling season does not begin until May 30.

They are Modoc, Lassen, Plumas, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, Eldorado, Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne and Del Norte, and portions of Humboldt, Trinity, Lake and Mendocino counties.

Fahoe, Donner, Boca, Almanor, Butte and Pillsbury Lakes and Humboldt's Stone, Big, Fresh-water and Clam Beach lagoons open May 3 in exception to their surrounding waters.

All summer trout angling seasons close October 31.

General bag and possession limits are 15 trout, salmon or mountain whitefish combination, or ten pounds and one fish.

By counties, the wardens' appraisal of Saturday's prospects: Fresno—poor. Many areas closed by snow and poor roads. Inyo—Fair to good. Melting snow and high water may postpone trout planting. Best bets: Bishop Creek, Owens River, Rock Creek, Crowley Lake, McGee, Convict and Hot creeks. Kern—Fair—Kern River high. South fork of Kern excellent. Many catchable-sized fish planted.

Los Angeles—Good. Most waters heavily planted. All lakes in good condition.

Monterey—Very Good. Some waters high. Best bets: Los Pafros, and San Clemente reservoirs.

Orange—Fair. Water conditions good but low native fish. Riverside—Fair—Streams high and clear, but angler success dependent on amount of catchable-sized trout planted. Best bets: Snow, Andreas, north fork of San Jacinto Creek, Lake Fulmore.

San Berdo—Good to excellent. Better than normal water conditions. Lakes clear and well stocked. Best bets: Upper Santa Ana River, Forsee, Bear, Lytle Creeks, San Dimas and Jenks lakes, San Antonio and Cucamonga canyons.

San Diego—Good. Water conditions best in years. Best bets: Pine Valley, Boulder, Palma and San Luis Obispo—Good. Abundant water in coastal streams. Santa Barbara—Fair.

Santa Clara—Good. Stevens Creek and reservoir excellent. Black, bass and bluegill excellent in Anderson and Coyote reservoirs.

Ventura—Fair. Water high.

## Grammar School Relays Rained Out; Reset Date

The Optimist Club-sponsored Grammar School relays which were scheduled to be held last Saturday, May 10, it was announced yesterday by Coach Cliff Graybehl, chairman of the club's boys' work committee.

The relays were canceled last Saturday when the high school track proved to be too wet and muddy for racing.

Contingents from nearly every school in Torrance arrived bright and early for the annual relays. Graybehl said, but had to be turned back because of the wet track.

Graybehl reminded school principals yesterday that each school is limited to three entrants in each event and that each boy is limited to participation in two events.

Members of the club will contact school principals again this week with information about the meet, Graybehl said.

## Valencia Leads Pack to Victory

Led by the sharp-shooting center Leo Valencia, the Torrance Hi-Y Chapter I boys squeezed past the Torrance Hi-Y Chapter II crew 61-58 in the first game of a series to determine the championship ball-handlers among the Torrance Hi-Y chapters.

Forward Art Sues was next on the scoring list for the victors with 21 pointers. Bob Moon dropped in 23 points for the losers to walk away with scoring honors for his squad.

In a practice tiff played early in the season the Chapter II five hopped their compatriots 67-62.

Japanese men average about five feet three inches in height. The women are about four inches less.

## Fisherman's Tide Table

May	TIDES AT LOS ANGELES HARBOR			
	High	Low	High	Low
1	1:21 3.9	9:37 0.4	5:20 3.5	9:59 2.9
2	3:00 3.7	10:27 0.5	5:39 3.8	11:06 2.4
3	4:18 3.6	11:07 0.5	5:57 4.1	11:51 1.8
4	5:19 3.7	11:40 0.6	6:15 4.4	
	Low		High	
5	12:29 1.2	6:11 3.8	12:09 0.8	6:34 4.8
6	1:04 0.6	6:57 3.8	12:36 1.0	6:56 5.2
7	1:38 0.0	7:43 3.8	1:03 1.2	7:20 5.6

Tides are given in order of occurrence. First column shows time of day, second tide level from mean low water. Light face type is a.m., bold face p.m.



FISHIN' DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN... Mrs. Martha Green, wife of sportsman Ceece Green, came up with this pretty snaphot last year on the opening day of trout fishing. Scenes like this will be repeated throughout the county and state starting Saturday night, opening of trout season.

## \$50,000 Pledged by County for Slough

Possibility of turning Bixby Slough into a Harbor area recreational center seemed to be one step closer to reality yesterday as the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors voted \$50,000 of county tax funds toward the \$250,000 proposed project.

Petitions signed by more than 7000 Harbor residents urging that the County and the City of Los Angeles take immediate steps to join with the State Fish and Game Commission in making the unsightly area a pleasurable recreation area were presented only late last week.

Supervisor Raymond Darby moved that the pledge be made, and fellow supervisors nodded approval Tuesday. Representatives for the Harbor area were present at the Board meeting.

The delegation told the supervisors that it was going to ask the city of Los Angeles to kick through with \$100,000 as its fair share. The entire area is located within city territory.

One spokesman appearing before the county body, R. J. Erickson, said that the State Fish and Game Commission has promised to spend \$100,000 towards creation of a wild life reserve, but the amount must be matched by city-county tax money.

The awarding of the money by the county marked the second local step forward in the long-fought battle to turn the muddy lagoon into a beautiful park area.

Miss Mahoney addressed the group on "Educating the Whole Child" and "The 3 R's and More."

"The modern school teaches to the child's ability so that he meets success at his own level," Miss Mahoney said.

The program was a climax to a week-long open house which had been held at the school. Folk dances were presented by children at the school as a conclusion to the program.

## MRS. SPENCE NAMED AS PTA HEAD AGAIN

Mrs. Jack Spence this week was elected to serve a second term as president of the Carson St. School PTA, it was revealed yesterday. Mrs. Spence was hostess at a luncheon meeting of the board recently, where Mrs. M. Q. Wallace, principal of the school, was honored guest.

PTA members attending included Mrs. James Luten, Alfred Barkan, Richard Landon, Russell Gilbert, Clarence Wittenberg, James Campbell, Carl Brooks, William Nott, Roy Carter and Charles Linn.

## NEP Warm Up Fray Slated For Diamond

A red-hot exhibition softball game is slated for 8 p.m. next Tuesday evening at the Torrance City Park when the National Electric Products nine dashes with the Douglas Aircraft All-Stars from Long Beach.

Sparked by the hurling of Don Stickleby or Hal Nels, the National Electric boys boast a complete roster of top-notch industrial league ball handlers.

Performing for the locals will be Frank Schmidt, former Tartar grid star, catcher; Don Fulton, first base; Ernie Floyd, second base; Jim Robertson, third base; Nick Dellan, shortstop; Bill Dietlin, left field; Don Merrill, center field; Bill McEwen, right field and Cliff Stickleby, utility reserve.

Most are ex-Narbonne or Torrance High ball players.

## Scouts Hold Parent-Son Dinner Meet

Twenty Scouts of Troop 214 in Harbor City held a potluck dinner with their parents at the home of Scoutmaster John Green Saturday night.

Cliff Layton, Gardena Scoutmaster, spoke to the group on Parent Cooperation in Scouting in an attempt to bolster the scouting relations in the area, Green said.

Den chiefs were selected from among the Scouts to assist Club Pack den mothers for the remainder of the year. Three of those chosen were Ronnie Fasta, Mike Mahan and Don Fasta, it was reported.

Green has supervised the Harbor City Scouts for many months.

## MOUNTAIN STATE

California has 12 mountain peaks 14,000 or more feet high.

## Old Men Ready For Opening Pitch Ball Tiff

Eight Torrance organizations are anxiously awaiting the initial game of the newly-formed Old Men's Slow Pitch Softball League which is slated to be played May 14 when league competition officially gets under way.

But a preview warm-up frays is scheduled for May 7 at 7:30 p.m. under the McMaster Park lights, 174th St. and Yukon Ave., Elmer "Red" Moon, city athletic director, reports.

Playing with a 16-inch softball, the squads will battle each other, two games per eve, until August 14, completing three months of play.

Squads which have entered, and their managers, are Optimist Club, Cliff Graybehl; Kiwanis Club, Chuck Wallace; Rotary Club, Eddie Raphael; Moose Club, Dale Riley; American Legion, Gordie Arnold; Watteria Businessmen's Association, Bob Sleeth; Hollywood-Riviera Sportsmen's Club, Pat Patrosky; and Lions Club, Walt Schaefer.

Tiffs will be played every Wednesday and Thursday night, Watteria Park seeing the action on Wednesday, McMaster Park on Thursday.

Billed as an Old Men's League, the game schedule for the first several weeks of Round One follows: (First game starts at 7 p.m., second game 8:30).

May 14—Optimists vs. Lions, Moose vs. Watteria BM, Watteria Park.

May 15—Kiwanis vs. Rotary, Legion vs. Sportsmen, McMaster Park.

May 21—Watteria BM vs. Legion, Lions vs. Kiwanis, Watteria Park.

May 22—Sportsmen vs. Rotary, Moose vs. Optimist, McMaster Park.

May 28—Rotary vs. Watteria, Optimists vs. Kiwanis, Watteria Park.

May 29—Lions vs. Sportsmen, Legion vs. Moose, McMaster Park.

## Narbonne Coeds Selected For Girls' State Session

Marlene Schildmeyer and Virginia Buchanan, Narbonne High School coeds, have a real treat in store.

For on June 18 the two girls will pack their bags and travel to Sacramento where they will represent NHIS at the annual California Girls' State session, sponsored by the American Legion auxiliaries of California.

Marlene, who lives at 1938 W. 262nd St., and Virginia, who resides at 1507 W. 215th St., Torrance, were selected for citizenship, leadership, physical fitness and excellence of character, according to school officials.

Lomita and Harbor City American Legion auxiliaries are footing the bill.

During the nine-day session ending June 26, the girls will see government in action and will develop their own party platform, conduct elections according to California law, form city councils, county boards of supervisors and otherwise run a mythical state.

The entire trip and session is at no cost to the delegates.

## Pvt. Calder Completes Army Chemical Course

Pvt. William R. Calder, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Calder, 21608 Moneta Ave., Torrance, recently graduated from the Far East Command Chemical School at Camp Gifu, Japan.

Before arriving at Camp Gifu, Private Calder was a member of Company C, 87th Reconnaissance Battalion, Camp Roberts, Calif.

Calder was formerly employed by the Kaiser-Frazier Corp.

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## 300 PARENTS ATTEND OPEN HOUSE FEST

More than 300 parents of Lomita Elementary School children attended a special Open House program held Thursday night in the school auditorium, at which Earl Barnett, Narbonne High School principal and Miss Alice Mahoney, superintendent of curriculum for the city schools, spoke.

Also on the program were colorful flag presentation ceremonies by Girl Scout Troop 412, and the presentation of the Harbor City award to Mrs. Don Olson.

Barnett spoke to the parents on the urgency of the forthcoming School Bond election and asked community support to insure adequate facilities for the increasing number of school pupils in the Lomita-Harbor City areas.

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## Slayer Is Sane, Trial Jury Says

Merton C. Misener, 35, who was convicted of slaying two Santa Monica nurses, was ruled sane Monday by the same jury that found him guilty of murder.

Misener is scheduled to appear in Santa Monica Superior Court May 5 for sentence.

Torrance police nabbed Misener here last Dec. 30 after he assertedly shot and stabbed Mrs. Marguerite Cramer, 31, and Mrs. Ann Symington, 42, and attempted to murder Paul M. Beck.

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