National Niteball Here Tuesday

NE, Strescon Lead As Leagues Near Half-way Mark

ZOWIE!

Walteria Gals Bop 36 Runs In Opener

Whew! When those Walteria gals play softball, they play softball.

In a kickoff game for the Girls Softball, Lomita-Torrance league last week, the Walteria lassies wallopped the Allens Jewelers gals 36-7 to start the season in fine style. Rose Butcher did the pitching for the winners, who have entered their third year of competition this season.

Rose gave up five big runs in the initial frame, but started to work in the second—allowing no hits, no runs. Meanwhile, her buddies went wild to rack up 18 points in the opener, 3 in the second and 15 in the third to end the melee.

Net 5 Tallies

Shirley Parrish and Jo Ann Sumpter each tallied five times, Shirley getting home each try at bat. Jo Ann was left on second in the second frame.

The Coeds of Lomita blasted the Torrance Rookies 13-10 in the second fray that first evening.

Thursday night the Torrance Rebels fell to the Harvey gals 20-5 with the fine pitching of Betty Bynum holding the losers to the small count.

Pat Garrison clouted a beautiful homer in the closing fourth frame to drive in Barbara Comereski, but good fly-catching by the Harvey fielders brought a hasty end to the inning.

Lomita Park turned on the juice to hand the Torrance Pueblo squad a 19-4 pasting in the second game Thursday evening. Only three gals, Annie Mora, Virgie Camou and Artie Martinez were able to score, Artie getting credit for a pair of counters.

Tuesday evening's clash at Walteria will find the Coeds against Pueblo and Walteria vs. the Rebels. Thursday night, Allens will take on the Rookies, and Harvey the Lomita group at Lomita. First game starts at 7 o'clock, with the second to start about 8:30.

Score by innings R
Walteria ..... (18) 3 (15)—36
Allens ..... 502 .....— 7
Rose Butcher and Joy Sumpter; Millie Torrence and Dee McCullom. 2BH—JoAnn Sumpter, Mitchell, Winzard, Joy Sumpter (2), Davis. HR—Rogers.

Score by innings R
Coeds ..... 236 2x—13
Rookies ..... 221 23—10
Lila Cordray and Anett Graffe; Janice Brimley and Sally Speck, Judy Wright. 2BH — Traunfelder, Edwards, Christenson. HR—Christenson.
Umpires: Melvin and Bennett; scorer: Avis.

Score by innings R
Pueblo ..... 202 0—4
Lomita ..... 495 1—19
Rachel Alvarez and Dora Viveros; Pat Smith and Frances Specht. 2BH—Talbert, Briley, Bernhardt, 3BH — Camou, Duby. HR—Briley.

Score by innings R
Rebels ..... 120 2—5
Harvey ..... (10) 06 4—20
Betty Peterson and Janet Williamson; Betty Bynum and Dor Alexandria. 2BH—Duty. HR—Garrison.
Umpires: Raia and Bernhardt. Scorer: Avis.

Bellflower Here For National Niteball Tuesday

Bellflower's entry to the National Niteball League will trot on to the Torrance Park Diamond Tuesday night at 8:30 in hopes of getting its first victory from the Local Torrance Diamonds, who have bopped them three times in a row.

The Diamonds, featuring the hurling of flashy Rusty Brooks, have come along in fair shape in this tough National league, dropping quite a few, but by one or two points—and to 1950 and 1951 west coast and national championship squads.

National Niteball is rated by those in the know as the fastest of softball and features players who are the envy of the nation in softball ranks.

There is no admission charge to the classic.

Shell Chemical Vetoes Plan to be Unionized

Employees of the Shell Chemical Co. here have turned down a ballot to be unionized by the AFL Boilermakers Union by a vote of 17 to 3, a National Labor Relations Board report advised last week.

Sunseri Turns In 1-Hitter for 3M

Sam Sunceri joined the 1952 honor roster of pitchers Thursday night when he chucked a one-hitter for the victorious Three M's when they nipped the Amroco crew 2-1 in an A league tilt.

Only man to register a bingle off of Sam was Amroco's back-stop man Walt Delsing who in the fourth singled one past base to make first. He was left standing on the sack, though, as Don Thomas flew out to left field next play for the third out.

The Three M's meet Lovelady Hardware tomorrow night at Torrance Park and Harvey Machine takes on Amroco in a second tiff for the eve. Initial play begins at 7 p.m. with the No. 2 meet slated for 8:30.

National Supply fell the way of nine others, Wednesday night, when it was crunched 6-2 by unbeaten National Electric. Don Stickley gave up four hits in the melee, two of which were turned in to counters for Supply. Jack Hinsey got the first bingle in the third frame and scooted to second when Eddie Marino tried to stretch a short one into a single.

Hinsey Comes Home

Earl Clayton clouted a single out to left field, and on an overthrow to first, Clayton moved to second and Hinsey tripped home. Clayton got his homeward chance when Joe Hasson bashed a pretty double to right field and made third on an overthrow. He was left on third when the side retired.

The same inning, the third, was the pay-off one for National Electric as Nick Dellan, Frank Schmidt, Ernie Floyd and Don Fulton all crossed home plate for counters. Don Merrell bopped a nice homer out center field way in the fifth to drive home Ernie Floyd.

Amroco never got a threatening chance in their play with the Three M's, Sunceri giving two men a chance to feel the pads. He gave up one walk, the single, and turned away ten at home plate.

Starts to Click

Charlie Camou started to click for the losers in the final stanzas, but it was too late. He issued one walk and six hits with errors putting a bevy of batters on base.

National Electric continues way out in front of the pack, with ten wins and no losses. Lovelady follows with six wins and three losses, trailed by National Supply and Harvey Machine. Three M's and Amroco.

A LEAGUE

Score By Innings R H E
Amroco .....000 000 0—0 1 4
Three M's .....000 200 x—2 6 0
C. Camou and Delsing; Sencerl and Tuttle. 2BH—none. 3BH—none. HR—none.

Score By Innings R H E
National Supply ..002 000 0—2 4 1
Nat'l. Electric ...004 021 x—6 9 1
Huntsman and Malone; Stickley and Schimdt. 2BH—Hasson, 3BH— Schimdt. HR—Merrell.
Umpires: Montgomery and Lott. Martin. Scorers: Lifton. Wickstrom.

Rotarians Show Stuff as Lions Go Down, 14-2

The Rotary Club showed that it means business in the Slow Pitch League last week when it lambasted the second place Lions crew 14-2 under the lights at Walteria diamond.

The winners socked out eight big counters in the third followed by four more next frame to ruin the hopes of the Lions Lions Orville Smith and A. Dominguez were the sole scorers for their outfit.

Tallying in the third for Rotary were Jack Dabbs, Ed Raphael, George Post, Bennie Smith, John Shidler, Joe Bay and Ed Karlow. Bay clouted a triple to partially clean the bases and raise the score.

Tuesday night, Lutheran Men's Club will face the Moose men, and the Lions will atteppt to best the Optimist Club gang. Wednesday night's games will see the Hollywood Riviera-Sportsmen do battle with the American Legion and the Rotary mix with Walteria Business Men.

The Sportsmen pulled a surprise win over the Moose club "old men" last week, when they handed them a 6-1 setback. The Lutheran men gave the Optimists a real shellacking with a 16-4 game.

SLOW PITCH LEAGUE

Score By Innings R
Rotary .....008 420 0—14
Lions .....200 000 0— 2
Blount and England, Bay; R. Smith and Dominguez.

Score By Innings R
Sportsmen .....220 020 0— 6
Moose .....000 100 0— 1
Henning and Demaree, Moore, Patronsky; Powell, Riley, Murray and Fritz.

Score By Innings R
Lutheran Men .....330 280 1—16
Optimist .....020 020 0— 4
DeMente and Breitenfelt; Woodcock and Miller.

Legion won over Walteria BMA by forfeit.

WHAT'S COOKIN'

TOMORROW

Bee League Softball: Potters Local vs. H-Shear, 7 p.m.; Walteria Business Men vs. Longren, 8:30 p.m. Walteria Park.

Boys Midget Softball: Jr. Chamber of Commerce vs. Walteria Business Boys, 7 p.m.; Methodists vs. Optimists, 8:30 p.m. McMaster Park.

A League Softball: Lovelady vs. Three Ms, 7 p.m.; Harvey vs. Amroco, 8:30 p.m., Torrance Park.

TUESDAY

Old Men's Slowpitch League: Lutheran Men vs. Moose, 7 p.m.; Lions vs. Optimists, 8:30 p.m., McMaster Park.

National Niteball: Bellflower at Torrance, 8:30 p.m., Torrance Park.

Girls Softball League: Coeds vs. Pueblo, 7 p.m.; Walteria vs. Rebels, 8:30 p.m., Walteria Park.

WEDNESDAY

Bee League Softball: Local 1414 vs. Longren Aeros, 7 p.m.; P. V. Merchants vs. Shamrock, 8:30 p.m., Torrance Park.

Old Men's Slowpitch League: Hollywood Riviera Sportsmen vs. Legion, 7 p.m.; Rotary vs. Walteria Business men. 8:30 p.m., Walteria Park.

Strescon Rips Merchants, 14-7

After getting off to a rather slow start, Strescon rared back and kicked through in grand style Friday night when it blasted a 14-7 victory over the Palos Verdes Merchants in a Bee League skirmish.

The Merchants banged out to an early lead, but the Strescon outfit retaliated in the third to tie up the game, then went on to increase the margin 2-1.

Tomorrow night the new member of the league, the Potters Local, tackles Hi-Shear in the opener at Walteria Park, starting at 7 o'clock, and the Walteria Business Men meet Longren Aeros in the second clash of the evening. It'll start at 8:30.

And then Wednesday night, the Steelmen from Local 1414 will meet Longren, and the Palos Verdes Merchants will have it out with Shamrock Cafe, who last week handed Strescon its first setback.

In the Strescon-Merchants battle, the former was held scoreless in the opening stanza, with a triple by J. Stickley the only score of the frame.

But the Merchants went wild. Pitcher L. G. Barrett slammed a single to make first, scooted to second on an error, and held third until Howard Pfau and Denny Bingham also came aboard. A walk put Bill Baxley on base, bringing Barrett home.

A single by Tim Stewart and a double by Ralph Croshaw helped to unload the pads, and Bob Tousigney clouted a single to bring the scoring to six counters.

Clouts Four Baser

Strescon pitcher Steve Skowronski socked a pretty homer in the fifth, but he was first man up and got no RBIs to help bolster the score.

Wednesday night's melees saw the Potters Local go down to a 15-2 defeat at the gloves of the Palos Verdes Merchants in a game which was called after five innings because of the high score. The winners netted eight counters in the first frame, with every swatter but two who scored getting on with a bingle.

Scoring for the Potters were Stu Stanford and Fred St. Thomas.

Hi-Shear barely squeezed past the Longren Aeromen with a 3-2 game, all of the victor's counters coming in the final—seventh—stanza.

With two away and the Aeros ahead by two points, Bart Pierce made first base when the third baseman elected to throw Tom Rea out at second—a fielder's choice.

Scores Two

Pierce went all the way to third when Bill Tally bopped a single out to right field, Chuck Taft, next man to face pitcher Gene Creger, slammed a double to right field, bringing in Pierce and Tally. Taft then stretched his hit into a three-bagger when right fielder Gene Smith bobbled the pill.

He came in on a single swatted by Gary Schloo, the last hit for the winners. Ellsworth Karns hit to pitcher Creger for the next and final out.

Hi-Shear made quick work of Longren and nipped any try for retaliation in the bud.

Aeros' two runs were made by Jim Roy, first man to bat for his crew, and Gene Smith, who clouted a home run in the fifth with two men away.

Score By Innings R H E
Local 1414 .....200 001 2—5 4 8
Shamrock .....121 022 x—8 6 2
Williamson and Brown; Turner and Streisel. 2BH—Smith, Ryback. 3BH—Smith.

Score By Innings R H E
Strescon .....006 210 5—14 9 1
P. V. Merchants 600 001 0—7 10 6
Skowronski and Parrish; *Barrett and Stewart. DP—Skelton, unassisted. 2BH—Mendez, Hernandez, Parrish, Bauer, Crowshaw (2). 3BH—J. Stickley. HR—Skowronski.
Umpires: Martin and Dietlin, Scorer: Sandschutte.

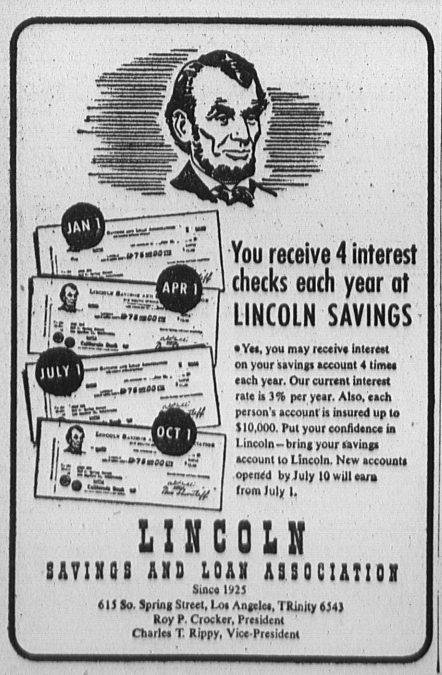
Score By Innings R H E
Hi-Shear .....000 000 3—3 4 1
Longren Aeros ....100 010 0—2 3 1
Clever and Sharp; Creger and DeSanto. 2BH—Taft. HR—Smith.

Score By Innings R H E
Potters Local .....100 01— 2 1 12
P. V. Merchants ....843 01—15 12 1
Howard and St. Thomas; Barrett and Stewart. DP—Howard to Moton.
Umpires: Martin and Montgomery. Scorers: Lifton, Wickstrom.

School for Boys Offered

A basketball school for pre-high school youngsters will be started next Monday, July 7, under the auspices of the Torrance Recreation Department.

To be held at the Greenwood School playground under the supervision of Willard Morgan, the class will be conducted in two groups. One class will include boys 7, 8 and 9 years old, the other 10, 11 and 12 years old. No high school boy, regardless of age, will be premitted to participate.



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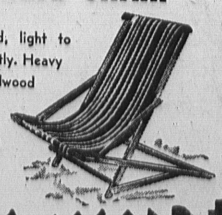

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