

## North High Gridders Report in Today for Initial Grid Season

Head Coach Cliff Graybehl greets Saxon Varsity footballers today as North High School launches practice sessions for its first grid squad.

Graybehl, former Torrance High Varsity grid mentor, will hand out equipment to his Varsity aspirants, following physical exams. The Saxons will use the single wing with an unbalanced line.

Bees are to go through the same first-day routine tomorrow, with Coach Del Nuam doing the honors.

Graybehl considers his team a question mark, off spring practice showing. He says it will take a week or 10 days of practice before he can take any measure of what the team will have to offer during the coming season.

Some 40 gridders are expected at today's initial suiting up session, the veteran coach added. He expects only a smattering of experienced hands, with some transfers from THS expected to carry the load.

North High will enter the Pioneer League, which features Hawthorne, 1954 Small Schools CIF champs, as its main threat. Other loop entries include Culver City, Morningside, Beverly Hills and El Segundo.

The Saxon Bee squad faces the same league set up. Both teams have eight-game schedules.

**POPULATION GAIN**  
The United States has gained more than 20 million persons in the past eight years, and is running far ahead of previous population estimates.

# Torrance Advances in SoCal Tourney



(Herald Photo)

**GRID DRILLS . . .** THS coaches give pointers to linemen during opening fall practice session this week at the Torrance High School Field. ABOVE, Coach Don Porter checks stance of tackles, guards and center. Left to right, gridders are Ken Wheat, tackle; Bob Kearns, guard; Al Tucker, center; Tom Cook, guard, and Jerrel Wilkins, tackle. The five linemen have been running as a first team unit on offensive play patterns. RIGHT, Coach Jack Miller briefs first team ends, Tony Ward, right, and Richard Custer, on pass patterns. Tartars launched drills Labor Day and have been working at two-a-day sessions since. They meet Glenn Hoover in first tussle, Sept. 23 on the home field. Porter and Miller, in first year as THS Varsity helmets, have installed hard-hitting split "T" formation to replace single wing that had been used exclusively for some years.

## Bluebirds Take Tourney Wins

Booming through with three big wins over the holiday week end, the Torrance Bluebirds advanced to the consolation semi-final round of the Southern California MUNY baseball tourney. They met the Los Angeles Red Sox last night at Will Rogers Playground, but results were not available for publication.

Waiting for the winner of the Bluebird-Red Sox tussle is a shot at the SoCal tournament consolation title. The play off is set for Sunday at 11:30 a.m. at Wrigley Field.

The 'Birds started their long week end of competition Sunday by sweeping past in Fox Plumber, 17-9, at Will Rogers. On Labor Day, the locals took two foes into camp at Manchester Playground, beating Brew 102-73, in the opener and clubbing Hughes Aircraft, 20-13, in a wild nightcap.

## TORRANCE DRIVERS IN AUTO RACE

Slacking off from its torrid Labor Day week end pace of four events, Gardena Stadium returns to normalcy with two programs this week end.

The NASCAR modified stock cars invade the quarter-mile clay oval Saturday night, followed by the GJA jalopies on Sunday afternoon.

Modified stockers enjoy much loe-way in setting up their cars. They are permitted to use ground cams, multiple manifolds and locked rear ends. This is the opposite from late model racing, where no engine souping up is permitted.

Top threats Saturday night include Jay Byrd and Sam Harris, Torrance; Mart Davis, Venice; Len Fraker, Bell; Bernie Miller, Santa Monica; Bill Thorpe and Paul Cook, Gardena; Bobby Rose, Hawthorne; Stan Payne and Bob Tyrell, Inglewood; Jack White, Culver City; and Red Arnell, Compton.

Races start at 8:30 p.m. after trials at 7. There are also events for novice drivers.

Jalopy stars include Ed Van Eyk, Bellflower; Rex Schendley, Lakewood; Fred Russell, Long Beach; Andy Anderson, West Covina; Jack Austin, Downey; Dick Barry, Arcadia; Bob Johnson, Inglewood; and Ted Duncan, Compton.

Action starts at 2:30 p.m. after trials at 1.

Tom Vanderpool went the route on the mound for the Torrance nine in their victory over Fox Plumber. He was supported by a 17-hit attack, with Hank Camou coming through with four hits in four trips up. Clair Johnson had three hits, while Swayne Johnson, Larry Roy and Manager Jack French each chipped in with two safeties apiece.

The hefty left-hander struck out 10 of the Plumber hitters.

Jack Schlarb fanned 12 Bearmen in the locals' win over Brew 102. Schlarb, Roy and Buck Kuhn each contributed two of the Bluebirds' total of nine hits. Kuhn and Vanderpool swatted a triple apiece, to take slugging honors.

**Needs Help**  
Harry Theodosis took the win on the mound in the victory over the Aircraft Club. He needed relief help from Schlarb, however.

The 'Birds again collected 17 hits, with Roy's four for five topping the individual totals. Larry had a pair of three-base knocks mixed in with his four hits and also drove home five of Torrance's 20 counters.

Kuhn, French, Vanderpool Theodosis and Jim Taylor all had two safeties each for the surging 'Birds. Taylor and Theodosis clubbed homeruns, while Harry drove home four runs.

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## Mal Whitfield Will Speak at Banquet

Mal Whitfield, Olympic Games track star and former world standard holder in the 350-yard run, will be guest

speaker at a Father-Son banquet, slated Sept. 15, for more than 650 boys, who participated in summer softball leagues.

## JUST PLAIN HUNGRY?

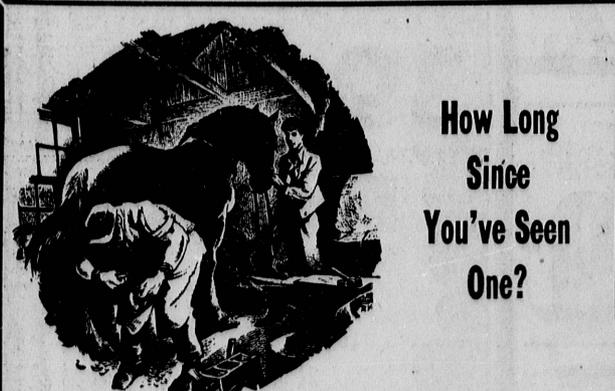
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## ROD & GUN Chatter

By DONNA BARKDULL

Deep sea angling took a back seat over the Labor Day week end, which marked the opening of dove season, for sport-wise enthusiasts intent on adding game to their menu.

As usual, Imperial and Riverside counties saw the vast majority of scattergunners. Record heat wave kept the birds from traveling. Can't say the same for hunters.

Blyth was invaded by members of the National, Gardena and Torrance Rod and Gun, plus just good ole Torranceites.

Pueblo Hornets, winners of the Torrance Junior title, will be awarded individual trophies, as will the McMaster Hot Dogs, midjet league champs, and Walteria Seals, pee wee titlists.

The Torrance American Legion Junior ball club, which was co-sponsored by the Recreation department and the Legion, will be introduced by Commander Bill Kalbfleisch.

All youngsters planning to attend are urged to bring their dads.

Being as how you are only allowed to have one limit in your possession, there isn't much to do with your birds except to eat them the same day, so everyone pooled theirs and joined in on the big dove feed every night held at a cafe downtown Blyth. Fifty of us had dinner together Sunday night, with Jim Hill winning the Jack-pot. It isn't how many doves you eat, it's how many buck shot you find while eating. Night before, Jim's son, Johnny, bit into the most. Al Coast thought you were supposed to weigh the ones you shot down. Can't kid the ole boy too much though —got his button first time out with a 4-10. Kept wanting to know who was in charge of the charter.

He sure looked silly though, hold his gun in back of him. When he aimed it looked just like he was casting.

All in all it was a successful trip for those who ventured except for a few getting nicked with buck shot by low shots and my youngest boy, age 4 1/2, getting lost. From now on, any little kids in a hunting party will be toting whistles around their necks.

Blue fin tuna at Catalina still giving anglers their money's worth. Exclusive albacore working off the west end mixed in with blue fin. Guess I'll have to go fishing and find out what's going on.

The cold fact is that an electric home food freezer lets you buy when stocks are full, quality is high and prices are low.

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**Cycle Action At Gardena**

Getting hotter every week, the tightest motorcycle race in years continues when the handlebar jockeys roll out at Gardena Stadium tomorrow night.

Action starts at 8:30 p.m., following time trials at 7.

With the season nearing its conclusion every race assumes greater importance. An off-night can just about write finish to the hopes of the contenders.

Young Jack Kerzman threatens to pull a big upset and take the title. But Chuck Basney is right there with Kerzman, and Basney is riding in the peak of his long and brilliant career.