

THREE GRID VARSITY TEAMS REPORT

Coaching Staffs Named; Prospects for Grid Year Given as Season Starts

Members of the football coaching staffs of the high schools in the Torrance Unified School District were announced for the 1957 season today.

At South High School, newest addition to the ranks of high schools in Torrance, Herbert Solomon, formerly of Torrance High School, and David Tollefson, formerly of Campo, will direct the destinies of the South High Spartans in their first season of football in the newly formed Crescent League which will be composed of the following recently organized high schools: Aviation High School, Redondo Lennox High School, Centinella Valley, Dominguez High School, Compton, and Earl Warren High School, Downey.

Spartan Teams
The Spartan teams will be made up of 9th and 10th grade students and their first practice is tentatively set for Sept. 3, 9 a. m. at Torrance Park.

Dick Turner, head varsity football coach at Torrance High School, will be assisted in his varsity coaching duties by Irwin E. Kasten, who was graduated from Torrance High School in 1951, and continued his educational training at El Camino College and at UCLA, returning as a teacher to THS in the spring of 1957.

Coach Turner states that prospects for a successful season for THS are fairly good, and that, although such outstanding players as Tom Brown, John Emery, and Bill Montgomery will be missed, returning lettermen — Jim Wallace at center, Captain Ken Hall and Bob Curran as guards, tackles Bob Van Calcar, Walt Dungey, Steve Foster, and ends Mike Gonta, Carlos Acosta, and Harold Davis, with newcomers Steve Buckalew from last year's varsity wrestling team and Ken Pevic coming up from the B's, should result in increased overall strength in the line.

Backfield Weak
The backfield picture, however, is not so promising, with left halfback, Bobby Grajeda,

as the only returning letterman. Members of last year's Junior Varsity and B teams will be depended upon to provide scoring punch for the Tartars. Bob Cosby, Dave Skinner, Jim Hester, and Bill Veres are expected to be strong contenders for the quarterback slot. Working for other starting positions in the backfield will be Manford Mainer, Stuart Gonta, Butch White, Roger Reed, Gerry Von Steeg, Mel French, Duane Wyrick, and Steve Wingard.

B footballers will be instructed by head B coach Howard Brubaker, who will be assisted by William Hoag in the development of the light-weight squads. The outcome of the 1957 B season will be difficult to predict since almost every letterman of last year's B squad is out to win a berth on the varsity team.

Initial practice for the Tartar squads will begin at 9 a. m., Sept. 3, on the THS athletic field.

North High Saxons

North High School's Saxons will be under the direction of Head Coach Robert Shoup, who will be assisted by Ed Levy. Sixty-five aspiring NHS footballers are expected to turn out for their physical examinations at 9 a. m., on Sept. 3, at the school's nurses office. Issuance of equipment will follow and a brief workout will be scheduled for Tuesday afternoon to be followed by morning and afternoon practice sessions on Wednesday.

Coach Shoup, an outstanding quarterback for the University of California at Santa Barbara Gauchos in '52, '53, and '54, plans to install the split "T" attack in an effort to bring the Saxons their first gridiron victory following two frustrating years of defeat. Ed Levy, assistant varsity coach, will also do his part to achieve this objective by handling the varsity line coaching chores. Levy, a graduate of Long Beach City College and California Polytechnic at San Luis, was a stellar guard and coached one year of military service football in Germany.

The return of three first-stringers, 10 lettermen, and the moving up of 13 lettermen from last year's strong "B" squad has developed a high spirit of enthusiasm for the coming season. Jim Whitley, 190 pound fullback and last year's team captain is slated to take over the quarterback slot with Joe Hedgecock. Terry Hughes, and Frank Moreno in reserve. Ernie Thomsen will likely see action as fullback with Bob Romero also helping with backfield duties. In the line the Saxons appear strong with tackles Bob Morgan, Steve Harper, guards Stan Fitzeng, Ron Haws, and John Swortfigure, and center Don Alford returning.

Junior Varsity

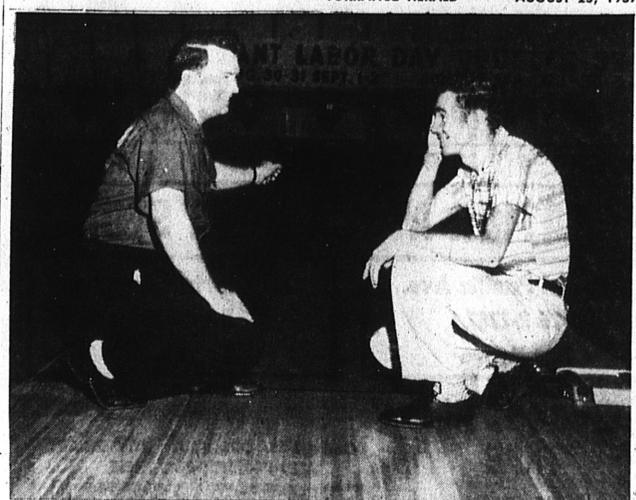
Junior varsity players will be coached by Donald Garrison and Melton Nygren. Garrison attended Idaho State where he starred in football and boxing. Nygren played college end in Minnesota. North High Bee's will be mentored by Del Nuzum for the third year, and he will be assisted by Charles Ucker, a Los Angeles State College graduate. Promising Bee's include Bill Hall, Charles Bartoni, Gilbert Garnica, Paul Shaffer, Clark Sandberg, Fred Lee, George Fouts, Eddie Jauregui, Hershel Lawson, Kenny Begando, Wayne Winthez, Bob Griess and Mike Henderson.

Returning squadmen who show promise in the line are David Christensen, John DuBois, Dick Bybee, Bob Crompton, George Morgan, Jim Thomas, Dennis Berry, Francis Theroux, John Bowman, Charlie Morris, Lloyd Pick, and Chuck Webb.

Other boys who should be a big help are Larry Hensley, Carlos Norris, Mike Strech, Don Houck, Ron Tremain, Bill Wright, and Fred Schweisinger.

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IT'S FANTASTIC... Bob Prince, left, Bowl-O-Drome instructor, points to the alley where Boyce Buckner rolled a perfect 300 score. To make the story real weird, Buckner has been bowling only six months and when he made the perfect score, he was receiving instructions on how to bowl from Prince.

Third Playoff Game Slated For Bluebirds

Torrance Bluebirds will meet the Los Angeles Tigers today at Roosevelt Park with high hopes of continuing their winning streak.

Today's contest marks the third in a five-game series the locals must win in order to play in the Southern California semi-pro finals to be held at Wrigley Field.

It was a high scoring free-for-all last Tuesday when the Bluebirds met the Long Beach Indians. The Birds finally took full measure of the Indians by a 15-12 score thanks to the fine chucking of Frank Lucking and Joe Waters.

Meeting at Will Rogers Park, the locals got off to a good start scoring three runs in the first inning. The Indians made a valiant try in the seventh with a five run rally but just couldn't keep up with the high flying Bluebirds.

Marking the end of the Harbor League schedule the locals downed the Gardena Aztecas last Sunday by a 5-3 score.

BEGINNER ROLLS PERFECT '300' BOWLING SCORE

Boyce Buckner of Torrance joined the local Bowl-O-Drome's Hall of Fame Saturday and long-time bowlers are still shaking their heads in wonder.

Buckner, who has been bowling only six months, went strike happy and rolled a perfect '300'.

And at the same time he was taking instructions from Bowl-O-Drome Instructor Bob Prince. The perfect score made by an amateur is fantastic, Prince declared.

Buckner, despite his amateur status, bowls like a pro, having a 168 league average with the Douglas Mixed 750 Scratch League.

On the quieter side, M. Snyder recorded a season high of 709 in the Torrance Handicap while top game honors went to C. Murakami for a 270.

In the Torrance High League, top boys' game went to P. Motoyasu with a 218; coed honors were upheld by a 199 scored by A. Wood. Boys series went to P. Moir with a 583 and girls series was won by I. Masaki with a 537.

LINE SCORE
Pacific Palisades 091-010-2 5 1
Torrance 170-010-120-4 8 2

Fire Dept. 'B' Shift Cops Torrance Service Club Slo-Pitch Honors

Fire Dept. "B" Shift won the Torrance Service Club Slo-Pitch softball league championship, defeating the Junior Chamber of Commerce team, 6-5, in an eight-inning overtime game, played on the Torrance Park field, at twilight last Thursday. The winners counted four runs in the top of the second inning.

Ray Hollomon stretched a single to center into a two-base hit and scored on Pitcher Ed Polston's home run, over the head of Leftfielder Vern Lovelady. Ed Grabowski then hit a ground triple through the shortstop position, and scored on Dean White's double to left. White crossed the plate when Dale Stanton dropped Bill Millard's lazy fly to right field.

Jaycees Score
The Jaycees scored twice in the third inning. Ed Karlow and Lloyd Fossum hit successive singles, both advanced on Manager Clair Johnson's single and came home on Stanton's single to center. The Fire boys picked up one more run in the sixth when Harlan Whitacre went all the way around on a short bloop hit to right, which was kicked deep into foul territory by Stanton, in his try for a shoestring catch.

Johnson started a big rally for the Chamber, which tied up the half game, when he doubled to center, following

Dirk Gartrell's flyout to Dick DiArmitt in center, and scored on double to the same spot. Stanton scored on Lovelady's three-base loop to right center, and Vern came in on Duane Tucker's single to left. DiArmitt singled to left to start the top of the eighth frame but was nipped trying for third on Bill Orr's single to left on a great throw from Lovelady to, Karlow. Orr scored the clincher, after two were out, on Al Salcido's two-base hit to right field. Don Minor ended the inning on a pop fly to third.

The fighting Jaycees threatened in their half of the inning as Jack Phillips walked and went to third on Lovelady's two-bagger to right. With the tying run on third and the winning run on second, Harlan Whitacre gathered in Tucker's looper to short left field.

Clair Johnson, with two singles and double in four trips to the plate, was top hitter for the losing cause. Dick DiArmitt led the winners at bat with three singles.

Tuesday night at 7:30 in Torrance Park, Fire Dept. "B" plays Fire Dept. "A" in the first game of a two-out-of-three series for the City Slo-Pitch title.

LINE SCORE
Fire Dept. "B" 040-001-01-6 11 3
Fire Dept. "A" 002-003-00-8 11 3
Polston, Moffitt and Minor, Harlan and Tucker.

ROD & GUN Chatter

By DONNA BARKDULL

Bright spot on the albacore front the latter part of last week was south of us around the Coronado Islands. Long fin catches took a nosedive rapidly for our local fleet, but naturally hopes are optimistic as to their return. Until then barbacuda, bass, skipjack and a smattering of blue and yellow fin tuna are on the menu for deep sea fishermen. Might be lucky and connect with a dolphin. Joe Martin's Landing reported a total of eight so far. Weekly winner in Martin's derby was A. W. Kelley of Pomona for his 37-lb. long fin, skidding by Al Coast who had earlier registered a lunker hitting 36 lbs. 2 ozs.

Clyde Bottrell, Dean, and myself got in on the dry runs for albacore aboard the Hurricane out of Pier Point last Thursday. Nothing doing at the islands so chased to Rocky Point where with dead squid hoped to connect with a few white sea bass. Maybe start a run down here as they have at Paradise Cove. Here, too, drew a blank, so fished barriers, bass, boneheads, and small blue fin with the Redondo boats before running on to Malibu. Took the long way home so we would have more time for cards. You know — canasta, fish and the like. Played one on the Hurricane called Bloody Mary (that's really a dooser! Anyway, know we weren't the only ones who had missed on albacore, but bet our skipper was just about the only one who issued rain checks. Everyone knows when you go for albacore you take your chances.

San Diego Yellowtail derby, with only a little over three weeks left, is still running at a torrid pace. As of Monday qualifying weight hit a terrific 29 lbs. Partial tally was 560 yellowtail, 216 albacore, 900 skipjack and 145 dolphin. Low-Ann accounted for 50 of the tropical dolphin alone. High boat for long fin was the Betty Lou. Sunday dolphin count hit an amazing 243. Derby leader is E. W. Peterson of Los Angeles for his 39-lb. 14-oz. long fin.

Harry Seaman, Walt Gilliard and Al and Anabel Coast elbowed their way aboard the Kiora early part of last week with Anabel upholding the reputation of Coast family by horsing aboard the jackpot albacore hitting 28 lbs. 12 ozs. Al latched on to a whopping skipjack—11 lbs. 4 ozs. All got their sacks wet, but as what so often occurs, a gal put their noses out of joint.

Torrance Rod and Gun charter Sunday out of Fisherman's served at no extra charge.

For the Stars, this will be the beginning of their final long home stand of the 1957 season—with San Diego, Sacramento and San Francisco following the Angels into friendly Gilmore Field—Home of the Stars located just across from the Farmers' Market.

I am forced to do a take-off as Torrance Rod and Gun's fishing and hunting champs, winners of all sorts of derbies, trophies and such, decided to see what's with this bowling business. Formed a couple of teams bowling every Thursday night at Bowl-O-Drome in the man's hdp. Derby. I mean league, ended last week with Team No. 2 winning the jackpot. What else? Ben Smith, Dean Barkdull, Chic Hill, Jovly Fullerton and Johnny Rowe decked strikes and spares by the sackful to cop the top position in a battle between the San Pedro Elks and the club's other team. Other team came in third. Al and Abe Coast, Harry Seaman, Paul Smith and Fred Bickar just framed too many splits in that last school, popped off the No. 2 spot to the Elks. If you think the Torrance mob is good at hunting, fishing and, bowling — man you should see them play croquet. Really burn up the fairways! 125 lbs.



Landing was, and then it wasn't. Helen Smith and her coffee grinder had a ball. Landed a 16½-lb. dolphin and her button skipjack. Actually, all but three of the 14 aboard took skipjack weighing over the required 8 lbs., but Helen and Al Coast were 'the ones when it came to dolphin. Al latched onto two, largest hitting 21 lbs. 11 ozs. Of him, you expect such things. He's unconscious, but with Helen it's somewhat different. Usually gets fish, but nothing like she did Sunday. Really ran old hot-shot Coast a close second, and what hurts to admit is that it was all on spinning gear.

The "wasn't" part of the trip included crewmen.

If the way they acted Sunday is the way they act all the time, they should be beached!

Here you have a really terrific fishing boat, a good bunch of fishermen, and end up with a skipper and deckhand that bend over backwards to be sarcastic and nasty. Don't think he really tried for albacore — just put them out to gaff the skipjack and dolphin that were taken. Know of several skipjack that were lost because of them. Besides a shark taking a couple of others. Was asked to use his popgun to scare away the shark; said he didn't carry one because he would be tempted to use it on his passengers. Know that skippers have a lot to put up with but it was completely uncalled for to light into everyone the way he did. Took all aboard by surprise—their jaws just hung open. Really a sour one in a wonderful bunch connected with the San Diego fleet.

Dave Hyde took the helm on Sunday's Gardena Rod and Gun charter, looking in vein for leaping tuna and long fin around San Clemente Island. Spotted a marlin on the run in which was hooked and landed by Bill Williams on 30-lb. test mono. Pride and joy topped, 120 lbs.

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GOOD FISHING... Al Coast displays his two dolphin caught recently. Full details on the fishing trip can be found in today's Rod and Gun column.



WINS TITLE... Peggy Ann Tipion, 15-year-old Torrance High student, won the Intermediate Ladies Singles Trophy in the American Amateur Roller Skating Championships held in Oakland.

ONE GAME REMAINS IN SOFTBALL LEAGUE HERE

Girls' Softball League neared the end of the season this week, with only one game to go for each team, unless a playoff is necessary.

Each team was bearing down, and getting ready for the annual All Star game to be played at Torrance Park on Friday at 7 p. m. This is a full seven-inning game between the winning team of the league and a team composed of the two most valuable players from each of the remaining seven teams. At this game the trophies are awarded and after the game a big watermelon feed is held for all players.

The games played this week saw the Basebags defeat the Hamburgers, 11 to 7, for the second time this summer. In the second game on Tuesday, the Hotshots walloped the Sureshots, 14 to 3, behind the

two-hit pitching of Betty Rogers. The Hotshots collected half their runs on walks and errors.

Meanwhile on Thursday night the K Kids had their hands full taking care of the Duffers, 8 to 2. It wasn't until the end of the third inning that the K Kids managed to push a run across. The winning pitcher was Marge Hartman, who gave just one hit.

In the other game on Thursday, the Esabs had to go all-out to maintain their tie for second place by nudging the Bruins, 8 to 7. This was just about as close as two teams can get, with the Esabs scoring six big runs in the second inning, only to have the Bruins come back in the third and fourth to within one run of that. The winning pitcher was Judy Clements, who usually plays shortstop for the Esabs.