

# Sports

## The Fearless Spectator

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Donald Scott Drysdale, 26, is six feet six inches of catnip. To the ladies who pant for the Los Angeles Dodgers. He's a right-handed pitcher, and a good one. He was the first thrower in the majors to tot up 15 wins this season.

Don has a baby face. This probably accounts for his usual day's growth of facial stubble when he is pitching, his extreme ferocity of regard, and his reputation as a headhunter.

A headhunter is a gooson who throws baseballs at heads deliberately, the better to soothe the savage breasts of the guys at the plate. When asked about this, young Drysdale always denies it. With what we authors call "a sly smile."

As a result of the Los Angeles dollies' positive tropism toward the handsome fella, he is not the most popular Dodger among the male fans of Bedlam-sur-Mer. They boo him. Last year they booed him fearfully.

Like all really distinguished pitchers and hitters, Don is an authority on practically everything, especially when talking to the right sports writer. Such a one is Frank Finch of the L. A. Times, who recently put out some heated prose about Don's inward thoughts and reflections. Including his unpopularity with the boys.

"One thing I've found," Don said, "is that a lot of people think I'm a no-good so-and-so until they meet me. Their reaction generally is a surprise that I don't eat 'em alive."

Booing on the road doesn't bother him, Don continued, because he doesn't hear it. "The only time I'm really aware of it is in Los Angeles, where I get booed more than anywhere else.

"I think maybe it's mostly men who boo me. Maybe I'm saving a few happy homes. What if hubby took his anger home and took it out on his poor wife?"

This view of the right-hander as a therapist shoring up the sagging emotional tone of the Nation's family life is a bit unusual in a ballplayer, but it is not unique.

Many tophole thinkers, including me, think this Nation's great secret weapon is The Boo.

The boo and the Bronx cheer are what made this country great. Just as the ulcer and the couch are, in my view, leading us up the garden path.

The boo is open anger, openly arrived at. The ulcer is the sneaky anger of the desk jockey who wants to rap the boss in the kisser but instead smiles his best deacon's smile and says, "You were never righter, J. G."

So he ulcerates. Unless he has sense. In which case, he goes out to the ball park and sees J. G. written all over the blue umpire's suits, and the uniforms of the managers. And other places. He hates. He emits that salute of hatred, the boo.

And he goes back to the office to let old J. G. work on his duodenum again.

The boo is the sound of a healthy animal releasing inappropriate feelings in a healthy way. So long as we are able to boo lustily, we Americans will be able to withstand anything. Including our leaders.

I don't know how we would have won the last great war if it had not been for top sergeants and chief petty officers. They were hired to be booed. As a rule, they admirably fitted the unheroic role.

You wanted a good fighting man to tumble out of the sack? Give him a night before featuring several cans of beer and a few hours of Homeric animus vented on the Ol' Sarge.

So, if Mr. Drysdale is willing to play the role of emotional lightning conductor, I say more power to him. If both women and men over-react to him in this grandiose way, the dear boy must have something.

Maybe the Angelenos should elect him mayor or something. They could sure use a little mental health out that-a-way.

## Tordondo Cards Battered As Athletic Bats Swing

A three-hit pitching exhibition and 13 hits combined to give the Athletics a 15-1 win over the Cards in Tordondo Little League action last week. Ron Collie picked up the win and went the distance on the mound.

The Padres, in quest of a minor league championship, moved a step closer when they battered the Pirates for a 19 to 3 win. Wayne Larson picked up his eighth win of the season. He scattered three hits and fanned nine.

A come-from-behind rally late in the final inning gave the Phillies a 12-11 victory over the Giants. The Giants had held an 11-4 lead going into the final frame.

Skip Chandler won the encounter, but needed help from Mark Hamilton. Hamilton chalked up the final out of the game. Marty Martinez went the route for the Giants and was given the loss.

Heavy bats for the Philly attack were swung by Mark Hamilton, Danny Smith and Skip Chandler.



PARNELLI JONES  
"If only the brakes..."

## Parnelli's Back; Says Next Year

Auto racing's man of the year — who won the fans, lots of money, but not the race at Indianapolis — is back in the southland for the first time he set auto racing history.

Parnelli Jones, who will always be remembered, first as the driver who broke the 150 mph barrier at Indy and, second, as the fellow who nearly won the 500-miler WITHOUT brakes.

Parnelli, who started as a jalopy driver in Torrance, has left the eastern championship trail to drive the Agajanian Willard Battery Special Jr.

"Disappointed... sure, but I'm not discouraged. There's next year," he says about Indy.

"If only the brakes..."



SWINGING FOR FENCE... Mike Van Kralingen, short stop for the Torrance National all-stars, is shown here during closing moments of Friday's game at Mobil Field. Van Kralingen, who hit a deep fly here, earlier scored Torrance's only run in a game against Pacific Coast. Pacific Coast won the game, 2-1, behind Danny Doty's one-hitter. (Herald Photo)

## Tordena Wins Play-off In Extra Frame

Tordena Colt League All-stars defeated the Peninsula All-stars 8-5 in the district play-offs Wednesday evening.

Gary Boyd started on the mound for the winners, but gave way to Jimmy Lewis after six and two-thirds innings.

Lewis was credited with the win, while Jelinski was tagged with the loss.

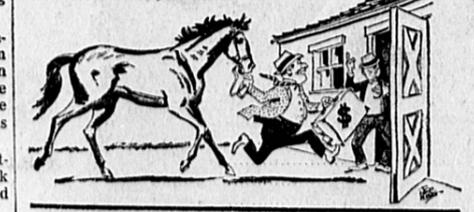
Tordena banged out seven hits in the contest, and the Peninsula nine got six. Three errors by the Peninsula all-stars helped the Tordena cause.

The score had been knotted by Peninsula in the sixth, and it took a Tordena rally in the extra frame to pick up the win.

## OFF AND RUNNING by John I. Day Back Door Entry

Belmont Park has a great 2-year-old race named after a beverage — The Champagne, but New Jersey has a drink named after a great 2-year-old race at Monmouth Park. Mixologists in the H. M. Stevens laboratories concocted the Apple Sapling in honor of the Sapling Stakes which next week will bring together contenders for championship in the 2-year-old division.

While fillies are eligible for the Sapling, few have started, and why should they? Amory L. Haskell, President of the Monmouth Park Jockey Club schedules an equally attractive romp for them in The Sorority Stakes. Both races are under futuristic conditions, which means that the eventual starters had to be nominated months in advance and both have an incentive guaranteed to gross \$100,000. Just in case, anyone with a 2-year-old of championship caliber failed to nominate him at a fee of \$25 last January, he can, by payment of \$5,000, make his horse a supplementary nominee. This rather expensive "back door" which closes five days prior to the race, was used to good advantage last year by Meadow Stable's Sir Gaylord. The only supplementary nominee in the field of 11, Sir Gaylord won with ease, repaying his owner's confidence with \$74,046. Monmouth Park, incidentally, is a track that believes in "touting." Prominently displayed over the infield Totalisator board is the slogan: "Your BEST BET — U. S. Savings Bonds."



SAPLING STAKES

Three Torrance Recreation Department Slo-pitch teams will meet this afternoon at Walteria Park for a play-off that will decide who represents the city in the Redondo Beach Tournament.

## City Squads Play-off in Tourney Bid

The Street Department and the Bombers will play the first game, slated to begin at 1:30 p.m. Winner of that game will meet the Mobil Oil squad for the right to enter the tourney in Redondo Beach.

Two West Coast Slo-pitch League all-star squads met the Tappa Keggas at Torrance Park Friday evening in a twin-bill that saw the Keggas come out on top by scores of 6-4 and 16-1.

In the first game, Chuck Ryan, ace Kegs chucker, rationed eight hits while his teammates were collecting nine. The Keggas turned in six runs, after giving up a one-run lead in the first frame.

The game was knotted at 1-1 in the second inning, and in the third the locals took the lead they never gave up.

STARS FOR the Keggas were Stan Dimaggio and Chuck Schoendist, who collected two hits and two runs each in three trips to the plate.

Bill Schipper, Tony Larson, and Ainsworth each went two-for-three for the losers.

Ryan picked up the win in going the distance on the mound, while LeRoy was tagged for the loss.

IN THE second game, the Kegga bats began to swing, and before it was all over, the Kegs had racked up a total of 19 hits and scored 16 runs.

Chuck Ryan twirled for the winners, but gave way late in the game to Chuck Schoendist. The all-stars could manage only five hits, and scored one run when the Kegga catcher dropped the ball on a play at home.

STAN DIMAGGIO went three-for-four at the plate and scored three runs for the winners. Other heavy hitters were Schoendist, Mathews, Mag-nante, Calce, Echols, and Ryan.

Every Kegga hit and scored at least once in the slugfest. Stuart was tagged with the loss. Mitchell was the only all-star to hit two. The other three hits were well scattered by Ryan.

KEGGA Bob Kirkland was injured in a play at first base in the first game. He took a fall that broke his wrist. Kirkland probably will be out the rest of the season.

## Recreation Results

**CITY EMPLOYEES LEAGUE**  
Fire Fighters over Park Dept. (forfeit)  
Street Dept. 6, Water Dept. 5  
Rambling Rees 13, Engineering Dept. 2

**CHURCH LEAGUE**  
Torrance First Lutheran 3,  
Resurrection Lutheran 2  
North Redondo Chapel 15,  
Torrance Baptist Temple 0  
Torrance First Baptist 4,  
Evangel Temple 3

**INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE**  
Harvey Aluminum 19, R. C. Mahan 0  
Ryan Aeros 9, Mobil Oil 4  
Magnum over Harbor Hornets (forfeit)  
Western Brush over Post Office (forfeit)

**OPEN LEAGUE**  
Douglas over Normandale Indians (forfeit)  
Aerona over Lucy's Lambs (forfeit)  
Local #205 4, Dodgers 0  
Bears over Anonymous (forfeit)

**MONDAY SLO-PITCH**  
Warriors 11, Torrance Tigers 2  
Bombers 4, Elks Club 0  
Pizza Palace over Riviera Moose (forfeit)

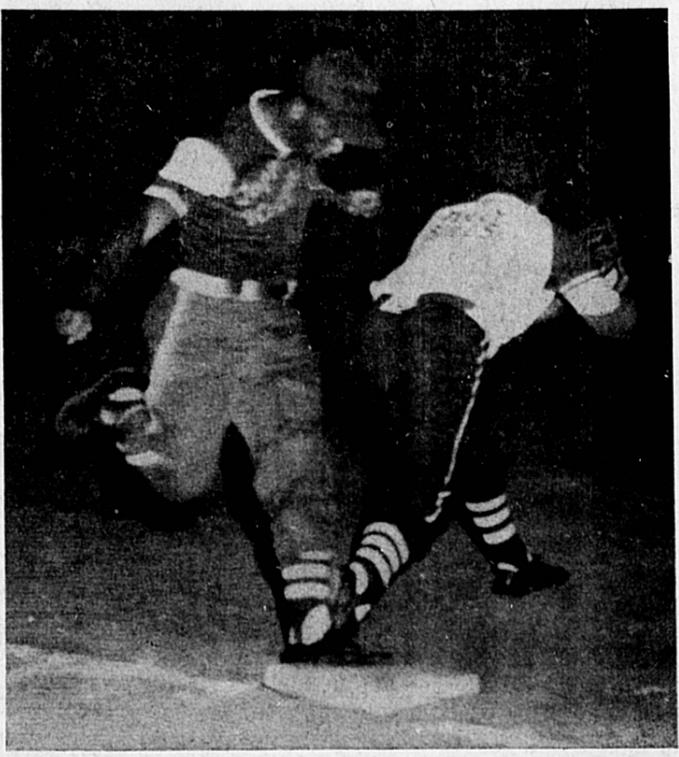
**WEDNESDAY SLO-PITCH**  
Torrance Police Officers 12,  
Torrance Lions Club 3  
Torrance Kiwanis 5, Redondo Angels 4  
Mobil Oil 7, Redondo Post Office 3 (forfeit)

**THURSDAY SLO-PITCH**  
St. John's 2, South Torrance 1  
St. Lawrence 15, Redondo JC #2 1  
Edison Co. 9, Redondo JC #1 2

## Lakers Take Season Orders

The Los Angeles Lakers have announced they are now taking orders for season tickets for 1962-63. The Lakers have finished processing renewal requests.

There are 34 games on the Lakers' home card this season.



CLOSE PLAY... Tappa Kegga runner is out in a close play at first base during the first game of a twin bill at Torrance Park Friday night. Al Calce was credited with a sacrifice as the first Kegga run of the evening scored. Kegga bats boomed out 28 hits in winning the two games, the first by a score of 6-4, and the second 16-1. (Herald Photo)

## Pacific, North Torrance Clash

District 27 Little League play-offs moved into final rounds last week at Mobil Field. In games Thursday and Friday night, the North Torrance West All-stars and the Pacific Coast All-stars moved into the finals. That game was played yesterday afternoon at Mobil Field.

In the Thursday game, North Torrance West came out on top in a thrilling pitchers' duel. Bart Johnson turned in what would have been a winning game in any other league, only to lose.

Johnson fanned 12 in twirling a one-hitter, but a key error and two wild pitches combined with a couple of passed balls allowed two runs to score.

FINAL SCORE of the game was 2-1, with Torrance Central taking the loss. Gary Osterhus got credit for the win. He went the distance and fanned nine.

Neither pitcher issued any bases on balls. Torrance Central lost the game in the third inning when a hit, an error, and an erratic few moments on the part of Johnson saw two runs cross the plate.

IN FRIDAY'S game, two home runs were the difference, as the Pacific Coast nine bested the Torrance National all-stars, 2-1.

Danny Williams cracked two home runs for the Pacific Coast tallies. Danny Doty went the distance on the mound, striking out 10, walking three, and one-hitting the Torrance National squad.

Loser Charles Curnutt fanned 15, walked 2, and five-hit Pacific Coast. Winner in yesterday afternoon's contest will play in Lakewood Wednesday afternoon.

## Western Features 30-Lapper

"Wild" Bill Foster of New hall and Jim Cook of Norwalk will be the drivers to stop in this afternoon's CJA Stock Car racing program at Gardena's Western Speedway. A 30-lap feature will highlight the nine-event card.

Cook drove a powerful Ford to his fifth win of the year at Western in his last appearance there two weeks ago. Currently second in the point race, he will be the favorite in the 30-lap main event.

## Table Tennis Tournament Set Friday

Boy and Girl novice table tennis players from throughout Los Angeles County will participate in the 10th annual County-wide Novice Table Tennis Tournament which begins Friday, Aug. 3.

The tournament will be held at John Anson Ford Regional Park, 7840 Scout Ave., Bell Gardens.

Among participants will be winners of the Alondra Park Table Tennis Tournament. The tournaments, held in all county parks, are sanctioned by the California Table Tennis Assn.

Deadline for entries is Thursday. All entries must be sent to the Department of Parks and Recreation, 155 W. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles 15.

Singles and doubles competition will be in two divisions for boys and girls under 13, and for players from 14 to 17 years of age.

OTHER TOP drivers entered in today's main event include Mervin Heinis of Sylmar, Clem Proctor of Compton, Chuck Townsen of Gardena, Gene Davis of Venice, Arley Scranton of Compton, Sam Stanley of Newhall, and Al Self of Santa Monica.

Racing begins at 2:30 p.m. with time trials getting under way at 1 p.m.

Besides the 30-lapper, other events are a 15-lap semi-main, four eight-lap heat races, and a four-lap trophy dash.

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