

# "LOOKING 'EM OVER"

With Mike Callas Jr.

## Dodger Baseball Contest

Two months ago this newspaper and Jumbo's Sporting Goods of West 190th St. co-sponsored a baseball contest open to youths between the ages of 7 and 14.

The contest rules required that the boys be sincerely interested in baseball and in as many words as they wished complete the following—"Why I like baseball . . ."

The prize offered to the future "stars" of tomorrow was free transportation and entrance to a Dodger home game. Plus meeting and posing for photos with LA stars of today. Twenty youths were to be winners.

Judges for the contest—Jim Smith of Jumbo's, George Vico and yours truly—had a tough time of it. 94 kids sent in their essays and just the other day we came up with the winners.

Oh yes, the winners will be taken to the Coliseum Sunday, July 26, to view the St. Louis Cards play the Dodgers—complete with Stan "The Man" Musial, of course. So, fellows, please keep this day open and arrangements and details for the journey will be published in this space just a week prior to the event.

### The Winners

ARNOLD EDNER, age 10, 1607 Cadison St. . . . "It's so exciting. Now that I'm a Little Leaguer I love baseball more."

DAN DISRUD, age 11, 16922 Kornblum St. . . . "Because I learned to pitch, catch and throw like the best, all with my daddy's help."

BRIAN GOODMAN, age 9, 3310 Antonio St. . . . "It helps to build good healthy bodies and teaches good sportsmanship."

TOM KIRKBRIDE, age 13, 4627 Highgrove Ave. . . . "It keeps a boy busy in his spare time. I love to play and watch baseball."

TERRY LEE KIRKBRIDE, age 12, 4627 Highgrove Ave. . . . "Because it teaches a boy to get along with his fellowman."

TOMMY MEYER, age 9, 21310 Marjorie Ave. . . . "I like to play baseball to get up to bat, to hit a home run so they can't catch that . . . when I catch a fly in the outfield I get a big thrill!"

(Note—this essay condensed from 2 pages.)

DOUG MORENO, age 11, 5012 Cathann St. . . . "I like baseball because it's so much fun and I can't wait until school's over so I can play."

JIM WOODS, age 12, 23657 Madison St. . . . "Because I get more fun out of it instead of playing on the street."

CHARLES McCREAY, age 11, 1820 Torrance Blvd. . . . "My mother and father know I'm having fun and baseball keeps me out of trouble."

FRED FAETH, age 13, 5024 Cathann St. . . . (This young man wrote a four-page manuscript we had to cut short) "I like baseball because it is a very active game and can be a lot of fun if you play by the rules."

## Show Flamenco Film

"Flamenco," a dance film, will be shown here twice on tomorrow under auspices of the Torrance Recreation Department and the Los Angeles County Museum. The color movie, described as a "feast for eye and ear," will be shown at 7 and 8:30 p.m. at the Arts and Crafts Center, 1511 Cravens Ave. Admission is free and coffee will be served after the showings.

## Torrance High Pep Squad Named

At a Student Pep Rally, the 1959-60 Torrance High School Pep Squad was announced by Mrs. Jacqueline Marshall, Pep Squad Sponsor.

Majorettes are Carol Bailey, Bertha Fern, Pat King, and Linda Wilson. The new Flag Twirlers announced included Martha Goodrow, Yvonne Graham, Susan Hammack, JoAnne Isbell, Sharon Radi, and Helen Salas. Completing the Pep Squad are Song Leaders Vicky Hippik, Linda Hofer, Denise Hunter, Sharon Wagner, Bev Orend, and Flora Watson.

Also announced at this rally were the finalists for the yell leader positions, and who tried out in front of the students, were Barbara Campbell, Sheila Harris, Diane Hodgson, Melanie Mungler, Terry Neldon, Linda Williams, and Jerry Yancy. From the above group, the student body will vote at the next election and select four girls to be their new yell leaders.

The Pep Squad was selected by a panel of judges including Mrs. Von Hershey, El Camino Drill Team Sponsor; Mrs. Jerry Rusk, former Head Majorette of El Camino College; Brent Mosher, El Camino College Yell Leader; and J. W. Nichols, Torrance High School Band Director. Working with the judges were Mrs. Jacqueline Marshall, Pep Squad Advisor, and G. E. Johnston, Student Activities Advisor.

**INSTITUTE GRADUATE**  
Sgt. Rudolph V. De Leon of 1018 Belson St. of the Juvenile Department of Los Angeles Police Department was among the 21 students from throughout the nation and several foreign countries graduated from University of Southern California's Delinquency Control Institute here last night.

## College Facilities Offered to Public During Summer

El Camino College will offer facilities to the public this summer as a part of its annual summer recreational program. Swimming pools, gymnasium and playing fields will be made available. The program will begin with registration for swimming instruction on June 20 at 8 a.m. in the Campus Center. Actual instruction will get under way June 22.

Highlighted by swimming, instructional and recreational, and outdoor sports, the program is designed for anyone from seven years of age and up. For any age, the minimum height acceptable for swimming instruction, or recreational swimming without a parent is 50 inches.

## OUTDOORS with MEL

By MEL SALTZMAN

The fishing news remains about the same as it has been in the last few weeks on the Salt Water front. The Barrauda in the local waters have given the average fisherman all the sport that they can ask for if the weather would only settle down. Santa Monica Bay has been hot and the fish are starting to show at Horseshoe Kelp.

One of my customers was in and told me about an unusual experience. He was fishing on the end of the Redondo Breakwater just before dark and the Barrauda moved into the inside of the Breakwater and the Bonita were working on the outside. He cast a white pig and on every cast he and his son hooked a Log Barrauda. When he finally had to quit because of no light they had 18 scooters about 6 pound average. This is another proof of the great year we're having on the salt water.

Another customer just returned from Ensenada after 2 days of fishing. The weather was rough with ground swells making it hard to stand up and fight the fish but he caught 2 yellowtail, 45 Barrauda, and a 30 pound White Sea Bass which makes it a pretty good trip.

In the High Sierras the weather has been cold and the brave fishermen have been doing all right. The weather is now clearing and this weekend should be great for the fortunate ones who can get away. The best bets for the weekend would be Grant, Bridgeport, Silver, and of course, Crowley. The best lures so far have been Super Dippers, Flatfish, small spinners such as the Colorado and Bear Valley. The best bait is bright red eggs and good fresh worms. A good combination has been a gob of worms behind a small Colorado Spinner, both for stream and lake. For more information call Mel at FA 8-2173.

## Barbershop Quartets Slate Harmony Parade

For the folks who enjoy the good old songs in four part harmony, it has just been announced that an "All-American Harmony Parade" of Barbershop Quartette will be sponsored by the local chapter of the Society for Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., 8 p.m. May 9, at the Torrance High School Auditorium, 2200 Carson St., Torrance. Donation \$1.50.

The SPEBSQSA Chapter Chorus will start the program with good old fashioned songs. They will be followed by six of the top society quartets in the area. Tickets are now available by calling Lloyd Hill, FA 8-4111 or Walter Jay Stephens, FR 5-7595. All men in the area are invited to attend the chapter's meeting every Monday at 8 p.m. in south High School music room, No. 1, Pacific Coast Hwy. New members will be eligible now to sign up and sing in the big show.

## Child Injured

David Chavez, 2, of 1034 W. 254th St., was taken to Harbor General Hospital, Sunday, after he suffered cuts and bruises on his head while struck by an auto in front of 2105 Del Amo Blvd., Police said. The driver was identified by them as Tomas Soto, 21, of 256 W. 235th St.

# Torrance Press SPORTS



"CAMEL HERDER" curves a pitch to an opposing batsman. George Shediak, tabbed by his mates as the herder, relies on pin-point control to tantalize the opposition.

## Warrior Relief Pitcher Known as 'Camel Herder' by Team Members

"Now pitching for El Camino, Number 11, the camel herder," bellows a mythical PA announcer at the Warrior baseball contest. "Camel herder?" wonder the few people assembled in the stands, "Who's he?"

The fictitious announcer is referring to George Abdullah Shediak, Warrior relief pitcher, who is called "Camel herder" by his team mates because of his descent.

Shediak's father was born in Aleppo, Syria, while his mother was christened in, of all places, Brooklyn. George is a native Angeleno.

The small (5-7, 142 pounds) Shediak, who will be 21 in June is a product of Dorsey High, which has turned out such famous baseballers as Billy Console (Red Sox), and George Anderson (Phillies).

Shediak says the most famous athlete with whom he has played is Don Buford, pint-sized half back and third baseman at USC, who has "more guts pound for pound than any other football player," as George puts it.

After Dorsey, Shediak went to LACC where he studied drama and played baseball. His biggest baseball thrill came last year when he won a pair from his ex-LACC mates while hurling for El Camino.

Two rather out-of-the-ordinary jobs have been held by Shediak in his 20-plus years. Last year he was an usher at the Coliseum for the Dodger games. "I held out for a raise this year and they fired me," Shediak said. "I was the only Dodger holdout."

## Laird to Attend Boys' State

James M. Laird, a North High School junior, will attend Boys' State in Sacramento this summer. James will be sponsored by Bert S. Crossland Post 170, Torrance, for the week long convalesce from June 20 to 27.

Boys' State has been sponsored by the American Legion. Department of California for 22 years. This activity is actually a laboratory of practical political science. Boys from all over the state meet for one week in the state's capital to organize and operate state, county and city governments.

James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Laird of 4138 W. 172nd St.

## Sprint Car Race to Be Televised

Major league auto racing featuring the California Racing Association's Indianapolis type sprint cars, debuts for television audiences while switching into a new Thursday slot for the first time tonight at Ascot Stadium.

Under sponsorship of Bacon & Sons Ford of Hermosa Beach, who have assigned the verbal chores to Dick Lane,

The famed sprint cars will cavort on screen from 8 to 9 p. m., precluding the carrying of the 30-lap main event.

However, TV fans will see plenty of action in the 3-lap trophy dash, 15-lap semi-main, and various other preliminary contests, officials are stated. Time trials begin as usual at 7 p. m.

Scaled to three-quarters design of Indianapolis autos, the sprint cars derived their names from the fact that they're built to attain high speeds in shorter races and on smaller tracks than the 500-mile jobs, explains CRA President Walt James.

Such leadfoots as Parnelli Jones of Torrance, Ray Prosser, Allen Heath, Ray Douglas, A. J. Sheppard, Nick Valenta, Bud Sterrett, Clay Robbins, Jim Hurtubise, Colby Scroggins and Roger McClusky will see action on the fast 1 1/2-mile oval, located on South Vermont Ave. at 182nd St.

## Lomita League to Open Its Season

The Lomita Little League will open the season May 16 at 1 p. m. at Chandler Field. A parade will precede the opening. It will form at Lomita Park at 9:30 a. m., starting at 10 a. m.

The league now has in excess of 350 boys in this program. There are 180 games scheduled, plus playoffs. A double-header is scheduled for the opening day, Tigers vs. Indians and Stars vs. Yankees.

## Walteria Carnival Set

A carnival for youngsters and adults in the south section of Torrance is planned Saturday at Walteria Park, according to Park Director, Bud Grantham.

Starting at noon, there will be various games such as dart throw, fishpond, basketball pitch and baseball pitch. A free feature movie and cartoons will be shown at 1:30 p.m.

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A FRESHMAN with power is Bob Mitchell, El Camino College outfielder, who leads the Warriors in batting. His timely double accounted for the winning runs against Santa Monica's Corsairs Tuesday.

## New Look Midgets

A "new look" in midget auto racing makes its debut at Gardena Stadium on Saturday night, when URA presents "open competition" involving the Offenhausers and Fords, officials announced today.

A 100-lap main event tops the card, which will mark the first mixed Offy vs. Ford action in the track's history. Allen Heath, Parnelli Jones, Jim Hurtubise, Bud Sterrett, Roger Beck, Roy Prosser and other noted Southland speed aces are expected to compete.

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