

SPORT SHOTS

By BOB LEWELLEN

Torrance to Take 11 First Places in League Finals . . .

Tomorrow, Friday, May 19, the date of the Marine League track and field finals, held at Narbonne high school, Lomita—Time 2:00 o'clock.

After several weeks of figuring and watching Pete Zamperini's speedsters turn in several new track records we have come to the conclusion that Torrance will walk away with 11 first places, and several seconds and thirds in the annual "classic" of the local leagues. So don't say we did not tell you. Here they are:

VARISITY . . . Bill Stewart will take first in the broad jump and high jump. His leap of 22 ft. 5 1/2 in. will establish a new meet record. The old record is 21 ft. 10 in. held by Jack Yamada of Gardena, set in 1936.

Stewart holds the league record in the high jump of 6 ft. 1 1/2 in. set last year. But the Tartar had done 6 ft. 5 1/2 in. this year, and will do over the 6 ft. 3 in. mark tomorrow. Billy is the best high jumper in the entire state of California, and should walk away with the state title this year.

Another first place in the Class A competition is conceded to Blonde John Hall, California's best miler for 1939. Hall will run the four-lap event around 4:30 tomorrow, and will be trying to break Louis Zamperini's league mark of 4:27.2, established in 1935.

CLASS B . . . Eugene Hatter should be a double winner—his best time in the 660-yard run, 1:28.9 in. near the league mark held by Brownlee of San Pedro, 1:27.7. Set last year. Look for Hatter to break this mark. The other event that Eugene will take a first in, will be the 70-yard high hurdles. His best time for this event is 9.2.

Leather-lunged Lee Stecker, should break the league record of 3:30.9 held by Nagel of Torrance (1938) in the 1320 yard run. Stecker has hit 3:25.8 this year, and can, if he tries, do around 3:20.

Clifford Trezise, brother of Bobby Trezise, and the first track athlete in the family, will be another double winner for the Tartars—120-yard low hurdles and high jump. Trezise has run the lows in :14.1 and leaped the bar at 5 ft. 10 in. These are the best in the league for the dual meet season.

CLASS C . . . Gerald McDonald (freshman) will start the ball rolling for the midgets, when he runs away from the boys in the 660-yard run. Gerald has run 1:30.4 this year. Should break Narbonne's Jack Peck's record set last year in 1:26.5, if he really tries. The Torrance lad has never extended himself, and to my way of thinking is the best class Cee, 660 man in Southern California.

Little Ted Yasunaga should win the 120-yard low hurdles, his best time this year is 14.7, but Kent of Banning will give him the race of his life.

Relay (4x40). This team composed of Wallace Woods, Bill Parton, Bobby Golden and Ted Yasunaga is the best Torrance high has ever presented to the public. They have broken the school record five times this year. And will break Narbonne's league mark of 47.6 tomorrow. The local lads run the lap event in the fast time of 46.9 . . . and may do 46 flat if pushed. They only trouble, and it is bad—they have a hard time passing the baton in the limited amount of space.

*** America's Best Miler Runs In North Saturday . . .

Louis Zamperini, who holds the distinction of running the fastest mile in the world this year, 4:59.2 (outdoors), will run the 880 and mile at Seattle next Saturday, May 20. He has run the second fastest two-mile in the entire world (1939). His mark was the best until last Saturday when Greg Rice of Notre Dame ran 9 min. 6.4 sec. for a new American college record. And Louis has also run the fastest 880-yard, turned in this year by a college athlete. Next week he travels to New York for the L.C.A.A.A. meet on May 27.

Hydriks Defeat Bankers at S. P.

By blasting Ray Stalmack from the mound in the third and continuing the attack on Ray Weeks, the Hydriks softball team scored a 10 to 3 decision over the Bank of America nine at San Pedro last Thursday night. The defeat dropped the Bankers out of a tie for the first in the standings. Don Moser hurled four-hit ball for the winners.

Records to Fall in Marine Meet Friday

NARBONNE HOST FOR TRACK CLIMAX OF '39 SEASON

All indications pointed today to a scintillating number of athletic performances tomorrow (Friday) afternoon when the finals of the Marine League track and field meet will be staged on Narbonne high school's vastly-improved Griffin Field. One League record was shattered Tuesday in the preliminaries when Bobby LeGaspri of Banning high school tossed the shot 46 ft. 11 in. to eclipse a Leuzinger boy's heave in 1937 by two inches.

A lot more existing records are expected to be tossed aside as the tracksters from Torrance, Narbonne, San Pedro, Banning and El Segundo begin pelting the fast Lomita track at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

That track is being put in perfect condition for the league meet. During the preliminaries Tuesday it was noticed that the path was a bit soft at the north end from excessive watering but that will be improved for the big meet.

Altho most dopsters expect San Pedro to take the varsity and B meets (and some even predict the Pirates will grab the C laurels as well), Narbonne, Banning and Torrance are expected to give a good account of themselves in the Bee and Cee classifications.

Final results in the field events at the league meet Tuesday were:

CLASS B
Broad jump—Kohigashi (SP), Tatsumi (SP), Armstrong (SP) and Sherrill (ES) tied for third, Haga (G). Distance: 20 ft. 11 in. (tequalling league record).
Shot put—Doll (N), Alexander (N), Okura (B), Charlton (B), Hughes (ES). Distance: 45 ft. 11 1/4 in.

Pole vault—Clark (ES) Yoshida (G), Ohara (N), Moore (B) tied for second, Olm (SP) DeWitt (T) and Stout (ES) tied for fifth. Height: 10 ft. 9 in.

High jump—C. Trezise (T), Gilbert (B), Yuhashi (B) and Lisan (SP) tied for second; Riggs (N), Dudley (SP), Farrell (G) and Russell (T), tied for fifth. Height: 5 ft. 8 in.

Summary of points won—San Pedro 15 1/2; Narbonne 12 1/2; El Segundo 8 5/8; Torrance 5 7/12; and Gardena 1 1/4.

CLASS C FINALS
Pole vault—Kikkawa (N), Nori (SP), Tomoji (SP), Saburo (SP) and Daniels (T), Hooper (E), Ellerman (ES) and Gladding (ES) tied for fifth place. Height: 10 ft. 9 in.

Broad jump—Hirayama (G), Tsutomo (SP), Parton (T), Yamada (G), Tawa (N). Distance: 19 ft. 11 1/4 in.

High jump—Yamada (G), Tawa (N), Tsutomo (SP), Suzumoto (G), Golden (T), Nori (S), and Meade (T) tied for second. Height: 5 ft. 5 1/4 in.

Shot put—LeGaspri (B), Woods (T), Suzumoto (G), Okamoto (S), and McNeal (N). Distance: 46 ft. 11 in. for a new Marine League record. Old mark was 46 ft. 8 in. set by a Leuzinger high school student in 1937.

Summary of points—Gardena 16 1/2; San Pedro 18 1/2; Torrance 8 1/12; Narbonne 10 1/5; Banning 5, and El Segundo 3.

CLASS A HEAT RESULTS
Results of the heats in Class A league competition Tuesday at Narbonne were:

100-yd. dash—Heat 1: Banich (SP), Broberg (ES), Gardner (SP), Hennis (G). Time: 10.2s. Heat 2: Palmer (N), Bauer (SP), Thornburn (ES), Wagner (G) and Santiago (G) tied for fourth. Time: 10.3s.

440-yd. dash—Heat 1: Thorn-

burn (ES), Goettsch (T), McDanniel (G), Patrick (N). Time: 51.8s. Heat 2: Bauer (SP), Hedges (B), Potts (G), Schleuniger (ES). Time: 53.6s.

880-yd. run—Heat 1: Peck (N), Neighbors (SP), Solloway (SP), Widrig (G). Time 2m 7.5s. Heat 2: Carter (ES), Lehman (N), Brannan (SP), Mota (B). Time: 2m 9.8s.

120-yd. H. H.—Heat 1: Roberts (N), Stanton (ES), Panovich (S), Arnold (G). Time: 15.6s. Heat 2: McKeever (B), Burns (SP), Hart (N), Sims (SP). Time: 15.6s.

180-yd. L. H.—Heat 1: Stanton (ES), McKeever (B), Burns (SP). Time: 22.5s. Heat 2: Roberts (N), Panovich (SP), Jameson (S), P. Broberg (ES). Time: 21.4s.

Summary — Number of men qualified for finals, San Pedro 15; Gardena 9; El Segundo 9; Narbonne 8; Banning 4, and Torrance 1.

CLASS B HEAT RESULTS
100-yd. dash—Heat 1: Alexander (N), Haga (G), Evans (ES), Okura (B). Time: 10.7s. Heat 2: Hata (T), Kordich (SP), Stout (ES), Poche (SP). Time: 10.8s.

220-yd. dash—Heat 1: Alexander (N), Evans (ES), Kordich (SP), Miller (T). Time: 23.6s. Heat 2: Sherrill (SP), Walker (G), Russell (T), Tatsumi (SP). Time: 24.7s.

660-yd. dash—Heat 1: Hatter (T), Alfred (N), Justice (T), Mio (SP). Time: 1m 28.7s. Heat 2: Combs (N), Lambert (G), Coja (B), Whitcomb (B). Time: 1m 28.7s.

120-yd. L. H.—Heat 1: Hata (T), Soldhiro (B), Stark (N), Shigaki (G). Time: 14.2s. Heat 2: Trezise (T), Shintani (SP), Hixon (N), Haga (G). Time: 14.5s.

70-yd. H. H.—Heat 1: Hatter (T), Soldhiro (B), Hixon (N), O'Laughlin (SP). Time: 9.6s. Heat 2: Trezise (T), Walker (N), Page (B), Sherrill (ES). Time: 9.7s.

Summary — Number of men qualified for finals—Torrance 9; Narbonne 8; San Pedro 7; Banning 6; El Segundo 5, and Gardena 5.

CLASS C HEAT RESULTS
50-yd. dash—Heat 1: Yasunaga (T), Iwanaga (N), Christianson (ES), Tani (SP). Time: 5.7s. Heat 2: Hirayama (G), Wada (N), Siasa (SP), Okura (B). Time: 5.8s.

100-yd. dash—Heat 1: Lockett (SP), Ripoli (SP), Ishihara (G), Parton (T). Time: 11s. Heat 2: LeGaspri (B), Woods (T), Lawler (G), Ishikawa (N). Time: 10.8s.

660-yd. dash—Heat 1: Iacona (SP), Kuhn (N), Hitchcock (T), Zagala (N). Time: 1 m. 30.7s. Heat 2: McDonald (T), Kato (G), Hill (ES), Hanson (SP). Time: 1m 34.1s.

120-yd. L. H.—Heat 1: Iwanaga (N), Yasunaga (T), Ellerman (E), Warren (SP). Time: 14.5s. Heat 2: Ishihara (G), Hamana (T), Ito (SP), Kent (B). Time: 14.5s.

Summary — Number of men qualified for finals—San Pedro 8; Torrance 7; Narbonne 6; Gardena 5; Banning 3; and El Segundo 3.

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The Herald's Sport Page



"IT'S A HIT" . . . Police Chief John Stroh is swinging on Mayor William H. Tolson's first pitch in the ceremonies opening the night hardball series Saturday evening at the city park diamond. Council-

400 See First Game Under New Lights at Park

Apparently stricken with a bad attack of stage-right from being exposed to the "bright-as-day" illumination at the city park diamond, the Torrance-Lomita Merchants collapsed under a barrage of Bank of America hits to drop a 15 to 2 opening night game here Saturday night.

The locals opened with "Shorty" Ward on the mound but he was hit over the lot by the Bankers who made 11 runs while he was on duty during the first inning. Manager Walt Morris took over the pitching job in the second but he was battered and nicked for another run. In the third, Riley Hamilton was inserted and he held the Bankers to three more runs for the remainder of the game.

A crowd of about 400 attended the initial contest under the new lights and found the illumination

most satisfactory. Mayor William H. Tolson's first pitch was hit out by Police Chief John Stroh. City Councilman Tom McGuire served as catcher and City Judge Robert Lessing acted as umpire for the opening ceremonies.

Tonight the illuminated park diamond will be the scene of a softball game between the Torrance Moose and Long Beach Plasterers. Friday night, May 19, there will be two soccer games on view there. The Hollywood Vikings will play the L. A. Magyars in the opening contest, starting at 8 o'clock, and the L. A. Scots will take on a British team off H.M.S. Orion.

Monday night the Gardena Rovers defeated the Redondo City Employees, 18 to 5, in a softball game. Tuesday night, Moore's Hardware team won over Belmont & Gardner of San Pedro, 18 to 9. Last night saw the Gaffers & Sattler softball nine of Bell lose, 2 to 1, to the South Los Angeles Carpenters' Union team.

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When finally notified the field at Sunland was dry, he was hard put to find a team and those he did round up lost to the Sunlanders 8 to 4. The Rossmen outthit their opponents, 12 to 10

Medal Shoot at Range Sunday

Members of the Torrance Police Pistol club will compete Sunday on their new range off Torrance boulevard and Cedar avenue for gold, silver and bronze medals. Three of the emblems will be awarded in each of three classes, according to Police Chief John Stroh.

The new pistol range will be formally dedicated Sunday, May 28, when a number of teams from other cities will compete there for marksmanship honors.

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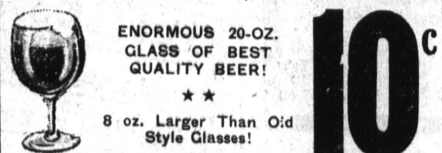
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