SPORT SHOTS

By BOB LEWELLEN

TORRANCE HIGH COACHES HAVE "GREAT YEAR" . . .

A lot of credit should go to Coaches Robert Barr and Pete Zamperini for their fine athletic teams, and excellent morale that has been shown by local boys during the now closing school year.

First, let's take the attitude and morale of local athletes and boys in general. For the past two years it was probably the poorest in the history of the Tartars. But with two fine coaches, Zamperini and Barr taking things well under control early in the year, and treating the boys like they were human beings, they have established Torrance in the limelight, not only a school of fine athletes, but an institution of "great sportsmanship."

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WON SEVERAL TITLES DURING PAST SEASON . . .

The athletic glory that has been showered on the Tartars has never been equalled in the short history of the school. With the football team taking the league championship last fall, and placing several players on the All-Marine league team, along with Gerald Grubb being placed on the All-City and All-Southern California teams.

Basketball saw its best in several years, although not winning the title, they certainly fought hard and showed that they are the team to beat next year. Marvine Lee, 6 ft. 4 in. center was picked All-League, and All-City at his position. Several other players were chosen as outstanding in the Marine league.

Baseball was probably the poorest showing of major sports in the year's play . . . but Coach Barr plans to really put a nine on the field next season. Louis Briganti, second base, was the outstanding player on the team, and won All-City honors at this position.

No doubt the track and field teams had their best season since the beginning of the sport at Torrance. With Coach Zamperini, past-master in the art of running, at the helm, Torrance won the class Cee title of the Marine league, placed fourth in the varsity, in the State meet (with two men taking two first places) and placed third in the All-City meet.

Nine new school records were established along with several Marine league records and one All-City and All-State record.

Probably the most outstanding track athletes this year were: John Hall, who set a new mark in the mile run for the State of California; Bill Stewart, 6ft. 6½ inch Marine league, All-City and State champion for the year. Along with these two "greats" many other H.V.D. lads strutted their stuff, for the school (in their own words, "We are running and fighting for Coach Pete Zamperini").

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HOW ABOUT THESE TWO COACHES AGAIN NEXT YEAR?

With the fine work in athletic and "building men" that these two great coaches (the best Torrance has ever had) during the past year, every mother, father and follower of athletics and boys, should make it their job to see that Torrance receives Coaches Barr and Zamperini next September, when school starts again. The Torrance Chamber of Commerce, City Council, and other civic organizations, should write to Principal Tom Elson and commend him on his choice of coaches and ask for the same two men back with us again next year.

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DON'T FORGET N.C.A.A. TRACK MEET SATURDAY . . .

Well, "Old Sport Shots" will sign off for the week . . . but will see you this Saturday, June 17, in the Los Angeles Coliseum, where the N.C.A.A. track and field meet will be under way . . . and where Louis Zamperini is going to try and run the mile for a new world mark of 4:05!!! . . . So be on hand and help this great Torrance miler, do his stuff.

L. A. Police Plan Largest Network of Radio Cars

Los Angeles city police department is planning the installation of the largest network of two-way police cars under the control of one police chief—the largest in the world because of the 450 square miles of area and the number of radio cars that will be spread over the area.

Studies that will culminate in the purchase of the newest two-way installations are to be made by a communications engineer for which the city council provided Monday by setting up a new position in the classified service.

Dr. Ross Team Loses at Wilmington

Altho they out-hit their opponents 7 to 3, the Dr. Ross baseball team bowed to the Wilmington Cardinals 5 to 4 at Wilmington last Sunday. The Cardinals scored five runs on three blows. Seven Ross errors were responsible for the poor showing.

Wealthy Parish Is Frugal

CAMERON, La. (U.P.)—Cameron parish doesn't believe in displaying its wealth. The parish, at the extreme southeastern part of Louisiana, has only one brick building, but that does not house a bank—there is none. Oil and cattle have brought the parish the highest per capita wealth in the state.

—Photo courtesy L. A. Japanese Daily News

HARBOR CITY TEAM SHOWS POWER . . . This is the 26-man track and field team from the Harbor City Japanese Athletic club that performed last Sunday at the Coliseum. Standing, left to right: Mass Shimatsu, manager; T. Kato, N. Kato, S. Nomura, T. Yamada, Kono, J. Ishikawa, T. Uyeshima, Yasuhiro, Kobayashi, Eno and Jack Shimatsu, manager. Kneeling: Shimada, B. Tawa, S. Ishikawa, S. Hirata, M. Sakiniwa, Okada, Kobayashi, Y. Hirata and Tabata. Sitting: Ishikawa, Ohara, Wada, Iwanaga, Tawa, Sakiniwa and Kato.

Local Japanese Club Makes Fine Showing In Meet

By BOB LEWELLEN

Revealing a team strength that surprised participants and spectators alike, the Harbor City Japanese Athletic club cracked several records and took second place in Class A and C divisions of the 13th annual track and field meet held last Sunday at the Coliseum by the Southern California Japanese Athletic Union.

The Harbor City squad has a number of Torrance residents in its membership, several being graduates of Torrance high school. The L. A. Shamrocks won both A and C divisions of the meet which attracted several thousand track fans. They scored 67 points in the Class A meet while Harbor City took 46. In the Class B contest, the Shamrocks totaled 42 to the Harbor City club's 31.

Chief backers and managers of the Harbor City club are Jack and Mass Shimatsu, 17-year residents of Torrance. The Shimatsus have taken a keen interest in the training of the local contingent and Saturday night will be hosts to the entire club at a wiener bake on Brighton Beach.

The Harbor City Club had previously won the Southern California finals for three years in succession and gained possession of the perpetual trophy. The club did not enter a Class B team this year.

Point winners for the Harbor City squad were: CLASS A: Broad Jump—Yamada, second; Kono, third; Kobayashi, fourth; Horino, fifth. Hop-Step-and-Jump—Yamada, second; Ishikawa, third. 100-yd. dash—Hirata, second; Haga, third; Hata, fourth. 880-yd. run—Yasuhiro, third. 12-yd. high hurdles—Okura, first with a new record of 15.8s. 440-yd. dash—Hirata, third. 220-yd. dash—Hirata, second; Kono, third. 180-yd. low hurdles—Kobayshi and Haga, tied for first in a new record of 20.8s.; Hata, third. Mile run—Yasuhiro, second. Relay—Harbor City second.

CLASS C: 50-yd. dash—Hirayama, second. 120-yd. low hurdles—Iwanaga, fourth; 100-yd. dash—Wada, third. Shot put—Kato first. Pole vault—Ohara first with a new height, 11ft 6in; Yoshida, fifth. Broad jump—Hirayama, fifth. 660-yd. run—Shimada, second; Yoshida, fifth. Relay—Harbor City, fifth.

U. S. C. Stars Attend H. S. Clubs' Dinner

Headed by Coach Dean Cromwell, veteran maker of track and field champions at U. S. C., a group of 10 speakers participated in the dinner-program that followed the annual banquet of the Torrance high school Varsity and Key clubs Tuesday night at Danicls Cafe. Dean Barkdull, president of the Varsity club, presided.

Cromwell spoke on the Trojans' track achievements and he was followed by Dale Sears, center and captain of the U. S. C. basketball team; Clark Mallery, I.C.4-A high jump champion; Barney Willis, Trojan sprinter; Louis Zamperini, who gave his impressions of the two-mile runs at Princeton and the N.C.A.A. meet in the Coliseum this weekend; Coaches Pete Zamperini and Robert Barr, Gordon Dumont, U. S. C., horseman, and Robert Lewellen of The Herald staff.

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Stewart, Hall Take Third in L. A. Meet

Climaxing a brilliant track season, Torrance high's two consistent record-breakers—Bill Stewart and John Hall—collected 14 points and third place in the L. A. city finals last Friday at the Coliseum.

Stewart, who is reported bound for more track laurels at U. S. C., starting this fall, proved his 6ft 6½in leap in the Marine League finals was no fluke by clearing 6ft. 4⅝in, bettering Al Tally's former mark of 6ft. 4in set by the L. A. High student last year.

Blonde John Hall, who underwent a lot of kidding this week from his classmates here because of a story appearing in a Los Angeles newspaper about his platinum locks, took an easy win in the mile. His time was 4:29.1. The pace was too slow for Johnny to break the 4:26.3 mark set by Louis Zamperini when that mile ace was running for dear old Torrance high back in 1935. But Hall can point with pride to the fact that he bettered Louie's mark by running 4:25.8 in the state meet two weeks ago.

Stewart also took a second in the broad jump, sailing 22ft 11¼ in. for his best leap of the season.

Jefferson captured the varsity L. A. city track and field title with 45½ points. Manual Arts was second with 16 and then came Torrance's 14 digits.

Coach Pete Zamperini's Class Bee entries grabbed six points, scored as follows: Eugene Hatter fifth in the 660 and Stecker first in the 1,320 (his time being 3:20.8). The local Class Cee athletes scored 2¾ points—McDonald getting fourth in the 660 and Bobby Golden tieing for fourth in the high jump.

Torrance high's scores topped those of other Marine League entries in all divisions of the final meet.

AWAY AT COLLEGE

Keep them informed: Your boy or girl at school would like to read The Herald—six months, $1.

Game Schedule at Park Told

Here is the schedule of ball games for the coming week at the city park illuminated diamond:

Tomorrow night(Friday) at 8 p. m.—Torrance-Lomita Merchants vs. Richfield Oil.

Sunday afternoon, June 18, at 2 p. m.—Merchants vs. L. A. Colored Giants.

Wednesday night, June 21, at 8 p. m.—Montebello vs. Sunrise American Legion Post.

Thursday night, June 22, at 8 p. m.—Shell A. C. vs. Standard Oil Refinery from El Segundo.

Police Pistol Team Defeats Deputy Sheriffs

Five local police officers "shot it out" with deputy sheriffs attached to Norwalk sub-station last Friday on the new police pistol range here and won, 1,237 to 1,171. The Torrance team was composed of Officers Bennett, who was high man with a 263, Ashton, Travioli, Haslam and Spcheger.

The Torrance marksmen have scheduled a match with Alhambra police for Sunday, June 25, here and other teams who participated in the range dedicatory shoot several weeks ago are also expected to return for more competition next month.

Baby Run Over, Just Bruised

ODESSA, Wash. (U.P.)—The rear wheel of a truck rolled over the head of the infant son of farmer Frank Marshall, but the child suffered no injuries.

T-L Merchants Down Pepsicola

After a shaky start, the Torrance-Lomita Merchants rallied on the local park diamond last Sunday and poled out seven hits for an 8 to 5 triumph over the Pepsicola nine. Paul Angelich started on the mound for Walt Morris' club but was retired under fire. Willis took over in the second and spaced five hits over the rest of the game.

The visitors scored three runs in the first and bunched a couple of hits for two more in the fifth. By getting to Pitcher Wheatley in the second, the T-L team made the most of its opportunities and took the lead with two runs in the second and three more in the third.

Homer Cheek paced the Lomita team triumph, rapping out a homer and two doubles in four tries. Score:

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Wheatley, Isman and Bliss; Angelich, Willis and Johnson.

Roberts Elected Pistoleers' Prexy

Bob Roberts, laboratory technician for Drs. John W. Beeman and Clifford E. Easley, has been elected president of the Torrance Police Revolver club which now has 79 local residents on its membership rolls, according to Tom Perkin, re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Other officers of the group named at the annual meeting were Willard Haslam, vice president; William H. Stanger, official scorekeeper, and Major Fred A. Tiffany, range master.

City Studies Malnutrition

ST. LOUIS (U.P.)—The Board of Education has ordered an investigation of malnutrition and other bodily impairments among children living in the central business and industrial district here.

16 TEAMS SIGN FOR TOURNEY

While the attention of the American sports world was being directed at Cooperstown, N. Y., this week where the national baseball museum was opened on the site of the origin of that great game 100 years ago, preparations were being completed here for the California State Semi-Pro Baseball tournament, July 8 to 30, inclusive.

Dale Riley, state commissioner for the tourney, has received the official entries of all 16 semi-pro teams who will play either 30 or 31 games here for the beautiful trophy and the right to compete in the National Semi-Pro Congress at Wichita, Kansas.

Here are the entries: Bank of America, El Centro Merchants, March Field, Fort MacArthur, Illinois Cleaners of San Fernando, San Pedro Jadrans, San Pedro Longshoreman, L. A. Carpenters' Union, Pepsicola, Torrance-Lomita Merchants, Dr. Ross Dog Food, Shell Athletic club, U. S. Rubber, Gaffers and Sattler and the winner of the Pismo Beach district tournament to be held July 1 to 4.

The tournament, biggest sports event ever to be staged in Torrance, will begin Saturday afternoon, July 8, at 2 o'clock on the Municipal park diamond. Riley and the tournament committee—Alden W. Smith, Tom McGuire, L. J. Gilmeister and Micheal Straszer—are now planning the opening ceremonies. The schedule of the first eight games will probably be announced next week, Riley said.

There will be games each Saturday and Sunday afternoon and every night at 8 o'clock.

Pirate Coach Seeks Transfer

Harry (Bud) Brubaker, football and baseball coach at San Pedro high school for the past two years, may be transferred to Dorsey high in Los Angeles at the end of the current year. Brubaker, who lead the Pirate baseball team to a championship of the Marine league this year, may give up coaching entirely. His new assignment—if the transfer is approved, will be as "health correlator."

Ball Player Hooks Fish and Jackpot

Chuck Mearing, of 917D Portola avenue, player on the Torrance-Lomita Merchants baseball team, must have practiced swinging a bat backwards. He came to Long Beach on a fishing trip and swung a 21½ pound bluefin tuna aboard a sportfishing boat, winning a jackpot and top fishing honors of the day.

Barracuda are continuing a heavy run at Long Beach. Yellowtail and tuna are being caught in fair numbers. Big white sea bass are among daily catches.

Night Game Won by T-L Merchants

Scoring twice in the third inning on three hits and pushing over another tally in the sixth without benefit of a hit, the Torrance-Lomita Merchants defeated the Jadrans of San Pedro 3 to 1 at the Torrance park diamond last Friday night. Hits by Markham, Johnson and Smith accounted for two runs.