

EXPECT 20 TEAMS TO ENTER SEMI-PRO BALL TOURNEY STARTING JULY 6

New Torrance Police Officer Is Making Good As Relief Rookie

Bad boys of all ages in Torrance are thinking twice these days about attempting to "rough up" local police officers. They aren't taking any chances that the object of their attentions might be Gene Garner, rookie cop who is now wearing the "harness" of a patrolman while regular officers are taking their annual vacations.

Officer Garner is an alumnus of the Columbia Steel Company who served two years in the U. S. Army and has had ample experience in the prize ring as a boxer of no little ability. During his Army enlistment he fought four bouts and helped Roper train for his contest with Joe Louis.

But Garner is no "tough guy." His deportment as an officer has won commendation from Police Chief Stroth. The new copper slung as a "warm-up" for the California Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament which will present games every night thru the month of July.

He lives at 2262 231st street and rumor has it that he'll join the ranks of the benedicts before long. As it is, he is the only



GENE GARNER
... likes carrying harness
unmarried officer in the local department.

CURRENT NIGHT BALL GAMES ARE WARM-UP FOR TOURNEY

A full schedule of night baseball games in the Torrance city park was announced today by Dale Riley, city recreation director. These contests are being staged as a "warm-up" for the California Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament which will present games every night thru the month of July.

Tuesday night the Torrance-Lomita Indians defeated the Chet Ralphs Chevrolet 6 to 3 behind a splendid pitching performance by young Jack Papke. Compton high school hurling ace, Papke collected 14 strikeouts and held the strong Chevrolet to four hits while the Indians collected five. Both of these are entered in the Semi-Pro series.

Tonight the Standard Oil Refinery team from El Segundo, another Tournament contender, will meet the Paramount Studio club at 8:15 o'clock.

A double-header will be played Sunday between the Indians and North American Aviation, starting at 1 o'clock. Jack Bastian, 17-year-old Redondo high school hurler, will pitch one of the games for the home club. The Aviators are signed up for the Semi-Pro series.

On Tuesday night, June 25, the Indians will clash with the San Pedro Longshoremen at 8:15 o'clock and on Wednesday evening, June 26, the May Company and North American Aviation are scheduled for a game at the Torrance ball diamond.

Harbor Area Represented by Five Clubs In Contest for State Title

With 15 outstanding teams definitely entered and at least four more ready to plunk down their entry fees of \$10 each, a field of 19 or 20 teams looms as the competition for the fifth annual California Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament to be held starting July 6 at the Torrance city park diamond for the second successive year.

Dale Riley, state commissioner of semi-pro ball and city recreation director, announced this week that all entries are expected to be completed and fees paid by Monday morning. At least five teams from the harbor area and probably others will seek the state championship. \$500 award and the large gold trophy which is now on display at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. The chamber is sponsoring the tourney here again this year.

The definite entries are: Torrance-Lomita Indians, North American Aviation of Inglewood, Lockheed Aircraft of Burbank, San Pedro Longshoremen, Pismo Beach Merchants, Long Beach Elites, Chet Ralph Chevrolet of Los Angeles, Bank of America, Los Angeles; Dr. Ross Dog Food, Standard Oil Refinery of El Segundo, Wilmington Merchants, Hartwell Aviation of Los Angeles, Gaffers & Sattler of Maywood, Santa Monica Trainmen and Pepsi-Cola of South Los Angeles.

Schedule Out July 1
Other teams which are expected to contact Riley yet this week to enter are: Long Beach Harbor Refinery, San Fernando Valley Champs, Long Beach Giant Juniors and the Iron Workers' Union of Los Angeles.

Sale of special "Five games for \$1" tickets will begin soon at all Torrance barber shops, Chamber of Commerce and other places. Single admissions to the tourney will be 25 cents for adults with children being admitted free.

Rosters of all clubs must be filed with Commissioner Riley not later than June 30 and may not be changed after that date. A complete schedule for the first round will be released by July 1. Games will be played nightly, starting July 6, with afternoon contests every Saturday and Sunday.

Plan Opening Ceremonies
Special plans are being made by the committee in charge of the tournament, headed by Dean L. Sears, for the opening ceremonies Saturday afternoon, July 6. The tournament must be completed and the winner certified to the National Semi-Pro Baseball Congress by August 1.

The \$500 first prize guaranteed by the Torrance chamber will be given to the championship club to help defray the expenses in participating in the national tournament to be held in Wichita, Kansas, in August.

276 WPA Projects Completed in County

Since the WPA has been operating, in 1935, Los Angeles county has completed 276 county-sponsored projects involving a total expenditure in Federal and county funds of \$30,111,000, according to a report made to the Board of Supervisors this week by Alfred Jones, county surveyor.

Fur Thicker; Winter Colder
BOISE CITY, Ida. (U.P.) — Idaho game wardens have their own system for predicting months in advance the nature of the coming winter. They are based on the heaviness and thickness of wild animals killed during the autumn months.

Three Lomita Ball Players In Spotlight for Accomplishments

Charles Wheelchell, former Narbonne high school baseball player, was named on the All-Southern California J. C. five chosen recently, while Nick Fallica, Gaucha ace player this spring, received All-City honors.

Amrose Fallica, the hurler of the ball-playing brother, is said to be doing well with the Phoenix, Arizona, Thunderbirds, having yet to taste defeat.

Indians Split Double Header

Torrance-Lomita Indians divided another double-header at the Torrance city park diamond last Sunday, losing the opener 5 to 3 to the Iron Workers and capturing a 7 to 6 tilt with the Railway Clerks in the nightcap. The Junior Indians played the final game.

Al DeHoag and Flip Bartlett pitched the opener with all five of the Iron workers' runs being counted in the fifth inning. Chet Johnson paced the Indians at bat with two hits. Howard Jackson, young Torrance left-hander, won the second game. The Indian Juniors scored the winning run with a squeeze play in the sixth.

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Band Asked to Play at Series Opening

The Torrance city council approved a request of the Chamber of Commerce committee in charge of the California Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament Tuesday night and instructed City Clerk A. H. Bartlett to ask the Torrance Municipal band to appear at the opening of the baseball series Saturday afternoon, July 6. An impressive but brief program is planned to launch the series of games for the California state championship.

Afternoon Tea Praised
MONTREAL (U.P.) — Afternoon tea is a definite aid to health, Dr. I. M. Rabinowitch told the McGill Chemistry Society here. Dr. Rabinowitch said drinking of a cup of tea during the afternoon had a definite value in keeping the efficiency of the body high.

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"Investigation and experience have shown that some persons holding this old type of license, many of them issued more than 12 years ago, are accident 'repeaters' due to physical changes affecting alertness," said Chief Cato. "In many cases these changes had come about so slowly that even the drivers themselves were unaware of them, until examined. Now they know, and as a result are better drivers than they were before."

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Local Students Get Degrees at U.C.L.A. Graduation Rites

Among the students from the harbor area who received degrees last Saturday with the largest University of California at Los Angeles class in history—1,544—in the Hollywood bowl commencement exercises were the following:

Harold Ashley Smith, Jr., Janet Mary Mosher and John Shouse Weber of Lomita, bachelor of arts degrees, and Mildred Gladys Hitchcock of Torrance, bachelor of education in the teachers' college.

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