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just additionable the boxing issue because of certain elements." "Well," we amswited, drawing our sword to cross his blade. Mike looked about is though no one else should hear what he was about to say. "You were right. Some of the boys are laying the ground work for a male chorus. And that ain't all they are going to put on a minstell" "Black face?" we wanted to know. "Black face!" he answered, and withdrew, thoroughly spent and haggard from the im-pending ride on which the boys were going to take him. And they will do it, too.

PRESS . . . Youths of Lomita are all for taking advantage of a site offered them to build a swimming pool on Lomita bird, but according to a recent gathering of ettizens forming a co-ordinating council of the community, the cost would approximate \$40,000.

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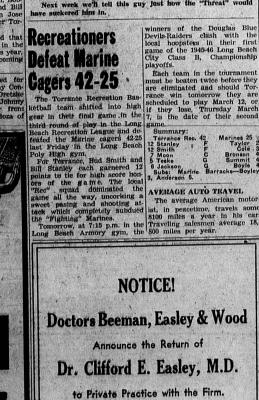
HORSE HOCKEY A subscriber accuses us of playing "Horse Hockey" in our last column, and goes on to say: "There are so many constructive things that a newsman can white about, why do you persist in dishing up stuff that is so obviously weak?"

about, why do you persist in dishing up stuff that is so obviously weak?" We're laughing on this other side of our face at this serious firms, but ever on guard for what is so laughingly referred to is "constructive criticism," we encountered with: "Lave you ever been took?" The critic claws, this around as but, and we when the was a "mine" purches, so helped him out: "You know, like the good book says, he was a stranger and I took him in', taking of course the inverted view, means to leave the unwary?" "It you mean being bested by the type of sileker you wrote about? The boasted, "the answer is no." Haven't you ever been a stranger land 'took in' in vertedy!?" we wanted to know. He

"If you mean being bested by the type of sileker you wrote nbout," he boasted, "the answer is 'no." Haven't you ever been a stranger and 'took in' invertedity?" we winted to know. He was emphatic in his belief that a man, unless he was stupid, to 'toose'' our critical triend for ways and means to sucker him to a bet. We decided to use "Triple-threat's' furcher trick number one. He grabbed the bait and started down stream from the very tirst prick of the old "needle," and we were forced to withdraw to take. All we had to say wiss a big rat had just 'tan across the niving from floor of his hiome. His beautiful living room was interacted. "Impossible," he said. "On yes," we argued—in near right there the guy made a bet of rideulous proportions - and right there the guy made a bet of rideulous proportions house and bank account. Next week we'll tell this guy just how the "Threat" would have suckered hims in.

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Early Interest For Softball Is Shown Here Local youngsters, who mad up last year's playground teams got the jump on the big leaguer in the matter of spring train

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The Torrance American Legi cam bit the dust last Sunday team bit the dust last Sunday. In their gaine with the Eastside Beer Masters, marking the first mound master Leity O'Kesgan. Bektnän, Bastside hurler, and O'Reagan beth allöwed eight hits for the afternoor's duel. It was Eckman's slow ball that there the store ball that in the matter of spring train-ing for the coming season. For the past four or five weeks the little fellows, from nine years of age and up, have been organizing their teams and showed up faithfully each Satur-day morning at the City Park for a workout.

hits for the atternion's duel, at was Eckman's slow ball that threw the TAL crowd into, a four-two defeat. Haroid Jackson, TAL first sacker, and Haroid McCornick, local third basenian, highlighted the game by making the first seven putouts with bri-ling the mark beams for the hond working beams for the hond for a workout. Torfance has received a bid to enter a team in the National Softball League of Southern California which is "Tops" local-by and one of the fastest leagues in the nation. Torfance fans re-Bluebirds, who played in this league, and would like to see them revived.

hant teantwork. Batting honors for the home hine went to Bob McNiel and Haroid Jackson. Batteries: O'Reagan and Bill Hicks; Eckman and Schiro.

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league, and would like to see them revived. A glimpse at the local Indus-trial League pleture shows that inquiries concerning the use of the Park for practice periods have started to come in, which indicates an early interest in this league. According to the latest Nation-al Recreation Bulletins receiv-ed by the Torrance Recreation Department, there is a definite nation wide upswing in sports for recreation, with softball near the head of the list. Many com-munities are constructing and planning new diamonds to care for the increasing popularity of the game. Survicemen's stationery? Call Torrance 444 or 445.



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