

# Rascals Concede City Cage Crown to Reeds

## Rematched at Wilmington

Rematches of two of the most torrid fights in recent Wilmington Bowl history headline the amateur boxing card at the Harbor arena Friday night.

Tony Contreras, popular Wilmington lightweight, who has delayed his turning-pro plans just long enough to square accounts with a top rival in the Harbor district, gets that chance when he opposes Rudy Abad, San Pedro Filipino, in the spotlight fight.

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## Golf Course Construction Starts Today

Ground-breaking ceremonies for the new 18-hole Alondra Park golf course have been scheduled for 2:30 p.m. this afternoon.

Supervisor Raymond V. Darby will dig the first divot on the 180 acre site which is located between Prarie avenue, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach and Crenshaw boulevards.

City and county officials have been invited to today's rites, to take place at the Manhattan Beach boulevard entrance.

The new course is under a 10-year lease to Gomer Sims and Cecil Hollingsworth, and is expected to be completed by the first of next year.

## 11 Teams Want in 10-Team Summer Softball League

Eleven softball teams, one more than enough, have signified their intention of entering the city-sponsored league this summer, according to Elmer Moon, director of sports.

Seven teams, Moon said, posted the \$95 entry at the last meeting at which time elections of officers were held.

Bob Moffitt was reelected president while Herman Batzer and Harry Atwood were renominated to the posts of vice-president and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

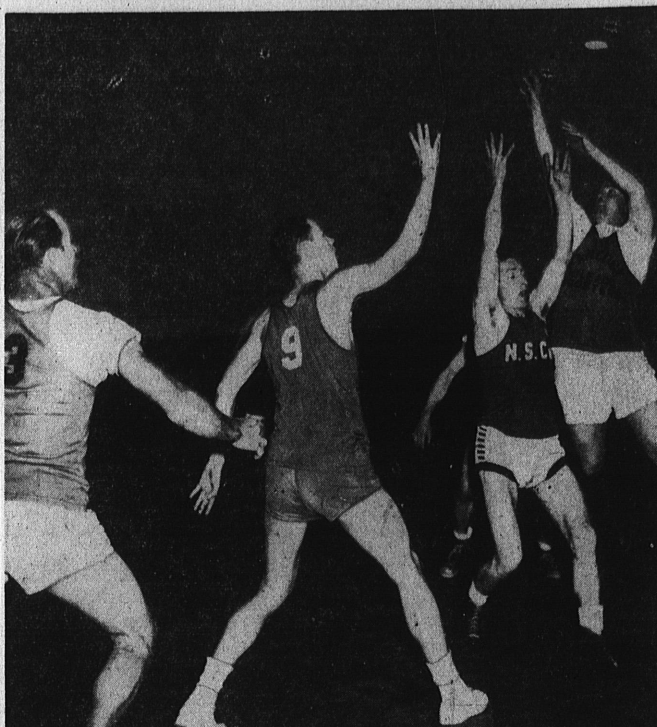
Among the list of teams intending to enter are: American Rock Wool, Dow Chemical, Felter Manufacturing Co., Good-year, Harvey Machine, Avalon-Carson Trailer Court, National Supply, National Home Appliance, Steel Workers Local 1414, and Ideco.

Next meeting for managers and sponsors will be held Monday night, March 28 in the city council chambers at 7 p.m.

The league will start April 4 with double-header games on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday nights.

### WATER-LOGGED

Over 5,600 air transport hours were logged by the Navy's Fleet Logistic Support Wings in the past half year for special missions providing rapid and flexible support to essential military activities.



SWOOCH... and in goes the first field goal of the game that netted Ragsdale Rascals the Major League Title over the National Supply quintet last Monday night. Eddie Cole, extreme right, received credit for the shot. Others in the photo are: No. 3 Mickey Colmer of the Rascals, No. 9 Bob Fersenius and Art Munsterman (facing camera of National and Cole). —Herald Photo.

## INJURIES RIDDLE RASCALS

Ragsdale Rascals relinquished any claim they have to the city basketball title this week when they announced they were willing to concede the title to Reeds, Minor League champs.

The Rascals won the Major League crown last Monday night and were subject to challenge from the Minor League champs.

In the meantime Eddie Cole, manager of the Rascals has been benched by the medics with a pair of cracked ribs and Tony Prodan, highly skilled in the art of getting baskets for the Rascals, has likewise been benched by doctors with a badly infected foot.

"In view of the fact that we finished Monday's game with four men on the floor," Cole stated, "starting the game with a six man roster for a championship contest would not make much of a contest. Other interests of some of the other men on the squad which have developed in the meantime would impose a material hardship on the players to play any more games this season.

"Though we might be able to field a team Thursday night only one first stringer who has played with us for the past month would be able to take the floor. The boys do not necessarily relish the thought of turning down a crack at the city title but circumstances make it difficult to do otherwise," Cole explained.

## Ragsdale, Newell Plan Feed for League Champs

Chuck Ragsdale and Cal Newell, owners of the Hancock Oil distributing plant, 2310 Arlington avenue, and co-sponsors of the Ragsdale Rascals, are planning a feed for the team to replace some of the weight the boys lost during the past basketball season, according to Eddie Cole, leading rascal.

The Rascals captured the Major League Crown last Monday night.



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## Johnson Reports Better Crowd at Sunday's Game

The Torrance police who last week faced voluntary eviction from their home diamond at the city park felt like they still had a roof overhead when their "handful" of fans at the game last Sunday indicated they would like to have the club continue to hang their hat on the bat rack and call the local park home.

Playing-manager Swayne Johnson reported that a better crowd turned out at last Sunday's game and that his assistant manager in charge of the hat-passing detail reported that they managed to come out on the long end of the expenses vs. "take" contest.

2. They also managed to come out on the long end of the 42 score of the ball game against the U.S. Helona Navy nine.

Harry "The Cat" Theodosios took the opening mound call and went for four innings—allowing a trio of hits and the Navy boys a single run.

Gar Johnson relieved Harry in the fourth and yielded four hits during the remaining five innings. The Navy sailed in against Johnson for their other run.

Rogers chucked for the sailors and allowed 11 hits which the local boys turned into four runs.

Briganti and Kuhn found a bat and the pitching of Mr. Rogers very much to their liking and belted out three and two hits apiece.

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Next Sunday the local nine will meet St. Mary's on the local diamond at 2 p.m.

## Forty-Six THS Cage Players Win Letters

Forty-six basketball letters were awarded to Tartar athletes at an assembly held last Friday in the Torrance High Auditorium. Captain Paul Smith received his third varsity certificate. Coach Cliff Graybehl said goodbye to ten seniors on the varsity. His only returning vets next year will be Wendell Vaughn and Bill Wernet.

Varsity Awards: Paul Smith, Larry Fischer, Bob Chambers, Wade Fisk, Vance Ratzlaff, Bob LeBlanc, Bob Bowers, Dick Turler, Milo Goetsch, Harry Theodosios, Wendell Vaughn, and Bill Wernet. Manager—Dick Perez.

Bee Awards: Dick Carrow, Wayne Scholl, Tom Giatras, Ron Higgins, Bill Irwin, Jim Taylor, Boyd Crawford, Ron Chambers, John Kulp, Dave Dougherty.

Cee Awards: Bill Baron, Gregory Berg, Lynn Boyce, Tom Burchfield, Bill Crawford, Aramis Dandoy, Gary Groves, Eddie Lee, Howard Mimura, Jim Nady, John Simer, Norm Stick, Manager—Don Berry.

Dee Awards: Jim Babbitt, Jerry Cox, Jack Fees, Bob Hubbard, Eichi Koyayashi, James Miller, Duane Mittan, Jack O'Chain, David Scholl, Bruce Smith, Arthur Susis, Dale Turner.

## REEDS UPSET COLUMBIA FOR MINOR LOOP TITLE

Reeds Polar Kitchen's bucket brigade overcame a halftime deficit and downed Columbia Steel, 41-37, and thereby captured the minor division championship at the Torrance High gym Monday evening. The two contestants both had hot and cold spells throughout the battle.

After a 22 tieup in the opening minute, Reeds stomped on the throttle and racked up a 11-2 advantage. Columbia returned with a scoring spurt and took a 12-11 lead with Bill Bells lay-in shot in the closing seconds of the period.

Again the Reedmen found their marks and built up a 21-12 count and again the losers banged the bucket in the final minutes and regaled a one digit, 22-21, margin to their favor as Bell smashed in a field goal before the halftime whistle sounded.

LeRoy Schwenk connected on a long shot from the guard spot as play resumed and the champs led from there on in.

Bob Clark and Vall Goldring paced the Reeds attack with nine markers apiece while Skip McMahon followed with eight and seven tallies respectively.

Columbia boasted the highest individual scorers but lacked a well-balanced offense. Bell topped the Steelmen accounting for 12 counters—all but one came in the initial half. His teammates, Bill Borgelt and Hershel Dean, backed him up with 11 and 9 in that order.

Vall Goldring, manager of the titleholders, received a trophy donated by the Master Printers of Torrance from Mr. Robert LeWellen Sr. following the game.

Polar Kitchen (41): Col. Steel (37) R. Clark (9) F (12) Bell Goldring (9) F (9) H. Dean Schefner (4) C (11) Borgelt (2) Dean (2) G (1) Goettch McMahon (8) G

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Half time: Reeds 21; Columbia, 22. Scoring subs: Reeds—J. Clark 4. Columbia—R. Dean 2.

## Tartar Trackmen In Quadrangle Hawthorne Meet

Torrance High's trincleds voyage to Hawthorne this afternoon to engage in a quadrangle meet at Leuzinger against the host school, Beverly Hills, and El Segundo.

Beverly's Normans are strong favorites in the varsity division while Torrance and Beverly are rated high in the Bee division. The Bee meet is a tossup.

Dick Thomas and Merrill Lawson are tops in the hurdles and sprints respectively for the Leuzinger varsity. Other Olympian standouts are Jim Rasmussen, Ken Beauchamp and Bill Bingham.

Sprinter Terry Coats is the only El Segundo standout.

James Dunn and Norman Chey pace the favored Norman cindermen.

San Pedro had no trouble in rolling over the local varsity, 74-31, last Friday at the Pirate oval. The Tartar Bees and Cees, however, swamped their opponents 64-30 and 43-34, respectively.

## Stocks 'Go' in Long Marathon

Southland speed fans are assured of a surplus of thrills when stock passenger automobiles of 1941 through 1949 vintage compete in a 250-lap marathon Sunday afternoon, March 27, at Carrell Speedway, Gardena.

For the first time in Carrell history, cars will be required to make two compulsory pit stops. One must be for re-fueling purposes, while the other halt a tire change will be necessary.

Entries include Pontiacs, Pontiacs, Hudsons, Plymouths, Chevrolets, Kaisers, Frazers, Mercurys, and possibly British MG's. All will be inspected for conformation to strict stock specifications. Two previous main event winners, Lou Figaro and Troy Ruttman, are disqualified for illegal motor parts.

### Bee Trackmeet

100—Baker (T), Zimmerman (SP) and Burgener (T), 10.9.  
220—Baker (T), Kirvland (SP), and Zimmerman (SP), 24.8.  
440—Wright (SP), Whiting (T) and Alford (SP), 1:32.2.  
880—Kulp (T), Marino (SP) and Hines (SP), 3:24.  
1760—Scholl (T), Widner (SP) and Costa (SP), 7:10.  
3520—Lil—Widner (SP), Burgener (T) and Flores (T), 14:6.  
Shot—McQuillen (T), Crawford (T) and Whiting (T), 42ft 8in.  
Broad jump—Collins (SP), Walton (T) and Pistonich (SP), 19ft.  
High jump—Fisk (T), Dougherty (T) and Ted for third, Tomasic (SP), Scholl (T) and Edwards (T), 5ft 6in.  
Pole vault—Fisk (T), Crawford (T) and Larson (SP), 11ft.  
600 relay—San Pedro, 642/3; San Pedro, 30 1/2.

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