# Baseball Being Strangled?

Bee's Play Today

## Tarbabes Out to Avenge Last Year's Loss Against Inglewood

In a prelude performance to the contest their big varsity brothers will hold Friday, the Tartar Bee's and those of Inglet wood will square off this afternoon at Torrance High School field. Game time is 3 p. m. The Tarbabes will carry their unblem'shed 1949 record into the game; also, the memory of \*

**Tarbabe Passes** 

Net 7-6 Win **Over Compton** A 25-yard pass play in the

Fullback Bill Crawford uncorked a 45yard pass to Tarbabe teammate Dick Carrow, who in turn dateraled to wingman Irwin Kasten. The play, good for 45 yards brought the ball down to the Compton 25-yard marker.

On the next play, Tarbabe Halfback Lefty Scholl, pitched one to Dick Carrow, right end, for the T.D. The locals pushed across the extra point on a pass play; it marked the fifth straight point after touchdown notched by the Tarbabes in their first two games.

Score by quarters:

Compton ... 0 0 6 0 -6 Tarbabes ...

Pasadena's Junior Rose Bowl committee revealed this week that nearly 500 member schools of the National Association of Junior Colleges nave been con-tacted for detailed information regarding possible participation in the Litle Rose 'owl Game at Pasadena on December 10.

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the game; also, the memory of a stinging 13-12 edging they received at the hands of the Ingle-

ceived at the hands, of the Ingle-wooders last yeer.
Inglewood, said by many to have the "best looking" B' squad in the district.-last week routed a good Loyola High Schools eleven, 25-0.
Coach Cliff Greybehl's Marbabes have been showing a staunch line and a good backfield adept at passing. Defensively, the lightweight line has been partic-ularly outstanding. In two games they have allowed just six op-ponent points.
Bullwark of the line centers pull a 7-b victory out of the fire a gainst Compton's Enterprise School Thursday afternoon at the Hub City field. It was their second victory of the season.

After a first half period of hard running through which the lines of both squads contained repeated thrusts, Compton emerged from the locker room with a clicking pass attack. They scored a quick six-pointer but failed to score on a conversion attempt. Therein lay Compton's downfall.

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ponent points.

Bulwark of the line centers around Frank Schmidt and Chuck Wilson at the guard positions; Bill, Grey, right tackle; and Dick Carrow, right end. Carrow at 128 pounds, is the lightest man on the squad.

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#### **SPORTSATORIAL**

By Jack O, Baldwin

Baseball interest in Torrance, being fed a slow but painless poison by the Southern California Baseball Managers Association, is all but dead.

For two seasons past this writer has watched the valiant
but fruitless efforts of several local baseball enthusiasts who
knocked themselves out trying to build fan interest in a local
club, Manager Swayne Johnson sliced large hunks from his
policeman's pay check to keep the Police nine
on its foot, Finnancial suport from the fans
was trivial, This is not the fans' fault. Nor is
it Johnson's.

It is the opinion of this writer that misat is the opinion of this writer that mis-management and devotion to selfish interests on the part of the aforementioned S.C.B.M.A. has choked off, fan interest in baseball in Tor-rance, Redondo Beach, San Pedro, Wilming-ton, and elsewhere in the Harbor and South Bay areas.

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Here's how local fans, and ball players

Jack Baldwin too, have been handed the stinky end of the stick!

A good many clubs belong to the S.C.B.M.A. But of these clubs there are many (unlike Torrance, Redondo, San Pedro and other's who have a "home field") who-have ho place to play. These clubs have paid their initiation fees and current dues. This makes them members in good standing—and entitled to a vote—and a place to play. Their dues gets them the vote and the vote gets them a diamond—somebody else's. Such as Torrance's for instance.

So some second-rate club composed of a bunch of "sluggers" who couldn't bat their way out of a wet paper sack, are sent to Torrance, For this exhibition local fans are expected to dole out hard-to-come-by cash. Nuts!

It is true that many of the homeless waits from Los Angeles can boast some fair "names." A few fans might turn out to see a former big league great perform at the local park IF they knew he was going to play. News releases, batting averages, pitching records, and similar tidbits which would whet the fans appetite have been harder to get from the S.C.B.M.A. than a ticket to the World Series.

Here's how the big leagues put their big mitt into the little pockets of the local fans. Nearly all of the big league young ball player. They want to see what he can do against some pretty fair pitching. So a game is scheduled. A good pitcher is ruing in. And the big league prospect is put into the visiting team's lineup. All this on Torrance's diamond.

You fans are then expected to fork up bread and but-

mond.
You fans are then expected to fork-up bread and butter money to watch this organized batting practice.
Who cares which team
wins?-What difference does; the
make if Torrance wins or
loses? There's no pennant at

A local fan drops in A local fan drops in at the park on a Sunday afternoon to watch some boy he knows do a little pitching. Maybe it is his neighbor—or his own kid. But the lineup is juggled to suit the needs of the scouts. To H··· with Joe Fan!

Swayne Johnson

Two weeks ago it appeared hopeful that local baseball interest—decidedly ailing, was about to receive a much needed shot in the arm.

Six teams, Huntington Park, Gardena, Hawthorne, Lynwood, South Gate, and Torrance, apparently fed up with the kind of treatment they were receiving from the S.C.B.M.A. broka away from the association and formed their own league. This was a blow to the association. They saw six ball parks suddenly snatched from their grasp. If these six clubs started playing on each other's diamonds what would happen to the six traveling clubs who would normally play on these diamonds.

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Swayae Johnson was told that if he joined this new Rio Hondo league, as it is called, he would be "black balled." The association later retracted this, saying that it "slipped out," "somebody talked out of turn." Apparently they tried to catch a fly with vinegar and catching none, they then tried

out," "somebody talked out of turn." Apparently they tried to catch a fly with vinegar and catching none, they then tried honey.

The new league, this writer feels, though pretty scattered, would stimulate local baseball interest. A winner could be named, playoffs staged, batting averages compiled and studied, a whole raft of advantages would appear to result from the formation of a regular league following a regular schedule. But Johnson had to abandon the idea because of the cost. Two teams would have to be fielded each Studay. A sort of minor and major league arrangement. This meant another set of uniforms. There just wasn't the cash available, So Johnson had to drop from the league just before he was scheduled to play his first game.

The S.C.B.M.A. seeing the strength behind such a move, made a counter proposal, If Johnson would hold off a little while the association would form a league. This sounds like it could mean good news for local fans. COULD mean good news, not necessarily does it mean that it 18 good news. If the uptown boys come out with some kind of a league that pits Pasadena, Arcadia, or some L.A. gang of ball players all of whom happer to live in the same apartment house, or some other nondescript team, the whole thing will be another fiasce.

It may follow that other teams such as Wilmington, San Pedro, Long Beach, Redondo and other LOCAL teams may not favor the idea of a Harbor-South Bay league but this writer can see a revitalized fan interest in the formation of a league comprised of such teams.

Many reksons have been given for the lack of interest in local baseball. Among them is "lack of publicity" Headlines, size and number, are governed by the interest of baseball minded readers. Stories generated by games at the city park at times have warranted headlines no larger than typewriter print, Fobbles, and curve balls pitched to local fans by the SC.B.M.A. have been largely responsible for this cold shoulder from Torrance ball fans.

While newspapers throughout the nation this week are b

baseball interest is at its lowest ebb in Torrance's long baseball history.

This seribe invites the sports editors of other papers in the area, Mil Chipp of the San Pedro News Plot, Bill Miller of the Redondo Beach Daily Breeze, Dick Zehms of the Long Beach Press-Pelegram and all other sports writers in the area, to help Joe Fan get off his back, onto his feet, and into the stands where he belongs—and likes to be,

The time has come for the S.C.B.M.A. to get off the Dime—or get off the dime-ond!

Pueblo Edged 13-7 in Local **Touchball Game** 

Touch football is here again.
The season opened at Fern Avenue Park Monday afternoon
when the Greens Gra-Y Club encertained the Puchlo boys in the
first game of the midget division.

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After a hard and thrilling game the Greens coached by Paul Shinoda, finally edged the Pueblo team 13-7. It would be very hard to pick any one boy for the star, it wan just good team play by both teams.

The Greens went out in front in, the first quarter when Dick Bentwood swept around right end behind 'effective blocking. The conversion was good on a short pass, Bob Lee to Fred Hitton. The Greens made it 13-0 in the second quarter when Bob Lee took a punt and ran it back for a touchdown, The play was good for about 30 yards.

After a little talk between halves, by their coach Hank Camou, the Pueblo team cameroaring back and scored quickly on successive passes from Rolly Rodrigues to Paul, Martinez The point after touchdown was good and from then of defensive play

by both teams/stopped further sporting.

The teams in the Junior division have one more week of practice before the seasoh starts next Monday. Marv Goettsch coach of the Streaks, had his boys out at Fern Monday for a chalk talk which was followed by hard serimmage.

### Leuzinger Opens **Bay Season With** Clean Record

As whistles blow this Priday night signaling the start of the Bay League scason for 1949 only one squad begins the year with an unblemished practice record.

Leuzinger, the dark horse in the Bay League goes to post in the Bay League Handicap with a record of 55 points scored against their opponents. Leuzinger is unscored on.

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Next in line comes the always potent Santa Monica with one win and a split victory they shared with Alhambra two weeks ago. Samohi has run up the very impressive total of 70 points in their two practice tilts. Al hambra's 32 points are the only ones scored against the '48 Bay League champs so far this season.

League champs so far this sea-son.

For late comers here is the rec-ord of what happened to Bay Leaguers last week and their record to date:

TORRANCE 0, Newport 34. Inglewood 14, Loyola 20. El-Segundo 33, Harvard 6. Beverly Hills 0, Monrovia 48. Santa Monica 38, Pomona 0, Redondo 7, Mt. Carmel 0, Jordan 0, L.B. Poly 13. Leuzinger 35, Oxnard 6.

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Leuiznger		0	
Santa Monica	1		1
TORRANCE	1'	1	-
Inglewood	1	1	. —
Redondo	. 1	1	
El Segundo	1		-
Beverly Hills	. 0	2	-
Jordan	0	2	

#### SCHEDULE BAY LEAGUE

October 7, 1949.

TORRANCE at Inglewood
Leuzinger at Redondo
Jordan at Santa Monica
El Segundo at Beverly Hills\*
October 14, 1949.

Santa Monica at TORRANCE
Beverly Hills at Leuzinger
Inglewood at Redondo
Jordan at El Segundo\*

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October 21, 1949

Beverly Hills at TORRANCE
Redondo, at Jordan
Leadings at Loglewood
El Segundo at Santa Morica

October 28, 1949
Lenzinger, at TORRANCE
Jordan at Inglewood
El Segundo at Redondo
El Segundo at Redondo
October 29, 1949

Beverlly Hills at Santa Monica

November 4, 1949 TORRANCE at El Segundo

Redondo at Beverly Hills

November 10 1949
Redondo at TORRANCE
Santa Monica at Leuzinger
El Segundo at Inglewood
November 11 1949
Beverly Hills at Jordan

November, 18, 1946
TORRANCE at Jordan
El Segundo at Leuzinger,
Redondo at Santa Monica
Inglewood at Beverly Hills

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