

Ordaz, Crawford Named to All-Bay League First Team

Holiday Crowds See Juniors Open League

A holiday crowd of more than 500 turned out last Wednesday to see the six teams of the newly formed Centinela Valley Junior Baseball league kick off the 1951 season in a nine-inning round robin of play which saw the teams representing the West beat the East 9-6.

Bluebirds Win Game in Breeze

The Torrance Bluebirds won their game from Trembley-Johnson Sunday and never lifted a bat. The Trembley-Johnson nine, members of the Long Beach Municipal Baseball league along with the Bluebirds, didn't show up for their game here Sunday.

The Bluebirds will meet the Wilmington Eagles here next Sunday. The Eagles have a 3-3 record in the league. Torrance has won five while losing only one—the first to the Long Beach Merchants.

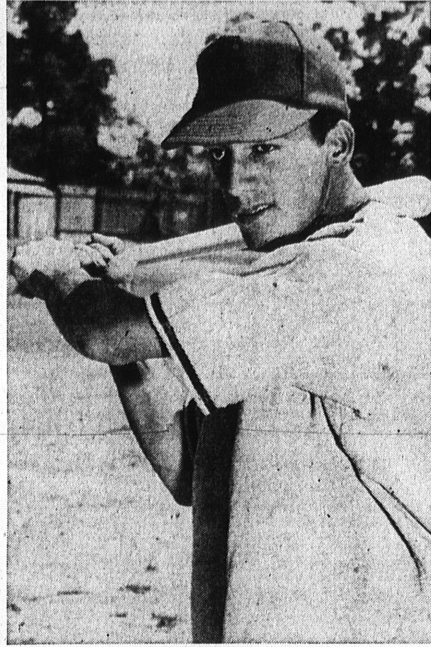
There will be a single-header here Sunday as the Juniors play at Gardena. The Juniors will be home again June 17 when they meet Harvard here. The Bluebirds will meet the Hod Carriers in the second game of the twin bill on that day.

Teams from the Harvard Playground, Hawthorne, and Culver City piled up nine runs on 10 hits to trounce Lynwood, Gardena, and Torrance who got their six runs on six hits.

Before the game got under way, James Van Dyck and his Torrance Area Youth Band entertained the Memorial Day crowd, and the Boy Scouts conducted a flag-raising ceremony. Mayor Bob Haggard threw in the first ball of the season, and City Manager George Stevens caught it. It should have counted for someone because it was a perfect strike.

Harvard and Lynwood started off the game with four runs apiece in the first three innings. Culver City and Gardena followed through with the Culver City lads blanking the Gardena 3-0 to make the score 7-4. Gardena was held hitless.

Torrance and Hawthorne wound up the baseball party with a 2-2 game to make the final score, West 9, East 6. All teams started regular league play Sunday following the opening.



VIC ORDAZ
... Iron Man Repeats



BILL CRAWFORD
... Hits First String

Six Tartars Named In Bay Selections

Center Fielder Victor Ordaz, and Shortstop Bill Crawford were named to the first-string All-Bay baseball team for 1951, it was announced last Friday.

It was the first year on the list for Crawford, a junior; but Ordaz repeated the honors given him last year as a sophomore.

First Baseman Jim Nady and Catcher Jim Taylor were named to the second string, and Second Baseman Jim Murphy was named to the third. Murphy is a sophomore. Honorable mention went to Pitcher Charlie Camou.

FIVE SENTINELS

Inglewood Sentinels, who swept the league with 13 wins against one loss, placed five men on the first string. El Segundo, Leuzinger, Santa Monica and Redondo each had one. Two catchers and four outfielders were named to the 11-man squad.

Coach Vern Wolfe, who brought the Tartars along with only one loss during the first round, will lose Nady and Taylor by graduation. Ordaz will be back next year, but will be ineligible to compete because of age.

Returning as seniors will be Crawford and Camou. Murphy will be a junior.

FIRST STRING

Outfield—Victor Ordaz (T), Les Mitchell (ES), Tom Barham (I), Alden Musus (SM); First Base—Bud Reagan (I); Second Base—Dick North (I); Third Base—Bob Neal (L); Shortstop—Bill Crawford (T); Catcher—John Stevenson (R); Pitcher—Jack Gubbins (D).

SECOND STRING

Infield—Ken Irving (BH).

Bill Bayne (R), Paul Zimmerman (BH).

First Base—Jim Nady (T), Second Base—Ernie Neal (SM); Third Base—Bill Floyd (ES); Short Stop—Millard Paxton (SM).

Catcher—Jim Taylor (T), Bob Selden (L), Mike Sullivan (BH); Pitcher—Bob Hoyt (BH).

THIRD STRING

Outfield—Johnny Johnson (M), Gubbins (I), Sandy Lederman (SM), A. D. Williams (SM); First Base—Dave Kagan (SM); Second Base—Jim Murphy (T); Third Base—Don Cornell (I); Shortstop—Ken Swearingen (R).

Catcher—Bill Dorricott (ES); Catcher—Jim Everage (SM); Pitcher—Ron Reusser (ES); Pitcher—Leonard Cassillas (SM).

HONORABLE MENTION

Outfield—Epler (BH), Lester (L), Flaherty (I); First Base—Brown (BH); Third Base—Becker (MC); Paxton (SM); Shortstop—Goodfellow (ES); Jones (BH), Cruesser (I); Pitchers—Camou (T), Bevans (ES), Burlingame (I), Kulpaca (R), Kell (R), Watson (R).

El Camino Leaper Third Best in State

Lynne Frantz leaped 6 ft. 1 1/2 in. in the State track and field finals Saturday night at East Los Angeles to place in a four-way tie for third in the high jump. He was the only El Camino thinned to place in the meet.

Los Angeles City College annexed the team championship, while Glendale and Compton were just a few points behind.

Grijalva Finishes Race In Hospital After Smash

Torrance's own jalopy pilot, Bill Grijalva wound up in the hospital instead of the winners circle he was trying for in the Carrell Speedway "Poor Man's 500" Memorial Day.

Grijalva took his ride to the hospital as a result of a seven-car smashup at the end of 32 laps. He was released later and is reported feeling better now. He was bruised in the smash.

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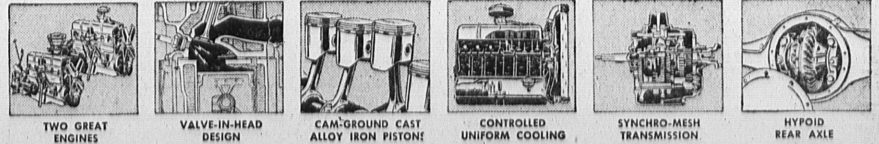


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