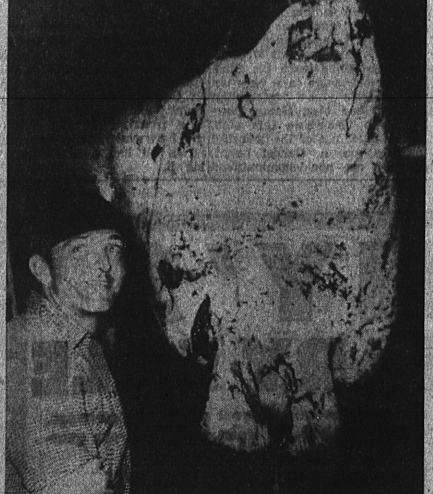


ROD and GUN
Torrence Rod and Gun Club
Chatter



FROM THE DEEP . . . Fred Bickar of the Torrence Rod and Gun Club, fought the briny deep for the monster stinger shown above, and the fight was well worth it. The stinger weighs in at 196 lbs. and has great chances of taking a Southern California Button Association award trophy. Fred landed it in Wednesday of last week at Newport Bay.

By DONNA BARKDULL
Unpredictable weather dampened deep sea angling somewhat last week, but boats operating still managed to pick up a few barrels in the channel and haul out of local banks, plus the usual catches of bass.
If anything, the downpour improved surf fishing with whoppers landed from Sunday on when 703 ardent anglers swamped the beachfront from San Diego to beyond Santa Barbara, competing in the Redondo Rod and Gun Fish Derby. Winning trophy went to the West Los Angeles Sport Fishing Club whose team of five men landed their limit of 50 fish and had a total weight of 69 and 3/4 lbs. beating out the Gardena Valley Rod and Gun, whose team also limited out but had a total weight of 68 lbs. 9 oz.
Third spot was taken by a team from the Garden Grove Rod and Gun with a total of 61 lbs. 7 oz. of barred perch. The Torrence Rod and Gun came in a hefty seventh. Top catch of the derby was landed by A. Cole fishing for the National Rod and Gun, going two lbs. 15 oz. Second largest was taken by Fred Bickar of the Torrence club, going two lbs. 14 1/2 oz. All in all, there were 833 barrels of fish checked in at the Redondo club house Sunday afternoon that were taken between 6 a.m. and 3 p.m. that same day. Bouquets to the members of the Redondo Rod and Gun who worked hard and long so their derby would again go off with out a hitch and the several hundred anglers competing in an

apertments who made the derby a success!
A fleet of small skiffs was seen anchored around the green light in Newport Bay last Wednesday and Thursday nights, after Ben Smith broke his rod on a monstrous stinger Tuesday. Sharp winds fought Fred Bickar as he struggled for over an hour before bringing to gaff a giant 126 lb rat-tail on 27 lb. test line Wednesday night. The next night more anglers saw Ray Hawks land a dandy 60 pounder and Roy Smith horse in one going 74 lbs.
Since the Torrence Rod and Gun skunked the National Club in a stinger derby a couple of weeks ago, the Gardena Club let it be known that it couldn't happen to them, so naturally Torrence challenged them to a stinger derby, which will take place this Saturday night in Newport Bay. In fact, Torrence is so confident of winning that they are only sending down five female members to compete against the male team from the Gardena Club. What a battle that will be!

Lions Win Loop Title
The Lions Club No. 1 team won the championship of the Torrence Recreation Men's Handicap Bowling League Monday night at Torrence Bowl, the Mayfair Creamery team was second and the Optimists third.
WATER FLOW
Water flows over Niagara Falls at an average rate of 212,000 cubic feet per second, computations indicate.

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Tartars Win Cross City Baseball Feud

Deluge Fails To Daunt Babe Ruth League Signees

Despite rains, 23 boys turned out at Torrence Park Saturday to register for the new "Babe Ruth" baseball league for youth from 13 to 15, which will open play here this summer.
Registration will continue for the next two Saturdays at the park from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Boys should bring a birth certificate to prove their age, league spokesmen said, and should bring a copy of the birth certificate, if possible.
The copy will be filed in National Babe Ruth headquarters. Howard Miller, league treasurer, said that boys do not have to bring a copy to registration with them if they do not have one, but should bring their regular birth certificate, if they can. The new league will use regulation baseball equipment and will follow national baseball rules. Deadline for registration is April 10.
Fathers of boys interested in the league meet each Thursday night at the YMCA and additional help is needed in laying the groundwork for the league, Miller said.

Serra Sluggers Working on Ten Game Win Streak

Junipero Serra's red hot baseball team has toted up a string of 10 straight victories and with the help of three local hotels hopes to take the Catholic League title this season.
The local trio who provided much of the steam in the Gardena high school's victory streak are Don Ziemke, left fielder, who was chosen on the All-Catholic team last year and who is rapping a mean .400 this season; Jerry Urbe, a gun-armed catcher who has allowed only one stolen base in ten games; and James Cowden, rangy right fielder.
The Serra team is coached by Chuck Schoendienst, brother of Red Schoendienst, St. Louis Cards' second sacker.
The ten-game hinge is the longest in Serra's four-year history. One of the ten victims was Torrence High, which succumbed 15-3 on Feb. 23.

Cycles To Go 100 Laps At Carrell Track

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Kegling At Torrence Bowl

WED. NIGHT MIXED FIVESOME 26th Week

No.	Team	Won	Lost
1	Yurp's Cafe	7	2
2	Good Lovers	5	4
3	Torrence Tea Ves	5	4
4	Harvey Machine	4	5
5	Harvey W.	4	5
6	Knolls Drug	4	5
7	Millers Operation	4	5
8	Team No. 3	3	6

WEEKLY HIGH SCRATCH Team No. 7
High Team Series Team No. 7
High Team Game Team No. 7
Ind. H. Game (W) B. Alor
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FRIDAY NIGHT LADIES HANDICAP 24th Week

No.	Name	Won	Lost
1	Schultz & Peckham	7	2
2	Bickar Electric	5	4
3	Ruth's Sew. Shoppe	5	4
4	N. Tor. Fuchsia Soc.	4	5
5	Team No. 1	3	6
6	Team No. 2	3	6
7	Team No. 7	2	7

WEEKLY HIGH SCRATCH Team No. 8
High Team Series Team No. 8
High Team Game Team No. 8
Ind. High Series E. Lowrey
Ind. High Game E. Rippey

MONDAY NIGHT MEN'S HANDICAP 26th Week

No.	Team	Won	Lost
1	Team No. 7	7	2
2	Schwartz Men's Store	4	5
3	Precision Equipment	4	5
4	Greater Torrence Mkt	4	5
5	Bus Drivers	4	5
6	Harvey Machine	4	5
7	Torrence Auto Parts	3	6
8	Harvey Experimental	2	7

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Ind. High Series E. Baker
Ind. High Game F. Huffins



COMING AT YOU . . . Too old for Little Leagues and too young for American Legion baseball, these youths have found a home in the Babe Ruth League, formerly the Little Bigger League, a national baseball organization for boys 13-15 which Torrence will join this summer. Shown above are members of the All-Star team that played for the District Championship at Pasadena in 1953.

Slo-Pitch Meet Slated Tomorrow

First meeting of the season for representatives of the city industrial softball league was to be held last night and Slo-Pitch team officials will gather tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock at the Recreation Office, 1347 El Prado.
Scheduling times and possible changes in league age limits will be discussed at the meeting and all Slo-Pitch representatives should attend, according to Red Moon, city athletic director.

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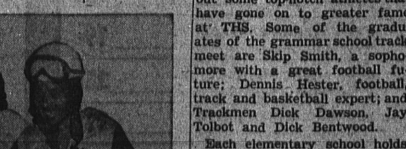
BICYCLES BUILT FOR THREE . . . Brad Andres, left, and Chuck Basney will pilot their cycles along a specially-built course at Carrell Speedway Sunday in the big AMA 100-lap motorcycle race. There will also be four 15-man six-lap heat races and a four-man three-lap trophy dash. Thirty-two riders are slated to go in the 100-lap main event. The girl? Sha's Rocky Bender of Inglewood.

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DICK CARROW
Former Tartar Makes Good
His specialty is a driving jump-put from about 25 feet in front of the basket. Shooting from this position almost constantly this season, Carrow dropped in 126 of 311 attempts for a 40.5 field goal average.

LEads In Free Throws
A 740 per cent. shooting average at the free throw line put Dick far and above the rest of his team in that column as he dropped in 71 out of 98 attempts in 25 games.
Less personal fouls were called on Carrow in 25 games this season than any other starting member of the College of Idaho squad. He averaged only 2.6 fouls per game and was disqualified on that count only once.
Ann to top it all off, the little man from Torrence was headed in the scoring department only by the Coyotes' great center, R. C. Owens, who countered 23.5 tallies per game this season. Carrow scored 223 points in 25 games for a 12.9 shooting average. As his coach, Sam Volkes puts it, "That is good scoring considering that Dick is our playmaker and hesitates to shoot when he can let someone else do it."

Insurance Man To Attend Arrowhead Sales Seminar

Donald P. Lemon, Torrence representative for the Prudential Insurance Company of America, will attend a sales seminar at the Arrowhead Springs hotel, San Bernardino, April 4 to 10.
The purpose of the seminar is to augment knowledge of Prudential representatives for greater service to policyholders and the general public. Courses in advanced underwriting subjects will be conducted by Home instructors.
OLDEST CITIES
Argentina's two oldest cities, San Juan and Mendoza, were founded in 1561 and 1562 by colonists who came from Chile.

Smith's Blast In Last Helps THS Beat NHS

Burt Smith's clothes line double into right center with two aboard in the last frame saved the day for Torrence High School in the annual cross-town baseball argument with rival Narbonne Tuesday afternoon at Peck Park in San Pedro.
Trailing 5-3 going into the last inning, the Tartars came through with three runs to win it 6-5. After Sherwood Tiernan, batting for Jim Haworth, got on on a miscue and Dave Drakowski did likewise, Walt McHenry advanced both runners with a ground out and set them up for Smith's blast, his third of the day and second double.
As an anti-climax, but a rewarding one, Ron Anderson stepped up to the dish and clouted a single to right center scoring Smith with the clincher.
Narbonne got four runs on four blooperish hits in the fourth inning that fell just beyond the outstretched gloves of Tartar fielders.
Anderson twirled the last two innings and blanked the Gauchos with no runs and no hits, whiffing four. The Tartars were rained out again against Sarnoff Wednesday and Redondo today.

Torrance Cage Squads Out Of Muni Playoffs

Both Torrence teams have been bumped out of the Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation basketball playoffs.
Torrence . . . 011 100 3-6 8 5
Narbonne . . . 010 400 0-5 7 2
Ollogue, Vanderpool (4), Anderson (6) and Drakowski, Ollogue (4).

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