

# Torrance In Close Tourney Win

## Former Warrior, Harbor Gridders On San Jose State Football Team

A pair of football stars, who rolled up impressive stats while with junior college teams in this area, are listed as outstanding prospects for the current San Jose State grid eleven.

According to Dan Hill, chief of the SJS Athletic News Bureau, Don Greco, a halfback who captained the El Camino Warrior squad which went to the Junior Rose Bowl in 1954, and Pete Galloni, who starred at Harbor JC, are counted on to help the Spartans cause this fall. Greco is listed by Hill as the best defensive back on the team.

Galloni, who calls Lomita his home, prepped at St. Anthony High in Long Beach before attending Harbor JC. He is a

5'10", 180-pound junior at Spartansville, who hails from Inglewood, was a first stringer on Norm Verry's rugged Warrior squad last year. The shifty back is a junior.

Bill Parton, Torrancia athlete who starred on the gridiron for San Jose State in 1947, still holds one of the school's major individual grid marks. He is credited with the longest punt return in Spartan history, traveling 90 yards with a returned kick in the 1947 San Jose-San Diego State contest.

Billy presently is coaching at Stockton College.

The 1955 Spartans will launch their schedule Sept. 16 at Logan, Utah, against Utah State.

## Torrance Has 3 Gridders on LBSC Team

Three Torrancia athletes have been listed on the first football squad at Long Beach State College, which faces a seven game schedule.

Coach Mike DeLotto welcomed 45 gridders to football practice last week. The 1955 season will mark the first time in history the LBSC 49ers have fielded a grid squad.

Tom Faren, a 175-pound fullback, halfback Russ Swigart, and Jim Smith, 6'2", 195-pound candidate, are the local gridders on the team.

Coach DeLotto and assistants, Bob Pestolesi and Bob Downey, trot out their charges or their first game on Sept. 3, when the 49ers tangle with Occidental at the Eagle Rock campus.

Subsequent games find the Long Beach collegians meeting rugged opposition, including Verne College, Oct. 1; California Baptist, Oct. 7; Cal Tech, Oct. 22; Pomona-Clearmont, Oct. 29; Cal Poly, San Dimas, Nov. 10; and University of California, Santa Barbara, Nov. 19.

## Ask Sportsmen to Heed State Officials' Appeal

In view of the present extreme forest fire danger, the Department of Fish and Game has addressed an urgent appeal to hunters and fishermen to double their fire precautions while in the woods.

Conditions of high temperatures, low humidity and tinder-dry forests during the past few days have created one of the worst fire situations in years.

"Forest fires not only destroy valuable timber, but can ruin a fine trout stream or game habitat," a Department spokesman said.

"Sportsmen are robbing themselves of future hunting and fishing by being careless with fire," he concludes.

## OBSERVATION CLASS MOVED TO EL RETIRO

The child observation course originally scheduled at McMaster Park will be held instead at El Retiro Park, Pacific Coast Hwy. and Vista del Parque Adult Education Principal Raymond E. Collins announced Friday.

The class will be offered at the same time on Wednesday from 9 to 12 noon, starting this week. Construction work at McMaster Park forced the move, he said.

## Plane Ticket Stolen

Don Sydam, 211 E. 8th St., Santa Ana, reported the theft from his car Saturday night of a sports coat and an airline ticket to San Jose, Calif., to Torrancia, Police.

He said his car was parked on Carson, between Cabrillo and Gramery at the time of the theft.



TOP THREE TOSSERS... Ray Grieshaber, left, Bob Walker, center, and Jim Powers, draw bead during opening of North High grid practice sessions. All three are vying for tailback berth on Saxon squad, which is first in new school's

history. Northerners spent first day in punting and signal drills at their adopted practice home, El Camino College field. Powers is a senior at the new NHS, while both Grieshaber and Walker are juniors.



HAUL IT AWAY... That's what North High Coach Cliff Graybehl, right, hopes tackles Bill Warren, left, and Bob Turner will do to the opposition when the Saxons open their grid schedule Sept. 30. Warren and Turner are two of four big tackles counted on by Graybehl to carry the line load for the Saxons. Warren and Turner prepare to smash into blocking cart, during the first day of practice Friday.

## Toastmasters Plan Meeting On Sept. 20

The Toastmasters Club of Torrancia will meet at the Fish Shanty Restaurant, 4004 Pacific Coast Hwy., at 7 p.m., on Tuesday, Sept. 20.

The program will be highlighted by Scott Albright, the toastmaster of the evening, who resides at 2512 Sierra Way.

The program will be highlighted by new ideas received from the Toastmasters International Convention, held recently in Los Angeles.

According to Frank Corbett, president, the club will meet on the first and third Tuesday evenings of the month for the remainder of the year.

He also stated that any organization in this area wishing speakers for evening appearances should contact their local Toastmasters Club, at 2156 W. 240 St., Lomita, or phone DA 6-0250.

## Tool Theft Reported

Theft of \$40 worth of tools and a check from his garage was reported to police Thursday by Milo Fisher, 19305 Anza Ave.

## Bluebirds Top LA Red Sox In SoCal Tourney

Torrancia Bluebirds swept by the Los Angeles Red Sox, 7-5, Wednesday night at Watts Playground to move into the consolation finals of the Southern California Municipal Baseball Association tourney.

They met their old Harbor League enemy, San Pedro Starlink, yesterday at Wrigley Field for the consolation title.

Torrancia and San Pedro have met twice this season. Both games were Harbor League contests. The locals won the first tilt, on July 17, by an 8-6 count. The San Pedrans roared back to take the final contest between the two squads, 12-9, on Aug. 21.

## TARTAR GRID SQUAD HIT BY INJURIES

Injuries hit the Torrancia High Tartar Varsity grid eleven on Friday as the THS squad capped its first week of practice with a rugged session.

Coaches Don Porter and Jack Miller have scheduled two-a-day practice sessions today and tomorrow before the start of the regular fall term at the school, on Wednesday. After Wednesday, the Tartars will work daily from approximately 2 p.m. on, Porter said.

A painful charley horse put halfback Craig Edman out of action for an undetermined period, Porter said Saturday. Porter indicated that if the injury doesn't clear up soon, he will take Edman to USC for treatment by the Trojans' capable trainer, Kearny Reib.

Right end Tom Wilkins came up with a wrenched knee, but coaches don't think it will keep the rugged performer out of action too long. Wilkins has been set for a first string berth in the Tartar forward wall.

Right end Tom Kuhn suffered a knee bruise Friday, but should be ready to resume workouts early this week, Porter went on.

Although it was thought at first that Herm Cobrea had suffered a more serious injury, the Tartar quarterback will be laid up for a short time only. He suffered a slightly cracked wristbone and although it is wrapped in a cast, doctors say he should be available for practice this week also.

Porter said that the Tartars will continue their work this week on offensive play pattern. He hopes to finish introduction of split "T" plays this week, then drill exclusively on offensive and defensive play next week.

The Tartars open their slate Sept. 23, against Glendale Hoover High, on the local field. Porter heaped praise on the work of the Tartars' two top QBs, Bill Meacham and Charley Valencia. First team Meacham has added lots of speed since last year, the mentor said, and Valencia is counted on to back him up.

Valencia has shown good ball-handling ability to date.

Coaches Porter and Miller have scheduled a gamewatch scrimmage Saturday on the THS field. Time for the scrum, which will be the first real test for the Tartars, has not been set yet, but the action will take place in the morning.

## Abram Opens At Tackle For Trojans

Fabian Abram, 215-pound tackle from Redondo, is the only griddler from this area to rate a starting nod from Coach Jess Hill for the SC Trojans in their season opener Saturday against Washington State in the Coliseum.

Abram, who last year anchored the line for El Camino's Junior Rose Bowlers, will start at right tackle.

Dick Enright, Gardena, will see plenty of action at left tackle. Hill said, although veteran George Belotti is slated to start.

Fullbacks Don Kasten, Torrancia, and Bob Isaacson, Gardena, and quarterback Bill Peterson, Gardena, complete the list of Trojan Varsity members from this area.

## Baton Class Starts Again On Saturday

The Torrancia Area Youthettes Baton Twirling Corps will start its fifth year this Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the Civic Auditorium.

Open to both girls and boys from five to 18, the group is instructed by Rod White, nationally known baton twirling authority, and his partner, Natalie Houghton.

The Youthettes make appearance at various local parades and civic events with the Torrancia Area Youth Band, led by James Van Dyck. During the next year, the twirling corps has been invited to parade with the Long Beach Concert Band.

Any youngsters interested in beginning or advanced group baton or flag twirling and marching may attend the Saturday morning classes.

## Lt. John M. Brown Ends Ordnance Class

First Lt. John M. Brown, son of Thomas F. Brown, 1003 Greenidge St., recently was graduated from the Ordnance School at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

Lieutenant Brown completed the school's automotive repair and maintenance course.

The lieutenant entered the Army in 1947 and completed basic training at Fort Ord, Calif. He is a veteran of service in the Far East.

A graduate of Fremont High School, Los Angeles, he was employed by the Lande Engineering Co., Los Angeles, in civilian life.

An average American eats about 100 pounds more food than he did in the late 1920's, but because of more carefully regulated diets, the increase calories is about the same.

## Visitor Reports Theft Of Purse From Beach

A San Francisco visitor reported to Torrancia Police that someone took her purse Wednesday afternoon, while she was enjoying an outing at Torrancia Beach.

Joy Camgross, of the Bay Area city, said the purse contained a wrist watch, two cigarette lighters, two pair of glasses and her wallet.

## Powers Displays Speed In Drills

Coach Cliff Graybehl took an optimistic outlook toward the coming Pioneer League season Friday, after the first day of drills for the North High Saxons, first team in the school's history.

Graybehl, former mentor at Torrancia High, said he was pleased with the speed of tailback Jim Powers, who until now hasn't played any high school football.

Powers, a sprinter and broad jumper on the Torrancia Tartar track team last spring, has shown blazing speed, according to Graybehl.

Doug Irvine, Ray Grieshaber, Bobby Turner and Paul Carrico are other backfield standouts.

Irvine, who also is without previous grid experience, has a natural defensive ability to smother passes, the coach said. He has speed and has shown that he can kick the ball, too.

Grieshaber is probably the outstanding passer on the team.

## Fees Slated To Return From Naval Sea Duty

Jack E. Fees, metallurgy third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell A. Fees of 1827 Reynosa Dr., is scheduled to return here Sept. 23 aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Oriskany.

During her third tour of duty in the Far East, the carrier won the Navy "E" for "battle efficiency" tests and operations.

## Thieves Take Car Hub Caps

Car strippers inflicted loss on two cars, one owned by a Torrancia policeman, in separate incidents Wednesday and Thursday here, officials have reported.

Officer Raymond Silagy told fellow workers Thursday two front hub caps were taken from his 1955 model automobile. Looks from the car's two rear hub caps were stolen too, he said.

O. Borden, of Lomita, reported to police that all four hub caps were taken from his car, while it was parked Wednesday afternoon at Torrancia Beach.

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## CAR CLUBBERS

News of Torrancia Police Car Club Assn.

Plans were discussed at the last meeting of the TFCCA for a safety check. Date for the check was set at Sept. 18. It would be wonderful if we could interest some of the parents and other older adults to participate in this activity.

On Sept. 11 a combination Weiner roast and swim party was held at the Hollywood Riviera Club. Our thanks go to Mr. McNaughton for the use of the club's facilities. A road caravan to the club for the evening started on El Prado by the City Hall at 7 p.m., the cars going in a group to the club, car positions being determined from drawing from a hat.

The "Prowlers" are busy these days, announcing the pur right now. Best ends are Dave Campbell and Gene Daimler. Today and tomorrow the Saxons will spend the morning, 10-12 sessions at THS, and the afternoon sessions, 3-5:30, at El Camino College. When school starts Wednesday, the North High squad of 33 will move to El Camino for afternoon practice sessions.

The Saxons will accompany the Varsity to the El Camino practices, starting Wednesday.

Bob Allen, a 185-pounder, is the leading center aspirant

chase of another car for their club. This car will be built into one suitable for drag-strip activities.

Incidentally, the "Sharters" have come in first in the last two events of the association. Come on you younger members. Don't let the oldsters show you up!

All of us wish to welcome Oscar Manias, as the sponsor of the "Chiefs." Congratulations to the Chiefs for their addition to the club. The "Chiefs" are also welcoming home their president and vice president from Camp Roberts where they took part in the National Guard maneuvers.

The "Chiefs" held initiation for all of their new members Wednesday, Aug. 24. Looks like the "Chasers" are going to be top membership club in the Association. You other clubs better look sharp and grow. There was a party held at the Schumert home last Friday night at which most of the "Chasers" were present.

All news pertaining to the drag strip for Torrancia is still in the far future, but director, Officer Buck (Surre Shot) Ingram, is still working up a storm, and we hope to have definite news soon.—B.M.

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