

## Douglas Employee Leaves to Follow Cage Career at Denver University

A former Denver University cager, who left school for financial reasons and has been working at the Torrance by location of Douglas Aircraft Inc., left his position with Douglas Friday for Denver to resume his athletic and educational career.

Jim Powell, who was employed in the receiving department at the Torrance facility, will return to Denver U. on an athletic scholarship.

**Poly High Ace**  
Jim first gained athletic prominence at Los Angeles Poly High School, where he set an all-time city mark by averaging 28.9 points a contest. He was captain of the Poly Varsity, which took the city cage title two of the three years he was on the squad.

Following prep school, Powell entered Los Angeles City College, where he was named a Junior College All-American. During his first year at LACC, he led the Cub's quintet to the Western States Conference championship.

**Left School**  
He went from City College to

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**JIM POWELL**  
... Douglas Torner

Denver, but was forced to leave school to support his wife and two children.

Powell had worked at the Torrance Douglas plant for the past 18 months. He is eligible for Varsity cage competition this year at Denver. A member school of the Skyline Conference, the Denver five will head for the Southland early in the season for games with UCLA, Dec. 9, and SC, Dec. 10, in Los Angeles.

**STADIUM**  
SUN.-MON.-TUES.  
CORNEL WILDE  
MICHAEL WILDING  
"The Scarlet Coat"  
— Plus —  
RICHARD TODD in  
"The Dam Busters"

## Swim Program Results Told To Kiwanians

A total of 612 Torrance youngsters participated in the learn-to-swim program this year, of whom 111 received certificates. Recreation Director Harry Van Bellehem told the Kiwanis Club last Monday night.

The program is jointly sponsored by the Recreation Department and the Kiwanis Club.

Average daily attendance at the program was 587, he said, with a total attendance at the four-week, Tuesday and Thursday program of 4996. Although no accidents were reported, the department had little trouble with straying children, he reported. The program was for all local youngsters between 6 and 12 years old.

Only two major problems were encountered, he declared. On the first and last days of the program, the weather was very warm drawing an outside crowd which prevented some youngsters from using the water. Another hitch developed when, due to breakdowns of Torrance buses; Gardena buses had to be used, Van Bellehem explained.

He praised the work of Bus Superintendent Marshall Chamberlain and recreation leaders Tony Gallo, Marco Wright, and Vern Clary, who headed the swimming program.

Van Bellehem also outlined future programs, which will be held in the Torrance Municipal Plunge, which is expected to be finished by next summer. A Kiwanis committee of Ted Meir, Don Hitchcock, and Joe Doss was appointed to study future programs in the new pool.

## Forest Fires, Heat Slow Deer Returns

Continuing hot weather throughout Southern California and serious fires in Santa Barbara County have so far resulted in an overall drop of 10 per cent in the south Coastal area deer harvest compared to last season's record take at this time, reports the Department of Fish and Game.

The Coastal season ended yesterday.

In the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and Ventura the deer take thus far has been almost identical to that of last year. In Santa Barbara County, however, deer tag returns are running 22 per cent behind those of 1954.

As of the 84th day of the current season, tag returns for the five counties totaled 2,307 as compared with 2,560 at the same time last year.

The deer harvest by counties is as follows, with this season's figures listed first: Los Angeles 748 and 744; Orange 113 and 117; Riverside 51 and 66; Santa Barbara 778 and 994; Ventura 622 and 639.

In spite of the hot weather, this year's deer harvest is running second only to last year's all-time record returns. In the four southern counties on which returns can be compared, the 1955 take is 158 deer ahead of 1953 tag returns on the same date.

The very small portion of San Diego County added to the Coastal season this year has so far produced 96 deer. Most of San Diego County is in the inland deer season which opens Sept. 24 and continues through Oct. 30.

# THS Set for Grid Opener

**TORRANCE HERALD**  
*Sports*

Four TORRANCE HERALD SEPT. 19, 1955



(Herald Photo) SCRIMMAGE ACTION . . . Bill Meacham, White team quarterback, hands off to fullback Skip Smith, ABOVE, in Red-White scrimmage session Saturday at THS field. BELOW, Smith puts boot to extra point after registering Whites' second score by hauling in long pass. Meacham sets to hold the ball. It was first big scrum of season for Tartar eleven.

## Normandale Sets Touch Grid Loops

Touch football leagues are forming this week at Normandale Playground, under the supervision of director Y. F. Hammatt and the Los Angeles City Recreation and Parks Department.

Hammatt said that any group of boys, numbering from 10 to 15, may enter as a team. They must have an adult coach, however.

The director stated that all the youngsters need to do is to register with him sometime this week.

Leagues will be formed for boys in the 12 and under bracket, boys 13 and 14 and youngsters 15 and 16. The league for the youngest group will be called the Midget League, with the 13 and 14-year-olds playing in the Junior circuit and the oldest participants playing in the Senior League.

Seven-man teams will be formed for play in each league.

## 50 TORRANCE KIDS ROLLING WITH SPEED SKATING GROUP

About 50 Torrance kids practice every Friday evening and Sunday afternoon at the Torrance Roller-drome as members of the local speed club, a roller skating outfit that thrives on race competition for youngsters.

The kids, in the 6 to 18 age groups, have not only formed the Torrance Speed Club but have met other skating teams in match races. Teams from Redondo, Los Angeles and Westchester have joined with the Torrance unit in race competition.

The club was started the first of the year and reflects the growing popularity of the roller skate racing as a sport.

**Regular Meetings**  
Torrance, Redondo, Westchester and Los Angeles Speed Clubs are competing regularly in four-team programs. Certain point awards are given to each team, according to the number of members who place in a given race. At the end of the year, trophies are awarded to the winning teams and individual skaters—those with the highest number of points.

Youngsters are divided into three age groups for the races, 6 to 11, juvenile; 11 to 15, junior; and 15 to 18, senior.

Right now, juveniles Bobby Maddock and Sandra Swearingen are the leading skaters for Torrance. Both placed in recent regional competition. Young Maddock took first in Juvenile "A" Boys standings, and Miss Swearingen was the second place winner in Juvenile "A" Girls racing. The regional meet, for skaters in all western states, was held in Fresno.

**Missed Nationals**  
By winning, Maddock became eligible for the national tournament at Toledo, O., but could not scrap up expenses to make the trip.

Other top Torrance skaters include Sally Dubin, Marsha Clarke and Jean Wunderlich, all 14, and Frank Burns, Andy Welmer and Roger Maddock, all 13 years old.

According to a club spokesman, Torrance meets its roughest test on the race floors from a good Redondo team. Coached by Spec Sanders, of Roller Derby fame, the Redondos boast a myriad of speed skaters, yet have only beaten Torrance once in their last three meetings.

## Offense Tops In Scrum

Torrance's Tartar Varsity banged heads for two full hours Saturday morning on the THS athletic field in preparation for Friday's season opener with Glendale Hoover here.

Coaches Don Porter and Jack Miller seemed pleased with the offensive surges of both the Reds and Whites, as the White eleven came through with a 21-3 victory.

Bill Meacham's passing and the running of halfback John Gomez and fullback Skip Smith highlighted the Whites' win. Meacham passed for touchdowns to end Tony Ward and Smith, twice. Both of Smith's catches came on plays where the big fullback was placed as a flanker, with Meacham rolling out on the split "T" optional play and hitting the big back on sideline tosses.

**Talented Toe**  
Smith proved to be an ace conversion specialist, too. He split the uprights on all three occasions for the winners.

Neither squad could come up with long gainers on the ground. Running plays were limited to short thrusts through the middle and keeper plays by Meacham.

Porter and Miller switched the first string backfield—Meacham, Smith, Gomez and halfback Tom Holmes—to the Red squad toward the end of the scrum. This combination, working behind the second string line, scored the only TD for the Reds.

Meacham passed to Smith from 35 yards out for the score. Smith's attempted placement was blocked by a hard-charging White line.

**Top Linemen**  
Linemen Butch Hazel, center; Jerrel Wilkins, tackle; and Ward at end, played outstandingly on both offense and defense for the Whites.

Charley Valencia, at quarterback, ran the Red squad for the majority of the scrimmage. The two THS coaches will trot their charges out on the THS field Friday night for the season liftoff with a questionable Glendale Hoover team.

Practice this week will be concerned chiefly with polishing offensive plays. A lot of work on defense will be spent this week, too, Porter said.

## KEGLING

Marie Fears, employee of the Torrance Safeway Store, scored high individual game and series for women Tuesday night as a special league for nearby Safeway stores opened at the Torrance Bowl.

Marie topped single game scorers with a 168 and had a high series mark of 830.

**SAFEWAY LEAGUE**

Team 4	.....	W L
Team 8	.....	4 0
Team 6	.....	3 1
Team 1	.....	3 1
Team 2	.....	3 1
Team 5	.....	1 3
Team 7	.....	1 3
Team 3	.....	0 4
THS—Team 6	.....	2053
THG—Team 6	.....	754
IHS—Women: M. Fears	.....	380
IHS—Men: Al Const	.....	491
IHG—Women: M. Fears	.....	168
IHG—Men: John Kent	.....	184

**WEDNESDAY FIVESOME**

Team 8	.....	W L
Team 4	.....	3 1
Team 2	.....	3 1
Team 5	.....	2 2
Team 6	.....	2 2
Team 1	.....	1 3
Team 3	.....	1 3
Team 7	.....	1 3
THS—Team 8	.....	870
THG—Team 3	.....	870
IHS—Women: A. Kelfert	.....	450
IHS—Men: Gene Greger	.....	477
IHG—Women: C. Schirmer	.....	177
IHG—Men: J. Fursuvelo	.....	100

**LADIES HANICAP**

Team 7	.....	W L
Torrance Hobby	.....	3 1
Team 3	.....	3 1
Bickar Electric	.....	2 2
Le Mar Beauty	.....	2 2
Team 8	.....	1 3
Team 6	.....	1 3
Team 4	.....	1 3
THS—Torrance Hobby	.....	2427
THG—Torrance Hobby	.....	834
IHS—Marty McGinnis	.....	423
IHG—Doris Hayton	.....	171

**RECREATION LEAGUE**

Mayfair	.....	W L
Elks 1	.....	1 0
Legion 1	.....	3 1
Lions 1	.....	2 2
Legion 2	.....	2 2
Lions 2	.....	1 3
Elks 2	.....	0 4
Moose	.....	0 0
THS—Lions 1	.....	2312
THG—Legion 1	.....	919
IHS—Slabotsky	.....	800
IHG—Slabotsky	.....	800

## FAIR PRESENTS RICH TURF SCHEDULE

Horse racing with a big time touch came to the Los Angeles County Fair Friday as the 14-day fall meeting swung into action.

With more than 900 equines bedded down in the stable area, Racing Secretary Jack Glendowry hopes to present the finest turf display in the history of the Fair.

Pomona will offer 12 races daily, designed to fit all tastes. There'll be two harness races, two quarter horse dashes and eight contests for the thoroughbreds, with a first post time daily of 12:30 p.m.

A glittering array of seven stakes will be decided at the 14-day season which runs through Oct. 1 on a six-day week basis. Heading the feature is the lucrative \$20,000 added Southern California Handicap, for three-year-olds and up at a mile and a furlong.

The rich Inaugural Handicap, on Friday, and the Governor's Handicap, Saturday, launched the opening week end's slate of the Fair track in Pomona.

Horses will meet on the track every day, except Sunday, during the meetings.

**ROUND THE TURN** . . . Thoroughbreds were off and running Friday as the 14-day Los Angeles County Fair race program got under way. Harness and quarter-horse racing will augment thoroughbred racing at the annual exposition. Twelve races are set for each day, except Sunday, with the highlight of the meeting being the \$20,000 added Southern California Handicap at a mile and one-eighth on closing day, Oct. 1.

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