

American Trips North Torrance In Tournament

LITTLE LEAGUE TOURNEY UNDER WAY

Nat Homers Stop Pacific, 9-2

A barrage of homers and the blazing no-hit pitching of Jim Cairns vaulted the Torrance American Little League All-Stars over their North Torrance rivals yesterday, 9-0, at Dominguez Field here in the district tournament.

Cairns allowed only one base on balls in mastering his cross-town cousins.

Phil Nicholson's second and third round-trippers in his second tournament game put the Americans ahead for good. He swatted a three-run circuit blast in the first frame and a two-run homer in the third. Cairns and Catcher Bobby Kittell homered in succession in the third frame and, after Cairns walked in the fourth, Tom Standley parked one for the distance.

Nik Hanlon started on the mound for the North Torrance nine and was replaced by Bob Huber after three innings.

Home run blasts by Bob Kittell, Tom Standley, Phil Nicholson and Jim Cairns, plus a fiery two-hit pitching performance by Ray Walker gave the American All-Stars a big 9-2 win over the Pacific All-Stars at Dominguez Field Friday evening.

Sport Slate

TODAY

Baseball: Babe Ruth Tourney: Section Finals. Plaza Del Amo Field. Game time 2 p.m.
Harbor League: Torrance Bluebirds vs. Normandie Stars. Torrance Park. Game time 2 p.m.

MONDAY

Baseball: City League: Pittsburgh vs. Aiden. Pottery vs. Rome Cable. Torrance Park. First game 7 p.m.

TUESDAY

Baseball: Service Club: Junior Chamber vs. Optimist Club. Kwanan Club vs. Lions Club. Torrance Park. First game 7:30 p.m.
City League: Duffers vs. Alphas. Grins vs. National Bluebirds. McMasters Park. First game 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Baseball: Service Club: American Legion vs. Walteria B.M.C. Fire Dept. B vs. Rotary Club. Walteria Park. First game 7:30 p.m.
City League: Longren vs. Border's. Torrance Park. Game time 7 p.m.

Take Lead
The Americans went in front in the first frame when Kittell pounded the second pitch offered him over the left-center fence. Standley duplicated Kittell's effort, with one on, moments later in the same inning, his home run ball bouncing off the hood of the same sedan hit by Kittell's.

Walker's only moment of difficulty came in the top of the second as he gave consecutive walks to Richard Hardesty, Bill Brooks, Fred Paul, and Mike Charter. The four walks, coupled with an outfield fly, scored two runs for the Pacific Stars.

Nicholson proceeded to put the Americans way ahead in the third inning with a two-run blast, then Cairn delivered a four-run finishing touch with another round tripper, scoring Jake Mahan, Walker and Kittell, in the bottom of the fourth.

CHALLENGE PLAY OPENS

Ladder challenge matches in all divisions are now under way between members of the Torrance Riviera Tennis Club, located in El Retiro Park. Play will begin in the men's and mixed doubles today, with women's doubles play-off due to start next week. Top seeded women's double teams are Pearl Brooks and Jean Holmes, and Joan Skinner and Maxime Lewis.

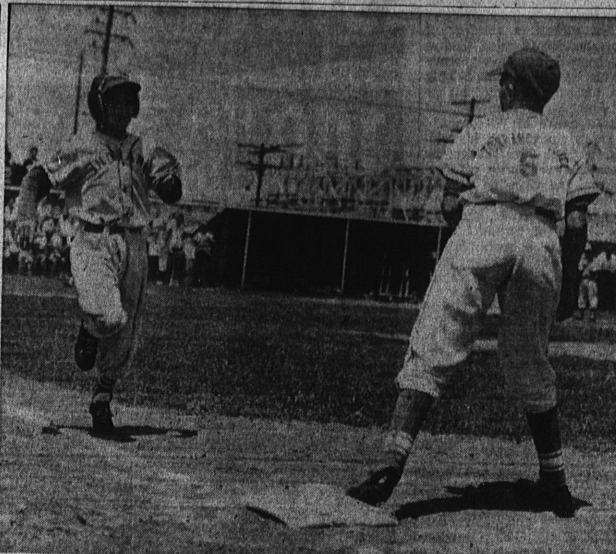
PACIFIC ALL-STARS

Score by innings: 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000
Totals: 9 2

AMERICAN ALL-STARS

Score by innings: 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000
Totals: 21 9

END OF TRAIL... Harry McKay couldn't quite make it as a bareback rider at last year's Torrance Rodeo. He was thrown roughly by this wild steed. McKay will be seen in action here Aug. 11-12 when the 1956 edition of the Torrance Rodeo is scheduled at the Civic Center.



BEARING DOWN... Joe Castorena, North Torrance All-Star outfielder, chugs down the line but is too late in yesterday's Little League Tournament game with cross-town Torrance American nine. John Appleby, Americans' first sacker, has just stepped off the bag after taking infield throw for putout. Phil Nicholson crashed three-run homer in first frame to give Americans early 3-0 lead over the host North Torrance crew.

Random Ramblings

By ROGER ROEDECCKER

Top honor picked off by a local athlete in recent years came when Skip Smith was notified of his selection to the 1956 All-American Prep Football team.

Rumblings had been heard, prior to the official word, that he was under consideration for the honor, mostly on the recommendation of Southland college football coaches.

The selection was made on July 17, right after he distinguished himself in the Optimists' game at El Camino, including a pair of td's, most valuable player honors, and 15 carries for a net of 196 yards.

The all-American prep bid sort of climaxes an outstanding local athletic career for Skip, who specialized in track and football at Torrance High for three years.

In the three grid seasons played for the Tartar variety, he missed only one quarter of action, that being the first quarter of his first game in his sophomore year.

His three varsity football letters were paired up with two track letters, and his most valuable player selection for the 1955 Bay League grid season was matched by a school shot put record, 51'2", and athlete of the year award at Torrance High.

Skip played under two coaches, and two systems, at Torrance. Cliff Graybehl and the single wing for the first two seasons, and Don Porter and a split tee last year.

To date Skip hasn't made up his mind just where he will complete his education. So far the choice has been narrowed down to Southern Cal and UCLA. Whatever the final choice may be, the school selected will be getting as fine an athlete or student ever to come out of the Torrance system.

P.S. I personally am voting for UCLA to get the nod.

Former Angel Stars to Meet Past Seal Greats

Three former great Angel home run hitters, Gene Lillard, Max West and Wally Berger, will play in the seventh annual Angel Old-Timers game next Saturday afternoon at Wrigley Field when former Angels play a team of former San Francisco Seals.

The regular game that day is also between the Angels and the Seals, and the Seals will fly their old-timers team here for the preliminary.

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East Lakewood Little League held a slim, 3-2, margin over Torrance National late yesterday in a district tournament game at Lakewood. The two squads were battling in the fourth inning of the sixth inning game.

Standings

HARBOR LEAGUE
Torrance Bluebirds 6 0 2 0
Normandie Stars 4 2 2 0
San Pedro Merchants 4 2 2 0
Gardens Atzcas 4 2 0 0
Shell Chemical 4 2 0 0
San Pedro Dodgers 1 5 5 0
*Games behind leader.

SERVICE CLUB
Fire Dept. B 8 1 1 0
Optimist Club 3 1 1 0
Lions Club 5 3 3/4 0
American Legion 4 2 4 0
Rotary Club 4 4 4 0
Junior Chamber 1 8 8 0
Kiwanis Club 1 8 8 0
Walteria B.M.C. 0 8 8 0
*Games behind leader.

CITY LEAGUE
Pittsburgh Paints 9 0 1 0
Pottery No. 218 7 2 1/2 1/2
Rome Cable 7 1 1/2 1/2
Longren Aeros 4 1 1 0
Gladding McBean 4 2 2 0
Border's Market 3 2 3/4 0
Alden Equipment 2 2 5 0
National Guard 1 10 10 7 1/2
*Games behind leader.

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Fire Department B 9 0 0 0
Optimist Club 8 1 1 0
American Legion 8 1 1 0
Lions Club 4 2 2 0
Rotary Club 4 4 4 0
Junior Chamber 3 4 4 0
Kiwanis Club 1 8 8 0
Walteria B.M.C. 1 8 8 0
*Games behind leader.

GIRLS SOFTBALL
Trojans 6 0 0 0
National Bluebirds 3 3 3 0
Bruins 3 3 3 0
Elks Club 2 4 4 0
Hot Shots 2 4 4 0
Duffers 3 3 3 0
Not Shots 2 4 4 0
Alpha 2 4 4 0
Stripes 2 4 4 0
*Games behind leader.

BLUE STREAK
Fire Department A 4 2 2 0
National Blues 3 3 3 0
Lutheran Men 3 3 3 0
Torrance Gardens 6 3 3 0
Columbia E.R.A. 5 3 3 0
Christian Men 3 3 3 0
Elks Club 3 3 3 0
Local No. 2 3 3 3 0
*Games behind leader.

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Lady Kegler Sets New Local Bowling Records

Viv Furguivele, captain of the Torrance Bowling Academy's mixed fivesome team scored the highest series a n d games for a woman, Wednesday evening at the local alley. Her record for the first game was 241, the second was 234, while the final game total dropped to 132. The 3 game total was 607, for a 202 average, setting a new high for a woman's series.

Local 1135 Takes Surprise 10-2 Win From Columbia

Local 1135 broke a seven game Blue Streak loss, skin with a 10-2 win over Columbia E.R.A. on Angin Solis' homer and Howard Weber's triple. Jerry Jewell and Steve Resler were the only players to score for Columbia.

Smith Selected To All-American Prep Grid Team

Skip Smith, Torrance High graduate and recent recipient of the Most Valuable Player Award in the first Annual Optimist Football Game, was recently selected to participate in the 1956 All American Prep Football Game, Aug. 15, in Memphis, Tenn.

Smith will be one of three California prepsters to make the trip to Memphis for the all-star event. Over 500 outstanding gridlers from the 48 states were considered before the final selections were made.

This year's game will be the seventh in the series which pits the most promising high school gridlers of the west and south against those of the north and east.

Such stars as Ronnie Knox, UCLA, and Johnny Lattimer, Notre Dame, have performed in the intersectional prep classic.



NEW HONOR... Skip Smith, top Tartar gridder, has been named to West-South team for seventh annual High School All-American game Aug. 15 in Memphis, Tenn. Smith got backfield nod on recommendation of Southern California college coaches. The 6', 190-pounder smashed opposing lines to shreds for the past three years at Tartarville. He carries great speed on his frame and was a shot-putter and hurdler on the Torrance track squad.

North-South Preps Play Wednesday

Narbonne High's Bob Kuba has been named as tentative starting linebacker for the South in Wednesday's fifth annual Shrine North-South football game in the Coliseum.

According to game director, Elmer P. Bromley, advance seat sales are near the 50,000 mark, assuring an attendance that will surpass last summer's total of 47,000.

The contest, played for the benefit of the Los Angeles unit of the Shriners Crippled Children's Hospitals and starting at 9 p.m., will be preceded by a spectacular pageant at 7:30 p.m. Additional pageantry will follow at halftime.

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Trojans Lead In Girls' Softball

Recent action in Girls' Softball play was highlighted by the Alphas' 24-12 blasting of the Stripes, and the Trojans' sixth straight win, over the Duffers by an 8-4 margin.

The Alphas' batting assault was led by Dot Nelson's third inning home run, Lila C. Dray's double, and another twin sacker from Karen son. The Stripes countered with singles by Ann and Nancy Freas, and Penny Phillips.

Trojan batters were led by Carol Brier's triple and single, and Ada Dot Hayes' double and single. The only Duffers tallying safeties were Bev Wilson, Dock Graham, and Janet Huffman.

Earlier in the week, the Bluebirds were dumped by the Esabs in a 19-4 game. Homers by Mildred Dreyer and Judy Clements, two round-trippers, provided most of the scoring punch for the winners.

The Hot Shots continued their win streak with a 26-0 shutout over the Bruins. Every Hot Shot player was on base and scored, with the longest hit, a triple, coming from Rosemary Swartz.

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Reflections
By J. HUGH SHERREY, JR.
WE ARE ADULTS WHEN—
We are adult when we realize we are mortal, obtain a true perspective of ourselves in relation to the cosmos. To recognize the brevity of our existence is to have little patience with arrogance, procrastination or shame.
We are adult when we've acquired the ability to compromise, not ideals but material concepts and things.
We may be a superior cook, why be unhappy if we are not an excellent spell-binding orator.
To acknowledge our ignorance is to wear the mantle of adulthood. We are inclined to sneer at the Mystics; we are realists, or so we think. There are many things that have escaped our minds. Be tolerant, accept the unknown as a place in the mind now occupied with ignorance.
And, lastly, we are adults when we learn that contentment lies in the simple things. What could be more wonderful than a wild flower? Implicit trust and confidence of a friend? A baby's smile? What could be simpler than a sincere "God bless you?"
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